

CSCE 221 Cover Page
Homework #1
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People	Sara Wild	Julia Hann(PT)	
Web pages (provide URL)	https://www.symbolab.com/	https://plot.ly/	
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Type the solutions to the homework problems listed below using preferably $\text{L}_\text{Y}\text{X}/\text{L}_\text{A}\text{T}_\text{E}\text{X}$ word processors, see the class webpage for more information about their installation and tutorial.

- (5 points) Write a C++ function for the Binary Search algorithm based on the second sets of the lecture sides, slide 46

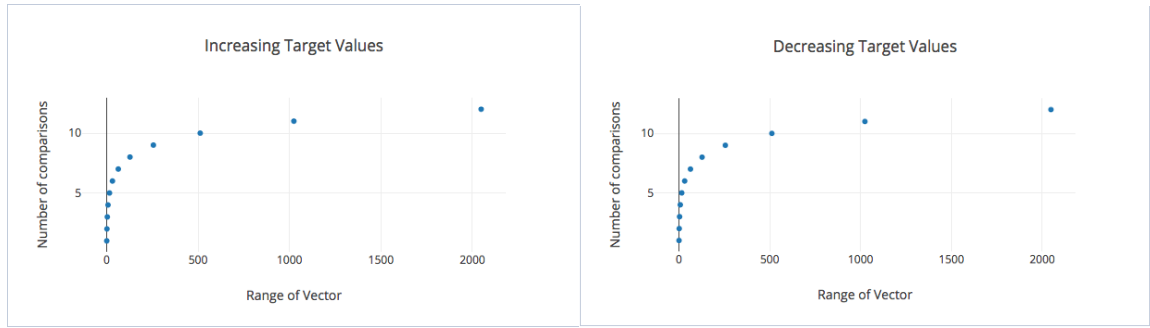
```
int Binary_Search(vector<int> &v, int x) {
    int mid, low = 0;
    int high = (int) v.size()-1;
    while (low < high) {
        mid = (low+high)/2;
        if (num_comp++, v[mid] < x) low = mid+1;
        else high = mid;
    }
    if (num_comp++, x==v[low]) return low; //found
    throw Unsuccessful_Search(); //not found
}
```

to search a target element in a sorted, ascending or descending, order vector. Your function should also keep track of the number of comparisons used to find the target.

- (5 points) To ensure the correctness of the algorithm the input data should be sorted in ascending or descending order. An exception should be thrown when an input vector is unsorted.
- (10 points) Test your program using vectors populated with:
 - consecutive increasing integers in the ranges from 1 to powers of 2, that is, to these numbers: 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024, 2048.
Select the target as the last integer in the vector.
 - consecutive decreasing integers in the ranges from powers of 2 to 1, that is, to these numbers: 2048, 1024, 512, 256, 128, 64, 32, 16, 8, 4, 2, 1.
Select the target as the last integer in the vector.
- (10 points) Tabulate the number of comparisons to find the target in each range.

Range $[1, n]$	Target for incr. values	# comp. for incr. values	Target for decr. values	# comp. for decr. values	Result of the formula in item 5 (e)
[1,1]	1	1	1	1	1
[1,2]	2	2	1	2	2
[1,4]	4	3	1	3	3
[1,8]	8	4	1	4	4
[1,16]	16	5	1	5	5
[1,32]	32	6	1	6	6
[1,62]	62	7	1	7	7
[1,125]	125	8	1	8	8
[1,256]	256	9	1	9	9
[1,512]	512	10	1	10	10
[1,1024]	512	11	1	11	11
[1,2048]	2048	12	1	12	12

- (5 points) Plot the number of comparisons to find a target where the vector size $n = 2^k$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, 11$ in each increasing/decreasing case. You can use any graphical package (including a spreadsheet). Include graphs for each case.



- (e) (5 points) Provide a mathematical formula/function which takes n as an argument, where n is the vector size and returns as its value the number of comparisons. Does your formula match the computed output for a given input? Justify your answer.

- i. A formula which take n the size of a vector array and returns the number of comparisons is $k = \log_2 n + 1$. This formula matches the computed output, and is valid in that the sorted vector of size $n = 2^k$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, 11$ shows that that the target value's index value + 1 is the number of comparisons when given the range of $[1, n]$ variables with $n = 2^k$.

- (f) (5 points) How can you modify your formula/function if the largest number in a vector is not an exact power of two? Test your program using input in ranges from 1 to $2^k - 1$, $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 11$. To modify the formula take the floor of $\log_2 n$. So the formula for values of $2^k - 1$ is $k = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1$.

