

Unit Test - 1

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Q.1 (A)

1. What is algorithm?

→ An algorithm is a finite set of instruction that, if followed, accomplishes a particular task.

2. What is running time of an algorithm?

→ The time complexity of an algorithm is the amount of computer time it needs to run to completion.

3. Enlist the technique to design an algorithm?

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- Divide & Conquer
 - Greedy Algorithm
 - Brute force / exhaustive search
 - Back tracking
 - Branch & Bound Algorithm
 - Dynamic Programming

4. How do we calculate worst case time complexity of an algorithm?

→ In the worst case analysis, we calculate upper bound on running time of an algorithm. Therefore, the worst case time complexity of linear search would be $\Theta(n)$.

~~Q-1 (B)~~

1.

→ Differentiate pseudo code and real code?

Pseudocode is informal language used to describe an algorithm in a imprecise way for pedagogical purposes. It cannot be compiled in any meaningful sense.

Program code is written in a programming language which is indeed, extremely precise. It can be compiled into executable code, whether its native code or byte code.

In interpreted language, no executable code make be generated and the program code is simply perform line by line by a runtime program.

2.

→ When an algorithm is said to be converted?
An algorithm must satisfy all the following criteria:

① Input - Zero or more quantities are externally supplied

② Output - At least one quantity is produced

③ Definiteness - Each instruction is clear and unambiguous.

④ Finiteness - If we trace out the instruction of an

algorithm then for all cases, the algorithm terminates after a finite number of steps.

⑤ Effectiveness - Every instruction must be very basic so that it can be carried out, in principle, by a person using only pencil and paper. It is not enough that each operation be defined as an iteration 3, it must be feasible.

3. What are the properties that should be possessed by loop invariant?

→ A loop invariant is a statement about program variables that is true before and after each iteration of a loop.

A good loop invariant should satisfy three properties:

① Initialization - The loop invariant must be true before the first execution of the loop.

② Maintenance - If the invariant is true before an iteration of the loop, it should be true also after iteration.

③ Termination - When the loop is terminated the invariant should tell us something useful, something that helps us understand the algorithm.

Q.2
(A)

Derive the running time for binary search using recurrence relation?

→ **int binarySearch (int num[], int low, int high,
 int target)**

if (low > high)
{

return -1;

int mid = (low + high) / 2;

if (`target` == `nums[mid]`)

return mid;

else if ($\text{target} < \text{nums}[\text{mid}]$)

return binarySearch(first, low, mid - 1,

target);

else

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return binarySearch (nums, mid + 1, right, target)

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We knew that at each step of the algorithm, our search space reduces to half. That means if initially, our search space contain n

elements, then after one iteration it contains
 $m/2 + m/4 = \dots = m - 1$

suppose our search space exhausted after k step
 Then,

$$n/2^k = 1$$

$$n = 2^k$$

$$k = \log n$$

Therefore the time complexity of the binary search algorithm is $O(\log n)$, which is very efficient.

The auxiliary space required by the program is $O(1)$ for iterative implementation and $O(\log n)$ for recursive implementation due to call stack.

(B) Write an algorithm for sort an array using divide and conquer method?

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① Algorithm MergeSort (low, high)

② // a [low : high] is a global array to be sorted

③ Small (P) is true if there is only one element

④ To sort. In this case the list is already sorted.

{

if (low < high) then

{

// Divide P into subproblem

// find where to split the set

mid := $\lceil (\text{low} + \text{high}) / 2 \rceil$;
// solve the subproblem.

MergeSort (low, mid);
MergeSort (mid + 1, high);

// Combine the solutions

Merge (low, mid, high);

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[c] Discuss any three criteria to evaluate the efficiency of an algorithm

→ Space Time trade off

It is a way of saving in less time by using more storage space or by solving given algorithm in very little space by spending more time.

To solve a given programming problem, many different algorithm may be used. Some of these algorithm may be extremely time efficient and other extremely space efficient.

