

You will submit your solution to this assignment to the Curator System (as HW1). Your solution must be either a plain text file (e.g., NotePad) or a MS Word document; submissions in other formats will not be graded.

Except as noted, credit will only be given if you show relevant work.

1. [20 points] Using the rules given in the course notes, perform an exact count complexity analysis, for the worst case, of the body of the following function. (Take `list.length` to be  $N$ .)

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int part(int[] list, int barrierIdx) {
    int barrier, maxIdx, temp;

    barrier = list[barrierIdx];           // 1  2
    maxIdx  = list.length - 1;           // 2  2 or 3

    temp = list[barrierIdx];             // 3  2
    list[barrierIdx] = list[maxIdx];     // 4  3
    list[maxIdx] = temp;                 // 5  2

    barrierIdx = 0;                      // 6  1

    for (int i = 0; i < maxIdx; i++) {   // 7  1 before; 2 per pass;
                                        //    1 to exit loop
        if ( list[i] < barrier ) {       // 8  2
            temp = list[barrierIdx];     // 9  2
            list[barrierIdx] = list[i];  //10  3
            list[i] = temp;              //11  2
            barrierIdx++;                //12  1
        }
    }
    temp = list[maxIdx];                 //13  2
    list[maxIdx] = list[barrierIdx];     //14  3
    list[barrierIdx] = temp;             //15  2

    return barrierIdx;                   //16  1
}

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$$T(N) = 2 + 3 + 2 + 3 + 2 + 1 + 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (1 + 2 + 2 + 3 + 2 + 1 + 1) + 1 + 2 + 3 + 2 + 1$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} 12 + 23$$

$$= 12(N-1) + 23$$

$$= 12N + 11$$

2. [40 points] For each part, determine the simplest possible function  $g(n)$  such that the given function is  $\Theta(g)$ . No justification is necessary.

a)  $a(n) = 3n^2 + 14n + 47$   $n^2$

b)  $b(n) = 14n + 3n \log n$   $n \log n$

Hint: the last three take a little analysis.

c)  $c(n) = n^{0.9} + \log n$   $n^{0.9}$

d)  $d(n) = 3n^2 \log n + n^3$   $n^3$

e)  $e(n) = 3n \log^2 n + 3n^2 \log n$   $n^2 \log n$

3. [20 points] Suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are non-negative functions such that  $f$  is  $\Theta(g)$ . Is it necessarily true that:

$$2^{f(n)} \text{ is } \Theta\left(2^{g(n)}\right)$$

If so, prove it. (You may assume that the limit referred to in Theorem 8 exists.) If no, give a specific counter-example and show that it is a counter-example.

**The assumption the limit exists does not result in a proof, since:**

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{f(n)}}{2^{g(n)}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{f(n)-g(n)}$$

**The assumption that  $f$  is  $\Theta(g)$  may seem to tell us anything useful here, since it would at most imply something about the limit of the ratio of  $f$  to  $g$ , not their difference.**

**That observation, though, suggests that there may be a simple counter-example. Does the fact that the limit of  $f/g$  is finite really imply that the limit of  $f-g$  is finite? Consider a simple example, say:**

$$f(n) = n \text{ and } g(n) = 2n$$

**Now,  $f(n)/g(n) = 1/2$ , so the limit of the ratio is clearly  $1/2$  and so  $f$  is clearly  $\Theta(g)$ . But, on the other hand,  $f(n) - g(n)$  is  $-n$ , and the limit of  $-n$  isn't finite. That is:**

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n}{2^{2n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = 0$$

**and so  $2^f$  is clearly not  $\Theta(2^g)$ .**

4. [20 points] Suppose that executing an algorithm on input of size  $N$  requires executing  $T(N) = N \log N + 8N$  instructions. How long would it take to execute this algorithm on hardware capable of carrying out  $2^{24}$  instructions per second if  $N = 2^{32}$ ? (Give your answer in hours, minutes and seconds, to the nearest second.)

**The number of instructions to be executed would be  $T(2^{32})$ :**

$$T(2^{32}) = 2^{32} \log 2^{32} + 8 \cdot 2^{32} = 32 \cdot 2^{32} + 8 \cdot 2^{32} = 40 \cdot 2^{32}$$

**So the time required (in seconds) would be:**

$$\text{Time} = \frac{40 \cdot 2^{32}}{2^{24}} = 40 \cdot 2^8 = 10240$$

**Converting to HH:MM:SS gives us 2:50:40 (2 hours, 50 minutes, 40 seconds).**