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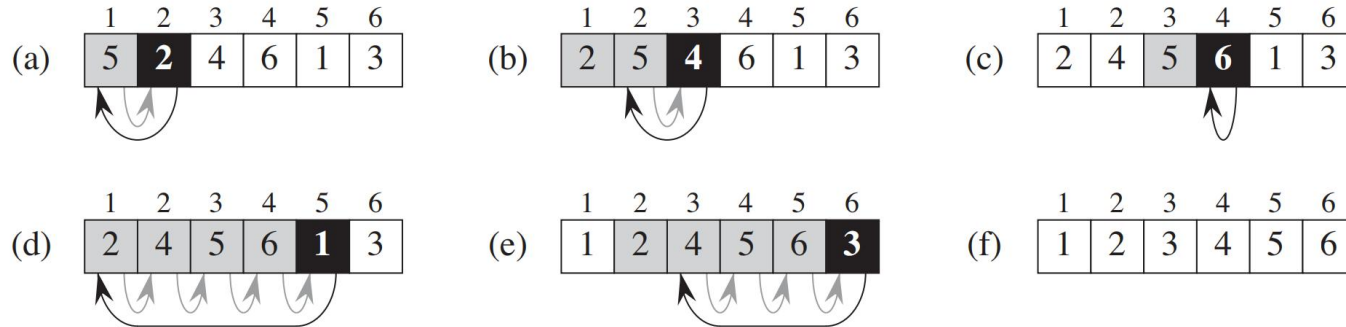
# CSC3100: Growth of Functions

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- Cost  $c_i$  denotes the running time of line  $i$
- If line  $i$  executes  $n$  times, it contributes  $c_i n$  to the total running time

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- The running time varies from sequence to sequence.
- The **best case** is that the sequence is already sorted. (Why?)

# Running Time of Insertion Sort

INSERTION-SORT( $A$ )	<i>cost</i>	<i>times</i>
1 <b>for</b> $j = 2$ <b>to</b> $A.length$	$c_1$	$n$
2 $key = A[j]$	$c_2$	$n - 1$
3       // Insert $A[j]$ into the sorted sequence $A[1..j - 1]$ .	0	$n - 1$
4 $i = j - 1$	$c_4$	$n - 1$
5 <b>while</b> $i > 0$ and $A[i] > key$	$c_5$	$n - 1$
6 $A[i + 1] = A[i]$	$c_6$	
7 $i = i - 1$	$c_7$	
8 $A[i + 1] = key$	$c_8$	$n - 1$

- A **for** (or **while**) loop is executed one time more than the loop body.

# Running Time of Insertion Sort

```
for i = 1 to 3  
    loop body
```

i = 1, for loop test -> true -> exec loop body x1

i = 2, for loop test -> true -> exec loop body x2

i = 3, for loop test -> true -> exec loop body x3

i = 4, for loop test -> false -> exit

Hence, the for loop test is executed 4 times, while the loop body is executed 3 times.

# Running Time of Insertion Sort

So, the best-case running time is

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= c_1n + c_2(n-1) + c_4(n-1) + c_5(n-1) + c_8(n-1) \\ &= (c_1 + c_2 + c_4 + c_5 + c_8)n - (c_2 + c_4 + c_5 + c_8) . \end{aligned}$$

We further consider a general case in which the while-loop cannot be ignored.

# Running Time of Insertion Sort

INSERTION-SORT( $A$ )	<i>cost</i>	<i>times</i>
1 <b>for</b> $j = 2$ <b>to</b> $A.length$	$c_1$	$n$
2 $key = A[j]$	$c_2$	$n - 1$
3     // Insert $A[j]$ into the sorted sequence $A[1 \dots j - 1]$ .	0	$n - 1$
4 $i = j - 1$	$c_4$	$n - 1$
5 <b>while</b> $i > 0$ and $A[i] > key$	$c_5$	$\sum_{j=2}^n t_j$
6 $A[i + 1] = A[i]$	$c_6$	$\sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1)$
7 $i = i - 1$	$c_7$	$\sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1)$
8 $A[i + 1] = key$	$c_8$	$n - 1$

- $t_j$  denotes the number of times the while loop test in line 5 is executed for a particular  $j$ .
- A **while** loop test is also executed one time more than the loop body.



