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4. Homework

Due 10/1/15 at the beginning of the lab

1. Recursion tree (8 points)

For the recurrences below, use the recursion tree method to find a good guess of what they could solve to asymptotically. Assume T(1) = 1.

- (a) (4 points) $T(n) = 4T(n/3) + n^2$
- (b) (4 points) $T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n^3$

2. 3-way mergesort (4 points)

Consider the following variant of mergesort, where the first call is 3wayMergesort(0,n-1,A) to sort the array A[0..n-1].

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int 3wayMergesort(int i, int j, int[] A){
    // Sort A[i..j]
    if(j-i<=1)
        return;
    int l = (j-i)/3;
    3wayMergesort(i,i+l, A);
    3wayMergesort(i+l+1,i+2*l,A);
    3wayMergesort(i+2*l+1,j,A);
    merge(i,i+l+1,i+2*l+1); // Merges all three sub-arrays in linear time
}</pre>
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Set up a runtime recurrence for 3-way mergesort above. Then solve the recurrence using the method of your choice. What is the runtime of 3wayMergesort?

3. Divide-and-conquer (5 points)

Let A be a sorted array of n distinct integers. Give pseudo-code for a divide-andconquer algorithm that decides whether there is an index i such that A[i] = i. Your algorithm should run in $O(\log n)$ time. Give a runtime recurrence for your algorithm and argue why the runtime is $O(\log n)$. (Hint: How many subproblems are you allowed to recurse into, in order to get achieve the required runtime? Also, remember that the array contains distinct integers.)

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4. Strassen's Algorithm (4 points)

Apply Strassen's algorithm to compute

The recursion should exit with the base case n = 1, i.e., 2×2 matrices should recursively be computed using Strassen's algorithm. In order to save you some work, you may assume that the following is a partial solution and you only have to fill in the missing values by using Strassen's algorithm: