

Q1a. Show that  $5n^3 + 2n^2 + 3n = O(n^3)$

Big-Oh tells us that  $f(n) \leq c * g(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$  where  $c$  is a positive real constant.

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$$5n^3 + 2n^2 + 3n \leq 10n^3 \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

$$\therefore 5n^3 + 2n^2 + 3n = O(n^3) \text{ where } c=10 \text{ and } n_0=1$$

Q1b. Show that  $\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} = O(n)$

Big Theta tells us that  $c_1 * g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 * g(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$  where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are positive real constants.

$$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8n} \leq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \leq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n^2}$$

$$\sqrt{7n^2 - 6n} \leq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \leq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n^2}$$

$$\sqrt{7n^2 - 6n^2} \leq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \leq \sqrt{9n^2}$$

$$\sqrt{n^2} \leq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \leq 3n$$

$$n \leq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \leq 3n \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} = O(n) \text{ where } c_1=1, c_2=3 \text{ and } n_0=1$$

Q1c. Show that if  $d(n) = O(f(n))$  and  $e(n) = O(g(n))$  then the product  $d(n)e(n)$  is  $O(f(n)g(n))$ .

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Based on this:  $d(n) \leq c_1 * f(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_1$

$e(n) \leq c_2 * g(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_2$

Let's make the assumption that  $n_1 \geq n_2$  then

$$d(n) * e(n) \leq c_1 * c_2 * f(n) * g(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_1$$

$$d(n)e(n) \leq c_1 c_2 f(n)g(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_1$$

$$\therefore d(n)e(n) = O(f(n)g(n)) \text{ where } c = c_1 c_2 \text{ and } n_0 = n_1$$

Q2. Algorithm 1:  $O(n^2)$   
Algorithm 2:  $O(n)$   
Algorithm 3:  $O(\log(n))$   
Algorithm 4:  $O(n \log(n))$