

Quiz 1.

1.

$$\begin{aligned} 5^{75} \log^2 n &< \sqrt{n} < n^2 \log^{0.5} n < n^3 + n \log \log n < n^{3.5} \log n + n^3 \\ &< n^4 \log n < n^6 < 3^{0.01n} \end{aligned}$$

2. To prove  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ , firstly we need to prove big O notation.  
big O:  $f(n) = O(g(n))$ .

$$\exists C_1 > 0, n_0 > 0 \mid \begin{array}{l} an^3 + bn^2 + cn + d \leq C_1 \cdot n^3 \quad \forall n \geq n_0 \\ an^3 + bn^2 + cn + d \leq C_1 \cdot n^3 \quad \forall n \geq n_0 \\ a + \frac{b}{n} + \frac{c}{n^2} + \frac{d}{n^3} \leq C_1 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \end{array}$$

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Secondly, prove big-Omega Notation:  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ .

$$\exists C_2 > 0, n_0 > 0 \mid an^3 + bn^2 + cn + d \geq C_2 \cdot n^3 \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

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$$a + \frac{b}{n} + \frac{c}{n^2} + \frac{d}{n^3} \geq c_2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

As  $n$  gets bigger,  $c_2$  gets smaller, so when  $n$  equal to infinite,  $c_2$  gets the smallest value, that is  $a$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } c_2 = a, n_0 = +\infty &\Rightarrow a + \frac{b}{n_0} + \frac{c}{n_0^2} + \frac{d}{n_0^3} \geq c_2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \\ &\Rightarrow a + \frac{b}{n} + \frac{c}{n^2} + \frac{d}{n^3} \geq c_2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \\ &\Rightarrow an^3 + bn^2 + cn + d \geq c_2 \cdot n^3 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \\ &\Rightarrow f(n) = \Omega(g(n)). \end{aligned}$$

As above, we get  $c_1 = a+b+c+d$ ,  $c_2 = a$ ,  $n_0$  equal to any ~~any~~ <sup>every integer</sup> ~~specify~~ between 1 and infinite. Hence,  
 $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ .

3.

$$\text{Upper bound: } \sum_{k=1}^n k^{\frac{9}{4}} \leq \sum_{k=1}^n n^{\frac{9}{4}} = n \cdot n^{\frac{9}{4}} = O(n^{\frac{13}{4}}).$$

$$\text{lower bound: } \sum_{k=1}^n k^{\frac{9}{4}} = \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} k^{\frac{9}{4}} + \sum_{k=\frac{n}{2}}^n k^{\frac{9}{4}} \quad ①$$

$$\geq \sum_{k=\frac{n}{2}}^n k^{\frac{9}{4}} \quad ②$$

$$\geq (n - \frac{n}{2} + 1) \cdot (\frac{n}{2})^{\frac{9}{4}} \quad ③$$

$$\geq [n - (\frac{n}{2} + 1) + 1] \cdot (\frac{n}{2})^{\frac{9}{4}} \quad ④$$

$$\geq \frac{n}{2} \cdot (\frac{n}{2})^{\frac{9}{4}} \quad ⑤$$

$$= (\frac{n}{2})^{\frac{13}{4}} \quad ⑥$$

$$= (\frac{1}{2})^{\frac{9}{4}} \cdot n^{\frac{13}{4}} \quad ⑦$$

$$= \Omega(n^{\frac{13}{4}}) \quad ⑧$$

Where the lower bound in ⑤ follows from the fact that there are more than  $\frac{n}{q^2}$  additive terms in ② and the smallest term is  ~~$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{n}{2}$~~   $\frac{n}{4}$ .

The ~~asymptotic~~ asymptotic upper and lower bounds together imply  $\sum_{k=1}^n k^{\frac{13}{4}} = \Theta(n^{\frac{13}{4}})$ .

4. We use the substitution method and guess  $\sqrt{T(n)} = \Theta(n^2)$ . To prove  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ , we first need to prove  $T(n) = O(n^2)$ . And we assume that ①  $T(n)$  is defined for all positive rational numbers.

Base case: We assume that  $T(n) \leq C$  for small values of ~~n~~, for example,  $n \leq 10$ , with positive constant  $C$ . Then, there exists some constant  $c > 0$  such that  $T(n) \leq C \leq cn^2$  for every integer  $1 \leq n \leq 10$ .

Inductive step: We assume that for all  $10 \leq n' < n$ , we have  $T(n') \leq (n')^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then we have: } T(n) &= 3T\left(\frac{2n}{5}\right) + n^2 \\ &\leq 3C\left(\frac{2n}{5}\right)^2 + n^2 \\ &= \frac{12C+25}{25}n^2 \\ &\leq cn^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, as long as  $C \geq \frac{12c+25}{25}$ , that is  $C \geq \frac{25}{13}$ , and for any  $n \geq 10$ , it is satisfied for every  $n$  that we consider in the inductive step. Therefore, we obtain  $T(n) = O(n^2)$ .

We also have  $T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{2n}{5}\right) + n^2 \geq n^2$ , so  $T(n) = \Omega(n^2)$ .

These two together imply  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

5.

(i) Let  $f(x) = \ln x - x$ .

Therefore,  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 1$ , and because  $x \geq 1, 0 < \frac{1}{x} \leq 1$ .

Then, we get  $f'(x) \leq 0$ , which represents  $f(x)$  is monotone decreasing, and  $f(x)$  has the biggest value when  $f'(x)$  equal to 0, that is when  $x$  equal to 1,  $f(x)$  has the biggest value -

Hence,  $f(x) \leq -1$ , that is  $\ln x - x \leq -1$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln x &\leq x - 1 \\ &\leq x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+. \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\exists c > 0, n_0 > 0 \quad | \quad \log n \leq c \cdot n^\varepsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0.$$

$$\frac{\ln n}{\ln 2} \leq c \cdot n^\varepsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0$$

$$\ln n \leq c \cdot n^\varepsilon \cdot \ln 2. \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0$$

from ii), we know  $\ln n \leq n$ .

here we assume  $n \leq c \cdot n^\varepsilon \cdot \ln 2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0$

$$\frac{1}{\ln 2} \leq c \cdot n^{\varepsilon-1} \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\ln 2} \cdot \frac{1}{n^{\varepsilon-1}} \leq c \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0.$$

$$\text{So } c = \frac{1}{\ln 2}, n_0 = 1$$

$$\text{Let } c = \frac{1}{\ln 2}, n_0 = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\ln 2} \cdot \frac{1}{n_0^{\varepsilon-1}} \leq c \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq c \cdot n^{\varepsilon-1} \cdot \ln 2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln n \leq n \leq c \cdot n^\varepsilon \cdot \ln 2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\ln n}{\ln 2} \leq c \cdot n^\varepsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log n \leq C \cdot n^\varepsilon$$

$\forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0.$

$$\Rightarrow \log n = O(n^\varepsilon)$$

$\forall n \geq n_0, \varepsilon > 0.$