

CS 560: Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Chapter 3: Asymptotic Notations

Asymptotic Analysis

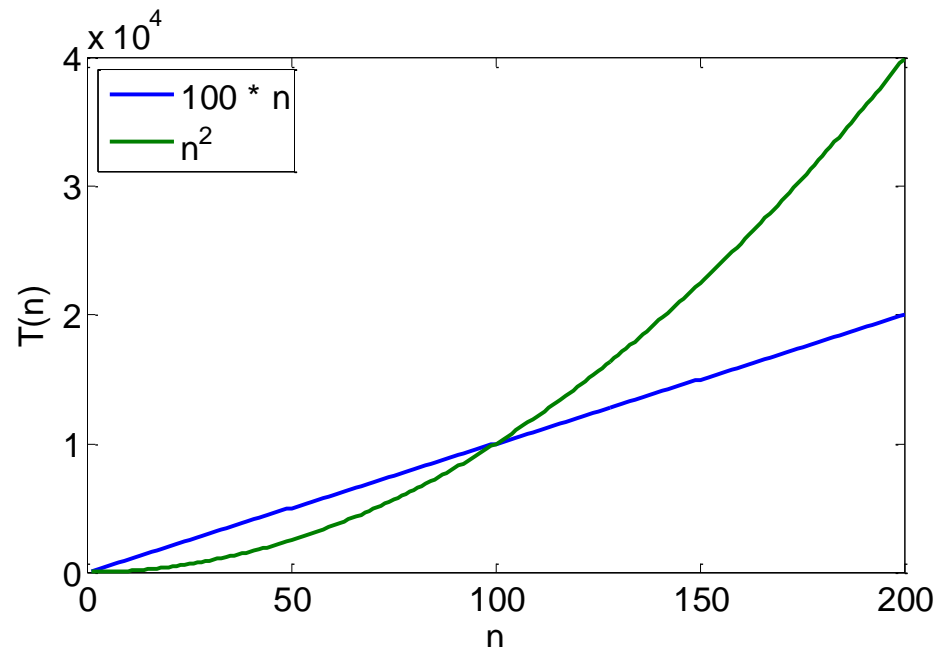
- Running time depends on the size of the input
 - Larger array takes more time to sort
 - $T(n)$: the time taken on input with size n
 - Look at **growth** of $T(n)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

“Asymptotic Analysis”

- Size of input is generally defined as the number of input elements
 - In some cases may be tricky

Asymptotic Analysis

- Ignore actual and abstract statement costs
- *Order of growth* is the interesting measure:
 - Highest-order term is what counts
 - As the input size grows larger it is the high order term that dominates



Comparison of functions

	$\log_2 n$	n	$n \log_2 n$	n^2	n^3	2^n	$n!$
10	3.3	10	33	10^2	10^3	10^3	10^6
10^2	6.6	10^2	660	10^4	10^6	10^{30}	10^{158}
10^3	10	10^3	10^4	10^6	10^9		
10^4	13	10^4	10^5	10^8	10^{12}		
10^5	17	10^5	10^6	10^{10}	10^{15}		
10^6	20	10^6	10^7	10^{12}	10^{18}		

For a super computer that does 1 trillion operations per second, it will be longer than 1 billion years

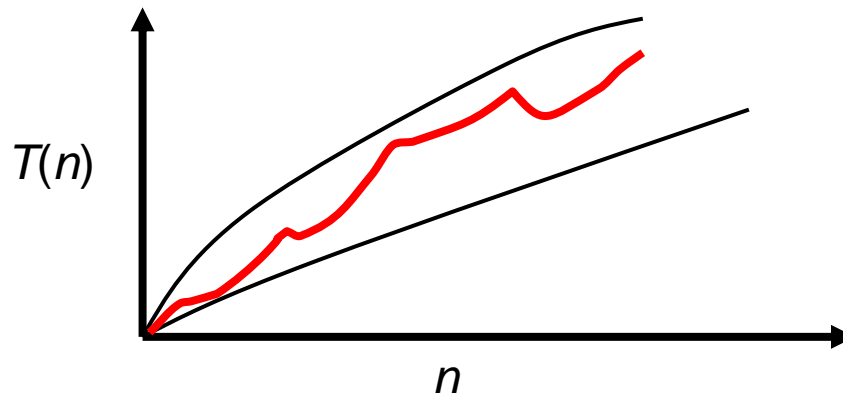
Order of growth

$$1 \ll \log_2 n \ll n \ll n \log_2 n \ll n^2 \ll n^3 \ll 2^n \ll n!$$

(We are slightly abusing of the “ \ll ” sign. It means a smaller order of growth).

