## CSCI-2725 Homework 2

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**Extra credit:** There is 5 percentage extra credit if you don't submit hand-written homework. You can use LATEX or any other tool to write your homework.

1. (5 points each) Look at the pseudocode below, and find the Big-O estimate or worst case complexity of the following recursive functions.

**Hint:** Write recurrence relation for the functions and solve it using Master's Theorem.

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void fun(int n, int m) {  // T(l) =
  if (m > n) return;
  System.out.print("m = " + m); // 1+
  fun(n, m + 2);  // T(l-2)
}
```

Thus, the recurrence relation for the above function is

$$T(l) = 1 + T(l-2)$$
 (letting  $l := m - n - 1$ ),  $T(0) = 1$ .

Fitting this to the hypothesis of the Subtract and Conquer version of the Master Theorem, we have a = 1, b = 2, and  $f(l) \in O(1) = O(l^d)$ , with d = 0.

By the Subtract and Conquer version, we have that:

Since 
$$a = 1$$
, then  $T(l) \in O(l^{d+1}) = O(l)$ .

Thus, the recurrence relation for the above function is

$$T(i) = T(i-1), T(0) = 1.$$

Putting this into the hypothesis of the S&C version, we have a = 1, b = 1, and  $f(i) \in O(i^d)$ , with d = 0.

Applying the S&C version, we have that

Since 
$$a = 1$$
, then  $T(i) \in O(i^{d+1}) = O(i)$ .

Assume that the function "random" has a complexity of O(n).

Thus, the recurrence relation for the above is

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + f(n), T(0) = 1,$$

(letting n := a - b - 1 and f(n) := 1 + g(n), with  $g(n) \in O(n)$ ).

We cannot use the S&C version of the Master Theorem, but instead the *Divide* and *Conquer* version. Putting it into the hypothesis of the D&C, we have that a = 2, b = 2, and  $f(n) \in \Theta(n^1) = \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)})$ .

Applying the D&C, we have

Since 
$$f(n) \in \Theta(n^1) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a}), T(n) \in \Theta(n \log n)$$
.

Thus, the recurrence relation for the above function is

$$T(n) = T(n/2), T(0) = 1.$$

In terms of the hypothesis of the D&C version, we have a=1, b=2, and  $f(n) \in O(1) = O(n^{\log_b a - \varepsilon})$ , for all  $\varepsilon = 0$ .

Applying the D&C, we have

Since 
$$f(n) \in O(n^{\log_b a - \varepsilon})$$
, then  $T(n) \in \Theta(n^0)$ .

2. (10 points) Consider a recurrence relation given by following.

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

**Show** that  $T(n) = n2^n$  is the solution of the above equation. If you need a base case, use T(0) = 0.

**Answer:** Using backward substitution, we have the following:

$$T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 2^{n}$$

$$= 2(2T(n-2) + 2^{n}) + 2^{n}$$

$$= 2(2(2T(n-3) + 2^{n}) + 2^{n}) + 2^{n}$$

$$\vdots$$

Undertaking a proof by induction, let k be the numbering of Ps as follows:

- (a) P(0) is the statement that T(n) equals an expression in terms of T(n-1), namely,  $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 2^n$ ;
- (b) P(k) is the statement that T(n) equals some expression in terms of T(n-1-k), namely,  $T(n)=2(2(\dots 2T(n-1-k)+2^n\dots)+2^n)+2^n$ ;
- (c) and of course, P(k+1) is one in terms of T(n-1-(k+1)).

From the recurrence relation derived from the source code above, P(0) follows.

Since T(n) represents a recursion, we have that: For all  $n_0 \in [0, n]$ ,  $T(n_0) = 2T(n_0 - 1) + 2^n$ . Therefore,  $T(n_0) = 2T(n_0 - 1) + 2^n$ . Noting the obvious, if  $n_0 = n - 1 - k$ , then  $n_0 - 1 = n - 1 - (k + 1)$ .  $P(k) \rightarrow P(k + 1)$  follows immediately.

Thus, by induction, we have that P(k) is true for all  $k \in [0, n-1]$ .

From the definition of P(k), we have

$$T(n) = 2(2(\dots 2T(n-1-a)+2^n\dots)+2^n)+2^n$$

$$= 2^aT(n-1-a)+\underbrace{2^{n+a-1}+2^{n+a-2}+\dots+2^{n+(a-(a-2))-1}+2^{n+(a-(a-1))-1}}_{a}$$

$$= 2^{n-1}T(0)+\underbrace{2^{n+(n-1)-1}+2^{n+(n-1)-2}+\dots+2^{n+((n-1)-(n-1-1))-1}}_{n-1}$$

$$= \underbrace{2^{2n-2}+2^{2n-3}+\dots+2^{2n-n}}_{n-1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} 2^{2n-2}2^{-i}.$$

The sum is that of a geometric progression, with  $a = 2^{n-2}$  and r = 0.5. Generally, the sum of a geometric progression up to the k-th term is given as:

$$S_k = \frac{ar^{k+1} - a}{r - 1}.$$

Here, k = n - 2, so

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-2} 2^{2n-2} 2^{-i} = \frac{2^{2n-2} (0.5)^{n-2+1} - 2^{2n-2}}{0.5 - 1}$$
$$= \frac{2^{2n-2} - 2^{2n-2} 2^{-n+1}}{0.5}$$
$$= \frac{2^{n-1} (2^{n-1} - 1)}{0.5}$$

3. (10 points) Below is the code for Fibonacci sequence. **Write** a recurrence relation for this code and solve it using substitution (forward or backward) method.

**Note:** There are two recurrence relations T(n-1) and T(n-2) and to simplify your calculation you can assume that T(n-1) = T(n-2) as they are almost of same size.

Since we are given that  $T(n-1) \approx T(n-2)$ , the recurrence relation for the above then becomes

$$T(n) = 2T(n-1), T(0) = 1.$$

**Answer:** Using forward substitution, we have the following:

$$T(1) = 2T(0)$$

$$T(2) = 2(2T(0))$$

$$T(n) = 2^{n}T(0)$$

$$T(n) = 2^{n}.$$

$$T(0) = 1$$