

# EECS 340: Assignment 2

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## Problem 1

(a)  $\max\{f(n), g(n)\} = \Theta(f(n) + g(n))$

Since it is known that  $f(n) \geq 0$ ,  $g(n) \geq 0$ , and  $c > 0$ ; we must have:

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &\leq f(n) + g(n) \\ g(n) &\leq f(n) + g(n) \\ \Rightarrow \max(f(n), g(n)) &\in O(f(n) + g(n)) \quad \text{for } \begin{cases} c = 1 \\ \forall n_0 \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Since it is also known that  $f(n) + g(n) \leq 2 \cdot \max(f(n), g(n))$ , we may therefore infer:

$$\max(f(n), g(n)) \in \Omega(f(n) + g(n)) \quad \text{for } \begin{cases} c = \frac{1}{2} \\ \forall n_0 \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Since both the  $O$ - and  $\Omega$ -notation are established, we may therefore conclude:

$$\max(f(n), g(n)) \in \Theta(f(n) + g(n)) \quad (3)$$

(b1)  $f(n) + d = O(f(n))$ .

For the seek of disambiguation, we rewrite the questioned equation as  $f(n) + d = O(f(n))$  by  $d$  replacing  $c$  for  $d > 0$ .

According to the definition of  $O$ -notation, we have:

$$f(n) = O(f(n))$$

$$\exists c, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t. } 0 \leq f(n) \leq cf(n) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \quad (4)$$

$$\exists n' > 0 \text{ s.t. } f(n) \geq f(n') \quad \text{for } n, n' \geq n_0 \quad (5)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq f(n) + d \leq cf(n) + d \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \quad (6)$$

Due to Equation 5, we may rewrite Equation 6 as:

$$0 \leq f(n) + d \leq (c + \frac{d}{f(n)})f(n) \quad (7)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq f(n) + d \leq c'f(n) \quad \text{for } \begin{cases} c' = c + \frac{d}{f(n')} \\ n, n' \geq n_0 \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

Based Equation 8, we may conclude  $f(n) + d = O(f(n))$  via direct proof.

**(b2) If  $f(n) \geq 1$ , then  $f(n) + c = O(f(n))$ .**

Please refer to proof at **b1** as it provides a broader proof base on  $f(n)$  regardless  $f(n) \geq 1$  or not.

**(c1) If  $f(n) = O(g(n))$ ,  $\log(f(n)) \geq 0$  and  $\log(g(n)) \geq 0$ , then  $\log(f(n)) = O(\log(g(n)))$ .**

According to the definition of  $O$ -notation, we must have:

$$\exists c, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t. } f(n) \leq cg(n) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \quad (9)$$

Since it is given that  $\log(f(n)), \log(g(n)) \geq 0$ , thus we must have:

$$\begin{aligned} \log(f(n)) &\leq \log(cg(n)) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \\ \Rightarrow \log(f(n)) &\leq \log c + \log(g(n)) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

As  $c, n_0$  are constants, there must be a constant  $c'$  s.t.

**Case 1** Assume  $\log(g(n_0)) \neq 0$ :

$$c' \geq \frac{\log c}{\log(g(n_0))} + 1 \quad (11)$$

$$\Rightarrow (c' - 1) \log(g(n)) \geq (c' - 1) \log(g(n_0)) \geq \log c \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \quad (12)$$

$$\exists c, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\log(f(n)) \leq \log c + \log(g(n)) \leq (c' - 1) \log(g(n)) + \log(g(n)) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \quad (13)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(f(n)) \leq c' \log(g(n)) \quad (14)$$

Thus we may conclude  $\log(f(n)) = O(\log(g(n)))$  for this case.

