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CS 3340B: Assignment 1

Question 1:  $\sum_{1}^{n} i(i+1)$ 

**Solution 1:** Using 
$$i(i+1) = i(i+1) = \frac{(i+1)^3 - i^3 - 1}{3}$$

Substituting i = 1, 2, 3, 4, ...n

$$\begin{split} \sum_{1}^{n} i(i+1) &= \frac{(1+1)^{3}-1^{3}-1}{3} + \frac{(2+1)^{3}-2^{3}-1}{3} + \frac{(3+1)^{3}-3^{3}-1}{3} + \frac{(4+1)^{3}-4^{3}-1}{3} + \dots + \frac{(n+1)^{3}-n^{3}-1}{3} \\ &= \frac{(2)^{3}-1^{3}-1}{3} + \frac{(3)^{3}-2^{3}-1}{3} + \frac{(4)^{3}-3^{3}-1}{3} + \frac{(5)^{3}-4^{3}-1}{3} + \dots + \frac{(n+1)^{3}-n^{3}-1}{3} \\ &= \frac{(2)^{3}-1^{3}-1+(3)^{3}-2^{3}-1+(4)^{3}-3^{3}-1+(5)^{3}-4^{3}-1+\dots+(n+1)^{3}-n^{3}-1}{3} \\ &= \frac{-1^{3}-1-1-1-1+\dots+(n+1)^{3}-1}{3} \\ &= \frac{-1^{3}(-1-1-1-1+\dots+(n+1)+(n+1)^{3}}{3} \\ &= \frac{-(1+1+1+1+\dots+1)+(n+1)^{3}-1^{3}}{3} \end{split}$$

Using  $\sum_{1}^{n} 1 = n$ , the substituted equation is-

$$\frac{-n+(n+1)^3-1^3}{3} = \frac{(n+1)^3-n-1}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)(n+1)(n+1)-n-1}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(n^2+n+n+1)(n+1)-n-1}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(n^2+2n+1)(n+1)-n-1}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(n^3+2n^2+n+n^2+2n+1)-n-1}{3}$$

$$= \frac{n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n}{3}$$
$$= \frac{n(n^2 + 3n + 2)}{3}$$
$$= \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}$$

Hence the summation formula for  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} i(i+1)$  is :  $\frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}$ 

**Question 2:** To prove :  $L_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n+1}$ , n > 0 where  $F_i$  is the Fibonacci number.

**Solution 2:** The Fibonacci sequence is defined by the recurrence relation Fn = Fn - 1 + Fn - 2 with initial conditions  $F_0 = 0$  and  $F_1 = 1$ . Lucas numbers  $L_n$  are defined by the recurrence relation  $L_n = L_{n-1} + L_{n-2}$ , with initial terms  $L_1 = 1$  and  $L_2 = 2$ . To sum up:

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
$F_n$	0	1	1	2	3	5	8	13	21	•••
$L_n$	2	1	3	4	7	11	18	29	47	

Using Mathematical Induction, the base case is:

For 
$$n=1$$
,

$$L_1 = 1$$
 
$$F_{n-1} = F_{1-1} = F_0 = 0$$
 
$$F_{n+1} = F_{1+1} = F_2 = 1$$

Therefore, we get  $L_1 = F_{n-1} + F_{n+1}$  as the base case.

Assuming:  $L_k = F_{k-1} + F_{k+1}$  for all  $1 \le k \le n$ 

To prove:  $L_{k+1} = F_k + F_{k+2}$ 

Using the definition of Lucas numbers from above, we know that,

$$\begin{split} L_{k+1} &= L_k + L_{k-1} \\ &= (F_{k-1} + F_{k+1}) + (F_{k-2} + F_k) \text{ (Using inductive hypothesis)} \\ &= (F_{k-1} + F_{k-2}) + (F_{k+1} + F_k) \\ \\ L_{k+1} &= F_k + F_{k+2} \text{ (Using } F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n \text{ and } F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} \text{)} \end{split}$$

Therefore, from above, we can conclude that for any n>0,  $L_n=F_{n-1}+F_{n+1}$  . Hence proved.

**Question 3:** You can also think of insertion sort as a recursive algorithm. In order to sort A[1:n], recursively sort the subarray A [1:n-1] and then insert A[n] into the sorted subarray A[1:n-1]. Write pseudocode for this recursive version of insertion sort. Give a recurrence for its worst-case running time.

