

CS 570: Analysis of Algorithms – H3

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A	B	O	o	Ω	ω	Θ
$\lg^k n$	n^ϵ	yes	yes	no	no	no
n^k	c^n	yes	yes	no	no	no
\sqrt{n}	$n^{\sin(n)}$	no	no	no	no	no
2^n	$2^{(n/2)}$	no	no	yes	yes	no
$n^{(\lg c)}$	$c^{(\lg n)}$	yes	no	yes	no	yes
$\lg(n!)$	$\lg(n^n)$	yes	no	yes	no	yes

1. $A = \lg^k n$ and $B = n^\epsilon$:

$A=O(B)$ if there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that $0 \leq A(n) \leq c \cdot B(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

Let $A(n)=\lg^k n$ and $B(n)=n^\epsilon$.

Since $\lg^k n$ is a positive function for all $n \geq 1$, we can set $n_0=1$.

Let's choose $c=1$, then $\lg^k n \leq n^\epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_0=1$.

Thus, $A=O(B)$.

To show $B \neq O(A)$, we need to find constants c and n_0 such that $0 \leq B(n) \leq c \cdot A(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

However, since $B(n)=n^\epsilon$ grows faster than $A(n)=\lg^k n$ for all $n \geq 1$, such constants cannot be found.

Therefore, $B \neq O(A)$.

Since $A = O(B)$ but $B \neq O(A)$, A is $O(B)$ but not $\Theta(B)$.

2. $A = n^k$ and $B = c^n$:

$A = O(B)$ if there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that $0 \leq A(n) \leq c \cdot B(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

Let $A(n)=n^k$ and $B(n)=c^n$.

Since n^k is a positive function for all $n \geq 1$, we can set $n_0=1$.

Let's choose $c=1$, then $n^k \leq c^n$ for all $n \geq n_0=1$.

Thus $A = O(B)$.

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However, since $B(n) = c^n$ grows faster than $A(n)=n^k$ for all $n \geq 1$, such constants cannot be found.

Therefore, $B \neq O(A)$.

Since $A=O(B)$ but $B \neq O(A)$, A is $O(B)$ but not $\Theta(B)$.

3. $A = \sqrt{n}$ and $B = n^{\sin n}$:

Comparison with definitions is more challenging here due to the oscillatory behavior of $B = n^{\sin n}$.

We cannot apply the definitions of O , o , Ω , ω , and Θ directly to A and B because $\sin n$ oscillates between $[-1,1]$. We cannot lower or upper bound $n^{\sin n}$ with $n^{1/2}$.

4. $A = 2^n$ and $B = 2^{(n/2)}$

B intuitively represents the same function as A with a lower exponent, therefore it represents a strong lower bound of A .

Again, $B = 2^{n/2} = 2^{1/2 \cdot n} = 2^{1/2 \cdot n} = \sqrt{2}^n$. 2^n grows faster than $\sqrt{2}^n$, since $2 > \sqrt{2}$.

Therefore, $A = \Omega(B)$

5. $A = n^{(\lg c)}$ and $B = c^{(\lg n)}$

To show $A=O(B)$, we need to prove that there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that $0 \leq A(n) \leq c \cdot B(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

Let $A(n)=n^{\lg c}$ and $B(n)=c^{\lg n}$.

We know that $\lg n \leq n$ for all $n \geq 1$.

Let's choose $c=1$ and $n_0=1$, then $n^{\lg c} \leq n^{\lg n} = c^{\lg n}$ for all $n \geq n_0=1$.

Thus, $A=O(B)$.

To show $A = \Omega(B)$, we need to prove that there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that $0 \leq c \cdot B(n) \leq A(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

Let $A(n) = n^{\lg c}$ and $B(n) = c^{\lg n}$.

We know that $\lg n \geq 1$ for all $n \geq 1$.

Let's choose $c=1$ and $n_0=1$, then $c^{\lg n} \leq n^{\lg c}$ for all $n \geq n_0=1$.

Thus, $A = \Omega(B)$.

Therefore, by definition, $A = \Theta(B)$.

6. $A = \lg(n!)$ and $B = \lg(n^n)$

To show $A = O(B)$, we need to prove that there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that $0 \leq A(n) \leq c \cdot B(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

Let $A(n) = \lg(n!)$ and $B(n) = \lg(n^n)$.

We know that $n! \leq n^n$ for all $n \geq 1$.

Taking the logarithm of both sides, we get $\lg(n!) \leq \lg(n^n)$ for all $n \geq 1$.

Let's choose $c = 1$ and $n_0 = 1$, then $\lg(n!) \leq \lg(n^n)$ for all $n \geq n_0=1$.

Thus, $A = O(B)$.

To show $A = \Omega(B)$, we need to prove that there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that $0 \leq c \cdot B(n) \leq A(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

Let $A(n) = \lg(n!)$ and $B(n) = \lg(n^n)$.

Consider the ratio $\log(n^n)/\log(n!) = n \log n / \log(n!)$.

As n approaches infinity, the ratio $n \log n / \log(n!)$ approaches $1/e$ (using Stirling's approximation).

Therefore, for $c=1/2e$, we can choose $n_0=1$ and for all $n \geq n_0$, $0 \leq 1/2e \cdot n \log n \leq \log(n!)$.

Thus, $A = \Omega(B)$.

Therefore, by definition, $A = \Theta(B)$.