

# CSC236 Midterm 2 Version 1 Solution

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## Question 1

- Let  $n, q \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $r \in \{0, 1\}$

Assume  $n > 2$ , and  $n = 2q + r$ .

I need to find a closed form for  $T(2q + r)$ , using repeated substitution.

Starting from  $T(n)$ , we have

$$T(n) = n + T(n - 2) \quad [\text{By def. since } n > 2] \quad (1)$$

$$T(2q + r) = 2q + r + T(2q + r - 2) \quad [\text{By replacing } n \text{ for } 2q + r] \quad (2)$$

$$= 2q + r + T(2(q - 1) + r) \quad (3)$$

$$\vdots \quad (4)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} (2(q - i) + r) + T(r) \quad [\text{After } q - 1 \text{ repeatitions}] \quad (5)$$

$$= 2 \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} (q - i) + \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} r + T(r) \quad (6)$$

$$= 2 \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} (q - i) + \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} r \quad [\text{Since } T(r) = 0] \quad (7)$$

$$= 2 \sum_{i'=1}^q i' + \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} r \quad (8)$$

$$= 2 \sum_{i'=1}^q i' + \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} r \quad (9)$$

$$= 2 \sum_{i'=1}^q i' + \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} r \quad (10)$$

$$= 2(q(q + 1))/2 + \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} r \quad [\text{By using } \sum_{i=1}^n i = (n(n + 1))/2] \quad (11)$$

$$= q(q + 1) + rq \quad (12)$$

$$= q(q + 1 + r) \quad (13)$$

• **Rough Works:**

For convenience, define  $H(q) : q(q + r + 1) = T(2q + r)$ .

I will use simple induction to prove that  $\forall q \in \mathbb{N}, H(q)$ .

1. Base Case ( $q = 0$ )

**Base Case ( $q = 0$ ):**

Let  $q = 0$ .

Then,

$$q(q + r + 1) = 0 \tag{14}$$

$$= T(2 \cdot 0 + r) \tag{15} \quad \text{[By def.]}$$

$$= T(2q + r) \tag{16}$$

Thus,  $T(2q + r)$  verifies in this step.

2. Inductive Step

**Base Case ( $q = 0$ ):**

Let  $q \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume  $H(q)$ .

I need to show  $H(q + 1)$  follows. That is,  $(q + 1) \left[ (q + 1) + r + 1 \right] = T(2(q + 1) + r)$ .

Starting with  $(q + 1) \left[ (q + 1) + r + 1 \right]$ , we have