

CS325 Winter 2013: Implementation 1

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Asymptotic Analysis

1. In algorithm 1 the problem is not branched into any subproblems. With the nested for loops there is a comparison made between every element in the input, leading to an intuitive asymptotic complexity of $O(n^2)$
2. In algorithm 2 the problem is branched into 2 subproblems for size $n/2$ at each level.
3. In algorithm 3 the problem is branched into 2 subproblems of size $n/2$ at each level. The depth of the problem is $\log_2 n$ and the width is $n^{\log_2 2}$. From the master theorem we know that A/B^D determines the run time complexity. Since this case is $2/2^1 = 1$, we know that the Asymptotic complexity is $O(n \log n)$.