

1) a) The running time of algorithm A is at least $O(n^2)$ is meaningless. Formally, $O(n^2)$ states at most, covering upper bound. If an algorithm's running time is $O(n^2)$, it means the algorithm is at most quadratic. So stating an upper bound as a lower bound by "at least" is meaningless.

b) i) $2^{n+1} = O(2^n)$? $2^{n+1} = 2^n \cdot 2 = O(2^n)$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \cdot 2^n \leq c \cdot 2^n$ where $c=2$, for all $n \geq 0$.

So this is true.

If a function f is polynomially bounded it means there exist polynomial g and h such that for all x

$$g(x) \leq f(x) \leq h(x)$$

$$[\log n]! \Rightarrow n = e^k \quad (\log n)! = (\log e^k)! = k! \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (k!) = \infty$$

There is no value that limits this value from the top so not polynomial bounded.

$$[\log \log n]! \Rightarrow n = e^{e^k} \quad (\log \log n)! = k! \quad e^{(e^k)} > k!$$

$$\log k! < \log k^k = k \log k < k^2 < e^k = \log e^{(e^k)}$$

polynomial bounded