

Lecture 2 – Lab2

FORMAL DEFINITIONS: FINDING CONSTANTS c AND n_0

O(g(n)) - THE ADDITIVE METHOD

$$T(n) = c_1 * n^2 + c_2$$

Find c such that $T(n) \leq c * n^2$

$$T(n) \leq |c_1|n^2 + |c_2|n^2$$

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$$T(n) \leq (|c_1| + |c_2|)n^2$$

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$$c = c_1 + c_2$$
$$n_0 = 1$$

Inflate the terms to find the Ceiling.

Omega(g(n)) - THE SUBTRACTIVE METHOD

$$T(n) = c_1 * n^2 + c_2$$

Find c such that $T(n) \geq c * n^2$

Drop non-dominant term c_2

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$$T(n) \geq c_1 * n^2$$

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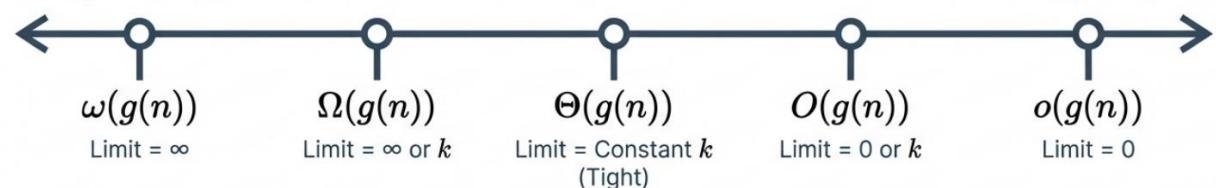
$$c = c_1$$

$$n_0 = 1$$

Reduce the terms to find the Floor.

Summary of Asymptotic Dominance

Strictly Faster (∞)



Limit Result	Meaning	o (Little)	O (Big)	Θ (Theta)	Ω (Big)	ω (Little)
0	$f < g$ (Strict)	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
Constant (k)	$f = g$ (Tight)	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗
∞	$f > g$ (Strict)	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓

Logic Chain: $o \Rightarrow O$ but $O \neq o$, $\omega \Rightarrow \Omega$ but $\Omega \neq \omega$.

Questions

Identifying Asymptotic Dominance

Determine the complexity order by isolating the dominant term.

Function $t(n)$	Order
$t(n) = C_1 n^2 + C_2$	$O(\dots)$
$t(n) = n^3 + n^4 + \sqrt{n}$	$O(\dots)$
$t(n) = 10$	$O(\dots)$
$t(n) = \sqrt{91}$	$O(\dots)$
$t(n) = 2^n + n^2 + 3$	$O(\dots)$
$t(n) = 2^{\log_3 n}$	$O(\dots)$

Establishing Formal Bounds

$$t(n) = C_1 n^2 + C_2$$

Upper Bound (Big-O)

Find constants c, n_0 such that $t(n) \leq c \cdot n^2$

$$c = [\dots]$$

$$n_0 = [\dots]$$

Lower Bound (Big-Omega)

Find constants c, n_0 such that $t(n) \geq c \cdot n^2$

$$c = [\dots]$$

$$n_0 = [\dots]$$

Exponential Growth & Limit Theory

Is $2^{n+1} = O(2^n)$?

Evaluate the limit:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{n+1}}{2^n}$$

Proof Workspace

Is $2^{2n} = O(2^n)$?

Evaluate the limit:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{2n}}{2^n}$$

Proof Workspace

Conceptual Verification

Verify the following relationships.

Functions	Proposed Relationship	Verdict
$F(n) = \log n^2, \quad g(n) = \log n + 5$	$F(n) = \Theta(g(n))$	<input type="checkbox"/> TRUE <input type="checkbox"/> FALSE
$F(n) = n, \quad g(n) = \log n^2$	$F(n) = \Omega(g(n))$	<input type="checkbox"/> TRUE <input type="checkbox"/> FALSE
$F(n) = n, \quad g(n) = 10$	$F(n) = O(g(n))$	<input type="checkbox"/> TRUE <input type="checkbox"/> FALSE
$F(n) = 10, \quad g(n) = \log 10$	$F(n) = \Theta(g(n))$	<input type="checkbox"/> TRUE <input type="checkbox"/> FALSE
$F(n) = 2^n, \quad g(n) = 3^n$	$F(n) = O(g(n))$	<input type="checkbox"/> TRUE <input type="checkbox"/> FALSE
$F(n) = 2^n, \quad g(n) = 10n^2$	$F(n) = \Omega(g(n))$	<input type="checkbox"/> TRUE <input type="checkbox"/> FALSE

$$f(n) = 2^n < g(n) = 10n^2 < F(n) = \sim (g(n)) ?$$

$$F(n) = n^2 + n < g(n) = n^2 < f(n) = o(g(n)) ?$$

Asymptotic Correctness Check

Determine whether the following statements are **True** or **False**.

$$f(n) = 2^n + n^2$$

Upper Bounds (O, o)

$$2^n + n^2 = O(2^n)$$

$$2^n + n^2 = O(3^n)$$

$$2^n + n^2 = o(2^n)$$

$$2^n + n^2 = o(3^n)$$

Lower Bounds (Ω, ω)

$$2^n + n^2 = \Omega(2^n)$$

$$2^n + n^2 = \Omega(n^2)$$

$$2^n + n^2 = \omega(2^n)$$

$$2^n + n^2 = \omega(n^2)$$

$$2^n + n^2 = \omega(\sqrt{n})$$

Proving Asymptotic Bounds

Establish the following relationships using the **Limit Definition**.

Method: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$

Problem A: Little-o (Strict Upper Bound)

$$3n^2 + n = o(n^3)$$

Problem B: Little-omega (Strict Lower Bound)

$$n^3 + n^2 = \omega(n^2)$$