Solution 3: Pseudocode for the recursive version of Insertion sort-

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\label{eq:cursive-Insertion-Sort} Recursive-Insertion-Sort(A, n) $$ if n > 1 $$ Recursive-Insertion-Sort(A, n-1) $$ Insert(A, n) $$ end if $$ end Recursive-Insertion-Sort $$ Insert(A, n) $$ key = A[n] $$ j = n - 1 $$ while $j > 0$ and $A[j] > key $$ A[j+1] = A[j] $$
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$$j=j-1$$
 end while 
$$A[j+1]=key$$
 end Insert

In the pseudocode above, 'A' is the array to be sorted, and 'n' is the number of elements in the array to sort. The algorithm first recursively sorts the subarray 'A[1...n-1]', and then it inserts the 'n-th' element into the sorted subarray.

For the worst-case running time, we can consider the recurrence relation for the insertion sort algorithm. The worst-case scenario for insertion sort is when the array is in reverse order, requiring each insertion to move every element that has already been sorted. The recurrence for the worst-case running time T(n) of the recursive insertion sort is:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) \text{ if } n = 1\\ T(n-1) + \Theta(n) \text{ if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

The 'T(n-1)' term represents the time to sort n-1 elements, and ' $\Theta$ (n)' represents the time to insert the nth element into its proper position in the sorted subarray of n-1 elements. This leads to a quadratic running time since we have to perform an operation that is linear in the number of elements for each element in the array.

To solve this recurrence relation, we can expand it:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + n$$

$$= (T(n-2) + n - 1) + n$$

$$= (T(n-3) + n - 2) + n - 1 + n$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= 1 + 2 + \dots + (n-1) + n$$

This sum is the arithmetic series which simplifies to:

$$T(n) = n(n+1)/2 = \Theta(n^2)$$

Hence, the worst-case running time for the recursive version of insertion sort is  $\Theta(n^2)$ .

Question 4: Although merge sort runs in  $\Theta(nlgn)$  worst-case time and insertion sort runs in  $\Theta(n^2)$  worst-case time, the constant factors in insertion sort can make it faster in practice for small problem sizes on many machines. Thus, it makes sense to coarsen the leaves of the recursion by using insertion sort within merge sort when subproblems become sufficiently small. Consider a medication to merge sort in which n/k sub lists of length k are sorted using insertion sort and then merged using the standard merging mechanism, where k is a value to be determined.

- a. Show that insertion sort can sort the n/k sub lists, each of length k, in  $\Theta(nk)$  worst-case time.
- b. Show how to merge the sub lists in  $\Theta(nlg(n/k))$  worst-case time.
- c. Given that the modified Algorithm runs in  $\Theta(nk + nlg(n/k))$  worst-case time, what is the largest value of k as a function of n for which the modified algorithm has the same running time as standard merge sort, in terms of  $\Theta$  -notation?

#### **Solution 4:**

a) Insertion sort has a worst-case time complexity of  $\theta(k^2)$  for a single sub list of length k. Since, we have n/k such sub lists, we multiply this time complexity by the number of sub lists to get the total time.

$$\frac{n}{k}\Theta(k^2) = \Theta\left(\frac{n}{k}k^2\right) = \Theta(nk).$$

This shows that using insertion sort on n/k sub lists, each of length k, will have a worst-case time complexity of  $\Theta(nk)$ .

b) Merging two sorted lists of length k, has a linear time complexity,  $\theta(k)$ . In the merge sort algorithm, we merge n/k sub lists into n/2k sub lists, then n/4k sub lists, and so on, until we have one sorted list. This is a total of lg(n/k) merge steps since each step halves the number of sub lists. This means that the depth of the merge tree is lg(n) - lg(k) = lg(n/k).

The total work done at each level of merging is  $\Theta(n)$  because we're merging two halves of the list, and the number of elements being merged totals to n. Since we have lg(n/k) levels, the total work for merging is:

$$\Theta(n) \cdot \Theta(\log(n/k)) = \Theta(n\log(n/k))$$

c) Viewing k as a function of n, as long as  $k(n) \in O(lg(n))$ , it has the same asymptotic. In particular, for any constant choice of k, the asymptotics are the same.

