

Introduction to Algorithms

L2. Algorithmic analysis. II

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Outline

- Techniques to analyze correctness and runtime
 - ~~Proving correctness with induction~~ Done!
 - Proving runtime with asymptotic analysis Today!
 - *Problems: Comparison-sorting*
 - *Algorithms: Insertion sort*
 - Reading: CLRS 2.1, 2.2, 3

How do we measure the runtime of an algorithm?

Runtime Analysis

- We might care about the runtime of an algorithm in a few cases.
 - **Worst-case analysis** What is the runtime of the algorithm on the worst possible input?
 - We'll focus on this type of analysis since it tells us that an algorithm performs **at least this fast for every input**.
 - **Best-case analysis** What is the runtime of the algorithm on the best possible input?
 - **Average-case analysis** What is the runtime of the algorithm on the average input?

Asymptotic Analysis

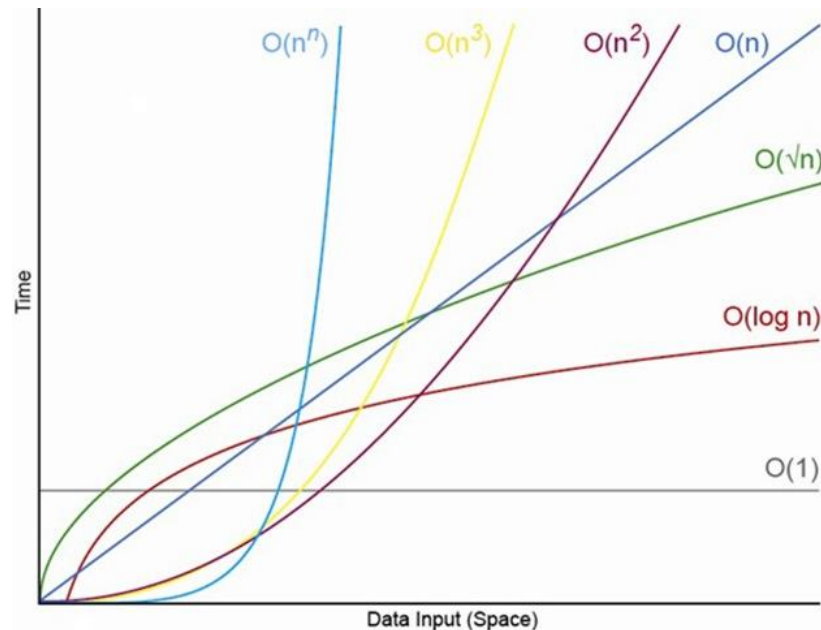
- What does it mean to measure “runtime” of an algorithm?
 - Engineers probably care most about the “real-world time”: how long does the algorithm take in seconds, minutes, hours, days, etc.?
 - This heavily depends on computer hardware, programming language, etc.
 - While important, it will not be the emphasis of this course.
 - Instead, we want to use a universal measure of runtime that’s independent of these considerations.
 - Time-complexity.

Asymptotic Analysis

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(입력사이즈 n 값이 매우 커질 때에도 알고리즘이 빠르게 작동하도록)



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○ Pros

- Abstracts away from hardware-/language- specific issues (추상화)
- Make algorithm analysis much more tractable (다루기 쉬움)

○ Cons

- Only makes sense if n is large (compared to the constant factors).

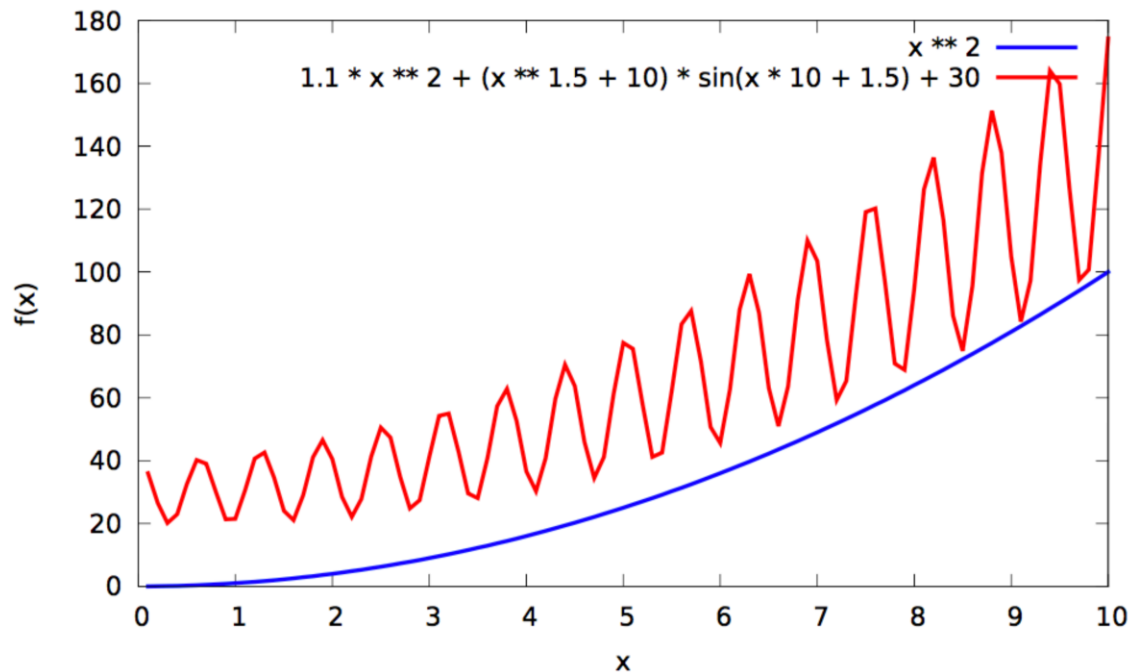
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is “better” than n^2 ?!?!

