

① In general we need to find the biggest integer n such that $f(n) \leq t$ where t is in microseconds.

So for instance, when $f(n) = \lg n$, then

$$\lg n \leq t$$

↓

$$n \leq 2^t \quad \text{since } 2^{\lg n} = n$$

Now we can just plug in the time in microseconds we're interested in for t . So if it's a day, then

$$t = 1 \text{ day} \cdot \frac{24 \text{ hours}}{1 \text{ day}} \cdot \frac{60 \text{ minutes}}{1 \text{ hour}} \cdot \frac{60 \text{ seconds}}{1 \text{ minute}} \cdot \frac{10^6 \mu\text{s}}{1 \text{ s}}$$

"microseconds"

$$t = 86,400 \cdot 10^6 \mu\text{s}$$

$$t = 864 \times 10^8 \mu\text{s}$$

Therefore,

$$n \leq \underbrace{2^{(864 \times 10^8)}}_{\uparrow}$$

this is very big but it should be clear that it is an integer.

So $n = 2^{(864 \times 10^8)}$ is the largest n we can put into our problem if we want a solution in a day.

Here are the general bounds on n for different functions:

$f(n)$	max n
$\lg n$	2^t
\sqrt{n}	t^2
n	t
$n \lg n$??
n^2	\sqrt{t}
n^3	$\sqrt[3]{t}$
2^n	$\lg t$
$n! \equiv$??

a couple of these are not so easy to solve explicitly:

$$n \lg n \leq t \quad \text{and} \quad n! \leq t$$

At this point most of you are probably much better than me at writing good code, but here is the simplest approach to searching for n for a given time t :

$$\underline{n \lg n \leq t}$$

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t := Input
n := 1
m := 0
while while m ≤ t:
    m := n · lg n
    n++
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Output $n-1$

$$\underline{n! \leq t}$$

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t := Input
n := 1
m := 0 1
while m ≤ t:
    m := m · n
    n++
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Output $n-1$

Of course, there's any number of ways to make these codes smarter. You can search w/ powers of 2 or 10 or whatever and then narrow your focus. Or you can note that in both cases $n < t$ since $t \log t > t$ and $t! > t$ so you could search backwards from there or something. Whatever works.

②

A.1-1

* (I did not understand what he meant by a and b in the assignment so I only did each of these one way. Only later did I figure out what he meant. Sorry)

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (2k-1) = 2 \sum_{k=1}^n k - \sum_{k=1}^n 1 = 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} n(n+1) \right) - n = n^2 + n - n = \underline{\underline{n^2}}$$

arithmetic

A.1-2

Note that $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2k-1} = 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n-1}$, the "odd" terms of the harmonic series $\sum_{k=1}^{2n} \frac{1}{k}$.

So when added to the "even" terms we get

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2k-1} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2k} = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \frac{1}{k} = \ln(2n) + O(1)$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2k} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\ln(n) + O(1))$$

So

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2k-1} = \ln(2n) + O(1) - \frac{1}{2} (\ln(n) + O(1))$$

$$= \ln(2) + \ln(n) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(n) + O(1) - \frac{1}{2} O(1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln(n) + \left[O(1) - \frac{1}{2} O(1) + \ln(2) \right]$$

$$\stackrel{\text{(log property)}}{=} \ln(\sqrt{n}) + O(1) \quad \checkmark$$

A.1-3

we already know that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} kx^k = \frac{x}{(1-x)^2}$ when $0 < |x| < 1$

$$\text{so } \frac{d}{dx} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} kx^k \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x}{(1-x)^2} \right)$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2 x^{k-1} = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} + x \cdot -2 \cdot \frac{1}{(1-x)^3} \dots$$

$$= \frac{(1-x) + 2x}{(1-x)^3} = \frac{1+x}{(1-x)^3}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2 x^{k-1} = \frac{1+x}{(1-x)^3}$$

$$x \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2 x^{k-1} \right) = \frac{x(1+x)}{(1-x)^3}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2 x^k = \frac{x(1+x)}{(1-x)^3}$$

A.1-4

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k-1}{2^k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2} - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}$$

← here use
geometric series
where $x = \frac{1}{2}$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{4}} - 2 = 2 - 2 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

A.1-5

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (2k+1)x^{2k} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^{2k+1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left(x \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^{2k} \right)$$

$$\text{(for } |x| < 1) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(x \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (x^2)^k \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left(x \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1-x^2} - 1 \right) \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{1-x^2} - 1 \right) + x \left(-\frac{1}{(1-x^2)^2} \cdot (-2x) \right)$$

$$= \frac{2x^2}{(1-x^2)^2} + \frac{1}{1-x^2} - 1 = \frac{x^2(3-x^2)}{(1-x^2)^2}$$

A.1-6

$$\sum_{k=1}^n O(f_k(i)) = \sum_{k=1}^n g_k(i)$$

where $0 \leq g_k(i) \leq c_k f_k(i)$ for all $i \geq i_k$

for some positive constants c_k

and i_k (def of O on pg 47)

~~and~~ and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n g_k(i) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n c_k f_k(i) \quad \forall i \geq i_0$$

where $i_0 = \max\{i_1, \dots, i_n\}$

~~and~~ and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n c_k f_k(i) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n c f_k(i) \quad \forall i \geq i_0$$

where $c = \max\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n c f_k(i) = c \sum_{k=1}^n f_k(i)$$

So

$$\sum_{k=1}^n O(f_k(i)) \leq c \sum_{k=1}^n f_k(i) \quad \forall i \geq i_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n O(f_k(i)) = O\left(\sum_{k=1}^n f_k(i)\right)$$

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A.1-7

$$\prod_{k=1}^n 2 \cdot 4^k = 2^{\lg\left(\prod_{k=1}^n 2 \cdot 4^k\right)} = 2^{(n^2+2n)}$$

since

$$\lg\left(\prod_{k=1}^n 2 \cdot 4^k\right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \lg(2 \cdot 4^k) = \sum_{k=1}^n [\lg(2) + \lg(4^k)]$$

$$= n \lg(2) + \sum_{k=1}^n k \lg(4) = n + \sum_{k=1}^n 2k$$

$$= n + 2\left(\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)\right) = n^2 + 2n$$