Exact analysis is hard!

- We have agreed that the best, worst and average case complexity of an algorithm is a numerical function of the size of instances



- However, worst-case and average-case are difficult to deal with precisely, because the details are very complicated
- Thus, it is usually cleaner and easier to talk about upper and lower bounds of the function
- There is where the big O notation comes in!
- Since running our algorithm on a machine which is twice as fast will effect the running time by a multiplicative constant of 2, we are going to have to ignore the constants anyway

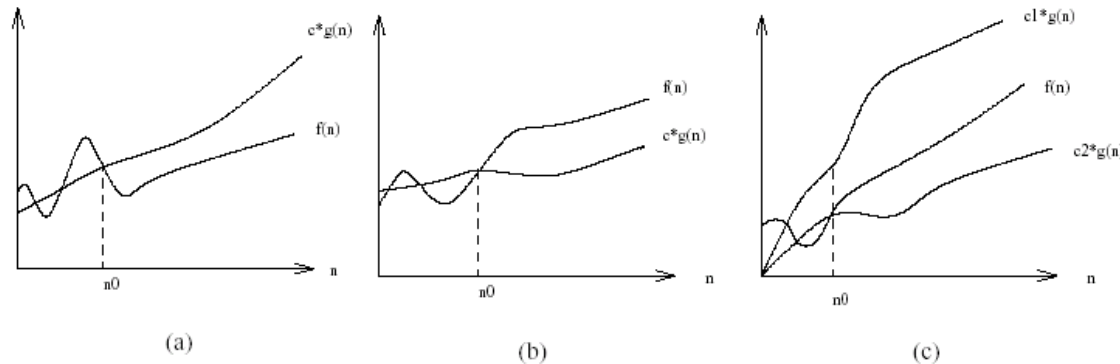
Asymptotic notations

- O : Big-Oh
- Ω : Big-Omega
- Θ : Theta
- o : Small-oh
- ω : Small-omega

Names of bounding functions

- Now that we have clearly defined the complexity functions we are talking about, we can talk about upper and lower bounds on it
 - $f(n)=O(g(n))$ means $c \times g(n)$ is an upper bound on $f(n)$
 - $f(n)=\Omega(g(n))$ means $c \times g(n)$ is a lower bound on $f(n)$
 - $f(n)=\Theta(g(n))$ means $c_1 \times g(n)$ is an upper bound on $f(n)$ and $c_2 \times g(n)$ is a lower bound on $f(n)$
- Got it? c, c_1, c_2 are constants independent of n
- All of these definitions imply a constant n_0 beyond which they are satisfied
- We don't care about the small values of n

O, Ω , and Θ



- The value of n_0 shown is the minimum possible value; any greater value will also work
 - (a) $f(n) = O(g(n))$ if there exists a positive constant n_0 , and c^* such that for all n greater than n_0 (to the right of n_0), the value of $f(n)$ always lies on or below $c^* \times g(n)$. That is, $f(n) \leq c^* \times g(n)$
 - (b) $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ if there exists a positive constant n_0 , and c such that for all n greater than n_0 (to the right of n_0), the value of $f(n)$ always lies on or above $c^* \times g(n)$. That is, $c^* \times g(n) \leq f(n)$
 - (c) $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ if there exists a positive constant n_0 , c_1^* , and c_2^* such that for all n greater than n_0 (to the right of n_0), the value of $f(n)$ always lies between $c_1^* \times g(n)$ and $c_2^* \times g(n)$ inclusive. That is, $c_2^* \times g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_1^* \times g(n)$
 - Finally, $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ if and only if $f(n) = O(g(n))$ and $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$

What does all these mean?

