

# Theory Answers & Output

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## Data structures and Algorithms

### Exercise 2: E-commerce Platform Search Function

Big O Notation describes the time complexity of algorithms based on input size. It helps in analyzing performance for large data.

- Best Case: First element match —  $O(1)$
- Average Case: Element in middle —  $O(n/2)$  for linear,  $O(\log n)$  for binary
- Worst Case: Element not found —  $O(n)$  (linear),  $O(\log n)$  (binary)

Linear Search:  $O(n)$ ; simple but slow.

Binary Search:  $O(\log n)$ ; faster, needs sorted data.

Conclusion: Binary search is more suitable for optimized, large-scale e-commerce search if data is sorted.

### OUTPUT

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PS D:\COGNIZANT\6364376_Week-1\EcommerceSearchExample> dotnet run
D:\COGNIZANT\6364376_Week-1\EcommerceSearchExample\Program.cs(20,27):
D:\COGNIZANT\6364376_Week-1\EcommerceSearchExample\Program.cs(23,27):
Linear Search: Shoes
Binary Search: Shoes
PS D:\COGNIZANT\6364376_Week-1\EcommerceSearchExample> 
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