## 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. **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 the Master Theorem.

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

Thus, the recurrence relation for the above function is

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

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

By the Subtract and Conquer version, we have that:

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

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 the relation 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

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

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

Applying the D&C, we have

Since 
$$f(n) \in O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$$
, 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:

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

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

$$= 2(2(2T(n-3) + 2^{n-2}) + 2^{n-1}) + 2^{n}$$
:

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,  $T(n) = 2(2(\dots 2T(n-1-k)+2^{n-k}\dots)+2^{n-1})+2^n$ ;
- (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  $n_0 \in [0, n]$ ,  $T(n_0) = 2T(n_0-1)+2^{n_0}$ . Noting the obvious, if  $n_0 = n-1-k$ , then  $n_0-1 = n-1-(k+1)$ .  $P(k) \to P(k+1)$  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), and letting a := k + 1, we have

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

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

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

$$= \underbrace{2^{n} + 2^{n} + \dots + 2^{n}}_{n \text{ terms}}$$

$$= \underbrace{n \cdot 2^{n}}_{n \text{ terms}}$$

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:

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

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

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

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

$$T(0) = 1$$