

Problem 1. (30%)

http://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~hsinmu/courses/lib/exe/fetch.php?media=ada_13fall:hw1_problem1.zip

Problem 2. (16%)

a. (2%) $T(n) = 2T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + n$

Use the substitution method to prove that $T(n) = O(n \log n)$

Assume that $T(n) \leq cn \log n, \forall \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \leq n < k$

$$\begin{aligned} T(k) &= 2T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + k \\ &\leq 2 \cdot \left(c \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \log \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + k && \text{by } T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) \leq c \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \log \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \\ &\leq 2 \cdot \left(c \frac{k}{2} \log \frac{k}{2}\right) + k && \text{by } \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \leq \frac{k}{2} \text{ and } \log \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \leq \log \frac{k}{2} \\ &= ck \log \frac{k}{2} + k \\ &= ck \log k - ck \log 2 + k \\ &= ck \log k - ck + k \\ &\leq ck \log k, \text{ as long as } c \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$T(2) = 2T(1) + 2 = 4 \leq c \cdot 2 \log 2, \text{ if } c \geq 2$$

$$T(3) = 2T(1) + 3 = 5 \leq c \cdot 3 \log 3, \text{ if } c \geq 2$$

By induction proof, $T(n) \leq cn \log n, \text{ for } c \geq 2, n \geq 2.$

Therefore $T(n) = O(n \log n).$

Common Mistake 1. 忘記檢查邊界條件

Substitution method 就像高中學的數學歸納法一樣。

原理是

①先證出「若小於 n 的 case 皆成立，則等於 n 的 case 必成立」

②證明小於 n 的 case 皆會成立 (在高中時，通常是 $n=1$ 就能成立)

而事實上，不用「所有」小於 n 的 case 都要成立

以這題來說，在證明①時，用到的是 $T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) \leq c \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \log \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor$

因此，只要在 $\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor$ 時有成立，那麼 by ①，在 k 時就會成立

由以上可知，第②部分的 boundary condition check 是證明的一部份。若缺少②，則證明的正確性就無法確立。所以沒有 check boundary condition 的人都無法滿分。

Common Mistake 2. 只檢查 T(2), 沒檢查 T(3)

必須要讓 $\forall k \geq n_0$, $T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) \leq c \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \log \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor$ 的假設都要能成立

因為 $T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{3}{2} \right\rfloor\right)$ 時, 也就是 T(1) 時, 假設並不成立

所以 T(3) 不能從①來證明, 必須挑出來, 以②的方式檢查

而 T(4) 時, $T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{4}{2} \right\rfloor\right) = T(2)$ 是成立的, 所以 T(4) 能夠被①證

接著, 所有 $k \geq 4$ 的 case 都可以從①得證了, 因為 $\forall k \geq 4$, $\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor$ 的 case 都一定是對的

Common Mistake 3. 「設 $T(n) = O(n \log n)$ 」

應該明確提出「假設 $T(n) \leq \dots$ 」, 因為這句才是 induction proof 的關鍵假設, 只「假設 $T(n) = O(n \log n)$ 」是無法作 induction proof 中的推導的

並且「假設 $T(n) \leq \dots$ 」之後, 最後要記得證出「 $T(n) \leq \dots$ 」, 兩者要吻合。有不少人會寫錯其中一邊, 這樣是不對的。

b. (2%) $T(n) = T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + 1$

Use the substitution method to prove that $T(n) = O(n)$

Assume that $T(n) = cn - 1$, $\forall \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \leq n < k$

$$\text{Then } T(k) = T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + k$$

$$= \left(c \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor - 1\right) + \left(c \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor - 1\right) + k$$

$$= ck - 2 + k$$

$$\leq ck - 1, \text{ as long as } k \leq 1$$

$$T(1) = 1 \leq c \cdot 1 - 1, \text{ as long as } c \geq 2$$

By induction proof, $T(n) \leq cn - 1$, for $c \geq 2$, $n \geq 1$.

Therefore $T(n) = O(cn - 1) = O(cn) = O(n)$.

Common Mistake. 只有檢查 T(2) 沒檢查 T(3)

有兩種可行的檢查 boundary cases 的方式

① T(2) 和 T(3) 皆檢查

② 只檢查 T(1)

詳細說明請見 problem a 的 Common Mistake 2.

c. (2%) $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + T\left(\frac{2n}{3}\right) + \Theta(n)$

Draw a recursion tree, and use it to prove that $T(n) = \Omega(n \lg n)$

(Please draw a recursion tree.)

