

Worksheet on Determining Big-O

Hierarchy of orders

Use this ordering of orders in determining the Big-O of the functions below

$O(1) \subset O(\log(n)) \subset O(n^{1/2}) \subset O(n) \subset O(n \log(n)) \subset O(n^2) \subset O(n^3) \subset \dots \subset O(2^n) \subset O(n!)$

Problems

For each function f (where n is a positive integer, i.e. $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) determine the smallest function g in the order hierarchy such that f is $O(g)$.

1. $f(n) = (2+n)(3+\log(n))$

2. $f(n) = 12 \log(n) + \frac{n}{2} - 3452$

3. $f(n) = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n$

4. $f(n) = 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2$

$$5. \quad f(n) = n(3+n) - 7n$$

$$6. \quad f(n) = 7n + (n+1)\log(n-4)$$

$$7. \quad f(n) = \log(n^2) + n$$

$$8. \quad f(n) = \frac{(n+1)\log(n+1) - (n+1) + 1}{n}$$

$$9. \quad f(n) = n + n/2 + n/4 + n/8 + \dots$$