

COP 3502

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int sum = 0;
while (n > 0) {
    sum += n % 2;
    n /= 2;
}
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$b > 1$

$$\log_b n = \frac{\log_c n}{\log_c b}, \text{ by def } k = \log_2 n = O(\lg n)$$

$\log_c b \rightarrow \text{CONST.}$

log tends to appear when repeated division or multiplication embedded in the analysis.

bits in binary representation of n is $O(\lg n)$.

$$S = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots = \frac{a_1}{1-r} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = \boxed{2}$$

$\uparrow$
 a_1 $r = \frac{1}{2}$

What is the average case run time of binary search on an array size n , $n=2^k-1$ for an integer k , assuming that we are searching for a randomly chosen item in the array.

$n=7$

2	6	8	9	20	25	40
↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
(3)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(3)	(2)	(3)
+	+	+	+	+	+	

$$= \frac{3 \times 4 + 2 \times 2 + 1 \times 1}{7}$$

Def avg run time

$$\sum_{x \in \text{inputs}} \underbrace{p_x \cdot f(x)}_{\substack{\text{run time for input } x \\ \text{prob of input } x}}$$

# Searches	Prob
1	$\frac{1}{n}$
2	$\frac{2}{n}$
3	$\frac{4}{n} \rightarrow 2^{3-1}$
(4)	$\frac{8}{n} \rightarrow 2^{4-1}$
...	
K	$\frac{2^{k-1}}{n}$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{2^i}{n} \times (i+1)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{n} \times 1 + \frac{2}{n} \times 2 + \frac{4}{n} \times 3 + \frac{8}{n} \times 4 + \dots + \frac{2^{k-1}}{n} \times k$$

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$$-2S = \frac{2}{n} \times 1 + \frac{4}{n} \times 2 + \frac{8}{n} \times 3 + \dots + \frac{2^{k-1}}{n} \times (k-1) + \frac{2^k}{n} \times k$$

$$-S = \frac{1}{n} + \frac{2}{n} + \frac{4}{n} + \frac{8}{n} + \dots + \frac{2^{k-1}}{n} - \frac{k \times 2^k}{n}$$

$$-S = \frac{1}{n} \left(2^k - 1 - k \times 2^k \right)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{n} \left(k \times 2^k - 2^k + 1 \right)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{n} \left(2^k (k-1) + 1 \right)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{n} \left((n+1)(k-1) + 1 \right)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{n} \left((n+1) (\log_2(n+1) - 1) + 1 \right)$$

$$O\left(\frac{n}{n} \lg n\right) = O(\lg n)$$

$$n = 2^k - 1$$

$$2^k = n+1$$

$$k = \log_2(n+1)$$

Old Foundation Exam Qs

Section C Question 1

Fall 2025

Summer 2025

Fall 2023

Spring 2022

Sum 2020

Fall 2025

$lo = 0$

$hi = 2^k$

while ($lo < hi$) {

$mid = (lo + hi) / 2;$

$O(n)$

if ()

$lo = mid + 1$

else

$hi = mid;$

for
loop
simple
loop
body ~

So total run time is $O(kn)$.

$hi - lo$ gets divided by 2
each time, and it starts
at $2^k - 0 = 2^k$

How many times do I have
to divide 2^k by 2 to set
it down to 1?

k } loop runs at
most $O(k)$
times

Sum 2025

n # bits 0 to $2^k - 1$

0000
0001
0010
0011
0100
0101
:

1 → { 0111
1000
time

Neat idea is to look @ 1 bit.

lsb toggles every time! ($2^k - 1$ times)

2^{nd} lsb = every other time ($2^{k-1} - 1$ times)

last bit = ($2^1 - 1$ times)

$$\sum_{i=1}^k (2^i - 1) = \sum_{i=1}^k 2^i - \sum_{i=1}^k 1$$

$$= \left(\sum_{i=0}^k 2^i \right) - 2^0 - k$$

$$= 2^{k+1} - 1 - 1 - k$$

$$= 2^{k+1} - k - 2$$

$\tau(3)$

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$$\left(1 + 2 + 1 + 3 + 1 + 2 + 1 \right) + 4$$

Let $\tau(n)$ be answer for n , then

$$\tau(n) = n + 2\tau(n-1), \quad \tau(1) = 1$$

$$S = 2^{k-1} \times 1 + 2^{k-2} \times 2 + 2^{k-3} \times 3 + \dots + 2^0 \times k$$

Fall 2023

$n=4$ $k=2$
 $\boxed{AAAA} \times$
 $\boxed{AAAB} \times$
...

$\boxed{BBBB} \checkmark$

$$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 2^4$$

of strings in list

2^n strings

amt of time on each string

$O(n)$

$$\text{Ans} = O(n 2^n).$$