## Midterm 2 Version 3 Solution

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## Question 1

a.

 $82 \div 2 = 41$ , remainders  $\mathbf{0}$   $41 \div 2 = 20$ , remainders  $\mathbf{1}$   $20 \div 2 = 10$ , remainders  $\mathbf{0}$  $10 \div 2 = 5$ , remainders  $\mathbf{0}$ 

 $165 \div 2 = 82$ , remainders 1

 $5 \div 2 = 2$ , remainders 1

 $2 \div 2 = 1$ , remainders **0** 

 $1 \div 2 = 0$ , remainders **1** 

From the above, we can conclude the binary representation of the decimal number 165 is  $(10100101)_2$ 

b. The largest number that can be expressed by an n-digit balanced ternary representation is

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 3^i = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (3^n - 1) \tag{1}$$

Notes:

• Geometric Series

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n} r^{i} = \frac{1 - r^{n+1}}{1 - r}, \text{ where } |r| > 1$$

	$f(n) \in \mathcal{O}(n)$				$f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$	True
	$f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$	False	$g(n) \in \Theta(n)$	False	$f(n) + g(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$	False

#### **Correct Solution:**

$f(n) \in \mathcal{O}(n)$	True	$g(n) \in \Omega(n)$	True	$f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$	True
$f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$	False	$g(n) \in \Theta(n)$	False	$f(n) + g(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$	True

#### Notes:

• Note that for  $f(n) + g(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$ , large values of n causes  $g(n) = n^{\log_2 n}$  to dominate  $f(n) = \frac{3n}{\log_2 n + 8}$ . This causes the inequality to be simplified to

$$c_1 \cdot n^{\log_2 n} \le n^{\log_2 n} \le c_2 \cdot n^{\log_2 n} \tag{1}$$

It follows from above the answer is True.

d. 
$$k = 0$$
 1 2  $i * i = 3 = 3^{2^0} = 9 = 3^{2^1} = 81 = 3^{2^4}$ 

From the rough work, we can deduce the value of i after k iterations is

$$3^{2^k} \tag{1}$$

e. Loop termination occurs when  $i_k \geq n^3$ .

We need to find the smallest value of k, and the value is

$$\lceil \log_2 3 \log_3 n \rceil \tag{1}$$

### Question 2

• Statement:  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \ n \ge 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} > \sqrt{n} - 1$ 

*Proof.* Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume  $n \geq 1$ .

We will prove the statement using induction on n.

Base Case (n = 1):

Let n=1.

We want to show  $\sum_{i=1}^{1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} > \sqrt{1} - 1$ 

Starting from the left hand side of the inequality, we can calculate

$$\sum_{i=1}^{1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} \tag{1}$$

$$=1 (2)$$

$$>0$$
 (3)

$$=\sqrt{1}-1\tag{4}$$

#### **Inductive Case:**

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} > \sqrt{n} - 1$ .

We want to show  $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} > \sqrt{n+1} - 1$ .

Starting from the left hand side of the inequality, we can conclude

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}}$$
 (5)

Then, it follows from induction hypothesis (i.e.  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} > \sqrt{n} - 1$ ) that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} > \sqrt{n+1} - 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}} \tag{6}$$

The hint tells us the following

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \ \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}, \ \text{and} \ \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}}$$
 (7)

Using the hint, we can calculate

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} > (\sqrt{n} - 1) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} \tag{8}$$

$$= (\sqrt{(n)} - 1) + (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}) \tag{9}$$

$$=\sqrt{n+1}-1\tag{10}$$

## Question 3

• Statement:  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}^+, a > 1 \Rightarrow a^n + 3 \in \Theta(2^n)$ 

Negation Statement:  $\exists a \in \mathbb{R}^+, (a > 1) \land \left[ \forall c_1, c_2, n_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+, \exists n \in \mathbb{N}, (n \geq n_0) \land \left( (c_1 \cdot (a^n + 3) > 2^n) \lor (2^n > c_2 \cdot (a^n + 3)) \right) \right]$ 

*Proof.* Let  $a = \frac{3}{2}$ . Let  $c_1, c_2, n_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , and  $n = \left\lceil \max(n_0, \frac{\log(2c_1)}{\log \frac{4}{3}}, \frac{\log(6c_1)}{2}) \right\rceil + 1$ .

