

DSA – Seminar 2 – Complexity (Algorithm Analysis)

1. TRUE or FALSE?

- $n^2 \in O(n^3)$ - True
- $n^3 \in O(n^2)$ – False
- $2^{n+1} \in \Theta(2^n)$ – True
- $2^{2n} \in \Theta(2^n)$ - False
- $n^2 \in \Theta(n^3)$ – False
- $2^n \in O(n!)$ - True
- $\log_{10} n \in \Theta(\log_2 n)$ - True
- $O(n) + \Theta(n^2) = \Theta(n^2)$ - True
- $\Theta(n) + O(n^2) = O(n^2)$ – True
- $O(n) + O(n^2) = O(n^2)$ – True
- $O(f) + O(g) = O(\max\{f, g\})$ – True
- $O(n) + \Theta(n) = O(n)$ – By definition true, but $\Theta(n)$ should be used in such cases
- $(n + m)^2 \in O(n^2 + m^2)$ – True - because $(n+m)^2 < 3*(n^2+m^2)$
- $3^n \in O(2^n)$ – False
- $\log_2 3^n \in O(\log_2 2^n)$ – True

2. Complexity of search and sorting algorithms

Algorithm	Time Complexity				Extra Space Complexity
	Best C.	Worst C.	Average C.	Total	
Linear Search	$\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$O(n)$	$\Theta(1)$
Binary Search	$\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(\log_2 n)$	$\Theta(\log_2 n)$	$O(\log_2 n)$	$\Theta(1)$
Selection Sort	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(1)$ – in place
Insertion Sort	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$\Theta(1)$ – in place
Bubble Sort	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$\Theta(1)$ – in place
Quick Sort	$\Theta(n \log_2 n)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n \log_2 n)$	$O(n^2)$	$\Theta(1)$ – in place
Merge Sort	$\Theta(n \log_2 n)$	$\Theta(n \log_2 n)$	$\Theta(n \log_2 n)$	$\Theta(n \log_2 n)$	$\Theta(n)$ - out of place

3. Analyze the time complexity of the following two subalgorithms:

subalgorithm s1(n) is:

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for i ← 1, n execute
    j ← n
    while j ≠ 0 execute
        j ← ⌊j/2⌋
    end-while
end-for

```

end-subalgorithm

- The *for* loop is repeated n times.
- The *while* loop is repeated $\log_2 n$ times. (how many times can we divide n to get to 0)
- $T(n) \in \Theta(n * \log_2 n)$

subalgorithm s2(n) is:

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  for i ← 1, n execute
    j ← i
    while j ≠ 0 execute
      j ← ⌊ $\frac{j}{2}$ ⌋
    end-while
  end-for
```

end-subalgorithm

- The *for* loop is repeated n times.
- The *while* loop is repeated $\log_2 i$ times.
- $T(n) = \log_2 1 + \log_2 2 + \log_2 3 + \dots + \log_2 n = \log_2 n! \Rightarrow n \log_2 n$ (Stirling's approximation)
- $T(n) \in \Theta(n * \log_2 n)$

4. Analyze the time complexity of the following two subalgorithms:

subalgorithm s3(x, n, a) is:

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  found ← false
  for i ← 1, n execute
    if  $x_i = a$  then
      found ← true
    end-if
  end-for
```

end-subalgorithm

$BC: \theta(n)$
 $WC: \theta(n)$ $\Rightarrow \Theta(n)$

subalgorithm s4(x, n, a) is:

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  found ← false
  while found = false and  $i \leq n$  execute
    if  $x_i = a$  then
      found ← true
    end-if
    i ← i + 1
  end-while
```

end-subalgorithm

BC: $\Theta(1)$
WC: $\Theta(n)$

AC: there are $n+1$ possible cases (element is found on one of the n positions and the case when element is not found. We suppose that all of these cases have equal probability – even if this might not always be the case in real life).

$$T(n) = \sum_{I \in D} P(I) * E(I) = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{2}{n+1} + \dots + \frac{n}{n+1} + \frac{n}{n+1} = \frac{n * (n+1)}{2 * (n+1)} + \frac{n}{n+1} \in \Theta(n)$$

Total Complexity: $O(n)$

5. Analyze the time complexity of the following algorithm (x is an array, with elements $x_i \leq n$):

Subalgorithm s5(x , n) is:

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    k ← 0
    for i ← 1, n execute
        for j ← 1,  $x_i$  execute
            k ← k +  $x_j$ 
        end-for
    end-for
end-subalgorithm

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- a. if every $x_i > 0$
- b. if all x_i have value 0
- c. if x_i can be 0

Does the complexity change if we allow values of 0 in the array?

a. Solution:

$$T(x, n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{x_i} 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = s \text{ (sum of all elements)}$$

$$T(n) \in \Theta(s)$$

c. if x_i can be 0

Think about an array x defined in the following way:

$$\text{Let } x_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i \text{ is a perfect square} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

