

# CS-217 Homework 2

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## 1 Question 2.1

Question text: Express the following running times in  $\Theta$ -notation. Justify your answer by referring to the definition of  $\Theta$  (i. e. work out suitable  $c_1, c_2, n_0$ ).

a)  $3n^2 + 5n - 2$

b) 42

c)  $4n^2(1 + \log n) - 2n^2$

**Answer:**

- For **question a**: It is obvious to know that the goal is a quadratic function.

$$3n^2 \leq 3n^2 + 5n - 2 \leq 4n^2 \text{ for } n \geq n_0 = 100$$

$$3 \leq 3 + \frac{5}{n} - \frac{2}{n^2} \leq 4 \text{ for } n \geq n_0 = 100$$

so we take  $c_1 = 3; c_2 = 4; n_0 = 100$ ;

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

- For **question b**: It is obvious to know that the goal is a constant function.

$$41 * 1 \leq 42 \leq 43 * 1 \text{ for } n \geq n_0 = 1$$

so we take  $c_1 = 41; c_2 = 43; n_0 = 1$ ;

$$42 = \Theta(1)$$

- For **question c**: Observing the goal function's structure is not obvious.

$$4n^2 * (1 + \log n) - 2n^2 = 2n^2 + 4n^2 * \log n$$

Since:

$$2n^2 = O(n^2 \log n)$$

So we take  $c_1 = 4, c_2 = 6$ :

$$4n^2 * \log n \leq 2n^2 + 4n^2 * \log n \leq 6n^2 * \log n$$

$$4 \leq \frac{2}{\log n} + 4 \leq 6$$

Obviously, for  $n \geq n_0 = 100$ , it holds.

So we take  $c_1 = 4$ ;  $c_2 = 6$ ;  $n_0 = 100$ ;

$$4n^2(1 + \log n) - 2n^2 = \Theta(n^2 \log n)$$

## 2 Question 2.2

Indicate for each pair of functions  $f(n)$ ,  $g(n)$  in the following table whether  $f(n)$  is  $O$ ,  $o$ ,  $\Omega$ ,  $\omega$ , or  $\Theta$  of  $g(n)$  by writing “yes” or “no” in each box.

**Answer:**

$f(n)$	$g(n)$	$O$	$o$	$\Omega$	$\omega$	$\Theta$
$\log n$	$\sqrt{n}$	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
$n$	$\sqrt{n}$	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
$n$	$n \log n$	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
$n^2$	$n^2 + (\log n)^3$	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
$2^n$	$n^3$	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
$2^{n/2}$	$2^n$	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
$\log_2 n$	$\log_{10} n$	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes

Table 1: Question 2.2

## 3 Question 2.3

State the number of “foo” operations for each of the following algorithms in  $\Theta$ -notation. Pay attention to indentation and how long loops are run for. Justify your answer by stating constants  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$ ,  $n_0 > 0$  from the definition of  $\Theta(g(n))$  in your answer.

**Answer:**

- For **Algorithm a**:

For each  $(1, j)$ , the algorithm does the “foo” operations thrice. So:

$$g(n) = 3 * \text{all } (i, j) \text{ pairs}$$

Since:

$$1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n - 2$$

So:

$$\text{all } (i, j) \text{ pairs} = n * (n - 2)$$

So:

$$g(n) = 3n(n - 2) + 1$$

Obviously,  $g(n)$  is a quadratic function.

Take  $c_1 = 2$ ,  $c_2 = 3$ ,  $n_0 = 100$ , then:

$$2n^2 \leq 3n(n - 2) + 1 \leq 3n^2, \forall n \geq n_0$$

$$g(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

- For **Algorithm b**:

There are two loops, without loss of generality, we name them  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  in sequence.

In  $L_1$ : For each  $i$ , the algorithm only does one "foo" operation. So the number of "foo" operations in  $L_1 = n$ .

In  $L_2$ : For each  $i$ , the algorithm does two "foo" operations. So the number of "foo" operations in  $L_2 = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor * 2$ .

Above all:  $g(n) = n + \lfloor n/2 \rfloor * 2 + 1$

Since:

$$n/2 - 1 \leq \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \leq n/2$$

So:

$$2n - 1 \leq g(n) \leq 2n + 1$$

Take  $c_1 = 1$ ,  $c_2 = 3$  and  $n_0 = 100$ :

$$c_1 n \leq g(n) \leq c_2 n \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

So:

$$g(n) = \Theta(n)$$

- For **Algorithm c**:

For Line 1 and Line 6, the "foo" operation only carries out once.

For line 4, the algorithm does the "foo" operations once for each  $(i, j)$  pair.

For line 5, the algorithm does the "foo" operations once for each  $i$ .

