

## KEY TO QUIZ #2

[6 points]

1. [3 points] Assuming that  $f(n) > 0$  and  $g(n) > 0$ , fill in the blanks in each definition:

- $f(n)$  is  $O(g(n))$  if there exist constants  $C$  and  $n_0$  such that  $f(n) < Cg(n)$  for all  $n > n_0$ .

- $f(n)$  is  $\Omega(g(n))$  if there exist constants  $C$  and  $n_0$  such that  $f(n) > Cg(n)$  for all  $n > n_0$ .

- $f(n)$  is  $\Theta(g(n))$  if there exist constants  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  and  $n_0$  such that  $C_1g(n) < f(n) < C_2g(n)$  for all  $n > n_0$ .

- $f(n)$  is  $o(g(n))$  if for every constant  $C$  there exists a constant  $n_0$  such that  $f(n) < Cg(n)$  for all  $n > n_0$ .

- $f(n)$  is  $\omega(g(n))$  if for every constant  $C$  there exists a constant  $n_0$  such that  $f(n) > Cg(n)$  for all  $n > n_0$ .

2. [4 points] No proof is required. Given the function  $f(n) = n^2 + 2n - 3$ , indicate if each of the following statements is true or false:

$f(n)$ is $O(n^2)$	<b>True</b>	$f(n)$ is $\Omega(n^2)$	<b>True</b>	$f(n)$ is $\Theta(n^2)$	<b>True</b>
$f(n)$ is $O(n^3)$	<b>True</b>	$f(n)$ is $\Omega(n^3)$	<b>False</b>	$f(n)$ is $\Theta(n^3)$	<b>False</b>
$f(n)$ is $O(n)$	<b>False</b>	$f(n)$ is $\Omega(n)$	<b>True</b>	$f(n)$ is $\Theta(n)$	<b>False</b>

3. [1 point] Determine, which function grows faster:  $\log_7(n^5)$  or  $\log_5(n^7)$ . Show your work!

Solution.

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log_5(n^7)}{\log_7(n^5)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{7 \log_5 n}{5 \log_7 n} = \frac{7}{5} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\log_7 n}{\log_7 5}}{\log_7 n} = \frac{7}{5 \log_7 5} = \text{const} \neq 0$ , these two functions have the same order of growth.