

Due at 11:59PM, Friday, February 21st on Canvas. Submissions must be **typed** (except for questions labeled with a “📷” icon) and in PDF format. Show your work for full credit!

1. The **formal definition** of big-O notation states that $f(n) \in O(g(n))$ if there are real-valued constants $C, K > 0$ such that for all $n \geq K$, $f(n) \leq Cg(n)$. Using the formal definition, show that

(a)

$$7n^2 + 20n - 91 \in O(n^2),$$

using $C = 8$. What's the **smallest** value of K you can choose?

(b)

$$7n^5 + 18n^4 - 3n^3 + 6n^2 - 2n + 5 = O(n^5),$$

using whatever values of C and K you like.

2. (📷) In class, we gave an example of how polynomials grow slower than exponentials by showing, using a **proof by induction**, that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^n}{e^x} = 0,$$

for all integers $n \geq 0$. The same idea can be used to prove that powers of logarithmic functions (e.g. $(\log_2 x)^{10}$) grow slower than polynomials. Give another **proof by induction** of the fact

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln x)^n}{x} = 0,$$

for all integers $n \geq 0$. Just like in the proof from class, you should be applying l'Hopital's rule **exactly once** in the inductive step.

3. Using the guidelines from the slides, convert the following Java method into pseudocode:

```
public static int binarySearch(int[] array, int target){
    int n = array.length;
    int low = 0;
    int high = n-1;
    while (low <= high){
        int mid = (low + high) / 2;
        if (array[mid] == target){
            return mid;
        }
        else if (array[mid] < target){
            low = mid + 1;
        }
        else {
            high = mid - 1;
        }
    }
    return -1;
}
```

Your answer should be in the following form:

```
BINARYSEARCH( $A[1, \dots, n]$ ,  $target$ ):
    // your code here
```

(Note: be careful, the array A written above starts at 1, not 0. The math-y way of rounding down numbers is “ $\lfloor x \rfloor$ ”, but you can also just write something like “ $\text{FLOOR}(x)$ ”.)

4. For each of the algorithms below, do the following steps:

- (i) Write down a big-O estimate, as a function of m and/or n , for
 - the runtime of any subroutine call (this only applies to ALG2), and
 - the maximum number of iterations each loop can run for.
- (ii) Using (i), write down an expression for the total runtime of the algorithm.
- (iii) Simplify the expression from (ii) to get a simple function $O(f(n))$ or $O(f(m, n))$.

Try to make your function as tight as possible to the original expression (e.g. $5n \log_2 n = O(n \log n)$, not $O(n^2)$ or $O(n)$).

```

ALG1( $n$ ):
   $count := 0$ 
  for  $a = 1, \dots, n$ 
    for  $b = 1, \dots, n$ 
      for  $c = b, \dots, n$ 
        for  $d = b, \dots, c$ 
           $count := count + 1$ 
      for  $e = n^3, \dots, n^4$ 
         $f := 1$ 
        while  $f < n$ 
           $f := 3c$ 
           $count := count + 1$ 
  return  $count$ 

```

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ALG2( $m, n$ ):
   $count := 0$ 
  for  $a = 5, \dots, 5n$ 
    for  $b = 1, \dots, \lfloor \ln m \rfloor$ 
       $c := 1$ 
      while  $c \leq m$ 
         $c := c + 1$ 
         $d := m$ 
        while  $d > 1$ 
           $d := \lfloor d/2 \rfloor$ 
           $count := count + 1$ 
       $count := count + \text{ALG1}(m)$ 
  for  $e = 1, \dots, 3m$ 
    for  $f = 1, \dots, 7n^2$ 
      for  $g = 100, \dots, 1000$ 
         $count := count + 1$ 
  return  $count$ 

```

(Note: if the function were

```
SAMPLE( $n$ ):  
     $count := 0$   
    for  $a = 1, \dots, n$   
        BUBBLESORT( $n$ )  
        for  $b = a, \dots, n$   
             $count := count + 1$   
    return  $count$ 
```

where BUBBLESORT takes $\Theta(n^2)$ time to sort an array of size n , then the solution would be:

- (i) BUBBLESORT: $O(n^2)$, a : $O(n)$, b : $O(n)$
 - (ii) $O(n)[O(n^2) + O(n)]$
 - (iii) $O(n)[O(n^2) + O(n)] = O(n)O(n^2) = O(n^3)$.
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