

1. Suppose that  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ . Assume that both are increasing functions.
  - (a) Must it be true that  $\log f(n) = \Theta(\log g(n))$ ? Prove or disprove.

True: Use overestimation

A function always outgrows a constant.

$$c * g(n) \leq f(n) \leq d * g(n), \text{ where } c \leq d$$

$$\log(c * g(n)) \leq \log(f(n)) \leq \log(d * g(n))$$

$$\text{Because } f(n) = \Theta(g(n)), \text{ then } \log(g(n)) \leq \log(f(n)) \leq \log(g(n))$$

$$\log(c) + \log(g(n)) \leq \log(f(n)) \leq \log(d) + \log(g(n))$$

$$\log(c) + \log(g(n)) \leq \log(d) + \log(g(n)) \text{ where } c \leq d$$

$$\text{Because } c \text{ and } d \text{ are constants, exaggerate } \log(c) \text{ and } \log(d) \text{ to be } \log(g(n))$$

$$\text{where } \log(c) + \log(g(n)) \leq \log(g(n)) + \log(g(n))$$

$$\log(g(n)) + \log(g(n)) \leq \log(f(n)) \leq \log(g(n)) + \log(g(n))$$

$$2 \log(g(n)) \leq \log(f(n)) \leq 2 \log(g(n))$$

*This remains to be  $\Theta(\log g(n))$ , so the statement holds true*

- (b) Must it be true that  $2^{f(n)} = \Theta(2^{g(n)})$ ? Prove or disprove.

$$2^{f(n)} = \Theta(2^{g(n)})$$

$$2^{c_1 * g(n)} \leq 2^{f(n)} \leq 2^{c_2 * g(n)}$$

*$O(n)$  is not equal to  $O(2^n)$ , these yield different hierarchies of time complexities*

Checking for  $O(g(n))$

$$2^{2 \log n} \leq c_2 * 2^{\log n}, \text{ flipping the } n \text{ to yield a constant exponent}$$

$$n^{2 * \log 2} \leq c_2 * n^{\log 2}, \text{ where } 2 \log 2 > \log 2$$

$$f(n) \text{ would be } O(n^2) \text{ while } g \text{ is only } O(n)$$

*There is no value of  $c_2$  where  $g$  would be the upper bound of  $f(n)$*

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Same issue can be applied for  $\Omega(g(n))$

$$c_1 * g(n) \leq f(n)$$

$$f(n) = n, g(n) = 4n$$

$$c_1 * 4n \leq n, c_1 \text{ can be any value } \leq \frac{1}{4} \text{ to match with } n$$

$$\text{With } 2^{f(n)}: c_1 * 2^{4n} \leq 2^n$$

$$c_1 * 16^n \leq 2^n, \text{ no values of } c_1 \text{ can cause } g(n) \leq f(n) \text{ due to } g(n) \text{ being exponentially higher}$$

*The statement does not hold true*

2. a) Suppose you have a function of two variables,  $n$  and  $k$ . What would it mean, mathematically, to say that this function is  $O(n + k)$ ?

*Both variables  $n$  and  $k$  are necessary to determine the asymptotic upper bound of  $g(n, k)$*

*While  $f(n) \leq c * g(n)$  translates to  $f(n) \leq c * n$  when describing  $O(n)$*

*With  $O(n + k)$ ,  $f(n, k) \leq c * g(n + k)$  for all  $n$  and  $k$*

*This translates to  $f(n, k) \leq c * (n + k)$*

*There exists constants where  $n \geq n_0$  and  $k \geq k_0$  and  $c > 0$  such that:*

*$f(n, k) = O(g(n + k))$  or  $f(n, k) \leq c(n + k)$  and  $g(n + k)$  serves as the upper bound for  $f(n, k)$*

(b) Let  $f(n) = O(n)$  and  $g(n) = O(n)$ . Let  $c$  be a positive constant. Prove or disprove that  $f(n) + c * g(k) = O(n + k)$

$$f(n) \leq c_1 * n$$

*Assuming that  $g(n) \leq c_2 * g(k)$  so that  $g(k)$  is  $O(k)$*

$$\text{If } g(k) = O(k)$$

$$\text{then } g(k) \leq c_2 * k$$

$$f(n) = O(n), g(n) = O(n) \text{ where } f(n) + g(n) = O(n)$$

$$\text{If } f(n) + g(k) = O(n + k)$$

$$\text{then } f(n) + g(k) \leq d_2(n + k)$$

*Substituting  $g(n)$  with  $c_2 * k$*

$$f(n) + c_2 * k \leq d_2(n + k)$$

*Substituting  $f(n)$  with  $c_1 * n$  since  $f(n)$  is  $O(n)$*

$$c_1 * n + c_2 * k \leq d_2(n + k)$$

$$c_1 * n + c_2 * k \leq d_2(n + k)$$

*If  $c_1 \leq d_2$  and  $c_2 \leq d_2$ , then we can exaggerate and simplify  $c_1$  and  $c_2$*

$$c_1 * n + c_2 * k \leq d_2(n + k) \text{ where } (c_1 + c_2) \leq d_1 \leq d_2$$

$$c_1 * n + c_2 * k = d_1(n + k) \text{ where } (c_1 + c_2) \leq d_1 \text{ and substitute } (c_1 + c_2) \text{ with } d_1$$

$$d_1(n + k) \leq d_2(n + k) \text{ where } d_1 \leq d_2$$

$$f(n) + cg(k) = d_1(n + k) \leq d_2(n + k) \text{ where } c \leq d_1 \leq d_2$$

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*Implies that  $f(n) + c * g(k) \leq O(n + k)$*

*Further implying that  $f(n) + c * g(k) = O(n + k)$  where  $c \leq d$*

3. Let  $f(n) = \sum_{y=1}^n n^6 * y^{23}$

Find a simple  $g(n)$  such that  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ , by proving that  $f(n) = O(g(n))$ , and that  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ .

Don't use induction / substitution, or calculus, or any fancy formulas. Just exaggerate and simplify for big-O, then underestimate and simplify for  $\Omega$ .

Exaggerate and simplify:

This creates a geometric series

$$\sum_{y=1}^n n^6 * y^{23} = n^6 * 1^{23} + n^6 * 2^{23} + \dots n^6 * n^{23}$$

$$n^6(1^{23} + 2^{23} + 3^{23} + \dots + n^{23})$$

*Exaggerate all terms to  $n$  since  $y \leq n$*

$$n^6(n^{23} + n^{23} + \dots + n^{23})$$

$$n^6 * (n^{23} * n)$$

$$f(n) = O(n^{30})$$

For  $\Omega$ , underestimate and simplify

$$\sum_{y=1}^n n^6 * y^{23} = n^6 * 1^{23} + n^6 * 2^{23} + \dots n^6 * n^{23}$$

Taking half of the summation works for underestimating

$$\sum_{y=\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}^n n^6 * y^{23} = n^6 * 1^{23} + n^6 * 2^{23} + \dots n^6 * n^{23}$$

$$\sum_{y=\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}^n n^6 * y^{23} = n^6 * 0 + n^6 * 0 + \dots + n^6 * \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^{23} + \dots n^6 * \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^{23}$$

$$n^6 \left( \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^{23} + \dots + n^{23} \right) = n^6 * \left(\frac{n}{2} * \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^{23}\right)$$

Underestimate the geometric series

$$n^6 * \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^{24}$$

$$f(n) \leq c * \frac{1}{2^{24}} * n^{30}$$

$$\frac{1}{2^{24}} * n^{30} \leq f(n) \leq n^{30}$$

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$$g(n) = \Theta(n^{30})$$