

Submission instructions: Your written answers should be submitted to Canvas as a PDF.

1. Describe in your own words the difference between  $\Theta(\cdot)$ ,  $O(\cdot)$ , and  $\Omega(\cdot)$ .

**Big Theta** = Represents the tight bound of a function. It is used to describe an upper and lower bound that grow at the same rate as the function.

**Big O** = Represents an upper bound of a function. It is the upper limit of a functions behavior. Can have best and worst case scenarios.

**Big Omega** = Signifies the lower bound of a function. It represents the lower limit on a functions behavior.

2. Prove the following:

a.  $n + 3 \in \Theta(n)$

$n+3$  is an upper bound for  $n \leq n+3$  for all  $n \geq 0$

$n+3$  is a lower bound for  $n+3 \geq c \cdot n$  for  $c > 0$  and  $n \geq 0$

$$c = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow n+3 \geq \frac{1}{4} \cdot n$$

$$n+3 \geq \frac{1}{4}n + n$$

$$n+3 \geq n \quad \text{Therefore } n+3 \in \Theta(n)$$

b.  $n \notin \Theta(n \log n)$

Prove  $c_1 \cdot n \log n \leq n \leq c_2 \cdot n \log n$  for  $n \geq n_0$

$$c_1 \log n \leq 1 \leq c_2 \log n \Rightarrow c_1 \leq \frac{1}{\log n} \leq c_2$$

This cannot exist because there are no constants  $c_1$  or  $c_2$  that complete this  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_1 \leq 0 \leq c_2$

therefore  $n \notin \Theta(n \log n)$

c.  $n^2 + n - 25 \in \Theta(n^2)$

$$0 \leq c_1 n^2 \leq n^2 + n - 25 \leq c_2 n^2$$

$$0 \leq c_1 \leq 1 + \frac{1}{n} - \frac{25}{n^2} \leq c_2$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 0 \leq c_1 \leq 1 \leq c_2 \right]$$

There are constants such that  $c_1$  is less than 1 but more than 0, and an infinite # of values greater than 1 for  $c_2$  that satisfy  $n^2 + n - 25 \in \Theta(n^2)$

d.  $n^3 - n + 5 \notin \Theta(n)$

$$0 \leq c_1 n \leq n^3 - n + 5 \leq c_2 n$$

$$0 \leq c_1 \leq n^2 - 1 + \frac{5}{n} \leq c_2$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 0 \leq c_1 \leq \infty \leq c_2 \right]$$

$c_2$  does not have a valid constant greater than  $\infty$  therefore,  $n^3 - n + 5 \notin \Theta(n)$

e.  $n + 3 \in O(n)$

$$0 \leq n + 3 \leq c n$$

$$0 \leq 1 + \frac{3}{n} \leq c$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 1 + \frac{3}{n} \right] = 0 \leq 1 \leq c$$

Any number over 1 is a constant to satisfy,  $n + 3 \in O(n)$

$$f(n) \quad g(n)$$

$$f. n^2 \notin O(n \log n)$$

$$0 \leq (n \log n) \leq c_1 n^2$$

$$0 \leq \log n \leq n \times c_1$$

There is no value for  $c_1$  that can satisfy this set therefore  $n^2 \notin O(n \log n)$

$$g. n^2 + n - 25 \in \Omega(n)$$

$$0 \leq c * n \leq n^2 + n - 25$$

$$0 \leq c \leq n + 1 - \frac{25}{n}$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 0 \leq c \leq n + 1 \right]$  There is an infinite # of constants for  $c$  to fulfill this statement, therefore  $n^2 + n - 25 \in \Omega(n)$

$$h. n^3 - n + 5 \notin \Omega(n^4)$$

$$0 \leq c n^4 \leq n^3 - n + 5$$

$$0 \leq c \leq \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n^3} + \frac{5}{n^4}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 0 \leq c \leq \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n^3} + \frac{5}{n^4} \right]$$

$0 \leq c \leq 0$ , there is no such value for  $c$  to exist in this problem, therefore,  $n^3 - n + 5 \notin \Omega(n^4)$

3. Give an example of a function that is in  $O(n^2)$  but not in  $\Theta(n^2)$  and then prove it.

$$n \in O(n^2)$$

$$0 \leq n \leq c n^2$$

$$0 \leq 1 \leq c n$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [0 \leq 1 \leq c \cdot \infty]$   
 $c$  can be any constant  
 that is non-negative and  
 complete this

$$n \notin \Theta(n^2)$$

$$0 \leq c_1 n^2 \leq n \leq c_2 n^2$$

$$0 \leq c_1 n \leq 1 \leq c_2 n$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [0 \leq \infty \leq 1 \leq \infty] \Rightarrow \text{Not possible}$$

$$f(n) = n \in O(n^2) \text{ but } \notin \Theta(n^2)$$

4. Give an example of a function that is in  $\Omega(n^2)$  but not in  $\Theta(n^2)$  and then prove it.

$$f(n) = n$$

$$\Omega(n^2)$$

$$0 \leq c \cdot n \leq n^2$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \leq c \leq n$$

$$0 \leq c \leq \infty$$

If  $c$  is positive this is  
 true  
 $f(n) = n \in \Omega(n^2)$  but  $\notin \Theta(n^2)$

$$\Theta(n^2)$$

$$0 \leq c_1 n \leq n \leq c_2 n^2$$

$$0 \leq c_1 n \leq 1 \leq c_2 n$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [0 \leq \infty \leq 1 \leq \infty] \Rightarrow \text{Not possible}$$

5. Prove that  $\Theta(g(n)) \subset \Omega(g(n))$ .

If there exists some element  $x \in \Theta(g(n))$  it would satisfy

$$0 \leq c_1 g(n) \leq x \leq c_2 g(n) \quad \text{where } c_1, c_2, \text{ and } n_0 \geq 0$$

Thus  $x$  will also satisfy

$$0 \leq c g(n) \leq x$$

Therefore  $\Theta(g(n))$  is a subset of  $\Omega(g(n))$

### Definitions

$\Theta(g(n)) = \{ f(n) : \text{there exists positive constants } c_1, c_2, \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that}$

$$0 \leq c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0 \}$$

$O(g(n)) = \{ f(n) : \text{there exists positive constants } c \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that}$

$$0 \leq f(n) \leq c g(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0 \}$$

$\Omega(g(n)) = \{ f(n) : \text{there exist positive constants } c \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that}$

$$0 \leq cg(n) \leq f(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0 \}$$