

Homework Assignment 2

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P67: 4(a,b,c,d,e), P76: 1(a,b,c,d,e), P76-77: 3(a,b)

Pg 67:

4. a. Mystery(n)

// input: Non-neg. #

S ← 0

for i ← 1 to n do

 S ← S + i * i

return S

a. What does the algorithm compute?

The algorithm computes the sum of
the squares of i from 1 to n.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i \times i$$

b. What is its basic operation?

multiplication

c. How many times is the basic operation executed?

n times

d. What is the efficiency class of this algorithm?

$\Theta(n)$

e. Suggest an improvement; if no improvements can be made, prove it.

What is new efficiency class?

• Mystery(n)

// input: non-neg. #

S = (n(n+1)(2n+1))/6;

return S.

$\Theta(1)$

76: 1. Solve the following recurrence relations

a. $x(n) = x(n-1) + 5$ for $n > 1$ $x(1) = 0$

$$x(n-1) = x(n-2) + 5$$

$$x(n) = x(n-2) + 5 + 5 = x(n-2) + 10$$

$$x(n-2) = x(n-3) + 5$$

$$x(n) = x(n-3) + 10 + 5 = x(n-3) + 15$$

$$x(n) = x(n-k) + 5k$$

$$x(1) = 0$$

$$n-k = 1$$

$$x(n) = x(n-(n-1)) + 5(n-1) \quad k = n-1$$

$$x(n) = x(1) + 5(n-1)$$

$$x(n) = 5n - 5$$

b. $x(n) = 3 \cdot x(n-1)$ for $n > 1$, $x(1) = 4$

$$x(n-1) = 3 \cdot x(n-2)$$

$$x(n) = 3 \cdot 3 \cdot x(n-2)$$

$$x(n) = 9 \cdot x(n-2)$$

$$x(n-2) = 3 \cdot x(n-3)$$

$$x(n) = 9 \cdot 3 \cdot x(n-3) = 27 x(n-3)$$

$$x(n) = 3^k x(n-k) \quad x(1) = 4$$

$$n-k = 1$$

$$x(n) = 3^{n-1} x(n-(n-1)) \quad k = n-1$$

$$x(n) = 3^{n-1} x(1)$$

$$x(n) = 4 \cdot 3^{n-1}$$

c. $x(n) = x(n-1) + n$ for $n > 0$ $x(0) = 0$

$$x(n-1) = x(n-2) + n-1$$

$$x(n) = x(n-2) + n + n-1 = 2n-1$$

$$x(n-2) = x(n-3) + n-2$$

$$x(n) = x(n-3) + n-2 + n-1 + n = 3n-3$$

$$x(n-3) = x(n-4) + n-3$$

$$x(n) = x(n-4) + n-3 + n-2 + n-1 + n = 4n-6$$

$$x(n-4) = x(n-5) + n-4$$

$$x(n) = x(n-5) + n-4 + n-3 + n-2 + n-1 + n = 5n-10$$

$$x(n) = x(n-k) + (n-k-1) + \dots + (n-1) + n$$

$$x(n) = x(0) + 1 + 2 + \dots + n$$

$$x(n) = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

d. $x(n) = x(\frac{n}{2}) + n \quad n > 1 \quad x(1) = 1$ (solve for 2^k)

$$x(\frac{n}{2}) = x(\frac{n}{4}) + \frac{n}{2}$$

$$x(n) = x(\frac{n}{4}) + \frac{n}{2} + n = x(\frac{n}{4}) + \frac{3n}{2}$$

$$x(\frac{n}{4}) = x(\frac{n}{8}) + \frac{n}{4}$$

$$x(n) = x(\frac{n}{8}) + \frac{n}{4} + \frac{n}{2} + n = x(\frac{n}{8}) + \frac{7n}{4}$$

$$x(\frac{n}{8}) = x(\frac{n}{16}) + \frac{n}{8}$$

$$x(n) = x(\frac{n}{16}) + \frac{n}{8} + \frac{n}{4} + \frac{n}{2} + n = x(\frac{n}{16}) + \frac{15n}{8}$$

$$x(n) = x\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) + \frac{2^k - 1}{2^{k-1}} n$$

$$x(n) = x\left(\frac{2^k}{2^k}\right) + \frac{2^{\lg n} - 1}{2^{\lg n - 1}} n$$

$$= x(1) + \frac{n-1}{n/2} n$$

$$x(1) = 1$$

$$\frac{n}{2^k} = 1, \quad n = 2^k$$

$$k = \lg n$$

$$x(n) = 1 + 2(n-1)$$

$$\boxed{x(n) = 2n - 1}$$

e. $x(n) = x(\frac{n}{3}) + 1 \quad n > 1, \quad x(1) = 1$ (solve for 3^k)

$$x(\frac{n}{3}) = x(\frac{n}{9}) + 1$$

$$x(n) = x(\frac{n}{9}) + 2$$

$$x(\frac{n}{9}) = x(\frac{n}{27}) + 1$$

$$x(n) = x(\frac{n}{27}) + 3$$

$$x(n) = x\left(\frac{n}{3^k}\right) + k$$

$$x(n) = x\left(\frac{3^k}{3^k}\right) + \log_3 n$$

$$x(n) = x(1) + \log_3 n$$

$$\boxed{x(n) = 1 + \log_3 n}$$

$$x(1) = 1$$

$$\frac{n}{3^k} = 1 \quad n = 3^k$$

$$k = \log_3 n$$

76-77: 3. Consider the following recursive algorithm for computing the sum of the first n cubes $S(n) = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$

$S(n)$

// input: pos. int. n
 // output: sum of first n cubes

if $n=1$ return 1

else return $S(n-1) + n \times n \times n$

a. Set up & solve a recurrence relation for the # of times the algorithm's basic operation is executed

$$M(n) = M(n-1) + 2, \quad M(1) = 0$$

$$M(n-1) = M(n-2) + 2$$

$$M(n) = M(n-2) + 2 + 2 = M(n-2) + 4$$

$$M(n-2) = M(n-3) + 2$$

$$M(n) = M(n-3) + 2 + 4 = M(n-3) + 6$$

$$M(n-3) = M(n-4) + 2$$

$$M(n) = M(n-4) + 2 + 6 = M(n-4) + 8$$

$$M(n) = M(n-k) + 2k$$

$$M(1) = 0$$

$$n-k = 1$$

$$k = n-1$$

$$M(n) = M(n-(n-1)) + 2(n-1)$$

$$M(n) = M(1) + 2(n-1)$$

$$M(n) = 0 + 2(n-1)$$

$$\boxed{M(n) = 2n - 2}$$

b. How does this algorithm compare with the straightforward, nonrecursive algorithm for this sum?

- The performance / complexity would be the same, the only difference would be the amount of space in memory that is used would be less for the non-recursive algorithm.