- $3n^2 - 100n + 6 = O(n^2)$ because $3.1n^2 > 3n^2 - 100n + 6$
- $3n^2 - 100n + 6 = O(n^3)$ because $3n^3 > 3n^2 - 100n + 6$
- $3n^2 - 100n + 6 \neq O(n)$ because for any c , $cn < 3n^2$ when $n > c$
- $3n^2 - 100n + 6 = \Omega(n^2)$ because $2n^2 < 3n^2 - 100n + 6$
- $3n^2 - 100n + 6 \neq \Omega(n^3)$ because $3n^2 - 100n + 6 < n^3$
- $3n^2 - 100n + 6 = \Omega(n)$ because $1000n < 3n^2 - 100n + 6$
- $3n^2 - 100n + 6 = \Theta(n^2)$ because O and Ω
- $3n^2 - 100n + 6 \neq \Theta(n^3)$ because O only
- $3n^2 - 100n + 6 \neq \Theta(n)$ because Ω only

Testing dominance

- $f(n)$ dominates $g(n)$ if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(n)/f(n) = 0$, which is same as saying $g(n)=o(f(n))$
 - Note the **little-oh**--- it means “grows strictly slower than”
- Knowing the dominance relation between common functions is important because we want algorithms whose time complexity is as low as possible in the hierarchy
 - If $f(n)$ dominates $g(n)$, f is much larger than g
 - That is f is much slower (takes more time to run) than g
- Examples
 - n^a dominates n^b if $a > b$
 - since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^b/n^a = 1/n^{b-a} = 0$
 - $n^a + o(n^a)$ does not dominate n^a
 - Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^a/(n^a + o(n^a)) = 1$

Complexity	10	20	30	40
n	0.00001 sec	0.00002 sec	0.00003 sec	0.00004 sec
n^2	0.0001 sec	0.0004 sec	0.0009 sec	0.016 sec
n^3	0.001 sec	0.008 sec	0.027 sec	0.064 sec
n^5	0.1 sec	3.2 sec	24.3 sec	1.7 min
2^n	0.001 sec	1.0 sec	17.9 min	12.7 days
3^n	0.59 sec	58 min	6.5 years	3855 cent

Big O

- Informally, $O(g(n))$ is the set of all functions with a smaller or same order of growth as $g(n)$, within a constant multiple
- If we say $f(n)$ is in $O(g(n))$, it means that $g(n)$ is an **asymptotic upper bound** of $f(n)$
 - Intuitively, it is like $f(n) \leq cg(n)$ for some constant c
- What is $O(n^2)$?
 - The set of all functions that grow slower than or in the same order as n^2

Examples

So:

$$n \in O(n^2)$$

This says $O(n^2)$ is a set of functions and $f(n)=n$ is one of them

We will often abuse this notation and simply say $n=O(n^2)$ as we have done before

$$n^2 \in O(n^2)$$

$$1000n \in O(n^2)$$

$$n^2 + n \in O(n^2)$$

$$100n^2 + n \in O(n^2)$$

Intuitively, O is like \leq

But:

$$1/1000 n^3 \notin O(n^2) \quad \text{Why?}$$

Big Ω

- Informally, $\Omega(g(n))$ is the set of all functions with a larger or same order of growth as $g(n)$, within a constant multiple
- $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$ means $g(n)$ is an **asymptotic lower bound** of $f(n)$
 - Intuitively, it is like $g(n) \leq f(n)$

So:

$$n^2 \in \Omega(n)$$

$$1/1000 n^2 \in \Omega(n)$$

But:

$$1000 n \notin \Omega(n^2)$$

Intuitively, Ω is like \geq

Theta (Θ)

- Informally, $\Theta(g(n))$ is the set of all functions with the same order of growth as $g(n)$, within a constant multiple
- $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$ means $g(n)$ is an **asymptotically tight bound** of $f(n)$
 - Intuitively, it is like $f(n) = g(n)$
- What is $\Theta(n^2)$?
 - The set of all functions that grow in the same order as n^2

