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EXAM: QUIZ 1

CSC-208 Design and Analysis  
of Algorithms

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Ans: 4 of Quiz 4 is an example algorithm

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 $\leq \frac{41}{c} \frac{n \log n}{g(n)}$   $c_1 = 41$   
 $n \leq n \log n$   
 $1 \leq \log n \Rightarrow 10^1 \leq n$   $n \geq 10$   
 $c_1 = 41$   
 $c_2 = 40$   
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 $40n \log n + n \geq \frac{40n \log n}{c}$   
 $c = 40$   
 $n \geq 0$
- [2 points] What is the efficiency of the following algorithm.  
 function mystery( $n$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^i \sum_{k=j}^i 1 \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^i (i+1-j) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (i+1) \sum_{j=1}^i 1 \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (i+1)(i+1) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (i^2 + 2i + 1) \\
 &= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \\
 &\Rightarrow O(n^3)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^i \sum_{k=j}^i 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^i (i+1-j) \\
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 &= \sum_{i=1}^n i(i+1) = \sum_{i=1}^n (i^2 + i)
 \end{aligned}$$

5. [2 points] Solve the following recurrence relation.

$$1. \quad x(n) = x(n-1) + n \text{ for } n > 0, x(0) = 0$$

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

$$n = n-1$$

$$x(n-1) =$$

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

$$n-i = 0$$

$$n = i$$

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

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

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

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

$$= x(n-i) + (n-(i-1)) + (n-(i-2)) + \dots + (n-(i-3)) + (n-(i-2)) + \dots$$

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

$$= 0 + 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots \Rightarrow n(n+1)/2 \rightarrow O(n^2)$$

6. [2+2 points] Consider the following recursive algorithm.

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//Input: A positive integer n

if n = 1 return 1

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a. Set up a recurrence relation for this functions values and solve it to determine what this algorithm computes.

$$Q(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=1 \\ Q(n-1) + 2 * n - 1 & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$Q(n) = n^2$$

$$Q(1) = 1$$

$$Q(2) = Q(1) + 2 * 2 - 1 = 1 + 2 * 2 - 1 = 4$$

$$Q(3) = Q(2) + 2 * 3 - 1 = 4 + 2 * 3 - 1 = 9$$

$$Q(4) = Q(3) + 2 * 4 - 1 = 9 + 2 * 4 - 1 = 16.$$

b. Set up a recurrence relation for the number of multiplications made by this algorithm and solve it.

$$M(n) = \begin{cases} M(n-1) + 1 & n > 1 \\ 0 & n = 1 \end{cases}$$

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

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

$$= M(n-3) + 1 + 1 + 1$$

$$= M(n-4) + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$$

$$= M(n-i) + i$$

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

$$= 0 + n - 1$$

$$= O(n)$$

7. [2 points] Sorting is a natural laboratory for studying algorithm design paradigms and most dramatic algorithmic improvements made possible by appropriate data structures occur in sorting. One sorting algorithm repeatedly extracts the smallest remaining element from the unsorted part in a linear sweep and is swapped with the  $i^{\text{th}}$  element in the array. The average iterations are  $n/2$  in total of  $O(n^2)$  time.

Sorting Algo (Arr)

for i = 1 to n do

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Delete Min from Arr

return (Sort)

The sorting algorithm mentioned is Selection Sort

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One of the known data structures is priority queues that perform the same operations as mentioned in the line above. If

we replace the data structure in the guessed algorithm with a better priority queue implementation, either heap or

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$cn^3 \leq cn^3$

$lb = n^3$   $upb = n^3$

$lb(P) \leq lb(A)$

$up(A) \not\leq upb(P)$

(must not)

hence inconsistent ( $O(n^3)$  of  $A$  is larger than  $O(n^2)$  of  $P$ )

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$c = 40$

$n \geq 0$

for  $n_0$

4. [2 points] What is the efficiency of the following algorithm.

function mystery(n)

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1.  r := 0
2.  for i = 1 to n-1 do
3.    for j = i+1 to n do
4.      for k = 1 to j do
5.        r = r + 1
6.  return(r)

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=1}^j 1 &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n j - x + x \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n j = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n j - \sum_{j=1}^i j \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left( \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{i(i+1)}{2} \right) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

continued \*

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 x(n-1) &= x(n-2) + 5 \\
 &\vdots \\
 x(2) &= x(1) + 5 = 0 + 5 = 5 \\
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 Q(n) &= n^2
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 S(n) &= \begin{cases} 0 & n=1 \\ S(n-1) + 2 & n > 1 \end{cases} \\
 S(n) &= S(n-1) + 2 \\
 &= S(n-2) + 2 + 2 \\
 &= S(n-3) + 2 + 2 + 2 \\
 &= S(n-4) + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 \\
 &= S(n-2) + i * 2 \\
 S(n) &= 2(n-1) = 2n - 2 = O(n)
 \end{aligned}$$

Same as Add. Rec 7.

