

Assignment 1

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Question 1 (i). We want to prove that when Algorithm Summation terminates its execution,

$$y = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j x^j$$

Proof. We shall apply induction to prove that after the m th iteration of the for loop the following invariant holds true:

$$y = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} a_{n-j} x^{n-i-j}$$

(Induction basis) First, we note that y is initialized to 0 in Line 1. When $m = 1$ and $i = n$ in Line 3,

$$\begin{aligned} y &= a_n + x * y \\ &= a_n + x * 0 \\ &= a_n \\ &= a_n x^0 \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^0 a_{n-j} x^{n-i-j} \end{aligned}$$

(Induction Hypothesis) Suppose for iteration $m - 1 < n$, $y = \sum_{j=0}^{m-2} a_{n-j} x^{n-i-j-1}$
(Induction Step) When Line 3 is executed for the m th time,

$$\begin{aligned}
y &= a_{n-i} + x \sum_{j=0}^{m-2} a_{n-j} x^{n-i-j-1} \\
&= a_{n-i} + \sum_{j=0}^{m-2} a_{n-j} x^{n-i-j} \\
&= a_{n-i} x^0 + \sum_{j=0}^{m-2} a_{n-j} x^{n-i-j}
\end{aligned}$$

(Induction Hypothesis)

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} a_{n-j} x^{n-i-j}$$

Therefore we can conclude that the invariant $y = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} a_{n-j} x^{n-i-j}$ holds $\forall m > 0$.

On the $n+1$ th iteration (where $i = 0$) we then have,

$$\begin{aligned}
y &= \sum_{j=0}^n a_{n-j} x^{n-j} \\
&= a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x^1 + a_0 x^0 \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^n a_j x^j
\end{aligned}$$

(By reversing the order of the terms)

□

Question 1 (ii).

Key Operation: Multiplication of real numbers.

Input size: n (The size of the input array)

The Summation algorithm must perform the key operation on each of the n elements of the input array.

1. Worst-case Time Complexity: $T(n) = n$
2. Average-case Time Complexity: $T_{ave}(n) = n$

Question 2. $\lg n \in \theta(\lg \lg(n!))$

To prove that $\lg n \in \theta(\lg \lg(n!))$ we shall prove that $\lg n \in O(\lg \lg(n!)) \wedge \lg n \in \Omega(\lg \lg(n!))$.

Proof. First we shall prove that $lgn \in O(lglg(n!))$, that is we shall determine a $c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that,

$$\begin{aligned} lgn &\leq clglg(n!) & \forall n > n_0 \\ lgn &\leq lglg^c(n!) \\ 2^{lgn} &\leq 2^{lglg^c(n!)} \\ n &\leq lg^c n! \end{aligned}$$

By letting $c = 1$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} n &\leq lg(n!) \\ 2^n &\leq n! \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 1. $2^n < n!, \forall n \geq 4$

We shall prove this by induction on n .

(Induction Basis) When $n = 4$, $2^4 < 4! = 16 < 24$.

(Induction Hypothesis) Assume $2^k < k!, k \geq 4$.

(Induction Step) We then have,

$$\begin{aligned} 2^k(k+1) &< k!(k+1) \\ &= (k+1)! \end{aligned} \tag{I}$$

Also since $k \geq 4$,

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &< k+1 \\ 2^{k+1} &< (k+1)2^k \end{aligned} \tag{II}$$

By transitivity of (I) and (II) we obtain $2^{k+1} < (k+1)!$.

Therefore by Induction $2^n < n!, \forall n \geq 4$.

Therefore for $c = 1$, and $n_0 = 4$ we have $lg(n) \leq clglg(n!), \forall n > n_0$.

Therefore $lg(n) \in O(lglg(n!))$.

