

Inventory Management System - Analysis

4. Analysis

Time Complexity Analysis:

Assuming we use a HashMap (e.g., `HashMap<String, Product>`) to store the inventory with `productId` as the key:

1. Add Product:

- Time Complexity: $O(1)$ on average (due to direct hashing)
- Justification: Inserting into a HashMap requires a hash computation and placing the item in the corresponding bucket.

2. Update Product:

- Time Complexity: $O(1)$ on average
- Justification: Finding a product by key and updating its details is done in constant time in a HashMap.

3. Delete Product:

- Time Complexity: $O(1)$ on average
- Justification: Deleting by key in a HashMap is done in constant time after locating the key.

Optimization Discussion:

- Ensure a well-distributed hash function to minimize collisions and maintain $O(1)$ efficiency.
- Use `LinkedHashMap` if ordering is also needed along with fast access.

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- For range queries (e.g., find all products within a price range), consider using TreeMap or additional data structures like PriorityQueues.
- For very large inventories, caching frequently accessed products and batch processing updates can improve performance.