

**Theorem (3.2.8a).** *Let  $f$  be the function defined by  $f(x) = 2x^2 + x^3 \log x$ .  $f(x)$  is  $\mathcal{O}(x^4)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $g$  be the function defined by  $g(x) = x^4$ . If  $x \geq 1$ , then

$$f(x) = (2x^2 + x^3 \log x) \leq (2x^2 + x^4) \leq (2x^4 + x^4) = 3x^4.$$

Thus,  $|f(x)| \leq 3|g(x)|$ , for all  $x > 1$ , and therefore  $f(x)$  is  $\mathcal{O}(x^4)$  with constant witnesses  $C = 3$ , and  $k = 1$ . ■