# Running Time of Insertion Sort

With the while-loop executed  $t_j$  times, the overall running time of Insertion\_Sort is

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) = & c_1 n + c_2(n-1) + c_4(n-1) + c_5 \sum_{j=2}^n t_j + c_6 \sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1) \\ & + c_7 \sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1) + c_8(n-1) . \end{aligned}$$

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2 $key = A[j]$	$c_2$	$n - 1$
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4 $i = j - 1$	$c_4$	$n - 1$
5 <b>while</b> $i > 0$ and $A[i] > key$	$c_5$	$\sum_{j=2}^n t_j$
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8 $A[i + 1] = key$	$c_8$	$n - 1$

- We now consider the **worst case** so that the running time is the longest.
- Reversely sorted sequence yields the worst case. (Why?)

# Running Time of Insertion Sort

The general running time is

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) = & c_1 n + c_2(n-1) + c_4(n-1) + c_5 \sum_{j=2}^n t_j + c_6 \sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1) \\ & + c_7 \sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1) + c_8(n-1) . \end{aligned}$$

The worst-case running time is

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) = & c_1 n + c_2(n-1) + c_4(n-1) + c_5 \sum_{j=2}^n j + c_6 \sum_{j=2}^n (j-1) \\ & + c_7 \sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1) + c_8(n-1) . \end{aligned}$$

# Running Time of Insertion Sort

$$\sum_{j=2}^n j = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - 1$$

and

$$\sum_{j=2}^n (j-1) = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= c_1 n + c_2(n-1) + c_4(n-1) + c_5 \left( \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - 1 \right) \\ &\quad + c_6 \left( \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \right) + c_7 \left( \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \right) + c_8(n-1) \\ &= \left( \frac{c_5}{2} + \frac{c_6}{2} + \frac{c_7}{2} \right) n^2 + \left( c_1 + c_2 + c_4 + \frac{c_5}{2} - \frac{c_6}{2} - \frac{c_7}{2} + c_8 \right) n \\ &\quad - (c_2 + c_4 + c_5 + c_8) . \end{aligned}$$

# Running Time of Insertion Sort

- Running time:
  - Best case:  $pn+q$
  - Worst case:  $an^2+bn+c$
- The extra precision is not usually worth the effort of computing it.
- For large enough inputs  $n$ , the multiplicative constants and lower-order terms of an exact running time are dominated by the effects of the input size itself.

# $\Theta$ Notation

$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  if there exist positive constants  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$ , and  $n_0$  such that  $0 \leq c_1g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2g(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ .

$f(n)$  is “sandwiched” between the lower bound  $c_1g(n)$  and the upper bound  $c_2g(n)$  for sufficiently large  $n$ .

## $\Theta$ Notation

Q: Prove  $3n^2 - 6n = \Theta(n^2)$

A: We need to show that

$$c_1 n^2 \leq 3n^2 - 6n \leq c_2 n^2, \text{ for all } n \geq n_0$$

After simplifying, we obtain

$$c_1 \leq 3 - 6/n \leq c_2$$

We complete proof by choosing  $c_1=2$ ,  $c_2=3$ , and  $n_0=6$ .

# Big O Notation

$f(n) = O(g(n))$  if there exist positive constant  $c$  and  $n_0$  such that  $0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ .

$f(n)$  is **bounded from above** by  $cg(n)$  for sufficiently large  $n$ .



# Big O Notation

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A: We need to show that

$$0 \leq 3n^2 - 6n \leq cn^3, \text{ for all } n \geq n_0$$

which can be rewritten as

$$0 \leq 3 - 6/n \leq cn$$

We can choose  $c=3$  and  $n_0=6$ .

# Big O Notation

Other functions in  $O(n^2)$ :

- $n^2$
- $n$
- $n/1000$
- $n^{1.99999}$
- $n^2/\lg(\lg(\lg(n)))$
- $n^2+n$
- $n^2+1000n$
- $1000n^2+1000n$

# Big $\Omega$ Notation

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$  if there exist positive constant  $c$  and  $n_0$  such that  $0 \leq cg(n) \leq f(n)$ , for all  $n \geq n_0$ .

$f(n)$  is **bounded from below** by  $cg(n)$  for sufficiently large  $n$ .

# Big $\Omega$ Notation

Q: Prove  $3n^2 - 6n = \Omega(n)$

A: We need to show that

$$cn \leq 3n^2 - 6n, \text{ for all } n \geq n_0$$

which can be rewritten as

$$0 \leq 3 - (6+c)/n$$

We can choose  $c=1$  and  $n_0=7$ .

