Theory Problems 3

Complexity and Sorting

Problem 1: Big-O

Give the complexity order of the following functions, in terms of the simplest function representing the order, e.g. $2n + 4 \in O(n)$

1.
$$f(n) = 7n^2 + 800n + 10$$

2.
$$f(n) = \log 2n + 1000000$$

3.
$$f(n) = n! + e^{5n}$$

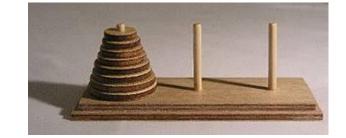
4.
$$f(n) = 5n \log n + 10 \log n$$

$$5. \quad f(n) = n \log n^2 + n^2 \log n$$

$$6. \quad f(n) = e^{3n}$$

Problem 2: Tower of Hanoi

The Tower of Hanoi is a puzzle (right) where the objective is to move all the discs from one peg to another, by moving the discs one at a time to another peg. You are not allowed to place a larger disc on a smaller disk at any point.



- 1. Write an algorithm to move the discs, for any number of discs. The problem is most easily solved by recursion.
- 2. Prove that your algorithm is correct.
- 3. What is the complexity of your algorithm?

Problem 3: Integer Sort

You need to sort a list of non-negative integers $(x_i \in \mathbb{N}, i = 1 \dots n)$ into order. Consider the following strategy

- 1. Find the maximum in the list, x_m
- 2. Create an array of size x_m
- 3. Go through the list and mark the array at position x_i for each number in the list
- 4. Run through the array to output the numbers in order

Example (2,4,1) – we create an array of size 5 and mark positions 2,4 and 1. Running through the array in order, we encounter 1,2,4 marked in the array and output in the correct order.

Write a complete algorithm for this sort, also considering the possibility that the same number may be repeated multiple times in the input list. What is the complexity of your algorithm?