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## **Data Structures and Algorithms**

Assignment 1

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Bonus points:

**Exercise 1.1** Examples

a) We have  $5n \le n^2$  for  $n \ge 5$ , and  $10 \le n^2$  for  $n \ge 4$  (in particular for  $n \ge 5$ ). We choose  $n_0 = 5$  and c = 5 and get

$$3n^2 + 5n + 10 \le 3n^2 + n^2 + n^2 = 5n^2 = cn^2 \text{ for all } n \ge n_0 = 5$$
 (1)

Consequently,  $3n^2 + 5n + 10 \in \mathcal{O}(n^2)$ 

b) Suppose that  $n^{\frac{1}{2}} \in \mathcal{O}(n^{\frac{1}{3}})$  Then there exist constants  $c > 0 \dots$ 

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**Exercise 1.2** Simplifying Expressions in  $\mathcal{O}$  Notation.

a) 
$$\mathcal{O}(2n + 14n^2) = \mathcal{O}(n^2)$$

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