

Q 3 – Complexity [25 Points]

- b) [15 points] Give the worst case Big-O runtime of code snippets given in part (a) – (e)? Explain your working.

a)

```
def exercise1(N):  
    for i in range(0,N):  
        for j in range(N,i,-1):  
            a = a + i + j  
  
        for j in range(0,N/2):  
            b = b + i + j
```

The parent for loop = N

First inner for loop = $(N+1)/2$

Second inner for loop = $N/2$

$N * [(N+1)/2 + N/2]$

$N^2 + N/2$ (ignore the less significant)

$O(N^2)$

b)

```
def exercise2(N):  
    count = 0  
    i = N  
    while ( i > 0 ):  
        for j in range(0,i):  
            count = count + 1  
        i = i//2
```

Using the Geometric Series formula we can deduce

$N(1/(1-(1/2))) = 2N$

$O(N)$

c)

```
def exercise3(arr):  
    N = len(arr)  
    for i in range(0,N):  
        for j in range(0,N):  
            binarySearch(arr,j)  
        selectionSort(arr)
```

Complexity of Binary Search = $O(\log N)$

Complexity of Selection Sort = $O(N^2)$

Parent for-loop = N

-Inner for loop = N

-Inner Binary Search = $\log N$

-Selection Sort = N^2

$N * (N \log N + N^2)$

$N^3 + (N^2)(\log N)$ -ignore the less significant

$O(N^3)$

d)

```
def exercise4(L):  
    N = len(L)  
    s = []  
  
    for i in range(N**2):  
        s.append(L[i % N])  
  
    return mergeSort(s)
```

For-loop = N^2

Mergesort = $O(N \log N)$

$N^2 + N \log N$ (ignore the insignificant)

$O(N^2)$

e)

```
def exercise5(arr,N):  
    counter = 1  
    while counter < N:  
        binarySearch(arr, counter)  
        counter = counter * 2
```

While loop = $\log N$

Binary Search = $\log N$

$\log N * \log N$

$O(\log N)^2$