Question 1

- The function subset() takes two linked lists of integers and determines whether the first is a subset of the second.
- Give the worst-case running time of subset as a function of the lengths of the two lists.
- When will this worst case happen?

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typedef struct _listnode{
  int item;
  struct _listnode *next;
} ListNode;

//Check whether integer X is an element of linked list Q
int element (int X, ListNode* Q)
{
  int found;  //Flag whether X has been found
  found = 0;
  while ( Q != NULL && !found) {
     found = Q->item == X;
     Q = Q->next;
  }
  return found;
}

// Check whether L is a subset of M
int subset (ListNode* L, ListNode* M)
{
  int success; // Flag whether L is a subset so far
  success = 1;
  while ( L != NULL && success) {
      success = element(L->item, M);
      L = L->next;
  }
  return success;
}
```

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L

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C1

C2

When the size of M is large, C1 is negligible.

Worst case scenario: the first |L|-1 elements of L are from the last |L|-1 elements of M, and (the last element of L is not in M, or is the last element of M).

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The running time:

$$= |\boldsymbol{M}| + (|\boldsymbol{M}| - \mathbf{1}) + \cdots + (|\boldsymbol{M}| - (|\boldsymbol{L}| - \mathbf{1}))$$
$$= |\mathbf{L}||\boldsymbol{M}| - (\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{2} + \cdots + (|\boldsymbol{L}| - \mathbf{1}))$$
$$= |\boldsymbol{L}||\boldsymbol{M}| - \frac{(|\boldsymbol{L}|)(|\boldsymbol{L}| - \mathbf{1})}{\mathbf{2}}$$
$$= \Theta|\boldsymbol{L}||\boldsymbol{M}|$$

$$1 + 2 + \cdots + n = \frac{(1+n)n}{2}$$

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Question 2

- Find the number of printf used in the following functions. Write down its time complexity in Θ notation in terms of *N*.

```
void Q2a (int N)
{
    int j, k;
    for (j=1; j<=N;j*=3)
        for(k=1;k<=N; k*=2)
            printf("SC1007\n");
}
```

```
 void Q2b (int N)
{
    int i;
    if(N>0)
    {
        for(i=0;i<N;i++)
            printf("SC1007\n");
        Q2b(N-1);
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    }
}
```

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- For the inner loop:
  $2^{K-1} \le N \le 2^K$
  $(K-1) \le log_2 N \le \mathrm{K}$
  $K \le log_2 N + 1 \le K + 1$
  $K = \lfloor log_2 N \rfloor + 1$
- For the outer loop:
  $3^{J-1} \le N \le 3^J$
  $(J-1) \le log_3 N \le \mathrm{J}$
  $J \le log_3 N + 1 \le J + 1$
  $J = \lfloor log_3 N \rfloor + 1$
- The number of printf is $JK = (\lfloor log_3 N \rfloor + 1)(\lfloor log_2 N \rfloor + 1)$
- The time complexity is $\Theta\left(\left(log_2 N\right)^2\right)$ $(as\ N \to infinity)$

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}
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- $W_1 = 1$
- $W_N = N + W_{N-1} + W_{N-1}$
  $= N + 2W_{N-1}$
  $= N + 2(N - 1 + 2W_{N-2})$
  $= N + 2(N-1) + 2^2 W_{N-2}$
  $= \mathrm{N} + 2(\mathrm{N}-1) + 2^2(N-2) + \cdots + 2^{N-1}(1) = \sum_{t=0}^{N-1} 2^t (N-t)$
- The time complexity is $\Theta(2^N)$

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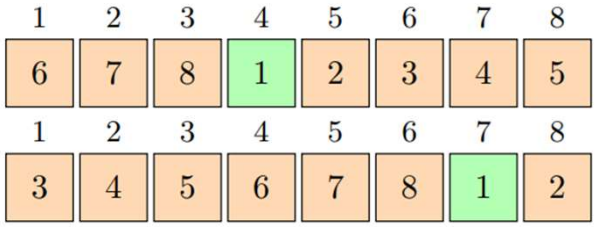
Question 3

- A sequence, $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$, is said to be cyclically sorted if the smallest number in the sequence is $x_i \; for \; some \; i$, and the sequence, $x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{i-1}$ is sorted in increasing order. Design an algorithm to find the minimal element in the sequence in $O(logn)$ time. What is the worst-case scenario?



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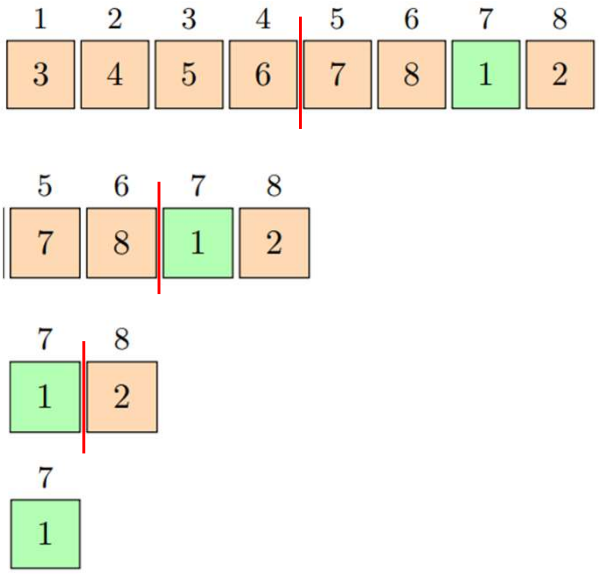

middle = 6, middle > last, i.e., 2.
The minimum is in the second half

middle = 8, middle > last, i.e., 2
The minimum is in the second half

middle = 1, middle<last, i.e., 2
The minimum is in the first half

Only one element

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- The number of comparisons
  - W1 = 1
  - W2 = 2
  - W4 = 3
  - W8 = 4
  - ….
- Time complexity
  - $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + c$
- Worst Case scenario
  - We need to cut the array until only one element is left.
  - No differences among scenarios.

```c
#include <stdio.h>


int findminimum(int array[], int m, int n)
{
    printf("the m value is %d\n", m);
    printf("the n value is %d\n", n);
    int middle;
    if (m == n)
        return array[m];
    else{
        middle = (n+m)/2;
        printf("the middle value is %d\n", array[middle]);
        if (array[middle]<array[n]) //in the first half
            return findminimum(array, m, middle);
        else return findminimum(array, middle+1, n); //in the second half

    }
}

int main()
{
  int array[] = {3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 1, 2};
  int minimum = 0;
  minimum = findminimum(array, 0, 7);
  printf("the minimum value is %d", minimum);
}
```

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