

ICOM 4075: Foundations of Computing  
Assignment #5 Solutions

SECTION 3.4.

② (a) yes: I, V

no: D, C, F, G

INPUT

OUTPUT

Determineness

Correctness

Finiteness

Generality

(b) yes: I, D,

no: D, C, F, G

(c) yes: I, D, E,

no: C, P, F, G

(d) yes: I, F

no: D, C, G.

④ procedure largestDifference ( $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ : integers)

$$\text{maxDiff} = a_1 - a_2$$

for ( $i = 2$  to  $n-1$ )

$$\text{maxDiff} = \max(\text{maxDiff}, a_i - a_{i+1})$$

return maxDiff

⑧ procedure largestEven ( $a_1, \dots, a_n$ : integers)

    largest := 0     found = false

    for ( $i = 1$  to  $n$ )

        if (even( $a_i$ ))

            if not (found)

                largest =  $a_i$      found = true

            else if ( $a_i > \text{largest}$ )

                largest =  $a_i$

~~If (found)~~ return  $a_i$

⑩ procedure power ( $x$ : real,  $n$ : integer)

    result := 1      $\swarrow$  absolute value.

    for ( $i = 1$  to  $|n|$ )

        if ( $n > 0$ )

            result = result \*  $x$

        else     result = result /  $x$

    return result.

(24) procedure oneToOne ( $(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2), \dots, (a_n, b_n)$ ):  
 ordered pairs  
 oneToOne = false {assume 1-1}  
 $i := 1$   
 while ( $i < n$ ) and oneToOne  
 $j = i$   
 while ( $j < n$ ) and oneToOne  
 if ( $a_i \neq a_j$ ) and ( $b_i = b_j$ )  
 then oneToOne = false  
 return oneToOne

(25) procedure binarySearch ( $x$ : integer,  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  increasing integers)  
 $i := 1$  {stop := false}  
 $j := n$   
 while ( $i < j$ ) and not (stop)  
 $m := \lfloor (i+j)/2 \rfloor$   
 { if ( $x = a_m$ )  
 { stop := true  
 {  $i = m$   
 else if ( $x > a_m$ ) then  $i := m+1$   
 else  $j := m$   
 if  $x = a_i$  then location := i  
 else location := 0  
 return location.

Advantage: Algorithm stops as soon as  $x$  found.

(32) procedure findTerms ( $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ : integers)

runningSum := 0    terms :=  $\emptyset$

for ( $i = 1$  to  $n$ )

    if ( $a_i > \text{runningSum}$ )

        then    terms := terms  $\cup \{a_i\}$

        runningSum = runningSum +  $a_i$

return terms

(V2) procedure selectionSort ( $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ : integers)

for ( $i = 1$  to  $(n - 1)$ )

    min =  $a_i$      $i$

    for ( $j = i + 1$  to  $n$ )

        if ( $a_j < a_{\text{min}}$ ) then min =  $j$

    swap ( $a_i, a_{\text{min}}$ )

- (46) Sorting a perfectly reversed (opposite order) list constitutes a worst case scenario for insertion sort.
- + The outside for loop iterates  $(n-1)$  times
  - + + The inner while will iterate  $(j)$  times since the next element will always end up in the first position ( $i$ ) in the list.
  - + The last for used to shift numbers down the list will iterate  $(j-1)$  times as the next element must be inserted in the first position.
  - + Each for and while loop contributes one comparison on each iteration.

Total Comparisons = total loop iterations

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 1 + \sum_{j=2}^n [j + (j-1)] \\
 &= 1 + \sum_{j=2}^n (2j-1) \quad \text{outside for } n \quad \text{shift for} \\
 &= 1 + 2 \sum_{j=2}^n j - \sum_{j=2}^n 1 = 1 + \left(2 \sum_{j=1}^n j\right) - 2 - (n-1) \\
 &= 2 - 2 + 1 - n + 2 \frac{(n)(n+1)}{2} = -n + n^2 + n = \boxed{n^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

(56) The greedy algorithm would generate, for instance, 5 coins for 16¢ in change; 1 twelve + 4 pennies. The minimal result would have been 3 coins; one dime + one nickel + 1 penny.

(64) The Halting Problem (HP) could be reduced to the problem of determining if a program prints the digit 1 (DIGIT1). That is, if we can solve DIGIT1 then we can solve HP, using the following algorithm:

let  $HP(P, I)$  be the algorithm that solves HP

①  $P' = "P \text{ if } \text{print 1}"$  for a program P on input I.

