

BIG OMEGA NOTATION WITH LIMITS

~~BIG OMEGA RATIO THEOREM~~

Definition: If the $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \neq 0$ holds good, then $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$. This is also called the **Omega Ratio Theorem**.

Example: Let us consider that $f(n) = 7n + 4$. Prove that this is of the order of $\Omega(n)$.

Solution:

Here $f(n) = 7n + 4$ and $g(n) = n$.

We know by definition of Big Omega Ω notation:

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$, if $0 \leq c \times g(n) \leq f(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$, where c and n_0 are constants.

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq c \times n \leq 7n + 4$$

$$\text{Or, } f(n) \geq c \times g(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow 7n + 4 \geq c \times n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{7n + 4}{n} \geq c$$

By above definition, of *Big Omega Ratio Theorem*:

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{7n + 4}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{7n}{n} + \frac{4}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} 7 + \frac{4}{n}$$

Distributing $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty}$ in both the sides we get:

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} 7 + \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{n}$$

Here $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} c = c$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c}{x^a} = 0$ [*Infinity property of Limit*], where :
'c' is constant.

$$\text{Hence : } \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} 7 = 7 \text{ and } \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{n} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 + 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 \neq 0$$

Therefore, one can conclude that $f(n) = \Omega(n)$