A.1-8

$$\prod_{k=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{k^2}\right) = 2^{\lg\left(\prod_{k=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{k^2}\right)\right)} \stackrel{①}{=} 2^{\lg\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right) - 1} = \frac{2^{\lg\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)}}{2}$$

$$\lg\left(\prod_{k=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{k^2}\right)\right) = \sum_{k=2}^n \lg\left(1 - \frac{1}{k^2}\right) = \sum_{k=2}^n \lg\left(\frac{k^2-1}{k^2}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{k=2}^n \lg\left(\frac{(k+1)(k-1)}{k^2}\right) = \sum_{k=2}^n [\lg(k+1) + \lg(k-1) - \lg(k) - \lg(k)]$$

$$= \sum_{k=2}^n [(\lg(k+1) - \lg(k)) - (\lg(k) - \lg(k-1))] \quad \leftarrow \text{telescoping}$$

$$= \lg(n+1) - \lg(n) - \lg(2) + \lg(1)$$

$$= \lg\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right) - 1 + 0$$

$$= \frac{n+1}{2n}$$

③ A.2-1 The trick is to break this one up into parts.

$$\text{Let } l = \lfloor \lg(n) \rfloor \Rightarrow l \leq \lg(n) < l+1$$

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$$2^l \leq n < 2^{l+1}$$

the parts we want are between each power of 2:

first part: 1 $(2^0 \leq x < 2^1)$

second part: 2, 3 $(2^1 \leq x < 2^2)$

third part: 4, 5, 6, 7 $(2^2 \leq x < 2^3)$

\vdots and so on until

$(l+1)$ th part: $2^l, 2^l+1, \dots, 2^{l+1}-1$

So each part has 2^i terms for $i=0, 1, \dots, l$

since $2^{i+1} - 2^i = 2^i(2-1) = 2^i$.

(each term of)
a particular part of our sequence is bounded by its largest term:

$$\frac{1}{(2^i)^2} + \frac{1}{(2^i+1)^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2^{i+1}-1)^2} < 2^i \cdot \frac{1}{(2^i)^2} = \frac{1}{2^i}$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k^2} < \sum_{i=0}^l \frac{1}{2^i} < \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^i} \leftarrow \text{this is the geometric series for } x = 1/2 = \frac{1}{1-1/2} = 2$$

So $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k^2} < 2$ for any n .

A.2-2

Again let $l = \lceil \lg n \rceil$

(sorry about the scratch outs)

$$\text{so } 2^{l-1} \leq n \leq 2^l$$

$$\text{which means that } \left\lceil \frac{n}{2^k} \right\rceil \leq \left\lceil \frac{2^l}{2^k} \right\rceil = 2^{l-k}$$

(an integer since $k \leq \lg n = l-1$)

$$\text{so } \sum_{k=0}^{\lceil \lg n \rceil} \left\lceil \frac{n}{2^k} \right\rceil \leq \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} 2^{l-k} = \sum_{k=1}^l 2^k$$

$$\text{we can show that } \sum_{k=1}^l 2^k = O(2^{l+1})$$

by showing that $\exists c > 0$ such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^l 2^k \leq c \cdot 2^{l+1}$$

for all $l > 0$.

base case: $l=1 \Rightarrow 2 \leq c \cdot 2$ so true for any $c \geq 1$.

induction step: assume $\sum_{k=1}^l 2^k \leq c \cdot 2^{l+1}$

$$\text{then } \sum_{k=1}^{l+1} 2^k \leq c \cdot 2^{l+1} + 2^{l+1} = c \cdot 2^{l+1} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{c} \right)$$

$$\text{we want: } c \cdot 2^{l+1} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \leq c \cdot 2^{l+1}$$

$$\text{so we need: } \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \leq 1$$

$$\text{which we get if } \frac{c+2}{2c} \leq 1 \iff c+2 \leq 2c \iff c \geq 2.$$

$$\text{Hence } \sum_{k=1}^l 2^k = O(2^{l+1}) \text{ so } \sum_{k=0}^{\lceil \lg n \rceil} \left\lceil \frac{n}{2^k} \right\rceil = O(2^{\lceil \lg n \rceil})$$

A.2-3 To show that $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} = \Omega(\lg n)$

we need to show that $\exists c > 0$ and a n_0 such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \geq c \lg n \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

Let $l = \lfloor \lg n \rfloor$

So we can break into sums:

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \\ & \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{7} \\ & \vdots \\ & \frac{1}{2^{l-1}} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^l - 1} \\ & \frac{1}{2^l} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\frac{1}{2^i} + \frac{1}{2^{i+1}} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{i+1}-1} \geq 2^i \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2^{i+1}-1} \right) > \frac{2^i}{2^{i+1}} = \frac{1}{2}$

then $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} > \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2^l} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \right) > \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} l$

So $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} > \frac{1}{2} \lfloor \lg n \rfloor$

since $\lg n - \lfloor \lg n \rfloor < 1$ then $\lg n - 1 < \lfloor \lg n \rfloor$

So $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} > \frac{1}{2} (\lg n - 1)$

we need only find some constant c such that

$$\frac{1}{2} (\lg n - 1) \geq c \lg n \quad \text{for "big enough" } n$$

So
$$c \leq \frac{\frac{1}{2} \lg(n) - \frac{1}{2}}{\lg(n)} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2 \lg(n)}$$

since $\lg(n)$ is a strictly increasing function then this bound increases to $\frac{1}{2}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

So whatever, just take $n_0 = 4$ or something and we get that $c \leq \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$

Then for any $0 < c \leq \frac{1}{4}$ and all $n \geq 4$ we have

$$\frac{1}{2} (\lg n - 1) \geq c \lg n$$

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$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} > c \lg n$$

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$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} = \Omega(\lg n) \quad \square$$

A.2-4

$$\int_0^n x^3 dx \leq \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 \leq \int_1^{n+1} x^3 dx$$

$$\frac{1}{4} x^4 \Big|_0^n \leq \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 \leq \frac{1}{4} x^4 \Big|_1^{n+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} n^4 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 \leq \frac{1}{4} (n+1)^4 - \frac{1}{4}$$

