Homework

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Problem 1: Given an input string of numbers, find all combinations of numbers that can be formed using digits in the same order.

Complexity Analysis:

- Number of combinations: For n digits, there are $2^n 1$ non-empty subsets.
- Time complexity: $O(n \cdot 2^n)$ because generating each subset requires O(n) time.
- Space complexity: O(n) for storing temporary strings.

Solution:

Iterate through all subsets using binary representation (bitmask). Ensure the order of digits is preserved.

Problem 2: Given a set of characters and a positive integer k, print all possible strings of length k that can be formed from the given set.

Complexity Analysis:

- Number of strings: For a set of size m, there are m^k strings of length k.
- Time complexity: $O(m^k)$ since generating each string requires O(k) time.
- Space complexity: O(k) for storing temporary strings.

Solution:

Use recursion; at each step, iterate through all characters and append to the current string until the length reaches k.

Problem 3: Write a program to print all the combinations of factors of given number n.

Complexity Analysis:

- Number of combinations: Approximately $O(2^{\sqrt{n}})$ as n has at most \sqrt{n} divisors
- Time complexity: $O(2^{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \sqrt{n})$ since each combination requires $O(\sqrt{n})$ time to verify.
- Space complexity: $O(\sqrt{n})$ for storing the divisors.

Solution:

Use recursion to iterate through all combinations of divisors of n in ascending order.

Problem 4: Count the number of ways to represent x as the sum of the nth powers of natural numbers

Complexity Analysis:

- Number of combinations: Depends on $x^{1/n}$, the maximum number of natural numbers that can be used.
- Time complexity: $O(x^{1/n})$ because each number can participate in a combination.
- Space complexity: O(n) for storing the recursion state.

Solution:

Use recursion to check all combinations with the constraint of not reusing the same number.

Problem 5: Tower of Hanoi

Complexity Analysis:

- Number of moves: For n disks, the minimum number of moves is 2^n-1 .
- Time complexity: $O(2^n)$ since each disk requires two moves (to the intermediate and destination rods).
- Space complexity: O(n) for storing the recursion state.

Solution:

Use recursion:

- Move n-1 disks from the source rod to the intermediate rod.
- Move the largest disk from the source rod to the destination rod.
- Move n-1 disks from the intermediate rod to the destination rod.

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