

Written Assignment 1 Sample Answer

Problem 1. (15 marks)

Answer:

Code	Cost
if (n == 1 n == 2) { return 1; }	Segment 1: 4
if (n > 2) { return function(n - 1) + 1; }	Segment 2: 1
return -1;	T(n-1)+1+1+1
	Segment 3: 1

① when $n < 1$, $T(n) = 5$

② when $n = 1$, $T(n) = 3$

③ when $n = 2$, $T(n) = 4$

④ when $n > 2$, $T(n) = 4 + T(n-1) + 1 + 1 + 1 = T(n-1) + 1 * 7 = T(n-i) + i * 7$, suppose $i = n-1$, $T(n) = T(n-(n-1)) + (n-1) * 7 = 7n - 6$

Problem 2. (20 marks)

Answer:

(a) $f(n) = O(g(n))$

Let $c = 1, n_0 = 2$. If $n > n_0$, $c \cdot g(n) - f(n) = \sqrt{n} + n - \sqrt{n} - \sin(n) = n - \sin(n) > 0$. Hence $f(n) = O(g(n))$.

(b) $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$

If $k=1$, let $c=1, n_0 = 2$. If $n > n_0$, $f(n) - c \cdot g(n) = 2n - \log^k n > 0$. Hence $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$.

(c) $f(n) = \theta(g(n))$

Let $c = 2, n_0 = 1$. If $n > n_0$, $c \cdot g(n) - f(n) = 4n^2 + 6n + 8 - 4n^2 - 3n - 2 = 3n + 6 > 0$. Hence $f(n) = O(g(n))$.

Let $c = 1, n_0 = 2$. If $n > n_0$, $f(n) - c \cdot g(n) = 4n^2 + 3n + 2 - 2n^2 - 3n - 4 = 2n^2 - 2 > 0$. Hence $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$.

Therefore, $f(n) = \theta(g(n))$.

Problem 3. (20 marks)

Answer:

(a) True.

$2f(n) + 2g(n) = 2(f(n) + g(n))$, $f(n) + g(n) = 1/2(2f(n) + 2g(n))$. According to the definition of Θ ,

there exist constants c_1, n_1 and c_2, n_2 that satisfy $c_1 \cdot (2f(n_1) + 2g(n_2)) \leq f(n) \cdot g(n) \leq c_2 \cdot (2f(n_2) + 2g(n_1))$

(b) False.

Suppose $f(n) = g(n) = 2^n$, then $f(n) \cdot g(n) = 2^n \cdot 2^n = 2^{2n}$, $f(2n) \cdot g(2n) = 2^{2n} \cdot 2^{2n} = 2^{4n}$.

Problem 4. (15 marks)

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 3T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + n \\
 &= 3\left[3T\left(\frac{n}{3^2}\right) + \frac{n}{3}\right] + n \\
 &= 3^2T\left(\frac{n}{3^2}\right) + n + n \\
 &= 3^2\left[3T\left(\frac{n}{3^3}\right) + \frac{n}{3^2}\right] + n + n \\
 &= 3^3T\left(\frac{n}{3^3}\right) + n + n + n \\
 &= \dots \\
 &= 3^kT\left(\frac{n}{3^k}\right) + kn
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $n = 3^k$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= nT\left(\frac{n}{n}\right) + n \log_3 n \\
 &= n + n \log_3 n
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 5. (15 marks)

Answer:

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{a}{a+b} \cdot n\right) + T\left(\frac{b}{a+b} \cdot n\right) + O(n)$$

In the first layer, the cost of merging the two subarrays is $O(n)$.

In the second layer, each subarray is further divided in the ratio $a:b$: $T\left(\frac{a}{a+b} \cdot n\right)$ is divided into $T\left(\frac{a^2}{(a+b)^2} \cdot n\right)$ and $T\left(\frac{a}{(a+b)^2} \cdot n\right)$, $T\left(\frac{b}{a+b} \cdot n\right)$ is divided into $T\left(\frac{ab}{(a+b)^2} \cdot n\right)$ and $T\left(\frac{b^2}{(a+b)^2} \cdot n\right)$. The merge cost for this level remains $O(n)$.

Every level has a total merge cost of $O(n)$, and the problem size reduces with each split.

So, The merge cost per level is $O(n)$, and the number of levels is approximately $O(\log n)$. Therefore, the total time complexity is: $T(n) = O(n \log n)$

Problem 6. (15 marks)

1)

Using MergeSort algorithm to sort values, and an additional array C is used to store the weight associated with each value after sorting values.

mergeSimilarItems (items1, items2){

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    Array B,C,ret
    values=CONCATENATE(items1.values, items2.values)
    weights=CONCATENATE(items1.weights, items2.weights)
    MERGESORT(values, left, right)
    FOR i FROM 0 TO B.Length
        ret[i]=Array(B[i],C[i])
    RETURN ret
}

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MERGESORT(A, left, right){
    IF left>=right
        RETURN
    center = (left+right) / 2
    MERGESORT(A, left, center)
    MERGESORT(A, center+1, right)
    MERGE(A, left, center, right)
}

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MERGE(A, left, center, right)
    i1 = left, i2 = center+1, i=0
    WHILE i1<=center AND i2<=right
        IF A[i1]<A[i2]
            C[i] = weights[i1]
            B[i++] = A[i1++]
        ELSE IF A[i1]==A[i2]
            C[i] = weights[i2]+weights[i1]
            B[i++] = A[i2++]
            i1++
        ELSE
            C[i] = weights[i2]
            B[i++] = A[i2++]
    WHILE i1 <= center
        B[i++] = A[i1++]
    WHILE i2 <= right
        B[i++] = A[i2++]
    Copy B to A[left..right]

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2) $O(n \log n)$