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## SCS 1308 – Foundation of Algorithms

### In-Class Assignment 1/ (2 hours )

Answer all the questions.

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Consider the following equations when considering masters theorem.

$T(n)$  is a monotonically increasing function as follows:

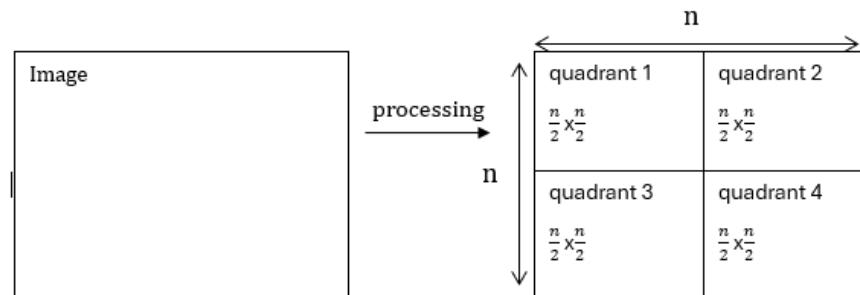
$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$$

$$T(1) = c$$

Where  $a \geq 1, b \geq 2, c > 0$ , if  $f(n)$  is  $\Theta(n^d)$  where  $d \geq 0$  then,

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(n^d) & \text{if } a < b^d \\ \Theta(n^d \log n) & \text{if } a = b^d \\ \Theta(n^{\log_b^a}) & \text{if } a > b^d \end{cases}$$

- High resolution image is divided into 4 quadrants for processing. Each quadrant is processed recursively, and merging takes  $n^2$  time due to pixel blending. Consider the dimensions of an image .



- Write the recurrence equation for the above scenario considering recursive and non-recursive terms. Your final answer should be given in  $T(n)$  terms.

[5 marks]

**ANSWER IN THIS BOX**

B. Solve the recurrence equation using the iteration method. Ensure that your solution includes a detailed tree structure with the following components to achieve full marks: the root, depth, and leaf formations at each level.

[10 marks]

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C. Verify solution using substitution method.

[5 marks]

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2. A network splits data packet routing into 3 smaller subproblems. Processing each subproblem takes  $n$  time, and merging takes  $n^2$  time.
- A. Write the recurrence equation for the above scenario considering recursive and non-recursive terms. Your final answer should be given in  $T(n)$  terms.

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- B. Solve the recurrence equation using the iteration method. Ensure that your solution includes a detailed tree structure with the following components to achieve full marks: the root, depth, and leaf formations at each level.

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C. Verify solution using substitution method.

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3. A deep learning model splits its dataset into two halves for training. Each half is trained recursively and combining results (using gradient merging) takes  $n \log n$  time.

- A. Write the recurrence equation for the above scenario considering recursive and non-recursive terms. Your final answer should be given in  $T(n)$  terms.

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- B. Solve the recurrence equation using the iteration method. Ensure that your solution includes a detailed tree structure with the following components to achieve full marks: the root, depth, and leaf formations at each level.

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C. Verify solution using substitution method. [5 marks]

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4. Consider the following program that reverse an array of integers in place. Prove the correctness of the loop invariant for initialization, maintenance and termination phases. Provide a brief explanation for each phases using 1-3 sentences **only**.

```
function reverseArray(arr, n):
    left ← 0
    right ← n - 1

    while left < right:
        // Swap the elements at 'left' and 'right'
        temp ← arr[left]
        arr[left] ← arr[right]
        arr[right] ← temp

        // Move the pointers closer to the center
        left ← left + 1
        right ← right - 1

    return arr
```



- a. What is the loop invariant of the above code ? [3 marks]

**ANSWER IN THIS BOX**

- b. Show that loop invariant hold for initialization, maintenance and termination phases.  
[7marks]

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5. The following program shows whether a given number n is prime.

```
function isPrime(n):
    if n ≤ 1:
        return false // Numbers less than or equal to 1 are not prime

    for i from 2 to √n:
        if n % i == 0:
            return false // n is divisible by i, so it's not prime

    return true // n is prime if no divisors are found
```

- a. What is the loop invariant of the above code ? [3 marks]

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- b. Show that loop invariant hold for initialization, maintenance and termination phases. [7 marks]

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6. Multiple-choice questions: Please note that some questions may have multiple correct answers. Each incorrect answer will incur a penalty of -0.25 points. Minimum mark for question 6 is 0. Mark your answer in the provided boxes in page 10. [20 marks = (2 marks x 10) ]

- 1) A file of size  $n$  MB is split into two parts and transmitted over separate channels. The first part is  $2/3$  of the file size, and the second is  $1/3$ . Each transmission takes time proportional to the file size, and splitting takes  $O(n)$ . The recurrence relation is:

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{2n}{3}\right) + T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + cn$$

What is the asymptotic time complexity?

