

DAA HW 1

Problem 1

1. Purpose: Learn about Horner's rule and practice how loop invariants are used to prove the correctness of an algorithm. Please re-read Section 2.1 in our textbook and solve problem 2-3 Correctness of Horner's rule.

The following code fragment implements Horner's rule for evaluating a polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= \sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k \\ &= a_0 + x(a_1 + x(a_2 + \dots + x(a_{n-1} + xa_n) \dots)) \end{aligned}$$

Given the coefficients $a_0, a_1 \dots a_n$ and a value for x :

```
1  y=0
2  for i = n downto 0
3      y = ai + x.y
```

- a. In terms of θ notation, what is the running time of this code fragment for Horner's rule?

Ans: The for loop is being executed n times so running time of above code fragment is $\theta(n)$

- b. Write pseudocode to implement the naive polynomial-evaluation algorithm that computes each term of the polynomial from scratch. What is the running time of this algorithm? How does it compare to Horner's rule?

Ans:

```
Naive-Horner()
    y = 0
    for i = 0 to n
        temp = 1
        for j = 1 to i
            temp = temp * x
        y = y + a[i] * temp
    return y
```

Running time of this algorithm - $\theta(n^2)$

It is slower than Horner's rule because of the two for nested loops.

- c. Consider the following loop invariant: At the start of each iteration of the for loop of lines 2–3,

$$y = \sum_{k=0}^{n-(i+1)} a_{k+i+1} x^k$$

Interpret a summation with no terms as equaling 0. Following the structure of the loop invariant proof presented in this chapter, use this loop invariant to show that, at termination,

$$y = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k$$

Ans:

By considering the for loop -
for i = n downto 0

$$y = a_i + x \cdot y$$

Initialization:

Initially i = n so upper bound of the summation is -1, Hence sum is 0
which implies that y = 0

Maintenance:

By using loop invariant, in the end of the iteration,

$$y = a_i + x \sum_{k=0}^{n-(i+1)} a_{k+i+1} x^k$$

$$y = a_i x^0 + x \sum_{k=0}^{n-(i+1)} a_{k+i+1} x^k$$

$$y = a_i x^0 + \sum_{k=0}^{n-(i+1)} a_{k+i+1} x^{k+1}$$

$$y = a_i x^0 + \sum_{k=0}^{n-i-1} a_{k+i+1} x^{k+1}$$

$$y = a_i x^0 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-i} a_{k+i} x^k$$

$$\text{We get, } y = \sum_{k=0}^{n-i} a_{k+i} x^k$$

Termination:

In the end we have i = 0,

$$\text{We get, } y = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k$$

- d. Conclude by arguing that the given code fragment correctly evaluates a polynomial characterized by the coefficients $a_0; a_1, \dots, a_n$

Ans: By using the invariant of the loop, we have shown that a given code fragment is a sum that equals a polynomial of x with the coefficients a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n .

Problem 2

2. Purpose: Practice counting basic operations and analyzing algorithms. Assume $n > 0$ and consider the following algorithm.

```
(1)  $l \leftarrow 1$ 
(2)  $k \leftarrow 0$ 
(3) for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do
(4)  $l \leftarrow i - l$ 
(5) if  $k < n$  do
(6)  $k \leftarrow i * i - 1$ 
(7) return(  $k, l$  )
```

- a. For $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ what values for k and l are returned in line 7? How many multiplications (" $*$ ") does the algorithm perform for computing these values? How many subtractions (" $-$ ") does the algorithm perform for computing these values?

n	1	2	3	4	5
Return value (k)	0	3	3	8	8
Return value (l)	0	2	1	3	2
# multiplications (" $*$ ")	1	2	2	3	3
# subtractions (" $-$ ")	1	2	3	4	5

- b. As a function of n , what is the value of k returned in line 7? Justify your results.

Ans: The value of k as a function of n is as follows -

$$k = 0 \quad \text{if } n = 1$$

$$(L(\sqrt{n}) + 1)^2 - 1 \quad \text{for } n > 1 \text{ Where } L(x) = \text{lower bound of } x$$

If $n = 2$,

$$k = (1 + 1)^2 - 1$$

$$k = 4 - 1$$

$$k = 3$$

If $n = 15$,

$$k = (3 + 1)^2 - 1$$

$$k = 16 - 1$$

$$k = 15$$

c. As a function of n , what is the value of l returned in line 7? Justify your results.

