

Homework 2

1.

(a) Let $f(n) = 3^{n+1}$ and $g(n) = 3^n$. Examine

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^{n+1}}{3^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 \cdot 3^n}{3^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Since 3 is a constant, then $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$

(b) Let $f(n) = 3^{3n}$ and $g(n) = 3^n$. Examine

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^{3n}}{3^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(3^n)^3}{3^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{2n} \\ &= \infty \end{aligned}$$

So $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$.

2.

The list of functions ranked from smallest order of growth to largest is below.

$$\begin{aligned} &1000, \ln(\ln n), \sqrt{\ln(n)}, \{\log_5 n, \lg n\}, (\lg n)^2, \left(\sqrt{2}\right)^{\lg n}, \\ &\{n, 1000n + 3, 2^{\lg n}\}, \{n \cdot \lg n, \ln(n!)\}, \{n^2, 4^{\lg n}\}, \\ &n^3, \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n, 2^n, n2^n, e^n, n!, (n+1)! \end{aligned}$$

3.

Let $T(n) = T(n/4) + B$, with initial condition $T(1) = A$, and let $n = 4^k$. We proceed with backwards substitution.

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= T(4^k) \\
 &= T(4^{k-1}) + B \\
 &= T(4^{k-2}) + B + B \\
 &\vdots \\
 &= T(1) + \underbrace{B + B + \cdots + B}_{k \text{ times}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $T(n) = T(1) + Bk = A + Bk$. Since $n = 4^k$, then $k = \log_4 n$ so $T(n) = A + B \log_4 n$.

4.

Let $x(n) = \frac{1}{2}(x(n-1) + x(n-2))$. Then,

$$x(n) - \frac{1}{2}x(n-1) - \frac{1}{2}x(n-2) = 0$$

So we have the characteristic equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 r^2 - \frac{1}{2}r - \frac{1}{2} &= 0 \\
 2r^2 - r - 1 &= 0 \\
 (2r+1)(r-1) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

So $r_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$ and $r_2 = 1$. So the general solution is

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(n) &= \alpha_1 \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n + \alpha_2(1)^n \\
 &= \alpha_1 \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n + \alpha_2
 \end{aligned}$$

5.

(a) Let $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{4}) + 1000$. So

$$a = 2, b = 4, d = 0$$

Since

$$a = 2 > 1 = b^d$$

then

$$T(n) \in \Theta\left(n^{\log_4(2)}\right)$$

(b) Let $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{4}) + 1000n$. So

$$a = 2, b = 4, d = 1$$

Since

$$a = 2 < 4 = b^d$$

then

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n)$$

(c) Let $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{4}) + 1000\sqrt{n}$. So

$$a = 2, b = 4, d = \frac{1}{2}$$

Since

$$a = 2 = 2 = b^d$$

then

$$T(n) \in \Theta(\sqrt{n} \log(n))$$

(d) Let $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{4}) + 1000n^2$. So

$$a = 2, b = 4, d = 2$$

Since

$$a = 2 < 16 = b^d$$

then

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$$

6. In both parts, we denote E and E' to differentiate the two identical characters.

(a) Sec 3.1 #8

We proceed with selection sort.

E	X	A	M	P	L	E'
A		X	E	M	P	L
A	E		X	M	P	L
A	E	E'		M	P	L
A	E	E'	L		P	M
A	E	E'	L	M		P
A	E	E'	L	M	P	
						X

(b) Sec 3.1 #11 We proceed with bubble sort.

E	X	A	M	P	L	E'
E	A	M	P	L	E'	
A	E	M	L	E'		P
A	E	L	E'		M	P
A	E	E'		L	M	P
A	E		E'	L	M	P
A		E	E'	L	M	P
						X