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**Problem 41.** Let T(n) be total number of calls to tick() resulting from running P(n).

```
procedure P(n)
    k = 0
    while k < n do
        tick()
        P(k)
        k = k + 1
    end while</pre>
```

end procedure

- 1. Compute T(0), T(1), T(2), T(3), T(4).
- 2. Give a recurrence relation for T(n). (It is OK if your recurrence involves a sum.)
- 3. Give a recurrence relation for T(n) that does not involve a sum. (*Hint:* Use your recurrence relation (twice) in T(n+1) T(n).)
- 4. Solve your recurrence relation. (It is OK to just guess the solution as long as you prove that it satisfies the recurrence.)

**Problem 42.** Let T(n) be given by the recurrence relation

 $T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor).$ 

and the initial value T(1) = 1. Show that  $T(n) = O(n^{\alpha})$  with  $\alpha = \log_2(3)$ . Hint: Define  $P(n) : \iff T(n) \le n^{\alpha}$ . Show that P(n) holds for all  $n \ge 1$  by induction on n. It is not necessary to restrict your attention to powers of two.

**Problem 43.** Let T(n) be number of times that line 2 is executed in the worst case while running P(a, b) where n := b - a.

```
1 procedure P(int a, int b, int foo[])
2 if (a + 1 < b) {
3 int h = floor( (a + b) / 2);
4 if foo[h] >= 0 then P(a, h)
5 if foo[h] <= 0 then P(h, b)
6 }</pre>
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7 end procedure
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- 1. Compute T(1), T(2), T(3) and T(4).
- 2. Give a recurrence relation for T(n).
- 3. Solve your recurrence relation for T(n) in the special case where  $n = 2^m$  is a power of two.

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4. Use the Master Theorem to determine asymptotic bounds for T(n).

Note that **floor** denotes the function that returns the biggest integer value that is smaller than or equal to the argument.

**Problem 44.** Let X be a monoid. Device an "algorithm" (as recursive/iterative pseudo-code in the style of Chapter 6 of the lecture notes) for the computation of  $x^n$  for  $x \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}$  that uses less multiplications than the naive algorithm of n times multiplying x to the result obtained so far. Determine the complexity as M(n), i.e., the number of multiplications of your "algorithm" depending on the exponent n.

*Hint:* Note that  $x^8$  can be computed with just 3 multiplications while the naive algorithm would use 7 multiplications. Based on this observation, the algorithm can be based on a kind of "binary powering" strategy.

**Problem 45.** Let M be a Turing machine over the alphabet  $\{0, 1\}$  that takes as input a string  $b_1b_2 \ldots b_n$  ( $b_i \in \{0, 1\}$ ), prepends an additional 1 to the string and then interprets the result  $1b_1b_2 \ldots b_n$  as the binary representation of a number k. M then writes out the unary representation of k (consisting of a string of k letters 1) onto the tape and stops.

Note that in the above description it is not said how M computes the result. In particular M need not be the most efficient Turing machine fulfilling the above specification.

- 1. Give a reasonably close asymptotic lower-bound for the space- and timecomplexity S(n) and T(n) for the execution of the task and justify these bounds (without giving a detailed construction of M). Choose adequate Landau-symbols for formulating the bounds.
- 2. Give an informal description of a (reasonably efficient) Turing machine M' that performs the task described above. Analyze the space and time complexity S(n) and T(n) and write down an upper/exact asymptotic bound for these complexities. Again choose adequate Landau symbols for formulating the bounds.

*Hint*: Let M' apply the binary powering strategy.

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