

# Assignment - 1

**Total Points: 100**

## Instructions

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### Submission

You can either write your answer using Word/LaTeX or take a picture/scan of your hand-written(neat and tidy) solution, then put your solution in one PDF file. Submit your PDF online using Canvas. All submission must be posted before deadline.

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### Problem 1 (Max Points:10)

Use mathematical induction to show that the solution to the recurrence:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } n = 2 \\ 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + n & n = 2^k, k > 1. \end{cases}$$

is  $T(n) = n \lg n$ .

### Problem 2 (Max Points: 25)

The following statements are all true:

$$89n^2 + 20n + 5 = O(89n^2 + 20n + 5)$$

$$89n^2 + 20n + 5 = O(89n^2)$$

$$89n^2 + 20n + 5 = O(n^{10})$$

$$89n^2 + 20n + 5 = O(n^2)$$

However, the last one is the simplest, cleanest, and tightest of them, and we will refer to it as the minimal big-O form.

### Part A (Max Points: 10)

Write the following expression in minimal big-O notation.

(1)  $n^3 + 3^n$ .

(2)  $3n \log(5n)$ .

(3)  $100 * 2^n + 3^n$

(4)  $80n \log n + 5n^3 + \sqrt{n}$

(5)  $1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3$

**Part B (Max Points: 15)**

Give a minimal upper bound on  $f(n) = 1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n$ . Justify your answers using mathematical induction.

**Problem 3 (Max Points:10)**

Recall the definition of logarithm base two: saying  $p = \log_2 m$  is the same as saying  $m = 2^p$ . In this class, we will typically write  $lg$  to mean  $\log_2$ .

(1) How many bits are needed to write down a positive integer  $n$ ? Give your answer in big-O notation, as a function of  $n$ .

(2) How many times does the following piece of code print "hello"? Assume  $n$  is an integer, and that division rounds down to the nearest integer. Give your answer in big-O form, as a function of  $n$ .

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while n > 1:
    print "hello"
    n := n/2
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**Problem 4 (Max Points:15)**

Use a recursion tree to determine a good asymptotic upper bound on the following recurrence:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 4T(\frac{n}{2}) + n & n = 2^k, k \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Use the substitution method to verify your answer.

**Problem 5 (Max Points:10)**

We can express insertion sort as a recursive procedure as follows. In order to sort  $A[1..n]$ , we recursively sort  $A[1..n-1]$  and then insert  $A[n]$  into the sorted array  $A[1..n-1]$ . Write a recurrence for the running time of this recursive version of insertion sort and also solve it.

**Problem 6 (Max Points: 30)**

For each of the following recurrences, give an expression for the run time  $T(n)$  if the recurrence can be solved with the Master Theorem. Otherwise, indicate that the Master Theorem does not apply. Justify your answer with reasoning.

(a)  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^4$

(b)  $T(n) = T(7n/10) + n$

(c)  $T(n) = 16T(n/4) + n^2$

(d)  $T(n) = 2T(n/4) + \sqrt{n}$

(e)  $T(n) = \sqrt{2}T(n/2) + \log n$

(f)  $T(n) = 64T(n/8) - n^2 \log(n)$

(g)  $T(n) = 2T(n/4) + n^{0.51}$

(h)  $T(n) = 16T(n/4) + n!$

(i)  $T(n) = 0.5T(n/2) + 1/n$

(j)  $T(n) = 2^n T(n/2) + n^n$