

## Math 173A - Group Theory and Big $O$ Notation

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1. Prove that if  $G$  is a finite commutative group with  $n$  elements, then  $a^n = e$  for all  $a$  in  $G$  and the order of  $a$  divides  $n$ .

2. In each case prove that  $f(n) = O(g(n))$ .

(a)  $f(n) = 7n^2 + \sqrt{n}$ ,  $g(n) = n^2$ .

(b)  $f(n) = n^{300}$ ,  $g(n) = 2^n$ .

(c)  $f(n) = (\log n)^{375}$ ,  $g(n) = n^{.001}$ .

(d)  $f(n) = n^2 2^n$ ,  $g(n) = e^{2n}$ .