

Asymptotic Notation:

→ Comparison of non-negative functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ for large n value.

→ Asymptotic is a greek word = mean = Too large

→ Growth rate comparison of $f(n)$, $g(n)$ for large input is called asymptotic comparison of $f(n)$, $g(n)$

→ $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ Asymptotically equal
if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \text{constant } (> 0)$

eg. $f(n) = 10n^2 + 20$ $g(n) = 5n^2 + 10n$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 \left[10 + \frac{20}{n^2} \right]}{n^2 \left[5 + \frac{10}{n} \right]} = \frac{10}{5} = 2 \quad [\text{constant}]$$

Then we can say $f(n)$ & $g(n)$ are asymptotically equal. Both are growing parallelly.

$f(n)$ and $g(n)$ Asymptotically not equal
if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \infty$

$f(n) = 20n^2$ $g(n) = 30n + 100$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{20n^2}{n \left[30 + \frac{100}{n} \right]} = \frac{\infty}{30} = \infty$$

$f(n)$ and $g(n)$ are not equal.

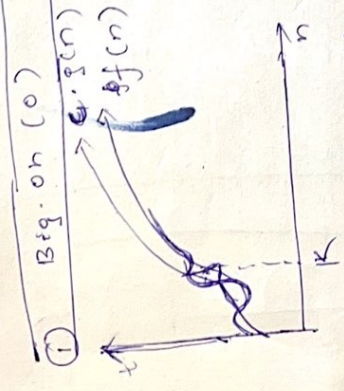
if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \infty$

$f(n)$ grows faster than $g(n)$. $f(n)$ asymptotically bigger than $g(n)$.

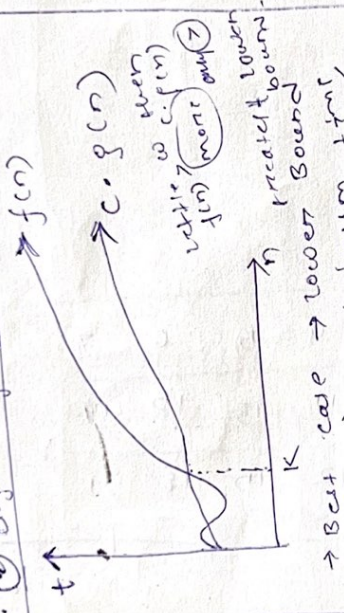
if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 0$

$g(n)$ grows faster than $f(n)$. $g(n)$ asymptotically bigger than $f(n)$.

Mathematical way of representing time complexity. If we are analyzing time complexity, these can be represented by notation without execution of an algorithm we are analyzing again, all these can be represented by notation on no. of times function executed or calls itself again, all these can be represented by notation

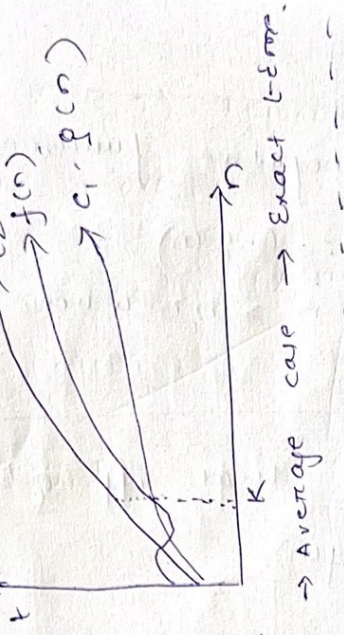


1) Big-Oh (O)
 Worst case \rightarrow Upper Bound
 At max. \rightarrow least upper bound.
 Input values, it is time.
 say to solve a problem $f(n)$ amount of time required. Then if we want to write $f(n)$ in terms of $O(n)$
 $f(n) = O(g(n))$
 $f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$
 $c > 0$
 $n \geq K, K \geq 0$
 Now upper bound of n^2 can be n^2, n^3, n^4, n^5 etc. but choose least or closest value
 $n^2 + n \leq 2 \cdot n^2$ [$\because c=2$]
 $n^2 + n \leq 3n^2$ [$n \leq n^2$ or $1 \leq n$]



2) Big-Omega (Ω)
 Best case \rightarrow Lower Bound
 (At least) minimum time.
 $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$
 $f(n) \geq c \cdot g(n)$
 $2n^2 + n \geq c \cdot n^2$ (nearly true)
 $2n^2 + n \geq 2 \cdot n^2 + n$ [$\because c=2$]
 $2n^2 + n \geq 2 \cdot n^2$
 $n \geq 0$
 $2n^2 + n \geq 2n^2$
 for $c=5, 55 \geq 50$

3) Theta (Θ)
 Average case \rightarrow Exact time.
 $c_1 \cdot g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 \cdot g(n)$
 $n^2 \leq 2n^2 + n \leq 3n^2$
 $2n^2 \leq 2n^2 + n \leq 3n^2$
 $2n^2 + n \geq c \cdot n^2, c=2$
 $2n^2 + n \geq 2 \cdot n^2$
 choose carefully value of c .
 c value can be two only 0 or 1.



