Homework 6

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Question 1

5.a)
$$5n^2 + 2n^2 + 3n = \Theta(n^3)$$

Proof by Cases.

We need to find the Upper Bounds of the function defined by O(g) and Lower Bounds of the function defined by $\Omega(g)$ in order to prove $\Theta(g)$

Case 1: Upper Bound O(g)

First we will solve for the Upper Bound of the function, defined by O(g) where $f(n) \le O(g)$ and c_2 is a constant. We will also define f(n) as the function and g(n) as the bounding function.

$$f(n) = 5n^{2} + 2n^{2} + 3n$$

$$g(n) = n^{3}$$

$$5n^{3} + 2n^{2} + 3n \le c_{2} \cdot n3$$

$$5n^{3} + 2n^{2} + 3n \le 5n^{3} + 2n^{3} + 3n^{3} \text{ when } n \le 1$$

$$5n^{3} + 2n^{3} + 3n^{3} = 10n^{3} \le c_{2} \cdot n^{3} \cdot 10n^{3} \le 11n^{3}$$

Because we know c2 is a constant, and $c_2 \cdot n^3 \ge 10n^3$ we can have $c_2 = 11$

Case 2: Lower Bound $\Omega(g)$

Secondly, we will solve for the Lower Bound of the function, defined by $\Omega(g)$ where $f(n) \ge g(n)$ and c_1 is a constant, using the same f(n) function and g(n) bounding function.

$$f(n) = 5n^{2} + 2n^{2} + 3n$$

$$g(n) = n^{3}$$

$$5n^{3} + 2n^{2} + 3n \ge c_{1} \cdot n^{3}$$

$$5n^{3} + 2n^{2} + 3n \ge 5n^{3} + 2n^{2} \text{ when } n \ge 0$$

$$5n^{3} + 2n^{2} \ge 5n^{3}$$

$$5n^{3} \ge c_{1} \cdot n^{3}$$

$$5n^{3} \ge 4 \cdot n^{3}$$

Because we know c_1 is a constant, and $c_1 \cdot n^3 \le 5n^3$ we can have $c_1 = 4$

With the Lower Bounds being defined as $\Omega(g) = 4g(n) = 4 \cdot n^3$ and the Upper Bounds being defined as $O(g) = 11g(n) = 11 \cdot n^3$ for all $n \ge 1$ we can conclude that $5n^2 + 2n^2 + 3n = \Theta(n^3) = \Theta(g)$. \square

5.b)
$$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} = \Theta(n)$$

Proof by Cases.

We need to find the Upper Bounds of the function defined by O(g) and Lower Bounds of the function defined by $\Omega(g)$ in order to prove $\Theta(g)$

Case 1: Upper Bound O(g)

First we will solve for the Upper Bound of the function, defined by O(g) where $f(n) \le O(g)$ and c_2 is a constant. We will also define f(n) as the function and g(n) as the bounding function.

$$f(n) = \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8}$$

$$g(n) = \sqrt{n}$$

$$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \le c_2$$

$$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \le \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n^2 - 8^2} \text{ when } n \ge 1$$

$$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \le 7n^2 + 2n - 8$$

$$7n^2 + 2n - 8 \le c_2$$

$$7n^2 + 2n - 8 \le 7n + 2n$$

$$7n + 2n \le c_2 \cdot n$$

$$9n \le c_2 \cdot n$$

Because we know c_2 is a constant, and $c_2 \cdot n \ge 9n$ we can have $c_2 = 10$

Case 2: Lower Bound $\Omega(g)$

Secondly, we will solve for the Lower Bound of the function, defined by $\Omega(g)$ where $f(n) \ge g(n)$ and c_1 is a constant, using the same f(n) function and g(n) bounding function.

$$f(n) = \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8}$$

$$g(n) = \sqrt{n}$$

$$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \ge c_1$$

$$(\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8})^2 \ge (\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8})^2$$

$$7n^2 + 2n - 8 \ge 7n^2 + 2n - 8$$

$$7n^2 + 2n \ge 7n^2 + 2n - 8 \text{ when } n \ge 0$$

$$7n^2 + 2n \ge 7n^2$$

$$7n^2 \ge c_1 \cdot n$$

Because we know c_1 is a constant, and $c_1 \cdot n \le 7n^2$ we can have $c_1 = \sqrt{7}$

With the Lower Bounds being defined as $\Omega(g) = \sqrt{7}g(n) = \sqrt{7}(n)$ and the Upper Bounds being defined as O(g) = 10g(n) = 10n for all $n \ge 1$ we can conclude that $\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} = \Theta(n) = \Theta(g)$. \square