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# Analysis of Algorithms

## Homework 1

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- Rank the following functions by order of growth. Further, partition the list into equivalence classes such that functions  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$  are in the same class if and only if  $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$ . (See page 58 in CLRS for a definition of  $\lg^*(n)$ .)

$\ln(\ln(n))$	$\lg^*(n)$	$n2^n$	$n^{\lg(\lg(n))}$	$\ln(n)$	$\frac{1}{p}$
$2^{\lg(n)}$	$(\lg(n))^{\lg(n)}$	$e^n$	$4^{\lg(n)}$	$(n+1)!$	$\lg(n)$
$(\frac{3}{2})^n$	$\frac{n^3}{\sqrt{}}$	$(\lg(n))^2$	$\lg(n!)$	$2^{2n}$	$n^{1/\lg(n)}$
$\lg^*(\lg(n))$	$2^{2 \lg(n)}$	$n \sqrt{}$	$2^n$	$n \lg(n)$	$2^{2n+1}$
$\lg(\lg^*(n))$	$2^{\lg^*(n)}$	$(2)^{\lg(n)}$	$n^2$	$n!$	$(\lg(n))!$

$2^{2n+1}$	>	$2^{2n}$	>	$(n+1)!$	>	$n!$	>	$e^n$	>	$n2^n$	>
$2^n$	>	$(\frac{3}{2})^n$	>	$(\lg(n))^{\lg(n)}$	>	$n^{\lg(\lg(n))}$	>	$(\lg(n))!$	>	$(\lg(n))!$	>
$n^3$	>	$n^2$	>	$\lg(n!)$	>	$n \lg(n)$	>	$(2)^{\lg(n)}$	>	$n$	>
$\sqrt{n}$	>	$2^{\sqrt{2 \lg n}}$	>	$\lg^2 n$	>	$(\lg(n))^2$	>	$\ln(n)$	>	$\sqrt{\lg n}$	>
$\ln(\ln(n))$	>	$4^{\lg(n)}$	>	$2^{\lg^* n}$	>	$\lg^*(\lg(n))$	>	$\lg(\lg^*(n))$	>	$\lg^*(n)$	>

$n^{1/\lg(n)}$	>	1	>							
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2. Rank the following functions of  $x$  by order of growth. Note: the constants  $a, b, c, k$  are all greater than one.  $\sqrt[k]{x}$ ,  $a^x$ ,  $x^c$ ,

$$a^x > x^c > \sqrt[k]{x} > \log_b(x)$$

3. (a) Using the class definition of  $O$ , prove that  $n = O(n^2)$ .

$$f(n) = n, g(n) = n^2$$

$$n < n^2 * c$$

$$\text{When } c \geq 1$$

$$n < n^2 * 1 = \text{True}$$

(b) Using the class definition of  $O$ , prove that  $n^2 = O(n^2)$ .

$$f(n) = n^2, g(n) = n^2$$

$$n^2 < n^2 * C$$

$$\text{When } C \geq 2$$

$$n^2 < n^2 * 2 = \text{True}$$

(c) Using the class definition of  $O$ , prove that  $3n^2 + 5n = O(n^2)$ .

$$f(n) = 3n^2 + 5n, g(n) = n^2$$

$$3n^2 + 5n \leq n^2 * C$$

$$\text{When } C \geq 8 \text{ and } n \geq 1$$

$$3 + 5 \leq 1 * 8$$

$$\text{True}$$

4a. Given that  $\sum_{k=2}^n 1/k \leq \ln(n) - \ln(1)$ , using the class definition of  $O$ , prove that  $H_n \in O(\ln(n))$ .

For  $K = 2$ ,  $N = 2$

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq \ln(2) - 0$$

$$0.5 \leq 0.693 = \text{True}$$

4b. Given that  $\sum_{k=2}^n 1/k \geq \ln(n+1) - \ln(2)$ , using the class definition of  $\Omega$ , prove that  $H_n \in \Omega(\ln(n))$ .

$K = 2$ ,  $N = 2$

$$\frac{1}{2} \geq \ln(3) - \ln(2)$$

$$0.5 > 0.405$$

5. (project) Recall the definition of the Fibonacci numbers.

$$F_0 = 0$$

$$F_1 = 1$$

$$F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$$

Write a recursive function fib that implements the above recurrence. What is the smallest  $n$  such that you notice fib running slowly?

$N > 11$  Function begins to run slower. At  $N = 30$  function runs for over 8 seconds.

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6. Consider the following recurrence.

$$\begin{aligned}f(0; a, b) &= a \\f(1; a, b) &= b \\f(n; a, b) &= f(n-1; b, a+b)\end{aligned}$$

(a) Prove using mathematical induction that for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  if  $n > 1$  then  $f(n; a, b) = f(n-1; a, b) + f(n-2; a, b)$ .

For  $n = 2$

$$f(2; a, b) = f(1; a, b) + f(0; a, b)$$

$$f(1; a, a+b) = f(1; a, b) + f(0; a, b) (\because f(n; a, b) = f(n-1; a, b))$$

$$a+b = a+b (\because f(0; a, b) = a, f(1; a, b) = b)$$

Therefore True for  $n = 2$

Assume true for  $n = k$

$$f(k; a, b) = f(k-1; a, b) + f(k-2; a, b) = \text{True}$$

Prove true for  $n = k+1$

$$f(k+1; a, b) = f(k; a, b) + f(k-1; a, b)$$

$$f(k; a, b) + f(k-1; a, b) = f(k; a, b) + f(k-1; a, b)$$

Also true for  $n = k+1$

Therefore  $f(n; a, b) = f(n-1; a, b) + f(n-2; a, b) = \text{True}$

(b) Prove using the strong form of induction that for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $F_n = f(n; 0, 1)$ . You should use the previous result in your proof.

$$F_1 = f(1; 0, 1) = 1$$

$$F_2 = f(2; 0, 1) = f(1; 0, 1) + f(0; 0, 1) = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$F_3 = f(3; 0, 1) = f(2; 0, 1) + f(1; 0, 1) = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$F_4 = f(4; 0, 1) = f(3; 0, 1) + f(2; 0, 1) = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$F_k = F_{k-1} + F_{k-2}$$

$$r > 1 \text{ so that } F_n \geq r^n$$

$$F_n \geq r^{n-2}$$

$$\text{let } P(n) \text{ denotes } F_n \geq r^{n-2}$$

$P(1)$  is true while  $r^{1-2} = r^{-1} \leq 1$  and  $P(2)$  is also true because  $F_2 = 1$  and  $r^{2-2} = r^0 = 1$

$$F_{n+1} = F_n + F_{n-1}$$

$$F_{n+1} \geq r^{n-2} + r^{n-3} \rightarrow 2$$

$$F_{n+1} \geq r^{n-3}(r+1) \rightarrow 3$$

$$r^2 = r + 1$$

$$F_{n+1} \geq r^{n-3}(r+1) = r^{n-3}r^2 = r^{n-1}$$

7. (project) Write a recursive function `fibItHelper` that takes three arguments,  $n$ ,  $a$ , and  $b$ ; it should implement the recurrence  $f$ . Then write a function `fibIt` that calls `fibItHelper` initializing  $a$  to 0 and  $b$  to 1. Does `fibIt` also run slowly on the value of  $n$  that you found made `fib` run slowly?

No `fibIt` is much faster than the `fib` function.