

Problem 1. Let n be a perfect square, so $n = k^2$. Assume that you have a list where the last k values are all 1's, the next to last k values are all 2's, the next k values are all 3's, etc. The first k values are all k 's.

- (a) Write a summation, in terms of k , for the number of transpositions. (Two values that are equal are not transposed.)
- (b) Simplify the summation.
- (c) What is this in terms of n .
- (d) What is the (exact) high order term.

Problem 2. Assume that you have a list where the last value is 1, the next two values from the end are both 2's, the next three values from the end are all 3's, etc. The first k values are all k 's. So $n = \sum_{i=1}^k i = k(k+1)/2$.

- (a) Write a summation, in terms of k , for the number of transpositions.
- (b) Simplify the summation. If you get stuck, for part credit, do as much as you can, and then use Wolfram Alpha to simplify the summation.
- (c) What is the (exact) high order term (in terms of k).
- (d) What is the (exact) high order term in terms of n .

Problem 3. Give a quadratic algorithm to count the number of transpositions in a list of size n . Write the pseudo code. Briefly and informally justify the correctness of your algorithm.