The modified algorithm runs in  $\Theta(nk + nlg(n/k))$  worst-case time. To find the largest value of k for which the modified algorithm has the same running time as standard merge sort, we set the modified running time equal to the running time of standard merge sort, which is  $\Theta(nlg(n))$ 

$$O(nk + nlog(n/k)) = O(nlogn)$$

To maintain the equivalence, the nk term needs to be negligible compared to nlg(n), which implies k should be a function that grows slower than lg(n). Since nlg(k/n) is already  $\Theta(nlg(n))$ , we can ignore it for this comparison. We can then solve for k in terms of n when nk is on the order of nlg(n):

$$nk = n \log n$$

$$k = log n$$

Thus, the largest value of k as a function of n for which the modified algorithm has the same running time as the standard merge sort is:

$$k = log n$$

## **Question 5:** Relative Asymptotic growths

## **Solution 5:**

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a.	$lg^k n$	$n^{\epsilon}$	yes	yes	no	no	no
b.	$n^k$	$c^n$	yes	yes	no	no	no
c.	$\sqrt{n}$	n <sup>sin n</sup>	no	no	no	no	no
d.	$2^n$	$2^{n/2}$	no	no	yes	yes	no
e.	n <sup>log c</sup>	$c^{\log n}$	yes	no	yes	no	yes
f.	log(n!)	$log(n^n)$	yes	no	yes	no	yes

**Question 6:** Determine the time complexity of the program using recurrence tree method (not using master theorem) and then prove your answer.

$$T(2) \le 2c$$
  
 $T(n) \le 2T(n/2) + cnlog_2(n) \quad n > 2$ 

**Solution 6:** The recurrence relation given is:

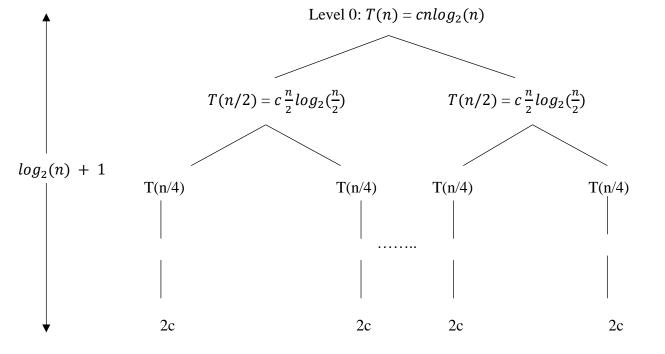
$$T(2) \le 2c$$
  
 $T(n) \le 2T(n/2) + cnlog_2(n) \quad n > 2$ 

We will use the recurrence tree method to determine the time complexity. In a recurrence tree, each node represents the cost at a certain level of recursion, and the branches represent recursive calls. Illustrating the first few levels of the tree:

- 1. At level 0 (the root), we have a single problem of size n costing  $cnlog_2(n)$ .
- 2. At level 1, this problem is divided into 2 subproblems of size  $\frac{n}{2}$ , each costing  $c\frac{n}{2}\log_2(\frac{n}{2})$ .

This division continues, with each level i having  $2^i$  subproblems, each of size  $\frac{n}{2^i}$ , and each costing  $c\frac{n}{2^i}log_2(\frac{n}{2^i})$ . The height h of the tree is reached when the size of the subproblems is 2, that is when  $\frac{n}{2^h} = 2$ . Solving for h gives us  $h = log_2(n) - 1$ .

Let's calculate the total cost at each level and then sum them up.



Level 0 cost:  $cnlog_2(n)$ 

Level 1 cost: 2 . 
$$(c\frac{n}{2}log_2(\frac{n}{2})) = cnlog_2(n) - cn$$

...

Level 
$$i \cos t : 2^i \cdot (c \frac{n}{2^i} log_2(\frac{n}{2^i})) = cnlog_2(n) - cni$$

The total cost is the sum of costs at each level from 0 to h:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{h} (cnlog_2(n) - cni)$$

Now, we need to evaluate this sum:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{h} (cnlog_2(n) - cni) = cnlog_2(n)(h+1) - cn\sum_{i=0}^{h} i$$

Since  $h = log_2(n)$ , we have:

$$cnlog_2(n)log_2(n) - cn\sum_{i=0}^{log_2(n)-1} i$$

Now, let's compute the sum  $\sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)-1} i$  , which is an arithmetic series:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{log_2(n)-1} i = \frac{(log_2(n)-1)log_2(n)}{2}$$

Substituting this back into the total cost expression:

$$cnlog_2(n)log_2(n) - cn\frac{(log_2(n)-1)log_2(n)}{2}$$

Since  $log_2(n)log_2(n)$  is the dominant term, we can ignore the lower-order term  $-cn\frac{(log_2(n)-1)log_2(n)}{2}$  when discussing asymptotic behavior. Therefore, the time complexity is:

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T(n) = O(nlog_2(n)log_2(n))
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This indicates that the running time grows faster than  $nlog_2(n)$  but slower than  $n(log_2(n))^2$  It's a superlinear polynomial time complexity.

