

CS 477/677 Analysis of Algorithms

Spring 2020

Homework 2

Due date: February 11, 2020

1. (U & G-required) [30 points] Solve the following recurrences using the method of your choice.

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

b) $T(n) = 8T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^3$

c) $T(n) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \sqrt{n}$

2. (U & G-required) [30 points] Consider the following recursive algorithm:

```
ALGORITHM Min1(A[0..n - 1])
//Input: An array A[0..n - 1] of integer numbers
if  $n = 1$ 
    return A[0]
else  $temp \leftarrow \text{Min1}(A[0..n - 2])$ 
    if  $temp \leq A[n - 1]$ 
        return temp
    else
        return A[n - 1]
```

- a) [10 points] What does this algorithm compute?
- b) [20 points] Set up a recurrence relation for the algorithm's basic operation count and solve it.

3. (U & G-required) [40 points]

- (a) [15 points] Write pseudocode for a recursive algorithm for computing 2^n , where n is any nonnegative integer, based on the formula $2^n = 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-1}$.
- (b) [25 points] Write a recurrence for the number of additions performed by this algorithm and **solve it using the recursion-tree method.**

4. (G-Required) [20 points] Use a loop invariant to prove that the following algorithm computes $n!$:

```
Factorial(n)
{
    i ← 1
    factorial ← 1
    while ( i ≤ n )
    {
        factorial ← factorial * i
        i ← i + 1
    }
    return factorial
}
```

Extra credit:

1. [20 points] Solve the following recurrence:

$$T(n) = \sqrt{n}T(\sqrt{n}) + n.$$

Hint: divide the equation by n throughout and then make a substitution.