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## Practice Exam solutions

see posted typeset notes later! (answers files, solutions)

T 1.1  $a^{n+1} = O(a^n)$ ? True  $a^{n+1} = a a^n = O(a^n)$ .  
~~If  $a$  increases,~~

F 1.2  $a^{2n} = O(a^n)$ ?  $a^{2n}/a^n = a^n$  which diverges.  
 Also  $a^{2n} = (a^2)^n$ .  $(c+\epsilon)^n \gg c^n$ .

F 1.3  $f = \Omega(p)$  and  $f = O(p) \Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{R}$  that  $p(n) \leq f(n)$ ?  
 false! Big O only says about asymptotics. may exist small values of  $n$  with  $p(n) \geq f(n)$

F 1.4  $a > b$ ,  $n^a - n^b$  is  $O(n^{a-b})$ . false  $n^3 - n^2 = \Omega(n^2)$   
 and not  $O(n^{3-2}) = O(1)$ .  $n^3 - n^2$  is not  $O(n)$ .

T 1.5  $n^b - n^a = O(n^a)$  when  $a > b$ ? for large enough  $n$ ,  
 this is in fact, negative, so is  $O(1)$  and is then  $O(n^a)$  certainly

F 1.6  $O(n^4) - O(n^4) = 0$ . underspecified but still false.  
 $2n^3 - n^3 = n^3 \neq 0$ .

2.1  $f(n) = n^3 + 2n$ ,  $g(n) = 12n^2 + 21\sqrt{n}$ ,  $g(n) = O(f(n))$

2.2  $f(n) = (\log n)^2$ ,  $g(n) = \log n + \sqrt[n]{n}$ . You can prove  $(\log n)^k = O(n^c)$   
 for any  $k, c > 0$ . so even  $(\log n)^{100} \ll n^{0.01}$  eventually.  
 To prove, use L'Hopital's.

2.3  $f(n) = 2 \log_5(3^n)$ ,  $g = 1 + 4n^{0.2}$   $f = O(g)$ ,  $g = O(f)$

2.4  $f(n) = 8^{\log_2 n}$ ,  $g = n \log n$ .  $g(n) = O(f(n))$   $8^{\log_2 n} =$

$n^{\log_2 8}$ . Since  $\log_2 8 > 1$ ,  $f(n) = n^{1+\epsilon}$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$ .  $\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \frac{n^{1+\epsilon}}{n \log n} = \frac{n^\epsilon}{\log n}$   
 $\frac{n^\epsilon}{\log n}$  diverges. recall  $\forall c > 0$  that  $\log n \ll n^c$ .

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First we prove the closed form of the geometric series in the infinite case.

$$\begin{aligned} X &= 1 + c + c^2 + c^3 + \dots \\ &= 1 + c(1 + c + c^2 + \dots) \\ &= 1 + cX \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } X = 1 + cX$$

$$X - cX = 1$$

$$X = \frac{1}{1-c}$$

only technically true when  $c < 1$ .

Now consider the bounded summation

$$1 + c + c^2 + c^3 + \dots + c^n = \text{and notice}$$

$$(1 + c + c^2 + \dots) - c^{n+1} - c^{n+2} - c^{n+3} - \dots =$$

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

$$X - c^{n+1}X = X(1 - c^{n+1}) = \boxed{\frac{1 - c^{n+1}}{1 - c}} = g(n)$$

If  $c < 1$  then  $c^{n+1} < c$  so  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(n) = 0$  so  $g(n) = O(1)$

if  $c = 1$  then  $1 + c + c^2 + \dots + c^n = \overbrace{1 + 1 + 1 + \dots + 1}^n = O(n)$ .

if  $c > 1$  then  $c^{n+1} > c$  so  $\frac{1 - c^{n+1}}{1 - c} = \frac{1}{1 - c} - \frac{c^{n+1}}{1 - c} =$

$$\frac{1}{1 - c} - \frac{c}{c - 1} c^n = \frac{1}{1 - c} + \frac{c}{c - 1} c^n = O(c^n).$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^d) & d > \log_b a \\ O(n^d \log n) & d = \log_b a \\ O(n^{\log_b a}) & d < \log_b a \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + O(n^d)$$

4.1  $T(n) = 2T(n/4) + O(n)$

$a, b, d = 2, 4, 1$   
 $\log_4 2 < 1$  so so  $O(n)$

4.2  $T(n) = 2T(n/4) + O(1)$

$a, b, d = 2, 4, 0$   
 $\log_4 2 = \log_4(\sqrt{4}) = \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \log_4 2 > 0$  so  $O(\sqrt{n})$