So:

$$g(n) = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n (i) + n + 1$$

$$g(n) = \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{3}{2}n + 2$$

It is obvious that  $g(n)$  is a quadratic function. Take  $c_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $c_2 = 2$  and  $n_0 = 100$ :

$$\frac{1}{2}n^2 \leq g(n) \leq 2n^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

So:

$$g(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

## 4 Question 2.4

Recall from Lecture 2 that a statement like  $2n^2 + \Theta(n) = \Theta(n^2)$  is true if no matter how the anonymous functions are chosen on the left of the equal sign, there is a way to choose the anonymous functions on the right of the equal sign to make the equation valid. You might want to think of the  $\Theta(n)$  on the left-hand side being a placeholder for some (anonymous) function that grows as fast as  $n$ . For each of the following statements, state whether it is true or false. Justify your answers.

1.  $O(\sqrt{n}) = O(n)$
2.  $n + o(n^2) = \omega(n)$
3.  $3n \log n + O(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$

**Answer:**

- For **Question 2.4.1:**

$$\forall f \in O(\sqrt{n}), \text{ we have } c_1, n_0, \text{ s.t.}, 0 \leq f \leq c_1 \sqrt{n} \forall n \geq n_0$$

Take  $n_1 > n_0$  and  $n_1 > 100$ . Then:

$$c_1 \sqrt{n} \leq c_1 n$$

So:

$$\forall f \in O(\sqrt{n}), \text{ we have } c_1, n_1, \text{ s.t.}, 0 \leq f \leq c_1 n \forall n \geq n_1$$

i.e.

$$\forall f \in O(\sqrt{n}), f \in O(n)$$

So:

$$O(\sqrt{n}) = O(n)$$

- For **Question 2.4.2:**

It is false:

Take  $n = o(n^2)$

$$n + n = 2n; \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n}{n} = 2 \neq \infty$$

So there exist  $f \in o(n^2)$ , s.t.  $n + f \neq \omega(n)$

So  $n + o(n^2) \neq \omega(n)$ .

- For **Question 2.4.3:**

$$\text{take } f \in O(n), \text{ we have } c_1, n_0 \text{ s.t. } 0 \leq f \leq c_1 n \forall n \geq n_0$$

We take  $n_1$  s.t.  $n_1 > n_0$  and  $n_1 > 100$ , then we have:

$$0 \leq f \leq c_1 n \leq c_1 n \log n \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

$$3n \log n \leq 3n \log n + f \leq (3 + c_1)n \log n \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

So now we can take  $c_2 = 3$ ,  $c_3 = 3 + c_1$  and  $n_1$ :

$$c_2 n \log n \leq 3n \log n + f \leq c_3 n \log n \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

So:

$$\forall f \in O(n), \text{ we have } 3n \log n + f = \Theta(n \log n)$$

$$3n \log n + O(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$$

## 5 Question 2.5

The following algorithm computes the product  $C$  of two  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , where  $A[i, j]$  corresponds to the element in the  $i$ -th row and the  $j$ -th column.

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**Algorithm 1:** Matrix-Multiply( $A, B$ )

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1 for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do
2   for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
3      $C[i, j] := 0$ ;
4     for  $k = 1$  to  $n$  do
5        $C[i, j] := C[i, j] + A[i, k] \cdot B[k, j]$ ;
6 return  $C$ ;
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Give the running time of the algorithm (number of operations in a RAM machine) in  $\Theta$ -notation. Justify your answer. Feel free to use the rules on calculating with  $\Theta$ -notation from the lecture.

**Answer:**

Let  $c_i$  = the  $i$ -th line time cost and  $n_i$  = how many time the  $i$ -th line operates,  $g(n)$  = running time of the algorithm.

$$g(n) = \sum_{i=1}^6 (c_i n_i)$$

$$g(n) = c_1(n+1) + c_2(n+1)n + c_3n^2 + c_4(n+1)n^2 + c_5n^3 + c_6$$

$$g(n) = (c_4 + c_5)n^3 + (c_2 + c_3 + c_4)n^2 + (c_1 + c_2)n + (c_1 + c_6)$$

Since  $\forall c_i > 0$  and when  $n \geq 1$ ,  $n^3 \geq n^2 \geq n \geq 1$

So we take  $C_1 = c_4 + c_5$ ,  $C_2 = (c_4 + c_5) + (c_2 + c_3 + c_4) + (c_1 + c_2) + (c_1 + c_6)$  and  $n_0 = 1$ :

$$C_1 n^3 \leq (c_4 + c_5)n^3 + (c_2 + c_3 + c_4)n^2 + (c_1 + c_2)n + (c_1 + c_6) \leq C_2 n^3 \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

So:

$$g(n) = \Theta(n^3)$$

## 6 Question 2.6

Already finished it on Online Judge.