

4. (25%)

- (a) Does  $(n+1)^2 = \Omega(n \log n)$ ?  
True.

*Proof.* Let  $f(n) = (n+1)^2$  and  $g(n) = n \log n$ . Take

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^2}{n \log n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 2n + 1}{n \log n} \\ &= +\infty \end{aligned}$$

So, by the limit comparison test,  $(n+1)^2 = \Omega(n \log n)$ . □

- (b) Does  $3^{9 \log n + \log \log n} = \Omega(n^3)$ ?  
True.

*Proof.* Note that:

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= 3^{9 \log n + \log \log n} = 3^{9 \log n} 3^{\log \log n} \\ &= 3^{(\log n)^9} 3^{\log \log n} \\ &= (3^{\log n})^9 3^{\log \log n} \\ &= (n^{\log 3})^9 3^{\log \log n} \\ &= n^{(\log 3)^9} 3^{\log \log n} \end{aligned}$$

Also note both that  $\log_2(\log_2(n)) \geq 1 \forall n \geq 4$ , and  $(\log_2(3))^9 \approx 63$  (it's actually slightly greater). Therefore,  $f(n)$  can be bounded below by  $3n^{63} \forall n \geq 4$ . Therefore:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^{9 \log n + \log \log n}}{n^3} \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^{63}}{n^3} = +\infty$$

□

- (c) Does  $n \log_5 n = \Theta(n \ln n)$ ?  
True.

*Proof.* Note that:

$$n \log_5 5 = n \frac{\ln n}{\ln 5}$$

and that:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \log_5 n}{n \ln n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln 5} = \frac{1}{\ln 5}$$

Because this limit is a constant,  $n \log_5 n = \Theta(n \ln n)$  □

(d) Does  $(n-2)^2 = \Theta(n \log n)$ ?

False.

*Proof.* Note that:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n-2)^2}{n \log n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 - 4n + 4}{n \log n} = +\infty \\ \neq c, \quad c < \infty$$

Therefore,  $(n-2)^2 \neq \Theta(n \log n)$ .

□

(e) Does  $n^{\frac{61}{60}} = \mathcal{O}(n \log n)$ ?

*Proof.*

□