

## Homework 1

**Problem 1: (Asymptotic Growth)** All the unstated logs are in base 2.

$$n2^n, n\log(n), n!, n, n^{100}, 2^n, \log(n), \log(n!), (\log(n))!, 2^{2^n}.$$

- $g_1 = \log(n)$
- $g_2 = n$
- $g_3 = \log(n!)$
- $g_4 = n\log(n)$
- $g_5 = n^{100}$
- $g_6 = (\log(n))!$
- $g_7 = 2^n$
- $g_8 = n2^n$
- $g_9 = n!$
- $g_{10} = 2^{2^n}$

$$g_1 = O(g_2), g_2 = O(g_3), \dots, g_9 = O(g_{10})$$

**Problem 2: (Recurrences)** All the unstated logs are in base 2.

- (a)  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^3$  solution by master theorem,
  - $a=2, b=2;$ 
    - $n^{\log_b a} = n, f(n) = n^3$
    - If  $f(n) = \Omega(n^\epsilon)$  then  $\epsilon = 3$  and  $2(n/2)^3 \leq cn^3$  for  $c = 1/4;$ 
      - $T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$  (case 3)
- (b)  $T(n) = 7T(n/2) + n^2$  solution by master theorem,
  - $a=7, b=2;$ 
    - $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log 7}, f(n) = n^2$
    - If  $f(n) = O(n^{2+\log 3-\epsilon})$  then  $\epsilon = \log 3;$ 
      - $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log 7})$  (case 1)
- (c)  $T(n) = 2T(n/4) + n$  solution by master theorem,
  - $a=2, b=4;$ 
    - $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_4 2}, f(n) = n^{1/2}$
    - If  $f(n) = \Theta(n^{1/2} \log^{k+1} n)$  then  $k=0;$ 
      - $T(n) = \Theta(n^{1/2} \log n)$  (case 2)
- (d)  $T(n) = T(n-1) + n$  solution by substitution,
  - With an educated guess,  $T(n-1)$  iterates  $n$  times and in each iteration it's computational complexity is  $n;$ 
    - Guess  $= O(n^2)$ , assume that  $T(k) \leq ck^2$  for  $k < n;$
    - Prove;  $T(n) \leq cn^2$  solution by induction;
      - $T(n) = T(n-1) + n$
      - $\leq c(n-1)^2 + n = c(n^2 - 2n + 1) + n = cn^2 - (2c-1)n;$ 
        - $\leq cn^2$  when,  $(2n-1)c - n \geq 0$  or  $(2c-1)n - c \geq 0; c \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 1$ 
          - $T(n) = O(n^2)$

**Problem 3: (Binary- Search Python)** All the unstated logs are in base 2.

```
def binarySearch(alist, item):
    first = 0
    last = len(alist)-1
    found = False

    while first<=last and not found:
        midpoint = (first + last)/2
        if alist[midpoint] == item:
            found = True
        else:
            if item < alist[midpoint]:
                last = midpoint-1
            else:
                first = midpoint+1
    return found
```

Figure 1: Iterative binary search

```
def binarySearch(alist, item):
    if len(alist) == 0:
        return False
    else:
        midpoint = len(alist)/2
        if alist[midpoint] == item:
            return True
        else:
            if item<alist[midpoint]:
                return binarySearch(alist[:midpoint], item)
            else:
                return binarySearch(alist[midpoint+1:], item)
```

Figure 2: Recursive binary search

- (a)
  - (i)
    - By “midpoint = (first + last)/2” statement, function reduces length of the list to half in each iteration, because of that situation upper bound of the function is  **$O(\log n)$** .
    - In the worst case (item doesn't exist inside the list), asymptotic running time of the algorithm is  **$O(\log n)$** .

- (ii)
  - Recurrence is  **$T(n/2) + n$**  because,

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else:
    if item<alist[midpoint]:
        return binarySearch(alist[:midpoint], item)
    else:
        return binarySearch(alist[midpoint+1:], item)
```

If and else part cause “ $T(n/2)$ ” and copy operation by “ $alist[:midpoint]$ ” cause to “ $n$ ”. Solution by master theorem,

- $a=1, b=2$ ;
- $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_2 1}$ ,  $f(n) = n$  dominates.
  - **$T(n) = O(n)$  (case 3)**