

**Q1** Give an algorithm (pseudo code, with explanation) to compute  $2^{2^n}$  in linear time, assuming multiplication of arbitrary size integers takes unit time. What is the bit-complexity if multiplications do not take unit time, but are a function of the bit-length.

**Solution:**

Algorithm to compute  $2^{2^n}$  in (close) to constant time. But yet still  $O(1)$  is a subset of  $O(n)$ , therefore it falls under linear time.

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mult(n):  
    a = 1 shifted to the left n bits  
    return 1 shifted to the left a bits
```

The bit complexity if multiplication does not take unit time would be  $2^{2^n}$ , or  $4^n$ . As this multiplication is carried out for  $n$ , the number of bits required to represent  $2^{2^n}$  will be  $2^{2^n}$ .

**Q2** Consider the problem of computing  $N! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdots N$

(a) If  $N$  is an  $n$ -bit number, how many bits long is  $N!$  in  $O()$  notation (give the tightest bound)?

**Solution:**

Since  $N$  is an  $n$ -bit number. We assume that  $N \times N$  will be  $\Theta(n^2)$  time complexity. However, since it is a factorial, the value multiplied will begin to get smaller. Since there is a decrease in the value of  $N$  being multiplied, then the total running time for  $N!$  will be  $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$

(b) Give an algorithm to compute  $N!$  and analyze its running time.

**Solution:**

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nfactorial(n):  
    int result = 0;  
    for (int i = 2; i < n; i++){  
        result *= i;  
    }  
    return result;
```

The for loop will run  $N$  times, multiplication  $N \times N$  would be  $n^2$  runtime, but since our multiplication is by an increasing value of  $N$ , the first numbers leading up to  $N$  are negligible until reaching closer to  $N$ . Instead of the multiplication being  $\Theta(n^2)$ , it can be considered as  $\theta(n \log n)$ , We multiply  $N$  times, giving a total time complexity of  $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$ .

**Q3** Find the GCD of 1492 and 1776, using

- (a) the prime factorization method and using Euclid's method, and

**Prime factorization method**

$$1492 = 2 \times 2 \times 373$$

$$1776 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 37$$

Common factors between them are  $2 \times 2$ . Therefore, their  $\text{gcd} = 4$ .

**Euclid's method**

$$\text{gcd}(1776, 1492)$$

$$1776 = 1 \times 1492 + 284$$

$$1492 = 5 \times 284 + 72$$

$$284 = 3 \times 72 + 68$$

$$72 = 1 \times 68 + 4$$

$$68 = 17 \times 4 + 0$$

$$\text{gcd}(1776, 1492) = 4$$

- (b) express the GCD as an integer linear combination of the two inputs.

**Solution:** solve  $1776x + 1492y = 4$  for  $x, y$

$$\begin{aligned} 4 &= 72 - 68 \\ &= 72 - (284 - 3 \cdot 72) \\ &= 1492 - 5 \cdot 284 - (1776 - 1492 - 3 \cdot (1492 - 5 \cdot 284)) \\ &= 1492 - 5 \cdot 284 - 1776 + 1492 + 3 \cdot (1492 - 5 \cdot 284) \\ \text{Solve } 5 \cdot 284 &= 5(1776 - 1492) \\ \text{plug in} & \\ &= 1492 - 5(1776 - 1492) - 1776 + 1492 + 3(1492 - 5(1776 - 1492)) \\ &= 1492 - 5(1776) + 5(1492) - 1776 + 1492 + 3(1492) - 15(1776) + 15(1492) \\ \text{combine like terms} & \\ &= 25(1492) - 21(1776) \\ x &= 25 \quad y = -21 \end{aligned}$$

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