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What is Asymptotic Analysis?

Asymptotic analysis is the process of calculating the running time of an algorithm in mathematical units to find the program's limitations, or "run-time performance." The goal is to determine the best case, worst case and average case time required to execute a given task. While not a method of deep learning training, Asymptotic analysis is a crucial diagnostic tool for programmers to evaluate an algorithm's efficiency, rather than just its accuracy.

How Does Asymptotic Analysis Work?

This analysis needs a variable input to the algorithm, otherwise the work is assumed to require a constant amount time. All factors other than the input operation are considered constant.

For a simple example, the running time of a given data mining query is considered f(n), and its corollary search operation is calculated as g(n2). So the first operation's running time increases linearly with the rise in n,



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while the running time of the second operation increases exponentially as n is enlarged.

While run-time performance can be calculated with many different functions, the limiting behavior of the algorithm is expressed graphically using simple notation:

O(n): Is the upper bound of an algorithm's running time and measures the worst case scenario of how long an algorithm can possibly take to complete a given operation.

 $\Omega(n)$: Is the lower bound of an algorithm's running time and measures the best case scenario of how long an algorithm can possibly take to complete a given operation.

 $\Theta(n)$: Is charting both the upper and lower running time boundaries, with the average case scenario express as the average between each border.

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