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<i>b.</i>	n^k	c^n					
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<i>d.</i>	2^n	$2^{n/2}$					
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<i>c.</i>	\sqrt{n}	$n^{\sin n}$	N	N	N	N	N
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<i>e.</i>	$n^{\lg c}$	$c^{\lg n}$	Y	N	Y	N	Y
<i>f.</i>	$\lg(n!)$	$\lg(n^n)$	Y	N	Y	N	Y

1-2 *Ordering by asymptotic growth rates*

- a.* Rank the following functions by order of growth; that is, find an arrangement g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{30} of the functions satisfying $g_1 = \Omega(g_2)$, $g_2 = \Omega(g_3)$, \dots , $g_{29} = \Omega(g_{30})$. Partition your list into equivalence classes such that functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ are in the same class if and only if $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$.

$\lg(\lg^* n)$	$2^{\lg^* n}$	$(\sqrt{2})^{\lg n}$	n^2	$n!$	$(\lg n)!$
$(\frac{3}{2})^n$	n^3	$\lg^2 n$	$\lg(n!)$	2^{2^n}	$n^{1/\lg n}$
$\ln \ln n$	$\lg^* n$	$n \cdot 2^n$	$n^{\lg \lg n}$	$\ln n$	1
$2^{\lg n}$	$(\lg n)^{\lg n}$	e^n	$4^{\lg n}$	$(n+1)!$	$\sqrt{\lg n}$
$\lg^*(\lg n)$	$2^{\sqrt{2 \lg n}}$	n	2^n	$n \lg n$	$2^{2^{n+1}}$

$$\lg^* n = \min \{i \geq 0 : \lg^{(i)} n \leq 1\} .$$

The iterated logarithm is a *very* slowly growing function:

$$\lg^* 2 = 1 ,$$

$$\lg^* 4 = 2 ,$$

$$\lg^* 16 = 3 ,$$

$$\lg^* 65536 = 4 ,$$

$$\lg^*(2^{65536}) = 5 .$$

$$2^{2^n+1}$$

$$2^{2^n}$$

$$(n+1)!$$

$$n!$$

$$e^n$$

$$n \cdot 2^n$$

$$2^n$$

$$(3/2)^n$$

$$(\lg n)^{\lg n} = n^{\lg \lg n}$$

$$(\lg n)!$$

$$n^3$$

$$n^2 = 4^{\lg n}$$

$$n \lg n \text{ and } \lg(n!)$$

$$n = 2^{\lg n}$$

$$(\sqrt{2})^{\lg n} (= \sqrt{n})$$

$$2^{\sqrt{2 \lg n}}$$

$$\lg^2 n$$

$$\ln n$$

$$\sqrt{\lg n}$$

$$\ln \ln n$$

$$2^{\lg^* n}$$

$$\lg^* n \text{ and } \lg^*(\lg n)$$

$$\lg(\lg^*)n$$

$$n^{1/\lg n} (= 2) \text{ and } 1$$

1-3 *Asymptotic notation properties*

Let $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ be asymptotically positive functions. Prove or disprove each of the following conjectures.

- a.* $f(n) = O(g(n))$ implies $g(n) = O(f(n))$.
- b.* $f(n) + g(n) = \Theta(\min(f(n), g(n)))$.
- c.* $f(n) = O(g(n))$ implies $\lg(f(n)) = O(\lg(g(n)))$, where $\lg(g(n)) \geq 1$ and $f(n) \geq 1$ for all sufficiently large n .
- d.* $f(n) = O(g(n))$ implies $2^{f(n)} = O(2^{g(n)})$.

Let $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ be asymptotically positive functions.

- a. No, $f(n) = O(g(n))$ does not imply $g(n) = O(f(n))$. Clearly, $n = O(n^2)$ but $n^2 \neq O(n)$.
- b. No, $f(n) + g(n)$ is not $\Theta(\min(f(n), g(n)))$. As an example notice that $n + 1 \neq \Theta(\min(n, 1)) = \Theta(1)$.
- c. Yes, if $f(n) = O(g(n))$ then $\lg(f(n)) = O(\lg(g(n)))$ provided that $f(n) \geq 1$ and $\lg(g(n)) \geq 1$ are greater than or equal 1. We have that:

$$f(n) \leq cg(n) \Rightarrow \lg f(n) \leq \lg cg(n) = \lg c + \lg g(n)$$

To show that this is smaller than $b \lg g(n)$ for some constant b we set $\lg c + \lg g(n) = b \lg g(n)$. Dividing by $\lg g(n)$ yields:

$$b = \frac{\lg(c) + \lg g(n)}{\lg g(n)} = \frac{\lg c}{\lg g(n)} + 1 \leq \lg c + 1$$

The last inequality holds since $\lg g(n) \geq 1$.

- d. No, $f(n) = O(g(n))$ does not imply $2^{f(n)} = O(2^{g(n)})$. If $f(n) = 2n$ and $g(n) = n$ we have that $2n \leq 2 \cdot n$ but not $2^{2n} \leq c2^n$ for any constant c by exercise 3.1 – 4.

1-4 Consider sorting n numbers stored in array A by first finding the largest element of A and exchanging it with the element in $A[n]$. Then find the second largest element of A , and exchange it with $A[n-1]$. Continue in this manner for all n elements of A . Write pseudocode for this algorithm, and answer the following questions: What loop invariant does this algorithm maintain? Give the best-case and worst-case running times of selection sort in asymptotic notation.

Answer:

Loop invariant: At the start of the i -th iteration, the subarray $A[n-i+1, n]$ consists of the largest i elements of A in sorted order.

Best-case running time: $\Theta(n^2)$

Worst-case running time: $\Theta(n^2)$