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Advice 1: For every problem in this class, you must justify your answer: show how you arrived at it and why it is correct. If there are assumptions you need to make along the way, state those clearly.

Advice 2: Verbal reasoning is typically insufficient for full credit. Instead, write a logical argument, in the style of a mathematical proof.

Instructions for submitting your solution:

- The solutions **should be typed** and we cannot accept hand-written solutions. Here's a short intro to Latex.
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- Gradescope will only accept **.pdf** files (except for code files that should be submitted separately on Gradescope if a problem set has them) and **try to fit your work in the box provided**.
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1. (6 pts) For each of the following pairs of functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$, we have that $f(n) \in \mathcal{O}(g(n))$. Find valid constants c and n_0 in accordance with the definition of Big-O. For the sake of this assignment, both c and n_0 should be strictly less than 10. You do **not** need to formally prove that $f(n) \in \mathcal{O}(g(n))$ (that is, no induction proof or use of limits is needed).

(a) $f(n) = n^3 \log(n)$ and $g(n) = n^4$.

$n^3 \log n \leq c1(n^4)$ choose $n_o = 0$ must find c
 c is equal to $p + q + r$. . . so let $c = 1$.
after letting $n_o = 1, c = 1$ the inequality will hold true and $f(n)$ is in $\mathcal{O}(g(n))$

(b) $f(n) = n2^n$ and $g(n) = 2^{n \log_2(n)}$.

let $n_o = 0$ must find c ,
 $n2^n \leq 2^{n \log_2 n}$, using exponent rules the equation can be written into the form
 $\ln(2) * n^2 \leq (\frac{\ln(2)}{\log(2)}) n \log(n)$, we then can let $n_o = 0$ and $c = \frac{\ln(2)}{\log(2)} + \ln(2)$ and
the inequality will hold true and thus $f(n)$ is in $\mathcal{O}(g(n))$

(c) $f(n) = 4^n$ and $g(n) = (2n)!$

$4^n \leq (2n)!$
 $\ln(4)n \leq (2n)n!$
 $\ln(4) \leq \ln(4)n! + (2n)n!$
 $\ln(4) \leq (\ln(4) + 2n)n!$
 $n_o = 0, c = (\ln(4) + 2n)$

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2. (2 pts) Let $f(n) = 3n^3 + 6n^2 + 6000$. So $f(n) \in \Theta(n^3)$. Find appropriate constants c_1, c_2 , and n_0 in accordance with the definition of Big-Theta.

Def big O: $0 \leq c_1(g(n)) \leq 3n^3 + 6n^2 + 6000 \leq c_2(g(n))$

finding c_1, c_2, n_0 referring to lecture notes we can pick $c_1 = 3, c_2 = 6009, n_0 = 1$

Now to prove that $f(n)$ is in $\Theta(n^3)$ we can take the limit of $\frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$ as n goes to infinity

we will have the limit as n approaches infinity of $\frac{3n^3+6n^2+6000}{n^3}$ which can be reduced down to the limit as n approaches infinity of 3.

Therefore since the limit was a finite number, $f(n) \in \Theta(n^3)$

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3. (2 pts) Consider the following algorithm. Find a suitable function $g(n)$, such that the algorithm's worst-case runtime complexity is $\Theta(g(n))$. You do **not** need to formally prove that $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$ (that is, no induction proof or use of limits is needed).

```
count = 0
for(i = n; i >= 0; i = i - 1){
    for(j = i-1; j >= 0; j = j-1){
        count = count+1
    }
}
```

Cost	BestCase	WorstCase
c1	1	1
c2	n+1	n+1
c3	n(n+1)	n(n+1)
c4	n	n

$\Omega(g(n)) = c1(1) + c2(n+1) + c3(n(n+1)) + c4(n)$
Cancel out smaller terms and constants
 $\rightarrow c2(n+1) + c3(n^2+n)$
 $\rightarrow c2(n) + c2 + c3(n^2) + c3(n)$
 $\rightarrow c3(n^2)$
 $\rightarrow \Omega(g(n)) = n^2$

$O(g(n)) = c1(1) + c2(n+1) + c3(n(n+1)) + c4(n)$
cancel out smaller terms and constants
 $\rightarrow c2(n+1) + c3(n^2+n) + c4(n)$
 $\rightarrow c2(n) + c2 + c3(n^2) + c3(n)$
 $\rightarrow c3(n^2)$
 $\rightarrow O(g(n)) = n^2$

Therefore since $\Omega(g(n))$ is equal to $O(g(n))$ then theta is $\Theta(n^2)$.

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4. (2 pts) Consider the following algorithm. Find a suitable function $g(n)$, such that the algorithm's worst-case runtime complexity is $\Theta(g(n))$. You do **not** need to formally prove that $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$ (that is, no induction proof or use of limits is needed).

```
count = 0
for(i = 1; i < n; i = i * 3){
    for(j = 0; j < n; j = j + 2){
        count = count + 1
    }
}
```

Cost	BestCase	WorstCase
c1	1	1
c2	$\log_3 n$	$\log_3 n$
c3	$\log_3 n(\frac{n}{2})$	$\log_3 n(\frac{n}{2})$
c4	$\log_3 n(\frac{n}{2})$	$\log_3 n(\frac{n}{2})$

$\Omega(g(n)) = c1(1) + c2(\log_3 n) + c3(\log_3 \frac{n}{2}) + c4(\log_3 \frac{n}{2})$
cancel out smaller terms and constants
 $\rightarrow c3(\log_3 \frac{n}{2}) + c4(\log_3 \frac{n}{2})$
 $\rightarrow c3(\frac{1}{2}) + c4(\frac{1}{2}) + \log 3n * n$
 $\rightarrow \Omega(g(n)) = \log_3 n * n$

$O(g(n)) = c1(1) + c2(\log_3 n) + c3(\log_3 \frac{n}{2}) + c4(\log_3 \frac{n}{2})$
cancel out smaller terms and constants
 $\rightarrow c3(\log_3 \frac{n}{2}) + c4(\log_3 \frac{n}{2})$
 $\rightarrow c3(\frac{1}{2}) + c4(\frac{1}{2}) + \log 3n * n$
 $\rightarrow O(g(n)) = \log_3 n * n$

Therefore since $\Omega(g(n)) \text{ equals } O(g(n)) \rightarrow \Theta(\log_3 n * n)$