CSC301 HW3

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Question 1

(a)

Since $n \ge n-1 \ge n-2 \ge n-3 \ge \dots$, so that $n \cdot n \ge n \cdot (n-1)$. We can then apply this inequality with more numbers which

$$n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdot (n-3) \dots 1 \le n \cdot n \dots n$$

This inequality holds true because each element on the left side is smaller than elements on the right side. Simplifying the inequality,

$$n! < n^n$$

which shows that it is true.■

(b)

To prove the inequality, we can transformed into

$$\log_{n/2} n! \ge \log_{n/2} (n/2)^{n/2}$$

which the left side and right side can also be written as,

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \log_{n/2}(n-i) \ge n/2$$

Question 2

Question 3