It refers to a situation where you can reduce the use of memory at the cost of slower program execution, or reduce the running time at the cost of increased memory usage.

Asymptotic Notations

These are language that use meaningful statements about time and space complexity. The following three notation are used to represent time complexity of algorithm:

- Big O - often used to describe worst case of an algorithm.
- Big Ω - Big Omega is reverse of Big O, if Big O is used to describe upper bound then this is used to describe lower bound.
- Big Θ - When algon has a complexity by Big Ω = Big O, then it actually has the complexity $\Theta(n \log n)$, which means the running time of that algorithm always falls in $n \log n$ between best & worst case.

There are 3 case

- Best Case
- Average Case
- Worst Case

Let us assume a list of n number of values stored in an array. Suppose, if we want to search a particular element in this list then algorithm that search the key element in list among n elements, by comparing the key element with each element in the list sequentially.

The best case would be if the first element in the list matches with the key element to be searched in a list of elements. The efficiency in that case would be expressed as $O(1)$ because only one comparison is enough.

The worst case will be if the complete search list is searched and the element is found at end of the list or is not found.

Average Case could be obtained by finding Average number of comparison.

minimum no. = 1 maximum number = $n+1$ if the item not found.

$$\text{Average} = (n + 1)/2$$

Q.8

(A) Describe P, NP and NP-hard problem?
+ Polynomial algorithm:

The first set of problems are P-algorithms that we can solve in polynomial time, like logarithmic, linear or quadratic time. If an algorithm is polynomial, we can formally define its time complexity as:

where and where and are constant and is input size. In general, few polynomial time algorithms is expected to be less than.

Many algorithms complete in polynomial time:

- All basic mathematical operations; addition, subtraction, division and multiplication.
- testing for primality.
- Hashtable, lookup, string operation, sorting problem
- Shortest Path algorithm; Djikstra, Bellman-ford, Floyd-Warshall
- Linear and Binary search Algorithms for a given set of numbers.

NP Algorithm:

The second set of problem cannot be solved in polynomial time. However, they can be verified in polynomial time. We expect these algorithm to have an exponential complexity, which we will defined as:

where, and where and are

constant and is the input size. is a function of exponential time when at least one. as a result, we get.

for example, we'll see complexities like in the set of problems. There are several algorithms that fit this description. among them are:

- Integer factorization
- Graph Isomorphism

NP-Hard algorithm

Our last set of problems contains the hardest most complex problems in computer science. They are not only hard to solve but also hard to verify as well. In fact some of these problems aren't even decidable. Among the hardest computer science problems are:

- K-means clustering
- Travelling Salesman problem
- Graph Coloring

These algorithms have a property similar to one in . They can all be reduced to any problem in . Because of that, these are in and are at least as hard as any other problem in . A problem can be both in and which is another aspect of being.

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[B]

Define asymptotic bound with graph.

- Theta (Θ) Notation:

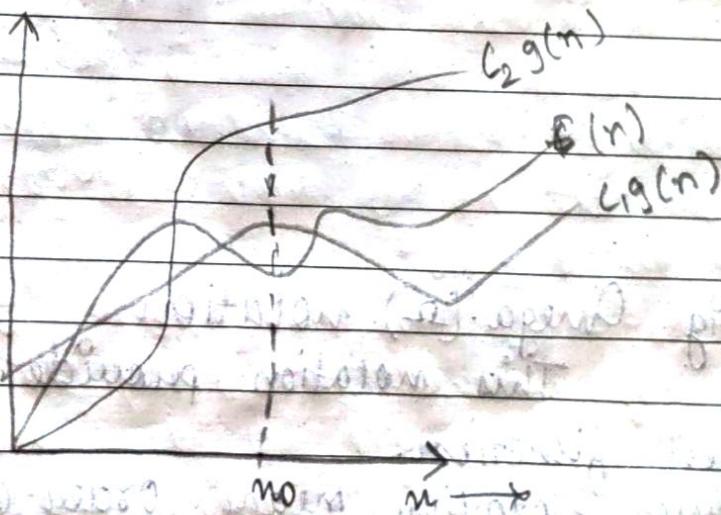
It provide both upper and lower bound for a given function.