4.3  $T(n) = 2T(n/4) + O(\sqrt{n})$

$a, b, d = 2, 4, \frac{1}{2}$   
 $d = \log_b a$  so  $O(\sqrt{n} \log n)$

4.4  $T(n) = 3T(n/3) + O(1)$

$a, b, d = 3, 3, 0$  so  $O(1)$   
 $\log_3 3 = 1 > 0$

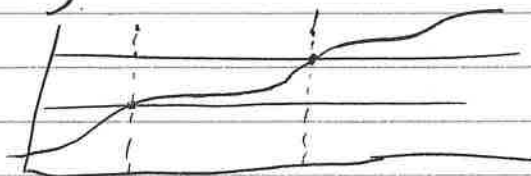
4.5  $T(n) = 4T(n/3) + O(n^2)$

$a, b, d = 4, 3, 2$  so  
 $\log_3 4 < 2$  so  $O(n^2)$   
 $\log_3 4 = 2$

4.6  $T(n) = 5T(n/3) + O(n^2)$

$a, b, d = 5, 3, 2$   
 $2 < \log_{3/2} 5$  so  $O(n^{\log_{3/2} 5})$

5 Just two binary searches



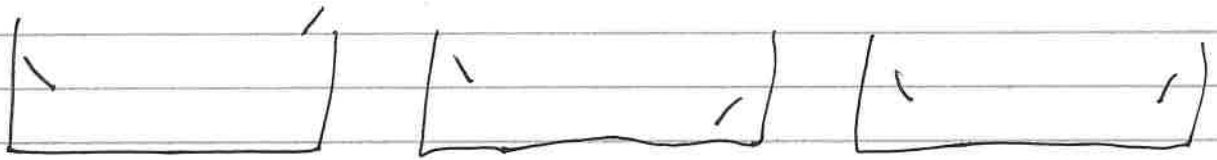
binary search to find the smallest  $i$  with  $A[i] \geq u$ . same for  $j$   
 $\Rightarrow A[j] \geq l$

note, two top level recursions is not a recursion at each level

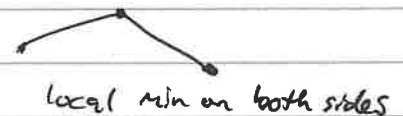
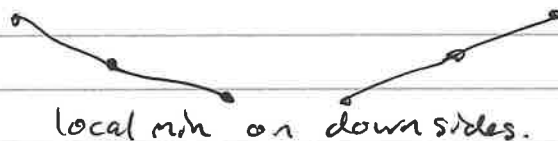
$T(n) = T(n/2) + O(1)$   $n \neq 2$

6 Busy work, but instructive.

7 Given boundary conditions  $A[1] \geq A[2]$  and  $A[n-1] \leq A[n]$   
 we know there must exist a local minimum.

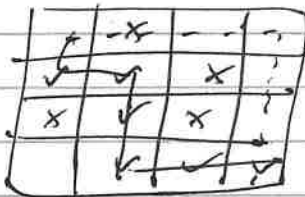


pick middle point. If  $A[i-1] \geq A[i] \leq A[i+1]$   
 return  $i$ . else, compute slope of  $A[i-1]$ ,  $A[i+1]$

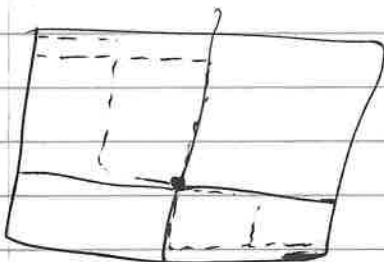


recurse on downward side.  $T(n) = T(n/2) + O(1) = O(\log n)$ .

8a Each next cell has 2 possible choices, try each for  $n^2$  long path  
 each path takes  $n$  to write down all there are  
 at most  $n$  queries giving us  $O(n^2)$ .



8b Every path hits every row/column in one spot. Choose middle  
 path and recurse split it into two subproblems each of size  $n/2$   
 $\hookrightarrow T(n) = 2T(n/2) + O(N) = O(n \log n)$ .



8c  
 a.  $O(\max(mn, n^2, m^2))$   
 b.  $O((m+n) \log(\max(m, n)))$

$$FLT : a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$9.1 \quad 2^{20} + 3^{30} + 4^{40} + 5^{50} + 6^{60} \pmod{7} =$$

$$2^{18} 2^2 + 3^{6 \cdot 5} + 4^4 4^{36} + 5^2 5^{48} + 6^{6 \cdot 10} \equiv 2^2 + 3^0 + 4^4 + 5^2 + 6^0 \equiv$$

$$(256) \% 7 = 4$$

$$4 + 1 + 4 + 4 + 1 \equiv 14 \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$$

$$25 \% 7 = 4$$

$$21 + 4 = 4$$

$$9.2 \quad \text{What } x \text{ : } x^{103} \equiv 4 \pmod{11} \quad \text{only try } \{0 \dots 10\}$$

$$x^{10} \equiv 1 \pmod{11} \text{ so } x^{103} = x^{100} x^3 \equiv (x^{10})^{10} x^3 \equiv 1 \cdot x^3 \pmod{11}$$

so compute  $0 \dots 10$  cubed mod 7.

$$0^3 \equiv 0$$

$$1^3 \equiv 1$$

$$2^3 \equiv 8 \equiv 8$$

$$4^3 \equiv 64 \equiv 9$$

$$5^3 \equiv 125 \equiv 121 + 4 \equiv 4 \pmod{11}, \text{ so answer is } 5.$$

10.1 Jerry makes keys

$$10.2 \quad p=23, q=29, e=3, d=411$$

$$10.3 \quad m^e \pmod{N} = (15)^3 \pmod{(23 \cdot 29)} = 40$$

10.4  $m^e \pmod{N}$  if  $m$  is small, and  $e$  is small, or  $e \ll 2^{4000}$  so just take cube root instead of discrete log.