4) Theta (Θ)
 Average case \rightarrow Exact time.
 $c_1 \cdot g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 \cdot g(n)$
 $n^2 \leq 2n^2 + n \leq 3n^2$
 $2n^2 \leq 2n^2 + n \leq 3n^2$
 $2n^2 + n \geq c \cdot n^2, c=2$
 $2n^2 + n \geq 2 \cdot n^2$
 choose carefully value of c .
 c value can be two only 0 or 1.

5) Theta (Θ)
 Average case \rightarrow Exact time.
 $c_1 \cdot g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 \cdot g(n)$
 $n^2 \leq 2n^2 + n \leq 3n^2$
 $2n^2 \leq 2n^2 + n \leq 3n^2$
 $2n^2 + n \geq c \cdot n^2, c=2$
 $2n^2 + n \geq 2 \cdot n^2$
 choose carefully value of c .
 c value can be two only 0 or 1.

Bfg on

$f(n)$ and $g(n)$ are non-negative functions.

$$f(n) = O(g(n)) \text{ if } f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$$

for all n values where $n \geq n_0$, where c, n_0 are constants.

$f(n) = O(g(n))$ means that iff $g(n)$ Asympt

bigger

or

equal

to $f(n)$.

eg

(1)

$$f(n) = 2n + 3$$

$$g(n) = 3n$$

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$f(n) = 2n + 3$	3	5	7	9	11	13	15	17
$c \cdot g(n) = 3 \cdot n$	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21

growth rate
bigger.

$$f(n) = 2n + 3$$

$$f(n) \leq g(n) \cdot c$$

$$2n + 3 \leq c \cdot g(n)$$

$$\leq 3 \cdot g(n) \quad n \geq 3$$

$$\text{then } 2n + 3 = O(n)$$

(2)

$$f(n) = 2n + 3$$

$$g(n) = n^3$$

n	0	1	2	3	4
$f(n)$	3	5	7	9	11
$g(n)$	0	1	8	27	64

$$2n+3 \leq c \cdot n^3 \text{ for all } n, n \geq 2$$

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

eg.

$$f(n) = 2n+3$$

$$g(n) = \log_{10} n$$

order

decreasing $\text{func} < \text{constant} < \log \text{ function} < \text{polynomial}$
 $< \text{Exponential} < \text{exp. func.}$

Ques (imp.)

① $f(n) = n^{2.1}$ $g(n) = n^2 \log n$

which is true.

(a) $f(n) = O(g(n))$

(b) $g(n) = O(f(n))$

(c) a & b

(d) None.

$$n^{2.1} > n^2 \cdot \log n$$

$$n^{2.1} > n^2 \cdot n^{0.1}$$

② $f(n) = \begin{cases} 2^n & \text{for even } n \\ n & \text{for odd } n \end{cases}$

$$g(n) = \begin{cases} 2^n & \text{for odd } n \\ n & \text{for even } n \end{cases}$$

which is true

(a) $f(n) = O(g(n))$

(b) $g(n) = O(f(n))$

(c) a & b.

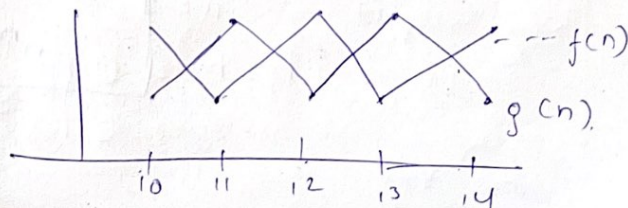
(d) None.

soln

for even $f(n)$ is bigger (2^n)

" " $g(n)$ " " (2^n)

So both $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ completely they are non-comparable or.



