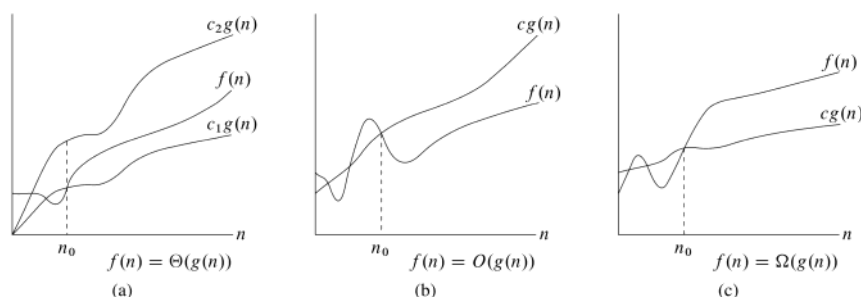


# Asymptotic Notation



$O$ -notation : asymptotic upper bound

$g(n)$  is asymptotic upper bound for  $f(n)$ :

$$f(n) = O(g(n)) \iff O(g(n)) = \{f(n) : \text{there exists } c \text{ \& } n_0 : 0 \leq f(n) \leq c g(n) \text{ for all } n > n_0\}$$

$$O(n^2) = \{n^2, 2n, 2n^2 + 3n, n^2, \dots\}$$

$$f(n) = n \quad f(n) = O(n^2)$$

$g(n)$  is asymptotic lower bound for  $f(n)$ :

$$f(n) = \Omega(g(n)) \iff \Omega(g(n)) = \{f(n) : c, n_0 0 \leq c g(n) \leq f(n) \text{ for all } n > n_0\}$$

quiz:  $\Omega(n^2) = \{ \underbrace{n^2}_{\checkmark}, \underbrace{n^2 + 5n}_{\checkmark}, \cancel{n}, \cancel{n \log n}, \underbrace{\frac{n^3 + n^2}{n^2(n+1)}}_{\checkmark} \}$

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= 2n \\ f(n) &= O(n^2) \\ 0 &\leq 2n \leq cn^2, \quad n \geq n_0 \\ c=1, n_0=2 \quad n=2 &\rightarrow 2 \times 2 \leq 1 \times 2^2 \\ n=3 &\rightarrow 2 \times 3 \leq 3^2 = 9 \end{aligned}$$

Using  $O/\Omega$  in equations

$$2n^2 + 3n + 1 = 2n^2 + \Theta(n)$$

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$O$ -notation

$O(g(n)) = \{f(n) \mid \text{for any } c, \text{ there exists } n_0, 0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0\}$

$$O(n^2) = \left\{ \cancel{n^2}, n^{1.99}, \dots \right\} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{alternative} \\ \text{definition} \end{array} : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 0 \right]$$

$$n^{1.99} < cn^2 \iff \frac{1}{n^{0.01}} < c$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{1.99}}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n^{0.01}} = 0$$

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

$\omega$ -notation defined similarly.

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

- check out properties of  $O, \Omega, \theta, o, \omega$  in the book.  
transitivity, reflexivity, ...