

### EECS 477. HOMEWORK 3.

**Due on Thursday 10/3/2002 before noon  
in mailbox labeled 477 in room 2420 EECS**

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#### 1. ASYMPTOTICS (25PTS)

Order the following nine functions in such a way that  $f_k = O(f_{k+1})$ . Make  
sure to replace  $O$  by  $\Theta$  whenever possible, like in the following example:  
 $n = O(n^2)$ ,  $n^2 = \Theta(n^2 + \log n)$ ,  $n^2 + \log n = O(n^3)$ .

Here are the functions you will need to arrange:

- $\log(n + 1/n)$
- $n \log n$
- $\log \log n$
- $2^{n-\log n}$
- $(\log n)^n$
- $(5n + \log n/n)2^{(4+\log n)}$
- $3^{\log n - n}$
- $(3 + \log n)!$
- $n^3 + (\log n)^n$

2.  $k$ -SUBSETS (30PTS)

The questions below will refer to the following piece of code that is also available on the web as a supplement.

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void print_subset(vector<unsigned>& s) {
    cout << "{ ";
    for(int i=0; i<s.size(); ++i)
        cout << s[i] << " ";
    cout << "}" << endl;
}

void rec_subset(vector<unsigned>& s, int n, int k) {
    if(n<k) {
        return;
    }
    if(k==0) {
        print_subset(s);
        return;
    }
    s[k-1] = n-1;
    rec_subset(s, n-1, k-1);
    rec_subset(s, n-1, k);
}

void generate_subsets(int n, int k) {
    vector<unsigned> s(k);
    rec_subset(s, n, k);
}
```

A(5pts) Prove that a call to the function `generate_subsets(n, k)` ( $0 \leq k \leq n$ ) will print all the subsets of  $\{0, \dots, n-1\}$  that contain  $k$  elements.

**Important:** Suppose that we remove printing commands from the body of `print_subset(s)` function, so that a call to `print_subset(s)` takes *constant time*. The following questions B through F will assume that.

B(5pts) Let  $T(n, k)$  be the running time of a call to `rec_subset(s, n, k)` function. Find a recurrence relation for  $T(n, k)$ . Consider all the cases satisfying  $0 \leq k \leq n+1$ .

C(5pts) Introduce a new variable  $T'(n, k) = T(n, k) + C_1$  and prove that it satisfies the following recurrence relation:

$$T'(n, k) = \begin{cases} T'(n-1, k-1) + T'(n, k) & \text{when } 0 < k \leq n, \\ C_2 & \text{when } k = n+1, \\ C_3 & \text{when } k = 0. \end{cases}$$

What choice of the constant  $C_1$  will make it work?

- D(5pts) Let  $C_4 = \max(C_2, C_3)$ . Prove by induction that  $T'(n, n) \leq C_4(n+1)$ .  
E(5pts) Prove by induction that

$$T'(n, k) \leq C_4 \binom{n+1}{k}.$$

- F(5pts) Prove that for  $k \leq \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$  we have

$$T'(n, k) \leq 2C_4 \binom{n}{k}$$

**Conclusion** Thus, we have proven that

$$T(n, k) \leq 2C_4 \binom{n}{k} - C_1 \leq 2C_4 \binom{n}{k},$$

that is the time per one generated  $k$ -subset is constant (when  $k \leq \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ ).

- EXTRA(10pts) What happens when  $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor < k < n$ ? Find an upper bound on the time per one generated  $k$ -subset. Is it  $O(1)$ ?  $O(n)$ ?  $O(k)$ ?

## 3. ASYMPTOTICS (30PTS)

A function  $t(n)$  is defined by recurrence relation:

$$t(n) = \begin{cases} a, & \text{for } n = 1 \\ 4t(\lceil n/3 \rceil) + bn, & \text{for } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

A.(15pts) Prove by induction that  $t(n)$  is an eventually non-decreasing function.

B.(15pts) Find the exact order of  $t(n)$  in the simplest possible form.

## 4. ALGORITHM ANALYSIS (15PTS)

Consider an algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$  that has average-case time complexity  $O((n \log n)^2)$  and  $\Omega(n \log n)$ . For the following statements state whether it could or could not be true, and justify your answer.

A.  $\mathcal{A}$  has worst-case time complexity  $O(n^2)$ .

B.  $\mathcal{A}$  has worst-case time complexity  $\Theta(n)$ .

C.  $\mathcal{A}$  has average-case time complexity  $\Theta(n^2)$ .