

Question 5

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(a)

We can derive the relationship between $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ by computing $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \right)$.

Since $f(n) = n^{1+\log n}$, $g(n) = n \log n$, and $\log_e n = \ln n$.

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n^{1+\ln n}}{n \ln n} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n * n^{\ln n}}{n \ln n} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n^{\ln n}}{\ln n} \right) \\ &= \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the growth rate of $f(n)$ is greater than that of $g(n)$, which means

$$f(n) = \Omega(g(n)).$$

So (II) fits this pair of functions.

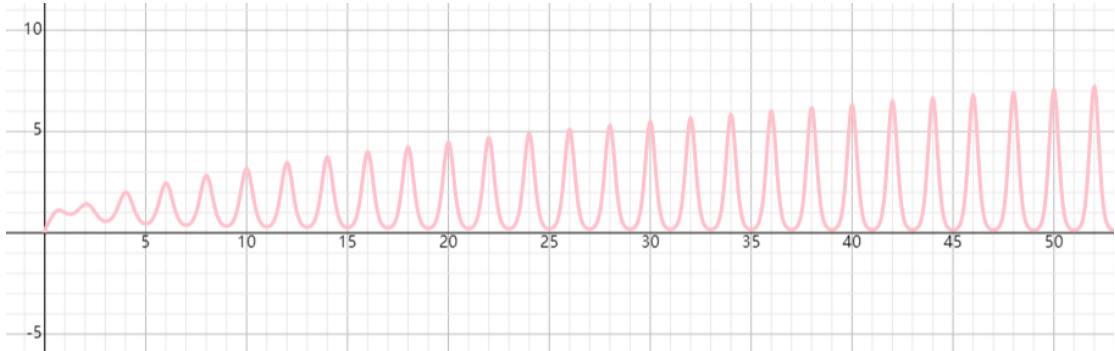
(b)

We can derive the relationship between $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ by computing $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \right)$.

Since $f(n) = n^{1+\frac{1}{2}\cos(\pi n)}$, and $g(n) = n$.

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n^{1+\frac{1}{2}\cos(\pi n)}}{n} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n * n^{\frac{1}{2}\cos(\pi n)}}{n} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(n^{\frac{\cos(\pi n)}{2}} \right) \\ &= 0 \dots \infty \text{ (diverges)} \end{aligned}$$



When we look at the graph of this equation, we see that:

When n is odd, the limit tends to 0, and at this point $g(n)$ is the upper bound of $f(n)$.

When n is even, the limit tends to infinity, and at this point $f(n)$ is the upper bound of $g(n)$.

So, the relationship between this pair of functions is unstable, then only (IV) fits this scenario.

(c)

We can derive the relationship between $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ by computing $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \right)$.

Since $f(n) = \log_2 n^{\log(n \log n)}$, $g(n) = (\log n)^2$, and $\log_e n = \ln n$.

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\log_2 n^{\ln(n \ln n)}}{(\ln n)^2} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\ln(n \ln n) \log_2 n}{(\ln n)^2} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\ln(n \ln n) \frac{\log_2 n}{(\ln n)^2} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\ln(n \ln n) * \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\log_2 n}{(\ln n)^2} \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(n \ln n)) &= \infty, \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\log_2 n}{(\ln n)^2} \right) &= \frac{1}{2 \ln(2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \right) = \infty * \frac{1}{2 \ln(2)} = \infty.$$

Because $\frac{1}{2 \ln(2)} < 1$, there will be a positive constant c and n make $\forall n \geq N, c *$

$g(n) \leq f(n)$. Therefore, we can tell that $f(n) = O(g(n))$.

Moreover, then n approach to infinity, the value of the above polynomial is close to

$\frac{1}{2 \ln(2)}$. In this case, we can tell that $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$.

Thus, only (III) fits this scenario, and the relationship between this pair of functions is

$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$.