

Problem Set 2

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1 Asymptotic Notations

1.1 Problem 1 [15 pts]

Problem 1. Show the following:

- $10(n+1)^2 = \Theta(n^2)$
- $1000 \log n = O(\sqrt{n})$
- $10^{20} = \Theta(1)$

Proof.

- $f(n) = 10(n+1)^2, g(n) = \sqrt{n}$
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10(n+1)^2}{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10n^2 + 20n + 10}{n^2} = 10$
Since the limit is a constant, $f(n) = 10(n+1)^2 = \Theta(n^2)$.

- $f(n) = 1000 \log n, g(n) = \sqrt{n}$
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1000 \log n}{\sqrt{n}} = 1000 \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log n}{\sqrt{n}} = 1000 \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n \ln(10)}}{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}} = 1000 \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\sqrt{n}}{n \ln(10)}$
 $= 1000 \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{n} \ln(10)} = 1000 \cdot \frac{2}{\ln(10)} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = 1000 \cdot \frac{2}{\ln(10)} \cdot \frac{1}{\infty} = 1000 \cdot \frac{2}{\ln(10)} \cdot 0 = 0$
Since the limit is equal to 0, $f(n) = 1000 \log n = O(\sqrt{n})$.

- $f(n) = 10^{20}, g(n) = 1$
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10^{20}}{1} = 10^{20}$
Since the limit is a constant, $f(n) = 10^{20} = \Theta(1)$.

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1.2 Problem 2 [15 pts]

Problem 2. Consider the following functions as runtime of different algorithms. **Using Limit Comparison test or other theorems learnt in class**, order the functions from fastest to slowest running time:

Functions: $n!$, 5^n , n^n , $\sqrt{n^{5n+1}}$.

Answer. Order from fastest running time to slowest: $\sqrt{n^{5n+1}} \in O(n^n)$, $n^n \in O(5^n)$, $5^n \in O(n!)$

Explanation: Using the Limit Comparison Test,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^n}{5^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{5}\right)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{n \ln(\frac{n}{5})}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^n \cdot e^{\ln(\frac{n}{5})}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ((\frac{n}{5})e^n) = \infty$$

Since the limit is ∞ , $n^n > 5^n$ or n^n has a faster running time than 5^n .

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n^{5n+1}}}{n^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{\frac{5n+1}{2}}}{n^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{5}{2}n + \frac{1}{2} - n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{3}{2}n + \frac{1}{2}} = \infty$$

Since the limit is ∞ , $\sqrt{n^{5n+1}} > n^n$ or $\sqrt{n^{5n+1}}$ has a faster running time than n^n .

$$\text{Using the ratio test: } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{5^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}}{\frac{5^n}{n!}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{5^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5}{n+1} = 0$$

Since the limit is 0, 5^n has a faster running time than $n!$. □

1.3 Problem 3 [15 pts]

Problem 3. Consider the following functions as runtime of different algorithms. **Using Limit Comparison test or other theorems learnt in class**, order the functions from fastest to slowest running time:

Functions: $\log_3 n$, $(\log_4 n)^{14/3}$, $\log_4(n^{14/3})$, $n^{1/1000}$

Answer. Order from fastest to slowest running time:

$n^{1/1000} \in O((\log_4 n)^{14/3})$, $(\log_4 n)^{14/3} \in O(\log_4(n^{14/3}))$, $\log_4(n^{14/3}) \in \Theta(\log_3 n)$

Explanation: Using limit comparison test,

$$1. (\log_4 n)^{14/3} > \log_4(n^{14/3})$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\log_4 n)^{14/3}}{\log_4(n^{14/3})} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{3}{14} \log_4 n \right)^{11/3} = \infty$$

Since the limit is ∞ , $(\log_4 n)^{14/3}$ has a faster running time than $\log_4(n^{14/3})$ because $\log_4(n^{14/3}) \in O((\log_4 n)^{14/3})$.

