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CS 3410: Data Structures

Homework 1 (Fall 2017) (Assignment 2 on Blazeview)

Due date: Monday, August 18, 2017 by 2:00 P.M.

1. After analysis, it is found that two programs (P1 and P2) have actual worst-case running times as:

$$T(P1) = 2500 \cdot N + \log N \quad \text{and} \quad T(P2) = N^2 + N.$$

Which program has the better guarantee on the running time if the input size is given by $N \leq 2000$? Explain. [5 pts]

$$2500 \cdot (2000) + \log(2000) = 5,000,003.361 \quad (\text{used std log not } \log_2)$$

↑ worst case ↓

$$(2000)^2 + (2000) = 4,002,000$$

$T(P2) = n^2 + n$ has the better run time because of the 2000 limit as shown above. With no limit, however $2500 \cdot n + \log n$ would be the best choice if input size could ever be infinite or even slightly larger than 2000.

2. Solving a problem requires running of an $O(n^2)$ step followed by two $O(\log n)$ steps in sequence. What is the total cost (running time) of solving the problem? Explain briefly. [5 pts]

So $n^2 + n \log n + n \log n$ or $n^2 \rightarrow n \log n \rightarrow n \log n$ will be $O(n^2)$ because n^2 is the greatest contributing factor

3. An algorithm takes 1 second for input size 1000. How large a problem (input size) can be solved in 1 minute if the running time is quadratic (assuming that low-order terms are negligible)? [5 pts]

1st way I considered $1000 = 10^3$ and worked out for x :

$$\left(\frac{1}{60} = \frac{1000}{x^2} \right) \rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{60} = \frac{1000}{x^2} \right) \rightarrow (x^2 = 60000)$$
$$\rightarrow (\sqrt{60,000} = x) \rightarrow (x \approx 244.95)$$

however I believe the correct way is $\frac{1}{60} = \frac{1000^2}{x^2}$

$$\left(\frac{1}{60} = \frac{1000^2}{x^2} \right) \rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{60} = \frac{1,000,000}{x^2} \right) \rightarrow (x^2 = 60 \text{ mil})$$

$$\sqrt{60 \text{ mil}} = x \rightarrow (x \approx 7745.97) \leftarrow \text{final answer}$$

4. For the following program fragment give a Big-O analysis of the running time. Briefly explain your answer.[5 pts]

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int t = 0;
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for(int i=1; i <= n; i++)
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for(int j=1; j <= i*i; j++)
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if(j % i == 0)
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t++;
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← n
← $n*n$ (worst case) ← nested loop
← C (least contributing factor)

$$O(n^3)$$

I worked this out mathematically to help understand. For an example $n=5$, i will grow to n . Since i is worse case will be $5*5$ or $n*n$. 25 or n^2 is nested by 5 and n respectively. This leaves me with n^3 or 125 which is $(5*5*5)$ or $(n*n*n)$. As I change values to other integers such as 6 or 7 the values stay equivalent to n . The key for me is that i becomes n in worst case scenario changing $i*i$ to $n*n$ giving me $n*n*n$ or n^3 .

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