

$f(n) = \log(n^k) = k \log n$   
 $g(n) = \log((k \log n)^k) = k \log(k \log n) = k \log k + k \log \log n$   
 $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$

$\log_a^n = x \Rightarrow a^x = n$   
 $n^{\log_a^n} = (a^x)^{\log_a^n} = (a^{\log_a^n})^x = n^x$   
 $(\log_a^n)^{\log_a^n} = x^x$   
 $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$

# Written Assignment 1: Algorithm Analysis

## 1 $O, \Omega, \Theta$

### 1.1 Problem 1 (10 points)

Given three positive functions  $f$ ,  $g$ , and  $h$ , use the definition of  $\Theta$  to prove the following: if  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  and  $g(n) = \Theta(h(n))$  then  $f(n) = \Theta(h(n))$ .

### 1.2 Problem 2 (10 points)

Given a positive function  $f$ , prove or disprove the following:  $f(n) = \Theta(f(n/2))$ .

### 1.3 Problem 3 (25 points)

For each pair of functions  $f$  and  $g$  below, decide whether  $f(n) = O(g(n))$ ,  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ , or  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ . Justify your answers step by step using the definitions of these asymptotic notations. Note that more than one of these relations may hold for a given pair; list all correct ones.

(a)  $f(n) = kn \log(n)$  and  $g(n) = n \log(kn)$  for any positive constant  $k$ .

(b)  $f(n) = n(\sin(n))^2$  and  $g(n) = \sqrt{n}$

(c)  $f(n) = \sqrt{n}^{\sqrt{n}}$  and  $g(n) = \sqrt{n^n}$

(d)  $f(n) = n^{\log(\log(n))}$  and  $g(n) = \log(n)^{\log(n)}$

(e)  $f(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n i^2$  and  $g(n) = n \sum_{i=1}^n (n-i)$

## 2 Recurrence Relations

### 2.1 Problem 4 (30 points)

Given a positive number  $k$ , solve the following recurrence relation to find an exact formula for  $T(n)$  (to simplify, you can assume that  $n$  is a power of 2):

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} kT(n/2) + \log_2(n/2) & n > 1 \\ 1 & n = 1 \end{cases}$$

Note:  $S(x, n) = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n = \frac{x^{n+1}-1}{x-1}$  when  $x \neq 1$ . And therefore, by derivation with regard to  $x$ :  $S'(x, n) = 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + \dots + nx^{n-1} = \frac{nx^{n+1} - (n+1)x^n + 1}{(x-1)^2}$  when  $x \neq 1$ .

Note: the formula for  $T(n)$  might be different when  $k = 1$ .

After you have computed the exact formula, give a tight asymptotic bound for  $T(n)$  (again, the result might be different for different values of  $k$ ). There is no need to explain, just give the final result.

## 2.2 Problem 5 (15 points)

Consider the following C code to compute  $2^n$  recursively:

```
int pow(int n) {
    if(n == 0) → 1.
        return 1; → 1.
    int pmid = pow(n / 2); →  $1 + (\frac{n}{2})^n$ 
    if(n % 2 == 0) { → 2.
        return pmid * pmid; → 2.
    } else {
        return 2 * pmid * pmid; → 3.
    }
}
```

$0 \leq n < 2 : 1$   
 $2 \leq n < 4 : 2$   
 $p(n) = 1 + 1 + 1 + (\frac{n}{2})^n + 2 + 2 + 3$   
 $p(n) = T(n) = 10 + (\frac{n}{2})^n \rightarrow O(n)$   
 $2^n = (2^{\frac{n}{2}})^2$ ; When  $n$  is odd:  $2^n = 2 * 2 * (2^{(n-1)/2})^2$   
 $2 \leq T(n) \leq (\log_2 n + c)$  不确定  $(\log_2 n)$

If  $n$  is even then  $2^n = 2^{n/2} * 2^{n/2} = (2^{n/2})^2$ . If  $n$  is odd then  $2^n = 2 * 2^{(n-1)/2} * 2^{(n-1)/2} = 2 * (2^{(n-1)/2})^2$  (and  $(n-1)/2$  is the same as  $n/2$  when  $n$  is odd and you are using the C language's integer division).

Call  $T(n)$  the amount of time required to execute the function **pow(n)**. For each line of the C code above, give the exact number of operations required (see slide 19 of the lecture notes for week 5). Each C operator counts as one operation, and **return** counts as one operation too.

Then write a recursive inequation of the form " $\dots \leq T(n) \leq \dots$ ". Explain in English how you get the inequation. (There is no need to solve the equation.)

## 2.3 Problem 6 (10 points)

Consider the following C code to compute the integer logarithm  $\log_2(n)$  (the biggest natural number  $k$  such that  $2^k \leq n$ ) using binary search:

```
int log(int n) {
    int start = 0, end = n; → 2
    while(start < end - 1) { → 2
        int mid = (start + end) / 2; → 3
        if(pow(mid) <= n) { → mid + 1
            start = mid; → 1
        } else {
            end = mid; → 1
        }
    }
    return start; → 1
}
```

$T(n) = 7 + mid + 4 = 11 + mid$   
 $U(n) = \log_2 n (\log_2 n + 7) + 3$   
 $\Rightarrow \Theta(\log^2 n)$

The algorithm starts with the interval  $[0, n)$ , and checks whether the power of 2 of the midpoint is less than or equal to  $n$  (in which case the right half of the interval becomes the new search interval) or bigger than  $n$  (in which case the left half of the interval becomes the new search interval). The algorithm then repeats the whole process until the interval has a length of 1, at which point **start** is the answer.

Call  $U(n)$  the amount of time required to execute the function **log(n)**. Write a recursive equation of the form " $U(n) = \dots$ ". Explain in English how you get the equation. You can assume that  $T(n) = \Theta(\log(n))$ . You do not have to count the exact number of operations: write a recurrence relation for  $U(n)$  using  $\Theta$  and simplify as much as possible. (There is no need to solve the equation.)