Examples

So:

$$n^2 \in \Theta(n^2)$$

$$n^2 + n \in \Theta(n^2)$$

$$100n^2 + n \in \Theta(n^2)$$

$$100n^2 + \log_2 n \in \Theta(n^2)$$

Intuitively, Θ is like =

But:

$$n \log_2 n \notin \Theta(n^2)$$

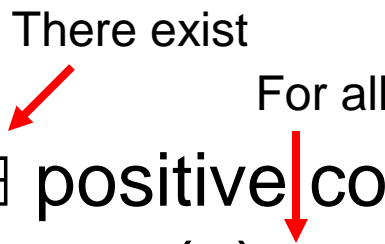
$$1000n \notin \Theta(n^2)$$

$$1/1000 n^3 \notin \Theta(n^2)$$

Tricky cases

- How about $\text{sqrt}(n)$ and $\log_2 n$?
- How about $\log_2 n$ and $\log_{10} n$
- How about 2^n and 3^n
- How about 3^n and $n!$?

Big-Oh: O

- Definition:
 $O(g(n)) = \{f(n): \exists \text{ positive constants } c \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n) \forall n > n_0\}$

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(n)/f(n) > 0$ (if the limit exists.)
- Abuse of notation (for convenience):
 $f(n) = O(g(n))$ actually means $f(n) \in O(g(n))$

Big-Oh: O

- **Claim:** $f(n) = 3n^2 + 10n + 5 \in O(n^2)$
- **Proof by definition**

To prove this claim by definition, we need to find some positive constants c and n_0 such that $f(n) \leq cn^2$ for all $n > n_0$.

(Note: you just need to find one concrete example of c and n_0 satisfying the condition.)

$$\begin{aligned} 3n^2 + 10n + 5 &\leq 10n^2 + 10n + 10 \\ &\leq 10n^2 + 10n^2 + 10n^2, \forall n \geq 1 \\ &\leq 30n^2, \forall n \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if we let $c = 30$ and $n_0 = 1$, we have $f(n) \leq cn^2, \forall n \geq n_0$.
Hence according to the definition of big-Oh, $f(n) = O(n^2)$.

- **Alternatively**, we can show that
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 / (3n^2 + 10n + 5) = 1/3 > 0$$

Big-Omega: Ω

- Definition:

$\Omega(g(n)) = \{f(n): \exists \text{ positive constants } c \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq cg(n) \leq f(n) \forall n > n_0\}$

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)/g(n) > 0$ (if the limit exists.)

- Abuse of notation (for convenience):

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ actually means $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$

Big-Omega: Ω

- **Claim:** $f(n) = n^2 / 10 = \Omega(n)$
- **Proof by definition:**
 $f(n) = n^2 / 10, g(n) = n$
Need to find a c and a n_0 to satisfy the definition of $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$, i.e., $f(n) \geq cg(n)$ for $n > n_0$
 $n \leq n^2 / 10$ when $n \geq 10$
If we let $c = 1$ and $n_0 = 10$, we have $f(n) \geq cn, \forall n \geq n_0$.
Therefore, according to definition, $f(n) = \Omega(n)$.
- **Alternatively:**
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)/g(n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n/10) = \infty$$

Theta: Θ

- Definition:
 - $\Theta(g(n)) = \{f(n): \exists \text{ positive constants } c_1, c_2, \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n), \quad \forall n \geq n_0\}$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)/g(n) = c > 0 \text{ and } c < \infty$
- $f(n) = O(g(n))$ and $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$
- Abuse of notation (for convenience):
 - $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ actually means $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$
 - $\Theta(1)$ means constant time.

Theta: Θ

- **Claim:** $f(n) = 2n^2 + n = \Theta(n^2)$
- **Proof by definition:**
 - Need to find the three constants c_1 , c_2 , and n_0 such that
$$c_1 n^2 \leq 2n^2 + n \leq c_2 n^2 \text{ for all } n > n_0$$
 - A simple solution is $c_1 = 2$, $c_2 = 3$, and $n_0 = 1$
- **Alternatively,** $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2n^2 + n)/n^2 = 2$

More Examples

- Prove $n^2 + 3n + \lg n$ is in $O(n^2)$
- Want to find c and n_0 such that
$$n^2 + 3n + \lg n \leq cn^2 \text{ for } n > n_0$$

- Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 + 3n + \lg n &\leq 3n^2 + 3n + 3\lg n && \text{for } n > 1 \\ &\leq 3n^2 + 3n^2 + 3n^2 \\ &\leq 9n^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Or } n^2 + 3n + \lg n &\leq n^2 + n^2 + n^2 && \text{for } n > 10 \\ &\leq 3n^2 \end{aligned}$$

More Examples

- Prove $n^2 + 3n + \lg n$ is in $\Omega(n^2)$
- Want to find c and n_0 such that
$$n^2 + 3n + \lg n \geq cn^2 \text{ for } n > n_0$$

$$n^2 + 3n + \lg n \geq n^2 \text{ for } n > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 + 3n + \lg n &= O(n^2) \text{ and } n^2 + 3n + \lg n = \Omega(n^2) \\ \Rightarrow n^2 + 3n + \lg n &= \Theta(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

More Examples

- Prove that for any constant a and b ,
– $(n+a)^b = \Theta(n^b)$

Class exercise

Small-o

- Definition:

$o(g(n)) = \{f(n): \text{for any positive constant } c, \exists n_0 > 0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n) \forall n > n_0\}$

There exist



For all



- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)/g(n) = 0$ (if the limit exists.)

- Abuse of notation (for convenience):

$f(n) = o(g(n))$ actually means $f(n) \in o(g(n))$

Small-o

- Claim: $f(n) = 10n + 5 \in o(n^2)$
- Proof by definition

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (10n+5) / (n^2) = 0$$

- Claim: $f(n)=n^2+10n+5 \notin o(n^2)$
- Proof by definition

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n^2+10n+5) / (n^2) = 1$$

Small- ω

- Definition:

$\omega(g(n)) = \{f(n): \text{for any positive constant } c, \exists n_0 > 0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq cg(n) < f(n) \forall n > n_0\}$

There exist



For all



- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)/g(n) = \infty$
- Abuse of notation (for convenience):
 $f(n) = \omega(g(n))$ actually means $f(n) \in \omega(g(n))$

Small- ω

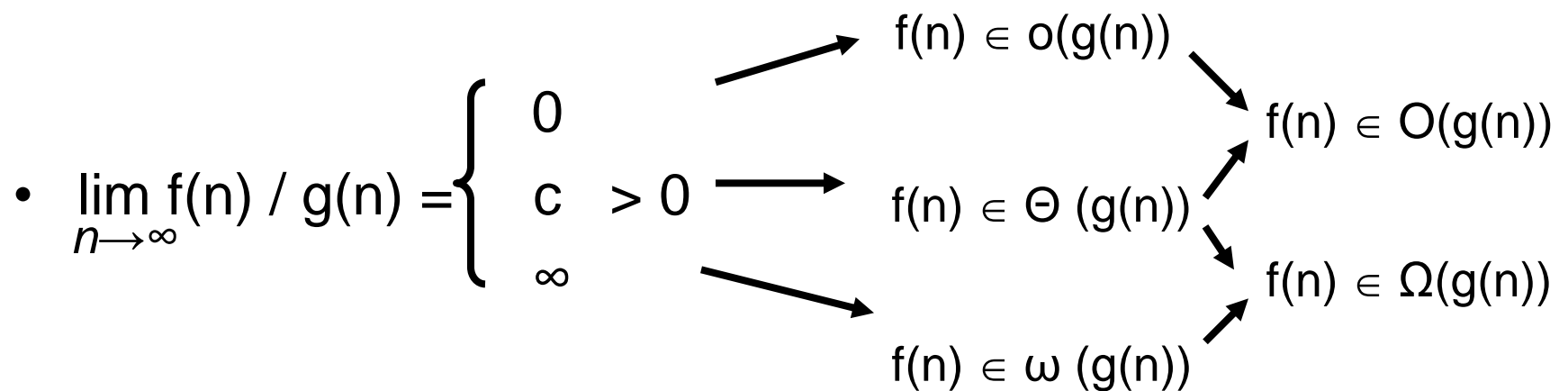
- Claim: $f(n) = 10n^2 + 5 \in \omega(n)$
- Proof by definition

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (10n^2 + 5) / (n) = \infty$$