②  $\text{output} = \text{DIGIT1}(P', I)$   $P \text{ on } I$

③ If  $\text{output} = \text{"yes"}$   $\text{output} = \text{"halts"}$   
 $P \text{ on } I$

④ If  $\text{output} = \text{"no"}$   $\text{output} = \text{"loops"}$   
 $P \text{ on } I$

Section 3.2 : Problems 2, 8, 16, <sup>22</sup>, <sup>24</sup>, 44

	$\Theta(x^2)$ ?	C	k
(a)	yes	2	12
(b)	yes	2	1001
(c)	yes	1	1
(d)	$x^4/2$ no	n/a	n/a
(e)	$2^x$ no	n/a	n/a
(f)	$[x] \cdot [x]$ yes	7	1

Other Alternatives:

$$(a) 17x + 11 \leq Cx^2$$

$$17x + 11 \leq 17x^2 + 11x^2 = 28x^2 \quad C = 28, \quad k = 1$$

$$(b) f(x) = x^2 + 1000$$

$$x^2 + 1000 \leq Cx^2$$

$$x^2 + 1000 \leq x^2 + 1000x^2 = 1001x^2 \quad C = 1002, \quad k = 1$$

$$(c) f(x) = x \log x$$

$$\log x \leq x \quad \text{for } x \geq 0$$

$$x \log x \leq x^2 \quad \text{for } x \geq 0 \quad C = 1, \quad k = 0.$$

$$(d) f(x) = x^4/2 \text{ is } \underline{\underline{\Theta}}(x^2)$$

$$\text{Assume } x^4/2 \in \Theta(x^2)$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{x^4}{2} \leq Cx^2 \text{ for all } x \geq k \text{ for some } k.$$

$$\left( \frac{x^2}{2} \leq C \right) \rightarrow x^2 \leq 2C \text{ which is not possible for all } x \geq k.$$

(2) Continued . . .

(e)  $f(x) = 2^x$  is  $\underline{\equiv} \Theta(n^2)$

The proof requires calculus and limits and is outside the scope of this course.

(f)  $f(x) = \lfloor x \rfloor \cdot \lceil x \rceil$  is  $\Theta(n^2)$

$$\lfloor x \rfloor \leq x+1 < x+2$$

$$\lceil x \rceil \leq x+1 < x+2$$

$$\lfloor x \rfloor \cdot \lceil x \rceil < (x+1)(x+2) = x^2 + 3x + 2 \text{ is } \mathcal{O}(n^2)$$

(8) (a) 4

(b) 5

(c) 0

(d) -1

(16) Show  $f(x)$  is  $\Theta(x) \rightarrow f(x) \in \Theta(x^2)$

Assume  $f(x)$  is  $\Theta(x)$

$$\exists K, c \quad f(x) \leq cx \quad \text{for all } x \geq K.$$

$$\text{But } cx \leq cx^2 \quad \forall x \geq 0$$

$$\text{Thus } f(x) \leq cx^2 \quad \forall x \geq K.$$

And finally  $f(x) \in \Theta(x^2)$  for some witnesses used for  $\Theta(x)$

$$\textcircled{22} \quad (\log n)^3 \leq \sqrt{n} \log n \leq n^{99} + n^{98} \leq n^{100} \leq 1.5^n \leq 10^n \leq (n!)^2$$

\textcircled{24} Algorithm A is  $\Theta(n^2 2^n)$

Algorithm B is  $\Theta(n!)$

Algorithm B will eventually take longer.

One way to look at this is the following:

$$n^2 \leq 2^n \rightarrow n^2 2^n \leq 2^n 2^n \leq 2^{2n} = 4^n \leq n!$$

\textcircled{44} Prove  $\left[ f(x) \in \Theta(g(x)) \text{ and } g(x) \in \Theta(h(x)) \right] \rightarrow \left[ f(x) \in \Theta(h(x)) \right]$

Assume  $f(x) \in \Theta(g(x))$  and  $g(x) \in \Theta(h(x))$

Part A: Prove  $f(x) \in \Theta(h(x))$

From our assumption we know  $f(x) \in \Theta(g(x))$  and  $g(x) \in \Theta(h(x))$

$$\rightarrow \exists c_1, k_1 \quad f(x) \leq c_1 g(x) \quad \text{for all } x > k_1$$

$$\rightarrow \exists c_2, k_2 \quad g(x) \leq c_2 h(x) \quad \text{for all } x > k_2$$

Thus we can infer that

$$f(x) \leq c_1 (c_2 h(x)) \quad \text{for all } x > \overbrace{\max(k_1, k_2)}^{k_3}$$

$$f(x) \leq c_1 c_2 h(x)$$

Using  $c_3 = c_1 c_2$  and  $k_3 = \max(k_1, k_2)$  we have

$$f(x) \in \Theta(h(x)) \quad \leftarrow \text{Part B}$$

The proof for  $\Omega(h(x))$  is very similar.