# Big $\Omega$ Notation

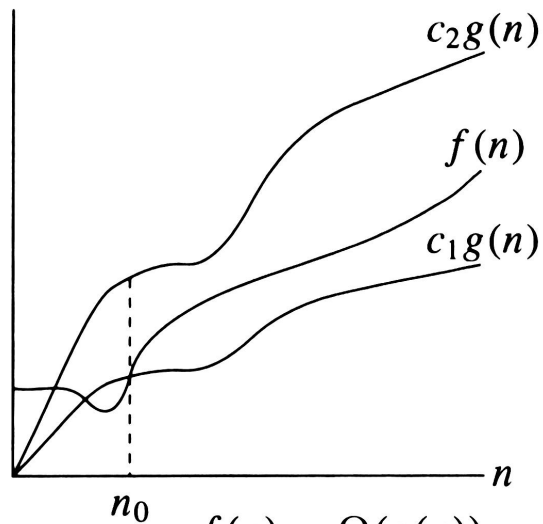
Other functions in  $\Omega(n^2)$ :

- $n^2$
- $n^2+n$
- $n^2+1000n$
- $n^3$
- $n^{2.00001}$
- $n^2 \lg(\lg(\lg(n)))$
- $n^2 - n$
- $n^2 - 1000n$

# Running Time of Insertion Sort

- Running time  $T(n)$ :
  - Best case:  $pn+q$
  - Worst case:  $an^2+bn+c$
- $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$  in the worst case
- $T(n) \neq \Theta(n^2)$  in general
- $T(n) = \Omega(n)$  in the best case
- $T(n) = \Omega(n)$  in general
- $T(n) = O(n^2)$  in the worst case
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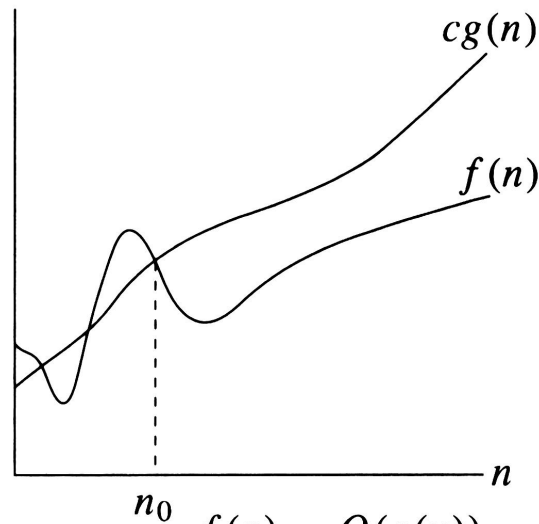
# Graphing



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

(a)

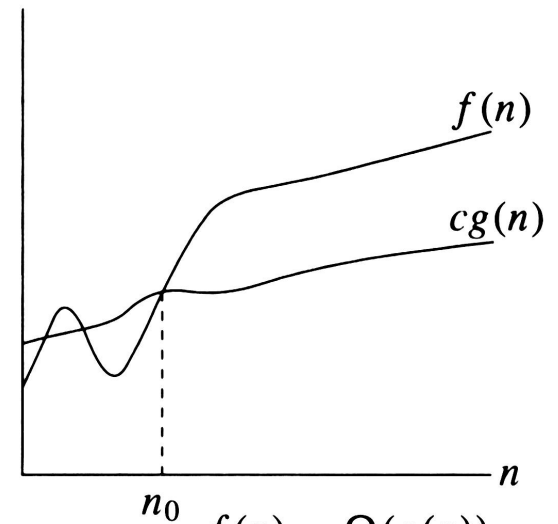
tight bound



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

(b)

upper bound



$$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$$

(c)

lower bound

# Little o Notation

- $f(n) = o(g(n))$  if **for any positive constant  $c$**  there exists  $n_0$  such that  $0 \leq f(n) < cg(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ .
- $f(n) = O(g(n))$  if **there exist positive constant  $c$**  and  $n_0$  such that  $0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ .
- $2n = o(n^2)$ ,  $2n^2 \neq o(n^2)$
- $2n = O(n^2)$ ,  $2n^2 = O(n^2)$