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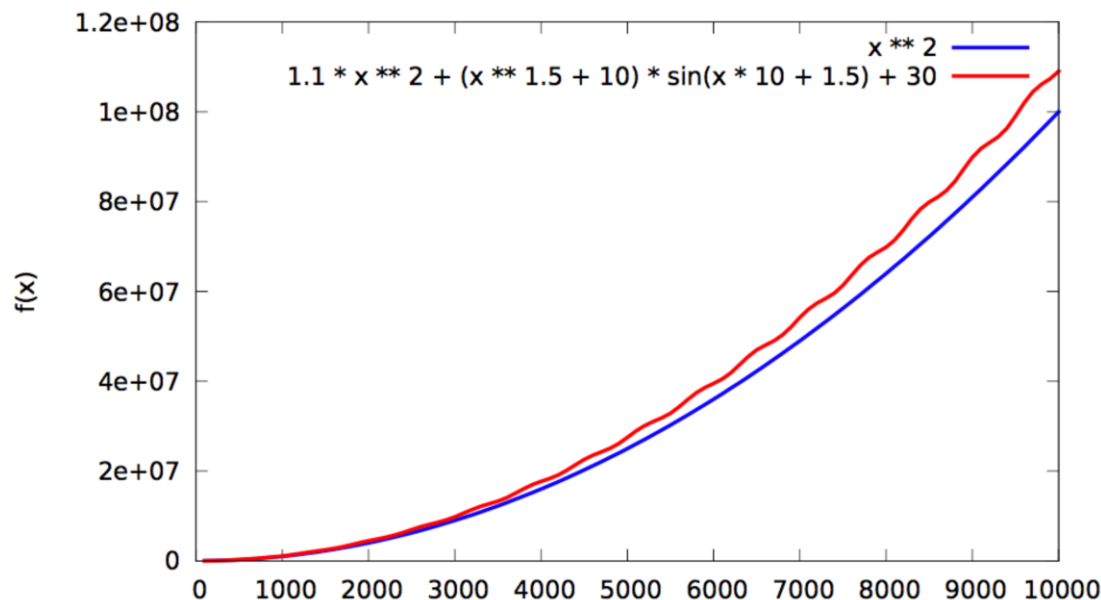
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Ignore lower-order terms



Informally, it can be determined by ignoring constants and non-dominant growth terms.

Running times for $f_1(x)$ and $f_2(x)$ are both n^2

Big-O ($O(\dots)$) Means Upper-Bound

- Big-O (“빅-오” 로 읽음) notation (빅-오 표기법) is a mathematical notation for upper-bounding a function's rate of growth.

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- $O(g(n))$ is a set. $T(n)$ belongs to the set
- Formally,

