## Problem 1 (Linear Growth O(n))

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function F(n).

#### **Algorithm F(n):**

- if  $n \le 1$ , result = 1
- else, result = F(n-1) + 1
- I. Prove that F(n) = n.
- II. Show that the time complexity of F(n) is O(n).

### **Problem 2 (Linear Growth** O(n))

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function G(n).

#### **Algorithm G(n):**

- if n = 0, result = 0
- else, result = G(n-1) + 2
- I. Prove that G(n) = 2n.
- II. Demonstrate that G(n) has a time complexity of O(n).

### **Problem 3 (Logarithmic Growth** $O(\log n)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function H(n).

#### **Algorithm H(n):**

- if n = 1, result = 1
- else, result = H(|n/2|) + 1
- I. Prove that  $H(n) = O(\log n)$ .
- II. Explain how the recurrence leads to logarithmic growth.

### **Problem 4 (Quadratic Growth** $O(n^2)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function K(n).

#### **Algorithm K(n):**

- if n < 1, result = 1
- else, result = K(n-1) + n
- I. Prove that  $K(n) = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ .
- II. Show that K(n) has a time complexity of  $O(n^2)$ .

### **Problem 5 (Exponential Growth** $O(2^n)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function L(n).

#### Algorithm L(n):

- if  $n \le 1$ , result = 1
- else, result = L(n-1) + L(n-2)
- I. Prove that L(n) grows exponentially.
- II. Show that L(n) has time complexity  $O(2^n)$ .

### **Problem 6 (Linearithmic Growth** $O(n \log n)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function M(n).

#### Algorithm M(n):

- if n = 1, result = 1
- else, result = 2M(n/2) + n
- I. Solve the recurrence to show that  $M(n) = O(n \log n)$ .
- II. Show that the algorithm is similar to merge sort and has  $O(n \log n)$  time complexity.

### **Problem 7 (Factorial Growth** O(n!))

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function N(n).

#### Algorithm N(n):

- if  $n \le 1$ , result = 1
- else, result =  $n \cdot N(n-1)$
- I. Prove that N(n) = n!.
- II. Show that the time complexity is O(n!).

### **Problem 8 (Exponential Growth** $O(3^n)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function P(n).

#### Algorithm P(n):

- if n = 1, result = 1
- else, result = P(n-1) + 2P(n-2)
- I. Prove that P(n) grows exponentially.
- II. Show that P(n) has time complexity  $O(3^n)$ .

# Problem 9 (Cubic Growth $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function Q(n).

#### **Algorithm Q(n):**

- if n = 0, result = 0
- else, result =  $Q(n-1) + n^2$
- I. Prove that  $Q(n) = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$ .
- II. Show that Q(n) has time complexity  $O(n^3)$ .

## **Problem 10 (Polynomial Growth** $O(n^k)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function R(n, k).

#### Algorithm R(n, k):

- if n = 1, result = 1
- else, result =  $R(n-1, k) + n^{k-1}$
- I. Prove that  $R(n, k) = O(n^k)$ .
- II. Show that R(n, k) grows polynomially in n.

## **Problem 11 (Exponential Growth** $O(2^n)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function S(n).

#### **Algorithm S(n):**

- if  $n \le 2$ , result = 1
- else, result = S(n-1) + S(n-2)
- I. Prove that S(n) grows exponentially like Fibonacci.
- II. Show that S(n) has a time complexity of  $O(2^n)$ .

### **Problem 12 (Linearithmic Growth** $O(n \log n)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function T(n).

#### **Algorithm T(n):**

- if n = 1, result = 1
- else, result = 2T(n/2) + n
- I. Solve the recurrence to show that  $T(n) = O(n \log n)$ .
- II. Show that T(n) follows the divide and conquer pattern.

### **Problem 13 (Quadratic Growth** $O(n^2)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function U(n).

#### Algorithm U(n):

- if n < 1, result = 1
- else, result = 2U(n-1) + n
- I. Prove that U(n) grows quadratically.
- II. Show that U(n) has time complexity  $O(n^2)$ .

### **Problem 14 (Logarithmic Growth** $O(\log n)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function V(n).

#### Algorithm V(n):

- if n = 1, result = 1
- else, result = V(n/2) + 1
- I. Prove that  $V(n) = O(\log n)$ .
- II. Show that V(n) grows logarithmically.

### **Problem 15 (Sublinear Growth** $O(\sqrt{n})$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function W(n).

#### Algorithm W(n):

- if n = 1, result = 1
- else, result =  $W(n-1) + 1/\sqrt{n}$
- I. Prove that W(n) grows sublinearly like  $O(\sqrt{n})$ .
- II. Show that W(n) grows slower than linear.

## **Problem 16 (Cubic Growth** $O(n^3)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function X(n).

#### Algorithm X(n):

- if n = 1, result = 1
- else, result =  $X(n-1) + n^2$
- I. Prove that  $X(n) = O(n^3)$ .
- II. Show that X(n) has time complexity  $O(n^3)$ .

### **Problem 17 (Log-Linear Growth** $O(n \log n)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function Y(n).

#### **Algorithm Y(n):**

- if n = 1, result = 1
- else, result = Y(n/2) + n
- I. Solve the recurrence to show that  $Y(n) = O(n \log n)$ .

## **Problem 18 (Exponential Growth** $O(2^n)$ )

Consider the following recursive algorithm to compute a function Z(n).

#### Algorithm Z(n):

- if  $n \le 2$ , result = 1
- else, result = Z(n-1) + Z(n-2) + Z(n-3)
- I. Prove that Z(n) grows exponentially.
- II. Show that the time complexity of Z(n) is  $O(2^n)$ .