$$2. \log_4(n^{14/3}) = \log_3 n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log_4(n^{14/3})}{\log_3 n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{14 \log_4 n}{3 \log_3 n} \\ &= \frac{14}{3} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log_4 n}{\log_3 n} \\ &= \frac{14}{3} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{2 \ln(2)x}}{\frac{1}{x \ln(3)}} \\ &= \frac{14}{3} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(3)}{2 \ln(2)} \\ &= \frac{14}{3} \cdot \frac{\ln(3)}{2 \ln(2)} \\ &= \frac{7 \ln(3)}{3 \ln(2)} \end{aligned}$$

Since the limit is a constant, $\log_4(n^{14/3}) \in \Theta(\log_3 n)$, so $\log_4(n^{14/3})$ has a similar running time to $\log_3 n$.

3. $(\log_4 n)^{14/3} < n^{1/1000}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\log_4 n)^{14/3}}{n^{1/1000}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\log_4 e)^{14/3} (\ln n^{14/3})}{n^{1/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{14}{3} (\ln n^{11/3}) n^{-1}}{\frac{1}{1000} n^{-999/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^{11/3}}{n^{1/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{11}{3} (\ln n)^{8/3} n^{-1}}{\frac{1}{1000} n^{-999/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^{8/3} n^{-1}}{n^{-999/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^{8/3}}{n^{1/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{8}{3} (\ln n)^{5/3} n^{-1}}{\frac{1}{1000} n^{-999/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \cdot \frac{8000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^{5/3} n^{-1}}{n^{-999/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \cdot \frac{8000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^{5/3}}{n^{1/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \cdot \frac{8000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{5}{3} (\ln n)^{2/3} n^{-1}}{\frac{1}{1000} n^{-999/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \cdot \frac{8000}{3} \cdot \frac{5000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^{2/3} n^{-1}}{n^{-999/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \cdot \frac{8000}{3} \cdot \frac{5000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^{2/3}}{n^{1/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \cdot \frac{8000}{3} \cdot \frac{5000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{2}{3} (\ln n)^{-1/3} n^{-1}}{\frac{1}{1000} n^{-999/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \cdot \frac{8000}{3} \cdot \frac{5000}{3} \cdot \frac{2000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^{-1/3} n^{-1}}{n^{-999/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \cdot \frac{8000}{3} \cdot \frac{5000}{3} \cdot \frac{2000}{3} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\ln n)^{1/3} n^{1/1000}} \\
&= (\log_4 e)^{14/3} \frac{14000}{3} \cdot \frac{11000}{3} \cdot \frac{8000}{3} \cdot \frac{5000}{3} \cdot \frac{2000}{3} \cdot 0 \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since the limit is 0, $n^{1/1000}$ has a faster running time than $(\log_4 n)^{14/3}$ because $n^{1/1000} \in O((\log_4 n)^{14/3})$.

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2 Analyze Code I: Independent nested loops

2.1 Problem 4 [15 pts]

Problem 4. Analyze the *worst-case* runtime of the following algorithm:

1. Clearly derive the runtime complexity function $T(n)$ for this algorithm.
2. Using the **formal definition of Big-Theta (Θ)**, find a tight asymptotic bound for $T(n)$, that is, find a function $f(n)$ such that $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$.

Avoid heuristic arguments from CSCI 2270/2824 such as multiplying the complexities of nested loops.

Algorithm 1 Nested Algorithm 1

```
1: procedure INDEPENDENTNESTED1(Integer  $n$ )
2:   for  $i \leftarrow 1$ ;  $i \leq n$ ;  $i \leftarrow i * 2$  do
3:     for  $j \leftarrow 1$ ;  $j \leq n$ ;  $j \leftarrow j + 2$  do
4:       print "Hello"
```

Answer.

