

Problem Set 2: Divide and Conquer

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Due 14 Feb 2024 10:30pm in Gradescope

Instructions. You may discuss the material with your classmates, but you must write solutions yourself. List collaborators on your submission. Do not use other sources of help other than the course staff and the textbook.

If you are asked to design an algorithm, please provide: (a) the pseudocode or precise description in words of the algorithm, (b) an explanation of the intuition for the algorithm, (c) a proof of correctness, (d) the running time of your algorithm and (e) justification for your running time analysis.

Submissions. Please submit a PDF file typed using L^AT_EX. Please assign pages to questions in Gradescope. **TODO: Solutions 2,5(see notes at home),Bonus**

1. 4.3-1ab Substitution Method.

2. 4.4-1ac Recursion Tree analysis. Just sketch the tree and give a reasonable guess on the upper bound. What is the height, what is the cost of the first, second, and last level?

3. 4.5-1abde (no c) Tight Asymptotic Bounds (Θ)

4. 4.5-3 Binary Search Analysis

5. Max Give an efficient algorithm for finding the maximum value of an array of size n (assume n is a power of 2) using divide and conquer. Prove that it is correct, and argue the runtime. Is this any faster than an iterative approach using a for loop to search every element in order?

Bonus (token opportunity). 4-6 Chip Testing page 122 (hardcover).