- Claim: $f(n) = 10n + 5 \notin \omega(n)$
- Proof by definition

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (10n + 5) / (n) = 10$$

Using limits to compare orders of growth



logarithms

- It is important to understand deep in your bones what logarithms are and where they come from
- A logarithm is simply an inverse exponential function. Saying $b^x=y$ is equivalent to saying $x=\log_b y$
- Exponential functions, like the amount owed on n year mortgage at an interest rate $c\%$ per year, are functions which grow distressingly fast, as anyone who has tried to pay off a mortgage knows
- Thus inverse exponential functions, i.e., logarithms grow refreshingly slow
- Binary search is an example of an $O(\log n)$ algorithm
 - After each comparison, we can throw away half of the possible number of keys
 - Thus 20 comparisons suffice to find any name in the million-name Manhattan phone book!
- If you have an algorithm which runs in $O(\log n)$ time, take it, because this is blindingly fast even on very large instances

Properties of logarithms

- Recall the definition, $c^{\log_c x} = x$ for any c
- Asymptotically, the base of the logarithm does not matter
 - $\log_b a = \log_c a / \log_c b$
 - Thus $\log_2 n = (1/\log_{100} 2) \log_{100} n$, and note that $1/\log_{100} 2 = 6.643$ is just a constant
- Asymptotically polynomial function of n does not matter
 - Note that $\log(n^{473} + n^2 + n + 96) = O(\log n)$
 - Since $n^{473} + n^2 + n + 96 = O(n^{473})$ and $\log(n^{473}) = 473 \log(n)$
- Any exponential dominates every polynomial
 - This is why we will seek to avoid exponential time algorithms

logarithms

- compare $\log_2 n$ and $\log_{10} n$
- $\log_a b = \log_c b / \log_c a$
- $\log_2 n = \log_{10} n / \log_{10} 2 \sim 3.3 \log_{10} n$
- Therefore $\lim(\log_2 n / \log_{10} n) = 3.3$
- $\log_2 n = \Theta(\log_{10} n)$

Examples

- Compare 2^n and 3^n
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n / 3^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2/3)^n = 0$
- Therefore, $2^n \in o(3^n)$, and $3^n \in \omega(2^n)$
- How about 2^n and 2^{n+1} ?
 $2^n / 2^{n+1} = 1/2$, therefore $2^n = \Theta(2^{n+1})$

L' Hopital's rule

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

Condition:

If both $\lim f(n)$ and $\lim g(n)$ are ∞ or 0

- You can apply this transformation as many times as you want, as long as the condition holds

Examples

- Compare $n^{0.5}$ and $\log n$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{0.5} / \log n = ?$
- $(n^{0.5})' = 0.5 n^{-0.5}$
- $(\log n)' = 1 / n$
- $\lim (n^{-0.5} / 1/n) = \lim(n^{0.5}) = \infty$
- Therefore, $\log n \in o(n^{0.5})$
- In fact, $\log n \in o(n^\varepsilon)$, for any $\varepsilon > 0$

Stirling's formula

$$n! \approx \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n = \sqrt{2\pi n} n^{n+1/2} e^{-n}$$

$$n! \approx (\text{constant}) n^{n+1/2} e^{-n}$$

Examples

- Compare 2^n and $n!$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{2^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c\sqrt{nn}^n}{2^n e^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{n}{2e} \right)^n = \infty$$

- Therefore, $2^n = o(n!)$ and $n! = \omega(2^n)$

- Compare n^n and $n!$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{n^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c\sqrt{nn}^n}{n^n e^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c\sqrt{n}}{e^n} = 0$$

- Therefore, $n^n = \omega(n!)$ and $n! = o(n^n)$

- How about $\log(n!)$?

