CS6033 – Design and Analysis of Algorithms I

Homework 4

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Reminders

- Write in a neat and legible handwriting or use LATEX
- Clearly explain the reasoning process
- Write in a complete style (subject, verb, and object)
- Be critical on your results

Questions preceded by a * are optional. Although they can be skipped without any deduction, it is important to know and understand the results they contain.

Ex. 1 — Time vs. space

The goal of this exercise is to consider the best available hardware and compare the feasibility of heavy computation in terms of (i) time and (ii) memory.

- As of June 2015 the fastest supercomputer publicly known is called NUDT Tianhe-2. Its speed is 33.86 PFLOPS and its storage is 12.4 PB¹.
- As of August 2015 one of the fastest CPU for desktop computer is the Intel Core i7-5775R Processor which has four core running at maximal frequency of 3.8 GHz².
- As of August 2015 the largest hard drive is almost 16TB³.
- 1. How long would it take to perform 2^{64} operations on NUDT Tianhe-2? What about 2^{80} operations?
- 2. How many desktop computers would be necessary to perform 2^{64} operations in no more than a day. What about 2^{80} operations in no more than a month?
- 3. How many hard drives would be necessary to store 2^{64} bits. What about 2^{80} bits?

Ex. 2 — Critical thinking

Given a set S of n integers, generate a subset S' of S composed of k elements, each selected with probability k/n. Explain how to obtain S' in only one pass.

Ex. 3 — Algorithm and complexity

In the following triangle each entry is the sum of the three entries directly above it.

1 1 1 1 2 3 2 1 1 3 7 6 3 1 1 6 1 4 10 16 19 16 10 4 1

1. Write the pseudo-code of a simple algorithm which returns the sum on all the elements in the i-th line, when given i as input.

¹Source: top500.org.

²Source: intel.com.

³Source: arstechnica.co.uk.

2. Determine the complexity of this algorithm, and prove its correctness.

* **Ex. 4** — *From SAT to 3-SAT*

Rewrite the following SAT formula into a 3-SAT formula.

$$(x_1 \lor x_2 \lor \neg x_3 \lor x_4 \lor x_5 \lor \neg x_6) \land (\neg x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor x_3 \lor \neg x_4 \lor x_5 \lor x_6) \land (x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor \neg x_3 \lor x_4 \lor x_5 \lor \neg x_6) \land (x_1 \lor \neg x_2).$$

Ex. 5 — Clique problem

- * 1. Explain what the Clique problem is.
 - 2. Prove that Clique is in \mathcal{NP} .
 - 3. Given a 3-SAT formula F with k clauses, construct a graph G such that F is satisfiable if and only if G has a k-clique.
 - 4. Conclude on the complexity class of the Clique problem.

Ex. 6 — *IND-SET problem*

- * 1. What is the maximum independent set problem?
 - 2. What is the independent set (IND-SET) decision problem?
 - 3. Prove that IND-SET is in \mathcal{NP} .
 - 4. Construct a graph G' such that "G has a k-clique" is equivalent to "G' has an independent set of size k".
 - 5. Conclude on the complexity class of the IND-SET problem.

* Ex. 7 — Interview problem

You are given an array A containing positive integers. Find the maximum possible sum of elements of A which is divisible by three.

Example. For A = [3, 6, 5, 1, 8], the maximum sum is 18.