CMPS 101 Spring 2008 Homework Assignment 4

1. (10 Points)

Let f(n) be a positive, increasing function that satisfies $f(n/2) = \Theta(f(n))$. Show that

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

(Hint: follow the example on page 4 of the handout on asymptotic growth rates.)

2. (10 Points)

Let T(n) be defined by the recurrence formula

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=1\\ T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n^2 & n \ge 2 \end{cases}$$

Show that $\forall n \ge 1$: $T(n) \le \frac{4}{3}n^2$, and hence $T(n) = O(n^2)$. (Hint: follow example 3 on page 3 of the handout on induction proofs.)

3. (1 Point) (Appendix B.4 problem 3) Show that any connected graph G = (V, E) satisfies $|E| \ge |V| - 1$, where |E| and |V| denote the number of edges and vertices, respectively.