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**Problem 1-1.**

- (a) Simplify these functions using exponentiation and logarithm rules, we have:

$$\Theta(f_1) = \Theta(n \log n), \Theta(f_2) = \Theta((\log n)^n), \Theta(f_3) = \Theta(\log n), \Theta(f_4) = \Theta((\log n)^{6006}), \\ \Theta(f_5) = \Theta(\log(\log(6006n))).$$

It is easy to conclude that the result is  $\{f_5, f_3, f_4, f_1, f_2\}$

- (b) Convert all the exponent bases to 2, we have:

$$f_1 = 2^n, f_2 = 2^{n \log 6006}, f_3 = 2^{6006^n}, f_4 = 2^{2^n \log 6006}, f_5 = 2^{n^2 \log 6006}$$

It is obvious to conclude that the result is  $\{f_1, f_2, f_5, f_4, f_3\}$

- (c)  $\Theta(f_1) = \Theta(n^n), \Theta(f_2) = \Theta(n^6) = \Theta(n^c), \Theta(f_5) = \Theta(n^c)$

Using Sterling's approximation, we can simplify  $f_3$  and  $f_4$  to:

$$\Theta(f_3) = \Theta(\sqrt{2\pi(6n)} \left(\frac{6n}{e}\right)^{6n}), \Theta(f_4) = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\frac{6}{5^{5/6}}\right)^n\right) \approx \Theta\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} (1.57)^n\right)$$

So,  $f_3$  is the largest, and  $f_1$  is larger than  $f_4$ , while  $f_2$  and  $f_5$  are equal. The result is  $\{\{f_2, f_5\}, f_4, f_1, f_3\}$

- (d) Take the logarithms of these functions, we have:

$$\Theta(\log f_1) = \Theta((n+4)\log n) = \Theta(n \log n), \Theta(\log f_2) = \Theta(\sqrt{n} \log n), \Theta(\log f_3) = \\ \Theta(n \log n), \Theta(\log f_4) = \Theta(n^2), \Theta(\log f_5) = \Theta(\log n)$$

It seems that  $f_1$  and  $f_3$  are asymptotically equal. Transform  $f_3$  into:

$$f_3 = (4^{\log n})^{3n} = (n^{\log 4})^{3n} = n^{6n}$$

So  $f_3$  is asymptotically larger than  $f_1$  (by about a factor of  $n^{5n}$ ), the result is  $\{f_5, f_2, f_1, f_3, f_4\}$

## Problem 1-2.

### (a) Method 1: Use a for loop

Use variants  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  to record the first and last item which are about to be swapped in this loop. We use `D.delete_at` at function to get the item deleted, then use the `D.insert_at` at function to swap the position of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ . After swapping, make the index of  $x_1$  move forward 1 step and  $x_2$  backward 1 step. The loop ends after  $k/2$  times. This procedure would be correct by induction.

`D.delete_at` at and `D.insert_at` at function cost  $O(\log n)$  time, so swapping two items needs  $O(\log n)$  time, the loop takes  $k/2$  steps, so overall the algorithm takes  $O(k \log n)$  time.

```
1 for j in range(k//2):
2     x1 = D.delete_at(i+j)
3     x2 = D.delete_at(i+k-1-j)
4     D.insert_at(i+j, x2)
5     D.insert_at(i+k-1-j, x1)
```

### Method 2: Recursion

In order to reverse all the  $k$  items in the sequence, we can swap the item at index  $i$  and  $i + k - 1$ , and then recursively reverse the rest of the items. As a base case, no work needs to be done to reverse a subsequence containing less than 2 items. The procedure would be correct by induction.

The swapping process is the same as Method 1. The swapping process takes  $O(\log n)$  time, the recursive procedure takes  $k/2$  recursive calls, so the algorithm takes in  $O(k \log n)$  time.

```
1 def reverse(D, i, k):
2     if k < 2:
3         return
4     x2 = D.delete_at(i+k-1)
5     x1 = D.delete_at(i)
6     D.insert_at(i+k-1, x1)
7     D.insert_at(i, x2)
8     reverse(D, i+1, k-2)
```

### (b) Use recursion to solve this problem. To move the $k$ -item subsequence starting at $i$ in front of the item at index $j$ , it suffices to move the item $A$ at index $i$ in front of the item $B$ at index $j$ , and recursively move the remainder in front of the item $A$ . As a base case, no work needs to be done if $k = 0$ .

If  $j < i$ , use a variant  $x$  to contain the deleted item  $A$  at index  $i$ , then use insert function to put  $x$  in front of index  $j$ , then we recursively call the function `move()`. Because we have moved  $A$  in front of index  $j$ , and the number of items does not change before index  $i + 1$ , so we need to move the next item at index  $i + 1$ , and the total number of

items we want to move become  $k - 1$ , the next move requires us to move the item in front of the item A, whose index have become  $j + 1$ , so the move() function goes like this:  $move(D, i + 1, k - 1, j + 1)$ .

If  $j > i$ , use a variant  $x$  to contain the deleted item A at index  $i$ , then use insert function to put  $x$  in front of index  $j$ , then we recursively call the function move(). Because we have moved A in front of index  $j$ , there is one less item before original index  $j$ , so before the insert function, change  $j$  into  $j - 1$ . When we use the move() function, we do not need to change index  $i$ . But we need to change  $j$  into  $j + 1$  because we minus 1 before, and the total number of items we want to move becomes  $k - 1$ . So the move function goes like this:  $move(D, i, k - 1, j + 1)$ .

The problem has assumed that the expression  $i \leq j < i + k$  is false, so we have discussed all the possible situations, that makes the algorithm correct.

As for the running time, the delete and insert steps only cost  $O(\log n)$  time, and the recursive call takes no more than  $k$  steps, so the total running time is  $O(k \log n)$ .

```

1 def move(D, i, k, j):
2     if k < 1:
3         return
4     if i > j:
5         x = D.delete_at(i)
6         D.insert_at(j, x)
7         move(D, i + 1, k - 1, j + 1)
8     if i < j:
9         x = D.delete_at(i)
10        j = j - 1
11        D.insert_at(j, x)
12        move(D, i, k - 1, j + 1)

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**Problem 1-3.** Use a dynamic array of size  $3n$  to store the pages. To build the array:

1. Place items before bookmark A in the first  $n$  places, leaving some empty places, we name these  $n$  items  $P_1$
2. Place items between bookmark A and bookmark B starting from index  $n$ , we name these  $n$  items  $P_2$
3. Place items after bookmark B starting from index  $2n$ , we name these items  $P_3$

Build a dynamic array of  $n$  items costs  $O(n)$  time, so build a dynamic array of  $3n$  items costs  $O(n)$  time too.

If we want to place a bookmark between index  $i$  and  $i + 1$  and these indices are in  $P_1$ , we need to move items from index  $i + 1$  to the last non-empty item in  $P_1$  to the head of  $P_2$ , we use *delete\_last* and *insert\_last* function cost  $O(n)$  time.

**Problem 1-4.**

- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d) Submit your implementation to `alg.mit.edu`.