

NYU Tandon Bridge

Homework 6

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## Question 5

a)

The goal is show that  $5n^3 + 2n^2 + 3n = \Theta(n^3)$

Step 1: Determine big O

Using the exaggerate and simplify method:

$n \geq 1$	<i>for all <math>n \geq 1</math></i>
$n^2 \geq n$	Multiply both sides by n. Since n is positive it doesn't affect the order of the inequality
$n^3 \geq n^2$	Multiply both sides by n. Since n is positive it doesn't affect the order of the inequality
$2n^3 \geq 2n^2$	Multiply both sides by 2

$n \geq 1$	<i>for all <math>n \geq 1</math></i>
$n^2 \geq 1$	Square both sides
$n^3 \geq n$	Multiply both sides by n. Since n is positive it doesn't affect the order of the inequality
$3n^3 \geq 3n$	Multiply both sides by 3

$n \geq n$	<i>for all <math>n</math></i>
$n^2 \geq n^2$	Square both sides
$n^3 \geq n^3$	Multiply both sides by n. Since n is positive it doesn't affect the order of the inequality
$5n^3 \geq 5n^3$	Multiply both sides by 5

Combining all three inequalities we get:

$5n^3 + 2n^3 + 3n^3 \geq 5n^3 + 2n^2 + 3n$	<i>for all <math>n \geq 1</math></i>
$10n^3 \geq 5n^3 + 2n^2 + 3n$	Sum everything up
$10 \cdot (n^3) \geq f(n)$	Replace the value of $f(n)$ by its function name
$10 g(n) \geq f(n)$	Replace $n^3$ with $g(n)$
$C_2 = 10$	By definition, we know $f(n) = O(g(n))$ if $c_2 \cdot g(n) \geq f(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$

Therefore,  $f(n) = O(n^3)$  for  $c_2 = 10$  and  $n_0 = 1$

### Step 2: Determine Omega

Let's find the value of  $n$  for which the lower order terms  $2n^2 + 3n \geq 0$

$2n^2 + 3n \geq 0$	<i>for all <math>n \geq ?</math></i>
$2n^2 \geq -3n$	Subtract both sides by $3n$
$n \geq \frac{-3}{2}$	Divide both sides by $2n$ .
$n \geq 0$	Round to the nearest nonnegative integer

As such, we showed that  $2n^2 + 3n \geq 0$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . We also have that:

$n \geq n$	<i>for all <math>n</math></i>
$n^2 \geq n^2$	Square both sides
$n^3 \geq n^3$	Multiply both sides by $n$ . Since $n$ is positive it doesn't affect the inequality
$5n^3 \geq 5n^3$	Multiply both sides by $5$

Combining those two inequalities we get:

$5n^3 + 2n^2 + 3n \geq 5n^3$	<i>for all <math>n \geq 0</math></i>
$f(n) \geq 5(n^3)$	Replace the value of $f(n)$ by its function name
$f(n) \geq 5g(n)$	Replace $n^3$ with $g(n)$
$c_1 = 5$	By definition, we know that $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ if $c_1 \cdot g(n) \leq f(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$

Therefore,  $f(n) = \Omega(n^3)$  for  $c_1 = 5$  and  $n_0 = 0$

### Step 3: Determine theta

We know that:

- $f(n)$  is lower bound by  $\Omega(n^3)$  with  $c_1 = 5$  and  $n_0 = 0$
- $f(n)$  is upper bound by  $O(n^3)$  with  $c_2 = 10$  and  $n_0 = 1$

By definition,  $f(n) = \Theta(n^3)$  if there are positive constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  and  $n_0$  such that  $c_1(n^3) \leq f(n) \leq c_2(n^3)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ .