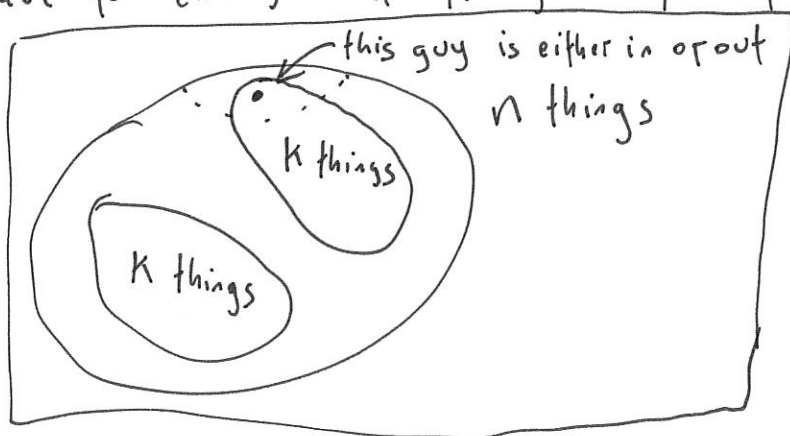
A.2-5 to avoid dividing by zero

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a) Pascal's Identity says

$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k}$$

which I always remember by thinking about how many ways I can pick k things from a set of n things. If I grab one of the things, then if it is going to be in my k things then that leaves me with $\binom{n-1}{k-1}$ choices of how to grab the rest. If it isn't going to be in my k things, then I have to choose all k from the other $n-1$ things.



So now the problem:

induction on n

base case: $n=0 \rightarrow 2^0 = 1$ and $\sum_{i=0}^0 \binom{0}{i} = \binom{0}{0} = 1$ ✓

induction step: assume true for $n=k$

want to show that it's true for $n=k+1$

So we assume that

$$2^k = \binom{k}{0} + \binom{k}{1} + \dots + \binom{k}{k}$$

multiply both sides by 2:

$$2^{k+1} = 2 \left[\binom{k}{0} + \dots + \binom{k}{k} \right]$$

$$2^{k+1} = \binom{k}{0} + \binom{k}{1} + \binom{k}{2} + \dots + \binom{k}{k-1} + \binom{k}{k} + \binom{k}{0} + \binom{k}{1} + \dots + \binom{k}{k-2} + \binom{k}{k-1} + \binom{k}{k}$$

apply Pascal's Id:

$$2^{k+1} = \binom{k}{0} + \binom{k+1}{1} + \binom{k+1}{2} + \dots + \binom{k+1}{k-1} + \binom{k+1}{k} + \binom{k}{k}$$

Note that $\binom{k}{0} = \binom{k}{k} = \binom{k+1}{0} = \binom{k+1}{k+1} = 1$, so

$$2^{k+1} = \binom{k+1}{0} + \dots + \binom{k+1}{k+1} = \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} \binom{k+1}{i} \quad \square$$

b) base case

$$n=0 \rightarrow (x+y)^0 = 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^0 \binom{0}{i} x^i y^{0-i} = \binom{0}{0} x^0 y^0 = 1$$

✓

induction step

assume true for $n=k$:

$$(x+y)^k = \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} x^i y^{k-i}$$

expand RHS and multiply both sides by $x+y$:

$$(x+y)^{k+1} = (x+y) \left[\binom{k}{0} y^k + \binom{k}{1} x y^{k-1} + \dots + \binom{k}{k-1} x^{k-1} y + \binom{k}{k} x^k \right]$$

$$(x+y)^{k+1} = \left[\binom{k}{0} x y^k + \binom{k}{1} x^2 y^{k-1} + \dots + \binom{k}{k-1} x^k y + \binom{k}{k} x^{k+1} \right. \\ \left. + \binom{k}{0} y^{k+1} + \binom{k}{1} x y^k + \binom{k}{2} x^2 y^{k-1} + \dots + \binom{k}{k} x^k y \right]$$

$$(x+y)^{k+1} = \binom{k}{0} y^{k+1} + \left[\binom{k}{0} + \binom{k}{1} \right] x y^k + \left[\binom{k}{1} + \binom{k}{2} \right] x^2 y^{k-1} + \dots + \\ \left[\binom{k}{k-1} + \binom{k}{k} \right] x^k y + \binom{k}{k} x^{k+1}$$

apply pascal and note that $\binom{k}{0} = \binom{k+1}{0}$ and $\binom{k}{k} = \binom{k+1}{k+1}$:

$$(x+y)^{k+1} = \binom{k+1}{0} y^{k+1} + \binom{k+1}{1} x y^k + \dots + \binom{k+1}{k+1} x^{k+1}$$

$$(x+y)^{k+1} = \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} \binom{k+1}{i} y^{k+1-i} x^i$$

□

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3-2

a) I want to show that $\lg^k n = o(n^\epsilon)$ for any $\epsilon > 0$ and $k \geq 1$. This will imply that $\lg^k n = O(n^\epsilon)$ and that $\lg^k n \neq \Omega(n^\epsilon), \omega(n^\epsilon), \Theta(n^\epsilon)$.

So need to show that for any $c > 0, \exists n_0$ st

$$\lg^k n \leq cn^\epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

Let $c > 0$, then $\sqrt[k]{c} > 0$ and $\epsilon > 0 \rightarrow \epsilon/k > 0$

$$\text{so } \lg^k n \leq cn^\epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_0 \iff \lg n \leq \sqrt[k]{c} \cdot n^{\epsilon/k} \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

Therefore, we need only solve the case for $k=1$:

$$\lg n \leq cn^\epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

Well,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg n}{cn^\epsilon} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{c\epsilon n^{\epsilon-1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln(2)c\epsilon n^\epsilon} = 0$$

L'Hopital
since $\lg n \rightarrow \infty$
and $cn^\epsilon \rightarrow \infty$
as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Since the ratio goes to zero ~~as~~ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ then at some n_0 it must be the case that $\lg n \leq cn^\epsilon, \forall n \geq n_0$ since otherwise the ratio $\frac{\lg n}{cn^\epsilon}$ could have an infinite # of n 's st $\frac{\lg n}{cn^\epsilon} \geq 1$, contradicting the limit