We need to show a > 1,  $n > n_0$  and  $a^n + 3 < \frac{1}{c_1} \cdot 2^n$ .

We will do so in parts.

### Part 1 (showing a > 1):

We need to show a > 1.

Because we know  $a = \frac{3}{2}$  from header, we can conclude

$$a > 1 \tag{1}$$

### Part 2 (showing $n > n_0$ ):

We need to show  $n \geq n_0$ .

Using the fact  $\left[\max(n_0, \frac{\log(2c_1)}{\log \frac{4}{3}}, \frac{\log(6c_1)}{2})\right] \geq n_0$ , we can conclude

$$n = \left\lceil \max(n_0, \frac{\log(2c_1)}{\log\frac{4}{3}}, \frac{\log(6c_1)}{2}) \right\rceil + 1 > n_0$$
 (2)

# Part 3 (Showing $a^{n} + 3 < \frac{1}{c_{1}} \cdot 2^{n}$ ):

We need to show  $a^n + 3 < \frac{1}{c_1} \cdot 2^n$ .

We will do so by showing  $a^n < \frac{2^n}{2c_1}$ ,  $3 < \frac{2^n}{2c_1}$ , and then combining the two.

For the inequality  $a^n < \frac{2^n}{2c_1}$ , using the following fact

$$\frac{\log(2c_1)}{\log\frac{4}{3}} < \left\lceil \max(n_0, \frac{\log(2c_1)}{\log\frac{4}{3}}, \frac{\log(6c_1)}{2}) \right\rceil + 1 = n \tag{3}$$

we can calculate

$$\log(2c_1) < n\log\frac{4}{3} \tag{4}$$

$$2c_1 < \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^n \tag{5}$$

$$2c_1 < \frac{2^n}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n} \tag{6}$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n < \frac{2^n}{2c_1} \tag{7}$$

(8)

Then, since  $a = \frac{3}{2}$ , we can conclude

$$a^n < \frac{2^n}{2c_1} \tag{9}$$

For the inequality  $3 < \frac{2^n}{2c_1}$ , using the following fact

$$\frac{\log(6c_1)}{2} < \left\lceil \max(n_0, \frac{\log(2c_1)}{\log\frac{4}{2}}, \frac{\log(6c_1)}{2}) \right\rceil + 1 = n \tag{10}$$

we can conclude

$$6c_1 < 2^n \tag{11}$$

$$3 < \frac{2^n}{2c_1} \tag{12}$$

Finally, by combining the two, we can conclude

$$a^n + 3 < \frac{2^n}{2c_1} + \frac{2^n}{2c_1} \tag{13}$$

$$a^n + 3 < \frac{2^n}{c_1} \tag{14}$$

### Question 4

a. Proof. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

First, we need to analyze the number of iterations of loop 2 per iteration of loop 1

The code tells us loop 2 starts at j = 0, ends at j = i - 1, and j increases by 2 per iteration.

Using the fact, we can conclude that the number of iterations of loop 2 is

$$\left\lceil \frac{i-1-0+1}{2} \right\rceil = \left\lceil \frac{i}{2} \right\rceil \tag{1}$$

or

$$\frac{i}{2} \tag{2}$$

since we are ignoring floor and ceiling symbols.

Next, we need to add this number over all iterations of loop 1.

The code tell us us it starts at i = 0 and ends at  $i = \sqrt{n-1}$  with i increasing by 1 per iteration.

Using this fact, the total number of iterations of loop 2 is

$$\frac{0}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{\sqrt{n-1}}{2} = \sum_{i=0}^{\sqrt{n-1}} \frac{i}{2}$$
 (3)

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\sqrt{n-1}} i$$
 (4)

Then, it follows from the fact  $\sum_{i=0}^{n} i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$  that,

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\sqrt{n-1}} i = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{n-1})(\sqrt{n-1}+1)}{2} \tag{5}$$

$$=\frac{(\sqrt{n-1})(\sqrt{n-1}+1)}{4} \tag{6}$$

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The code tell us us it starts at i = 0 with i increasing by 1 per iteration until the terminating condition of  $i^2 \ge n$ .

And from the inequality, we know the loop finishes at  $i = \sqrt{n} - 1$ .

Using these facts, the total number of iterations of loop 2 is

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 (5)

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