# Little $\omega$ Notation

- $f(n) = \omega(g(n))$  if **for any positive constant  $c$**  there exists  $n_0$  such that  $0 \leq cg(n) < f(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ .
- $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$  if **there exist positive constant  $c$**  and  $n_0$  such that  $0 \leq cg(n) \leq f(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ .
- $2n^2 = \omega(n)$ ,  $2n^2 \neq \omega(n^2)$
- $2n^2 = \Omega(n)$ ,  $2n^2 = \Omega(n^2)$

# Limits

- $f(n)=o(g(n))$
- $f(n)<cg(n)$  for sufficiently large  $n$  given any  $c>0$
- $f(n)/g(n)<c$  for sufficiently large  $n$  given any  $c>0$

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

# Limits

- $f(n) = \omega(g(n))$
- $cg(n) < f(n)$  for sufficiently large  $n$  given any  $c > 0$
- $f(n)/g(n) > c$  for sufficiently large  $n$  given any  $c > 0$

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

# Comparison of Functions

- Function:  $\omega$        $\Omega$        $\Theta$        $O$        $o$
- Real number:  $>$        $\geq$        $=$        $\leq$        $<$

## *Theorem 3.1*

For any two functions  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$ , we have  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  if and only if  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  and  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ . ■

# Properties

## Transitivity:

$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  and  $g(n) = \Theta(h(n))$  imply  $f(n) = \Theta(h(n))$  ,  
 $f(n) = O(g(n))$  and  $g(n) = O(h(n))$  imply  $f(n) = O(h(n))$  ,  
 $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$  and  $g(n) = \Omega(h(n))$  imply  $f(n) = \Omega(h(n))$  ,  
 $f(n) = o(g(n))$  and  $g(n) = o(h(n))$  imply  $f(n) = o(h(n))$  ,  
 $f(n) = \omega(g(n))$  and  $g(n) = \omega(h(n))$  imply  $f(n) = \omega(h(n))$  .

## Reflexivity:

$f(n) = \Theta(f(n))$  ,  
 $f(n) = O(f(n))$  ,  
 $f(n) = \Omega(f(n))$  .

$f(n) = O(g(n))$  is like  $a \leq b$  ,  
 $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$  is like  $a \geq b$  ,  
 $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  is like  $a = b$  ,  
 $f(n) = o(g(n))$  is like  $a < b$  ,  
 $f(n) = \omega(g(n))$  is like  $a > b$  .

# Properties

## Symmetry:

$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  if and only if  $g(n) = \Theta(f(n))$ .

## Transpose symmetry:

$f(n) = O(g(n))$  if and only if  $g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$ ,

$f(n) = o(g(n))$  if and only if  $g(n) = \omega(f(n))$ .

$f(n) = O(g(n))$  is like  $a \leq b$ ,

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$  is like  $a \geq b$ ,

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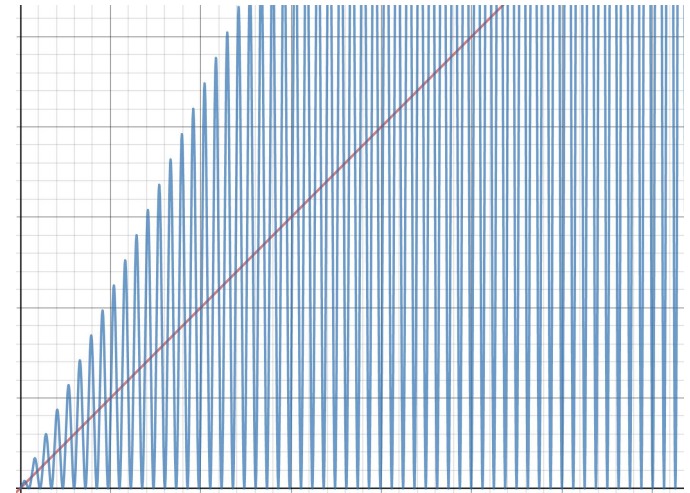
# Properties

Any two real numbers are comparable:

**Trichotomy:** For any two real numbers  $a$  and  $b$ , exactly one of the following must hold:  $a < b$ ,  $a = b$ , or  $a > b$ .

But this property does not carry over to asymptotic notation!

