# Algorithms and Datastructures WS 2017 / 2018

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## Exercise sheet 3

Deadline: Tuesday, 14.11.2017 11:00 AM

#### Exercise 1 (6 points)

Show that  $\log_2 n = \mathcal{O}(n)$  holds. Directly use the definition of  $\mathcal{O}$  by determining  $n_0$  and C such that  $\log_2 n \leq C \cdot n$  holds for all  $n \geq n_0$ .

Show that  $\log_2 n = \Omega(n)$  does not hold. Directly use the definition of  $\Omega$  by showing that for each given C > 0 and  $n_0$  there exists a  $n \geq n_0$  which violates the definition of  $\Omega$  (i.e. that  $\log_2 n \leq C \cdot n$ ). Consider also that C can be smaller than 1.

#### Exercise 2 (7 points)

Argue that the propositions in Exercise 1 do not only hold for  $\log_2$ , but in the general case  $\log_b$  for any single given b > 1 that does not depend on n. Remark: That is why in runtime analyses you often find log written without the base. Why is it important that b > 1? Describe what happens if b = 1 or b < 1. Why is it important that b does not depend on n? Give an example where b does depend on n and one of the propositions above does not hold anymore (you can choose which one you want to use).

#### Exercise 3 (7 points)

Order the following functions  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5$  according to their runtime complexity such that  $f_i = \mathcal{O}(f_{i+1})$  holds for i = 1, 2, 3, 4. Also determine for which i  $f_i = \Theta(f_{i+1})$  holds and for which not. Justify your decisions, particularly for the i cases where  $f_i = \Theta(f_{i+1})$  does not hold. You can use the limit definition of  $\mathcal{O}$  and  $\Theta$  for all your justifications.

$$n^{2}$$

$$n \log_{10} n$$

$$n^{2} \log_{2}(n^{2})$$

$$\sqrt{n}$$

$$n \log_{2}(n^{2})$$

### Commit

Commit your solutions in PDF format within a new subdirectory **uebungsblatt\_03** into your SVN repository. Also commit a text file *erfahrungen.txt*. Therein describe your experience with the exercise sheet in a few sentences: was it managable for you? how much time did it take you? Did you have problems with specific parts?