

HW1 Theory

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Problem 1

Let:

$$f_1 = n^2$$
$$f_2 = n^2 + 1000n$$

$$f_3 = \begin{cases} n & , n \text{ is odd} \\ n^3 & , n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$
$$f_4 = \begin{cases} n & , n \leq 100 \\ n^3 & , n > 100 \end{cases}$$

Part a

Statement: f_1 and f_2 are codominant

Solution

$$f_1 \in O(f_2) = n^2 \in O(n^2), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^2 \leq cn^2$$

$$c = 2$$

$$n^2 \leq 2n^2, \forall n > 0$$

f_2 does not dominate f_1

$$f_2 \in O(f_1) = n^2 + 1000n \in O(n^2), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^2 + 1000n \leq cn^2$$

$$c = 10$$

$$n^2 + 1000n \leq 10n^2$$

$$\frac{n}{10} + 100 \leq n, \forall n \geq 110$$

f_1 does not dominate f_2

Part b

Statement: f_3 dominates f_1 , as the upper bound of f_3 is n^3

Solution

$$f_1 \in O(f_3) = n^2 \in O(n^3), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^2 \leq cn^3$$

$$c = 1$$

$$n^2 \leq n^3, \forall n > 0$$

f_3 does dominate f_1

$$f_3 \in O(f_1) = n^3 \in O(n^2), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^3 \leq cn^2$$

$$c = 5$$

$$n^3 \leq 5n^2$$

$$n \leq 5, \forall n \leq 5$$

f_3 does not dominate f_1

Part c

Statement: f_4 dominates f_1 , as the upper bound of f_4 is n^3

Solution

$$f_1 \in O(f_4) = n^2 \in O(n^3), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^2 \leq cn^3$$

$$c = 1$$

$$n^2 \leq n^3$$

$$1 \leq n, \forall n \geq 1$$

f_4 does dominate f_1

$$f_4 \in O(f_1) = n^3 \in O(n^2), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^3 \leq cn^2$$

$$c = 10$$

$$n^3 \leq 10n^2$$

$$n \leq 10, \forall n \leq 10$$

f_1 does not dominate f_3

Part d

Statement: f_3 dominates f_2 , as the upper bound of f_3 is n^3

Solution

$$f_2 \in O(f_3) = n^2 + 1000n \in O(n^3), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^2 + 1000n \leq cn^3$$

$$c = 10$$

$$n^2 + 1000n \leq 10n^3$$

$$\frac{1}{10} + \frac{100}{n} \leq n, \forall n \geq 11$$

f_3 does dominate f_2

$$f_3 \in O(f_2) = n^3 \in O(n^2), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^3 \leq cn^2$$

$$c = 10$$

$$n^3 \leq 10n^2$$

$$\frac{n}{10} \leq 1, \forall n \leq 10$$

f_2 does not dominate f_3

Part e

Statement: f_4 dominates f_2 , as the upper bound of f_4 is n^3

Solution

$$f_2 \in O(f_4) = n^2 + 1000n \in O(n^3), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^2 + 1000n \leq cn^3$$

$$c = 10$$

$$n^2 + 1000n \leq 10n^3$$

$$\frac{1}{10} + \frac{100}{n} \leq n, \forall n \geq 11$$

f_4 does dominate f_2

$$f_4 \in O(f_2) = n^3 \in O(n^2), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^3 \leq cn^2$$

$$c = 10$$

$$n^3 \leq 10n^2$$

$$\frac{n}{10} \leq 1, \forall n \leq 10$$

f_2 does not dominate f_4

Part f

Statement: f_3 and f_4 are codominant

Solution

$$f_3 \in O(f_4) = n^3 \in O(n^3), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^3 \leq cn^3$$

$$c = 2$$

$$n^3 \leq 2n^3, \forall n > 0$$

f_4 does dominate f_3

$$f_4 \in O(f_3) = n^3 \in O(n^3), c \geq n_0, n_0 > 0$$

$$n^3 \leq cn^3$$

$$c = 2$$

$$n^3 \leq 2n^3, \forall n > 0$$

f_3 does dominate f_4

Problem 2

Part a

Worst case $O(matmpy) = n^3$

Solution

The first loop iterates over n elements with object i .

The next nested loop iterates from i to n " n times".

This can be expressed with:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \tag{1}$$

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Which yields a $O(n^2)$.

The final nested loop iterates over n elements.

Using the multiplicative rules of "Big Oh", $O(matmpy) = n^2 * n = n^3$

For function t to dominate, and be reasonably tight $t = n^3$

$$matmpy \in O(t) = n^3 \in O(n^3),$$

Proof:

$$n^3 \leq cn^3$$

$$c = 2$$

$$n^3 \leq 2n^3, \forall n > 0$$

t does dominate $matmpy$

Part b

$$O(mystery) = n$$

Solution

Under the assumption that indents indicate nesting

The first loop doesn't do anything besides iterate over $n - 1$ elements

The next loop attempts to iterate from $i + 1$ to n

Since $i + 1 = n$ after the first loop, the second loop never allows its nested loop to run

$$O(mystery) = n$$

For function t to dominate, and be reasonably tight $t = n$

$$mystery \in O(t) = n \in O(n)$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} n &\leq cn \\ c &= 2 \\ n &\leq 2n, \forall n > 0 \\ t &\text{ does dominate } mystery \end{aligned}$$

Part c

$$O(veryodd) = n^2$$

Solution

The first loop iterates over n elements

Using the additive rule of "Big Oh" the two nested loops merge to n^2

Proof:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \tag{3}$$

$$\tag{4}$$

The upper bound is defined when i is odd, and yields $n^2 + n$ which simplifies to $O(n^2)$

For function t to dominate, and be reasonably tight $t = n^2$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 n^2 &\leq cn^2 \\
 c &= 2 \\
 n^2 &\leq 2n^2, \forall n > 0 \\
 t &\text{ does dominate } matmpy
 \end{aligned}$$

Part d

$$O(\text{recursive}) = 2^n$$

Solution

For each recursive call, two more calls are generated. Total steps is the sum of 2^n :

$$\sum_{i=1}^n 2^i = (2^{n+1} - 1) \tag{5}$$

$$\tag{6}$$

Which yields $O(2^n)$

For function t to dominate, and be reasonably tight $t = 2^n$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 2^n &\leq c2^n \\
 c &= 2 \\
 2^n &\leq 2(2^n), \forall n > 0 \\
 t &\text{ does dominate } matmpy
 \end{aligned}$$