It means order exactly. It implies a function is bounded above and bounded below both.

This notation provide both minimum and maximum time that a function can attain for any input size.

Let $g(n)$ be given function. $f(n)$ be the set of function defined as $\Theta(g(n)) = \{f(n) : \text{if there exist positive constant } c_1, c_2 \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that } c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n) \text{ for all } n, n \geq n_0\}$

It can be written as $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ or $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$, here $f(n)$ is bounded both above and below by some positive constant multiples of $g(n)$ for all large value of n . It is described in the following figure.



• Big Oh (O) notation

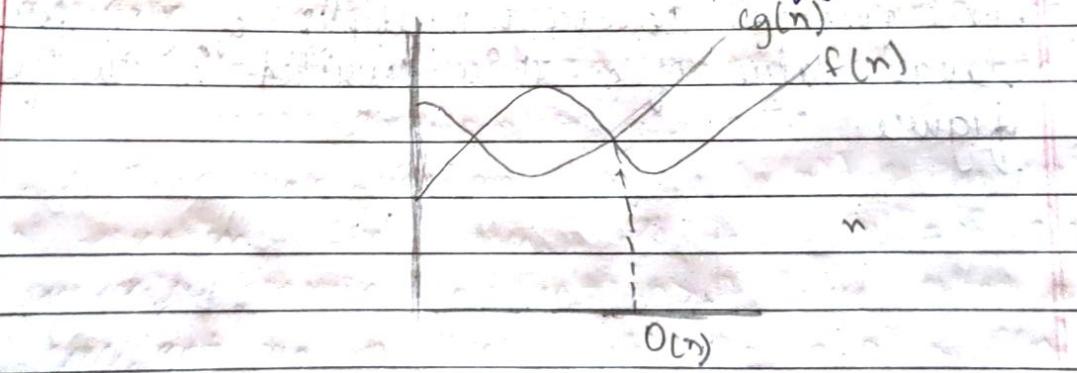
This notation provide upper bound for a given function.

O (Big Oh) notation means order at most i.e., bounded above on it will give maximum time required to run the algorithm.

For a function having only asymptotic upper bound, Big Oh 'O' notation is used.

Let a given function $g(n)$, $O(g(n))$ is the set of function $f(n)$ defined as $O(g(n)) = \{f(n)$

If there exist positive constant c and no such $O <$ such that $O \leq cg(n)$ for all $n, n > n_0$.
 $f(n) = O(g(n))$ or $f(n) \in O(g(n))$, $f(n)$ is bounded above by some positive constant multiple of $g(n)$ for all large values of n . The definition is illustrated with the help of figure 3.



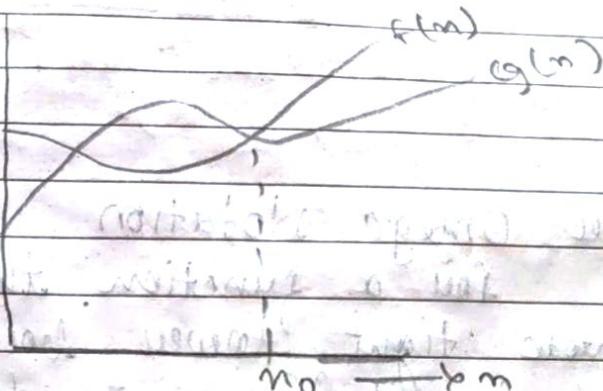
• Big Omega (Ω) notation

This notation provide lower bound for a given function.

These notation means Order at least i.e., minimum time required to execute the algorithm or have lower bound.

for a function having only asymptotic lower bound, Ω notation is used.

Let a given function $g(n)$, $\Omega(g(n))$ is the set of functions $f(n)$ defined as $\Omega(g(n)) = \{f(n) : \text{if there exist positive constant } c \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq cg(n) \leq f(n) \text{ for all } n, n \geq n_0\}$. If $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ or $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$, $f(n)$ is bounded below by some positive constant multiple of $g(n)$ for all large value of n . It is described in the following figure.

