

## Homework Set #2

1. (25 points) Rank the following 3 functions by order of asymptotic growth. That is, find an arrangement  $g_1(n)$ ,  $g_2(n)$ ,  $g_3(n)$  of the functions satisfying:

$$g_1(n) \in O(g_2(n)), \quad g_2(n) \in O(g_3(n))$$

Justify your answer mathematically by showing values of  $c$  and  $n_0$  such that

$$g_i(n) \leq c g_{i+1}(n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

Functions:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n^3} \quad 3^{4 \log_3 n} \quad 5 \lg n + n^2 \lg \lg n$$

2. (25 points) Suppose that for 3 (possibly different) functions of  $n$ :  $f_1(n)$ ,  $f_2(n)$ ,  $f_3(n)$  we know that:

$$\text{i) } f_1(n) \in \Omega((1/2)^n) \quad \text{ii) } f_2(n) \in \Theta(n^2 \lg n) \quad \text{iii) } f_3(n) \in O(\lg^3 n)$$

a) If statements (i)-(iii) are true, can we conclude that  $f_3(n) \in O(f_2(n))$ ? Why or why not?

b) If statements (i)-(iii) are true, can we conclude that  $f_2(n) \in \Omega(f_1(n))$ ? Why or why not?

3. True or False (25 points).

a.  $n \lg^2 n \in O(n^2)$  [      ]

b.  $n \lg^2 n \in \Omega(n^{1.05})$  [      ]

c.  $n^3 \in o(n^3)$  [      ]

d. The cost of the loop below is in  $O(n)$  [      ]

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for (i = 1; i <= n; i *= 2) { // n>=1
    constant work;
}
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e. The cost of the above loop is in  $\Omega(\lg n)$  [      ]

4. (25 points) Pseudocode Analysis: For the pseudocode below for **Mystery ( $n$ )**, find tight upper and lower bounds on its asymptotic worst-case running time  **$f(n)$** . That is, find  **$g(n)$**  such that  **$f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$** . (Assume that  $n$  is a positive integer.) Justify your answer.

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Mystery ( $n$ )  
   $c \leftarrow 1$   
  for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$   
    do for  $j \leftarrow i$  to  $n$   
      do for  $k \leftarrow n$  down to  $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$   
        do  $c \leftarrow c + 1$   
  print  $c$ 
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