# **Question 7:** The

## **Solution 7:**

a) Output for Recursive function to compute  $L_{i*5}$  is:

Lucas(0) = 2 Lucas(5) = 11 Lucas(10) = 123 Lucas(15) = 1364 Lucas(20) = 15127 Lucas(25) = 167761 Lucas(30) = 1860498 Lucas(35) = 20633239 Lucas(40) = 228826127 Lucas(45) = -1757246660 Lucas(50) = -1921017949

To compile and run this program, use the following commands in your terminal:

javac asn1\_a.java java asn1\_a

**b)** Output for Recursive function using matrix multiplication with time complexity O(n) to compute  $L_{i*20}$  is:

Lucas(0) = 2 Lucas(20) = 15127 Lucas(40) = 228826127 Lucas(60) = 3461452808002 Lucas(80) = 52361396397820127 Lucas(100) = -1139155321138466361 Lucas(120) = -2795939413257253630 Lucas(140) = 5347811994664660839 Lucas(160) = -8271524584511622593 Lucas(180) = -4435149930091013822 Lucas(200) = 8566728179384764591 Lucas(220) = 4955201673824879479 Lucas(240) = -352179712341101566 Lucas(260) = -1268672955607851337

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Lucas(280) = -6249783109692392593

Lucas(300) = 362950400237129026

Lucas(320) = -529246468703212673

Lucas(340) = -387354483789832153

Lucas(360) = 7082585619549648130

Lucas(380) = -29558693758691065

Lucas(400) = 6951655735469402015

Lucas(420) = -7162095078750790846

Lucas(440) = 8210776971223662927

Lucas(460) = -8789253581020694569

Lucas(480) = 881586227177639938

Lucas(500) = 7548146805174218327
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To compile and run this program, use the following commands in your terminal:

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javac asn1_b.java
java asn1_b
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Time complexity is O(nA(n)) where A(n) is the complexity to add  $L_{n-1}$  and  $L_{n-2}$ . A(n) is O(1), the O(n) comes from the loop that adds  $L_{n-1}$  and  $L_{n-2}$  as the loop iterates n times. So, the time complexity is O(n(1)) which is O(n).

c) The time needed for asn1\_a is:

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real 0m43.257s
user 0m43.011s
sys 0m0.226s
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The time needed for asn1 b is:

real 0m0.077s user 0m0.051s sys 0m0.020s

To compile and run this program, use the following commands in the terminal to run the script:

./measure\_time.sh

This will help in running the script and seeing the above outputs. Alternatively, we can also run the following commands to see the output:

javac asn1\_a.java javac asn1\_b.java time java asn1\_a time java asn1\_b

Based on above results, we can conclude the following:

- The direct recursive computation of Lucas numbers (asn1\_a) will likely show a significant increase in execution time as **n** grows, due to the exponential time complexity of the algorithm.
- The efficient version (asn1\_b) using matrix exponentiation should show relatively little change in execution time as **n** increases, due to its logarithmic time complexity.
- The matrix exponentiation method is better than direct recursion for computing Lucas numbers at bigger indexes, as can be seen by comparing the real times of the two executions.
- d) For part a), the recursive approach to compute  $L_{50}$  could lead to integer overflow if a 4-byte int type is used. In Java, an int is a 32-bit signed integer, which has a maximum value of  $2^{31}$  1 = 2,147,483,647. The Lucas numbers grow exponentially, and while  $L_{50}$  itself is within the range of a 4-byte int, the recursive calls made by the function without any form of memoization or dynamic programming result in many repeated calculations, which can quickly lead to values that exceed this range during the computation before arriving at the final result for  $L_{50}$ .

For part b), the program can compute  $L_{500}$  precisely even with a 4-byte int because it uses a more efficient algorithm based on matrix exponentiation. This method computes  $L_n$  using a logarithmic number of steps, and it only involves multiplication and addition operations. If we use a data type like long in Java, which is a 64-bit signed integer with a maximum value of  $2^{63}$  - 1 = 9,223,372,036,854,775,807), we can avoid overflow for  $L_{500}$  and compute it precisely. The matrix exponentiation technique does not involve repeated recalculations of the same Lucas numbers, which avoids the combinatorial explosion of recursive calls and the associated risk of overflow.

### To conclude:

- The program in part a) may not be able to compute  $L_{50}$  using a 4-byte int due to potential overflow during intermediate calculations.
- The program in part b) can compute  $L_{500}$  precisely because it avoids intermediate values that exceed the range of a 64-bit long, and it performs far fewer operations due to its logarithmic time complexity.