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## REINFORCEMENT Questions

### Q1. (No.7)

Order the following list of functions by the big-Oh notation. Group together (for example, by underlining> those functions that are big-Theta of one another.

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 6n \log n & 2^{100} & \log \log n & \log^2 n & 2^{\log n} & \\ 2^{2^n} & \lceil \sqrt{n} \rceil & n^{0.01} & 1/n & 4n^{3/2} & \\ 3n^{0.5} & 5n & \lfloor 2n \log^2 n \rfloor & 2^n & n \log_4 n & \\ 4^n & n^3 & n^2 \log n & 4^{\log n} & \sqrt{\log n} & \end{array}$$

**Hint:** When in doubt about two functions  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$ , consider  $\log f(n)$  and  $\log g(n)$  or  $2^{f(n)}$  and  $2^{g(n)}$ .

Ans. The order from lower to higher functions:

1.  $1/n$
2.  $2^{100}$
3.  $\log \log n$
4.  $\sqrt{\log n}$
5.  $\log^2 n$
6.  $n^{0.01}$
7.  $\sqrt{n}$ ,  $3n^{0.5}$
8.  $2^{\log n}$ ,  $5n$
9.  $n \log_4 n$ ,  $6n \log n$
10.  $2n \log^2 n$
11.  $4n^{3/2}$
12.  $4^{\log n}$
13.  $n^2 \log n$
14.  $n^3$
15.  $2^n$
16.  $4^n$
17.  $2^{2n}$

Q2. (No. 9)

Bill has an algorithm, `find2D`, to find an element  $x$  in an  $n \times n$  array  $A$ . The algorithm `find2D` iterates over the rows of  $A$  and calls the algorithm `arrayFind`, of Algorithm 1.3.2, on each one, until  $x$  is found or it has searched all rows of  $A$ . What is the worst-case running time of `find2D` in terms of  $n$ ? Is this a linear-time algorithm? Why or why not?

Ans.

The worst-case runtime complexity of `FIND2D` is  $O(n^2)$ , as it is a quadratic algorithm instead of a linear-time algorithm.

By examining the worst case where the element  $x$  is the very last item in the  $n \times n$  array to be examined. In this case, `find2D` calls the algorithm `arrayFind`  $n$  times. `arrayFind` will then have to search all  $n$  elements for each call until the final where  $x$  is found.

Therefore,  $n$  comparisons are done for each `arrayFind` call. This means we have  $n \times n$  operations -  $O(n^2)$  running time.

Q3. (No. 22)

Show that  $n$  is  $o(n \log n)$ .

Ans.

We say that  $n$  is  $o(n \log n)$  if for any constant  $c > 0$  there is any constant  $n_0 \geq 0$ , such that  $n < c * n \log n$  for  $n \geq n_0$ .

So,  $1/c < \log n$ , we choose  $n_0 = 2^{1/c} + 1$  (when  $\log$  is the base of 2).

Q4. (No. 23)

Show that  $n^2$  is  $\omega(n)$ .

Ans.

To show that  $n^2$  is  $\omega(n)$ , let  $c > 0$  be any constant, there is a constant  $n_0 > 0$  such that  $n^2 > cn$ . So  $n > c$ .

We can choose  $n_0 = c + 1$ .

Q5. (No. 24)

Show that  $n^3 \log n$  is  $\Omega(n^3)$ .

Ans.

To prove the expression above, we need to find a constant  $c > 0$  and constant  $n_0 \geq 1$ , such that  $n^3 \log n \geq cn^3$ .

We can choose  $c = 1$  and  $n_0 = 2$  (suppose  $\log$  is the base of 2).

Q6. (No. 32)

Suppose we have a set of  $n$  balls and we choose each one independently with probability  $1/n^{1/2}$  to go into a basket. Derive an upper bound on the probability that there are more than  $3n^{1/2}$  balls in the basket.

Ans.

Based on Chernoff Bounds,

$$\mu = E(X) = n * (1/n^{1/2}) = n^{1/2}.$$

Then for  $\delta = 2$ , the upper bound is

$$\Pr[X > (1 + \delta)\mu] < (e^\delta / (1 + \delta)^{(1 + \delta)})^\mu \Rightarrow \Pr(X > 3\mu) < \left[ \frac{e^2}{3^3} \right]^{\sqrt{n}}$$

## CREATIVITY Questions

Q1. (No. 36)

What is the total running time of counting from 1 to  $n$  in binary if the time needed to add 1 to the current number  $i$  is proportional to the number of bits in the binary expansion of  $i$  that must change in going from  $i$  to  $i + 1$ ?

Ans.

Let  $t$  be the time to change every single bit and let  $k$  be the total bits.

The total work is:

$$t * (n/2^0 + n/2^1 + n/2^2 \dots + n/2^k) < t * n * 2 \Rightarrow O(n)$$

So, the total running time is  $O(n)$ .

Q2. (No. 39)

Consider the following recurrence equation, defining a function  $T(n)$ :

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 2T(n-1) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

Show, by induction, that  $T(n) = 2^n$ .