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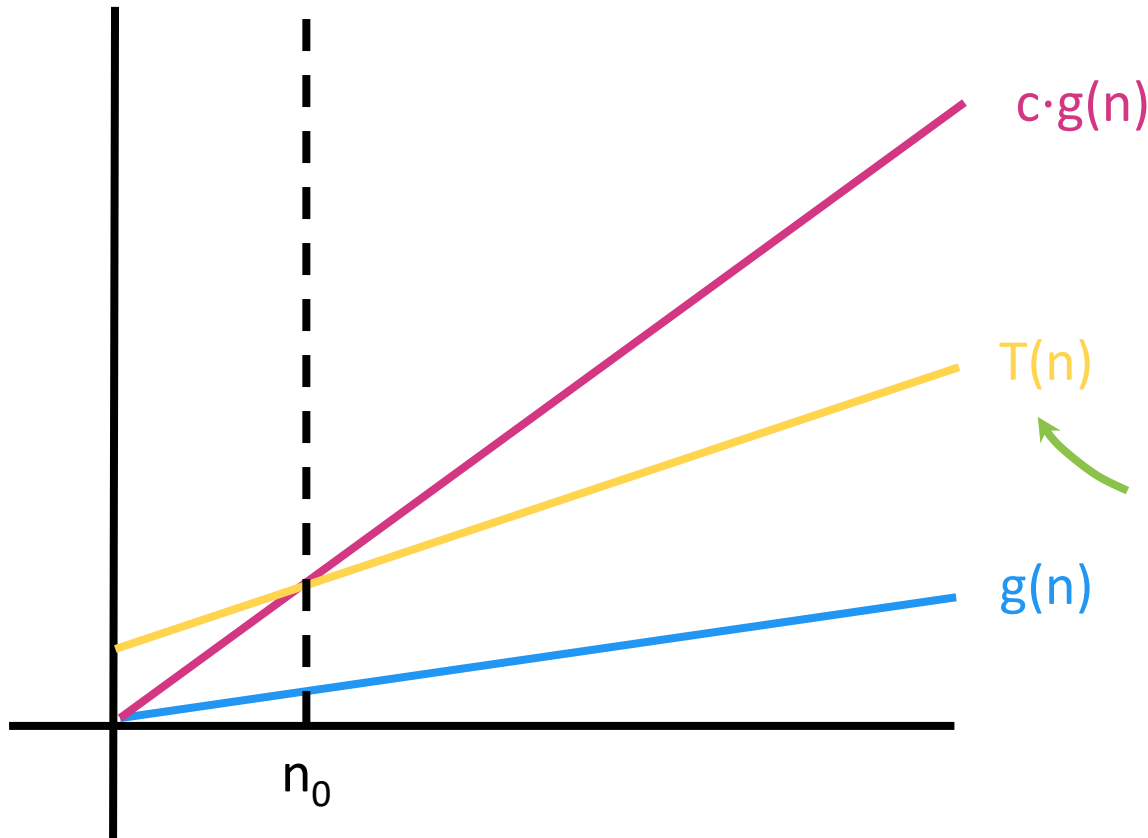
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