

Quiz 4

Name: Solution Key

1. Prove

$$f(x) = \frac{6x^5 - 2x^3 + 5}{2x^3 - 2x - 4} = \Theta(x^2).$$

Since $6x^5 - 2x^3 + 5 = \Theta(x^5)$, $\exists c_1, c_2 > 0$ and $k > 0$ such that $c_1|x^5| \leq |6x^5 - 2x^3 + 5| \leq c_2|x^5|$, $\forall |x| > k$.

Since $2x^3 - 2x - 4 = \Theta(x^3)$, $\exists \bar{c}_1, \bar{c}_2 > 0$ and $\bar{k} > 0$ such that $\bar{c}_1|x^3| \leq |2x^3 - 2x - 4| \leq \bar{c}_2|x^3|$, for all $|x| > \bar{k}$.

Note

$$|f(x)| = \left| \frac{6x^5 - 2x^3 + 5}{2x^3 - 2x - 4} \right| \leq \frac{c_2|x^5|}{\bar{c}_1|x^3|} = \frac{c_2}{\bar{c}_1}x^2, \text{ for } |x| > \max\{k, \bar{k}\}$$

$$|f(x)| \geq \frac{c_1|x^5|}{\bar{c}_2|x^3|} = \frac{c_1}{\bar{c}_2}x^2, \text{ for } |x| > \max\{k, \bar{k}\}.$$

Therefore,

$$f(x) = \Theta(x^2).$$

2. Using Θ -notation, estimate the number of print statements in the following algorithm: (Hint: use $1 + 2 + \dots + n = n(n+1)/2$)

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for i = 1, ... m
  print "hello"
  for j = i, ... n
    print "bye"
  end
end

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Consider two cases: $m \leq n$ and $m > n$.

1. Let $m \leq n$.Let $c = \#$ of print statements.

$$c \leq mn. \Rightarrow c(\#) = O(mn).$$

$$c = \sum_{i=1}^m \left(1 + \sum_{j=i}^n 1\right) = \sum_{i=1}^m (1 + n - i + 1) = (n+2) \sum_{i=1}^m 1 - \sum_{i=1}^m i = m(n+2) - \frac{m(m+1)}{2}$$

$$\stackrel{m \leq n}{\geq} mn - \frac{m(n+1)}{2} = \frac{mn}{2} - \frac{m}{2} = \frac{mn}{4} + \left(\frac{mn}{4} - \frac{m}{2}\right) \geq \frac{mn}{4} \text{ for } n \geq 2.$$

Therefore, $c = \Theta(mn)$.

2. Let $m > n$. Consider $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $i = n+1, \dots, m$.

$$c = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=i}^n 1 + 1 \right) + \sum_{i=n+1}^m 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n (n+2-i) + m - n = (n+2)n - \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - n + m$$

$$= \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{2} + m.$$

Note, $\exists M_1, M_2 > 0$ such that $M_1 n^2 \leq \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{2} \leq M_2 n^2$ for sufficiently large n .

Therefore $M_1 n^2 + m \leq c \leq M_2 n^2 + m$ and

$$c = \Theta(n^2 + m)$$