CS21003 - Tutorial 1

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- 1. Put the following functions in order from lowest to highest in terms of their Θ classes. (Some of the functions may be in the same Θ class. Indicate that on your list also.)
 - (a) $f_1(n) = nlog n$
 - (b) $f_2(n) = n^{3/2}$
 - (c) $f_3(n) = 1000$
 - (d) $f_4(n) = \sqrt{n}(n + \log n)$
 - (e) $f_5(n) = 3^n$
 - (f) $f_6(n) = 2^{n+2}$
 - (g) $f_7(n) = 0.00001$
- 2. Give an example of two positive real valued functions f(n) and g(n) of natural numbers that satisfy the property that f(n) is not O(g(n)) and g(n) is also not O(f(n)).
- 3. Assume that each node in a binary tree T contains only a positive integer value and two child pointers (left and right). No parent pointers or additional values can be stored in the nodes. Let r be the root of the tree, and v any node in the tree T. The weight of v is defined as the sum of all the values stored on the unique r-v path. Your task is to locate the maximum of the weights of all the nodes in T in O(n) time. Assume that all the values are positive.
- 4. The vertex set of a binary tree T on eight nodes is $\{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h\}$. The inorder listing of the vertices of T is bfdcgeha, and the postorder listing is fdghecba. Reconstruct the tree T. Explain the relevant steps.
- 5. How many distinct binary search trees can be created out of 4 distinct keys? [Note: Try solving it for the general case of n keys and use that to find the solution for n = 4.]
- 6. **Prove or disprove:** You are given a sequence of integers a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n in an array. This can lead to a BST having the maximum possible height only if the integers are in sorted order.
- 7. You are given a sequence of integers a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n in an array. You need to decide whether inserting these integers in that sequence leads to a height of n-1 of the binary search tree. Propose a worst-case O(n)-time algorithm to solve the problem. Note that if you actually build the tree, you end up in a $\Theta(n^2)$ running time in the worst case.
- 8. Let us define a relaxed red-black tree as a binary search tree that satisfies red-black properties 1, 3, 4 and 5. Thus, the root can be either red or black. Consider a relaxed red-black tree T whose root is red. If we color the root of T black but make no other changes to T, is the resulting tree a red-black tree?