

## Data Structures and Algorithms

### COSC 336 Assignment 2

#### Instructions.

1. Submit by the date and time indicated on Blackboard.
2. This is a team assignment. Work in teams of 2-3 students. Submit on Blackboard one assignment per team, with the names of all students making the team.
3. For editing your homework. I recommend that you use Latex and Overleaf, see the template files posted on the Blackboard: assignment-template.tex and assignment-template.pdf.
4. If a problem has more questions, write down your answers in the same order as the order of questions. In principle, this should help you.

#### Exercise 1.

- a Find a  $\Theta$  evaluation for the function  $(4n+1)8^{\log(n^2)}$ . (Hint:  $8^{\log(n^2)}$  can be written in a simpler way.)
- b Give an example of two functions  $t_1(n)$  and  $t_2(n)$  that satisfy the relations:  $t_1(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ ,  $t_2(n) = \Theta(n^2)$  and  $t_1(n) - t_2(n) = o(n^2)$ .
- c Give an example of a function  $t_1(n)$  such that  $t_1(n) = \Theta(t_1(2n))$ .
- d Give an example of a function  $t_2(n)$  such that  $t_2(n) = o(t_2(2n))$ .

(Note: For (b), (c), (d), seek your examples among polynomials, logarithms, exponentials, factorial.)

**Exercise 2.** Fill the table from Exercise 3-2, page 61 (3-rd edition) in the textbook (also attached below), except row c, as asked in the exercise. For example the entry on the first cell in the top row is “yes” because  $\log^k n = O(n^\epsilon)$ . (Note: in row c all the entries are “no”, because  $n^{\sin n}$  oscillates.)

### 3-2 Relative asymptotic growths

Indicate, for each pair of expressions  $(A, B)$  in the table below, whether  $A$  is  $O$ ,  $o$ ,  $\Omega$ ,  $\omega$ , or  $\Theta$  of  $B$ . Assume that  $k \geq 1$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ , and  $c > 1$  are constants. Your answer should be in the form of the table with “yes” or “no” written in each box.

	$A$	$B$	$O$	$o$	$\Omega$	$\omega$	$\Theta$
<i>a.</i>	$\lg^k n$	$n^\epsilon$					
<i>b.</i>	$n^k$	$c^n$					
<i>c.</i>	$\sqrt{n}$	$n^{\sin n}$					
<i>d.</i>	$2^n$	$2^{n/2}$					
<i>e.</i>	$n^{\lg c}$	$c^{\lg n}$					
<i>f.</i>	$\lg(n!)$	$\lg(n^n)$					

**Exercise 3.** For each of the following program fragments give a  $\Theta(\cdot)$  estimation of the running time as a function of  $n$ .

- (a) 

```
sum = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n * n; i++) {
    for(int j = 0; j < n/2; j++)
        sum++;
}
```
- (b) 

```
sum = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
    sum++;}

for(int j = 0; j < n/2; j++){
    sum++;}
```
- (c) 

```
sum = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n * n; i++) {
    for(int j = 0; j < n * n; j++)
        sum++
}
```
- (d) 

```
sum = 0;
for (int i = 1; i < n; i = 2*i)
    sum++
```
- (e) 

```
sum = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
    for(int j = 1; j < n * n; j = 2*j)
        sum++
}
```

**Exercise 4.** (a) Compute the sum  $S_1 = 500 + 501 + 502 + 503 + \dots + 999$  (the sum of all integers from 500 to 999). Do not use a program.

(b) Compute the sum  $S_2 = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + 999$  (the sum of all odd integers from 1 to 999). Do not use a program.

(c) A group of 30 persons need to form a committee of 3 persons. How many such committees are possible?

(d) Let  $C_n$  be the number of committees of 4 persons selected from a group of  $n$  persons. Is the estimation  $C_n = o(n^3)$  correct? Justify your answer. (Hint: use the formula that gives the number of committees as a function of  $n$ .)

**Exercise 5.** Find a  $\Theta(\cdot)$  evaluation for the sum

$$S = 1\sqrt{1} + 2\sqrt{2} + \dots + n\sqrt{n}.$$

In other words, find a function  $f$  such that  $S = \Theta(f(n))$ .

Show the work for both the upper bound and the lower bound. You can use the technique with integrals, or the method with bounding the terms of the sum.