Examples

$$\begin{aligned}\log(n!) &= \log \frac{c\sqrt{n}n^n}{e^n} = C + \log n^{n+1/2} - \log(e^n) \\ &= C + n \log n + \frac{1}{2} \log n - n \\ &= C + \frac{n}{2} \log n + \left(\frac{n}{2} \log n - n\right) + \frac{1}{2} \log n \\ &= \Theta(n \log n)\end{aligned}$$

More advanced dominance ranking

$$\begin{aligned} n! &\gg c^n \gg n^3 \gg n^2 \gg n^{1+\epsilon} \gg n \log n \gg n \gg \sqrt{n} \gg \\ \log^2 n &\gg \log n \gg \log n / \log \log n \gg \log \log n \gg \alpha(n) \gg 1 \end{aligned}$$

Asymptotic notations

- O : Big-Oh
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- Θ : Theta
- o : Small-oh
- ω : Small-omega
- Intuitively:

O is like \leq

o is like $<$

Ω is like \geq

ω is like $>$

Θ is like $=$

True or false?

1. $2n^2 + 1 = O(n^2)$
2. $\text{Sqrt}(n) = O(\log n)$
3. $\log n = O(\text{sqrt}(n))$
4. $n^2(1 + \text{sqrt}(n)) = O(n^2 \log n)$
5. $3n^2 + \text{sqrt}(n) = O(n^2)$
6. $\text{sqrt}(n) \log n = O(n)$

Properties of asymptotic notations

- Please read from textbook page 51
- Transitivity
 $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ and $g(n) = \Theta(h(n))$
 $\Rightarrow f(n) = \Theta(h(n))$
(holds true for o , O , ω , and Ω as well).
- 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 $g(n) = \omega(f(n))$

About exponential and logarithm functions

- Please read from textbook page 55-56
- It is important to understand what logarithms are and where they come from.
- A logarithm is simply an inverse exponential function.
- Saying $b^x = y$ is equivalent to saying that $x = \log_b y$.
- Logarithms reflect how many times we can double something until we get to n , or halve something until we get to 1.
- $\log_2 1 = ?$
- $\log_2 2 = ?$

Binary Search

- In binary search we throw away half the possible number of keys after each comparison.
- How many times can we halve n before getting to 1?
- Answer: ceiling ($\lg n$)

Logarithms and Trees

- How tall a binary tree do we need until we have n leaves?
- The number of potential leaves doubles with each level.
- How many times can we double 1 until we get to n ?
- Answer: ceiling ($\lg n$)

Logarithms and Bits

- How many numbers can you represent with k bits?
- Each bit you add doubles the possible number of bit patterns
- You can represent from 0 to $2^k - 1$ with k bits. A total of 2^k numbers.
- How many bits do you need to represent the numbers from 0 to n ?
- $\text{ceiling}(\lg(n+1))$

logarithms

- $\lg n = \log_2 n$
- $\ln n = \log_e n$, $e \approx 2.718$
- $\lg^k n = (\lg n)^k$
- $\lg \lg n = \lg (\lg n) = \lg^{(2)} n$
- $\lg^{(k)} n = \lg \lg \lg \dots \lg n$
- $\lg^2 4 = ?$
- $\lg^{(2)} 4 = ?$
- Compare $\lg^k n$ vs $\lg^{(k)} n$?

Useful rules for logarithms

For all $a > 0$, $b > 0$, $c > 0$, the following rules hold

- $\log_b a = \log_c a / \log_c b = \lg a / \lg b$
- $\log_b a^n = n \log_b a$
- $b^{\log_b a} = a$
- $\log(ab) = \log a + \log b$
 - $\lg(2n) = ?$
- $\log(a/b) = \log(a) - \log(b)$
 - $\lg(n/2) = ?$
 - $\lg(1/n) = ?$
- $\log_b a = 1 / \log_a b$

More advanced dominance ranking

$$\begin{aligned} n^n &\gg n! \gg 3^n \gg 2^n \gg n^3 \gg n^2 \gg n^{1+\varepsilon} \gg n \log n \sim \log n! \\ &\gg n \gg n / \log n \gg \sqrt{n} \gg n^\varepsilon \gg \log^3 n \gg \log^2 n \gg \log n \\ &\gg \log n / \log \log n \gg \log \log n \gg \log^{(3)} n \gg \alpha(n) \gg 1 \end{aligned}$$

Next topic

Analyzing the complexity of an algorithm

Kinds of analyses

- Worst case
 - Provides an upper bound on running time
- Best case – not very useful, can always cheat
- Average case
 - Provides the expected running time
 - Very useful, but treat with care: what is “average”?