The height of the tree $\geq \log_3 n$.

The sum of every layer of the tree $= \Theta(n) = cn$, c is a constant .

$$T(n) \geq cn \times \log_3 n = \Omega(n \lg n)$$

Common Mistake.

用 induction proof 證明 · 認為無法以 recursion tree 算出的結果證明

只要以 recursion tree 得出的結果是精準的 bound · 那麼就可以直接證明；但如果 recursion tree 只是寬鬆的大概算的話 · 就不能用其直接證明。

可參考課本第 88 頁：「If you are very careful when drawing out a recursion tree and summing the costs, however, you can use a recursion tree as a direct proof of a solution to a recurrence.」

事實上 Master Theorem 也是由 recursion tree 的方法證明的 · 有興趣的同學可參考課本該章第 6 小節。

這題只要有「畫出 recursion tree」· 給出「 $\geq cn \times \log_3 n$ 」接著「 $\Omega(n \lg n)$ 」· 就能拿滿分；反之 · 則扣 1 分。

由於時間有限 · 這題寫 induction proof 的人 · induction 的那段都完全沒改；如果有很想要請助教過目的可以寄信給助教。

d. (3%) $T(n) = 3T\left(n^{\frac{1}{3}}\right) + \log n$

$$\text{Let } m = \log n$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^m = n$$

$$\Rightarrow T(2^m) = 3T\left(2^{\frac{m}{3}}\right) + m$$

$$\text{Let } S(m) = T(2^m)$$

$$\Rightarrow S(m) = 3S\left(\frac{m}{3}\right) + m$$

$$a = 3 \geq 1, b = 3 > 1, f(m) = m$$

$$m^{\log_3 3} = m^1 = m$$

$$f(m) = m = \Theta(m)$$

$$\text{By case 2 of the master theorem, } S(m) = \Theta(m^{\log_b a} \log m) = \Theta(m \log m)$$

$$S(m) = T(2^m) = T(n) = \Theta(m \log m) = \Theta(\log n \log \log n)$$

e. (2%) $T(n) = 7T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + \Theta(n^2)$

$a = 7 \geq 1, b = 4 > 1, f(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

$n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_4 7} \approx n^{1.4}$

$f(n) = \Theta(n^2) = \Omega(n^{1.4+\epsilon}) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$, where $\epsilon = 0.1$ (or any $0 \leq \epsilon < 2 - \log_4 7$ will do)

$af\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) - cf(n) = 7f\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) - cn^2 = 7\left(\frac{n^2}{16}\right) - cn^2 = \left(\frac{7}{16} - c\right)n^2 \leq 0$

, for $\frac{7}{16} \leq c < 1$ and all sufficiently large n

By case 3 of the master theorem, $T(n) = \Theta(f(n)) = \Theta(n^2)$

f. (3%) $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \log_2 n$

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \log_2 n \\
 &= 2\left[2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + \frac{n}{2} \log_2 \frac{n}{2}\right] + n \log_2 n \\
 &= 4T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + n \log_2 \frac{n}{2} + n \log_2 n \\
 &= 4T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 2n \log_2 n - n \log_2 2 \\
 &= 4\left[2T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + \frac{n}{4} \log_2 \frac{n}{4}\right] + 2n \log_2 n - n \\
 &= 8T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 3n \log_2 n - 3n \\
 &= nT\left(\frac{n}{n}\right) + (\log_2 n) \cdot n \cdot (\log_2 n) - \frac{(1 + (\log_2 n - 1))(\log_2 n - 1)}{2} \cdot n \\
 &= n + n \log_2^2 n - \frac{n \log_2^2 n}{2} + \frac{n \log_2 n}{2} \\
 &= \Theta(n \log^2 n)
 \end{aligned}$$

$a = 2 \geq 1, b = 2 > 1, f(n) = n \log_2 n$

$n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_2 2} = n$

$f(n) = n \log_2 n = \Omega(n^1) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a})$

But $f(n) = n \log_2 n \neq \Omega(n^{1+\epsilon})$:

The ratio $\frac{f(n)}{n^{\log_b a}} = \frac{n \log_2 n}{n} = \log_2 n$ is asymptotically less than n^ϵ for any constant ϵ

Therefore, master theorem can't be applied in this problem.

