

Math/CS 1019
Homework 4
Due June 3, 2010

1. Find these sums:

(a) $\sum_{j=0}^8 (1 + (-1)^j)$

(b) $\sum_{k=99}^{200} k^3$

2. Telescoping Sums

(a) Show that $\sum_{j=1}^n (a_j - a_{j-1}) = a_n - a_0$ where a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n is a sequence of real numbers.

(b) Use a direct proof to show that

$$\frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1}.$$

(c) Use parts (a) and (b) to compute

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k(k+1)}.$$

3. What is the value returned by the following algorithm? Express your answer as a function of n only. What is the worst-case running time in big-O notation?

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Input:  $n$ : positive integer
 $r \leftarrow 0$ 
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
    for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $i$ 
        for  $k \leftarrow j$  to  $i + j$ 
             $r \leftarrow r + 1$ 
return( $r$ )
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4. Write pseudocode for an algorithm that takes as input a list of n integers and finds the number of negative integers in the list. What is the worst-case running time in big-O notation?

5. Write pseudocode for an algorithm that determines whether a function from a finite set to another finite set is one-to-one. What is the worst-case running time in big-O notation?

6. Describe an algorithm (either in words or with pseudocode) based on the binary search algorithm for determining the correct position in which to insert a new element in an already sorted list. What is the worst case running time in big-O notation?

7. Show that x^3 is $O(x^4)$ but that x^4 is not $O(x^3)$.

8. Show that that $n^2 + 2$ is $\Omega(n^2)$.

9. Prove, using mathematical induction, that $3^n < n!$ if n is an integer greater than 6.

10. Prove, using mathematical induction, that 3 divides $n^3 + 2n$ whenever n is a positive integer.