

CS161 - Homework 1

Due: Thursday July 2, 5:00pm

1. (5 points) What sorting method does the function `sort` use from `java.util.Arrays`? Make sure to cite your source. Why do you think this is the case?
2. (10 points) The table below contains run times for 6 different algorithms. The input sizes ranged from 1000 to 32000 seen at the top of the table. For each of the algorithms, give the θ complexity of the algorithms based on the running times and include a brief explanation for your answer.

Algorithm	1000	2000	4000	8000	16000	32000
A_1	50	378	3,345	26,300	215,680	1,658,002
A_2	99	110	105	976	103	100
A_3	60	130	237	501	954	1999
A_4	1005	1095	1201	1289	1420	1540
A_5	5	21	84	311	1304	5280
A_6	10	22	50	108	245	533

3. (10 points) Arrange the functions below in ascending order of growth rate. Specifically, if $f(n) = O(g(n))$ then $f(n)$ should be before $g(n)$ in the list. If two functions are asymptotically equal, i.e. $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ then note this in the list by including all elements in a set. For example, given: $n, \log n, n + 4$, and n^2 the list would be: $\log n, (n, n + 4), n^2$.

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n & 7 & 5n + 20 & 3^{3^n} \\
 n & 3^n & n3^n & n^5 \\
 n! & 3^{\sqrt{\log n}} & n^{\log n} & \frac{1}{2}n \log(n + 5) \\
 10^6 & n^n & (3n)^2 & \log \log n
 \end{array}$$

4. (15 points) Big O

(a) (5 points) Show that $15n^3 \log n + 10n^2 + 50 = O(n^3 \log n)$.

- (b) (10 points) Show that $\log(n!) = \Theta(n \log n)$. (Hint: To show an upper bound, compare $n!$ with n^n . To show a lower bound, compare it with $(n/2)^{(n/2)}$.)
5. (40 points) For the following problems, write **pseudocode** solutions and state the worst case running time:
- (a) (5 points) Given two lists of numbers A and B of lengths m and n respectively, return the intersection of the lists, i.e. all those numbers in A that also occur in B . You can use procedures that we've discussed in class, but no others (e.g. no hash tables).
 - (b) (10 points) Write a function `MERGE3` that takes **3** sorted lists and merges them into one list.
 - (c) (5 points) Write a new merge sort procedure that uses `MERGE3`. Calculate the overall runtime of this procedure including the calls to `MERGE3`.
 - (d) (10 points) Given a *sorted* list of integers $A[1..n]$, determine if an entry exists such that $A[i] = i$. If an entry exists, return the index, otherwise, return *null*. (Hint: You can do better than $O(n)$. Think divide-and-conquer.)
 - (e) (10 points) In some situations, there is not a natural ordering of the data but we can check equality (e.g. images). Given an array of elements A , we would like to determine if there exists a value that occurs in more than half of the entries of the array. If so, return that value, otherwise, return *null*. Assume you can only check equality of elements in the array which takes time $O(1)$.

Extra Credit

6. (5 points) Find an algorithm for 5e. that is $O(n)$.

Just for fun

7. (1 brownie point) Given two *sorted* arrays A and B of lengths m and n respectively, return the k th smallest element in the union of the two lists. Your runtime should be in terms of both m and n and should not depend on k .