

Q1

Proof:

- (1) Let $M > 0$ and $n_0 > 0$ be arbitrary. Let $n = \max\{n_0 + 1, \frac{M4^5}{6} + 2, 6\}$.
- (2) By (1), $n \geq n_0 + 1$, so $n > n_0$.
- (3) By (1), $n \geq 6$, so $n > n - 2 > n - 3 > n - 4 > \dots > 6 > 5 > 4$. And, $n - 5 \geq 1$.
- (4) By (1), $n \geq \frac{M4^5}{6} + 2$, so $n > \frac{M4^5}{6} + 1$. Then we have

$$n > \frac{M4^5}{6} + 1$$

$$\implies 6n > M4^5 + 6$$

$$\implies 6n - 6 > M4^5$$

$$\implies 6n(n - 1) > Mn4^5$$

$$\implies n(n - 1)(3)(2)(1) > Mn4^5$$

- (5) Now,

$$n! = n(n - 1)(n - 2) \dots (5)(4)(3)(2)(1)$$

$$> Mn4^5 \cdot (n - 2)(n - 3) \dots (5)(4), \quad \text{by step (4)}$$

$$\geq Mn4^5 \cdot 4 \cdot 4 \dots 4 \cdot 4, \quad \text{by (3),}$$

where we match the $n - 5$ factors from $(n - 2)$ to 4, to the $n - 5$ factors of 4's. Continuing we have

$$= Mn4^5 \cdot 4^{n-5}$$

$$= Mn4^n,$$

as needed.

- (6) Therefore, $\forall M > 0 \quad \forall n_0 > 0 \quad \exists n > n_0$, such that $n! > Mn4^n$. Thus, by contraposition, $n! \notin O(n(4^n))$.

Q2

Proof:

- (1) Let $M = 1$, $n_0 = 2$, and $n > n_0$ be arbitrary.
- (2) By (1), $n > 2$, so $\log_2 n > 1 \implies \frac{1}{\log_2 n} < 1$.
- (3) Now,

$$1 \geq M, \quad \text{by (1)}$$

$$\implies (\log_2 n)^2(2 - 1) \geq M(\log_2 n)^2$$

$$\implies (\log_2 n)^2(2 - \frac{1}{\log_2 n}) \geq M(\log_2 n)^2, \quad \text{by (2)}$$

$$\implies 2(\log_2 n)^2 - \log_2 n \geq M(\log_2 n)^2$$

$$\implies 2(\log_2 n)^3 - \log_2 n \geq M(\log_2 n)^2$$

$$\implies 2(\log_2 n)^3 - \log_2 n + 2024 \geq M(\log_2 n)^2,$$

as needed.

- (4) Therefore, $\exists M > 0 \quad \exists n_0 > 0 \quad \forall n > n_0$, such that $2(\log_2 n)^3 - \log_2 n + 2024 \geq M(\log_2 n)^2$. Thus, $2(\log_2 n)^3 - \log_2 n + 2024 \in \Omega((\log_2 n)^2)$.

Q3

Proof:

- (1) Let $M_1 = 2$, $M_2 = 3$, $n_0 = 1$, and $n > n_0$ be arbitrary.
- (2) By (1), $n > 1$, so $2n > 1 \implies 2^{2n} > 2^1 \implies \frac{2}{2^{2n}} < 1$.
- (3) First, we will show that $M_1 n \leq \log_2(4^n + 2)$. We have

$$M_1 \leq 2, \quad \text{by (1)}$$

$$\implies M_1 n \leq 2n$$

$$\implies M_1 n \leq \log_2(2^{2n})$$

$$\implies M_1 n \leq \log_2(2^{2n} + 2)$$

$$\implies M_1 n \leq \log_2(4^n + 2)$$

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as needed.

(4) Next, we will show that $\log_2(4^n + 2) \leq M_2 n$. We have

$$3 \leq M_2, \quad \text{by (1)}$$

$$\implies 3n \leq M_2 n$$

$$\implies 2n + n \leq M_2 n$$

$$\implies 2n + 1 \leq M_2 n, \quad \text{by (2)}$$

$$\implies 1 \leq M_2 n - 2n$$

$$\implies \log_2(1 + 1) \leq M_2 n - 2n$$

$$\implies \log_2\left(1 + \frac{2}{2^{2n}}\right) \leq M_2 n + 0 - 2n, \quad \text{by (2)}$$

$$\implies \log_2\left(1 + \frac{2}{2^{2n}}\right) \leq M_2 n + \log_2(1) - \log_2(2^{2n})$$

$$\implies \log_2\left(\left(\frac{1}{2^{2n}}\right)(2^{2n} + 2)\right) \leq M_2 n + \log_2\left(\frac{1}{2^{2n}}\right)$$

$$\implies \log_2\left(\frac{1}{2^{2n}}\right) + \log_2(2^{2n} + 2) \leq M_2 n + \log_2\left(\frac{1}{2^{2n}}\right)$$

$$\implies \log_2(4^n + 2) \leq M_2 n,$$

as needed.

(5) By (3) and (4), $\exists M_1 > 0 \quad \exists M_2 > 0 \quad \exists n_0 > 0 \quad \forall n > n_0$, such that $M_1 n \leq \log_2(4^n + 2) \leq M_2 n$. Thus, $\log_2(4^n + 2) \in \Theta(n)$.