

Cheat Sheet for 2320

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a) Logarithm and exponential formulas:

1	2	3	4
$\log_a x = \frac{\log_b x}{\log_b a}$	$a^{\log_b x} = x^{\log_b a}$	$(x^a)^b = (x^b)^a$	$x^a * x^b = x^{a+b}$

b) Summation of consecutive values: $1+2+3+ \dots +n = \sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

c) Summation of squares: $1+2^2+3^2+ \dots +n^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$

d) Summation of Arithmetic series (where $a_i = a_1 + (i-1)d$): $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = n \frac{(a_1 + a_n)}{2} = \frac{n}{2}[2a_1 + (n-1)d]$

e) Summation of Geometric Series: $1+x+x^2+ \dots x^n$

$0 < x < 1$	$x > 1$	$x = 1$
$\sum_{k=0}^n x^k \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}$	$\sum_{k=0}^n x^k = \frac{x^{n+1} - 1}{x - 1}$	$\sum_{k=0}^n 1^k = n + 1$

f) Harmonic series: $\ln(n+1) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \leq \ln n + 1$

g) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} kx^k = \frac{x}{(1-x)^2}$, for $|x| < 1$ (CLRS pg.1148)

h) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} = e = 2.718281... \cong 2.72$

i) Approximation by integrals (CLRS, 1154):

$f(x)$ monotonically increasing $x \leq y \Rightarrow f(x) \leq f(y)$	$f(x)$ is monotonically decreasing $x \leq y \Rightarrow f(x) \geq f(y)$
$\int_{m-1}^n f(x)dx \leq \sum_{k=m}^n f(k) \leq \int_m^{n+1} f(x)dx$	$\int_m^{n+1} f(x)dx \leq \sum_{k=m}^n f(k) \leq \int_{m-1}^n f(x)dx$

j) Radix sort (optimal r): $r = \min\{b, \text{floor}(\lg N)\}$

k) Master Theorem: Let $a \geq 1$ and $b > 1$, let $f(n)$ be a function, and let $T(n)$ be defined on the nonnegative integers by the recurrence: $T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$, where we interpret n/b to mean either $\lfloor n/b \rfloor$ or $\lceil n/b \rceil$. Then $T(n)$ has the following asymptotic bounds:

1. If $f(n) = O(n^{(\log_b a) - \varepsilon})$ for some constant $\varepsilon > 0$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$.
2. If $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \lg n)$.
3. If $f(n) = \Omega(n^{(\log_b a) + \varepsilon})$, for some constant $\varepsilon > 0$, and if $af(n/b) \leq cf(n)$ for some constant $c < 1$ and all sufficiently large n , then $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$.

l) L'Hospital rule: If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(n)$ are both 0 or $\pm\infty$ and if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)}$ is a constant or $\pm\infty$, then:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)}.$$

m) $f(n) = O(g(n))$ if there exist positive constants c_0 and n_0 such that:

$$f(n) \leq c_0 g(n) \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

Theorem: if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = c$, then $f(n) = O(g(n))$.

n) $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ if there exist positive constants c_0 and n_0 such that:

$$c_0 g(n) \leq f(n) \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

Theorem: if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(n)}{f(n)} = c$, then $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$.

o) $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ if there exist positive constants c_0 , c_1 and n_0 such that:

$$c_0 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_1 g(n) \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

Theorem: if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = c \neq 0$, then $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$.