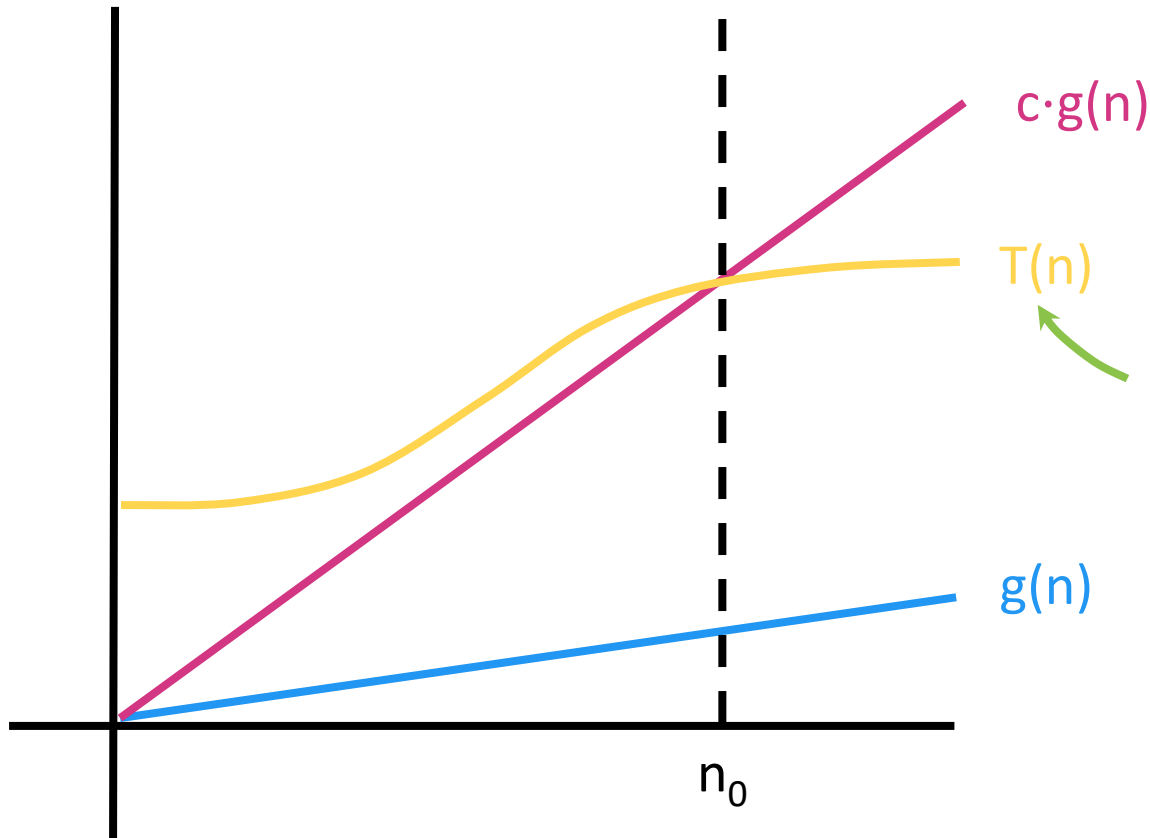
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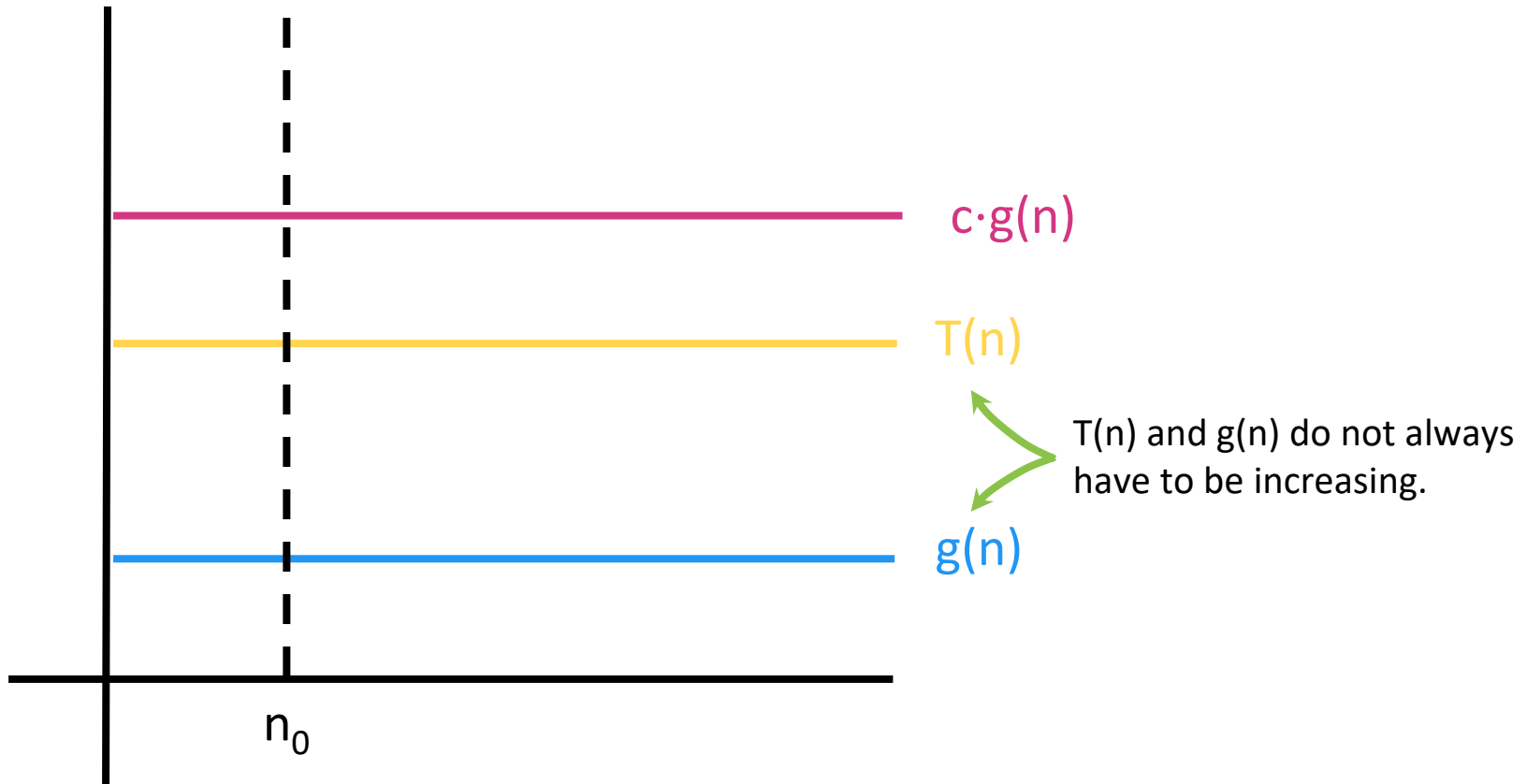
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