

Fundamental Algorithms

Solution Keys 3

1. (Not available)

2. **Procedure Hanoi(n, i, j)**

```

if  $m > 0$  then
    Hanoi( $m - 1, i, 6 - i - j$ );
    move( $i, j$ );
    Hanoi( $m - 1, 6 - i - j, j$ );
fi

```

Let $t(m)$ be the number of calls to **move** in order to solve the puzzle with m disks. It can be seen from the algorithm that

$$t(m) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } m = 0 \\ 2t(m - 1) + 1, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

which is easy to prove by induction that $t(m) = 2^m - 1$.

3. (a) **Procedure merge(u, v)**

Input: sorted arrays u and v of lengths m and n , respectively

Output: sorted array of length $m + n$, containing elements from u and v

```

i, j, k := 1;
while  $i \leq m$  and  $j \leq n$  do
    if  $u[i] < v[j]$  then
         $s[k] := u[i]$ ;
         $i := i + 1$ ;
    else
         $s[k] := v[j]$ ;
         $j := j + 1$ ;
    fi
     $k := k + 1$ ;
od
while  $i \leq m$  do
     $s[k] := u[i]$ ;
     $k := k + 1$ ;  $i := i + 1$ ;
od
while  $j \leq n$  do
     $s[k] := v[j]$ ;
     $k := k + 1$ ;  $j := j + 1$ ;
od
return  $s$ ;

```

(b) **Procedure** `mergesort(a)`

Input: array a of length n

Output: the array a in sorted order

```

if  $n \leq 1$  then
    return  $a$ ;
fi
 $m := \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ ;
for  $i = 1$  to  $m$  do
     $u[i] = a[i]$ ;
end
for  $i = m + 1$  to  $n$  do
     $v[i - m] = a[i]$ ;
end
return merge(mergesort( $u$ ), mergesort( $v$ ));
```

Let $t(n)$ be the time required by `mergesort` to sort an array of length n .

$$t(n) = t(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + t(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + g(n) ,$$

where $g(n) \in \Theta(n)$. For simplicity assume that $n = 2^k$, for some $k \geq 0$ (we skip the general case). There must exist a constant c such that

$$\begin{aligned}
t(n) &\leq 2t\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn \\
&\leq 2\left(2t\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + c\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn = 4t\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + cn + cn \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&\leq 2^k t(1) + \underbrace{cn + \dots + cn}_{= cn \lg n}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $t(n) \in \mathcal{O}(n \log n)$.