Range $[1, n]$	Target for incr. values	# comp. for incr. values	Target for decr. values	# comp. for decr. values	Result of the formula in item 5 (e)
[1,1]	1	1	1	1	1
[1,3]	3	2	1	2	2
[1,7]	7	3	1	3	3
[1,15]	15	4	1	4	4
[1,31]	31	5	1	5	5
[1,63]	63	6	1	6	6
[1,127]	127	7	1	7	7
[1,255]	255	8	1	8	8
[1,511]	511	9	1	9	9
[1,1023]	1023	10	1	10	10
[1,2047]	2047	11	1	11	11

- (g) (5 points) Use Big-O asymptotic notation to classify this algorithm and justify your answer.

- i. The Big-O of the binary search algorithm is $O(\log_2 n)$, because the max number of comparisons needed to find the element at the last index of the given vector is $\log_2 + 1$.

2. (10 points) (**R-4.7 p. 185**) The number of operations executed by algorithms A and B is $8n \log n$ and $2n^2$, respectively. Determine n_0 such that A is better than B for $n \geq n_0$.

A: $8n \log_2 n$

B: $2n^2$

$$8n \log_2 n = 2n^2$$

$$4 \log_2 n = n$$

$$4 = \frac{n}{\log_2 n}$$

$$n_0 = 16$$

So when $n_0 = 16$ then A is better than B for $n \geq 16$.

3. (10 points) (**R-4.21 p. 186**) Bill has an algorithm, `find2D`, to find an element x in an $n \times n$ array A. The algorithm `find2D` iterates over the rows of A, and calls the algorithm `arrayFind`, of code fragment 4.5, on each row, until x is found or it has searched all rows of A. What is the worst-case running time of `find2D` in terms of n ? What is the worst-case running time of `find2D` in terms of N , where N is the total size of A? Would it be correct to say that `find2D` is a linear-time algorithm? Why or why not?

`arrayFind` has a worst-case scenario of $O(n)$

`find2D` calls `arrayFind` n times which loops through n times

`find2D` has worst-case scenario in terms of n of $O(n^2)$

Total size of A: $N = n^2$

`find2D` has worst-case scenario in terms of N of $O(N)$

This means that `find2D` is a linear-time algorithm in terms of N the size of array.

4. (10 points) (**R-4.39 p. 188**) Al and Bob are arguing about their algorithms. Al claims his $O(n \log n)$ -time method is always faster than Bob's $O(n^2)$ -time method. To settle the issue, they perform a set of experiments. To Al's dismay, they find that if $n < 100$, the $O(n^2)$ -time algorithm runs faster, and only when $n \geq 100$ then the $O(n \log n)$ -time one is better. Explain how this is possible.
- (a) It is possible for a $O(n^2)$ -time algorithm to runs faster then a $O(n \log n)$ -time for smaller input values because Big-O is an asymptotic notation, meaning that when looking for the worst case scenario it is assumed that there is a significantly large amount of input, therefore once the input is greater than or equal to 100 then the $O(n^2)$ -time algorithm runs too slowly.
5. (20 points) Find the running time functions for the algorithms below and write their classification using Big-O asymptotic notation. The running time function should provide a formula on the number of operations performed on the variable s .

Algorithm Ex1(A) :

Input: An array A storing $n \geq 1$ integers.

Output: The sum of the elements in A.

$s \leftarrow A[0]$ 1 ASSIGNMENT

for $i \leftarrow 1$ to $n-1$ **do** $n-1$ COMPARISONS

$s \leftarrow s + A[i]$ 2 OPERATORS

return s

Formula: $f(n) = 2n + 1$

Big-O: $O(n)$

Algorithm Ex2 (A) :

Input: An array A storing $n \geq 1$ integers.

Output: The sum of the elements at even positions in A.

```
s ← A[0] 1 ASSIGNMENT
for i ← 2 to n-1 by increments of 2 do (n-1)/2 COMPARISONS
    s ← s + A[i] 2 OPERATORS
return s
Formula:  $f(n) = n$ 
Big-O:  $O(n)$ 
```

Algorithm Ex3 (A) :

Input: An array A storing $n \geq 1$ integers.

Output: The sum of the partial sums in A.

```
s ← 0 1 ASSIGNMENT
for i ← 0 to n-1 do n COMPARISONS
    s ← s + A[i] 2 OPERATORS
    for j ← 1 to i do n COMPARISONS
        s ← s + A[j] 2 OPERATORS
return s
Formula:  $f(n) = 4n^2 + 1$ 
Big-O:  $O(n^2)$ 
```

Algorithm Ex4 (A) :

Input: An array A storing $n \geq 1$ integers.

Output: The sum of the partial sums in A.

```
t ← 0
s ← 0 1 ASSIGNMENT
for i ← 1 to n-1 do n-1 COMPARISONS
    s ← s + A[i] 2 OPERATORS
    t ← t + s 1 OPERATORS
return t
Formula:  $f(n) = 3n + 2$ 
Big-O:  $O(n)$ 
```

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