

Computability and Complexity

Assignment 2

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1 Question 1

Part a) Yes, the two functions are polynomially related. They are linked by the polynomial $p(n) = n^2$.

Proof:

$$e^n \leq (e^n)^2$$

$$f(n) \leq p(g(n))$$

$$g(n) = (e^{n^2}) = (e^n)^2 = p(f(n))$$

Part b) No, the two functions are not polynomially related.

Proof:

Assume that $p(n) = n^a$

We need to prove that: $g(n) = (e^{n^2}) \leq p(f(n)) (=) e^{a \cdot n}$

If $x > a \Rightarrow g(x) = (e^{x^x}) \geq e^{a \cdot x} = p(f(x))$

Therefore, this does not work.