

CSCB63 Assignment 1 – AVL Trees

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Question 1

a)

Let $f, g, h : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$. Suppose $f \in \mathcal{O}(g)$, $g \in \mathcal{O}(h)$.

$\because f(n) \leq c_1 \cdot g(n)$, $g(n) \leq c_2 \cdot h(n)$, for some $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$. [def. of \mathcal{O}]

$\therefore f(n) \leq c_1 \cdot g(n) \leq c_1 \cdot c_2 \cdot h(n)$. [combining inequalities]

Let $c = c_1 \cdot c_2$. $\implies f(n) \leq c \cdot h(n)$.

Hence, $f \in \mathcal{O}(h)$, as wanted. \square

b)

Let $f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2 : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$. Suppose $f_1 \in \mathcal{O}(g_1)$, $f_2 \in \mathcal{O}(g_2)$.

$\because f_1(n) \leq c_1 \cdot g_1(n)$, $f_2(n) \leq c_2 \cdot g_2(n)$, for some $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$. [def. of \mathcal{O}]

$\therefore f(n) = f_1(n) \cdot f_2(n) \leq c_1 \cdot c_2 \cdot g_1(n) \cdot g_2(n) = c_1 \cdot c_2 \cdot g(n)$. [combining inequalities]

Let $c = c_1 \cdot c_2$. $\implies f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$.

Hence, $f \in \mathcal{O}(g)$, as wanted. \square

c)

BWOC, suppose $2^{2n} \in \mathcal{O}(2^n)$.

Let $n = \lceil \log_2 c \rceil + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$.

$\therefore c \cdot 2^n \geq 2^{2n} \Leftrightarrow \log_2 c + n \geq 2n \Leftrightarrow \log_2 c \geq n = \lceil \log_2 c \rceil + 1$. [Contradiction!]

Hence, $2^{2n} \notin \mathcal{O}(2^n)$, as wanted. \square

d)

Let $f_1, f_2, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$. Suppose $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{O}(g)$.

$\therefore f_1(n) \leq c_1 \cdot g(n), f_2(n) \leq c_2 \cdot g(n)$, for some $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$. [def. of \mathcal{O}]

WLOG, suppose $f_{max} = \max(f_1, f_2) = f_1$.

$\therefore f_{max}(n) = f_1(n) \leq c_1 \cdot g(n)$. [by assumption]

Let $c = c_1$. $\implies f_{max}(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$.

Hence, $f \in \mathcal{O}(g)$, as wanted. \square

Question 2

Inserting (9)



Inserting (10)

