Prolegomena unit outline:

- Algorithms and correctness (last week Friday and today)
- Algorithms and efficiency (today and the rest of the week)
- Abstract data types (next week Wednesday)
- Data Structures (next week Friday and the Monday after)

Today:

- Finish check-sorting problem
- "Binary search" problem
- Class invariants (LinkedList)
- Start efficiency

What good are invariants?

- ► They are a tool for reasoning about the state and progress of an algorithmic process
- ► They are a way to explain the meaning of a variable and capture how the variables relate to each other.
- ► They help with testing and debugging.
- ▶ They are a means for proving that an algorithm is correct.

Invariant (Class LinkedList)

- (a) head = null iff tail = null iff size = 0.
- (b) If tail \neq null then tail.next = null.
- (c) If head \neq null then tail is reached by following size -1 next links from head.

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def bounded_linear_search(sequence, P):
an (found = False
   i = 0
   while (not found and i < len(sequence)): a_1(n+1)
   \frac{a_2n}{a_2n} found = P(sequence[i])
       i += 1
   if (found): 3
      return i - 1
   else :
    as return -1
                T_{bls}(n) = a_0 + a_1(n+1) + a_2n + a_3 + \max(a_4, a_5)
                         = b_0 + b_1 n
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def binary_search(sequence, T0, item):
  \log = 0
   high = len(sequence)
   while high - low > 1): c_1(\lg n + 1)
 \log n \pmod{= (\text{low} + \text{high}) / 2}
       compar = TO(item, sequence[mid])
       if compar < 0 : # item comes before mid</pre>
            high = mid
       elif compar > 0 : # item comes after mid
            low = mid + 1
                            # item is at mid
       else :
            assert compar == 0
            low = mid
            high = mid + 1
   if (low < high and TO(item, sequence[low]) == 0 : </pre>
    c4 (return low)
   else :
    c<sub>5</sub> (return -1)
               T_{bs}(n) = c_0 + c_1(\lg n + 1) + c_2 \lg n + c_3 + \max(c_4, c_5)
                          = d_0 + d_1 \lg n
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$$T_{sel}(n) = f_1 + f_2 n + f_3 n^2$$

Coming up:

Due Wednesday, Aug 31 (end of day):

Read Section 2.1

Do Ex 1.(6 & 7) (shoot for class time)

Take quiz

Due Friday, Sept 2 (end of day):

Read Sections 1.(3 & 4) (spread out)

Do practice problems 1.(27 & 28) and 1.(42 & 43)

Take quiz