

## Problem Set 6, Part I

### Problem 1: Printing the odd values in a linked list of integers

1-1)

```
public static void printOddsRecursive(IntNode first) {  
    if (first == null) {  
        return;  
    }  
    printOddsRecursive(first.next);  
    if (first.val % 2 == 1) {  
        System.out.println(first.val);  
    }  
}
```

1-2)

```
public static void printOddsIterative(IntNode first) {  
    for (IntNode trav = first; trav != null; trav = trav.next){  
        if (trav.val % 2 == 1) {  
            System.out.println(trav.val);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

### Problem 2: Comparing two algorithms

**2-1) time efficiency of algorithm A:**  $O(n)$

*explanation:* Let  $n$  be the length of `aList`. The outer for-loop has to iterate  $n$  times. It has two inner methods, `aList.getItem()` and `addItem()`. The `aList.getItem()`'s time efficiency is  $O(1)$ , and the `LinkedList.addItem()`'s time efficiency is  $O(1)$  because each element is added to the front, which is at position 0. Thus, the overall time efficiency is  $O(n)$ .

**2-2) time efficiency of algorithm B:**  $O(n^2)$

*explanation:* Let  $n$  be the length of `aList`. The outer for-loop has to iterate  $n$  times. It has two inner methods, `aList.getItem()` and `addItem()`. The `aList.getItem()`'s time efficiency is  $O(1)$ , and the `LinkedList.addItem()`'s time efficiency is  $O(n)$  because each element is added to the position  $i$ . Thus, the overall time efficiency is  $O(n^2)$ .

**2-3)** Algorithm A is more efficient than Algorithm B because  $O(n^2)$  takes longer time than  $O(n)$

### Problem 3: Choosing an appropriate representation

#### 3-1) ArrayList

*explanation:* Since I need random access to the items in the list, I prefer ArrayList.

#### 3-2) LLList

*explanation:* Since the number of tweets can vary widely, I prefer LLList which can grow to an arbitrary length. I can add the most recent tweets at the front to keep the time efficient for add method be  $O(1)$ , which is also convenient for display the tweets in reverse chronological order: just print from front to back.

#### 3-3) ArrayList

*explanation:* Considering the number of events is fairly consistent from month to month, I prefer the ArrayList because no extra memory needed for links.

### Problem 4: Improving the efficiency of an algorithm

#### 4-1) $O(m \cdot n^2)$

The i-loop iterates  $m$  times, and `list1.getItem()`'s time efficiency is  $O(m)$ .

The j-loop iterates  $n$  times, and `list2.getItem()`'s time efficiency is  $O(n)$ .

The time efficiency of `addItem` is  $O(\text{inters.length}())$ .

Therefore, the overall time efficiency is

$O(m \cdot (m + n \cdot (n + \text{inters.length}())))) = O(m \cdot (m + n^2)) = O(m^2 + m \cdot n^2) = O(m \cdot n^2)$ .

#### 4-2)

```
public static LLList intersect(LLList list1, LLList list2) {
    LLList inters = new LLList();
    for (LLLList trav1=list1; trav1 != null; trav1 = trav1.next) {
        for (LLLList trav2=list2; trav2 != null; trav2 = trav2.next) {
            if (trav1.item.equals(trav2.item)) {
                inters.addItem(trav2.item, 0);
                break; // move onto the next item from list1
            }
        }
    }
    return inters;
}
```

#### 4-3) $O(nm)$

The outer for-loop iterates  $m$  times. The inner for-loop iterates  $n$  times. The `addItem()`'s time efficiency is  $O(1)$  because items are added to the front (afterall the sequence of items in `inters` is not required). Therefore, the overall time efficiency is  $O(nm)$