

CMPT125, Fall 2018

Homework Assignment 1

Due date: October 9, 2018

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1) [20 points] Explain in your own words:

- a) What is a pointer in C?
- b) What is the difference between local variables and global variables?
- c) What is the difference static variables and global variables?
- d) What is the execution stack?
- e) We use `scanf ("%d", &n)` in order to read an integer input. Why are we using the `&` symbol?

2) [20 points] For each of the following functions write pseudocode. No need to write in C.
Explain your answers.

a) Write a function with the same functionality as `sum(int N)`, but runs in $O(1)$ time.

```
int sum(int N) {  
    int i, j, sum = 0;  
    for (i=0; i < N; i =i+2)    {  
        for (j=0; j < 10; j = j+5)  
            sum = sum+j;  
    }  
    return sum;  
}
```

b) Write a function that has the same functionality as `arr_sqr(int* arr, int N)`, without using multiplication. You can use the addition/subtraction operation only. The running time of the function should be $O(N)$.

```
// we assume that the array has at least N elements allocated  
void arr_sqr(int* arr, int N) {  
    int i;  
    for (i=0; i < N; i++) {  
        arr[i] = i*i;  
    }  
}
```

3) [20 points] For each of the following algorithms compute its time complexity as a function of N using the Big-O notation. Explain your answers.

- a)

```
foo1(int N) {  
    for (int i=0; i < N; i++)  
        for (int j=0; j < N; j++)  
            printf("hello\n");  
}
```
- b)

```
foo2(int N) {  
    int i, j, s = 0;  
    for (i=0; i < N; i =i+2)  
        for (j=0; j < 10; j = j+5)  
            s = s+j;  
}
```
- c)

```
foo3(int N) {  
    int i, s = 0;  
    for (i=1; i < N; i = i*2)  
        s = s+i;  
    return s;  
}
```
- d)

```
foo4(int N) {  
    int i, j, s = 0;  
    for (i=1; i < N; i = i*2)  
        for (j=0; j < i; j = j+1)  
            s = s+j;  
}
```
- e)

```
foo5(int N) {  
    if (N <= 1)  
        print("stop\n");  
    else {  
        foo5(N-1);  
        foo5(N-1);  
    }  
}
```
- f)

```
foo5(int N) {  
    if (N > 1) {  
        foo5(N/2);  
        foo5(N/2);  
    }  
}
```

- 4) [20 points] For each of the following expressions write their growth rate using Big-O notation. Try to find the best growth rate possible. Explain your answers.

a) $f(n) = n + 10n^2 + 400 \log(n)$

b) $g(n) = 2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + \dots + n$ (assume n is even)

c) $h(n) = 1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + 16 + \dots + n$ (assume n is a power of 2)

d) $p(n) = n*1 + (n-1)*2 + (n-2)*3 + \dots + 2*(n-1) + 1*n$

e) $q(n) = 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^{n-1} + 2^n$

- 5) [20 points] Write a function (as pseudocode) that gets a matrix of colors, and a starting point, and colors the white area connected to the starting point with RED.

See examples below:

The *green point* on the left represents the starting point.

The *red points* are the area containing the starting point.

For the pseudocode you may use colors by writing, e.g., BLACK, WHITE, RED. For example:

```
if A[i][j] == WHITE
    A[i][j] = RED
```

Hint: use recursion.