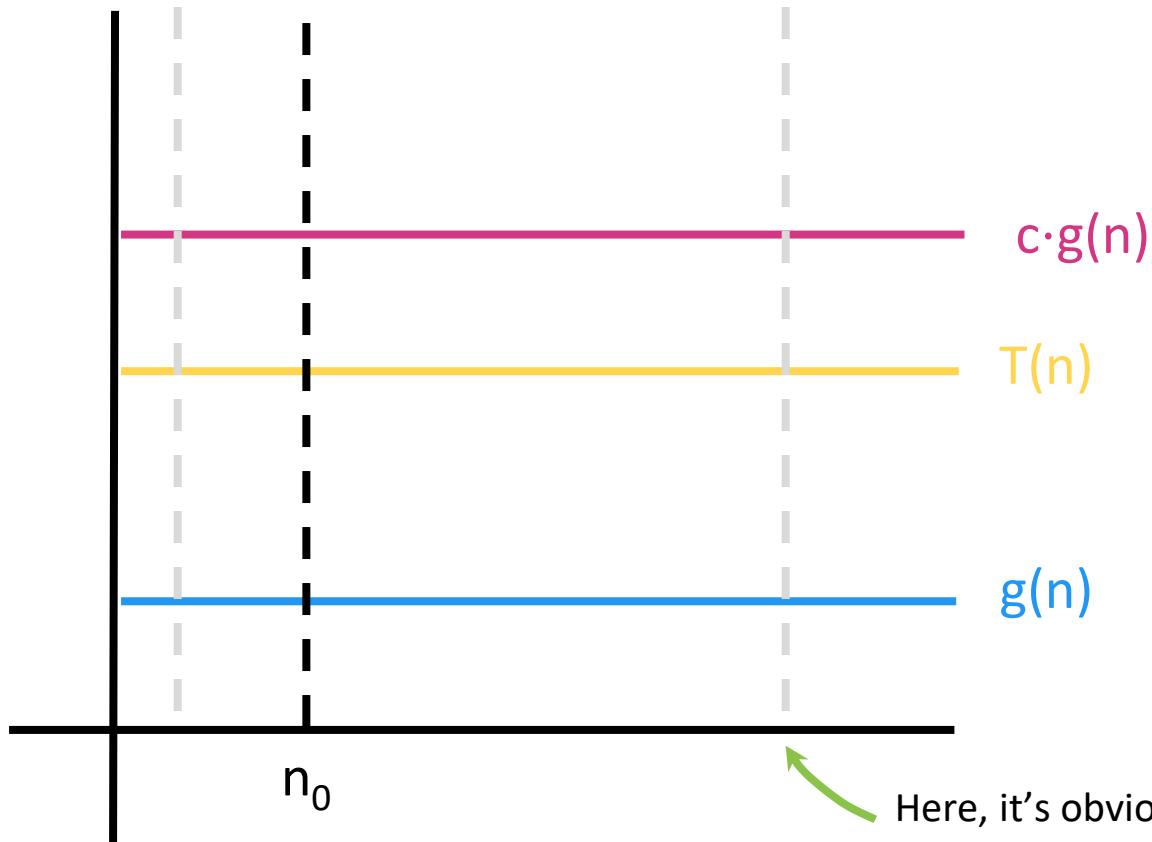
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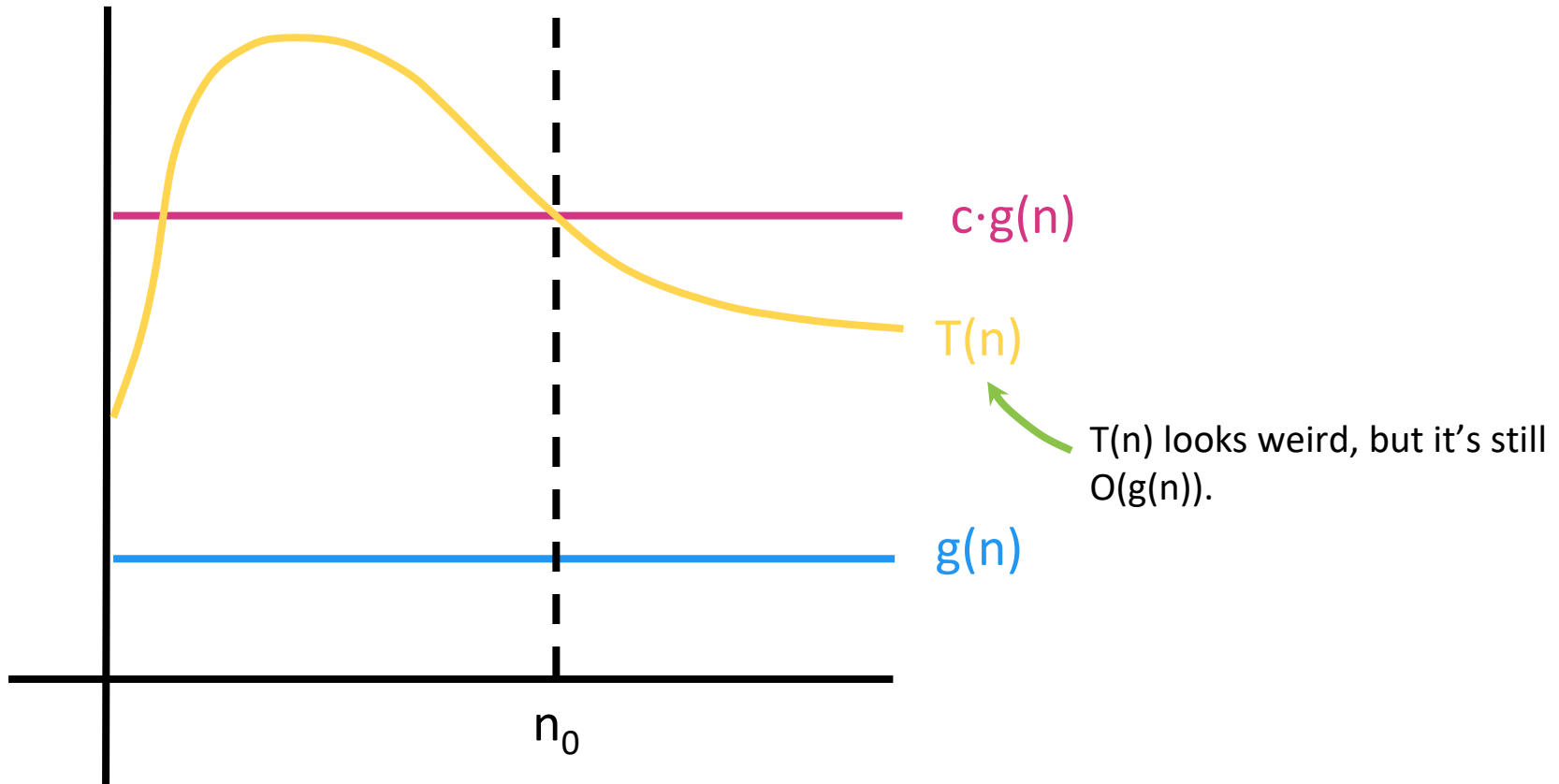
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Here's the contradiction:
assuming $n^2 \leq c \cdot n$ implies
 $n^2 > c \cdot n$ (the opposite)