(note: ~~the~~ to use L'Hopital I'm actually considering real-valued functions $\lg x$ and cx^ϵ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$. But $\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ so it's ok)

b) Same deal: $n^k = o(c^n)$ (for $c > 1$ and $k \geq 1$)

$$\Rightarrow n^k = O(c^n) \text{ and } n^k \neq \omega(c^n), \omega(c^n), \Theta(c^n)$$

Let $d > 0$, then we want a n_0 such that $n^k \leq d \cdot (c^n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0$

$$\iff \lg(n^k) \leq \lg(d \cdot (c^n)) \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

$$k \lg(n) \leq \lg(d) + \lg(c) \cdot n \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

$$\text{Let } c' = \frac{\lg(c)}{k} \text{ and } d' = \frac{\lg(d)}{k}$$

then we need only that $\lg(n) \leq c'n + d'$
 $\forall n \geq n_0$

By part a we already know

that $\exists n_0$ st $\lg(n) \leq c'n \quad \forall n \geq n_0$

so if $d' \geq 0$ then we're done.

Otherwise $d' < 0$ but is still just a constant

so we can use the same trick as before:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg(n)}{c'n + d'} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/n}{c'} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{c'n} = 0.$$

So $n^k = o(c^n) \quad \square$

c) There is no asymptotic relationship between \sqrt{n} and $n^{\sin n}$ since $n^{\sin n}$ "bounces" back and forth between n and $1/n$ as $\sin n$ bounces between 1 and -1. So whenever $\sin n > 1/2$ then $\sqrt{n} < n^{\sin n}$ and when $\sin n < 1/2$ then $\sqrt{n} > n^{\sin n}$.

$\sin x > 1/2$ for $2\pi k + \frac{\pi}{6} < x < 2\pi k + \pi - \frac{\pi}{6}$.

~~$$(2\pi k + \frac{\pi}{6}) - (2\pi k + \frac{\pi}{6}) = 0$$~~

$$(2\pi k + \pi - \frac{\pi}{6}) - (2\pi k + \frac{\pi}{6}) = \pi - \frac{2\pi}{6} = \pi \cdot \frac{2}{3} > 2$$

$$\text{and } 2\pi - \frac{2}{3}\pi = \frac{4}{3}\pi > 4$$

so both ranges allow room for integers. Hence, there are infinitely many $n \geq 0$ for which $\sin n > 1/2$ and infinitely many for which $\sin n < 1/2$.

Since $n^{1/2} = o(n^\alpha)$, $\omega(n^\beta)$ for $\beta < 1/2 < \alpha$ then for any $c > 0$ ~~$\exists n_0$~~ and any n_0 , $\exists n_1, n_2$ such that $n^{1/2} > c(n_1)^{\sin n_1}$ and $n^{1/2} < c(n_2)^{\sin n_2}$.
So $n^{1/2} \neq O(n^{\sin n})$, $\Omega(n^{\sin n})$, $o(n^{\sin n})$, $\omega(n^{\sin n})$, $\Theta(n^{\sin n})$

d) suppose $2^n \geq c \cdot 2^{n/2}$ for $c > 0$

then $2^{n/2} \geq c$ which is true for all n if

$$n/2 \geq \lg c$$

$$n \geq 2 \lg c$$

So for each $c > 0$, let $n_0 = \lceil 2 \lg c \rceil$, then $\forall n \geq n_0$,

$$2^n \geq c \cdot 2^{n/2}. \quad \text{So } 2^n = \omega(2^{n/2}) \rightarrow 2^n = \Omega(2^{n/2})$$

$$\text{and } 2^n \neq O(2^{n/2}), o(2^{n/2}), \Theta(2^{n/2}).$$

e) These are actually the same function since

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

$$\Rightarrow n^{\lg c} = c^{\lg n} \quad (\lg x \text{ is one-to-one}).$$

Therefore, $n^{\lg c} = O(c^{\lg n})$, $\Omega(c^{\lg n})$, $\Theta(c^{\lg n})$

and $n^{\lg c} \neq o(c^{\lg n})$, $\omega(c^{\lg n})$.

f) $\lg(n!) = \Theta(\lg(n^n))$ since $\lg(n!) = O(\lg(n^n))$
and $\lg(n!) = \Omega(\lg(n^n))$.

$O(\lg(n^n))$

easy since

$$\lg(n!) = \lg(1) + \lg(2) + \dots + \lg(n)$$

$$\lg(n^n) = \underbrace{\lg(n) + \lg(n) + \dots + \lg(n)}_{n \text{ times}}$$

and $\lg(i) \leq \lg(n)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

so $\lg(n!) \leq \lg(n^n)$.

$\Omega(\lg(n^n))$

We can use Sterling's Approximation for $n!$

So

$$n! = \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n (1 + \Theta(1/n))$$

$$\lg(n!) = \lg\left(\sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n (1 + \Theta(1/n))\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lg(2\pi n) + n \lg(n/e) + \lg(1 + \Theta(1/n))$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{2} \lg(2\pi n) + n \lg(n/e) + \lg(1 + d/n)$$

(for some constant $d > 0$)

Since $2\pi n \geq 1$ for $n \geq 1$

and $1 + d/n \geq 1$ for $n \geq 1$

then $\lg(2\pi n), \lg(1 + d/n) \geq 0$ so

$$\lg(n!) \geq n \lg(n/e).$$

we need a constant $c > 0$ such that $n \lg(n/e) \geq c \lg(n^n)$

for all $n \geq n_0$ (for some n_0).

So

$$\frac{n \lg(n/e)}{n \lg(n)} \geq c \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\lg(n/e)}{\lg(n)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n \lg(n) - n \lg(e)}{n \lg(n)} \geq c$$

$$1 - \frac{\lg(e)}{\lg(n)} \geq c$$

Note that $1 < \lg(e) < 2$, $\lg(\frac{16}{4}) = \frac{4}{4} = 1$, and $1 - \frac{\lg(e)}{\lg(n)}$ is monotone increasing (but bounded by 1) as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Hence, $1 - \frac{\lg(e)}{\lg(16)} \stackrel{>}{\approx} \frac{1}{2} \quad \forall n \geq 16$

So $\lg(n!) \geq \frac{1}{2} \lg(n^n) \quad \forall n \geq 16$

Thus, $\lg(n!) = \Omega(\lg(n^n))$.

