

# CSCI-UA.0310-005 Midterm

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TOTAL POINTS

**80 / 100**

## QUESTION 1

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their ideas or solutions.”

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### Problem 1

(a)

$$f(n) = O(g(n))$$

since polynomial functions are asymptotically greater than logarithm functions

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^5 (\log n)^{50} / (n^{5.1} (\log n)) = 0$$

which means the function at the denominator ( $n^{5.1} (\log n)$ ) is asymptotically greater than the function at the numerator ( $n^5 (\log n)^{50}$ ).

(b)

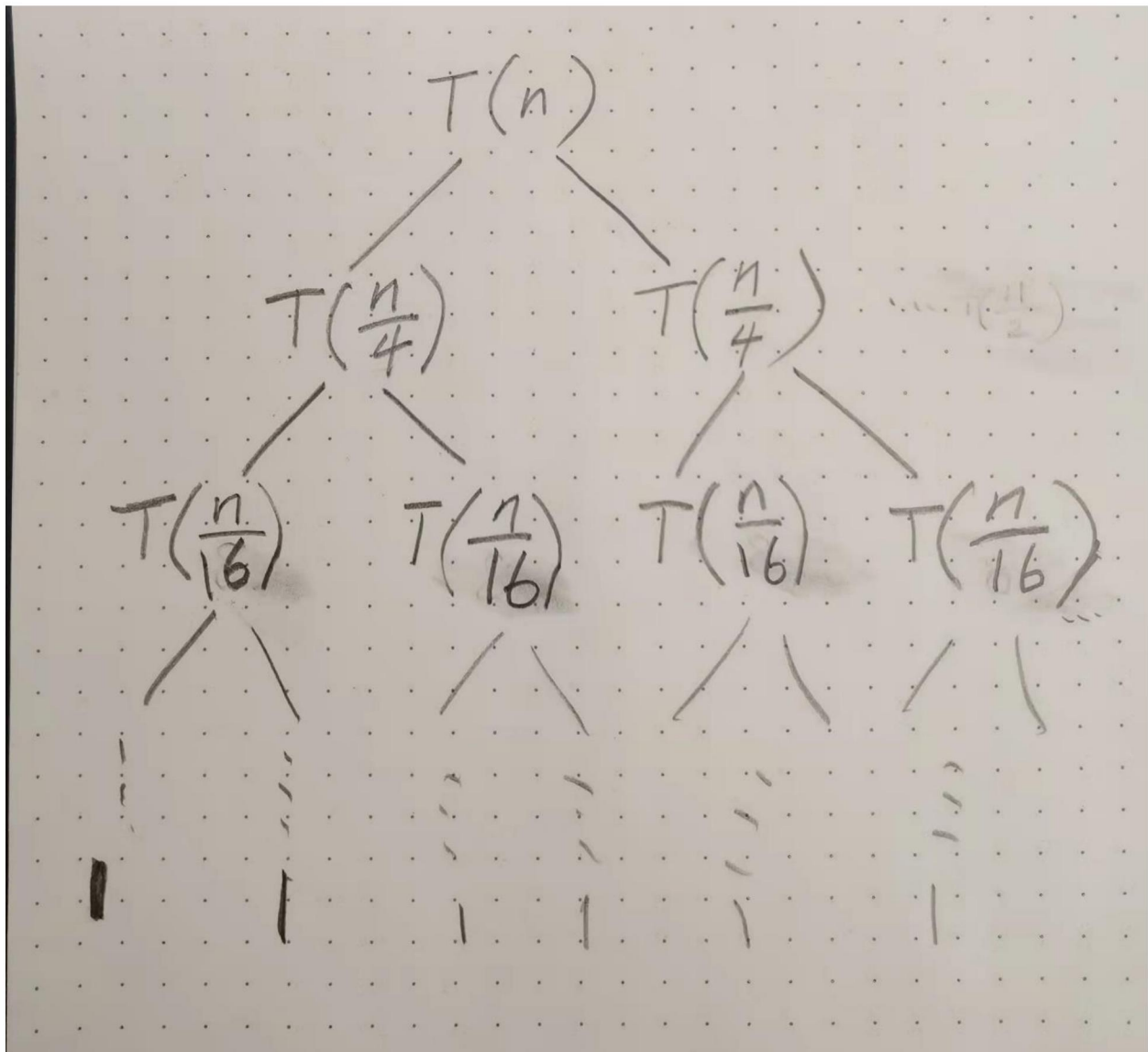
$$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$$

since exponential functions (with a bigger exponent) are asymptotically greater than polynomial functions

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 5^n / (125^{\sqrt{n}} + n^2) = \infty$$

which means the function at the denominator ( $125^{\sqrt{n}} + n^2$ ) is asymptotically less than the function at the numerator ( $5^n$ ).

