

# Homework 2

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## 1 Question 1

Solving a problem requires running an  $O(N)$  algorithm, and then performing  $N$  binary searches on an  $N$ -element array, and then running another  $O(N)$  algorithm. What is the total cost of solving the problem?

## 2 Question 2

Order the following functions by growth rate:  $N$ ,  $\sqrt{N}$ ,  $N^{1.5}$ ,  $N^2$ ,  $N \log N$ ,  $N \log \log N$ ,  $N \log^2 N$ ,  $N \log(N^2)$ ,  $2/N$ ,  $2^N$ ,  $2^{N/2}$ ,  $37$ ,  $N^3$ , and  $N^2 \log N$ . Indicate which functions grow at the same rate.

## 3 Question 3

For each of the following program fragments, do the following:

1. Give a Big-O analysis of the running time.
2. Implement the code and run for several values of  $N$ .
3. Compare your analysis with the actual running times.

```
// Fragment 1
for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
    sum++;
```

```
// Fragment 2
for (int i=0; i<n; i+=2)
    sum++;
```

```
// Fragment 3
for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
    for (int j=0; j<n; j++)
        sum++;
```

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// Fragment 4
for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
    sum++;
for (int j=0; j<n; j++)
    sum++;
```

```
// Fragment 5
for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
    for (int j=0; j<n*n; j++)
        sum++;
```

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// Fragment 6
for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
    for (int j=0; j<i; j++)
        sum++;
```

```
// Fragment 7
for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
    for (int j=0; j<n*n; j++)
        for (int k=0; k<j; k++)
            sum++;
```

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// Fragment 8
for (int i=1; i<n; i=i*2)
    sum++;
```

## 4 Question 4

Occasionally, multiplying the sizes of nested loops can give an over-estimate for the Big-O running time. This result happens when an innermost loop is infrequently executed.

For the following program fragment, do the following:

1. Give a Big-O analysis of the running time.
2. Implement the code and run for several values of  $N$ .
3. Compare your analysis with the actual running times.

```
for (int i=1; i<=n; i++)
    for (int j=1; j<=i*i; j++)
        if (j%i == 0)
            for (int k=0; k<j; k++)
                sum++
```