

1. Sample Solution - using strong induction

Base step: Prove $P(1), P(2), P(3)$

Let $k = 0, c_0 = 1$

Then $1 = 1 \cdot 2^0$

Then $P(1)$.

Let $k = 1, c_0 = 0, c_1 = 1$.

Then $2 = 1 \cdot 2^1 + 0 \cdot 2^0$.

Then $P(2)$.

Let $k = 1, c_0 = 1, c_1 = 1$.

Then $3 = 1 \cdot 2^1 + 1 \cdot 2^0$

Then $P(3)$.

Inductive step: $\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : [(k \geq 3) \rightarrow ((\forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\} : P(i)) \rightarrow P(k+1))]$

Let $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Assume $k \geq 3$.

Assume $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\} : P(i)$.

Case 1: k odd.

Then $k+1$ is even.

Let $q = \frac{k+1}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

Then $q < k$.

Then $\exists j \in \mathbb{Z}^+, c_0, \dots, c_j \in \{0, 1\} : q = \sum_{l=0}^j c_l 2^l$

Then $k+1 = 2q = \sum_{l=0}^j c_l 2^{l+1}$

Let $j' = j+1$

Let $c'_0 = 0, c'_1 = c_0, \dots, c'_{j+1} = c_j$.

Then $j' \in \mathbb{Z}^+, c'_l \in \{0, 1\} \forall 0 \leq l \leq j'$

Then $k+1 = \sum_{l=0}^{j'} c'_l 2^l$.

Then $P(k+1)$.

Case 2: k even.

Then $k+1$ is odd.

Let $q = \frac{k}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

Then $q < k$.

Then $\exists j \in \mathbb{Z}^+, c_0, \dots, c_j \in \{0, 1\} : q = \sum_{l=0}^j c_l 2^l$

Then $k+1 = 2q = \sum_{l=0}^j c_l 2^{l+1} + 1$

Let $j' = j+1$.

Let $c'_0 = 1, c'_1 = c_0, \dots, c'_{j+1} = c_j$.

Then $j' \in \mathbb{N}, c'_l \in \{0, 1\} \forall 0 \leq l \leq j'$

Then $k + 1 = \sum_{l=0}^{j'} c'_l 2^l$.

Then $P(k + 1)$.

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Then $(\forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\} : P(i)) \rightarrow P(k + 1)$.

Then $(k \geq 3) \rightarrow ((\forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\} : P(i)) \rightarrow P(k + 1))$

Then $\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : [(k \geq 3) \rightarrow ((\forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\} : P(i)) \rightarrow P(k + 1))]$

Then $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : P(n)$

2. Sample Solution

This claim is true, since the highest degrees of both polynomials are the same. By definition of Ω , we need to prove the following statement:

$$\exists c \in \mathbb{R}^+, \exists B \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq B \Rightarrow 6n^3 - 4n^2 + 3n + 2 \geq c \cdot (5n^3 - n^2 + n + 1)$$

Use the chain of overestimate/underestimate to find proper c and B .

Proof:

Let $c_0 = 2/7, B_0 = 1$.

Then $c_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+, B_0 \in \mathbb{N}$.

Assume $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $n \geq B_0$ # generic natural number and the antecedent

Then $6n^3 - 4n^2 + 3n + 2 > 6n^3 - 4n^2$ # remove positive term $3n + 2$

$\geq 6n^3 - 4n^2 \times n = 2n^3$ # multiply a negative term by $n \geq$

$B_0 = 1$

$= (2/7) \cdot (7n^3) = c \cdot (7n^3)$ # we picked $c_0 = 2/7$

$= c_0 \cdot (5n^3 + n^3 + n^3)$ # $7 = 5 + 1 + 1$

$\geq c_0 \cdot (5n^3 + n + 1)$ # $n^3 \geq n, n^3 \geq 1$ since $n \geq B_0 = 1$

$> c_0 \cdot (5n^3 - n^2 + n + 1)$ # add a negative term $-n^2$

Then $6n^3 - 4n^2 + 3n + 2 \geq c_0 \cdot (5n^3 - n^2 + n + 1)$ # transitivity

Then $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq B_0 \Rightarrow 6n^3 - 4n^2 + 3n + 2 \geq c_0 \cdot (5n^3 - n^2 + n + 1)$ # introduce \forall, \Rightarrow

Then $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}^+, \exists B \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq B \Rightarrow 6n^3 - 4n^2 + 3n + 2 \geq c \cdot (5n^3 - n^2 + n + 1)$ # intro \exists

Therefore $6n^3 - 4n^2 + 3n + 2 \in \Omega(5n^3 - n^2 + n + 1)$ # by definition of Ω

3. Sample Solution

We provide only the estimation. Use the slides as a template to write a formal proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n^3 + 1}{2n + 1} &\leq \frac{8n^3 + 1}{2n + 1} = \frac{(2n + 1)(4n^2 - 2n + 1)}{2n + 1} \\ &= 4n^2 - 2n + 1 \leq 4n^2 + 1 \leq 4n^2 + n^2 = 5n^2 \end{aligned}$$

4. Sample Solution

We provide only the estimation. Use the slides as a template to write a formal proof.

Observe that we want some $M \in \mathbb{N}$ and some $c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $\frac{1}{5}n^2 - 42n - 8 > cn^2$ for all $n \geq B$. Considering $\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{10}$ and $10(42 + 8) = 500$, we pick $c = \frac{1}{10}$ and $B = 501$. Then we have the following:



$$n > 500 = 10(42 + 8) > 10(42 + \frac{8}{n})$$

$$\frac{n^2}{10} - 42n - 8 > 0$$

$$\frac{n^2}{5} - \frac{n^2}{10} - 42n - 8 > 0$$

$$\frac{n^2}{5} - 42n - 8 > \frac{n^2}{10}$$

5. We disprove it, that is:

$$\forall c \in \mathbb{R}^+ : \forall B \in \mathbb{N} : \exists n \in \mathbb{N} : (n \geq B) \wedge (9n^2 + 3n - 1 < cn^3).$$

Let $c \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Let $B \in \mathbb{N}$.

Let $n_0 = \max(B, \lceil \frac{12}{c} \rceil) + 1$.

Then $n_0 \geq B$.

Then $n_0 > 12/c$.

Then $cn_0 > 12$.

Then $12 < cn_0$.

Then $12n_0^2 < cn_0^3$.

Then $9n_0^2 + 3n_0^2 < cn_0^3$.

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Then $9n_0^2 + 3n_0 - 1 < cn_0^3$.

Then $(n_0 \geq B) \wedge (9n_0^2 + 3n_0 - 1 < cn_0^3)$.

Then $\exists n \in \mathbb{N} : (n \geq B) \wedge (9n^2 + 3n - 1 < cn^3)$.

Then $\forall c \in \mathbb{R}^+ : \forall B \in \mathbb{N} : \exists n \in \mathbb{N} : (n \geq B) \wedge (9n^2 + 3n - 1 < cn^3)$.

Therefore, $9n^2 + 3n - 1 \notin \Omega(n^3)$.