

Unless stated otherwise, variables are integers.

1. One way to add  $k$  bits is to increase the sum by 1 each time a bit is 1. How long does this method take? Hint: what is the runtime of the following algorithm?

```
def bincount(k): # k >= 0
    for j in range(k+1):
        print bin(j)
```

output from bincount(9):

```
0b0
0b1
0b10
0b11
0b100
0b101
0b110
0b111
0b1000
0b1001
```

this algorithm prints numbers  
from 0 to  $k$  in binary.

to add  $k$  bits, in the worst case  
you would have written (in memory) the  
value of the sum each time it changed,  
so you would have written the numbers  
0, 1, ...,  $k$  (in binary)

So (unless you are doing something really clever), adding  $k$  bits takes  $O(f(t))$  time, where  $f(t) = \sum_{j=0}^t \lg(j)$  time. It is easy to see that  $f(t)$  is in  $\Theta(t \lg t)$ . So adding  $k$  numbers takes  $\Theta(k \lg k)$  time.

2. Consider binary multiplication using the school algorithm. Assume each of the two inputs has  $k$  bits.

(i) What is the runtime if the rows are added one at a time? i.e. add the first two rows, then add that sum to the next row, etc.

$k - 1$  additions, each addition involves 2 numbers, each with at most  $2k - 1$  bits, so takes  $\Theta(k)$  time, so total of  $\Theta(k^2)$  time.

(ii) What is the runtime if the rows are added column by column?

$\Theta(k)$  columns, each with at most  $k$  bits (plus the carry bits). By previous question, adding each column takes  $\Theta(k \lg k)$  time, so total  $\Theta(k^2 \lg k)$  time. So (i) is more efficient.

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3. def d2b(n): #n >= 0
    if (n==0):
        return '0'
    if (n==1):
        return '1'
    return d2b(n/2)+d2b(n%2)

```

(i) Trace with  $n = 37$ .

Recursion tree below. Also: you can implement in python, add print statements, and run.

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37 (returns 100101)
18 (returns 10010)    1 (returns 1)
9  (returns 1001)     0 (returns 0)
4  (returns 100)      1 (returns 1)
2  (returns 10)       0 (returns 0)
1  (returns 1)        0 (returns 0)

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(ii) What does the algorithm do?

Decimal to binary.

(iii) Give runtime, as a function of  $n$ .

Let  $k = \lg n$ , i.e. the number of bits in  $n$ .

Recursion tree has depth  $\Theta(k)$ . Dividing  $n$  by 2 can be done in  $\Theta(k)$  time. (why?) Computing  $n \bmod 2$  can be done in  $O(k)$  time. So total time takes  $\Theta(k^2) = \Theta((\lg n)^2)$ . Note: if we use ordinary division, which takes  $\Theta(k^2)$  time, then the total is  $\Theta(k^3) = \Theta((\lg n)^3)$ .

(iv) Prove correctness.

Argue by induction on  $n$ . Base cases: when  $n \leq 1$ .

4. Trace Al Khwarizmi's multiplication with inputs 907 658.

Left as an exercise. Notice: if you multiply 658 907, you add one less number.