

For Wednesday, October 2.

Growth of functions

We will first look at the growth of functions, which is in Section 3.2. The following outcomes are anticipated:

- Know the definition of O , Ω , and Θ . Read Definition 1 on page 205; Definition 2 on page 214; and Definition 3 on page 215.
- Given a set of functions from N to R^+ , be able to pairwise relate and order them using O , Ω , and Θ .
- Given the O , Ω , or Θ relation of two functions f and g , be able to estimate $f * g$ and $f + g$?
- Know the Big- O approximation for some important functions.
- Know what does it mean to say that two functions f and g , have the same order?

More sums.

Be able to evaluate each of the following sums:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^i i^2$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i(i+1)$$

$$\sum_{i=k}^n i \text{ where } 0 \leq k < n$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n r^i \text{ Need to consider } 0 < r < 1, \quad r = 1, \quad \text{and } r > 1$$

We've already looked at the first two, but we will revisit them and bound them using the Big- O notation.