

Lab 6: Running time Analysis

I. Requirements: Please ANALYZE the worst-case running time of the following methods, WRITE down your analysis in

DETAIL, and denote their time complexity in Big-O.

Hint: You need to define n first, before showing whether the method is $O(n)$, $O(\log n)$, $O(n^2)$, etc.

1) (25 pts) The add method in IntArrayBag:

```
(1) public void add(int element)
(2) {
(3)     if (manyItems == data.length)
(4)     {
(5)         int biggerArray[ ];
(6)         biggerArray = new int[manyItems*2 + 1];
(7)         for(int i=0; i < manyItems; i++){
(8)             biggerArray [i] = data[i];
(9)         }
(10)        data = biggerArray;
(11)    }
(12)    data[manyItems] = element;
(13)    manyItems++;
(14)}
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Solution:

(1pts) Let $n = \text{manyItems}$. We measure the complexity of this function as a function of n

(2pts) Line (3): if condition, it needs 2 operations (data.length and compare manyItems with data.length).

(2pts) Line (5): 1 operation

(2pts) Line (6): $2n+1$ operations for allocating $(2n+1)$ space.

(9pts) Line (7)-(9): In worst case, this loop iterates n times. Each iteration, there are 3 operations: update i , compare i with manyItems, check biggerArray[i] equals to data[i] => total $3n$.

(2pts) Line (10): 1 operation

(2pts) Line (12): 1 operation

(2pts) Line (13): 1 operation

(3pts) The total number of operations: $2+1+2n+1+3n+3 = 5n+4$. In Big-O, its time complexity is $O(n)$

-1pts: if not declare n

-2pts: do not show the correct operations for line (6)

-9pts: do not show the detailed analysis for the loop (-3 if the total is incorrect).

-12.5pts: do not show the detailed analysis

(2) (25 pts) A method to count the number of occurrences of a particular element target. This method

is implemented in the IntArrayBag class that we discussed in class.

(1) public int countOccurrences(int target)

(2){

(3) int answer = 0 ;

(4) int index;

(5) answer = 0;

(6) for (index = 0; index < manyItems; index++)

(7) if (target == data[index])

(8) answer++;

(9) return answer;

(10)}

Solution:

(1pts) Let $n = \text{manyItems}$.

(9pts/3pts each) Line (3)-(5): 3 operations

(9pts) Line (6)-(8): For loop, in the worst case, it iterates n times. In each iteration it needs approximately 4 operations: update i , compare i with manyItems , check $\text{data}[\text{index}]$ equals target, increase answer. Worst case: $4n$

(3pts) Line (9): 1 operation.

(3pts) Total: $4n+4$ operations. In Big-O, its time complexity is $O(n)$.

-1pts: if not declare n

-9pts: do not show the detailed analysis for the loop (-3 if the total is incorrect).

-2pts: do not show the correct Big-O.

-12.5pts: do not show the detailed analysis

Q3

```
1. public static IntNode listPosition(IntNode head, int position) {
2. IntNode cursor;
3. int i;
4. if (position <= 0)
5. throw new IllegalArgumentException("position is not positive");
6. cursor = head;
7. for (i = 1; (i < position) && (cursor != null); i++)
8.     cursor = cursor.link;
9. return cursor;
10. }
```

Here, n is the number of nodes in the the list.

1. line 1 is only declaration
2. line 2 is only declaration
3. line 3 is only declaration
4. line 4 has one operation
5. line 5 has one operation
6. line 6 has one operation
7. in the for loop, $i=1$ will be initialize only once. in worst case, $i < \text{position}$, $\text{cursor} \neq \text{null}$ and $i++$ will run n times. So time complexity will be $3n+1$
8. line 8 is only one operation.
9. it is only one operation

Worst case time complexity= $O(n)$

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5 pts if define the n properly

10 pts if define the operation cost properly line by line

10 pts if find the total worst time complexity correctly

(4) (25 pts) A method to compute the number of nodes in a linked list starting from the given head.

This method is implemented in the IntNode class that we discussed in class.

```
1 public static int listLength(IntNode head)
2 {
3     IntNode cursor = null;
4     int answer = 0;
5     for (cursor = head; cursor != null; cursor = cursor.link)
6         answer++;
7     return answer;
8 }
```

Solution:

(1 pts) Let n is the size of the linked list

(4 pts) Line 3 and 4 are both assignment operations, they take 2 operations.

(15 pts) Line 5-6, this is a loop through all elements of the linked list, hence it takes n times to iterate through the linked list. In line 5, initialization takes 1 operation (2 pts), comparison and increasing cursor take n operations each (6 pts). In line 6, answer increasing by 1, this takes n operations (7 pts). Therefore, these two lines take $3n+1$ operations.

(3 pts) Line 7, returning the value of answer variable takes 1 operation.

(2 pts) Conclusion, the whole function takes $2 + (3n + 1) + 1 = 3n + 4$ operations, its time complexity is $O(n)$.