Ans: The value of l as a function of n is as follows -

$$l = f(n) = \begin{cases} n/2 + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is divisible by } 2 \\ (n - 1)/2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let $l = T(n)$,

From the code,

$$T(0) = 1$$

$$T(n) = n - T(n-1)$$

By substituting the values of n ,

$$T(1) = 1 - 1$$

$$T(2) = (2 - 1) + 1$$

$$T(3) = (3 - 2) + 1 - 1$$

$$T(4) = (4 - 3) + (2 - 1) + 1$$

$$T(5) = (5 - 4) + (3 - 2) + 1 - 1$$

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By induction,

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 + 1 + \dots (n/2) \text{ times} + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is divisible by } 2 \\ 1 + 1 + \dots (n-1)/2 \text{ times} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence,

$$l = f(n) = \begin{cases} n/2 + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is divisible by } 2 \\ (n - 1)/2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

d. As a function of n , how many multiplications ("*") does the algorithm perform? Justify your results.

Ans: let $\text{numberOfMultiplications}(n) = n\text{Mul}(n)$

$$n\text{Mul}(n) = 1 \quad \text{if } n = 1$$

$$L(\sqrt{n}) + 1 \quad \text{if } n > 1 \text{ Where } L(x) = \text{Lower bound of } x$$

If $n = 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} n\text{Mul}(2) &= 1 + 1 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

If $n = 5$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{nMul}(2) &= 2 + 1 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

- e. As a function of n , how many subtractions (“-”) does the algorithm perform?
Justify your results.

Ans: let $\text{numberOfSubtractions}(n) = \text{nSub}(n)$

$$\text{nSub}(n) = n \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1$$

As the for loop executes for n times and there is no restriction on subtraction so subtraction will also be executed n times.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } n &= 2, \\ \text{nSub}(2) &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3

3. Rank the following functions by order of asymptotic growth; that is, find an arrangement g_1, g_2, \dots of the below functions with $g_1 \in \Omega(g_2)$, $g_2 \in \Omega(g_3)$ Mark asymptotically equivalent functions, i.e., $g_k \in \Theta(g_{k+1})$ by a “*”. Justify your solution

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= n^{0.91} - \lg(n), f_2 = 99n^{0.8}, f_3 = n \lg(n) - 9n, f_4 = \lg(n!) + n^{0.9}, f_5 = n + 9/n^{0.9}, \\ f_6 &= n^{0.9} \lg(n^{0.8}), f_7 = 9n^{0.9} \end{aligned}$$

Ans: $f_3 = f_4 > f_5 > f_6 > f_1 > f_7 > f_2$

Explanation -

I. $f_3 = f_4$

This is because $\lg(n!) = \Theta(n \lg(n))$ and $n > n^{0.9}$

II. $f_3 > f_5$

This is because $n \lg(n) \in \Omega(n)$

By using L'Hospital's rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f_3}{f_5} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f_3'(n)}{f_5'(n)} \\ L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \lg(n) - 9n}{n + 9/n^{0.9}} \end{aligned}$$

By differentiating further,

$$L = \infty$$

Therefore, $f_3 = \omega(f_5)$

III. $f_5 > f_6$

This is because $n^{0.9} \lg(n^{0.8}) \in O(n)$

IV. $f_6 > f_1$,

By using L'Hospital's rule,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f_6}{f_1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f_6'(n)}{f_1'(n)}$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{0.8n^{0.9} \lg(n)}{n^{0.91} - \lg(n)}$$

By differentiating further,

$$L = \infty$$

Therefore, $f_6 = \omega(f_1)$

V. $f_1 > f_7$,

This is because $n^{0.91} > n^{0.9}$

VI. $f_7 > f_2$,

This is because $n^{0.9} > n^{0.8}$

Problem 4

4. Using the c, n_0 definitions of Θ and ω , prove or disprove the following statements rigorously. Give values for c and n_0 that will make your argument work.
- $n \lg(n) + \lg(n) \in \omega(n)$ (little-omega)
 - $n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n \in \Theta(n)$

Ans:

- $n \lg(n) + \lg(n) \in \omega(n)$ (little-omega)

Let, $f(n) = n \lg(n) + \lg(n)$,

$g(n) = n$

Method 1 -

As $\lg(n)$ is always positive for $n > 1$,

$$0 \leq n \leq n \lg(n) \quad \text{for } n \geq 1$$

$$0 \leq n \leq n \lg(n) + \lg(n) \quad \text{for } n \geq 1$$

$$0 \leq n < n \lg(n) + \lg(n) \quad \text{for } n \geq 2$$

$$0 \leq 1 * n < n \lg(n) + \lg(n)$$

This is of the form $0 \leq c \cdot g(n) < f(n)$

Therefore, for $c = 1$ and $n_0 = 2$, $n \lg(n) + \lg(n) \in \omega(n)$ is proved.