1. The inner loop is line 3. It takes one step to initialize and move 1 to i . The loop will end when it runs $1 + 2k > n$ where k stores the value of j each iteration, so when $k > \frac{n-1}{2}$. For each iteration, it is checked if $j \leq n$. Then we increment by 2 steps and 2 is added to j , which takes 2 steps, since j is redefining j into $j + 2$. The print statement takes 1 step. The j time complexity is

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 + 2 + 1) \\ &= 1 + 4\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right) \\ &= 1 + 2n - 2 \\ &= 2n - 1 \end{aligned}$$

The outer loop is line 2. It takes 1 step to initialize $i = 1$. The loop will end when it runs $i = n + 1$ times. For each iteration, it takes 1 step to check $i \leq n$. Then, we take 2 steps to redefine i as $i * 2$. The loop with run $\log_2 n$ times. Also, we apply the run time for the inner loop (calculated above). The combined time complexity is:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{\log_2 n} (1 + 2 + 2n - 1) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{\log_2 n} (2n + 2) \\ &= 1 + (2n + 2)(\log_2 n) \\ &= 2n \log_2 n + 2 \log_2 n + 1 \end{aligned}$$

2. Using the limit comparison test, we show that $T(n) \in \Theta(n \log_2 n)$ with $f(n) = 2n \log_2 n + 2 \log_2 n + 1, g(n) = n \log_2 n$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n \log_2 n + 2 \log_2 n + 1}{n \log_2 n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(2 + \frac{2}{n} + \frac{1}{n \log_2 n} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{n} \right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n \log_2 n} \right) \\
 &= 2 + \frac{2}{\infty} + \frac{1}{\infty} \\
 &= 2 + 0 + 0 \\
 &= 2
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the limit is a constant, $f(n) = T(n) = 2n \log_2 n + 2 \log_2 n + 1 \in \Theta(n \log_2 n)$

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3 Analyze Code II: Dependent nested loops

3.1 Problem 5 [15 pts]

Problem 5. Analyze the *worst-case* runtime of the following algorithm:

1. Clearly derive the runtime complexity function $T(n)$ for this algorithm.
2. Using the **formal definition of Big-Theta (Θ)**, find a tight asymptotic bound for $T(n)$, that is, find a function $f(n)$ such that $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$.

Avoid heuristic arguments from CSCI 2270/2824 such as multiplying the complexities of nested loops.

Algorithm 2 Nested Algorithm 3

```
1: procedure DEPENDENTNESTED1(Integer  $n$ )
2:   for  $i \leftarrow 1$ ;  $i \leq n$ ;  $i \leftarrow i + 1$  do
3:     for  $j \leftarrow i$ ;  $j \leq n$ ;  $j \leftarrow j + 2$  do
4:       print "Hola"
```

Answer.

1. The inner loop is line 3. It takes 1 step to initialize $j = i$. It takes 1 step to check $j \leq n$. It takes 2 steps to redefine j as $j + 2$. The loop will end when it runs $1 + 2k > n$ where k stores the value of j each iteration, so when $k > \frac{n-1}{2}$. The j time complexity is:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 + 2 + 1) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (4) \\ &= 1 + 4 \cdot (n - i + 1) \\ &= 1 + 4n - 4i + 4 \\ &= 4n - 4i + 5 \end{aligned}$$

The outer loop is line 2. It takes 1 step to initialize $i = 1$. The loop will end when it runs n times.

For each iteration, it takes 1 step to check $i \leq n$. Then, we take 2 steps to redefine i as $i + 1$. Also, we apply the run time for the inner loop (calculated above).

The combined time complexity is:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n (1 + 2 + 4n - 4i + 5) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n (8 + 4n - 4i) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n 8 + \sum_{i=1}^n 4n - \sum_{i=1}^n 4i \\ &= 1 + 8n + 4n^2 - 4\left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right) \\ &= 1 + 8n + 4n^2 - 2n(n+1) \\ &= 1 + 8n + 4n^2 - 2n^2 - 2n \\ &= 2n^2 + 6n + 1 \end{aligned}$$

2. Using the limit comparison test and L'Hôpital, we show that $T(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$ $f(n) = 2n^2 + 6n + 1, g(n) = n^2$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^2 + 6n + 1}{n^2} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n + 6}{2n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{2} \\ &= 2\end{aligned}$$

Since the limit is a constant, $f(n) = T(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$.

