

Q1)

a) $2^{2n} + 1 = O(2^n)$

Step 1:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{2n} + 1}{2^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n \left(2^n + \frac{1}{2^n} \right)}{2^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

Step 2:

- 2^n goes to ∞ .
- $\frac{1}{2^n}$ goes to 0.

So the limit goes to ∞ . Which means that statement is **false**.

$$\therefore 2^{2n} + 1 \neq O(2^n)$$

b) $n^3 - 4n^2 + 7 = \Theta(2^n)$

Step 1:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3 - 4n^2 + 7}{2^n} = 0 \quad \text{Exponential grows faster than polynomial so the limit is 0.}$$

Step 2:

Because of the limit is zero, the statement is **false**.

$$\therefore n^3 - 4n^2 + 7 \neq \Theta(2^n)$$

c) $n^3(1 + \sqrt{n}) = O(n^3 \log n)$

Step 1:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3(1 + \sqrt{n})}{n^3 \log n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \sqrt{n}}{\log n} = \infty \quad \text{Square root grows faster than logarithm so the limit is } \infty.$$

Step 2:

Because the limit is ∞ , statement is **false**.

$$\therefore n^3(1 + \sqrt{n}) \neq O(n^3 \log n)$$

d) $28n = O(7n^2)$

Step 1:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{28n}{7n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{n} = 0$$

Step 2:

The limit is 0, so the statement is **true**.

$\therefore 28n = O(7n^2)$

e) $n + \log n + 21 = O(7n^2)$

Step 1:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n + \log n + 21}{7n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{7n^2} + \frac{\log n}{7n^2} + \frac{21}{7n^2} \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{7n^2} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log n}{7n^2} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{21}{7n^2} = 0 + 0 + 0 = 0.$$

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 0
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 n^2 grows faster,
 limit is 0.

Step 2: The limit is 0, so the statement is **true**.

$\therefore n + \log n + 21 = O(7n^2)$

f) $n^2 + 9n - 13 = \Theta(n^2)$

Step 1:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 9n - 13}{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 \left(1 + \frac{9}{n} - \frac{13}{n^2} \right)}{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \frac{9}{n} - \frac{13}{n^2} = 1$$

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 0
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 0

Step 2:

The limit is 1, so the statement is **true**.

$\therefore n^2 + 9n - 13 = \Theta(n^2)$

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Q2)

I will compare the functions using limits.

1) $\log n$ vs. $7n$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log n}{7n} = 0 \quad 7n \text{ grows faster than } \log n, \log n < 7n$$

2) $7n$ vs. $2n^2$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{7n}{2n^2} = 0 \quad 2n^2 \text{ grows faster than } 7n, 7n < 2n^2$$

3) $2n^2$ vs. $3n^4$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^2}{3n^4} = 0 \quad 3n^4 \text{ grows faster than } 2n^2, 2n^2 < 3n^4$$

4) $3n^4$ vs. 3^n

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^4}{3^n} = 0 \quad 3^n \text{ grows faster than } 3n^4, 3n^4 < 3^n$$

5) 3^n vs. $n!$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^n}{n!} = 0 \quad n! \text{ grows faster than } 3^n, 3^n < n!$$

$$\log n < 7n < 2n^2 < 3n^4 < 3^n < n!$$

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Q3)

a)

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static void someFunction(int a, int b) {  
    int sum = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < a; i++)  
        for (int j = 0; j < b; j++)  
            sum += i + b;  
}
```

$\sum O(a)$
 $\sum O(b)$

The outer loop runs a times, for each operation of a inner loop runs b, so the total operations a.b

Worst-Case Complexity: $T(n) = O(a.b)$

b)

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static void anotherFunction(int a) {  
    int sum = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < a; i++)  
        sum += i;  
        i = i * 2;  
}
```

i doubles in every iteration so it is exponential growth, therefore loop stops when $i \geq a$.

$$2^T \approx a$$

$$T = \log_2 a$$

Worst-Case Complexity: $T(n) = O(\log a)$

c)

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static void differentFunction(int n) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)  
        for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)  
            for (int k = 0; k < n; k++)  
                System.out.println("Hello, world!");  
}
```

$\sum O(n)$
 $\sum O(n)$
 $\sum O(n)$

Each loop running n times, so the total operations n.n.n

Worst-Case Complexity: $T(n) = O(n^3)$

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Q4)

The fastest way in my opinion would be using binary search, to find the lowest floor where the toy would break.

- Dropping at floor 50
 - \Rightarrow if breaks, search in 1-49.
 - \Rightarrow if don't break, search in 51-100.
- If searching in 1-49.
 - \Rightarrow Drop at 25th floor.
 - if breaks, search 1-25.
 - if don't break, search 26-49.
- if searching in 51-100.
 - \Rightarrow Drop at 75th floor.
 - if breaks, search 51-74.
 - if don't break, search 76-100.
- if searching in 1-24.
 - \Rightarrow Drop at 12th floor.
 - if breaks, search 1-11.
 - if don't break, search 13-24.
- if searching 51-74.
 - \Rightarrow Drop at 62th floor.
 - if breaks, search 51-61.
 - if don't break, search 63-74.

\Rightarrow Continue this, always drop at the middle of the search range.
this method requires at most 7 drops.

The time complexity is $T(n) = O(\log n)$

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