- A.  $O(n \log n)$
- B.  $O(n \log_2 n)$
- C.  $O(n^2)$
- D.  $O(n)$

- 2) You need to merge  $n$  sorted lists, where the size of each list decreases by half at every step. The merging takes  $O(k)$  time for two lists of size  $k$ . What is the recurrence and solution?

- A. Recurrence:  $T(n)=2T(n/2)+cn$ , Complexity:  $O(n \log n)$
- B. Recurrence:  $T(n)=T(n/2)+cn$ , Complexity:  $O(n)$
- C. Recurrence:  $T(n)=T(n/2)+n$ , Complexity:  $O(n \log n)$
- D. Recurrence:  $T(n)=T(n/2)+cn^2$ , Complexity:  $O(n^2)$

- 3) In parallel matrix multiplication, a  $n \times n$  matrix is divided into 8 submatrices, and each multiplication takes  $O(n^2)$ . The recurrence is  $T(n) = 8T(n/2) + O(n^2)$ . What is the complexity ?

- A.  $O(n^3)$
- B.  $O(n^2)$
- C.  $O(n^{\log_2 8})$
- D.  $O(n^{\log_2 7})$

- 4) To merge  $k$  sorted files of size  $n$ , splitting and merging each takes  $O(n \log k)$ . The recurrence is:  
 $T(n)=kT(n/k)+O(n \log k)$  What is the complexity?
- A.  $O(n \log n)$
  - B.  $(n \log^2 n)$
  - C.  $O(n^2)$
  - D.  $O(n \log n \log k)$
- 5) In a cryptographic hash function, a loop processes chunks of data to compute the hash. What invariants ensure correctness?
- A. Each chunk contributes uniquely to the hash.
  - B. Chunks are processed in the same order for the same input.
  - C. The final hash size is fixed regardless of input size.
  - D. All chunks must be equal in size.
- 6) A loop iterates through tasks to schedule them in a time slot. The invariant ensures no overlap between tasks. What additional conditions might ensure correctness?
- A. Tasks are scheduled in the order of their deadlines.
  - B. A task is only scheduled if it fits within the time slot.
  - C. Unscheduled tasks are moved to the next time slot.
  - D. The algorithm terminates when all tasks are considered.
- 7) You are tasked with writing a loop to sort an array  $A[1...n]$  in ascending order. Which of the following could be valid loop invariants?
- A. The subarray  $A[1...i]$  is sorted at the  $i$ -th iteration.
  - B. The largest element in  $A[i...n]$  is always at  $A[i]$ .
  - C. No element in  $A[1...i]$  is greater than any element in  $A[i+1...n]$ .
  - D. All elements are sorted when the loop exits.
- 8) A loop checks if a string of parentheses is balanced. What invariants hold?
- A. The count of open parentheses is non-negative at each step.
  - B. The total count of open and closed parentheses matches.
  - C. The string is balanced at any intermediate step.
  - D. The algorithm terminates with a count of zero.

9) A loop calculates the n-th Fibonacci number iteratively. What invariants ensure correctness?

- A. At step i, the variable fib1 stores  $F(i-1)$ .
- B. At step i, the variable fib2 stores  $F(i)$ .
- C. The variables fib1 and fib2 always hold consecutive Fibonacci numbers.
- D. The algorithm terminates after calculating  $F(n)$

10) When iterating through an array to find the maximum element, which invariants ensure correctness?

- A. The variable max\_so\_far is greater than or equal to any element in  $A[1\dots i]$ .
- B. The variable max\_so\_far is updated whenever a larger element is found.
- C. After the loop exits, max\_so\_far is the maximum element in  $A[1\dots n]$ .
- D. No element before iii is greater than max\_so\_far.

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