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2. (a) Let $f, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ (i) (2 points) Define what it means to say $f(n) = o(g(n))$.(ii) (8 points) Suppose $f(n) = \frac{4^n n^5}{n!}$ and $g(n) = n^{-0.9n}$. Is $f(n) = o(g(n))$?

2.(b) One of the two software packages, **R** or **MATLAB** should be chosen to process data collections. Average processing time of the package **R** for n records is given by $R(n) = 0.001n$ milliseconds and the average processing time of the package **MATLAB** for n records is given by $M(n) = 500\sqrt{n}$ milliseconds.

(i) (2 points) Which package has better performance (w.r.t processing times) in the Big-O sense?

(ii) (3 points) Suppose the data collections each contain up to 10^9 records. If you wish to use the package that performs better then which one would you choose ?3. (10 points) Suppose $y_0 = 0$, $y_1 = 1$ and

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{(2 - e^{y_n})(y_n - y_{n+1})}{e^{y_n} - e^{y_{n+1}}}$$

for $n \geq 2$. Decide, with appropriate justification, if y_n converges to an $y \in \mathbb{R}$. If it does then find y and the order of convergence.

4. Consider $f : [1, 2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x},$$

for $x \in [1, 2]$. Let P be the polynomial of degree less than or equal to n that interpolates the points $\{(x_i, f(x_i)) : 0 \leq i \leq n\}$. Let $e : [1, 2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by

$$e(x) = f(x) - p(x).$$

for $x \in [1, 2]$.

(a) (5 points) Show that $|e(x)| \leq 1$ for all $x \in [1, 2]$ (b) (10 points) With justification show that there exists a choice of n, x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n such that $|e(x)| < 10^{-3}$ for all $x \in [1, 2]$?