(12)

$$f(n) = n^1 + \sin n$$

$$g(n) = n$$

which is true.

$$(a) f(n) = O(g(n))$$

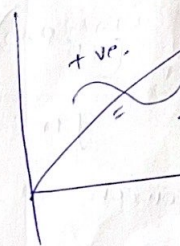
$$(b) g(n) = O(f(n))$$

$$(c) a \& b$$

$$(d) \text{ none.}$$

soln

	$n^1 + \sin n$	n
0	n	n
90	$n^{1+1} = n^2 >$	n
180	$n^{1+0} = n$	n
270	$n^{1-1} = n^0 <$	n
360	n	n



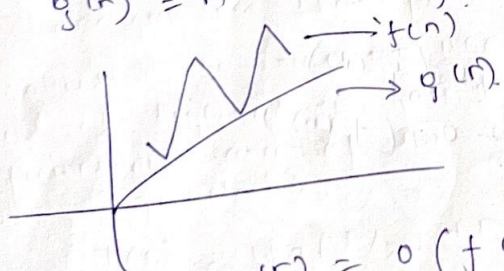
Here $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ are non-comparable. bco sometimes $f(n)$ bigger other time $g(n)$. Then $\sin n$ (it ranges between +ve to -ve)

(13)

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

$$g(n) = n$$

Here $f(n)$ is bigger



$$g(n) = O(f(n))$$

(14)

$$n!, 2^n, n^n, n^{\sqrt{n}}$$

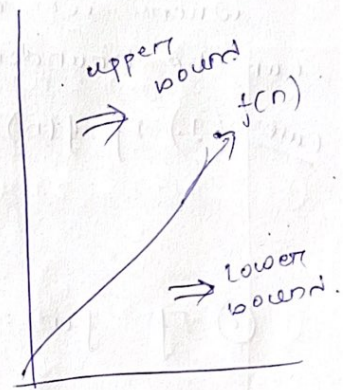
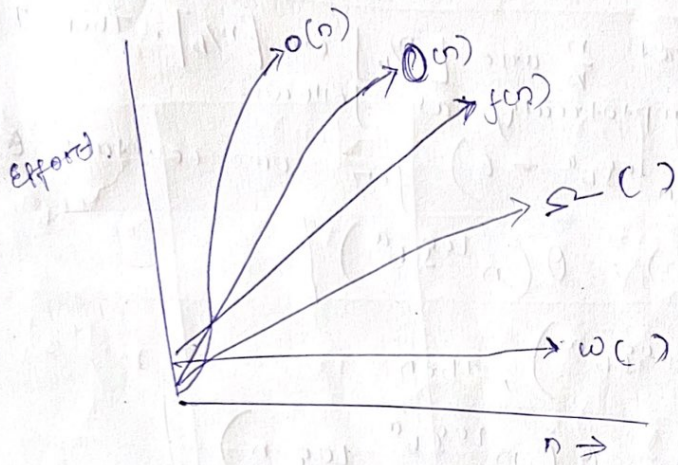
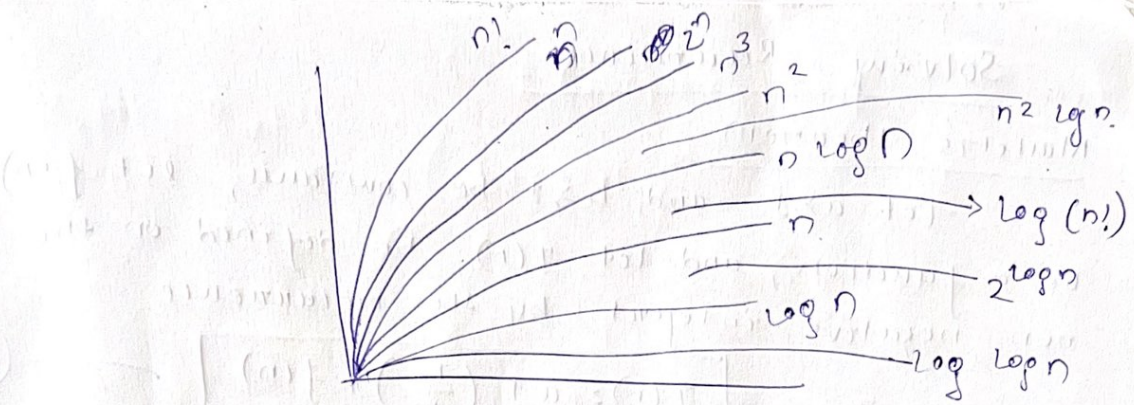
(all are exponential)

I.M.P

$$2^n < 3^n$$

$$n^n > n^{\sqrt{n}}$$

power same base same



$$n! > n^3 > 2^n > n^2 > n \log n > \log(n!) > n$$

Solving Recurrences

Master's Theorem

(1) Let $a \geq 1$ and $b \geq 1$ be constants, let $f(n)$ be a function, and let $T(n)$ be defined on the non negative integers by the recurrence

