

CP 312, Winter 2023

Assignment 2 (5% of the final grade)

(due Friday, February 17, at 23:30)

- [6 marks] In the 2-WAY-2-SUM decision problem, we are given arrays A and B of length n containing (not necessarily distinct) integers, and we must determine whether there are two pairs of indices $i_1, j_1, i_2, j_2 \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ (not necessarily distinct) for which

$$A[i_1] + A[i_2] = B[j_1] + B[j_2].$$

Design an efficient algorithm that solves the 2-WAY-2-SUM problem and has time complexity $O(n^2 \log n)$ in the setting where operations on individual integers take constant time.

Note, that brute force solution that tries all possible quadruples of indices will have the running time of $\Theta(n^4)$. Less straightforward solution that reduces the problem to 3-SUM which is described in lecture notes, will have the running time of $\Theta(n^3)$. So both of these solutions are unacceptable and will receive 0 marks.

Your solution must include a description of the algorithm in words, the pseudocode for the algorithm, a justification of its correctness, and an analysis of its time complexity in big- Θ notation.

- [8 marks] An array of n integers x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n is known to have the following property: elements follow in ascending order up to a certain index p where $1 < p < n$, then there are several equal entries up to a certain index q , where $p < q < n$ and then follow in descending order:

$$x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{p-1} < x_p = x_{p+1} \dots = x_q > x_{q+1} > \dots > x_n.$$

Give an efficient algorithm to find the indices p and q .

Note: the worst case running time of your algorithm **must be in** $o(n)$, so simple scanning from left to right will get 0 marks.

Detailed pseudocode along with the brief description of main idea and justification of correctness is required for full mark in this question.

- [4 marks] Analyze the following pseudocode and give a tight (Θ) bound on the running time as a function of n . You can assume that all individual instructions are elementary. Show your work.

```

m := 1; s := 1;
while m <= n do
  for j = 1 to 2⌈log m⌉ do
    s := s + 1
  od
  m := 5 * m
od.
```

4. [6 marks] (a) [4 marks] Solve the following recurrence by the recursion-tree method (you may assume that n is a power of 2):

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 17, & n = 1, \\ 3T(n/2) + 5 \cdot n, & n > 1. \end{cases}$$

- (b) [2 marks] Solve part (a) using Master theorem.

5. [6 marks] Consider the following recursive algorithm prototype in pseudocode:

```
int Fiction( A:: array, n:: integer) {
  if (n>1) {
    B <- A[1],...,A[n/3];           // copy 1st "third" of A to B
    C <- A[n/3+1],...,A[2*n/3];     // copy 2nd "third" of A to C
    D <- A[2*n/3+1],...,A[n];       // copy 3rd "third" of A to D
    C <- Perturb(C);
    cond2 <- Fiction(C, n/3);        B          C          D
    cond3 <- Fiction(D, n/3);
    if (cond2) {
      cond1 <- Fiction(B, n/3);      Perturb -> T(n) = O(n)
      cond2 <- (cond1 + cond2)/2;
    }
    return cond2;                    best case 2 recursive calls
  }
  else                               worst case 3 recursive calls
    return 1;
}
```

- (a) [4 marks] What is the worst case complexity of this algorithm assuming that the algorithm `Perturb` when applied to an array of length n has running time complexity $\Theta(n)$? To justify your answer provide and solve a divide-and-conquer recurrence for this algorithm. You may assume that n is a power of 3.

- (b) [2 marks] What is the “best case” complexity of this algorithm under the same assumptions as in (a)?