

**CSE 250 Spring 2011**  
**Homework 3**  
**Due Date: March 21, Monday, by 2:05pm**  
**Total Points: 30**

<b>Due Time: 2:05'00" pm.</b>
<b>Print your Name, UB #, and Recitation section on the first page.</b>
<b>If these guidelines are not followed, TA may deduct 10% of points.</b>

1. (10 pts) Order the following functions by growth rate. Indicate which functions grow at the same rate. Use limit test to justify your answer.

$$N, \sqrt{N}, N \log N, N^2/\log N, N \log(N^3), 2^N, 2^{N/3}$$

Note: The easiest way to solve this problem is: First, arrange the functions in the order of increasing growth rate. Then, compare each pair of consecutive functions in the list.

**Solution:**

(1)

$$\sqrt{N}, N, N \log N, N \log(N^3), N^2/\log N, 2^{N/3}, 2^N$$

where  $N \log N$  and  $N \log(N^3)$  grow at the same rate.

$$(2) \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{N}}{N} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} = 0$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N}{N \log N} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\log N} = 0$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N \log N}{N \log(N^3)} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log N}{3 \log N} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N \log(N^3)}{N^2/\log N} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 \log N \log N}{N} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3(\log N)^2}{N} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6 \log N \frac{1}{N}}{1} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6 \log N}{N} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6}{N} = 0$$

Because  $N^2/\log N = o(N^3)$ ,

$$\text{and } \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N^3}{2^{N/3}} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3N^2}{2^{N/3} \ln 2/3} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6N}{2^{N/3} \ln 2 \ln 2/9} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6}{2^{N/3} \ln 2 \ln 2/27} = 0.$$

So  $N^2/\log N = o(2^{N/3})$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{N/3}}{2^N} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^{2N/3}} = 0$$

2. (3 pts.) An algorithm takes 2 ms (1 ms =  $10^{-3}$  seconds) for input size  $n = 100$ . How long will it take for the input size  $n = 5000$  if the running time is the following (assume low-order terms are negligible)?

- (a)  $\Theta(N)$ ,
- (b)  $\Theta(N \log_2 N)$ ,
- (c)  $\Theta(N^3)$

**Solution:**

(1) Suppose  $f(N) = \Theta(N)$ . This means that  $f(N) = cN$  for some constant  $c$ . When  $N = 100$ ,  $f(N) = 2\text{ms}$ . So

$$2 = c \cdot 100 \text{ which implies } c = 2 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ and } f(N) = 2 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot N$$

Plug in  $N = 5000$ , we have:  $f(5000) = 2 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot 5000 = 100\text{ms}$ .

(2) Suppose  $g(N) = \Theta(N \log_2 N)$ . This means that  $g(N) = c \cdot N \log_2 N$  for some constant  $c$ . When  $N = 100$ ,  $g(N) = 2\text{ms}$ . So

$2 = c \cdot 100 \cdot \log_2 100$ , which implies  $c = 2 \cdot 10^{-2} / \log_2 100 \approx 3.01 \cdot 10^{-3}$  and  $g(N) = 3.01 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot N \cdot \log_2 N$ .

Plug in  $N = 5000$ , we have:  $g(5000) = 3.01 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 5000 \cdot \log_2 5000 = 185\text{ms}$ .

(3) Suppose  $h(N) = \Theta(N^3)$ . This means that  $h(N) = c \cdot N^3$  for some constant  $c$ . When  $N = 100$ ,  $h(N) = 2\text{ms}$ . So

$$2 = c \cdot 100^3 \text{ which implies } c = 2 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ and } h(N) = 2 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot N^3$$

Plug in  $N = 5000$ , we have:  $h(5000) = 2 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot (5000)^3 = 250000\text{ms} = 250\text{sec} = 4.17\text{min}$ .

3. (3 pts.) An algorithm takes 2 ms for input size  $n = 100$ . How large a problem can be solved in 10 min if the running time is the following (assume low-order terms are negligible)?

- (a)  $\Theta(N)$ ,
- (b)  $\Theta(N \log_2 N)$ ,
- (c)  $\Theta(N^3)$

**Solution:**

Note that 10 mins = 600 sec =  $6 \cdot 10^5\text{ms}$ .

