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## Efficient Algorithms and Datastructures I

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### Question 1 (10 Points)

1. Solve the following recurrence relation without using generating functions:

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + 2^{n-1} \text{ for } n \geq 1 \text{ with } a_0 = 2.$$

2. Give tight asymptotic upper and lower bounds for  $T(n)$ :

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + \log n.$$

### Question 2 (5 Points)

Give tight asymptotic upper and lower bounds for  $T(n)$ :

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + n.$$

### Question 3 (5 Points)

Given two  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$  where  $n$  is a power of 2, we know how to find  $C = A \cdot B$  by performing  $n^3$  multiplications. Now let us consider the following approach. We partition  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  into equally sized block matrices as follows:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} B = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} C = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider the following matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} M_1 &= (A_{11} + A_{22})(B_{11} + B_{22}) \\ M_2 &= (A_{21} + A_{22})B_{11} \\ M_3 &= A_{11}(B_{12} - B_{22}) \\ M_4 &= A_{22}(B_{21} - B_{11}) \\ M_5 &= (A_{11} + A_{12})B_{22} \\ M_6 &= (A_{21} - A_{11})(B_{11} + B_{12}) \\ M_7 &= (A_{12} - A_{22})(B_{21} + B_{22}) \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}C_{11} &= M_1 + M_4 - M_5 + M_7 \\C_{12} &= M_3 + M_5 \\C_{21} &= M_2 + M_4 \\C_{22} &= M_1 - M_2 + M_3 + M_6\end{aligned}$$

1. Convince yourself that the matrices  $C_{ij}$  evaluated as above are indeed correct. Don't write anything to prove this.
2. Design an efficient algorithm for multiplying two  $n \times n$  matrices based on these facts. Analyze its running time.

### Question 4 (10 Points)

Consider the following procedure:

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RECURSIVE-SORT( $A, i, j$ ) {  
  if ( $A[i] > A[j]$ ) then swap  $A[i] \leftrightarrow A[j]$   
  if  $i + 1 \geq j$  then return  
   $k \leftarrow \lfloor (j - i + 1) / 3 \rfloor$   
  RECURSIVE-SORT( $A, i, j - k$ )  
  RECURSIVE-SORT( $A, i + k, j$ )  
  RECURSIVE-SORT( $A, i, j - k$ )  
}
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1. Argue that  $RECURSIVE-SORT(A, 1, n)$  correctly sorts a given array  $A[1 \dots n]$ .
2. Analyze the running time of  $RECURSIVE-SORT$  using a recurrence relation.

### Question 5 (10 Points)

*(Extra Question)*

Give tight asymptotic bounds for the following recurrence relation:

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{\log n}\right) + 1$$

**Hint:** How often do you have to apply the iteration  $n \mapsto \frac{n}{\log n}$  until the problem size drops to  $\sqrt{n}$ ? How often do you have to apply it to bring it down from  $\sqrt{n}$  to  $\sqrt{\sqrt{n}}$ ? Also use the fact that  $\sum_{i=1}^k \frac{2^i}{i} = O\left(\frac{2^k}{k}\right)$ .