Method 2 -

As $\lg(n)$ is monotonically increasing function,

By using L'Hospital's rule,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)} \quad \text{if } f(n) = \infty \text{ and } g(n) = \infty$$

Or $f(n) = 0$ and $g(n) = 0$

Here, $f(n) = \infty$ and $g(n) = \infty$,

Hence, by using L'Hospital's rule,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \lg(n) + \lg(n)}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)}$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg(n) + \frac{n}{n \ln(2)} + \frac{1}{n \ln(2)}}{1}$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \ln(2) \lg(n) + n + 1}{n \ln(2)} \quad (\text{differentiating again})$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(2) \lg(n) + \frac{n \ln(2)}{n \ln(2)} + 1}{\ln(2)} \quad \text{by } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)}$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(2) \lg(n) + 2}{\ln(2)}$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lg(n) + \frac{2}{\ln(2)}$$

$$L = \infty$$

By substituting $n = \infty$

\therefore Since $L = \infty$, $n \lg(n) + \lg(n) \in \omega(n)$ is proved

b. $n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n \in \Theta(n)$

Let, $f(n) = n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n$,

$g(n) = n$

Method 1 -

As $\lg(n)$ is always positive for $n > 1$,

$$0 \leq n \leq n \lg(n)$$

for $n \geq 1$

$$0 \leq n < n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n$$

for $n \geq 1$

This is of the form $0 \leq c \cdot g(n) \leq f(n)$

Therefore, for $c = 1$ and $n_0 = 1$, $n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n \in \omega(n)$ 1

If we consider $n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n \in O(n)$

then,

$$n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n \leq n$$

$$n \lg(n) \leq n$$

$$\lg(n) \leq 1$$

However, there is no constant c such that $\lg(n) < c$ for all $n \geq n_0$

Therefore, $n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n \notin O(n)$

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From 1 and 2,

$n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n \notin \Theta(n)$ is proved.

Method 2 -

By using L'Hospital's rule,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)} \quad \text{if } f(n) = \infty \text{ and } g(n) = \infty$$

Or $f(n) = 0$ and $g(n) = 0$

Here, $f(n) = \infty$ and $g(n) = \infty$,

Hence, by using L'Hospital's rule,

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \lg(n) + n^{1/2} + n}{n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)} \\
L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg(n) + \frac{n}{n \ln(2)} + \frac{1}{2n^{1/2}} + 1}{1} \quad (\text{by differentiating again}) \\
L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^{1/2} \ln(2) \lg(n) + 2n^{1/2} + \ln(2) + 2 \ln(2) n^{1/2}}{2 \ln(2) n^{1/2}} \\
L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\ln(2) \lg(n)}{n^{1/2}} + \frac{2}{n^{1/2}} + \frac{1}{n^{1/2}} + \frac{\ln(2)}{n^{1/2}}}{\frac{\ln(2)}{n^{1/2}}} \quad \text{by}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f''(n)}{g''(n)}$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lg(n) + 1 + \frac{3}{\ln(2)}$$

$$L = \infty$$

By substituting $n = \infty$

\therefore Since $L = \infty$, $n \lg(n) + \lg(n) \in \omega(n)$.

Hence $n \lg(n) + \sqrt{n} + n \notin \Theta(n)$

Problem 5

5. Describe a recursive $O(\lg(n))$ algorithm which computes a $3n$, given a and n . You may assume that a is a positive real number, and n is a positive integer, but do not assume that n is a power of 2. To avoid deductions, please provide (1) a textual description of the algorithm and, if helpful, flowcharts and pseudocode; (2) one worked example or diagram to illustrate how your algorithm works; (3) proof of the correctness of the algorithm; and (4) an analysis of the time complexity of the algorithm.

