

**COMP1004 ALGORITHMS & DATA STRUCTURES COURSEWORK 2, 2011**

**Please hand in to 5<sup>th</sup> floor reception by 12pm on Monday 21 March**

- 1) Are the following statements true or false? Justify your answers using a careful argument based on the formal mathematical definition of 'O' notation. (You may assume where necessary that  $n$  is a positive integer.)
- (i)  $n^3 \in O(n^2)$
  - (ii)  $\log_2(2n) \in O(\log_2(n))$
  - (iii)  $2^n \in O(4^n)$
  - (iv)  $(n + 1)! \in O(n!)$
- 2) Consider the following short procedures, written in pseudocode. In each case work out  $f(n)$ , the exact number of unit-time operations the procedure requires as a function of the input size  $n$ , simplifying your final answer using O-notation.
- (i) for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do  
    for  $j \leftarrow 2$  to  $(n+i)$  do  
        // a unit cost operation
  - (ii) for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do  
    for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do  
        for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $(i+j)$  do  
            // a unit cost operation
  - (iii) for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do  
    for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do  
        for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $i*j$  do  
            // a unit cost operation

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3) Solve the following recurrence relations, simplifying your final answer using 'O' notation. (You may assume that  $n$  is a power of 2 where appropriate.)

(i)  $f(0) = 2$   
 $f(n) = 6f(n-1) - 5, n > 0$

(ii)  $f(0) = 2$   
 $f(1) = 5$   
 $f(n) = 5f(n-1) - 6f(n-2), n > 1$

(iii)  $f(0) = 3$   
 $f(1) = 12$   
 $f(n) = 6f(n-1) - 9f(n-2), n > 1$

(iv)  $f(1) = 3$   
 $f(2) = 9$   
 $f(n) = 5f(\frac{n}{2}) - 4f(\frac{n}{4}), n > 2$

4) Consider the following recurrence relations (in which you may consider that the variable  $n$  is always positive):

$$f(1) = 1$$
$$f(n) = 4f(\frac{n}{2}), n > 1$$

$$g(0) = 1$$
$$g(n) = 2g(n-1), n > 0$$

(i) Solve each of these recurrence relations as a function of  $n$ .

(ii) For what positive integer value(s) of  $n$  is the solution for  $g(n)$  less than that for  $f(n)$ ?