Ex.  $f(n)=n$  and  $g(n)=n^2(1+\sin n)$



# Operation Rules

- Rule 1

If  $T_1(N) = O(f(N))$  and  $T_2(N) = O(g(N))$ , then

(a)  $T_1(N) + T_2(N) = \max(O(f(N)), O(g(N)))$

(b)  $T_1(N) * T_2(N) = O(f(N) * g(N))$

- ▶ Example:

if  $T_1(N) = O(N^2)$  and  $T_2(N) = O(N)$  then

(a)  $T_1(N) + T_2(N) = O(N^2)$

(b)  $T_1(N) * T_2(N) = O(N^3)$



# Operation Rules

- Rule 2

*If  $T(N)$  is a polynomial of degree  $k$ , then*

$$T(N) = \Theta(N^k)$$

- Rule 3

$\log^k N = O(N)$  for any constant  $k$ .

This tells that logarithms grow very slowly

# Comparing Functions

Function	Name
c	Constant
logN	Logarithmic
log <sup>2</sup> N	Log-squared
N	Linear
NlogN	
N <sup>2</sup>	Quadratic
N <sup>3</sup>	Cubic
2 <sup>N</sup>	Exponential

# Operation Rules

## Rule 4: Condition Statement

if (condition)

S1

else

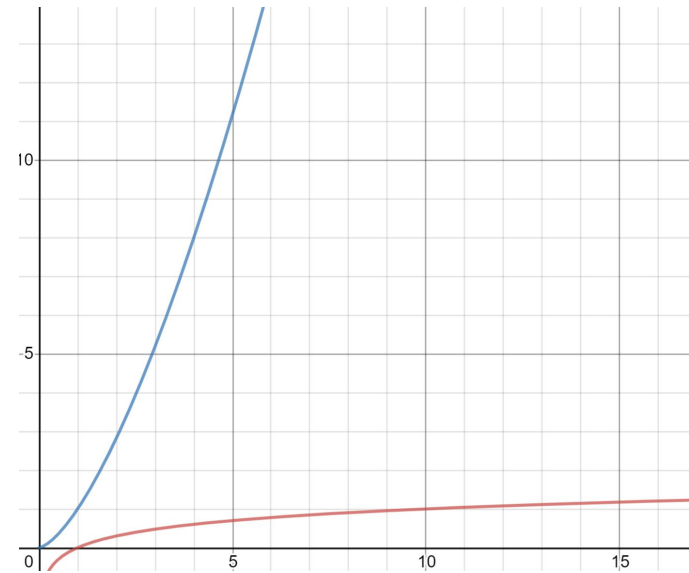
S2

If S1 is  $O(f(n))$  and S2 is  $O(g(n))$ , then the overall condition statement is  $O(\max(f(n), g(n)))$ .

# Exercise #1

If  $f(N) = N \log N$ ,  $g(N) = N^{1.5}$ , decide which of  $f(N)$  and  $g(N)$  grows faster.

- $N \log N$  vs  $N^{1.5}$
- Divide by  $N$
- $\log N$  vs  $N^{0.5}$



## Exercise #2

For loops

```
for (i=0;i<N;i++)  
    k++
```

$O(N)$

Nested for loops

```
for (i=0; i<N; i++)  
    for (j=0; j<N; j++)  
        k++
```

$O(N^2)$

# Exercise #3

Consecutive Statements

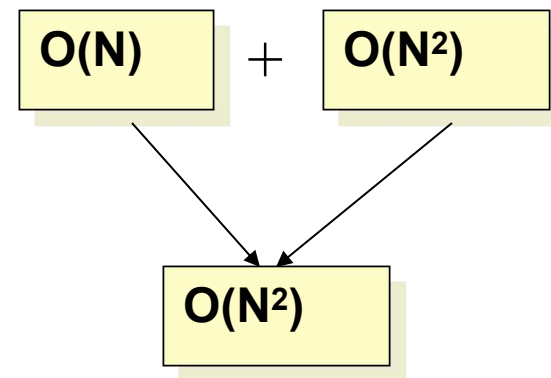
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for (i=0;i<N;i++)
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    A[i] = 0;
```

```
for (i=0; i<N; i++)
```

```
    for (j=0; j<N; j++)
```

```
        A[i] += A[j]+i+j;
```



# Summary

- Compute the exact running time for insertion sort.
- Asymptotic notation: theta, big O, big Omega, little o, little omega
- Asymptotic running time of algorithm