Now we shall prove that $lg(n) \in \Omega(lglg(n!))$, that is we shall determine a $c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that,

$$\begin{aligned} lg(n) &\geq clglg(n!) & \forall n > n_0 \\ lg(n) &\geq lglg^c(n!) \\ 2^{lgn} &\geq 2^{lglg^c(n!)} \\ n &\geq lg^c n! \end{aligned}$$

By letting $c = \frac{1}{2}$ we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} n &\geq \sqrt{lg(n!)} \\ n^2 &\geq lg(n!) \end{aligned}$$

It can be seen that $lg(n!) \leq nlg(n)$ (III) via,

$$\begin{aligned} lg(n!) &= lg(n * (n-1) * (n-2) * \dots * 1) && \text{(Definition of } n!) \\ &= lg(n) + lg(n-1) + \dots + lg(1) && (lg(mn) = lg(m) + lg(n)) \\ &\leq lg(n) + lg(n) + \dots + lg(n) \\ &= nlg(n) \end{aligned}$$

Additionally $\forall n > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} 2^n &> n \\ n &> lg(n) \\ n^2 &> nlg(n) \end{aligned} \tag{IV}$$

By combining (III) and (IV) we have, $n^2 > nlg(n) \geq lg(n!)$, $\forall n > 1$.
Therefore for $c = \frac{1}{2}$ and $n_0 = 1$, $lg(n) \geq clglg(n!)$, $\forall n > n_0$.
Therefore $lg(n) \in O(lglg(n!)) \wedge lg(n) \in \Omega(lglg(n!))$.
Therefore $lg(n) \in \theta(lglg(n!))$.

□

Question 3. I assert that the claim is false, and will provide a counter example such that $f \in O(g) \wedge h(f) \notin O(h(g))$.

Proof. Let

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= n^2, \\ g(n) &= n^3, \\ h(n) &= \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

Lemma I. $f \in O(g)$, using Theorem 0.2

$$\begin{aligned} &\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^3} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \\ &= 0 (\geq 0) \end{aligned} \tag{Theorem 0.2}$$

Therefore by Theorem 0.2 we have $f \in O(g)$.

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All that remains is to prove that $\frac{1}{n^2} \notin O(\frac{1}{n^3})$. Using Theorem 0.2,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n^2}}{\frac{1}{n^3}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{n^2} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \\ &= \infty (\notin \mathbb{R}^+) \end{aligned}$$

Hence combining Lemma I with the above proof we have created a counter example such that,

$$f \in O(g) \wedge h(f) \notin O(h(g))$$

Therefore the claim is false. □

Question 4. I assert that the following function ordering respects the relationship $g1 = o(g2)$, $g2 = o(g3)$, ..., $g7 = o(g8)$.

$$10^{100}, \text{ weirdsum}, \lg(n), 10^{\lg \lg(n)}, 2^{\sqrt{2 \lg(n)}}, 4^{\lg n}, n^{\lg n}, 2^n$$

A series of proofs follow to confirm this ordering,

Proof. $n^{\lg n} = o(2^n)$

Given that $n^k = o(2^n)$, $\forall k > 0$ was proven on Page 48 of Chapter 0, and $\lg n > 0, \forall n > 1$ we have $n^{\lg n} = o(2^n)$. □

Proof. $4^{\lg n} = o(n^{\lg n})$

It can be seen that $4^{\lg n} = n^{\lg(4)} = n^2$. Using Theorem 0.2,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^{\lg n}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n^2}{n^2}}{\frac{n^{\lg n}}{n^2}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{\lg n - 2}} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $4^{lgn} = o(n^{lgn})$. □

Proof. $2^{\sqrt{2lgn}} \in o(4^{lgn})$

It can be seen that $4^{lgn} = (2^2)^{lgn} = 2^{2lgn}$. By letting x represent $2lgn$ and applying Theorem 0.2 we have,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{\sqrt{x}}}{2^x} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{\sqrt{x}}}{\frac{2^x}{2^{\sqrt{x}}}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^{x-\sqrt{x}}} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $2^{\sqrt{2lgn}} = o(4^{lgn})$. □

Proof. $lg(n) = o(10^{lg lg(n)})$

It can be seen that $10^{lg lg(n)} = lg^{lg 10} n$, where $lg 10 > 1 = 1 + \epsilon$ for some $\epsilon > 0$. Using Theorem 0.2 we have,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{lg(n)}{lg^{1+\epsilon} n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{lg(n)}{lg(n)}}{\frac{lg^{1+\epsilon} n}{lg(n)}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{lg^\epsilon n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $lg(n) = o(10^{lg lg(n)})$. □