Big-Ω Means Lower-Bound

- Big-Ω (“빅-오메가”) notation is a mathematical notation for **lower**-bounding a function’s rate of growth.
 - Informally, it can be determined by ignoring constants and non-dominant growth terms.

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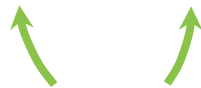
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Switched these!

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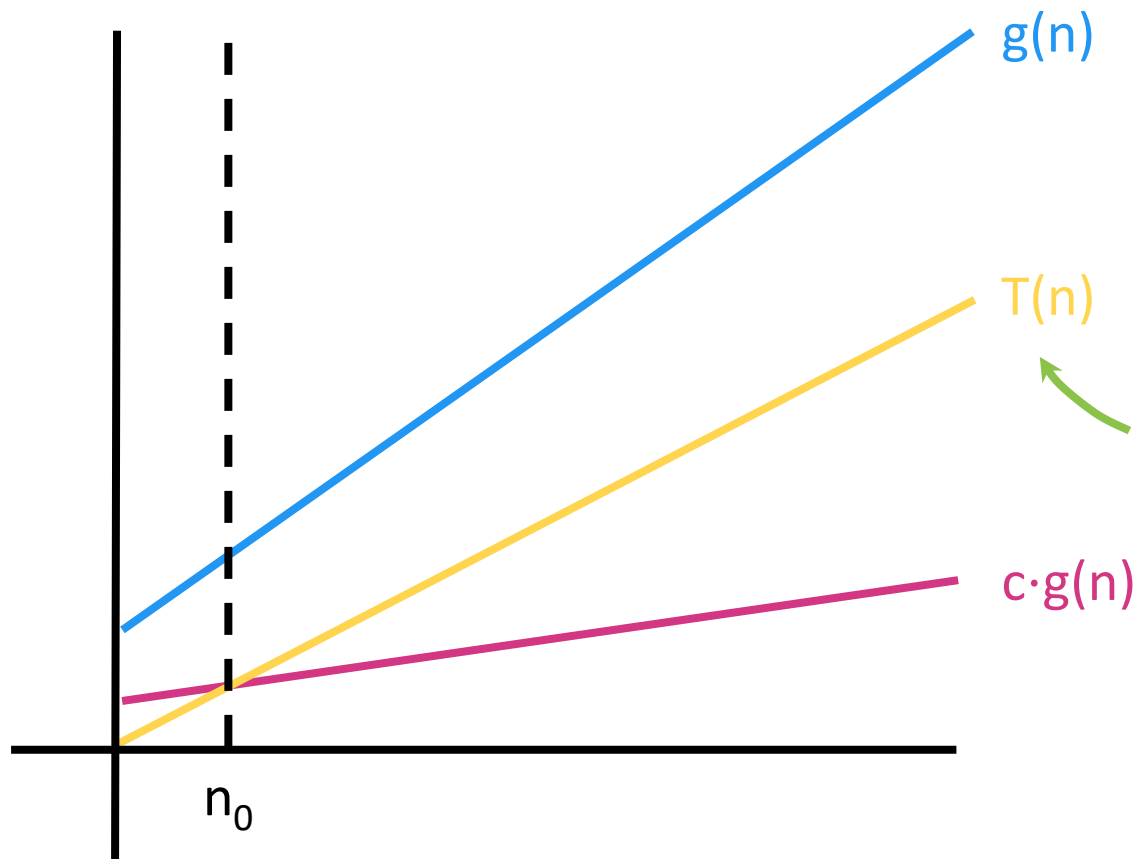
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Big- Θ Means Upper and Lower-Bound

- We say “ $T(n)$ is $\Theta(g(n))$ ” iff

$$T(n) = O(g(n))$$

AND

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More examples

- Claim I:

- Prove that $\frac{3}{2}n^2 + \frac{5}{2}n - 3 = O(n^2)$

- Equivalent: find c and n_0 such that $\frac{3}{2}n^2 + \frac{5}{2}n - 3 \leq cn^2$
 - Example proof

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- Claim II:

- Prove that $\frac{1}{2}n^2 - 3n = \Theta(n^2)$

- Equivalent: find c_1, c_2 and n_0 such that $c_1n^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}n^2 - 3n \leq c_2n^2$
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- Claim III:

- Let $f(n) = 5n + 12$. Which of the following statements are true?

- 1. $f(n) = O(n)$

- 2. $f(n) = O(n \log n)$

- 3. $f(n) = O(n^2)$

- 4. $f(n) = O(2^n)$

Asymptotic Analysis

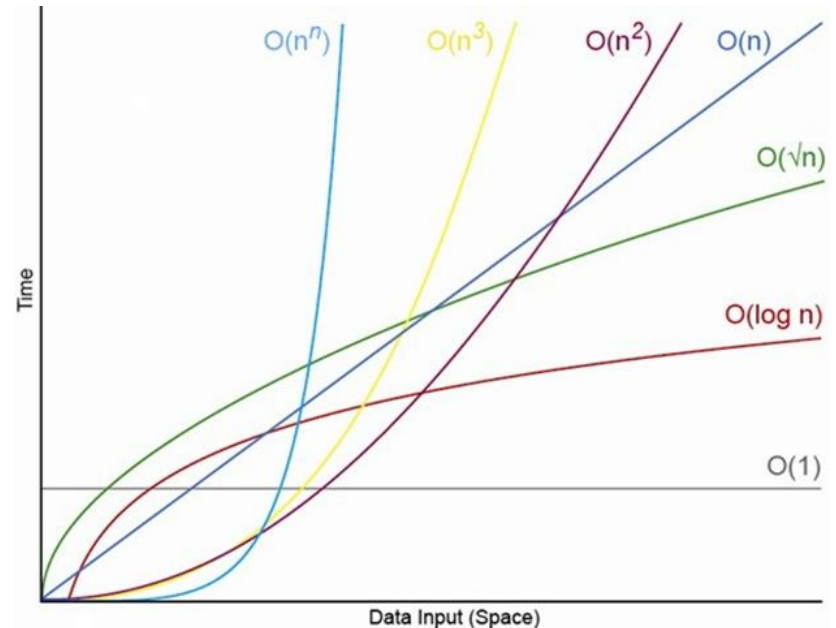
- Typically we call this asymptotic runtime as “time-complexity”.
- Again,
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 - f_1 and f_2 has same time-complexity.

