

Let $T(n)$ = running time of MATRIX MULTIPLY.

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= C_1(n+1) + C_2 \sum_{i=1}^n (n-i+2) + C_3 \sum_{i=1}^n (n-i+1) + C_4 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i}^n (j-i+2) + C_5 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i}^n (j-i+1) + C_6 \\
 &= C_1(n+1) + C_2 \frac{n(n+3)}{2} + C_3 \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + C_4 \left(\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{12} + 3 \frac{n(n+1)}{4} \right) \\
 &\quad + C_5 \left(\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{12} + \frac{n(n+1)}{4} \right) + C_6 \\
 &= (C_4 + C_5) \frac{n^3}{6} + \left(\frac{C_2}{2} + \frac{C_3}{2} + C_4 + \frac{C_5}{2} \right) n^2 + \left(C_1 + \frac{3C_2}{2} + \frac{C_3}{2} + \frac{5C_4}{6} + \frac{C_5}{3} \right) n + (C_1 + C_6) \\
 T(n) &= O(n^3). \text{ (In fact, } T(n) = \Theta(n^3). \text{)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 1

For each function $f(n)$ and time t in the following table, determine the largest size n of a problem that can be solved in time t , assuming that the algorithm to solve the problem takes $f(n)$ microseconds.

$f(n)$	t						
	1 second	1 minute	1 hour	1 day	1 month	1 year	1 century
$\log_2 n$	2^{10^6}	$2^{6 \times 10^7}$	$2^{3.6 \times 10^9}$	$2^{8.64 \times 10^{10}}$	$2^{2.59 \times 10^{12}}$	$2^{3.11 \times 10^{13}}$	$2^{3.11 \times 10^{15}}$
\sqrt{n}	10^{12}	3.6×10^{15}	1.29×10^{19}	7.46×10^{21}	6.71×10^{24}	9.67×10^{26}	9.67×10^{30}
n	10^6	6×10^7	3.6×10^9	8.64×10^{10}	2.59×10^{12}	3.11×10^{13}	3.11×10^{15}
$n \log_2 n$	6.27×10^4	2.80×10^6	1.33×10^8	2.75×10^9	7.18×10^{10}	7.87×10^{11}	6.76×10^{13}
n^2	1.00×10^3	7.74×10^3	6×10^4	2.93×10^5	1.60×10^6	5.57×10^6	5.57×10^7
n^3	1.00×10^2	3.91×10^2	1.53×10^3	4.42×10^3	1.37×10^4	3.14×10^4	1.45×10^5
2^n	19	25	31	36	41	44	51
$n!$	9	11	12	13	15	16	17

Assumptions: 1 month has 30 days, and 1 year has 12 months. The answers would be slightly different if you make different assumptions.

I also truncated the results so that they fit in the table.

Question 2

Rank the following functions by order of growth, i.e., $g_i = \Omega(g_{i+1})$:

- n^2
- $n!$
- n^3
- $(\log_2 n)^2$

- $\log_2(n!)$
- $n2^n$
- $2^{\log_2 n}$
- $n^{1/\log_2 n}$

Justify your answer.

The ranked list (with justification):

1. $n!$ ($= n \times (n-1) \times \dots \times 2 \times 1$)
2. $n2^n$ ($= n \underbrace{\times 2 \times 2 \times \dots \times 2 \times 2}_n < n!$ when $n \geq 6$)
3. n^3
4. n^2
5. $\log_2(n!)$ ($= \log_2 n + \log_2(n-1) + \dots \log_2(1) = O(n \log n)$)
6. $2^{\log_2 n}$ ($= n$)
7. $(\log_2 n)^2$ (see lecture notes)
8. $n^{1/\log_2 n}$ ($= 2 = O(1)$)

Since $b > 0$, the inequality still holds when all parts are raised to the power b :

$$0 \leq \left(\frac{1}{2}n\right)^b \leq (n+a)^b \leq (2n)^b,$$

$$0 \leq \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^b n^b \leq (n+a)^b \leq 2^b n^b.$$

Thus, $c_1 = (1/2)^b$, $c_2 = 2^b$, and $n_0 = 2|a|$ satisfy the definition.

Solution to Exercise 3.1-3

Let the running time be $T(n)$. $T(n) \geq O(n^2)$ means that $T(n) \geq f(n)$ for some function $f(n)$ in the set $O(n^2)$. This statement holds for any running time $T(n)$, since the function $f(n) = 0$ for all n is in $O(n^2)$, and running times are always nonnegative. Thus, the statement tells us nothing about the running time.

Solution to Exercise 3.1-4

Question 3

$2^{n+1} = O(2^n)$, but $2^{2n} \neq O(2^n)$.

To show that $2^{n+1} = O(2^n)$, we must find constants $c, n_0 > 0$ such that

$$0 \leq 2^{n+1} \leq c \cdot 2^n \text{ for all } n \geq n_0.$$

Since $2^{n+1} = 2 \cdot 2^n$ for all n , we can satisfy the definition with $c = 2$ and $n_0 = 1$.

To show that $2^{2n} \neq O(2^n)$, assume there exist constants $c, n_0 > 0$ such that

$$0 \leq 2^{2n} \leq c \cdot 2^n \text{ for all } n \geq n_0.$$

Then $2^{2n} = 2^n \cdot 2^n \leq c \cdot 2^n \Rightarrow 2^n \leq c$. But no constant is greater than all 2^n , and so the assumption leads to a contradiction.

Solution to Exercise 3.1-8

$\Omega(g(n, m)) = \{f(n, m) : \text{there exist positive constants } c, n_0, \text{ and } m_0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq cg(n, m) \leq f(n, m) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0 \text{ and } m \geq m_0\}.$

$\Theta(g(n, m)) = \{f(n, m) : \text{there exist positive constants } c_1, c_2, n_0, \text{ and } m_0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq c_1 g(n, m) \leq f(n, m) \leq c_2 g(n, m) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0 \text{ and } m \geq m_0\}.$

Question 4.

From $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$, we have that:

$$0 \leq c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n), \forall n > n_0$$

We can choose the constants c_1 and c_2 from here and use them in the definitions of O and Ω to show that both hold.

From $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ and $f(n) = O(g(n))$:

$$0 \leq c_3 g(n) \leq f(n), \forall n > n_1;$$

$$0 \leq f(n) \leq c_4 g(n), \forall n > n_2$$

If we let $n_3 = \max(n_1, n_2)$ and merge the two inequalities, we get:

$$0 \leq c_3 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_4 g(n), \forall n > n_3, \text{ which is the definition of } \Theta.$$