

Exercise I – Recursion

- 1- Implement a recursive method `boolean isPalindrome(String s)` that checks whether `s` is a palindrome. A palindrome is a string that reads the same backwards as forwards
- 2- Implement a recursive method `boolean isPrime(int n)` that checks whether `n` is a prime number. A prime number is a number whose sole divisors are 1 and itself.
- 3- Write a recursive method called `printSquares(int n)` that accepts an integer parameter `n` and prints the first `n` squares separated by commas, with the odd squares in descending order followed by the even squares in ascending order. For example, `printSquares(8)` prints the following output:

49, 25, 9, 1, 4, 16, 36, 64

Exercise II – Recursion with Linked Lists

In this exercise, you can assume you are using an `int` Linked List. You can refer to the code for the integer linked list from the slides on moodle. Add the methods described below to the `int LinkedList` class implemented during the lecture:

- 1- Given a singly linked list, write a recursive function `int avgRec(Node n, int sum, int count)` to find the average of all nodes of the given Linked List
- 2- Given two singly linked lists, write a recursive function `boolean isIdentical(Node a, Node b)` that checks if two linked lists are identical or not.

Exercise III – Generic Classes

Generic methods are a very efficient way to handle multiple datatypes using a single method. This problem will test your knowledge on Java Generic methods.

Let's say you have an integer array and a string array. You must write a single method `printArray` that can print all the elements of both arrays. The method should be able to accept both integer arrays or string arrays.

Create a class called `Printer` that has an array of generic type `T`. Create a method `print()` that loops over the array and prints its elements. In the test driver make 3 instances of this class, `int`, `string` and `double` and call the method `print`.

Exercise IV – Algorithm Analysis

Part 1

Specify the running times of the following code snippets/operations in Big-Oh notation in terms of the input size `n` (make sure you briefly justify your answer):

1-

```
for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){
    sum += 1;
}
```

2-

```
for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){
    for(int j = 0; j < n; j++){
        sum += 1;
    }
}
```

3-

```
for(int i = 0; i < n; i*=2){
    sum += 1;
}
```

4-

```
for (int i = 0; i < n-2; i++) {
    for (int j = i+1; j < n-1; j++) {
        for (int k = j+1; k < n; k++) {
            sum += 1;
        }
    }
}
```

5-

```
for (int i = 0; i < n-2; i++) {
    for (int j = i+1; j < n-1; j*=2) {
        for (int k = j+1; k < n; k*=2) {
            sum += 1;
        }
    }
}
```

The following parts assume that you are not allowed to use auxiliary storage.

- 7- Adding a node to the head of a linked list (assuming a singly linked list implementation)
- 7- Deleting a node with a specific data value from a linked list (assuming a singly linked list implementation)
- 8- Deleting nodes with duplicate data from a linked list (assuming a singly linked list implementation) by keeping the closest node to the head with data d for all d present in the array.
- 9- Deleting the last $n/2$ elements from a linked list, n being the size of the linked list (assuming a singly linked list implementation)

Appendix to Part 1:

- a) What are the best case, average case, and worst case running times of the add(Object) ArrayList method? Explain.
- b) What are the best case, average case, and worst case running times of the remove(int) ArrayList method? Explain.

Part 2:

Specify the lowest Big-Oh complexity for the following functions:

a) $0.01n^2 + 500n$

b) $5 + \log_2(n^{100})$

c) $5n^3 + \log_2(nn^4)$

Part 3:

Prove your answers from Part 2 (specify the values of c and n_0 that make your answer work). In addition, prove that the function in a) is $\theta(g(n))$, where $g(n)$ is the answer you obtained in Part 2, a).