

INFO2050 - Advanced computer programming

Exercise session 1: Pseudo-code and complexity

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Exercise 1

What is this function doing?

```
MYSTERY(A)
1  if A.length < 2
2      return True
3  else
4      if A[1] == A[A.length]
5          return MYSTERY(A[2..A.length - 1])
6      else
7          return False
```

Exercise 2

- (a) Write the pseudo-code of an iterative function which determines the minimum value of an array. Write the same function in a recursive way.
- (b) Write the pseudo-code of a recursive function which computes the following recurrence:

$$\begin{aligned}T(i, j) &= T(i - 1, j) + T(i, j - 1) \\T(i, 1) &= 1 \quad \forall i > 0 \\T(1, j) &= 1 \quad \forall j > 0\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 3

- (a) Algorithm A requires $10n^3$ operations to solve a problem. Algorithm B solves it in $1000n^2$ operations. What is the fastest algorithm.
- (b) Algorithm A requires $32n \log_2 n$ operations to solve a problem. Algorithm B solves it in $3n^2$ operations. What is the fastest algorithm.

Exercise 4

Let an algorithm whose execution time for $N = 1000, 2000, 3000$ and 4000 be $5s, 20s, 45s$ et $80s$ respectively. Give an estimation of the required time for $N = 5000$.

Exercise 5

- (a) Show that $2n + 100$ is $\Theta(n)$.
- (b) Show that $5n^2 + 500n + 5000$ is $\Theta(n^2)$.
- (c) Show that 2^{n+1} is $\Theta(2^n)$.
- (d) Explain why the sentence "The execution time of algorithm A is at least $O(n^2)$ " does not make sense.
- (e) Show that the execution time of an algorithm is $\Theta(g(n))$ if and only if the execution time is both $O(g(n))$ and $\Omega(g(n))$.
- (f) Give an example of a function $f(n)$ which is neither $O(n)$ nor $\Omega(n)$.

Exercise 6

Sort these function by increasing order of complexity (regarding the $\Theta(\cdot)$, $O(\cdot)$ and $\Omega(\cdot)$ operators).

| | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| $n \log_2 n$ | $\frac{4}{n}$ | \sqrt{n} | 2^{2^n} |
| $\log_2 \log_2 n$ | $8n^3$ | $8^{\ln n}$ | $\frac{n}{2+n}$ |
| $\log_2 n^7$ | $5^{\ln \log_2 n}$ | $(\log_2 n)^3$ | $\frac{n}{\log_2(2+n)}$ |

Exercise 7

For each of the following pseudo-codes, determine what is the algorithm doing and what is the asymptotic complexity in terms of n . (Be precise in the notations).

CODE1(n)

```
1 limit = n * n
2 sum = 0
3 for i = 1 to limit
4     sum = sum + 1
5 return sum
```

CODE2(n)

```
1 i = 1
2 limit = n * n * n
3 sum = 0
4 while i < limit
5     sum = sum + 1
6     i = i * 2
7 return sum
```

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CODE3( $a, b, c, n$ )
1  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
2      for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
3           $a[i][j] = 0$ 
4          for  $k = 1$  to  $n$ 
5               $a[i][j] = a[i][j] + b[i][k] * c[k][j]$ 

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Exercise 8

Let A be an array of n values sorted in ascending order. Our purpose is to determine if a value b is present in A .

- Write a pseudo-code of a brute-force algorithm for finding b . What is its complexity in the best/average/worst case ?
- Give an dichotomic algorithm. What is its best/average/worst case complexity ?

Exercise 9

Let A be an array of N integers where each integer in the $1..N$ interval appears exactly once except for an integer appearing twice and one missing. Give an linear-time algorithm for finding the missing integer which takes a memory space of at most $O(1)$.