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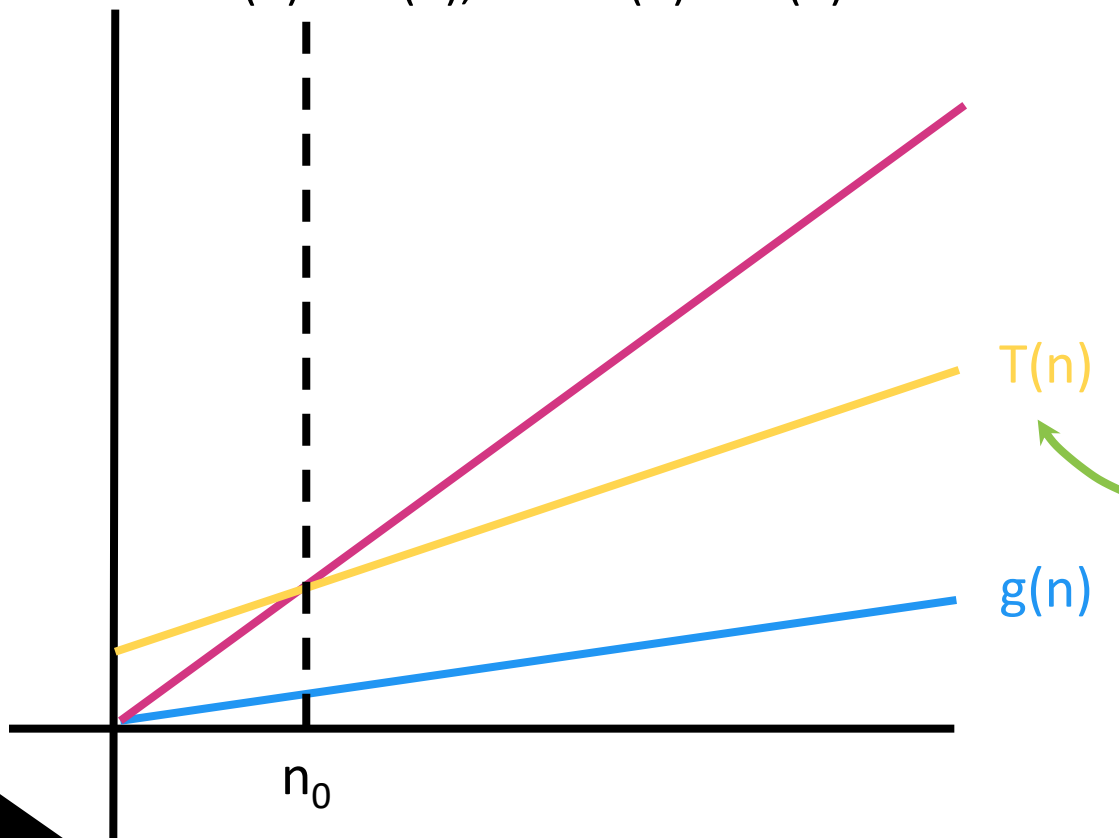
- Time scales (increasing order)
 - $O(1)$ (constant, 상수)
 - $O(\log n)$ (logarithmic, 로그)
 - $O(\sqrt{n})$
 - $O(n)$ (linear, 선형)
 - $O(n^k)$ (polynomial, 다항식)
 - $O(a^n)$ (exponential, 지수)
 - $O(n!)$ (factorial, 계승)



- Quiz. Which one is higher?
 - $O(n)$ vs $O(n \cdot \log n)$

Asymptotic Analysis

- Big-O is an upper-bound
 - If $f(n) = O(n)$, then $f(n) = O(n^2)$
- Big-Omega is a lower-bound
 - If $f(n) = \Omega(n)$, then $f(n) = \Omega(1)$



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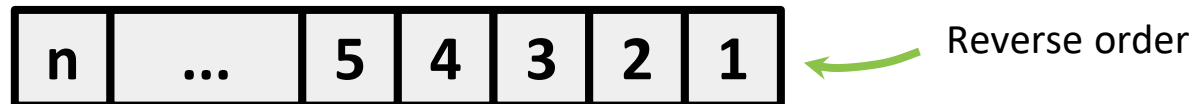
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- Worst case: $\frac{3}{2}n^2 + \frac{7}{2}n - 4 = O(n^2)$

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Upper-bound for worst-case runtime $O(n^2)$

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Lower-bound for best-case runtime $\Omega(n)$

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