To Summarize:

A	B	O	o	Ω	ω	Θ
$\lg^k n$	n^c	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
n^k	c^n	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
\sqrt{n}	$n^{\sin n}$	No	No	No	No	No
2^n	$2^{n/2}$	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
$n^{\lg c}$	$c^{\lg n}$	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
$\lg(n!)$	$\lg(n^n)$	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes

⑥ want to show that $\exists c > 0$ and n_0 st

$$T(n) \leq cn \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

since $T(0) = 0$, then this is true for any c .

Suppose we have found such a c that works for all $k < n$

then since $\lfloor n/3 \rfloor, \lfloor n/5 \rfloor, \lfloor n/7 \rfloor < n$ it follows that

$$T(\lfloor n/3 \rfloor) \leq c \lfloor n/3 \rfloor, \quad T(\lfloor n/5 \rfloor) \leq c \lfloor n/5 \rfloor, \quad T(\lfloor n/7 \rfloor) \leq c \lfloor n/7 \rfloor$$

so

$$T(n) \leq c \lfloor n/3 \rfloor + c \lfloor n/5 \rfloor + c \lfloor n/7 \rfloor + n \leq c \left(\frac{n}{3} + \frac{n}{5} + \frac{n}{7} \right) + n$$

(since $\lfloor n/3 \rfloor \leq \frac{n}{3}$
etc)

We want
$$c \left(\frac{n}{3} + \frac{n}{5} + \frac{n}{7} \right) + n \leq cn$$

so
$$cn \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \leq cn$$

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{c} \leq 1 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \frac{105}{34} \leq c$$

* assuming I didn't
make a mistake

So if we pick any $c \geq \frac{105}{34}$, then $T(n) \leq cn \quad \forall n$.

Hence, $T(n) = O(n)$ \square

(7)

$n=0$ is a counterexample for the statement for both \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{Z} . So I assume this means positive numbers in both cases, \mathbb{R}^+ and \mathbb{Z}^+ :

a) counterexample: $n = 1.9$ $n+1 = 2.9$
then let $x = \lg(1.9)$ and $y = \lg(2.9)$

$$\text{So } 2^x = 1.9 \quad \text{and} \quad 2^y = 2.9$$

Therefore, $0 < x < 1$ and $1 < y < 2$

$$\text{so } \lfloor x \rfloor = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lceil y \rceil = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lceil \lg(2.9) \rceil \neq \lfloor \lg(1.9) \rfloor + 1.$$

b) true: Let $2^i \leq n < 2^{i+1}$ for some $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\text{then } 2^i < n+1 \leq 2^{i+1}$$

$$\text{so } \lfloor \lg(n) \rfloor = i \quad \text{and} \quad \lceil \lg(n+1) \rceil = i+1$$

$$\text{Hence, } \lceil \lg(n+1) \rceil = \lfloor \lg(n) \rfloor + 1 \quad \square$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \sum_{i=1}^n i \cdot 3^i &= 3 \sum_{i=1}^n i \cdot 3^{i-1} = 3 \frac{d}{dx} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x^i \right) \text{ for } x=3 \\ &= 3 \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x^{n+1}-1}{x-1} - 1 \right) \quad \text{since } 1+x+x^2+\dots+x^n = \frac{x^{n+1}-1}{x-1} \\ &= 3 \left(\frac{(n+1)x^n(x-1) - (x^{n+1}-1)}{(x-1)^2} \right) \\ &= 3 \left(\frac{(n+1) \cdot 3^n (3-1) - (3^{n+1}-1)}{(3-1)^2} \right) \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{3}{4} (2(n+1)3^n - 3^{n+1} + 1)}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \sum_{i=1}^n i \cdot 3^i &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n i \cdot (3^{i+1} - 3^i) \quad \text{since } 3^{i+1} - 3^i = 3^i(3-1) = 2 \cdot 3^i \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n i \cdot 3^{i+1} - \sum_{i=1}^n i \cdot 3^i \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n i \cdot 3^{i+1} - \sum_{i=0}^n (i+1) \cdot 3^{i+1} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n (i-i-1) \cdot 3^{i+1} + n3^{n+1} - 3 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[n3^{n+1} - 3 - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 3^{i+1} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[n3^{n+1} - \sum_{i=1}^n 3^i \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[n3^{n+1} - \left(\frac{3^{n+1}-1}{3-1} - 1 \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[n3^{n+1} - \frac{1}{2} 3^{n+1} + \frac{3}{2} \right] \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{3}{4} (2n \cdot 3^n - 3^n + 1)}}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{equals above in part a} \\ \text{since } 2(n+1)3^n - 3^{n+1} = 3^n(2n+2-3) \\ = 3^n(2n-1) = 2n \cdot 3^n - 3^n. \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

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want to show that $\sum_{i=1}^n i \cdot 3^i = \frac{3}{4} ([2n-1] \cdot 3^n + 1)$
by induction:

base: $n=1 \rightarrow 1 \cdot 3^1 = 3$

$\frac{3}{4} ([2 \cdot 1 - 1] \cdot 3^1 + 1) = 3$ ✓

induction step: assume $\sum_{i=1}^n i \cdot 3^i = \frac{3}{4} ([2n-1] \cdot 3^n + 1)$ for some $n \geq 1$

then $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i \cdot 3^i = \frac{3}{4} ([2n-1] \cdot 3^n + 1) + (n+1) \cdot 3^{n+1}$

$= \frac{3}{4} ([2n-1] \cdot 3^n + 1 + 4(n+1) \cdot 3^n)$

$= \frac{3}{4} ([2n-1+4n+4] \cdot 3^n + 1) = \frac{3}{4} ([6n+3] \cdot 3^n + 1)$

$= \frac{3}{4} ([2n+1] \cdot 3^{n+1} + 1) = \frac{3}{4} ([2(n+1)-1] \cdot 3^{n+1} + 1)$ □