In this case: $s = \sqrt{n}$

$$T(x, n) \in \Theta(\max\{n, s\}) = \Theta(n + s)$$

6. Consider the following problems and find an algorithm (having the required time complexity) to solve them :
- a. Given an arbitrary array with numbers $x_1 \dots x_n$, determine whether there are 2 equal elements in the array. Show that this can be done with $\Theta(n \log_2 n)$ time complexity.
 - i. Solution: MergeSort + a linear search for two consecutive equal values
 - b. Given an arbitrary array with numbers $x_1 \dots x_n$, determine whether there are two numbers whose sum is k (for some given k). Show that this can be done with $\Theta(n \log_2 n)$ time complexity. What happens if k is even and $k/2$ is in the array (once or multiple times)?
 - i. Solution: MergeSort + for each element x_i a binary search for the value $k - x_i$
 - c. Given an ordered array $x_1 \dots x_n$, in which the elements are distinct integers, determine whether there is a position such that $A[i] = i$. Show that this can be done with $O(\log_2 n)$ complexity.
 - i. Solution: A variant of binary search

7. Analyze the time complexity of the following algorithm:

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subalgorithm s6(n) is:
  for i ← 1, n execute
    @elementary operation
  end-for
  i ← 1
  k ← true
  while i ≤ n - 1 and k execute
    j ← i
    k1 ← true
    while j ≤ n and k1 execute
      @ elementary operation (k1 can be modified)
      j ← j + 1
    end-while
    i ← i + 1
    @elementary operation (k can be modified)
  end-while
end-subalgorithm

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Best Case: k, k₁ can become false after one iteration => Θ (n) (because of the *for* loop at the beginning)

Worst Case: k, k₁ never becomes false

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i}^n 1 = n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} n - i + 1 = n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} n - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 1 = \\
 &= n + n * (n - 1) - \frac{n * (n - 1)}{2} + n - 1 \in \Theta(n^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Average case:

Do it in two steps. First consider the inner for loop (and fix the i from the outer for loop):

- for a fixed i, k₁ can become false after 1, 2, ..., n-i+1 iterations.

Probability: $\frac{1}{n-i+1}$

$$\frac{1}{n-i+1} + \frac{2}{n-i+1} + \dots + \frac{n-i+1}{n-i+1} = \frac{(n-i+1) * (n-i+2)}{2(n-i+1)} = \frac{(n-i+2)}{2}$$

For the external *while* loop, k can become false after 1, 2, ..., n-1 iterations.

We have P(i) * E(i) – in formula, where E(i) is the average number of repetitions for the inner loop (computed above) times how many times we repeat the outer for loop (the instructions which are not part of the inner for loop).

outer while

cases
com stop after 1 iteration

2
3
...
n-1

n-1 cases, all eq. prob.
 $p = \frac{1}{n-1}$

values
i : 1
i : 1, 2
i : 1, 2, 3
...
i : 1, 2, ..., n-1
 $T_{in}(n, 1) * (n-1)$
 \downarrow
 $T_{in}(n, 2) * (n-2)$
...

...

$$T(n) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} T_{in}(n, k) * (n-k) = \dots \in \Theta(n^2)$$

Total complexity: $O(n^2)$

8. Analyze the time complexity of the following algorithm:

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subalgorithm p(x, s, d) is:
  if s < d then
    m ← [(s+d)/2]
    for i ← s, d-1, execute
      @elementary operation
    end-for
    for i ← 1, 2 execute
      p(x, s, m)
    end-for
  end-if
end-subalgorithm

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Initial call for the subalgorithm: $p(x, 1, n)$

- In case of recursive algorithms, the first step of the complexity computation is to write the recurrence relation.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 2 * T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n, & \text{if } n > 1 \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \\
n &= 2^k \\
T(2^k) &= 2 * T(2^{k-1}) + 2^k \\
2 * T(2^{k-1}) &= 2^2 * T(2^{k-2}) + 2^k \\
2^2 * T(2^{k-2}) &= 2^3 * T(2^{k-3}) + 2^k \\
&\vdots \\
2^{k-1} * T(2) &= 2^k * T(1) + 2^k
\end{aligned}$$

$$T(2^k) = 2^k * T(1) + k * 2^k = n + n * \log_2 n \rightarrow T(n) \in \Theta(n \log_2 n)$$

9. Analyze the time complexity of the following algorithm:

Subalgorithm s7(n) is:

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s ← 0
for i ← 1, n2 execute
    j ← i
    while j ≠ 0 execute
        s ← s + j
        j ← j - 1
    end-while
end-for
end-subalgorithm

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$$T(n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n^2} \sum_{j=1}^i 1 = \sum_{i=1}^{n^2} i = \frac{n^2 * (n^2 + 1)}{2} \in \Theta(n^4)$$

10. Analyze the time complexity of the following algorithm:

Subalgorithm s8(n) is:

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s ← 0
for i ← 1, n2 execute
    j ← i
    while j ≠ 0 execute
        s ← s + j - 10 * [j/10]
        j ← [j/10]
    end-while
end-for
end-subalgorithm

```

- The *while* loop is repeated $\log_{10} i$ times (but we report complexities in base 2)
- So we will have: $\log_2 1 + \log_2 2 + \log_2 3 + \dots + \log_2 n^2 = \log_2 (n^2)!$
- Stirling's approximation tells us that: $\log_2 x! = x * \log_2 x$
- $\log_2 (n^2)! = n^2 * \log_2 n^2 = 2 * n^2 * \log_2 n$ – constants are ignored

- $T(n) \in \Theta(n^2 \log_2 n)$