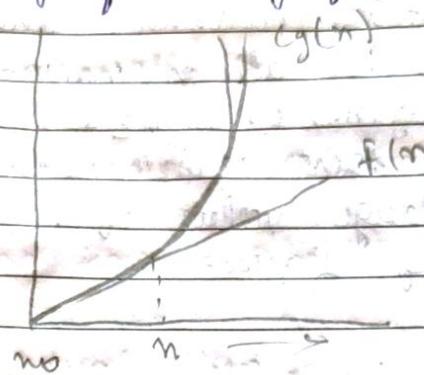


• Small O (o) Notation.

For a function that does not have asymptotic tight upper bound, O (small o) notation is used i.e., It is used to denote an upper bound that is not asymptotically tight.

Let a given function $g(n)$, $O(g(n))$ is the set of function $f(n)$ defined as $O(g(n)) = \{f(n) : \text{for any positive constant } c \text{ there exist a constant } n_0 > 0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq f(n) < cg(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0\}$.

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ or $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$, $f(n)$ is loosely bounded above by all positive constant multiple of $g(n)$ for all large n . It is illustrated by following figure:



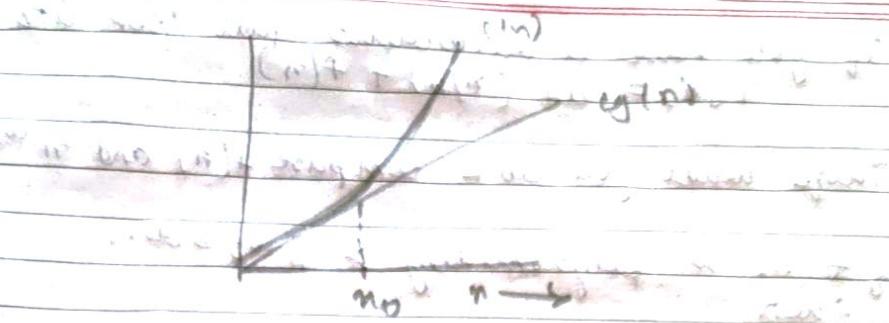
Small Omega Notation

for a function that doesn't have asymptotic tight lower bound, Ω notation is used i.e., it is used to denote lower bound that is not asymptotically tight.

let a given function $g(n)$. $\Omega(g(n))$ is the set of function $f(n)$ defined as $\Omega(g(n)) = \{f(n)\}$: for any positive constant $c > 0$ there exist a constant $n_0 \geq 0$ such that $0 \leq cg(n) < f(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ or $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$, $f(n)$ is loosely bounded below by all positive constant multiple of $g(n)$ for all large n . It is described in following figure:

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(c) Derive the running time for binary search using trace tree.

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Algorithm search (t, n)

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if ( $t = 0$ ) then return 0;
else if ( $n = t \rightarrow \text{data}$ ) then
    return search ( $t \rightarrow \text{lchild}, n$ );
else
    return search ( $t \rightarrow \text{rchild}, n$ );
}
  
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We can write a recurrence for this algorithm:

Let $T(n)$ represent the running time of binary search, then we can write

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + \Theta(1)$$

Where $n = \text{end} - \text{start} + 1$

There is something called Master Theorem that says: (more or less)

If you have a recurrence that look like
 $T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$

Then what you do is compare $f(n)$ and $n^{\log_b(a)}$.

if $f(n)$ is polynomially $> n^{\log_b(a)}$,
 then

running time = $\Theta(f(n))$

else
 running time = $\Theta(n^{\log_b(a)})$.

If both are equal then,
 $\Theta(f(n) \log n)$.

In binary search,

$$f(n) = 1$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = 2$$

$$\log_b(a) = \log_2 1 = 0.$$

$$n^0 = f(n).$$

running time = $\Theta(\log n)$.