

Exercise 3.2-2

" Prove that  $a^{\log_b c} = c^{\log_b a}$

Let  $\log_b a \triangleq k$ ; i.e.,  $b^k = a$

$$\text{LHS} = a^{\log_b c} = (b^k)^{\log_b c} = b^{k \log_b c} = b^{\log_b (c^k)} = c^k = c^{\log_b a} = \text{RHS.}$$

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PROBLEM

3-2 a, b, d, e

|     | A            | B            |  |
|-----|--------------|--------------|--|
| (a) | $\log^k n$   | $n^\epsilon$ | $\log^k n = o(n^\epsilon)$ [Y Y N N N]   |
| (b) | $n^k$        | $c^n$        | $n^k = o(c^n)$ [Y Y N N N]               |
| (d) | $2^n$        | $2^{n/2}$    | $2^n = \omega(2^{n/2})$ [N N Y Y N]      |
| (e) | $n^{\log c}$ | $c^{\log n}$ | $n^{\log c} = o(c^{\log n})$ [Y Y N N N] |

3.1 (c). Let  $p(n) = a_k n^k + a_{k-1} n^{k-1} + \dots + a_1 n + a_0$  be a polynomial in  $n$  of degree  $k$  with  $a_k > 0$ . Prove that  $p(n)$  is in  $\Theta(n^k)$ .

**Solution:**

I.  $p(n) \in O(n^k)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} p(n) &= a_k n^k + a_{k-1} n^{k-1} + \dots + a_0 \\ &= a_k \cdot n^k \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{a_{k-1}}{a_k} \frac{1}{n} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{a_k} \frac{1}{n^k} \right) \\ &\leq a_k \cdot n^k \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{|a_{k-1}|}{a_k} \frac{1}{n} + \dots + \frac{|a_0|}{a_k} \frac{1}{n^k} \right) \\ &\leq a_k \cdot n^k \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{|a_{k-1}|}{a_k} + \dots + \frac{|a_0|}{a_k} \right) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $n \geq 1$ . With

$$c := a_k \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{|a_{k-1}|}{a_k} + \dots + \frac{|a_0|}{a_k} \right)$$

$p(n) \leq c \cdot n^k$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  holds. Thus  $p(n) \in O(n^k)$ .

II.  $p(n) \in \Omega(n^k)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} p(n) &= a_k n^k + a_{k-1} n^{k-1} + \dots + a_0 \\ &= a_k n^k \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{a_{k-1}}{a_k} \frac{1}{n} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{a_k} \frac{1}{n^k} \right) \end{aligned}$$

The expression within parentheses has limit 1 for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus, there is  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that this expression is  $\geq 1/2$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . Then, for  $c := \frac{1}{2} a_k$  und  $n \geq n_0$

$$p(n) \geq \frac{1}{2} a_k n^k = c \cdot n^k$$

holds. Thus  $p(n) \in \Omega(n^k)$ .

III.  $p(n) \in \Theta(n^k)$  holds because of I. and II.

4-2 (a)

$$1. \quad T(n) = T(n/2) + \Theta(n) \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(\log n) \quad \{\text{Master Method}\}$$

$$2. \quad T(n) = T(n/2) + \Theta(n) \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n \log n) \quad \{\text{Recursion Tree}\}$$

$$3. \quad T(n) = T(n/2) + \Theta(n) \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n) \quad \{\text{M.M}\}$$

$$(b) \quad 1. \quad T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n) \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n \log n) \quad \{\text{M.M}\}$$

$$2. \quad T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n) \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^2) \quad \{\text{Recursion Tree}\}$$

$$3. \quad T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n) \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n \log n) \quad \{\text{M.M}\}$$