

CS 677 Homework Assignment 01

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1. Arrange the list of functions in ascending order of growth rate:

$$f_1(n) = (n - 1)!$$

$$f_2(n) = 5lg(n + 100)^n$$

$$f_3(n) = 2^{2n}$$

$$f_4(n) = 0.001n^4 + 3n^3 + 1$$

$$f_5(n) = ln^2n$$

$$f_6(n) = \sqrt[3]{n}$$

$$f_7(n) = 3^n$$

Ascending order: $f_5(n) < f_6(n) < f_2(n) < f_4(n) < f_7(n) < f_3(n) < f_1(n)$

2. Using the informal definition for the Θ notation, select the correct notation for the following expression:

(a) $2(lgn)^2 + 4n + 3n^2lgn = \Theta(n^2lgn)$

(b) $(6n^3lgn + 4)(10 + n) = \Theta(n^4lgn)$

(c) $\frac{(n^2+lg n)(n+1)}{n+n^2} = \Theta(n)$

(d) $2 + 4 + 8 + 16 + \dots + 2^n = \Theta(2^n)$

(e) $8^{lgn} = \Theta(n^3)$

3. Using mathematical induction, show that the following relations are true for every $n \geq 1$

(a) $\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{(i+1)} i^2 = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n(n+1)}{2}$

Base case: $n = 1 : (-1)^2 \times 1^2 = \frac{(-1)^{1+1} 1(1+1)}{2}$ (True)

Inductive case:

Assume: $\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{(i+1)} i^2 = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n(n+1)}{2}$ is True

Prove: $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (-1)^{(i+1)} i^2 = \frac{(-1)^{n+2} (n+1)(n+2)}{2}$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{(i+1)} i^2 + (-1)^{n+2} (n+1)^2 = \frac{(-1)^{n+2} (n+1)(n+2)}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n(n+1)}{2} + (-1)^{n+2} (n+1)^2 = \frac{(-1)^{n+2} (n+1)(n+2)}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow (-1)^{n+1} (n+1) \left(\frac{n}{2} + (-1)(n+1) \right) = \frac{(-1)^{n+2} (n+1)(n+2)}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow (-1)^{n+1} (n+1) \left(\frac{n-2n-2}{2} \right) = \frac{(-1)^{n+2} (n+1)(n+2)}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{(-1)^{n+2} (n+1)(n+2)}{2} = \frac{(-1)^{n+2} (n+1)(n+2)}{2} \text{ (True)}$$

(b) $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(2i-1)(2i+1)} = \frac{n}{2n+1}$

Base case: $n = 1 : \frac{1}{1 \times 3} = \frac{1}{2 \times 1 + 1}$ (True)

Inductive case:

Assume: $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(2i-1)(2i+1)} = \frac{n}{2n+1}$ is True

Prove: $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{(2i-1)(2i+1)} = \frac{n+1}{2n+3}$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(2i-1)(2i+1)} + \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{n+1}{2n+3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\rightarrow \frac{n}{2n+1} + \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{n+1}{2n+3} \\
&\rightarrow \frac{n(2n+3)+1}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{n+1}{2n+3} \\
&\rightarrow \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{n+1}{2n+3} \\
&\rightarrow \frac{n+1}{2n+3} = \frac{n+1}{2n+3} \text{ (True)}
\end{aligned}$$

4. Using the formal definition of the asymptotic notations, prove the following statements:

(a) $10n^2 + 1 \in O(n^3)$

Prove with $\exists c, n_0, \forall n \geq n_0$:

$$10n^2 + 1 \leq cn^3 \quad (1)$$

We have:

$$10n^2 + 1 \leq 10n^3 + n^3 = 11n^3 \quad (2)$$

In order to satisfy Inequation 1, from Inequation 2 we can choose $c = 11, n_0 = 1$.

(b) $5n^2 + 10 \in \Omega(n)$

Prove with $\exists c, n_0, \forall n \geq n_0$:

$$5n^2 + 1 \geq cn \quad (3)$$

We have:

$$5n^2 + 1 \geq 5n^2 \geq 5n \quad (4)$$

In order to satisfy Inequation 3, from Inequation 4 we can choose $c = 5, n_0 = 1$.

5. Extra

- Find the order of growth for the following sum: $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (i+2)^2$

We have:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (i+2)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (i^2 + 4i + 4) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i^2 + 4 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i + 4(n-1) = \frac{(n-1)n(2n-1)}{6} + 4 \frac{(n-1)n}{2} + 4(n-1) = \Theta(n^3)$$

- Use the formal definition of the asymptotic notation to prove that:

$$30n^2 + 100 \notin \Omega(n^3) \quad (5)$$

Assume:

$$30n^2 + 100 \in \Omega(n^3)$$

It means $\exists c, n_0$ so that with $\forall n \geq n_0$:

$$30n^2 + 100 \geq cn^3 \quad (6)$$

We have:

$$30n^2 + 100 \leq 30n^2 + 100n^2 = 130n^2 \quad (7)$$

From Inequation 6 and 7:

$$cn^3 \leq 130n^2 \rightarrow n \leq \frac{130}{c} \quad (8)$$

Inequation 8 cannot satisfy with $\forall n \geq n_0$ so 5 holds True.