**Case 2** Assume  $\log(g(n_0)) = 0$ :

Since  $\log(g(n_0)) = 0$ , we shall infer that  $g(n_0) = 1$ . We may arbitrarily pick some constants  $c, c'$  where:

$$\begin{aligned} \log c &\leq 0 \\ \log c &\leq (c' - 1) \cdot 0 \\ \log c &\leq (c' - 1) \cdot \log(g(n_0)) \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Since  $n \geq n_0$  by definition, and known that  $g(n) \geq 1$  due to  $\log(g(n)) \geq 0$ ; therefore there must be  $g(n) \geq g(n_0)$ . Putting this into the context of *Equation 10*, we may have:

$$\begin{aligned} \log(f(n)) &\leq \log c + \log(g(n)) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \\ \Rightarrow \log(f(n)) &\leq (c' - 1) \cdot \log(g(n_0)) + \log(g(n)) \\ \Rightarrow \log(f(n)) &\leq (c' - 1) \cdot \log(g(n)) + \log(g(n)) \\ \Rightarrow \log(f(n)) &\leq c' \log(g(n)) \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Thus we may conclude  $\log(f(n)) = O(\log(g(n)))$  for this case.

Since both cases reach to the conclusion of  $\log(f(n)) = O(\log(g(n)))$ , we have proven the statement to be valid.

**(c2) If  $f(n) = O(g(n))$ ,  $\log(f(n)) \geq 0$  and  $\log(g(n)) \geq 1$ , then  $\log(f(n)) = O(\log(g(n)))$ .**

According to the definition of  $O$ -notation, we must have:

$$\exists c, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t. } f(n) \leq cg(n) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \quad (17)$$

Since it is given that  $\log(f(n)) \geq 0$ ,  $\log(g(n)) \geq 1$ , thus we must have:

$$\begin{aligned} \log(f(n)) &\leq \log(c(g(n))) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \\ \Rightarrow \log(f(n)) &\leq \log c + \log(g(n)) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

As  $c, n_0$  are constants, there must be a constant  $c'$  s.t.

$$c' \geq \frac{\log c}{\log(g(n_0))} + 1 \quad (19)$$

$$\Rightarrow (c' - 1) \log(g(n)) \geq (c' - 1) \log(g(n_0)) \geq \log c \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \quad (20)$$

$$\exists c, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\log(f(n)) \leq \log c + \log(g(n)) \leq (c' - 1) \log(g(n)) + \log(g(n)) \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0 \quad (21)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(f(n)) \leq c' \log(g(n)) \quad (22)$$

Thus we may conclude  $\log(f(n)) = O(\log(g(n)))$ , the statement is therefore proven to be valid.

**(d1)**  $f(2n) = \Theta(f(n))$

Since it is known that  $f(n) \geq 0$ ,  $g(n) \geq 0$ , and  $c > 0$ ; we must have a constant  $c' > 0$  which satisfy:

**Case 1** Assume  $f(n) \neq 0$ .

$$c' \geq \frac{f(2n)}{f(n)} \quad (23)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(2n) \leq c'(f(n)) \quad (24)$$

Thus we may conclude  $f(2n) = O(f(n))$ .

Similarly, we may also have a constant  $c'' > 0$  which satisfy:

$$c'' \leq \frac{f(2n)}{f(n)} \quad (25)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(2n) \geq c''(f(n)) \quad (26)$$

Thus we may conclude  $f(2n) = \Omega(f(n))$ .

Since both the  $O$ - and  $\Omega$ -notation are established, we may therefore conclude  $f(2n) = \Theta(f(n))$  in this case.

**Case 1** Assume  $f(n) = 0$  for  $n$ .

Thus we must have two constants  $k_1, k_2$  which satisfy:

$$f(2n) = 0 \tag{27}$$

$$k_1(0) \leq f(2n) \leq k_2 f(n) \Rightarrow k_1(0) \leq 0 \leq k_2(0), \forall k \in \mathbb{R}^+ \tag{28}$$

Thus we may conclude  $f(2n) = \Theta(f(n))$ .

Since both cases reach to the conclusion of  $f(2n) = \Theta(f(n))$ , we have proven the statement to be valid.

**(d2) If  $f(n) = O(n^c)$ , then  $f(2n) = O(n^c)$**

As It is known from **d1** that  $f(2n) = \Theta(f(n))$ , which implies  $f(2n) = O(f(n))$ . Also it is given that  $f(n) = O(n^c)$ . Together, we shall infer  $f(2n) = O(n^c)$  due to the transitivity property of  $\Theta$ - and  $O$ -notations.

**(d3) If  $f(n) = \Theta(n^c)$ , then  $f(2n) = \Theta(f(n))$**

Please refer to proof at **d3** as it provides a broader proof base on  $f(n)$  regardless  $f(n) = \Theta(n^c)$  or not.

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