

# Solutions for Written Assignment 1 CSCI 2100A 2016 Spring

## Exercise 1.1

4.  $\sum_{i=1}^n i$

Let  $S = \sum_{i=1}^n i = 1 + 2 + \cdots + (n - 1) + n \quad (1)$

Then  $S = n + (n - 1) + \underbrace{\cdots + 2 + 1}_{(2)}$

$(1) + (2) \Rightarrow 2S = (1 + n) + (1 + n) + \cdots + (1 + n) + (1 + n)$

$$n(1 + n)$$

So  $2S = n(1 + n), S = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

(6)  $\sum_{i=1}^n ia^i$

**Solution:** According to the summation formula of geometric progression,

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^n a^i = \frac{a^{n+1} - a}{a - 1}.$$

$$\text{Let } S = \sum_{i=1}^n ia^i \quad aS = \sum_{i=1}^n ia^{i-1} = \sum_{i=1}^n (i-1)a^i + na^{n+1}.$$

$$(a - 1)S = na^{n+1} - T \Rightarrow S = \frac{1}{a-1}(na^{n+1} - \frac{a^{n+1} - a}{a - 1}).$$

(12) Is  $2^{n+1} = O(2^n)$ ?

**Solution:** Yes.  $2^{n+1} = 2 \cdot 2^n = O(2^n)$

### Exercise 1.3

(3) (in courtesy of Mr Yuen Chin Ki);

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.3 \quad 3) \quad T(n) &= 2T(n-1) + n^2 ; \quad T(1) = 1 \\
 \text{Let } T(n) &= h(n) + f(n), \\
 f(n) &= an^2 + bn + c = 2f(n-1) + n^2 \\
 an^2 + bn + c &= 2a(n-1)^2 + 2b(n-1) + 2c + n^2 \\
 an^2 + bn + c &= 2an^2 - 4an + 2a + 2bn - 2b + 2c + n^2 \\
 (a-2a-1)n^2 + (b+4a-2b)n + (c-2a+2b-2c) &= 0 \\
 -a-1 &= 0 ; \quad 4a-b = 0 ; \quad -2a+2b-c = 0 \\
 a &= -1 ; \quad b = -4 ; \quad c = -6 \\
 \therefore f(n) &= -n^2 - 4n - 6 \\
 h(n) &= 2h(n-1), \text{ characteristic eq: } x^2 = 2x \Rightarrow x=2 \text{ or } x=0 \\
 \text{i.e. } h(n) &= k \cdot 2^n \\
 T(n) &= h(n) + f(n) \\
 &= k \cdot 2^n - n^2 - 4n - 6
 \end{aligned}$$

9. Solve  $T(1) = 1$ , and for all  $n \geq 2$  a power of 2,  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 6n - 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 6n - 1 \\
 &= 2\left(2T\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + 6 \cdot \frac{n}{2} - 1\right) + 6n - 1 \\
 &= 2^2 T\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + 6n - 2 + 6n - 1 \\
 &= \dots \\
 &= nT(1) + (\log_2 n) \cdot (6n) - (1 + 2 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{\log_2 n-1}) \\
 &= n + 6n \cdot \log_2 n - \frac{1 - 2^{\log_2 n}}{1 - 2} \\
 &= n + 6n \cdot \log_2 n + 1 - n \\
 &= 6n \cdot \log_2 n + 1 \\
 \text{So, } T_n &= 6n \cdot \log_2 n + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

## Exercise 1.4

(1) (in courtesy of Mr Yuen Chin Ki)

$$1.4 \quad 1) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

Base case : When  $n=1$  :

$$\frac{1}{2^1} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^1}$$

$\therefore$  The statement holds for  $n=1$ .

Inductive step : Assume the statement is true for  $n=k$ ,

When  $n=k+1$  :

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{2^i} = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{2^i} + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^k}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^k} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

$\therefore$  The statement holds for  $n=k+1$ .

By Induction, the statement is true for  $n \geq 1$ . ✓

(3) (in courtesy of Mr Yuen Chin Ki)

$$3) \sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1) = n^2$$

Base case: When  $n=1$ :

$$(2 \cdot 1 - 1) = (1)^2$$

$\therefore$  The statement holds for  $n=1$ .

Inductive step: Assume the statement is true for  $n=k$ ,

When  $n=k+1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (2i-1) &= \sum_{i=1}^k (2i-1) + [2(k+1)-1] \\ &= k^2 + 2k + 1 = (k+1)^2\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  The statement holds for  $n=k+1$ .

By Induction, the statement is true for  $n \geq 1$ .

(5) Prove  $2\lg(n!) > nlgn$  by using Induction, where  $n$  is a positive integer greater than 2.

**Solution:** Let  $P(n)$  be  $\lg(n!) > nlgn$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer.

For  $n=1$ , L.H.S =  $2\lg(1!) > \lg(1) = R.H.S$ .  $P(1)$  is true.

Assume  $P(k)$  is true, i.e.  $2\lg(k!) > klgk$ , where  $k$  is a positive integer

For  $n=k+1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}L.H.S &= 2\lg((k+1)!) \\ &= 2(\lg(k!) + \lg(k+1)) \\ &> klgk + 2\lg(k+1) && (\text{by assumption}) \\ &> (k-1)\lg(k+1) + 2\lg(k+1) && (k+1 > e > (1 + \frac{1}{k})^k \Rightarrow k^k > (k+1)^{k-1} \text{ for } k \geq 2) \\ &= (k+1)\lg(k+1) \\ &= R.H.S\end{aligned}$$

$P(k+1)$  is also true.

Therefore, by M.I.,  $P(n)$  is true for all positive integer  $n$ .

(6) The number generated by the formula  $n^2 + n + 17$  is prime for  $n \geq 0$ , where  $n$  is an integer.

Either prove it or disprove it by counterexample.

**Solution:** No. Let  $n=17$ . Then  $n^2 + n + 17 = 17 \times (17 + 1 + 1) = 17 \times 19$