

2. Show directly that $f(n) = n^2 + 3n^3 \in \Theta(n^3)$. That is, use the definitions of O and Ω to show that $f(n)$ is in both $O(n^3)$ and $\Omega(n^3)$.

Part A).

We need to show that there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that:

$$f(n) \leq c \times n^3 \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0$$

Using $f(n) = n^2 + 3n^3$, we compare it to n^3 :

$$n^2 + 3n^3 \leq 4n^3 \quad \text{for } n \geq 1$$

Choosing $c=4$ and $n_0=1$, we satisfy the Big-O condition.

Thus, $f(n) \in O(n^3)$

Part B).

We need to show that there exist positive constants c' and n_0' such that:

$$f(n) \geq c' \times n^3 \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0'$$

Since $f(n) = n^2 + 3n^3$, the dominant term is $3n^3$, so:

$$n^2 + 3n^3 \geq 3n^3 \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1$$

Choosing $c'=3$ and $n_0'=1$, we satisfy the Big-Omega condition.

Thus, $f(n) \in \Omega(n^3)$

3. Show that $5n^5 + 4n^4 + 6n^3 + 2n^2 + n + 7 \in \Theta(n^5)$.

To show that $5n^5 + 4n^4 + 6n^3 + 2n^2 + n + 7 \in \Theta(n^5)$ we need to prove that a positive c and n_0 , such that $f(n) \geq c \cdot n^5$ for all $n \geq n_0$. Since $f(n) = 5n^5 + 4n^4 + 6n^3 + 2n^2 + n + 7$, the most prominent term is $5n^5$. Therefore $5n^5 + 4n^4 + 6n^3 + 2n^2 + n + 7 \geq 5n^5$ for all $n \geq 1$. Choosing $c = 5$ and $n_0 = 1$, so we satisfy the big-O condition. Therefore $f(n) \in O(n^5)$.

4. The function $f(x) = 3n^2 + 10n \log n + 1000n + 4 \log n + 9999$ belongs in which of the following complexity categories:

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| (a) $\Theta(\lg n)$ | (b) $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$ | (c) $\Theta(n)$ | (d) $\Theta(n \lg n)$ |
| (e) $\Theta(n^2)$ | (f) None of these | | |

Hint: See properties 6 and 7 and Example 1.23 on pages 39 and 40 of the textbook for a very similar example.

- The dominant term is $3n^2$ and it grows faster than all of the other terms. ($n^2 > n \log(n) > n > \log(n) > \text{constant}$; via asymptotic complexity) Thus, the complexity of this function is $\Theta(n^2)$.

5. Consider the following algorithm:

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for( i = 1 ; i <= 1.5 n ; i++)
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    cout << i;
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for( i = n ; i >= 1 ; i - - )
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    cout << i;
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(a) What is the output when $n = 2$, $n = 4$, and $n = 6$?

(b) What is the time complexity $T(n)$? You may assume that the input n is divisible by 2.

- (a)
 - i) $n = 2$
 - Upper for-loop: 1 / 2 / 3
 - Lower for-loop: 2 / 1
 - Output: 12321
 - ii) $n = 4$
 - Upper for-loop: 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6
 - Lower for-loop: 4 / 3 / 2 / 1
 - Output: 1234564321
 - iii) $n = 6$
 - Upper for-loop: 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9
 - Lower for-loop: 6 / 5 / 4 / 3 / 2 / 1
 - Output: 123456789654321
- (b)
 - Upper for-loop: The variable i starts at 1 to $1.5n$, so it is $O(n)$
 - Lower for-loop: The variable i starts at n to 1, so it is $O(n)$
 - $O(n) + O(n) = O(n)$
 - Thus, the time complexity is $\Theta(n)$