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$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 \cdot 2^i = \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 \cdot (2^{i+1} - 2^i) \quad \text{since } 2^{i+1} - 2^i = 2^i(2-1) = 2^i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 \cdot 2^{i+1} - \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 \cdot 2^i = \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 \cdot 2^{i+1} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (i+1)^2 \cdot 2^{i+1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (i^2 - (i+1)^2) \cdot 2^{i+1} + n^2 \cdot 2^{n+1} - 2$$

$$= -\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (2i+1) \cdot 2^{i+1} + n^2 \cdot 2^{n+1} - 2$$

$$= n^2 \cdot 2^{n+1} - 2 - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 2^{i+1} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i \cdot 2^{i+1}$$

$$= n^2 \cdot 2^{n+1} - \sum_{i=1}^n 2^i - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i \cdot 2^{i+1} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2^{n+1} - 1}{2 - 1} - 1 \right) = 2^{n+1} - 2$$

SBP again

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i \cdot 2^{i+1} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i \cdot (2^{i+2} - 2^{i+1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i \cdot 2^{i+2} - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i \cdot 2^{i+1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i \cdot 2^{i+2} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} (i+1) \cdot 2^{i+2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} (i - i - 1) \cdot 2^{i+2} + (n-1) \cdot 2^{n+1} - 4$$

$$= -\sum_{i=1}^{n-2} 2^{i+2} + (n-1) \cdot 2^{n+1} - 4 = (n-1) \cdot 2^{n+1} - \sum_{i=2}^n 2^i$$

$$= (n-1) \cdot 2^{n+1} - \left(\frac{2^{n+1} - 1}{2 - 1} - 1 - 2 \right) = (n-1) \cdot 2^{n+1} - 2^{n+1} + 4$$

$$= 2^{n+1} (n-2) + 4$$

$$\text{So all together: } n^2 \cdot 2^{n+1} - 2^{n+1} + 2 - 2 \left(2^{n+1} (n-2) + 4 \right) = \underline{\underline{2^{n+1} (n^2 - 2n + 3) - 6}}$$

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a) need $c > 0$ and n_0 st $0 \leq 100n \leq cn^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0$

Since $100n \leq n^2 \quad \forall n \geq 100$

then let $n_0 = 100$ and $c = 1. \Rightarrow 0 \leq 100n \leq n^2 \quad \forall n \geq 100$

So $100n = O(n^2)$.

b) same thing so note that $3x^4 - 2x^3 \leq 3x^4 \quad \forall x > 0$

and $3x^4 - 2x^3 = x^3(3x - 2) \geq 0$
for all $x \geq \frac{2}{3}$

So $0 \leq 3x^4 - 2x^3 \leq 3x^4$
 $\forall x \geq 1$

Next, $x^2 - 100 \leq x^2 \leq x^4 \quad \forall x \geq 10$

and $x^2 - 100 = (x - 10)(x + 10) \geq 0$
for all $x \geq 10$

So for all $x \geq 10$

$0 \leq 3x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2 - 100 \leq 3x^4 + x^4 = 4x^4$

So $3x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2 - 100 = O(x^4)$.

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Since $\ln x$ is monotone increasing then

$$\int_{a-1}^b \ln x \, dx \leq \sum_{i=a}^b \ln i \leq \int_a^{b+1} \ln x \, dx$$

Here we want $\sum_{i=1}^n \ln i$ but $\int_0^n \ln x \, dx$ gives us trouble since $\ln(0)$ is undefined. However, note that $\ln 1 = 0$ so

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \ln i = \sum_{i=2}^n \ln i. \text{ Thus,}$$

$$\int_1^n \ln x \, dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \ln i \leq \int_2^{n+1} \ln x \, dx$$

$$x \ln x - x \Big|_1^n \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \ln i \leq x \ln x - x \Big|_2^{n+1}$$

$$n \ln n - n - \ln 1 + 1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \ln i \leq (n+1) \ln(n+1) - (n+1) - 2 \ln 2 + 2$$

$$n \ln n - n + 1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \ln i \leq (n+1) \ln(n+1) - (n+1) - 2 \ln 2 + 2$$

This implies that $\sum_{i=1}^n \ln i = \Theta(n \ln n)$.

$\Omega(n \ln n)$

NTS: $\exists c, n_0$ st $c n \ln n \leq n \ln n - n + 1 \quad \forall n \geq n_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } c &\leq \frac{n \ln n - n + 1}{n \ln n} = 1 - \frac{1}{\ln n} + \frac{1}{n \ln n} \\ &= 1 - \left(\frac{1}{\ln n} - \frac{1}{n \ln n} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$\frac{1}{\ln n} - \frac{1}{n \ln n} > 0$ but approaches 0

so as $n \rightarrow \infty$ the bound on c increases toward one

Let $c = \frac{1}{e}$ then for $n \geq 3$ the statement works since $e < 3$

$$\text{so } 1 - \left(\frac{1}{\ln(e)} - \frac{1}{e \ln(e)} \right) < 1 - \left(\frac{1}{\ln(n)} - \frac{1}{n \ln(n)} \right) \quad \forall n \geq 3$$

" $\frac{1}{e}$

$$\underline{O(n \ln n)}$$

$$\text{NTS: } \exists c, n_0 \text{ st } c n \ln n \geq (n+1) \ln(n+1) - (n+1) - 2 \ln 2 + 2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

So we need:

$$c \geq \frac{n \ln(n+1) + \ln(n+1) - n + (1 - 2 \ln 2)}{n \ln n}$$

↑

$$c \geq \frac{n \ln(n+1)}{n \ln n} + \frac{\ln(n+1)}{n \ln n} \quad \text{since } -n + 1 - 2 \ln 2 < 0 \quad \forall n > 0$$

$$c \geq \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln n} + \frac{\ln(n+1)}{n \ln n}$$

Note that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n+1)}{n \ln n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/n+1}{1+\ln n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)(1+\ln n)} = 0$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/n+1}{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1} = 1$

So \exists an n_0 for which $2 > \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln n} + \frac{\ln(n+1)}{n \ln n} \quad \forall n \geq n_0$

So let $c=2$ and we're done.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \ln i = \Theta(n \ln n)$$

