

figure 5.9

Meanings of the various growth functions

Mathematical Expression	Relative Rates of Growth
$T(N) = O(F(N))$	Growth of $T(N)$ is \leq growth of $F(N)$.
$T(N) = \Omega(F(N))$	Growth of $T(N)$ is \geq growth of $F(N)$.
$T(N) = \Theta(F(N))$	Growth of $T(N)$ is $=$ growth of $F(N)$.
$T(N) = o(F(N))$	Growth of $T(N)$ is $<$ growth of $F(N)$.

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To be more precise

- $T(N)$ is $O(F(N))$ if there are c and N_0 such that for all $N \geq N_0$: $T(N) \leq c * F(N)$

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Binary Search

```
public static int binarySearch(int[] a, int e){
    int low = 0;
    int high = a.length-1;
    int mid;
    while (low <= high) {
        mid = (low + high) / 2;
        if (a[mid] < e) low = mid + 1;
        else if (a[mid] > e) high = mid - 1;
        else return mid;
    }
    return -1;
}
```

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Binary Search – Best Case Analysis

- Size of array is of length n .
- In **best** case, the element we are looking for is in the center position of the array.
- In this case, we have one comparison.
- $O(1)$

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Binary Search – Worst Case Analysis

- Size of array is of length n .
- What is the **worst** case scenario?
- What if $n = 1$?
- What if $n = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 15, 16$?

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Binary Search – Worst Case Analysis

N	Comparisons
1	1
2	2
3	2
4	3
5	3
6	3
7	3
8	4
15	4
16	5

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Binary Search – Worst Case Analysis

- Comparisons: $\text{floor}(\log_2 n) + 1$
- $O(\log n)$

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Binary Search – Average Case Analysis

Index:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Comps:	4	3	4	2	4	3	4	1	4	3	4	2	4	3	4
Sum:	$8/15 * 4 + 4/15 * 3 + 2/15 * 2 + 1/15 * 1$ $\leq 8/15 * 4 + 4/15 * 4 + 2/15 * 4 + 1/15 * 4$ $= (8/15 + 4/15 + 2/15 + 1/15) * 4$ $= (8/15 + 4/15 + 2/15 + 1/15) * \text{floor}(\log(n)+1)$ $= 1 * \text{floor}(\log(n)+1)$ $= O(\log(n))$														

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