(c)



cost at depth  $i$  is equal to  $n / 2^i$

number of levels =  $\log_2 n$

$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (n / 2^i)$

$= n * \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (1 / 2^i)$

$= \Theta(n / 2^n)$

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## Problem 2

(a)

initially  $\text{left} = 1$ ,  $\text{right} = \text{A.length}$

calculate  $\text{mid} = (\text{left} + \text{right}) / 2$

recursively call  $\text{pos\_after\_neg}(\text{A}, \text{temp}, \text{left}, \text{mid})$  and  $\text{pos\_after\_neg}(\text{A}, \text{temp}, \text{mid} + 1, \text{right})$ , array A is divided into  $\text{A}[\text{left} \dots \text{mid}]$  and  $\text{A}[\text{mid}+1 \dots \text{right}]$ , then copy the negative elements of  $\text{A}[\text{left} \dots \text{mid}]$  and  $\text{A}[\text{mid}+1 \dots \text{right}]$  to array temp, then copy the positive elements of  $\text{A}[\text{left} \dots \text{mid}]$  and  $\text{A}[\text{mid}+1 \dots \text{right}]$  to array temp. finally copy the elements in array temp back to A

```
def merge(a, temp, left, mid, right):  
    t_i = left  
    for i in range(left, mid + 1):  
        # negative from left  
        if a[i] < 0:  
            temp[t_i] = a[i]  
            t_i += 1  
  
    for i in range(mid + 1, right + 1):  
        # negative from right  
        if a[i] < 0:  
            temp[t_i] = a[i]  
            t_i += 1  
  
    for i in range(left, mid + 1):  
        # positive from left  
        if a[i] >= 0:  
            temp[t_i] = a[i]  
            t_i += 1
```

```

    for i in range(mid + 1, right + 1):
        # positive from right
        if a[i] >= 0:
            temp[t_i] = a[i]
            t_i += 1

    for i in range(left, right + 1):
        a[i] = temp[i]

def pos_after_neg(a, temp, left, right):
    if left < right:
        mid = (left + right) // 2 # integer division
        pos_after_neg(a, temp, left, mid)
        pos_after_neg(a, temp, mid + 1, right)
        merge(a, temp, left, mid, right)

```

(b)

use i and j as 2 pointers, i initially holds the index of the beginning of the array, j initially holds the index of the end of the array.

iteratively find the positive numbers at a[i] and negative numbers at a[j],

if a positive number is encountered at a[i], swap a[i] with the element with current a[j], then  $i = i + 1$ ,  $j = j - 1$

(c)

initially left = 1, right = A.length

calculate mid = (left + right) / 2

recursively call the function with A[left...mid] and A[mid+1...right],

if A[left] > 0, return A[left]

test if A[left] <= 0 and A[mid] <= 0, everything is negative or 0 in between, then exit out of recursion

if A[left] <= 0 and A[mid] > 0, recursively call the function again

if  $A[\text{mid} + 1] \leq 0$  and  $A[\text{right}] > 0$ , recursively call the function again

if  $A[\text{mid} + 1] \leq 0$  and  $A[\text{right}] \leq 0$ , then there is no positive number in the array



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base case:  $T(0) = 0$

number of cookies from 0 boxes is 0

$T(n) =$

```
{  
    max_{k <= i <= n} (c[i] + T(n - i))  
}
```

boxes must be at least  $k$  distance apart, so  $i \geq k$ , once chosen the box  $c[i]$ , the remaining amount of box is  $n - i$ , so need to add  $c[i]$  with the optimal solution of the subproblem with size  $n - i$

(b)

```
int memo[n];  
for(int i = 1; i < n; ++i)  
{  
    memo[i] = c[i];  
    for(int j = 1; j < i; ++j)  
    {  
        if(i - j >= k) /* boxes must be more than k distance apart */  
            memo[i] = max(memo[i], c[j] + memo[i - j]);  
    }  
}  
return memo[n];
```

(c)

time complexity =  $\Theta(n^2)$

2 levels of for loop

operations within the innermost level are constant, values in  $c$  and  $memo$  are readily available to be fetched

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