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$$T(n) = 2 \cdot T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n, \quad T(1) = 1$$

a) repeated substitution

assume ~~even~~ n is a power of 2 - $n = 2^i$
for some $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\text{then } T(2^i) = 2T(2^{i-1}) + 2^i$$

$$= 2(2T(2^{i-2}) + 2^{i-1}) + 2^i$$

$$= 2^2 T(2^{i-2}) + 2^i + 2^i$$

$$= 2^2 (2 \cdot T(2^{i-3}) + 2^{i-2}) + 2^i + 2^i$$

$$= 2^3 \cdot T(2^{i-3}) + 2^i + 2^i + 2^i$$

notice the pattern \Rightarrow

$$= \dots$$
$$= 2^i T(1) + i \cdot 2^i = (i+1) \cdot 2^i$$

So we can show this formally by induction now that we've found the pattern.

$$\text{for all } i \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 0} \quad T(2^i) = (i+1) \cdot 2^i$$

$$\text{base: } i=0 \rightarrow T(1) = 1$$

$$\text{and } (0+1) \cdot 2^0 = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

induction step: assume true ~~for~~ ^{for} ~~for~~ i

then

$$T(2^{i+1}) = 2T(2^i) + 2^{i+1}$$

$$= 2((i+1)2^i) + 2^{i+1}$$

$$= (i+1)2^{i+1} + 2^{i+1} = (i+2)2^{i+1}$$

□

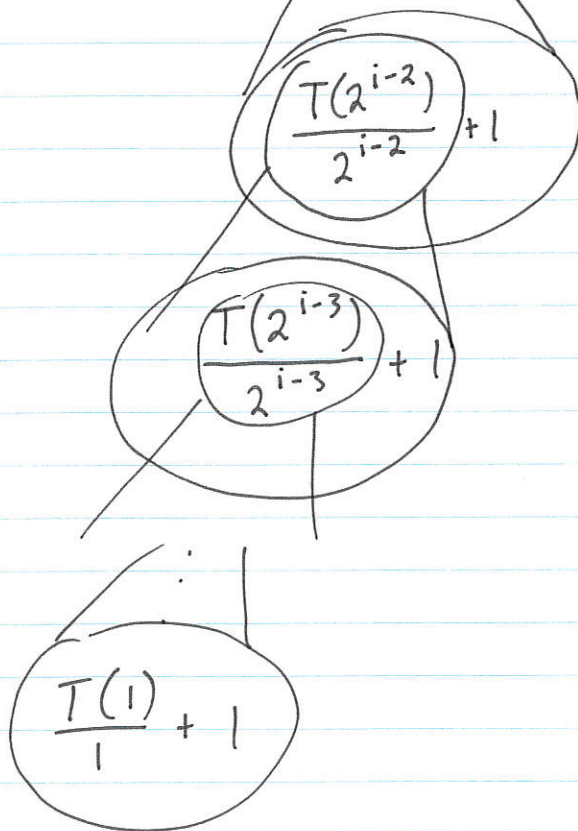
b) telescoping series method

$$T(2^i) = 2T(2^{i-1}) + 2^i$$

we want
the $T(\)$ of the RHS to
be in the same "kind" of term
as the $T(\)$ on the LHS
so that we can telescope through

divide both sides by 2^i to get

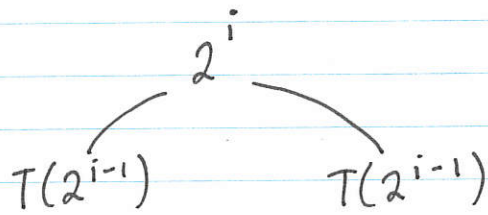
$$\frac{T(2^i)}{2^i} = \frac{T(2^{i-1})}{2^{i-1}} + 1$$



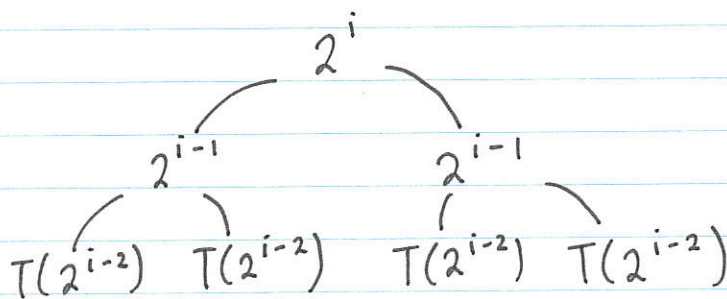
So $\frac{T(2^i)}{2^i} = 1 + i \rightarrow T(2^i) = (i+1)2^i$ as before.

