

QUESTION 2

object Composite {

// (a)

def record (f: (int => int), emit: (int => Unit)) = {

var mmax = 0

var i = 1

// Invariant i: we have called emit(j) for each j in [1..i) such that $f(j) > f(k)$

for all $k \in [1..j)$

while (1)

{ var x = f(i) // f is called once for each value of $i = 1, 2, \dots$

if (x > mmax)

{ emit(i)

mmax = x

}

i += 1

}

}

// (b)

def divisors (m: int): int = {

var div = 0

var i = 1

// Invariant i: div is the number of divisors of m in [1..i)

while (i <= m / 2)

{ if (m % i == 0) div += 1

i += 1

}

// for every $m/2 < i < m$, i cannot divide m

div += 1 // m divides m

return div

}

(c) The function divisors(m) takes $O(m)$ time, therefore record(divisors, print) requires $O(m^2)$ time until it reaches the print(m) procedure, for any highly composite number m.

$$(d) \quad n = p_1^{i_1} \cdot p_2^{i_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_k^{i_k}$$

Every divisor of n is then of the form $p_1^{a_1} \cdot p_2^{a_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_k^{a_k}$, with $0 \leq a_j \leq i_j$, for $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$. By the product rule, there are $(i_1+1)(i_2+1) \cdot \dots \cdot (i_k+1)$ distinct divisors for n (distinct because they have different prime factorisations).

// (e)

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def divisorsFast (n: int): int = {
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    var aux = n
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    var div = 1
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    var i = 2
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// Invariant i : $\text{div} = (i_1+1)(i_2+1) \cdot \dots \cdot (i_t+1)$, where i_1, i_2, \dots, i_t are the exponents of p_1, p_2, \dots, p_t .

with $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_t < i$ are all the prime divisors of n up to (but not including) i

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    while (aux != 1)
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    { var mdiv = 0
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      while (aux % i == 0) { mdiv += 1; aux = aux / i }
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      div = div * (mdiv + 1)
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      if (i == 2) i += 1
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      else i += 2 // skipping the even numbers
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    }
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    return div
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}
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(f) The "divisors" function needs n div and mod operations for every n , and the "divisorsFast" function needs $2 \times \text{div}(n)$, where $\text{div}(n)$ = the number of divisors of n , so I would definitely expect the second function to be faster since $\text{div}(n) < n$.