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3.2 Problem 6 [25 pts]

Problem 6. Given an array A of n integers, you are asked to calculate the subarray sum $B[i, j]$ (for $i < j$) which is the sum of elements $A[i]$ through $A[j]$ (i.e., the sum $A[i] + A[i+1] + \dots + A[j]$).

Consider the following simple algorithm to solve this problem:

```
SubArraySum(A) {  
  for i=1 to n  
    for j = i+1 to n  
      B[i,j] = 0  
      for k = i to j  
        B[i,j] = B[i,j] + A[k]  
      end  
    end  
  end  
}
```

1. For some function f that you should choose, give a bound of the form $O(f(n))$ on the running time of this algorithm on an input of size n (i.e., a bound on the number of operations performed by the algorithm).
2. For this same function f , show that the running time of the algorithm on an input of size n is also $\Omega(f(n))$. (This shows an asymptotically tight bound of $\Theta(f(n))$ on the running time.)

Answer. Finding the time complexity of the algorithm:

The innermost loop is: for $k = i$ to j

It takes 1 step to initialize k to i , 1 step to check if $k < j$, and 2 steps to redefine k to $k + 1$ because you add 1 to k and then define k to be that value. It takes 2 steps to redefine $B[i, j]$ to $B[i, j] + A[k]$.

The k time complexity is:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^n (1 + 2 + 2) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^n (5) \\ &= 1 + 5(n - (j - i) + 1) \\ &= 1 + 5(n - j + i + 1) \\ &= 1 + 5n - 5j + 5i + 5 \\ &= 5n - 5j + 5i + 6 \end{aligned}$$

The middle loop is: for $j = i+1$ to n

It takes 1 step to initialize $j = i + 1$, 1 step to check if $j \leq n$, and 2 steps to redefine j to $j + 1$. There is also 1 step for the initialization of $B[i, j]$. We also add the time complexity of the innermost loop from above. The loop will end when $j = n$.

Note: Number of iterations: $n - 2 + 1 = n - 1$ The j time complexity is:

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &= 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 + 2 + 1 + 5n - 5j + 5i + 6) \\
&= 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (5n - 5j + 5i + 10) \\
&= 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (5n) - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (5j) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (5i) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (10) \\
&= 1 + 5n(n-1) - 5(n-1+1) + (5i)(n-1) + 10(n-1) \\
&= 1 + 5n^2 - 5n - 5n + 5i + 5i(n) - 5i + 10n - 10 \\
&= 5n^2 + 10n + 5i(n) - 9
\end{aligned}$$

The outer loop is: for $i=1$ to n

It takes 1 step to initialize $i = 1$, 1 step to check if $i \leq n$, 2 steps to redefine i to $i + 1$. We also add the combined time complexity of j and k from above. The loop will end when $i = n + 1$.

The combined time complexity is:

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n (1 + 2 + 1 + 5n^2 + 10n + 5i(n) - 9) \\
&= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n (5n^2 + 10n + 5i(n) - 5) \\
&= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n (5n^2) + \sum_{i=1}^n (10n) + \sum_{i=1}^n (5i(n)) - \sum_{i=1}^n (5) \\
&= 1 + 5n^3 + 10n^2 + 5n\left(\frac{n(n-1)}{2}\right) - 5n \\
&= 5n^3 + 10n^2 - 5n + 1 + \frac{5}{2}(n^2)(n-1) \\
&= 5n^3 + 10n^2 - 5n + 1 + \frac{5}{2}(n^3 - n^2) \\
&= \frac{5}{2}n^3 + \frac{15}{2}n^2 - 5n + 1
\end{aligned}$$

1. $T(n) = \frac{5}{2}n^3 + \frac{15}{2}n^2 - 5n + 1$. So, $f(n) = n^3$ such that $T(n) \in O(n^3)$.
2. $T(n) = \frac{5}{2}n^3 + \frac{15}{2}n^2 - 5n + 1$. So, $f(n) = n^3$ such that $T(n) \in \Omega(n^3)$.

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