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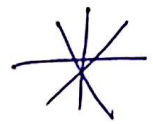
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$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{i(i+1)}{2}$$



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

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

$$= (n-1) \left( \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{(n-1)(n+1)(2n-2+1)}{6} + \frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} \right)$$

$$= (n-1) \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{(n-1)(2n-1)(n)}{6} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{n^3 + n^2 - n^2 - n}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2n^3 - n^2 - 2n^2 + n + 3n^2 - 3n}{6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{n^3 - n}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2n^3 - 2n}{6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3n^3 - 3n - n^3 + n}{6}$$

$$= \frac{2n^3 - 2n}{6} = \frac{n^3 - n}{3}$$

$$= O(n^3)$$





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consistent

$$cn \lg n \leq cn^{3/2} \leq c_2 n^2$$

(smaller than  $n^2$  and satisfies the lower bound also)

2.  $A$  has worst case time complexity of  $O(n)$

not consistent

$$cn \lg n \not\leq cn \leq c_2 n^2$$

( $n$  is smaller than  $n \lg n$  violates lower bound).

3. [3 points] Prove that  $4n \log n + 10n$  is  $\Theta(n \log n)$ . Find  $c$  and  $n_0$ .

$$4n \log n + 10n \text{ is } O(n \log n)$$

$$4n \log n + 10n \leq cn \log n$$

we want  $c$  times  $g(n)$

$$4n \log n + 10n \leq 4n \log n + 10n \log n$$

$$\leq \frac{14n \log n}{c} \quad \boxed{c=14 \quad c_2=4}$$

for  $n_1$

$$10n \leq 10n \log n$$

$$1 \leq \log n \Rightarrow 10^1 \leq n \Rightarrow n \geq 10 \quad n_0 = 10$$

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$$4n \log n + 10n \geq cn \log n$$

we want  $c$  times  $g(n)$

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$$c_2 = 4$$

$$n \geq 0 \quad n_0 = 0$$



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$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=i+1}^n (n-i+2) - \sum_{j=i+1}^n j \right) \quad \text{Summation starts from } i+1 \text{ to } n \text{ so only terms } i \text{ should be subtracted.} \\
&\quad \text{Splitting the bounds from } 1-i \text{ and subtracting } i \text{ terms from } j \text{ (addition)} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left( (n-i+2) \sum_{j=i+1}^n 1 - \left( \sum_{j=i+1}^n j - \sum_{j=1}^i j \right) \right) \quad \text{constant w.r.t } j \text{ (linearity)} \quad \text{here} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left( (n-i+2)(n-i+1) - \left( \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{i(i+1)}{2} \right) \right) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left( (n-i+2)(n-i) - \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + \frac{i(i+1)}{2} \right) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (n^2 - in + 2n - in + i^2 - 2i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i(i+1)}{2} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (n^2 + 2n) + \sum_{i=1}^n (i^2 - 2in - 2i) - \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (i^2 + i) \\
&= (n^2 + 2n) \sum_{i=1}^n 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 + 2n \sum_{i=1}^n i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n i - \frac{n(n+1) \cdot n}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n i \right) \\
&= (n^2 + 2n)(n) + \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} - 2n \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - 2 \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{n^2(n+1)}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n i \right) \\
&= n^3 + 2n^2 + \frac{(n^2+n)(2n+1)}{6} - n^2(n+1) - (n^2+n) - \frac{n^3+n^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n i \right) \\
&= \frac{6n^3 + 2n^2 + 2n^3 + 2n^2 + n^2 + n - n^3 - n^2 - n^2 - n - 3n^3 + 3n^2}{6} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n i \right) \\
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\end{aligned}$$



$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=i+j-1}^n 1$$

Using Asymptotic  
bounds concept

(\*)

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n (n - (i+j-1) + 1)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n (n - i - j + 2)$$

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

Evaluating dominant term  
 $(n - i)^2$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (n - i)^2$$

Assuming

if  $k = n - i$  if  $i = 1$   $k = n - 1$   
 if  $i = n$   $k = 0$

$$\text{So, } \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} k^2 = \frac{n(n-1)(2n-1)}{6}$$

$$\approx n^3$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n &= (n-1) \\ &= \frac{(n-1)(n-1)(2n-2+1)}{6} \\ &= \frac{(n-1)(n)(2n-1)}{6} \end{aligned}$$

So  $O(n^3)$