## Homework 1

1. In each of the following situations, indicate wherether f = O(g), or  $f = \Omega(g)$ , or both (in which case  $f = \Theta(g)$ )

2. Is the difference of  $5^{30,000}$  and  $5^{30,000}$  a multiple of 31?

We know that  $5^3 = 125$  and 31 \* 4 = 124 so it follows that.

$$5^{30,000} \equiv (5^3)^{10,000} \equiv (125)^{10,000} \equiv 1^{10,000} \equiv 1 \pmod{31}$$

We also know that  $6^6 = 46,656, 31 \times 1,505 = 46,655,$ and 123,456/6 = 20,576. So it follows that

$$6^{123,456} \equiv (6^6)^{20,576} \equiv (46,655)^{20,576} \equiv 1^{20,576} \equiv 1 (\bmod \ 31)$$

So it follows that

$$5^{30,000} - 6^{123,456} \equiv 1 - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{31}$$

So the difference is divisible by 31.