(note: $f(n) \neq O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$, $f(n) \neq \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$, $f(n) \neq \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$)

For detailed description, you can refer to page 95 of the text book.

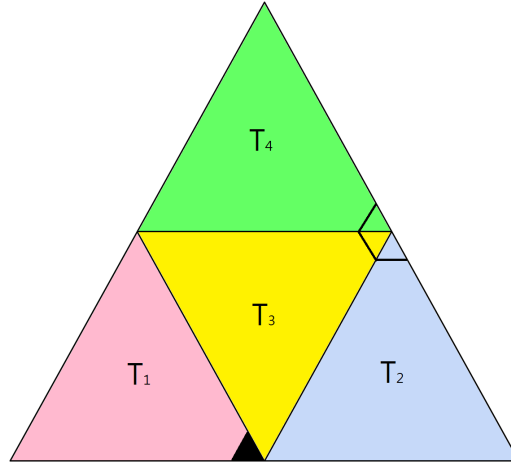
g. (2%) $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n-1) + 1 \\ &= 2[2T(n-2) + 1] + 1 = 4T(n-2) + 1 + 2 \\ &= 4[2T(n-3) + 1] + 1 + 2 = 8T(n-3) + 1 + 2 + 4 \\ &= 2^{n-1}T(n-(n-1)) + \frac{1(2^{n-1}-1)}{2-1} \\ &= 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-1} - 1 = 2^n - 1 = \Theta(2^n) \end{aligned}$$

評分標準：

1. 該小題必須全對才能得滿分，除非可明顯判斷為抄寫時的筆誤，且不影響答案及推導過程，那就不會扣分。
 2. 只要有寫一定程度的計算過程，不論過程及答案的對錯程度，都會給基本分 1 分。
 3. 多寫了不必要的過程，不會扣分。
- (a) 只要「證明」+「兩個 boundary 都有 check」就可以兩分
常數範圍算錯不扣分 (因為有些人沒寫出常數範圍)
- (f) * 使用大師定理的 - 得 1 分
* 把 $T(n)$ 算出來的
若算錯 - 得 2 分
算對 - 得 3 分
* 用 induction proof 的
連一邊都沒 prove 出來 - 得 1 分
兩邊都有嘗試 prove，整體觀念還 OK，只錯小地方的 - 得 2 分
全班只有一人以 induction proof 完美證出這題
- (g) 必須把 $T(n)$ 算對 ($T(n) = 2^n - 1$)
並且寫出 $T(n) = \Theta(2^n)$
- (d)-(g) 題目要求給 tight bound，即 $\Theta(\dots)$ ，如果寫 big-O 的都會扣 1 分

Figure 1: Divide the triangular board.



Problem 3. (15%)

We can divide the input triangular board T into four half-length triangles, $T = \{T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4\}$. First, we find out the T_t which the removed tile locates in. Next we put an trapezoid piece on the joint of other three half-length triangles. Then four half-length triangulars all contain a removed tile on the edge (see Figure ??). Thus, we can divide the original problem into four subproblems with half-length. Suppose n is the length of the board. The recurrence form of the algorithm is $T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{2}) + O(1)$. Therefore, $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ by Master theorem.

Problem 4. (15%)

