

Q2)

a)

Big-O notation means the worst case scenario which also means the maximum time that algorithm can take. So "The running time of algorithm A is at least $O(n^2)$ " means "minimum of the maximum time that taken by algorithm A is n^2 . Big-O notation used for upper-bound but "at least" is a lower-bound term. That's why it is meaningless to say.

b)

Say $f(n) = n^2 + n$ and $g(n) = n$,
 $\max(f(n), g(n)) = f(n)$ so $f(n) = \theta(n^2)$
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 $\theta(f(n) + g(n)) = \theta(n^2 + n + n) = \theta(n^2)$. So it is true.

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 $\max(f(n), g(n)) = f(n)$ or $g(n)$. Let's say $f(n)$. So $f(n) = \theta(n)$
 $\theta(f(n) + g(n)) = \theta(n + n) = \theta(n)$. So it is still true.

And there is no other situation left. So its all above proves that $\max(f(n), g(n)) = \theta(f(n) + g(n))$

b) i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{n+1}}{2^n} = 2$

So $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{n+1}}{2^n}$ equals to a constant (c).

So $f(n) = \theta(g(n))$, ($g(n)$ is 2^n and $f(n)$ is 2^{n+1}).

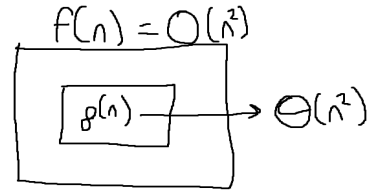
So it is correct.

ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{2n}}{2^n} = 2^n = \infty$

So $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$, ($f(n)$ is 2^{2n} and $g(n)$ is 2^n).

So it is false.

iii)



It is wrong, it must be $O(n^4)$ because we don't know about $f(n)$. It could be quadratic or constant or something else.

Q3)

$3^n >$ is the greatest because it's base is 3 , the greatest number among others.

Then,

If n is greater than or equal to 2 , $2^{n+1} > n2^n$ because it's base is lower than

3. Else, $n2^n > 2^{n+1}$ Then,

$5^{\log_2 n} > 2^n$ because once in two $5^{\log_2 n}$ acts like 5^n which is still greater than 2^n . Then,

$n^{1.01} > \sqrt{n}$ because $n^{1.01}$ is very close to being linear. Then,

If $n > \log n$, $n \log n > \log n^3$. Then,

$\log n$ is the smallest growing term. Because the logarithm grows the smallest.