

# CS300: Homework #1

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## Problem 1

### Part A

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + \Theta(n)$$

### Part B

We can use unrolling method to solve this recurrence as below.

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n-1) + cn \\ &= T(n-2) + c(n-1) + cn \\ &\vdots \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n ci \\ &= c \sum_{i=1}^n i \\ &= c \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \\ &= c_2 n^2 + c_1 n + c_0 \in \Theta(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_2, c_1, c_0$  are constants. □

## Problem 2

### Part A

In order to be  $A'$  is called a sorted permutation of  $A$ , we need to show that  $A'$  is made of the initial array  $A$ , and it is put in order that satisfies  $\forall i, j$  s.t.  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n, A[i] \leq A[j]$  on the termination.

### Part B

**Loop invariant** At the beginning of each iteration of the loop, the element  $A[j]$  is the smallest element in the subarray  $A[j...n]$  where  $n = A.length$ . Also, these values are originated from the initial subarray  $A[j...n]$ .

**Initialization** The loop starts with  $j = n$ . The subarray  $A[j...n] = A[n...n]$  only contains one element, which is apparently the smallest value in the subarray.

**Maintenance** The smallest element in the subarray  $A[j...n]$  is  $A[j]$  by the loop invariant stated above. Line 4 in the *BUBBLESORT* is executed only if the element  $A[j-1]$  is bigger than  $A[j]$ . This extends our range  $j...n$  that loop invariant condition ( $A[j-1]$  is the smallest element in the subarray  $A[j-1...n]$ , and  $A[j-1...n]$  is a permutation of the previous sequence) holds to  $j-1...n$ , which maintains the loop invariant on the next loop.

**Termination** The loop terminates when the variable  $j$  reaches  $i$ , which makes  $A[i]$  minimum in the subarray  $A[i...n]$  and the subarray  $A[i...n]$  is a permutation of the subarray  $A[i...n]$  at the initial point.

### Part C

**Loop invariant** At the beginning of each iteration of the loop, the subarray  $A[1..i-1]$  is sorted array that contains  $i-1$  smallest elements of the original array  $A[1..n]$ . In addition, the subarray  $A[i..n]$  contains the remaining values waiting to be sorted, i.e.  $A[1..n]$  is a permutation of the previous values.

**Initialization** The loop starts with  $i = 1$ . The subarray  $A[1..0]$  is an empty array, which is considered as sorted (is a permutation and formed a sorted sequence).

**Maintenance** At the beginning of the loop, it begins with  $A[1..i-1]$  sorted, which contains  $i-1$  smallest values. After the execution of the 2-4th line in *BUBBLESORT*, the smallest element in the subarray  $A[i..n]$  will be located at  $A[i]$ , and the new subarray  $A[i..n]$  is a permutation of the previous  $A[i..n]$  as we proved at **Problem 2 Part B**. As  $A[i]$  is the  $i$ -th smallest element in  $A[1..n]$ , the  $A[1..i]$  is new subarray that satisfies the loop invariant.

**Termination** The loop terminates when the variable  $i$  reaches  $n$ , and the loop invariant says that  $A[1..n-1]$  contains  $n-1$  smallest elements in increasing order, in other words, sorted. This ensures the last value  $A[n]$  is the biggest value in the array  $A[1..n]$ , which also satisfies the ordering, and all elements are from the original array.

## Part D

The worst case for the bubblesort is the "backward sorted sequence". It makes the comparison and exchange happens everytime, which is executed  $n-1, n-2, \dots, 1$  times. (Total  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  times). Therefore,  $\Theta(n^2)$  is the worst-case time complexity, which is same with insertion sort.

## Problem 3

Prove: For any two functions  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$ , we have  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  if and only if  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  and  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$

### Solution

( $\Rightarrow$ )

$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  means that  $f(n)$  satisfies the statement 1.

$$\exists c_1, c_2, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq n_0, 0 \leq c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n) \quad (1)$$

In addition, the statement 1 can be broken into two following statements.

$$\exists c_2, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq n_0, 0 \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n) \quad (2)$$

$$\exists c_1, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq n_0, 0 \leq c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \quad (3)$$

The statement 2 is the definition of the  $f(n) = O(g(n))$ , and the statement 3 is the definition of the  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ . These conclusions were derived from the given statement (statement 1).  $\square$

( $\Leftarrow$ )

This way also can be proved by doing the proof exactly opposite way.  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  gives us the statement 2, and  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$  gives us the statement 3.

Next, if we combine those two statements into one, it looks like the statement 1, which means  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ .  $\square$

## Problem 4

### Part A

$$T(n) = 2T(n/4) + \sqrt{n}$$

#### Solution

$$a = 2, b = 4 \Rightarrow n^{\log_b a} = \sqrt{n}; f(n) = \sqrt{n}$$

Case 2 on the master method:  $f(n) = \Theta(\sqrt{n} \lg^0 n)$ ,  $k = 0$

$$\therefore T(n) = \Theta(\sqrt{n} \lg n)$$

### Part B

$$T(n) = T(n-2) + n^2$$

#### Solution

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= n^2 + T(n-2) \\ &= n^2 + (n-2)^2 + T(n-4) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{n/2} (n-2i)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{n/2} (n^2 - 4ni + 4i^2) \\ &= \frac{n^3}{2} - 4n \frac{\frac{n}{2} (\frac{n}{2} - 1)}{2} + 4 \frac{\frac{n}{2} (\frac{n}{2} + 1) (2\frac{n}{2} + 1)}{6} \\ &\in \Theta(n^3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$$

### Part C

$$T(n) = 7T(n/3) + n^2$$

#### Solution

$$a = 7, b = 3 \Rightarrow n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_3 7}; f(n) = n^2$$

Case 3 on the master method:  $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_3 7 + \epsilon})$ , for some  $\epsilon > 0$  ( $\because \log_3 7 < 2$ )

$$7(n/3)^2 \leq cn^2 \text{ for } c = 7/9$$

$$\therefore T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

### Part D

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 3T(n/3) + n^2$$

#### Solution