(1) From problem 2 (1), we already know:  $f(N) = 2 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot N\text{ms}$ . We need to solve:

$$6 \cdot 10^5 = 2 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot N \text{ for } N$$

So  $N = 3 \cdot 10^7$ .

(2) From problem 2 (2), we already know:  $g(N) = 3.01 \cdot 10^{-3} N \cdot \log_2 N\text{ms}$ . We need to solve:

$$6 \cdot 10^5 = 3.01 \cdot 10^{-3} N \log_2 N \text{ for } N$$

There is no formula for solving such an equation. You can use a calculator to try to find approximate solution:  $N \approx 8.5 \cdot 10^6$ .

(3) From problem 2 (3), we already know:  $h(N) = 2 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot N^3$ . We need to solve:

$$6 \cdot 10^5 = 2 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot N^3$$

for  $N$ . So  $N^3 = 3 \cdot 10^{11}$  and  $N \approx 6694$ .

4. (1+1=2 pts) Consider the following program segments:

(a)

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int s = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n ; i++)
    for (int j = 0; j < n ; j++)
        for (int k = 0; k < n ; k++)
            if ((i+j) == k)
                s = s+i;
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How many times the inner loop body iterates? What's the growth rate of the run time function of this segment.

**Solution:** The number of loop iterations is  $n^3$ . Since the loop body takes constant number of basic instructions, the runtime of the loop is  $\Theta(n^3)$  and its growth rate is  $n^3$ .

(b)

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int t = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n ; i++)
    for (int j = n-1; j >= i; j--)
        s = s+i+j;
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How many times the inner loop body iterates? What's the growth rate of the run time function of this segment.

**Solution:**

The number of loop iterations is:  $n + (n - 1) + \dots + 1 = n(n - 1)/2$ .

Since the loop body takes constant number of basic instructions, the runtime of the loop is  $\Theta(n^2)$  and its growth rate is  $n^2$ .

5. (3+3+3+3= 12 pts) Consider the array:

1, -9, 89, 25, 0, 5, 99, -4

Show the progress and the array after each pass, when the following sorting algorithms are performed on this array.

- (a) Selection Sort
- (b) Bubble Sort
- (c) Insertion Sort
- (d) Merge Sort

**Solution:**

(a) by Selection Sort

1, -9, 89, 25, 0, 5, 99, -4  
-9, 1, 89, 25, 0, 5, 99, -4  
-9, -4, 89, 25, 0, 5, 99, 1  
-9, -4, 0, 25, 89, 5, 99, 1  
-9, -4, 0, 1, 89, 5, 99, 25  
-9, -4, 0, 1, 5, 89, 99, 25  
-9, -4, 0, 1, 5, 25, 99, 89  
-9, -4, 0, 1, 5, 25, 89, 99

(b) by Bubble Sort

1, -9, 89, 25, 0, 5, 99, -4  
-9, 1, 25, 0, 5, 89, -4, 99  
-9, 1, 0, 5, 25, -4, 89, 99  
-9, 0, 1, 5, -4, 25, 89, 99  
-9, 0, 1, -4, 5, 25, 89, 99  
-9, 0, -4, 1, 5, 25, 89, 99  
-9, -4, 0, 1, 5, 25, 89, 99

(c) by Insertion Sort

1, -9, 89, 25, 0, 5, 99, -4  
-9, 1, 89, 25, 0, 5, 99, -4  
-9, 1, 89, 25, 0, 5, 99, -4  
-9, 1, 25, 89, 0, 5, 99, -4  
-9, 0, 1, 25, 89, 5, 99, -4  
-9, 0, 1, 5, 25, 89, 99, -4  
-9, 0, 1, 5, 25, 89, 99, -4  
-9, -4, 0, 1, 5, 25, 89, 99

(d) by Merge Sort

1, -9, 89, 25, 0, 5, 99, -4  
-9, 1, 25, 89, 0, 5, -4, 99  
-9, 1, 25, 89, -4, 0, 5, 99  
-9, -4, 0, 1, 5, 25, 89, 99