

Assignment 1

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Q1:

1. Consider the statement: $[f(n) = O(g(n)) \text{ and } f(n) \neq o(g(n))] \implies [f(n) = \Theta(g(n))]$. State whether this statement is true or false. If your answer is "true", then prove it; if it is "false", then provide a counter example.

The answer is True.

Since we know that $f(n) = O(g(n))$ and $f(n) \neq o(g(n))$:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = c < \infty \text{ also } \neq 0$$

Since the algorithms' cost would never decrease with the working load goes up, we have :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \in (0, \infty)$$

From above, we know that the limitation ratio must lay within 0 and ∞ , which holding both tight upper bound and tight lower bound.

Q2:

3.2-4 ★

Is the function $\lceil \lg n \rceil!$ polynomially bounded? Is the function $\lceil \lg \lg n \rceil!$ polynomially bounded?

- If a function $f(n)$ is polynomially bounded, then there must be constant values c, k, n_0 , such that for all $n \geq n_0$, $f(n) \leq cn^k$. Hence, $\lg(f(n)) \leq k \lg cn \leq kc \lg n$, therefore, we know that $\lg(f(n)) = O(\lg n)$.*

- To the other side: if we know that $\lg(f(n)) = O(\lg n)$, we could conclude that $f(n)$ is polynomially bounded.

From above, we know that proving a function $f(n)$ is polynomially bounded is equivalent to prove that $\lg(f(n)) = O(\lg n)$.

- Function $\lceil \lg n \rceil!$
 - First we concern about $\lg(n!)$'s complexity:
 - According to Stirling's approximation:

$$\begin{aligned}\lg(n!) &= \lg(\sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n (e^{\alpha_n})) \\ &= \lg(\sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n (1 + \Theta(\frac{1}{n}))) \\ &= \Theta(\sqrt{n}) + \Theta(n \lg n) + \Theta(\frac{1}{n}) \\ &= \Theta(n \lg n)\end{aligned}$$

- Second, we want to show $\lceil \lg n \rceil = \Theta(\lg n)$:
 - $\lceil \lg n \rceil \leq \lg n$
 - $\lceil \lg n \rceil < \lg n + 1 \leq 2 \lg n$ for $\forall n \geq 2$
- Third, to $\lg(\lceil \lg n \rceil!)$, we could take $\lceil \lg n \rceil$ as n in previous prove :

$$\begin{aligned}\lg(\lceil \lg n \rceil!) &= \Theta(\lceil \lg n \rceil \lg \lceil \lg n \rceil) \\ &= \Theta(\lg n (\lg \lg n)) \\ &= \omega(\lg n) \\ &\neq O(\lg n)\end{aligned}$$

So, $\lceil \lg n \rceil!$ is not polynomially bounded.

- Function $\lceil \lg \lg n \rceil!$, the steps are all the same:
 - First, we have to know that any polylogarithmic function grows slowly than any positive polynomial function
 - Suppose for constants $a, b > 0$, $\lg^b n = o(n^a)$.
 - Substitute n with $\lg n$, b with 2 and a with 1: $\lg^2(\lg n) = o(\lg n)$































$$\begin{aligned}
\lg(\lceil \lg \lg n \rceil!) &= \Theta(\lceil \lg \lg n \rceil \lg \lceil \lg \lg n \rceil) \\
&= \Theta((\lg \lg n)(\lg \lg \lg n)) \\
&= o((\lg \lg n)^2) \\
&= o(\lg^2(\lg n)) \\
&= o(\lg n)
\end{aligned}$$

So, $\lceil \lg \lg n \rceil!$ is polynomially bounded.

Q3

3-2 Relative asymptotic growths

Indicate, for each pair of expressions (A, B) in the table below, whether A is O , o , Ω , ω , or Θ of B . Assume that $k \geq 1$, $\epsilon > 0$, and $c > 1$ are constants. Your answer should be in the form of the table with “yes” or “no” written in each box.

