CSCI B505 – Fall 2018

Written Assignment 1:

Due online Sept. 10 (MON), 2018, 11:59pm EST.

You can use LaTeX, Word, or even pen and paper to write down your answers. But please try to submit a PDF file.

Use the formal definitions of big-Oh, etc for the asymptotic complexity questions.

- 1. Suppose $f(x) = 3x^2 + 5x + 3$ and $g(x) = 2x^3 + x 100$. Recall the formal definitions of big-Oh. Write down one combination of constants c, n_0 such that f(x) = O(g(x)) and explain why you chose those constants.
- 2. What is the run time for the following function? Justify your answer.

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int foo(int n){
   int i,j,k=0;
   for(i = n/2; i <= n; i++){
      for(j = 2; j<= n; j = j * 2){
        k += n/2;
      }
   }
   return k;
}</pre>
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- 3. Show that $f(n) = 1/n \in O(1)$ using the formula.
- 4. You are given f(n) = O(g(n)) and f(n) = O(h(n)). Give an example where g(n) = O(h(n)) and where $g(n) \neq O(h(n))$
- 5. Compare the following pairs of functions, and show which one is big-Oh of the other one (prove using the definition): $(n^2, 2^n), (2^n, 3^n), (\log n, \log^2 n), (n^{\sqrt{n}}, n^n).$