Ans.

For  $T(n)$ :

$$T(n) = 2 * T(n-1) = 2 * 2 * T(n-2) = \dots = 2 * 2^{n-1} * T(0) = 2^n$$

Q3. (No. 52)

Show that the summation  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lceil \log_2 i \rceil$  is  $O(n \log n)$ .

Ans.

Here, we assume that the base to all log used is 2.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Upper Bound Summation}(\log i) &= \log(1) + \log(2) + \dots + \log(n) \\ &= \log(n) + \log(n) + \dots \log(n) \\ &= n * \log(n)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Lower Bound Summation } (\log i) &= \log(1) + \dots + \log(n/2) + \dots + \log(n) \\ &= \log(n/2) + \dots + \log(n) \\ &= \log(n/2) + \dots + \log(n/2) \\ &= n/2 * \log(n/2)\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we can say that the summation is  $O(n \log(n))$ .

#### Q4. (No. 62)

Consider an implementation of the extendable table, but instead of copying the elements of the table into an array of double the size (that is, from  $n$  to  $2N$ ) when its capacity is reached, we copy the elements into an array with  $\lceil \sqrt{N} \rceil$  additional cells, going from capacity  $n$  to  $N + \lceil \sqrt{N} \rceil$ . Show that performing a sequence of  $n$  **add** operations (that is, insertions at the end) runs in  $\Theta(n^{3/2})$  time in this case.

Ans.

The size of the array is expanded from  $N$  to  $N + \lceil N^{1/2} \rceil$

Based on the amortization, each insertion will cost  $(N + N^{1/2}) / N^{1/2} = 1 + N^{1/2}$  cyber dollars (\$).

So, total insertion cost is as follow:

$$\sum 1 + 1 + \text{SQRT}(N) = \sum 2 + \text{SQRT}(N) = 2n + \sum \text{SQRT}(N) \text{ from } N=1 \text{ to } N=n$$

that we can get it is no more than:

$$(2/3)n^{3/2} + (1/2)n^{1/2} - 1/6 \text{ but no less than}$$

$$(2/3)n^{3/2} + (1/2)n^{1/2} + 1/3 - (1/2)2^{1/2}.$$

So, the total cost of the array operation is  $\theta(n^{3/2})$ .

## APPLICATION Questions

### Q1. (No. 70)

Given an array,  $A$ , describe an efficient algorithm for reversing  $A$ . For example, if  $A = [3, 4, 1, 5]$ , then its reversal is  $A = [5, 1, 4, 3]$ . You can only use  $O(1)$  memory in addition to that used by  $A$  itself. What is the running time of your algorithm?

Ans.

Algorithm reversal (start, end, n, A)

Step1: Initialize

$n$  – number of elements in an array

start  $\leftarrow 0$

end  $\leftarrow n-1$

Step2: In a loop,

swap (arr[start], arr[end])

Step3: Start  $\leftarrow$  start + 1

End  $\leftarrow$  end -1

The Time Complexity will be  $O(n)$

In the above algorithm,

Step 1 will execute in constant time (1) and Step 2 will take  $n$  time, swapping will take constant time and the Step 3 again will take the constant time (1).

So, the total running time of the algorithm is  $O(n)$ .

The running time of this algorithm would be  $O(n)$  because it accesses every element in the array the one time.

And no extra space needed, it only needs two variables to record the pointers. So, the space complexity is  $O(1)$ .



## Q2. (No. 77)

Given an integer  $k > 0$  and an array,  $A$ , of  $n$  bits, describe an efficient algorithm for finding the shortest subarray of  $A$  that contains  $k$  1's. What is the running time of your method?

Ans.

Input: An array  $A$  of  $n$ -bits, indexed from 1 to  $n$ .

Output: The shortest subarray of  $A$  that contains  $k$  1's.

```
Count  $\leftarrow$  0
 $k \leftarrow$  0 //maximum found so far
for  $i \leftarrow$  1 to  $n$  do
    if  $A[i] = 0$  then
        count  $\leftarrow$  0
    else
        count  $\leftarrow$  count + 1
     $k \leftarrow$  max( $k$ , count)
return  $k$ 
```

Run Time:

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Count $\leftarrow$ 0             | (1 time)     |
| $k \leftarrow$ 0                 | (1 time)     |
| for $i \leftarrow$ 1 to $n$ do   | ( $n$ times) |
| if $A[i] = 0$ then               | (1 time)     |
| count $\leftarrow$ 0             | (1 time)     |
| else                             | (1 time)     |
| count $\leftarrow$ count + 1     | (1 time)     |
| $k \leftarrow$ max( $k$ , count) | (1 time)     |
| return $k$                       | (1 time)     |

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Total Run Time} &= 1 + 1 + n + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\ &= n + 8 \\ &= O(n)\end{aligned}$$

For loop will take  $n$  times to run whereas if and else statement will run in constant  $O(1)$  time. All other are variables which will take constant time  $O(1)$  to run.