The following pseudo code implements a function that computes the k th smallest element in the union of two sorted lists with size m and n .

```
1  int find(list M, list N, k)
2      if m == 0 return N[k]
3      if n == 0 return M[k]
4      if k == 1 return min(M[1], N[1])
5      midM =  $\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil$  midN =  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ 
6      case k > midM+midN
7          // the midNth in N < the (midM+midN)th in M+N < the kth in M+N
8          // so the elements <= the midNth in N would not be the kth in M+N
9              if M[midM] >= N[midN]
10                 return find(M, N.subList(midN+1, n), k-midN)
11             else
12                 return find(M.subList(midM+1, m), N, k-midM)
13         case k < midM+midN
14             // the midMth in M >= the (midM+midN)th in M+N > the kth in M+N
15             // so the elements >= the midMth in M would not be the kth in M+N
16                 if M[midM] >= N[midN]
17                     return find(M.subList(1, midM-1), N, k)
18                 else
19                     return find(M, N.subList(1, midN-1), k)
20         case k == midM+midN
21             // the midNth in N < the (midM+midN)th in M+N == the kth in M+N
22             // so the elements <= the midNth in N would not be the kth in M+N
23             // the midMth in M >= the (midM+midN)th in M+N == the kth in M+N
24             // so the elements > the midMth in M would not be the kth in M+N
25                 if M[midM] >= N[midN]
26                     return find(M.sub(1, midM), N.sub(midN+1, n), k-midN)
27                 else
28                     return find(M.sub(midM+1, m), N.sub(1, midN), k-midM)
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To compute the Time Complexity of the algorithm:

$$T(m+n) = \begin{cases} \text{case1} : T(m + \frac{n}{2}) + O(1), & \begin{cases} \text{if } k > \lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil + \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \text{ and } M[\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil] \geq N[\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil] \\ \text{if } k < \lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil + \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \text{ and } M[\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil] < N[\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil] \end{cases} \\ \text{case2} : T(\frac{m}{2} + n) + O(1), & \begin{cases} \text{if } k > \lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil + \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \text{ and } M[\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil] < N[\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil] \\ \text{if } k < \lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil + \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \text{ and } M[\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil] \geq N[\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil] \end{cases} \\ \text{case3} : T(\frac{m}{2} + \frac{n}{2}) + O(1), & \text{if } k == \lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil + \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \\ \text{case4} : O(1), & \text{if } m = 0 \text{ or } n = 0 \text{ or } k = 1 \end{cases}$$

From the above Analysis, we can find that if the program go through in only one case and finally reach case 4, then the running time would be $O(\log m)$ or $O(\log n)$. But if the program go through not in only one case, but switch to another case several times until it's reach case 4, then the running time would be $O(\log m + \log n)$.

Problem 5. (24%)

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1.
1 multiply(value1, value2)
2     length1 = number of digits of value1
3     length2 = number of digits of value2
4     if length1 < 5 && length2 < 5
5         // It's small enough that we can do
6         // arithmetic operations in constant time.
7         return value1 * value2
8     k = max(length1, length2) / 2 + max(length1, length2) % 2
9     add (2*k - length1) '0's to value1
10    add (2*k - length2) '0's to value2
11    value1_high = first k digits of value1
12    value1_low = last k digits of value1
13    value2_high = first k digits of value2
14    value2_low = last k digits of value2
15    z1 = multiply(value1_high, value2_high)
16    z2 = multiply(value1_high + value1_low,
17                value2_high + value2_low)
18    z3 = multiply(value1_low, value2_low)
19    z2 = z2 - z1 - z3;
20    add 2*k trailing '0's to z1
21    add k trailing '0's to z2
22    return z1+z2+z3
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$$T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n).$$

By Master Theorem, $O(n) = O(n^{\log_2 3 - \epsilon})$ where $\epsilon = 0.1$, the procedure can run in $O(n^{\log_2 3})$ time.

```
2.
1 power_of_ten_to_binary(n)
2     if n == 0
3         return "1"
4     if n == 1
5         return "1010"
6     z = power_of_ten_to_binary((int)(n/2))
7     z = multiply(z, z)
8     if n % 2 == 1
9         z = multiply(z, "1010")
10    return z
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$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n^{\log_2 3}).$$

By Master Theorem, $O(n^{\log_2 3}) = \Omega(n^{\log_2 1 + \epsilon})$ where $\epsilon = 0.1$ and $(\frac{n}{2})^{\log_2 3} < cn^{\log_2 3}$ where $c = 2^{-0.1}$, the procedure can run in $O(n^{\log_2 3})$ time.

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3.
1 decimal_to_binary(x)
2     if x < 10
3         a[0...9] = {"0", "1", "10", "11", "100",
4                     "101", "110", "111", "1000", "1001"}
5         return a[x]
6     n = number of digits of x
7     k = (int)(n / 2) + n % 2
8     high = (int)(x / (10 ^ k))
9     low = x % (10 ^ k)
10    high_binary = decimal_to_binary(high)
11    low_binary = decimal_to_binary(low)
12    ten_of_k = power_of_ten_to_binary(k)
13    return multiply(high_binary, ten_of_k) + low_binary

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$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n^{\log_2 3}).$$

By Master Theorem, $O(n^{\log_2 3}) = \Omega(n^{\log_2 2 + \epsilon})$ where $\epsilon = 0.1$ and $2(\frac{n}{2})^{\log_2 3} < cn^{\log_2 3}$ where $c = 2^{-0.1}$, the procedure can run in $O(n^{\log_2 3})$ time.