General plan for analyzing time efficiency of a non-recursive algorithm

- Decide parameter (input size)
- Identify most executed line (basic operation)
- worst-case = average-case?
- $T(n) = \sum_i t_i$
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 - $T(n) = \Theta(1)$
- Worst-case
 - No repeated elements
 - $T(n) = (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 1 = n(n-1) / 2 = \Theta(n^2)$
- Average case?
 - What do you mean by “average”?
 - Need more assumptions about data distribution.
 - How many possible repeats are in the data?
 - Average-case analysis often involves probability.

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Find the order of growth for sums

- $T(n) = \sum_{i=1..n} i = \Theta(n^2)$
- $T(n) = \sum_{i=1..n} \log(i) = ?$
- $T(n) = \sum_{i=1..n} n / 2^i = ?$
- $T(n) = \sum_{i=1..n} 2^i = ?$
- ...
- How to find out the actual order of growth?
 - Math...
 - Textbook Appendix A.1 (page 1058-60)

Arithmetic series

- An **arithmetic series** is a sequence of numbers such that the **difference** of any two successive members of the sequence is a **constant**.

e.g.: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

or 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20

- In general:

$$a_i = a_{i-1} + d \quad \longleftarrow \text{Recursive definition}$$

Or: $a_i = a_1 + (i - 1)d \quad \longleftarrow \text{Closed form, or explicit formula}$

Sum of arithmetic series

If a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n is an **arithmetic series**, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \frac{n(a_1 + a_n)}{2}$$

e.g. $1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + \dots + 99 = ?$

(series definition: $a_i = 2i-1$)

This is $\sum_{i=1 \text{ to } 50} (a_i) = 50 * (1 + 99) / 2 = 2500$

Geometric series

- A **geometric series** is a sequence of numbers such that the **ratio** between any two successive members of the sequence is a **constant**.

e.g.: 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32

or 10, 20, 40, 80, 160

or 1, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{16}$

- In general:

$$a_i = r a_{i-1} \quad \longleftarrow \text{Recursive definition}$$

Or: $a_i = r^i a_0 \quad \longleftarrow \text{Closed form, or explicit formula}$

Sum of geometric series

$$\sum_{i=0}^n r^i = \begin{cases} (1 - r^{n+1}) / (1 - r) & \text{if } r < 1 \\ (r^{n+1} - 1) / (r - 1) & \text{if } r > 1 \\ n + 1 & \text{if } r = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n 2^i = ?$$

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Important formulas

$$\sum_{i=1}^n 1 = n \in \Theta(n)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \in \Theta(n^2)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n r^i = \frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1} \in \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & (r < 1) \\ \Theta(r^n) & (r > 1) \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 \approx \frac{n^3}{3} \in \Theta(n^3)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^k \approx \frac{n^{k+1}}{k+1} \in \Theta(n^{k+1})$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i2^i = (n-1)2^{n+1} + 2 \in \Theta(n2^n)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \in \Theta(\lg n)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \lg i \in \Theta(n \lg n)$$

Sum manipulation rules

$$\sum_i (a_i + b_i) = \sum_i a_i + \sum_i b_i$$

$$\sum_i c a_i = c \sum_i a_i$$

$$\sum_{i=m}^n a_i = \sum_{i=m}^x a_i + \sum_{i=x+1}^n a_i$$

Example:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (4i + 2^i) = ?$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^n (4i + 2^i) = 4 \sum_{i=1}^n i + \sum_{i=1}^n 2^i = 2n(n+1) + 2^{n+1} - 2$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n}{2^i} = n \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} \approx n$$

- $\sum_{i=1..n} n / 2^i = n * \sum_{i=1..n} (1/2)^i = ?$
- using the formula for geometric series:

$$\sum_{i=0..n} (1/2)^i = 1 + 1/2 + 1/4 + \dots (1/2)^n = 2$$
- Application: algorithm for allocating dynamic memories

- $\sum_{i=1..n} \log(i) = \log 1 + \log 2 + \dots + \log n$
 $= \log 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times \dots \times n$
 $= \log n!$
 $= \Theta(n \log n)$
- Application: algorithm for selection sort using priority queue