

**Prove that the running time of an algorithm is  $\Theta(g(n))$  if and only if its worst-case running time is  $O(g(n))$  and its best-case running time is  $\Omega(g(n))$ .**

A:  $\because$  for the running time to be  $\Theta(g(n))$  the  $f(n)$  must satisfy :

$$c_1 \cdot g_1(n) \geq f(n) \geq c_2 \cdot g_2(n) \quad (1)$$

$\because$  at the worst-case the  $f(n)$  satisfy :

$$f(n) \leq c_1 \cdot g_1(n) \quad \text{Where } f(n) = O(g(n)) \quad (2)$$

$\because$  at the best-case the  $f(n)$  satisfy :

$$f(n) \geq c_2 \cdot g_2(n) \quad \text{Where } f(n) = \Omega(g(n)) \quad (3)$$

from (1), (2), (3) :-

$\therefore$  the running time of an algorithm is  $\Theta(g(n))$  if and only if its worst-case running time is  $O(g(n))$  and its best-case running time is  $\Omega(g(n))$  #

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