Section 3.3 2, 4, 8, 14, 20, 26, 36

(2) Give Big O estimate for # of additions:

 $t := 0$ for  $i := 1$  to  $n$ ← one addition per iteration  
 $i := i + 1$ for  $j := 1$  to  $n$ 

← one addition per iteration

 $t := t + i + j$  $j := j + 1$ 

← two additions per loop.

$$\text{Iterations} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n 3 \right] = \sum_{i=1}^n 1 + n \sum_{j=1}^n 3$$

$$= n + n \cdot 3 \sum_{j=1}^n 1 = n + 3n^2 = \mathcal{O}(n^2)$$

(4) Big O estimate for additions + multiplications.

 $i := 1$  $t := 0$ while  $i \leq n$  $t := t + i$  ← 1 addition $i := 2i$  ← 1 multiplication

Iteration variable  $i$  will take values from the sequence  $2^0, 2^1, 2^2, \dots, 2^k$  until  $2^k > n \rightarrow k > \log_2 n$ . Thus the while will be repeated  $\lceil \log_2 n \rceil$  times.

$$\# \text{ add } + \# \text{ mult } = 2 \lceil \log_2 n \rceil = \mathcal{O}(\log n)$$

⑧ Given real  $x$  and positive  $k$ , integer

Alg. A    result :=  $x \{ x^2 \}$   
 for  $i := 1$  to  $k$                           ←  $k$  times  
 result = result \* result.                  ← 1 mult.

$$\text{Total multiplications} = k. = \mathcal{O}(k)$$

Alg. B    result := 1  
 for  $i := 1$  to  $2^k$                           ←  $2^k$  times  
 result := result \*  $x$                   ← 1 mult.

$$\text{TOTAL multiplications} = 2^k = \mathcal{O}(2^n)$$

The first approach is exponentially faster.

⑭ (a)  $a_2 = 3 \quad a_1 = 1 \quad a_0 = 1 \quad 3x^2 + x + 1 \quad \text{at } x=2.$

$i$	$y$	
NPA	3	before for loop
2 *	7	$(3)(2) + 1 = y * c + a_1$
1	15	$(7)(2) + 1 = y * c + a_0$

(b) The loop iterates  $n$  times and each time it does 1 add + 1 mult.  
 TOTAL =  $2n = \mathcal{O}(n)$

NOTE :

This algorithm has a bug.  
 The loop should iterate  $i$  decreasingly as follows:

for  $i := n$  TO 1

(20) Let  $T(n)$  be the # of milliseconds to solve problem with input of size  $n$ .

$T(n)$	$T(2n)$	$T(n)$	$T(2n)$
(a) $\log \log n$	$T(n) + \log(\frac{1}{n})$	(e) $n^2$	$4T(n)$
(b) $\log n$	$T(n) + 1$	(f) $n^3$	$8T(n)$
(c) $100n$	$2T(n) = 200n$		
(d) $n \log n$	$2T(n) + 2n$		

(26) The worst case will occur when the algorithm searches for an element not in the list. Since on every <sup>round of</sup> comparison we reduce the list to  $\frac{1}{4}$  of its size we will end up with  $\lfloor \log_4 n \rfloor$  iterations. Each iteration must make 3 comparisons to determine the section of the list where the element is. Thus the total # of comparisons is given by:

$$3 \lfloor \log_4 n \rfloor = 3 \frac{\log_2 n}{\log_2 4} = \frac{3}{2} \log_2 n = \mathcal{O}(\log n)$$

(36) Consider the greedy algorithm for making change for  $n$  cents.

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procedure change ( $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r$ : values of coins ordered
                  decreasingly)
    for  $i := 1$  to  $r$                                 ← one comparison
         $d_i := \lfloor \frac{n}{c_i} \rfloor$                       ← count coins of value  $c_i$ 
        while  $n \geq c_i$                             ← one comparison
             $d_i := d_i + 1$ 
             $n := n - c_i$ 
    return  $(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_r)$ 
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Assume that our algorithm returned  $(d_1, \dots, d_r)$  for an input  $n$ .

The for loop must have iterated  $r$  times for a total contribution of  $r$  comparisons.

The while loop must have iterated  $\sum_i^r d_i$  times since on each iteration some  $d_i$  is increased by 1. The total comparisons from the while loop is thus  $\sum_i^r d_i$ .

Since the algorithm is correct (for quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies) we have:

$$\sum_1^r c_i d_i = n \leq \sum_1^r c_i d_i = \cancel{c_1 \sum_1^r d_i} = \cancel{c_1 r}$$

$c_1$  is the highest value.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Comparisons} &= r + \sum_1^r d_i < r + \sum_1^r c_i d_i = r + n < n + n = 2n \\ &= \mathcal{O}(n) \end{aligned}$$