

# Homework 2

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**Theorem 1:** Suppose that  $f(n) = O(g(n))$ . Then  $g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$ .

**Proof:** We have that  $f(n) = O(g(n))$ . Then there exists constants  $n_0 \geq 0$  and  $c > 0$  such that  $f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . Since  $c > 0$ , it follows that  $\frac{1}{c} > 0$  and  $\frac{1}{c} \cdot f(n) \leq g(n)$ . Let  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{c}$  and let  $n'_0 = n_0$ . Then there exists constants  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $n'_0 \geq 0$  such that for all  $n \geq n'_0$ ,  $g(n) \geq \varepsilon \cdot f(n)$  which is the definition of  $g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$ .

1.  $\ln(n!)$ ,  $(\ln n)!$

Since  $(\ln n)! > \ln(n!)$  for all  $n > 1500$ , we have that  $\ln(n!) = O((\ln n)!)$ .

I can't figure out how to show that  $(\ln n)! \neq O(\ln(n!))$ .

2.  $3n^2 + 17n$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}n^3$   
 $3n^2 + 17n = O(\frac{1}{3}n^3)$

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned} 3n^2 + 17n &\leq 3n^3 + 17n^3 \quad \text{for } n \geq 1 \\ &= 20n^3 \\ &= 60 \cdot \frac{1}{3}n^3. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $n_0 = 1$  and  $c = 60$ .

We need to show that  $\frac{1}{3}n^3 \neq O(3n^2 + 17n)$ . Thus we want to show that for all  $c > 0$  and  $n_0 \geq 0$ , there exists an  $n \geq n_0$  such that  $\frac{1}{3}n^3 > c(3n^2 + 17n)$ . Solving this inequality for  $n$ , we find that  $n > \frac{1}{2}(9c + \sqrt{3\sqrt{68c} + 27c^2})$ . Thus, we can let  $n = \frac{1}{2}(9c + \sqrt{3\sqrt{68c} + 27c^2}) + n_0 + 1 > n_0$  and we are done.

3.  $n^{\frac{1}{\ln n}}$ ,  $n^2$

$$n^{\frac{1}{\ln n}} = O(n^2)$$

**Proof:** We have that  $2 > \frac{1}{\ln 2} \approx 1.4427$ . Thus  $2 > \frac{1}{\ln n}$  for  $n \geq 2$ . Thus  $n^2 \geq n^{\frac{1}{\ln n}}$  for  $n \geq 2$ , with  $n_0 \geq 2$  and  $c = 1$ .

We want to show that  $n^2 \neq O(n^{\frac{1}{\ln n}})$ . Thus we want to show that for all  $c > 0$  and  $n_0 \geq 0$ , there exists an  $n \geq n_0$  such that  $n^2 > c \cdot n^{\frac{1}{\ln n}}$ . Taking the logarithm of both sides, we obtain  $2 \ln n > \ln c + 1$ . Thus whenever  $n > e^{\frac{\ln c + 1}{2}}$  the inequality holds true. Thus, we can let  $n = \max(e^{\frac{\ln c + 1}{2}}, n_0) + 1$  and we are done.

4.  $(\ln n)^{\ln n}, n^{\ln \ln n}$ .

**Claim:**  $(\ln n)^{\ln n} = n^{\ln \ln n}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $f(n) = (\ln n)^{\ln n}$  and  $g(n) = n^{\ln \ln n}$ . It is sufficient to show that  $\ln f(n) = \ln g(n)$ . Since  $\ln f(n) = (\ln n)(\ln \ln n)$  and  $\ln g(n) = (\ln \ln n)(\ln n)$ , we are done.

**Claim:**  $(\ln n)^{\ln n} = O(n^{\ln \ln n})$  and  $n^{\ln \ln n} = \Omega((\ln n)^{\ln n})$ .

**Proof:** Since we know that the two functions we are concerned with are equal, let  $f(n) = (\ln n)^{\ln n}$ . Note that  $f(n) = n^{\ln \ln n}$  as well. Thus we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= (\ln n)^{\ln n} \leq f(n) \\ &= n^{\ln \ln n} \\ f(n) &= n^{\ln \ln n} \leq f(n) \\ &= (\ln n)^{\ln n}, \end{aligned}$$

and we are done. This also shows that they are  $\Theta$  of each other since the two original functions are equaliviant.

5.  $\ln n, \frac{n}{\ln n}$ .

**Claim:**  $\ln n = O(\frac{n}{\ln n})$ .

**Proof:** We need to show that there exists  $c > 0$  and  $n_0 \geq 0$  such that  $c \cdot \frac{n}{\ln n} \geq \ln n$ . Consider  $\frac{n}{\ln n} > \ln n$ . Since this is true for all  $n \geq e$ , we can let  $n_0 = e$  and  $c = 1$ .

We want to show that  $\frac{n}{\ln n} \neq O(\ln n)$ . Thus we want to show that for all  $c > 0$  and  $n_0 \geq 0$ , there exists and  $n \geq n_0$  such that  $\frac{n}{\ln n} > c \ln n$ . This simplifies to  $\frac{n}{(\ln n)^2} > c$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{(\ln n)^2} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{2 \ln n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{2} = \infty, \end{aligned}$$

we can choose an  $n' \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $\frac{n'}{(\ln n')^2} > c$ . Then let  $n = \max(n', n_0) + 1$  and we are done.