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where we interpret $\frac{n}{b}$ as $\lfloor \frac{n}{b} \rfloor$ or $\lceil \frac{n}{b} \rceil$. Then $T(n)$ can be bounded asymptotically as follows-

case (1) If $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$ for some constant $\epsilon > 0$,

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_b a})$$

(2) If $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$, then

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log n)$$

(3) If $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$ for some constant $\epsilon > 0$ and if $f(n/b) \leq cf(n)$ for some constant $c < 1$ and all sufficiently large n , then

$$T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$$

Here, one can see that $f(n)$ is compared with $n^{\log_b a}$ and solution to recurrence is obtained by selecting maximum of two as in case 1 and case 3. In case 2 the two functions are of the same size, so we multiply by logarithmic function.

ex (1) $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n$

soln. Given that

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n$$

compare the relation with equation 1.

Now we get $a = 4, b = 2, f(n) = n$

$$\text{Is } f(n) = n = O(n^{\log_2 4 - \epsilon})$$

$$n = O(n^{2 - \epsilon}) = ? \quad \text{(Ans Yes)}$$

Yes.

then case 1 is applied.

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_b a}) = O(n^{\log_2 4})$$

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

ex-2

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n^2$$

soln:

$$a = 4, b = 2, f(n) = n^2$$

Is $n^2 = O(n^{\log_2 4 - \epsilon})$ (No), if $\epsilon > 0$, but it is true only if $\epsilon = 0$

Is $n^2 \neq O(n^{2 - \epsilon})$

$$n^2 =$$

then case 2 of Master's theorem is applied.

Hence,

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_b a} \cdot \log n)$$

$$T(n) = O(n^2 \cdot \log n)$$

exmp-3

$$T(n) = 7T(n/2) + n^2$$

soln $a = 7, b = 2, f(n) = n^2$

$$n^2 = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$$

Is $n^2 = O(n^{\log_2 7 - \epsilon})$ yes because

$$n^2 = O(n^{2.81 - \epsilon}) \quad \log_2 7 = 2.81$$

yes so case 1 is applied.

$$T(n) = O(n^{2.81})$$

ex-4

$$8T(n/2) + n^2$$

$$f(n) = n^2 = O(n^{\log_2 8 - \epsilon})$$

$$n^2 = O(n^{3 - \epsilon})$$

yes

so

ex. 5

$$f(n) = 3T(n/2) + n^2$$

$$\text{soln } n^2 = \Theta(n^{1.62 + \epsilon})$$

So case-3

$$\Omega(n^{1.62 + \epsilon})$$

$$\text{Then } T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

$$\log_b a = \log_2 3 = 1.62$$

	$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$	$f(n)$	$n^{\log_b a}$
①	$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \sqrt{n}$ soln = $\Theta(n^1)$	\sqrt{n} (0.5)	$n^{\log_2 2} = n$
②	$T(n) = T(n/2) + \sqrt{n}$ soln = $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$	\sqrt{n}	$n^{\log_2 1} = n^0$
③	$T(n) = 8T(n/4) + n^4$ $\Theta(n^4)$	n^4	$n^{\log_4 8} = n^3$
④	$T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n^2$ $\Theta(n^3)$	n^2	$n^{\log_2 8} = n^3$
⑤	$T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n^3$ $\Theta(n^3 \log n)$	n^3	n^3
⑥	$T(n) = T(n/2) + 1$ $\Theta(\log_b n)$	n^0	$n^{\log_2 1} = n^0$
⑦	$T(n) = 26T(n/3) + n^3$ soln $\Theta(n^3)$	n^3	$n^{\log_3 26} \approx n^{2.9}$
⑧	$T(n) = 26T(n/3) + n^2$ $\Theta(n^{\log_3 26})$	n^2	$n^{2.9}$
⑨	$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n \log n$ Here $f(n)$ and $n^{\log_2 2}$ are asymptotically not equal. So case 2 not applicable. but polynomially equal. so case 1 and case 3 not applicable. so it cannot be solved by master method. Use substitution method.	$n \log n$	$n^{\log_2 2} = n^1$

(10)
$$\left. \begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + \frac{n}{\log n} \\ T(n) &= 4T(n/2) + n^2 (\log n)^2 \\ T(n) &= 4T(n/2) + n^2 \log n \end{aligned} \right\} \text{--- sol}^n \quad \theta(n \log n \log n)$$

$\rightarrow \theta(n^2 \log^2 n)$

I.M.P Some books also give the master theorem in the following format.

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + n^{\log_b a} \cdot \log_b^k n$$

then $\boxed{\theta(n^{\log_b a} \cdot \log_b^{k+1} n)}$