

# COMP 3011 Assignment 1

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## 1. a)

Using master method with  $a = 27$ ,  $b = 3$ , and  $f(n) = n^2$ ,  $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_3 27} = n^3$ .

Thus,  $f(n) = n^2 = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$  with  $\epsilon = 1$ .

By case 1 of the master method,  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) = \Theta(n^3)$

## 1. b)

The substitution method can be used to show  $T(n) = \Theta(n)$ :

- **Upper bound**

Guess:  $T(n) = O(n)$

Assume that  $T(n) \leq cn$  for some constant  $c > 0$  holds for all positive  $m < n$ . Then:

$$T(n) = T(2n/3) + T(n^{2/3}) + n \leq 2cn/3 + cn^{2/3} + n$$

When  $c > 3$ ,  $2c/3 + 1 < c$ , so for all sufficiently large  $n$ :

$$T(n) = (2c/3 + 1)n + cn^{2/3} \leq cn$$

Therefore,  $T(n) = O(n)$ .

- **Lower bound**

Guess:  $T(n) = O(n)$

Assume that  $T(n) \geq cn$  for some constant  $c > 0$  holds for all positive  $m < n$ . Then:

$$T(n) = T(2n/3) + T(n^{2/3}) + n \geq 2cn/3 + cn^{2/3} + n$$

When  $c \leq 3$ ,  $2c/3 + 1 \geq c$ , so for all sufficiently large  $n$ :

$$T(n) = (2c/3 + 1)n + cn^{2/3} \geq cn$$

Therefore,  $T(n) = \Omega(n)$ .

As  $T(n) = O(n)$  and  $T(n) = \Omega(n)$ , thus  $T(n) = \Theta(n)$

### 1. c)

The Iteration method can be used to solve  $T(n)$ . Through repeating substitution,

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n-1) + \lg n \\ &= T(n-2) + \lg(n-1) + \lg n \\ &= T(n-2) + \lg[n \cdot (n-1)] \\ &= \dots \\ &= T(n-k) + \lg[n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-k)] \end{aligned}$$

As the base case is  $T(1)$ , thus  $n-1 = k \rightarrow k = n-1$ , and substituting this we can get:

$$T(n) = T(1) + \lg[n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot 1]$$

As  $n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot 1 = n!$ , and by Stirling's approximation,  $\Theta(\lg n!) = \Theta(n \cdot \lg n)$ . Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(1) + \lg n! \\ &= T(1) + \Theta(n \cdot \lg n) \\ &= \Theta(n \cdot \lg n) \end{aligned}$$

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### 2. Algorithm 1: Find sum of 2018

**Input:** An unsorted list  $L$  of negative and positive integers

**Output:** "YES" if there exist three elements  $a, b, c \in L$  (with repetitions allowed) such that  $a + b + c = 2018$ ; "NO" otherwise.

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MergeSort(L)                                //  $O(n \log n)$ 
n = length of L                              //  $O(1)$ 
for i = 0 to n do                             //  $O(n)$ 
    start = i
    end = n
    while end > start do                       //  $O(n^2)$ 
        sum = L[i] + L[start] + L[end]
        if sum = 2018 return "YES"
        if sum > 2018 then
            end = end - 1
        else
            start = start + 1
return "NO"                                    //  $O(1)$ 
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To analyze the running time, Merge Sort takes  $O(n \log n)$  time. Operations inside *for* loop takes  $O(n)$  while those inside the nested *while* loop takes  $O(n^2)$ . Other operations outside the loop take  $O(1)$  time.

Therefore, by summing up the cost of every line, the time complexity of this algorithm is  $O(n^2)$ .

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### 3.

The recurrence relation of multiplying two (4x4) matrices using Divide and Conquer Algorithm with  $M$  submatrix multiplications can be shown by this equation:

$$T(n) = MT(n/4) + \Theta(n^2)$$

To find the largest value of constant integer  $M$  to get asymptotic improvement over Le Gall's algorithm, which runs in  $O(n^{2.37287})$ , the recurrence relation can be shown as:

$$T(n) = MT(n/4) + O(n^{2.37287})$$

Using master method with  $a = M$  and  $b = 4$ ,  $f(n) = n^{2.37287}$ ,  $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_4 M}$ .

To satisfy case 1 of the master method,  $\log_4 M < 2.37287$  such that  $f(n) = n^{2.37287} = O(n^{\log_4 M - \epsilon})$  with  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$$\log_4 M < 2.37287$$

$$M < 26.83$$

$$M = 26(\text{to nearest integer})$$

Therefore, the largest value of  $M$  is 26.

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### 4.

Using greedy algorithm, this problem can be solved with the following steps:

1. Set  $L'$  as an empty array,  $[]$ .
2. Applying Breath-First Search to  $t$

$O(n)$  where  $n$  is the size of the tree For step 4,  $O(l \cdot n)$

Summing up together, the time complexity is  $O(l \cdot n)$