Problem Set 1

This problem set is due at 10:00 am on Tuesday, January 31st.

Problem 1-1: Growth

Sort the following functions so f appears before g if f = O(g):

$$n^{0.99}, \; \log_{1.1} n, \; 10^{1249}, \; (\log_2 n)^2, \; 2^{(\ln \ln n)^2}, \; 10^n, \; \ln \ln n, \; 2^{n^2}, \; (\log_{10} n)^n, \; 1000n + 10^{10}.$$

Provide a one line explanation for each pair of consecutive functions in the sorted list.

Problem 1-2: A New Order

Let G be an undirected graph on N vertices where each vertex has degree at most 2.

- (a) Suppose that we perform a BFS of G. Let v_1, \ldots, v_N be the vertices of G in the order they are visited in the search. Prove or disprove: every edge in G is of the form (v_i, v_{i+1}) or (v_i, v_{i+2}) for some i.
- (b) Suppose that we perform a DFS of G. Let v_1, \ldots, v_N be the vertices of G in the order they are visited in the search. Prove or disprove: every edge in G is of the form (v_i, v_{i+1}) or (v_i, v_{i+2}) for some i.