Ans:

- a. a textual description of the algorithm -
 - i. By using the divide and conquer algorithm which uses a recursion, the time complexity will be $O(\lg(n))$.
 - ii. In this algorithm, every recursion call divides the number n to $n/2$ until we get n as 1.
 - iii. Base case: If $n=1$, we return a
 - iv. After recursion call, if n is divisible by 2 then return square of the result otherwise multiply 'a' with square of the result
 - v. Pseudo code -

```

RecursivePowerFunc(a, n)
    if n == 1
        return a
    y = RecursivePowerFunc(a, n/2)

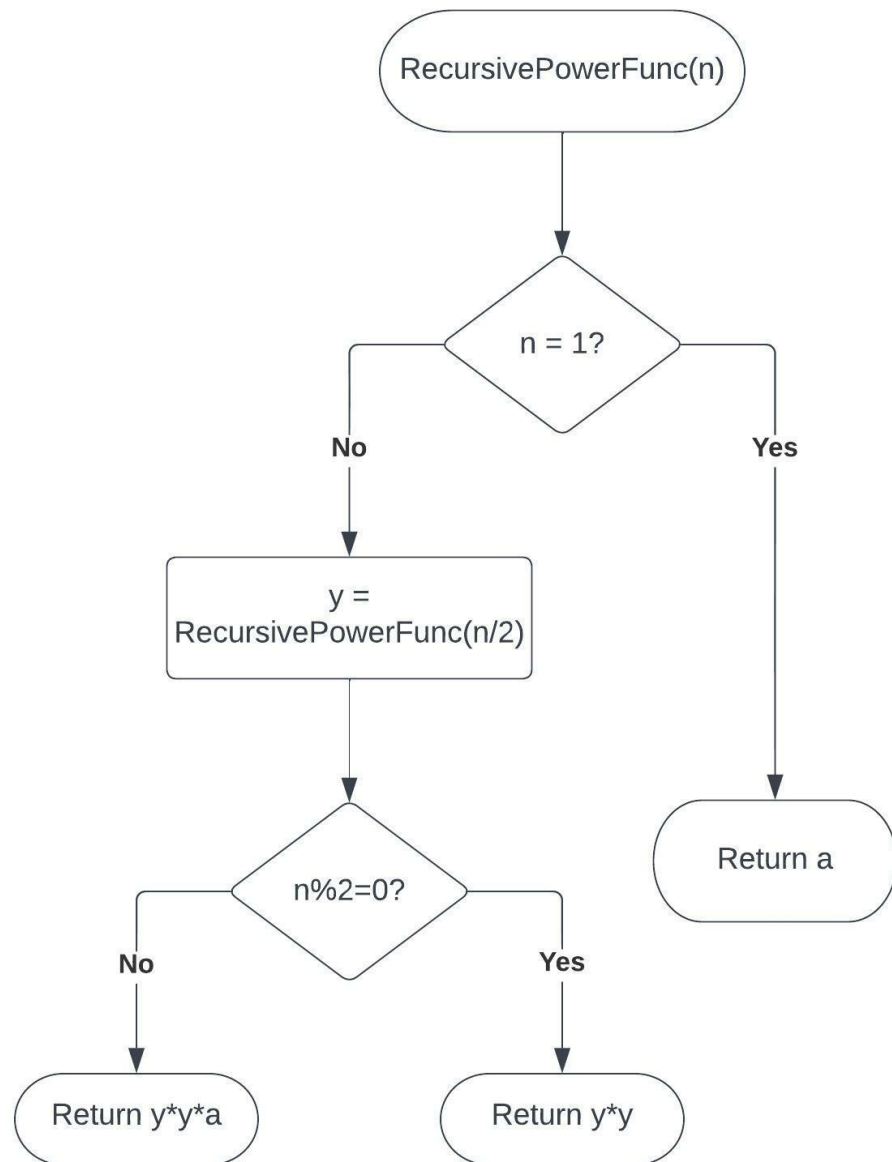
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```
if n%2 == 0
    return y * y
else
    return y * y * a
```

```
CalculatePowerFunc(a, n)
    aToPowerN = RecursivePowerFunc(a, n)
    aToPower3N = aToPowerN * aToPowerN * aToPowerN
    return aToPower3N
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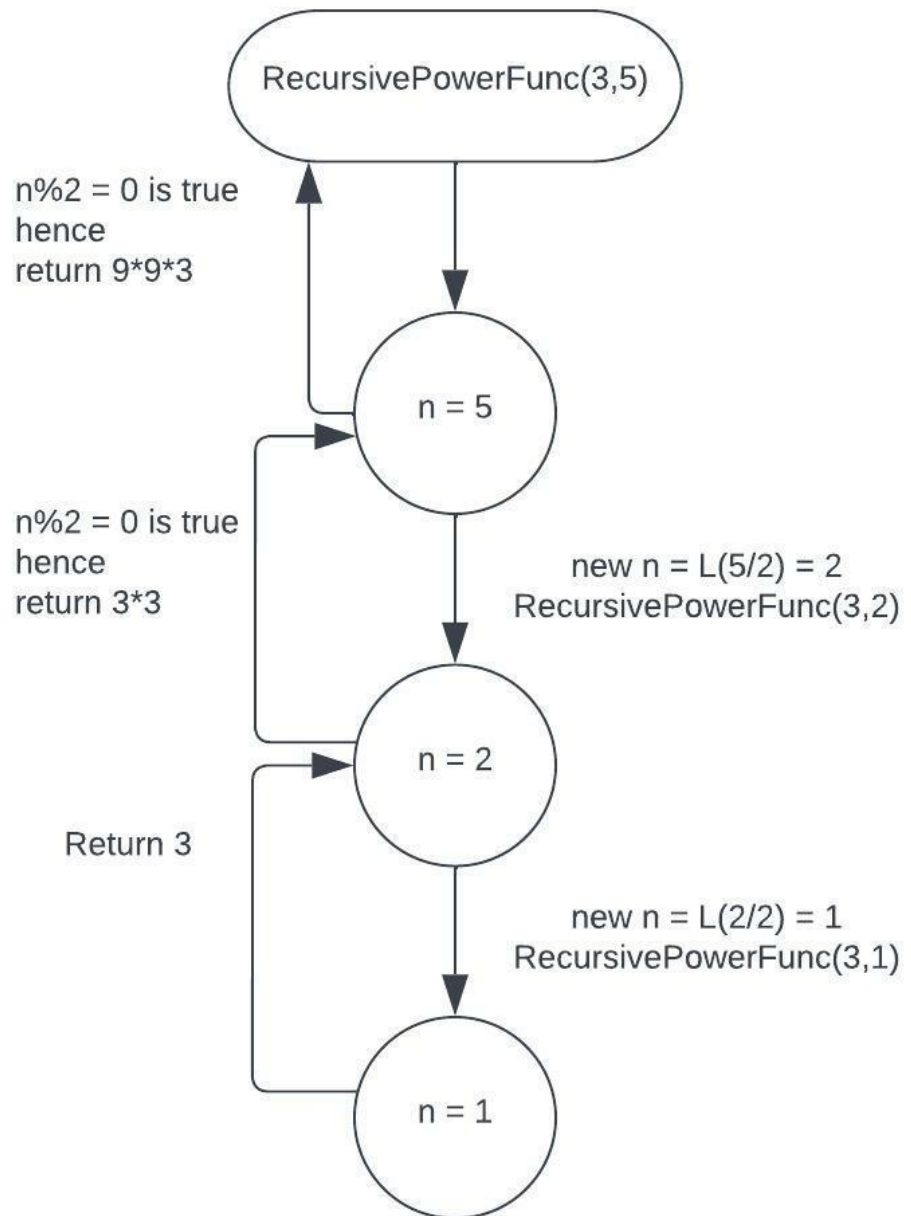
vi. Flowchart -



b. Example to illustrate the algorithm -

Let $a = 3$, $n = 5$

To calculate $a^{3n} = 3^{3*5}$,



Result of `RecursivePowerFunc()` = $9*9*3 = a^n = 3^5$

Therefore, `CalculatePowerFunc()` returns the result = $a^n * a^n * a^n$
 $= 3^5 * 3^5 * 3^5$
 $= 3^{15} = a^{3n}$

c. Proof of correctness of the algorithm -

Precondition -

For each power p , $1 \leq p \leq n$

Postcondition -

RecursivePowerFunc terminates and return a^n for value n .

Initialization :

Initially, $p = n$, so if $n \neq 1$ then it calls a recursive function maintaining relation $1 \leq p \leq n$ and calculates a^n after recursive calls

Maintenance :

At any power p , as n is divided by 2 at every recursive function call, the relation $1 \leq p \leq n$ is maintained and calculates a^p

Termination :

At $p = 1$, it returns a , so no further recursive function calls.

Hence maintaining the relation $1 \leq p \leq n$

d. Analysis of the time complexity of the algorithm -

By using divide and conquer algorithm,

Recursive calls divide n to $n/2$ hence following a tree structure

Time complexity = height of a tree

= $\lg(n)$