If we use:

- $c_1 = 5$
- $c_2 = 10$
- $n_0 = 1$

Combining our results we get  $5(n^3) \leq f(n) \leq 10(n^3)$  for all  $n \geq 1$

Therefore,  $5n^3 + 2n^2 + 3n = \Theta(n^3)$

b)

The goal is show that  $\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} = \Theta(n)$

Step 1: Determine big Oh

Using the exaggerate and simplify method:

$n \geq 1$	<i>for all <math>n \geq 1</math></i>
$n^2 \geq n$	Multiply both sides by n. Since n is positive it doesn't affect the order of the inequality
$2n^2 \geq 2n$	Multiply both sides by 2

$0 \geq -8$	<i>true for all <math>n</math></i>
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$n \geq n$	<i>true for all <math>n</math></i>
$n^2 \geq n^2$	Multiply both sides by n. Since n is positive it doesn't affect the order of the inequality
$7n^2 \geq 7n^2$	Multiply both sides by 7

Combining these three inequalities gives us:

$7n^2 + 2n^2 + 0 \geq 7n^2 + 2n - 8$	Since we know that $7n^2 \geq 7n^2$ and $0 \geq -8$ and $2n^2 \geq 2n$
$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n^2} \geq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8}$	Take the square root of both sides
$\sqrt{9n^2} \geq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8}$	Sum the left side up together
$\sqrt{9} \cdot \sqrt{n^2} \geq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8}$	Square root product identity

$\sqrt{9} \cdot n \geq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8}$	The radical and the square for n cancel out
$3n \geq \sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8}$	Take the square root of 9
$3(n) \geq f(n)$	Replace the left side value by the function name
$3 \cdot g(n) \geq f(n)$	Replace (n) with g(n)
$C_2 = 3$	By definition, we know that $f(n) = O(g(n))$ if $c_2 \cdot g(n) \geq f(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$

Therefore,  $f(n) = O(n)$  for  $c_2 = 3$  and  $n_0 = 1$

### Step 2: Determine Omega

Let's find the value of n for which the lower order terms  $2n - 8 \geq 0$

$2n - 8 \geq 0$	for all $n \geq ?$
$2n \geq 8$	Add 8 to both sides
$n \geq \frac{8}{2}$	Divide both sides by 2.
$n \geq 4$	Express as integer

As such, we showed that  $2n - 8 \geq 0$  for all  $n \geq 4$ . We also have that:

$n \geq n$	true for all n
$n^2 \geq n^2$	Multiply both sides by n. Since n is positive it doesn't affect the order of the inequality
$7n^2 \geq 7n^2$	Multiply both sides by 7

Combining those two inequalities we get:

$7n^2 + 2n - 8 \geq 7n^2$	<i>for all <math>n \geq 4</math></i>
$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \geq \sqrt{7n^2}$	Take the square root of both sides. Can do this since square root is an increasing function.
$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \geq \sqrt{7} \cdot \sqrt{n^2}$	Square root product identity
$\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} \geq \sqrt{7} \cdot n$	Powers of n cancel out on left hand side
$f(n) \geq \sqrt{7} \cdot n$	Replace value by function name
$f(n) \geq \sqrt{7} g(n)$	Replace n by g(n)
$C_1 = \sqrt{7}$	By definition, we know that $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ if $c_1 \cdot g(n) \leq f(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$

Therefore,  $f(n) = \Omega(n)$  for  $c_1 = \sqrt{7}$  and  $n_0 = 4$

### Step 3: Determine theta

From the above steps we have:

- $f(n) = O(n)$  with  $c_2 = 3$  and  $n_0 = 1$
- $f(n) = \Omega(n)$  with  $c_1 = \sqrt{7}$  and  $n_0 = 4$

By definition,  $f(n) = \Theta(n)$  if there are positive constants  $c_1, c_2$  and  $n_0$  such that

$$c_1 (n^3) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 (n^3) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0.$$

If we use:

- $c_1 = \sqrt{7}$
- $c_2 = 3$
- $n_0 = 4$

Combining our results we get  $\sqrt{7} (n^3) \leq f(n) \leq 3 (n^3)$  for all  $n \geq 4$

Therefore,  $\sqrt{7n^2 + 2n - 8} = \Theta(n)$