c) recursion-tree method

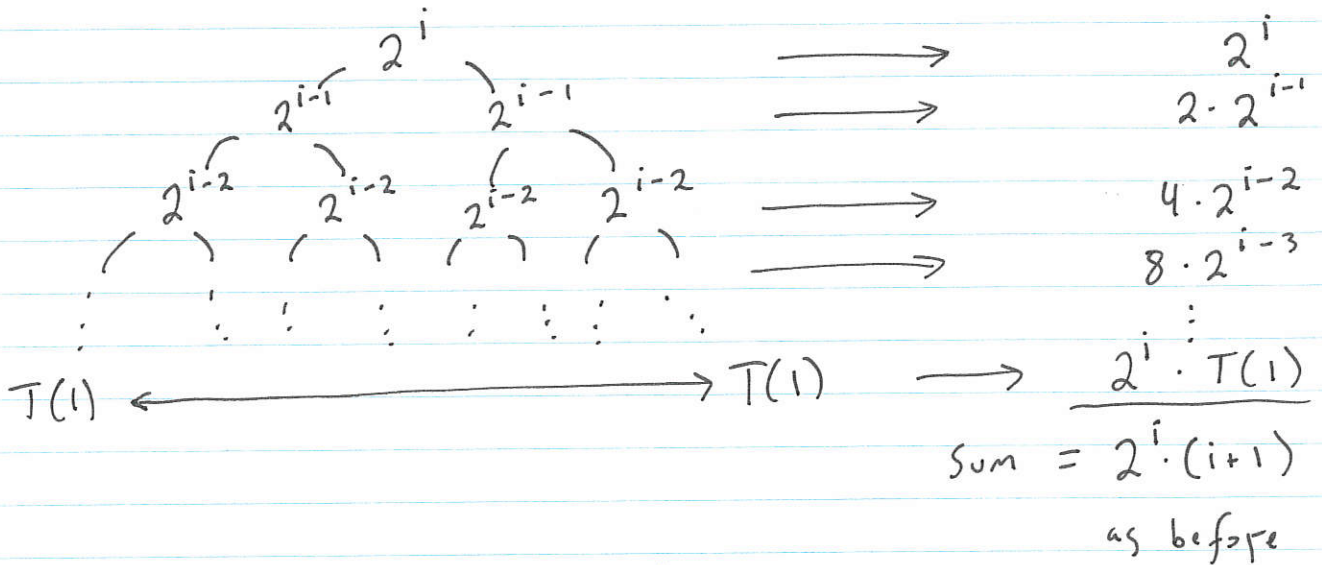
$T(2^i)$



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or in terms of $n \rightarrow T(n) = n \cdot (\lg n + 1)$

when n is a power of 2

d) substitution method

when $n = 2^i$ we know that $T(n) = n \lg n + n$

since $n \lg n \geq n$ then $\Rightarrow T(n) \leq 2n \lg(n)$ for $n = 2^i$
so my guess is that $T(n) = O(n \lg n)$ in general.

NTS: $\exists c > 0$ and a n_0 st

$$T(n) \leq cn \lg n \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

suppose it is true for $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$, then

$$T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) \leq c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$$

so

$$T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n \leq 2c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$$

since $2 \cdot \lfloor n/2 \rfloor = n$ or $n-1$, then $2 \cdot \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \leq n$ so

$$T(n) \leq cn \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$$

So we'd like to show that $cn \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n \leq cn \lg(n)$.

This would be true if ~~we~~ $\lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + \frac{1}{c} \leq \lg(n)$.

$$\text{Since } \lg(n) - \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) = \lg\left(\frac{n}{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}\right) = \begin{cases} \lg(2) & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \lg(2 + \frac{2}{n-1}) & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{then } \lg(n) - \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) \geq \lg(2) = 1$$

So we need only pick c so that $1/c \leq 1 \rightarrow 1 \leq c$.

$$\text{So } T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) \leq c \frac{n}{2} \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) \rightarrow T(n) \leq cn \lg(n)$$

for any $c \geq 1$.

We need only check the base case:

$T(1) = 1$ actually doesn't work for any c
since $c \cdot 1 \cdot \lg 1 = 0 < 1 = T(1)$.

but that's ok since we only need it true for all n
past a certain n_0 . So clearly $n_0 > 1$ for us.

$T(2) = 4$ and $c \cdot 2 \lg 2 = 2c$ so $c \geq 2$
and $T(3) = 2T(\lfloor 3/2 \rfloor) + 3$
 $= 5$ so $c \cdot 3 \lg(3) \geq 5$

$$c \geq \frac{5}{3 \lg(3)}$$

since $6 \lg(3) > 6 \lg(2) = 6 > 5$
then $c \geq 2$ works again

And this is all we need to do since for any $n \exists$ some i
st

$$2^i \leq n < 2^{i+1} \rightarrow 2^{i-1} \leq \lfloor n/2 \rfloor < 2^i$$

So our induction base case need only be some set
 $\{2^i, 2^{i+1}, \dots, 2^{i+1}-1\}$ which $\{2, 3\}$ is.

So we're done!

$$T(n) \leq 2 \cdot n \lg n \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \lg n) \quad \square$$

e) master method

to use this method

We need $T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$ for $a \geq 1$ and $b > 1$

Here, $a = b = 2$.

Then we must determine if $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b(a - \epsilon)})$ for any $\epsilon > 0$

$$f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b(a + \epsilon)}) \text{ for some } \epsilon > 0$$

Well, $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_2 2} = n$ so $f(n) = \Theta(n)$
since $f(n) = n$.

Then $T(n) = \Theta(n \lg n)$ by the Master Theorem.

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$$f_n = f_{n-1} + 6f_{n-2} \quad f_0 = 0, f_1 = 1$$

a)

$$f_n = \alpha^n \rightarrow \alpha^n = \alpha^{n-1} + 6\alpha^{n-2}$$

$$\alpha^2 = \alpha + 6$$

$$\alpha^2 - \alpha - 6 = 0$$

$$(\alpha - 3)(\alpha + 2) = 0$$

$$\alpha = -2, 3$$

$$\text{So } f_n = a(-2)^n + b(3)^n \text{ works}$$

$$\text{since } f_0 = 0 \text{ and } f_1 = 1, \text{ then } \begin{cases} 0 = a + b \\ 1 = -2a + 3b \end{cases}$$

$$\downarrow \\ 5b = 1 \rightarrow b = 1/5 \\ \rightarrow a = -1/5$$

$$\text{So } f_n = \underline{\underline{-1/5(-2)^n + 1/5(3)^n}}$$

$$\text{b) } f_n = O(3^n)$$

$$\text{assume } f_{n-1} \leq c3^{n-1} \text{ and } f_{n-2} \leq c3^{n-2}$$

$$\text{then } f_n = f_{n-1} + 6f_{n-2} \leq c3^{n-1} + 6 \cdot c3^{n-2} \\ = c \cdot 3^{n-1}(1+2) = c \cdot 3^n$$

$$\text{and } f_0 = 0 \leq c \cdot 3^0 = c \quad \text{for any } c > 0 \\ f_1 = 1 \leq c \cdot 3^1 \quad \text{for any } c \geq 1/3$$

So let $c = 1$ and $n_0 = 0$ and we're done.

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n is an integer and x is a real number

$$a) n < x \Rightarrow n < \lceil x \rceil$$

Let $n < x$. Since $\lceil x \rceil$ is defined as the integer m such that $m-1 < x \leq m$, then $n < x \leq m$.
So $n < m = \lceil x \rceil$.

$$b) n < \lceil x \rceil \Rightarrow n < x$$

Let $n < \lceil x \rceil$, then $n < m$ so $n \leq m-1 < x$.
So $n < x$. \square

