

1 Introduction to Algorithms

An algorithm is a sequence of unambiguous instructions for solving a problem i.e. for obtaining a required output for any legitimate(valid) input in finite time.

1.1 Performance/Analysis of Algorithms

It refers to the memory and time representation of the program.

Methods of Analysis:

- Analytical
- Experimental

Any algorithm is analysed on the following criteria:

- Space Complexity
- Time Complexity

1.1.1 Space Complexity

It is the amount of memory required for a program to completion. It has 3 categories:

- Instruction Space (Compiled Program)
- Data Space (Space needed by var/const)
- Environment Stack Space (Recursive calls)

Denoted by: $C + S_p$

Sample Questions

1. Sum of array without recursion

```
int sum(int a[],int n)      1
{                             2
    int sum = 0;             3
    for(int i = 0;i < n;i++) 4
        sum = sum + a[i];    5
    return sum;              6
}                             7
```

Space Complexity: $6x$ bytes^a

Reason: Line 1 occupies x bytes for pointer a and x bytes for integer n . Line 3 occupies x bytes for sum and x bytes for allocating 0. Line 4 will occupy x bytes for allocating integer i . In Line 6 space will reserved for returning data.

^awhere x is bytes occupied by int

2. Sum of array with recursion

```
int sum(int a[],int n)      1
{                             2
    if(n > 0)                 3
        return sum(a,n-1) + a[n-1]; 4
    return 0;                 5
}                             6
```

Space Complexity: $3x \times (n + 1)$ bytes^a

Reason: Line 1 occupies x bytes for pointer a and x bytes for integer n . Line 4 will execute n times and each time space is reserved for pointer a and $n - 1$ thus giving $3x \times n$. During the last case of $n = 0$, Line 5 will be executed returning 0 thus occupying x bytes.

^awhere x is bytes occupied by int and n is the size of array

3. Linear Search using Recursion

<pre> int search(int a[],int n,int n) { if(n < 1) return -1; if(a[n-1] == x) return x-1; search(a,n-1,x); } </pre>	1 2 3 4 5 6
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Space Complexity: $8x \times (n + 1)$ bytes^a

Reason: Line 5 occupies 8 bytes for everytime it's executed and similar to previous question we get $n + 1$ total executions.

^awhere x is bytes occupied by int and n is the size of array

1.1.2 Time Complexity

There are 2 approaches to estimate time:

- Operation Counter
- Step Counter

Sample Questions

1. Finding max element position

<pre> int maxpos(int a[],int n) { int pos = 0; for(int i = 0;i < n;i++) if(a[pos] > a[i]) pos = i; return pos; } </pre>	1 2 3 4
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Time Complexity: $n - 1$

Reason: Line 4 is executed $n - 1$ times.

2. Polynomial Evaluation

<pre> int polyeval(int coeff[],int n,int x) { int y = 1, value = coeff[0]; for(int i = 1;i <= n;i++) { y = y * x; </pre>	1 2 3 4
---	------------------

```

        value += y * coeff[i];
    }
    return value;
}

```

Time Complexity: $2n$ Multiplication & n Addition

Reason: Line 4 & 5 shows multiplication is done $2n$ times and addition operation is done n times.

3. Polynomial Evaluation using Horner's Algorithm

```

int horner(int coeff[],int n,int x) {
    int value = coeff[n];
    for(int i = 1;i <= n;i++)
        value = value * x + coeff[n-i];
    return value;
}

```

Time Complexity: n Multiplication & n Addition

Reason: Let's assume a polynomial $3x^2 + 3x + 1$. By previous method we were simply substituting x into the equation. In case of Horner's Algorithm we simplified the expression i.e. $3x^2 + 3x + 1 = x \underbrace{(3x + 3)}_{\text{evaluated first}} + 1$.

4. Rank Sorting

```

void rank(int a[],int n,int r[]) {
    for(int i=0;i < n;i++) r[i] = 0;
    for(int i=1;i < n;i++)
        for(int j = 0;j < i;j++)
            if(a[j] <= a[i])
                r[i]++;
            else
                r[j]++;
}

void rearrange(int a[],int n,int r[]) {
    int *n = new int[n];
}

```

```

    for(int i = 0; i < n; i++) u[r[i]] = a[i];      13
    for(int i = 0; i < n; i++) a[i] = u[i];        14
    delete u[];                                    15
}                                                    16

```

Time Complexity: $\frac{n(n-1)}{2} + 2n$

Reason: As in Line 3 iterable i goes from 1 to $n - 1$ the iterable j in Line 4 goes from 0 to $i - 1$ for every value of i i.e. if $i = 1$ then $j : 0 \rightarrow 0$, if $i = 2$ then $j : 0 \rightarrow 1$... if $i = n - 1$ then $j : 0 \rightarrow n - 2$ which can be simplified as sum of number of iterations of j :

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} i = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

And from Line 13 & 14 we get the $2n$ operations.

5. Selection Sort

```

void SelectionSort(int a[], int n) {                1
    for(int size = n; size > 1; size--) {           2
        int j = max(a, size);                       3
        std::swap(a[j], a[size-1]);                 4
    }                                                 5
}                                                    6

int max(int a[], int n) {                           7
    int pos = 0;                                     8
    for(int i = 1; i < n; i++)                       9
        if(a[pos] < a[i])                          10
            pos = i;                                11
    return pos;                                       12
}                                                    13
}                                                    14

```

Time Complexity: $\frac{n(n-1)}{2} + 3(n-1)$

Reason: The $3(n-1)$ factor comes from swapping $n-1$ times while the former follows same pattern as precious Q.4.

6. Transpose with Step-Counter method

<code>void transpose(int **n, int r) {</code>	1
<code> for(int i = 0; i < r; i++)</code>	2
<code> for(int j = i+1; j < r; j++)</code>	3
<code> std::swap(a[i][j], a[j][i]);</code>	4
<code>}</code>	5

Time Complexity: $\frac{(r-1)r}{2} + \frac{r(r+1)}{2} + (r+1)$

Reason: Let's count the steps, time taken, total execution time with a table.

Line	t	ν	$\nu \times t$
1	0	0	0
2	0	0	0
3	1	$r+1$	$r+1$
4	1	$\frac{r(r+1)}{2}$	$\frac{r(r+1)}{2} a$
5	1	$\frac{(r-1)r}{2}$	$\frac{(r-1)r}{2}$
Total Time			$r^2 + r + 1$

^a $r+1$ because of exit loop condition