Problem 1

Here is the Important part of the problem.

- 1. Entry 1
- 2. Entry 2
- 3. $O(log_2(n))$

Problem 2

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Algorithm:
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i \leftarrow 1 while houses[i] == "keep going": i* = 2 return bsearch(i / 2, i)
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Runtime:

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The bounds of i will always be 2^k \le h \le 2^{k+1} where \lfloor log(h) \rfloor = k. \log(2^{k+1} - 2^k) \le \log(k) + C \to O(\log(h)).
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This means the algorithm runs in O(log(h)) time.

Correctness:

Hypothesis: Returns the index to where houses will return "Party's here!" without making changes to houses.

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Base Case: h = 1, the alg. returns 1. \checkmark Induction Step:
Assume: \forall i < n, it returns i when i = h.
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The function considers some range [i, 2i] where $i = \lfloor log_2(h) \rfloor$. We also know this will return the correct result as, we know h >= i and h <= 2i. Meaning we have not throw out the correct h and do not have to consider any previous numbers.

This proves that our algorithm with always find the correct h according to our hypothesis.

Problem 3

Hypothesis: Given any board, $2^k \times 2^k$, with one tile missing/already filled. Every tile can be filled by placing some rotated version of an L piece.

Base Case:

k=1 is a 2x2 board, with one spot missing. It can be solved trivially with one L piece.

Assume:

 $\forall p < k$, the $2^p \times 2^p$, is possible to cover the entire board with L pieces.

Consider:

A 2^k x 2^k board. We divide and conquer by going into all 4 sub-quadrant, splitting up the board into 4 equally sized sub-quadrants. We continue this until we reach all 2x2 sub-quadrants, from here, we fill the trivial sub-quadrant with a spot missing. Now we can consider this sub-quadrant to be itself a missing spot, and all other recursive calls can back out a step. From here every 2x2 grid can be treated as a 1x1 grid. This means we now have a 2^{k-1} x 2^{k-1} grid with a single spot missing.

This proves our hypothesis, since we assumed that the k-1 case must be true.

Problem 4

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Algorithm:  \begin{aligned} & \text{MULT(array A):} \\ & n \to A.size() \\ & \text{if } (n == 1) \text{ return A}[0] \\ & \text{Array B} = \text{MULT}(\text{A}[0 \dots \frac{n}{2}]) \\ & \text{Array C} = \text{MULT}(\text{A}[\frac{n}{2} + 1 \dots n]) \end{aligned}   \begin{aligned} & \text{for (i in range}(\frac{n}{2})): \\ & \text{A}[i] = \text{B}[i] - C[i] \\ & \text{for (i in range}(\frac{n}{2})): \\ & \text{A}[i + \frac{n}{2}] = 3 * B[i] + 5 * C[i] \\ & \text{return A} \end{aligned}  Runtime:
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$$T(n) = 2*T(\tfrac{n}{2}) + c*n \to O(nlog(n))$$

Homework 2

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Correctness:

Hypothesis:

Given an array A, of size n, the algorithm will return the given array multiplied with the matrix of size n x n, as stated in the problem.

Base Case:

A.size() == 1 and it returns A[0] \checkmark

Assume:

 $\forall k < A.size(), MULT returns the "correct" matrix calculation as stated in the hypothesis.$

Now consider A. A can be broken up as so...

$$E_n * A = \begin{pmatrix} E_{\frac{n}{2}} * x_1 - E_{\frac{n}{2}} * x_2 \\ 3 * E_{\frac{n}{2}} * x_1 + 5 * E_{\frac{n}{2}} * x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1)

where x_1 is the first half of A, and x_2 the second.

Array B is $E_{\frac{n}{2}} * x_1$ and Array C is $E_{\frac{n}{2}} * x_2$, related to our algorithm.

We know that B and C, must be correct as stated in our hypothesis and assumption.

Therefore, when we combine them into A, following the matrix above, A is calculated.

Problem 5