	A	B	O	o	Ω	ω	Θ
a.	$\lg^k n$	n^ϵ					
b.	n^k	c^n					
c.	\sqrt{n}	$n^{\sin n}$					
d.	2^n	$2^{n/2}$					
e.	$n^{\lg c}$	$c^{\lg n}$					
f.	$\lg(n!)$	$\lg(n^n)$					

a. $\lg^k = o(n^\epsilon) \Rightarrow \omega(\lg^k n) = n^\epsilon, \omega \rightarrow \Omega, \omega \rightarrow \bar{o} \wedge \bar{O} \Rightarrow \bar{\Theta}$.

b. $n^k = o(c^n) \Rightarrow \omega(n^k) = c^n, \omega \rightarrow \Omega, \omega \rightarrow \bar{o} \wedge \bar{O} \Rightarrow \bar{\Theta}$.

c. *sin* function changes periodically, so the relationship between those two function is undefined.

d. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n}{2^{n/2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{2})^n = \infty$, which indicates

$o(2^n) = 2^{n/2}, o \rightarrow O, o \rightarrow \bar{\omega} \wedge \bar{\Omega} \Rightarrow \bar{\Theta}$

e. when $c = 1$, $n^{\lg c} = n^0 = 1 = c^{\lg n} = 1^{\lg n}$, so $O, \Omega \Rightarrow \Theta = \bar{o} \wedge \bar{\omega}$

f. $\lg(n!) = \Theta(n \lg n) \Rightarrow \Theta(\lg n!) = n \lg n = \lg n^n$, so $O, \Omega \Rightarrow \Theta = \bar{o} \wedge \bar{\omega}$

Q4

3-3 Ordering by asymptotic growth rates

a. Rank the following functions by order of growth; that is, find an arrangement g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{30} of the functions satisfying $g_1 = \Omega(g_2)$, $g_2 = \Omega(g_3)$, \dots , $g_{29} = \Omega(g_{30})$. Partition your list into equivalence classes such that functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ are in the same class if and only if $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 2^{2^{n+1}} &> 2^{2^n} > (n+1)! > n! \Leftarrow (n \neq \Theta(n^{n+1}e^{-n})) > e^n \Leftarrow (e^n = 2^n(e/2)^n = \omega(n2^n)) > \\
 n2^n &> 2^n > \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n > (\lg n)^{\lg n} = n^{\lg \lg n} \Leftarrow (a^{\log_b c} = a^{\log_b a \cdot \log_a c} = c^{\log_b a}) > (\lg n)! > n^3 > \\
 n^2 &= 4^{\lg n} > n \lg n = \lg(n!) > 2^{\lg n} = n > \sqrt{n} = (\sqrt{2})^{\lg n} \Leftarrow \text{take log} > \\
 2^{\sqrt{2 \lg n}} &\Leftarrow \text{take log} > \lg^2 n > \ln n > \sqrt{\lg n} > \\
 \ln \ln n &\Leftarrow (\lg 2^{\lg^* n} = \lg^* n \cdot \lg \ln \ln n = \omega(\lg^* n)) > \\
 2^{\lg^* n} &> \lg^* n = \lg^*(\lg n) \Leftarrow (\lg^*(\lg n) = (\lg^* n) - 1) > \lg(\lg^* n) > n^{1/\lg n} = 2 = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

- Most of the functions follow that:
 - Exponential functions grow faster than polynomial functions, and the later grow faster than polylogarithmic functions
 - The base of a logarithmic doesn't matter asymptotically, but the base of an exponential and the degree of a polynomial do matter.

Q5

5. Show that (i) $\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \Theta(n^3)$

Prove:

suppose we have: $H(n) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n i^2}{n^3}$, also we know that $H(1) = 1, H(2) = \frac{5}{8}, H(3) = \frac{12}{27}$, we could make a guess that for $\forall n, H(n) \in (0, \infty)$:
Compare the following two expression, for \exists integer $n \in (0, \infty)$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bullet \quad H(n) &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n i^2}{n^3} \\
 \bullet \quad H(n+1) &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i^2 + (n^2 + 2n + 1)}{n^3 + (3n^2 + 3n + 1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

*Obviously, the increase in numerator is less than the increase in denominator.
So the $H(n)$ is monotonically decreasing.*

- $H(n)$ won't be 0 because the numerator is always larger than 0.
- As well, $H(n)$ won't be ∞ because the denominator is always larger than 0.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{i=n} i^2}{n^3} \in (0, \infty)$$

So get proved