

# 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  $lgn \leq clglg(n!), \forall n > n_0$ .

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

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  $\forall n > 1$ ,

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

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

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

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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,

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

□

**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,

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

**Lemma 1.**  $f(n) \in O(n^{\log_3 2})$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} &\leq \log_3 2 \\ \sqrt{n} &\leq n^{\log_3 2} \end{aligned} \quad (n \geq 0)$$

Therefore for  $c = 1$ , and  $n_0 = 0$  we have,

$$\sqrt{n} \leq cn^{\log_3 2}, \forall n_0 > 0$$

Hence  $f(n) \in O(n^{\log_3 2})$ .

By Lemma I we have  $f(n) \in O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$  where  $\epsilon = 1(> 0)$ . 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.**  $f(n) \in \Omega(n^{\log_4 9})$

$$\begin{aligned} \log_4 9 &\leq 2 \\ n^{\log_4 9} &\leq n^2 \\ &\leq n^2 \lg^2 n \end{aligned} \quad (n \geq 2)$$

Therefore for  $c = 1$  and  $n_0 = 2$  we have,

$$n^2 \lg^2 n \geq cn^{\log_4 9}$$

Hence  $f(n) \in \Omega(n^{\log_4 9})$ .

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

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

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

□