Question 5 (a). $T(n) = 9T(\frac{n}{3}) + n^2 lg(n) + 2n$

Proof. Using the general formula for recurrences we note that,

$$a = 9, b = 3, f(n) = n^2 \lg(n) + 2n$$

Lemma I. $f(n) \in \theta(n^2 \lg(n))$, using Theorem 0.2

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 \lg(n) + 2n}{n^2 \lg(n)} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n^2 \lg(n) + 2n}{n^2}}{\frac{n^2 \lg(n)}{n^2}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg(n) + \frac{2}{n}}{\lg(n)} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg(n)}{\lg(n)} \\ &= 1(> 0) \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma I we have $f(n) \in \theta(n^2 \lg(n)) = \theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n)$ where $k = 1(\geq 0)$. Therefore using Case 2 of the general recurrence formula we have,

$$T(n) \in \theta(n^2 \lg^2 n)$$

□

Question 5 (b). $T(n) = 3T(\frac{n}{3}) + \sqrt{n}$

Proof. Using the general formula for recurrences we note that,

$$a = 3, b = 3, f(n) = \sqrt{n}$$

Therefore, $f(n) = \sqrt{n} = O(n^{1-\frac{1}{2}}) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$ where $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} > 0$. Therefore using Case 1 of the general recurrence formula we have,

$$T(n) \in \theta(n^{\log_3 3}) = \theta(n)$$

□

Question 5 (c). $T(n) = 8T(\frac{n}{4}) + n^2 \lg^2 n$

Proof. Using the general formula for recurrences we note that,

$$a = 8, b = 4, f(n) = n^2 \lg^2 n$$

Lemma I. $f(n) \in \Omega(n^2)$ using Theorem 0.2,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^2 \lg^2 n} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n^2}{n^2}}{\frac{n^2 \lg^2 n}{n^2}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lg^2 n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $f(n) \in \Omega(n^2)$.

By Lemma I we have $f(n) \in \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$ where $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} > 0$. Moreover, for sufficiently large n ,

$$\begin{aligned} af\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) &= 8\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)^2 \lg^2 \frac{n}{4} \\ &= 8\left(\frac{n^2}{16}\right) \lg^2 \frac{n}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(n^2 \lg^2 \frac{n}{4}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(n^2 (\lg n - 2)^2\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(n^2 (\lg^2 n - 4 \lg n + 4)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}n^2 \lg^2 n - 2n^2 \lg n + 2n^2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}n^2 \lg^2 n && \text{when } n \geq 2 \\ &= cn^2 \lg^2 n && \text{where } 0 < c = \frac{1}{2} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

By Case 3 of the general recurrence formula we thus have $T(n) \in \theta(n^2 \lg^2 n)$. □

Question 6. $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2} + 7\right)$

Proof. We guess that $T(n) = O(n^2)$.

(Induction Hypothesis) We first assume that $T(k) \leq ck^2$, $\forall k < n$ (I).

Then, when $n > 14$

$$\begin{aligned} n > 14 &\Rightarrow 2n > 14 + n \Rightarrow \frac{n}{2} + 7 < n \\ &\Rightarrow T\left(\frac{n}{2} + 7\right) \leq c\left(\frac{n}{2} + 7\right)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{by I})$$

Therefore, for $n > 14$,

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T\left(\frac{n}{2} + 7\right) + n^2 \\ &\leq c\left(\frac{n}{2} + 7\right)^2 + n^2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4}cn^2 + 7cn + 49c + n^2 \end{aligned}$$

For $c \geq 4$,

$$\begin{aligned} c &\geq 4 \\ \frac{c}{4} &\geq 1 \\ \frac{c}{4} + \frac{c}{4} &\geq 1 + \frac{c}{4} \\ \frac{c}{2} &\geq \frac{c}{4} + 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}cn^2 &\geq \frac{1}{4}cn^2 + n^2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\leq \frac{1}{4}cn^2 + 7cn + 49c + n^2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}cn^2 + 7cn + 49c && (c \geq 4) \\ &\leq cn^2 && (n \geq 20) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $T(n) \leq cn$, $\forall n \geq 20$ and any $c \geq 4$.

(Inductive Basis) Let $c' = \max(\{T(n)/n^2 \mid 17 \leq n \leq 19\} \cup \{4\})$.

Then $T(n) \leq c'n^2$, $\forall n$, $17 \leq n \leq 19$.

Hence $T(n) \leq c'n^2$, $\forall n \geq 17$.

i.e. $T(n) = O(n^2)$.

□