

$$f(n) : N \rightarrow R^+$$

$$g(n) : N \rightarrow R^+$$

then it does not exceed a constant multiple of g

$$O(g(n)) = \{f(n) : \text{there exist positive constants } c \text{ and } n_0$$

such that $0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0\}$.

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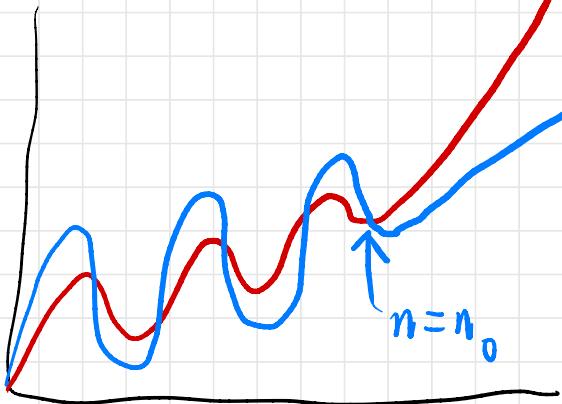
$$cg(n)$$

when n is
big enough "to
care"

$$f(n)$$

• $c + n_0$ ~~differs~~

chosen for
each $f(n)$



$$1000000n^2 + 10^{100}n = O(n^2)$$

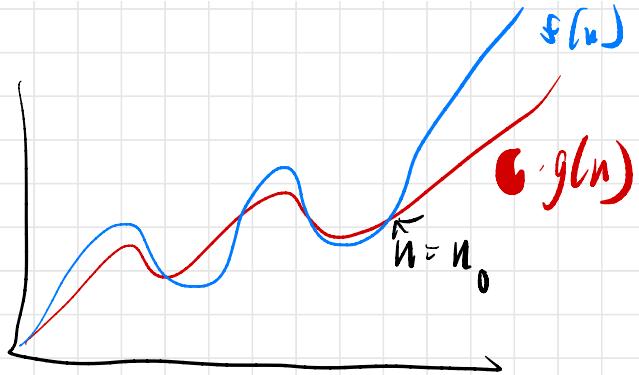
$$25fn = O(n)$$

"a loose upper bound"

$$25fn = O(n^2)$$

$\Omega(g(n)) = \{f(n) : \text{there exist positive constants } c \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq cg(n) \leq f(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0\}.$

"big Omega"
"loose lower bound"



"big-Theta"

$$\Theta(g) = O(g) \cap \Omega(g)$$

$$c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

* $f(n) \in \Theta(g)$, then $g(n)$ is an asymptotically tight bound on $f(n)$

little - oh $f(n) \in o(g(n))$

informally, $f(n) \in O(g(n))$

but $f(n) \notin \Omega(g(n))$

"strict upper bound"

$f(n) \in w(g(n))$

"little omega"

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

but $f(n) \notin \Omega(g(n))$

$$f(n) \in O(g(n)) \quad g(n) \in O(h(n))$$

$$\Rightarrow f(n) \in O(h(n))$$

$$c \cdot f_1(n) = O(f_1(n)) \text{ for any positive constant } c, \quad (3.1)$$

$$f_1(n) + f_2(n) = O(g_1(n) + g_2(n)), \quad (3.2)$$

$$f_1(n) \cdot f_2(n) = O(g_1(n) \cdot g_2(n)), \text{ and} \quad (3.3)$$

$$f_1(n) + f_2(n) = O(\max\{g_1(n), g_2(n)\}). \quad (3.4)$$

$$f_1(n) \in O(g_1(n))$$

$$f_2(n) \in O(g_2(n))$$

$$f(n) = O(g(n)) \quad \begin{matrix} \nearrow f_2(n) \in O(n) \\ \downarrow +O(n) \end{matrix}$$

$$2\sum n^2 + O(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

↑ ↓

for all $f_1(n) \in O(n)$ $\exists f_3(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$

$$\log^{\ell} n =$$

$$o(\log^\ell n) = o(n^k) = o(n^{k'}) = o(c^n) \in o(d^n)$$

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polylog polynomial exponentials

for any constants $\ell > \ell'$

$$\ell' > k > 0$$

$$d > c > 1$$

$$\log^\ell n := (\log n)^\ell$$

$$\lg n := \log_2 n$$

$$\ln n := \log_e n$$

$$\log_a n = \Theta(\log_c n) \text{ for all constants } a, c$$

$O(n)$ per \prod

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FIBONACCI MULTIPLY(X[0 .. n-1], Y[0 .. n-1]):
    hold ← 0
    for k ← 0 to n + m - 1
        for all i and j such that i + j = k
            hold ← hold + X[i] · Y[j]
        z[k] ← hold mod 10
        hold ← [hold/10]
    return Z[0..m + n - 1]
    
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old timers

$O(n)$ iterations per $O(1)$ per

Suppose $m = n$.

$O(n) \cdot O(n) = O(n^2)$ total run time

$\Theta(n^2)$ actually

MERGESORT($A[1..n]$):

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if  $n > 1$ 
   $m \leftarrow \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ 
  MERGESORT( $A[1..m]$ )    {{Recurse!}}
  MERGESORT( $A[m+1..n]$ )  {{Recurse!}}
  MERGE( $A[1..n]$ ,  $m$ )
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MERGE($A[1..n]$, m):

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 $i \leftarrow 1$ ;  $j \leftarrow m+1$ 
for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
  if  $j > n$ 
     $B[k] \leftarrow A[i]$ ;  $i \leftarrow i+1$ 
  else if  $i > m$ 
     $B[k] \leftarrow A[j]$ ;  $j \leftarrow j+1$ 
  else if  $A[i] < A[j]$ 
     $B[k] \leftarrow A[i]$ ;  $i \leftarrow i+1$ 
  else
     $B[k] \leftarrow A[j]$ ;  $j \leftarrow j+1$ 
for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
   $A[k] \leftarrow B[k]$ 
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for divide-and-conquer use
a recurrence

$T(n)$:= worst-case time for
mergesorting $A[1..n]$.

$$T(\Theta(1)) = \Theta(1) + T(\Gamma^n, \Gamma)$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n) \\ &\approx 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n) \\ &= ? \end{aligned}$$

recursion trees

rooted tree

nodes: individual recursive subproblems found during execution

root: top level call

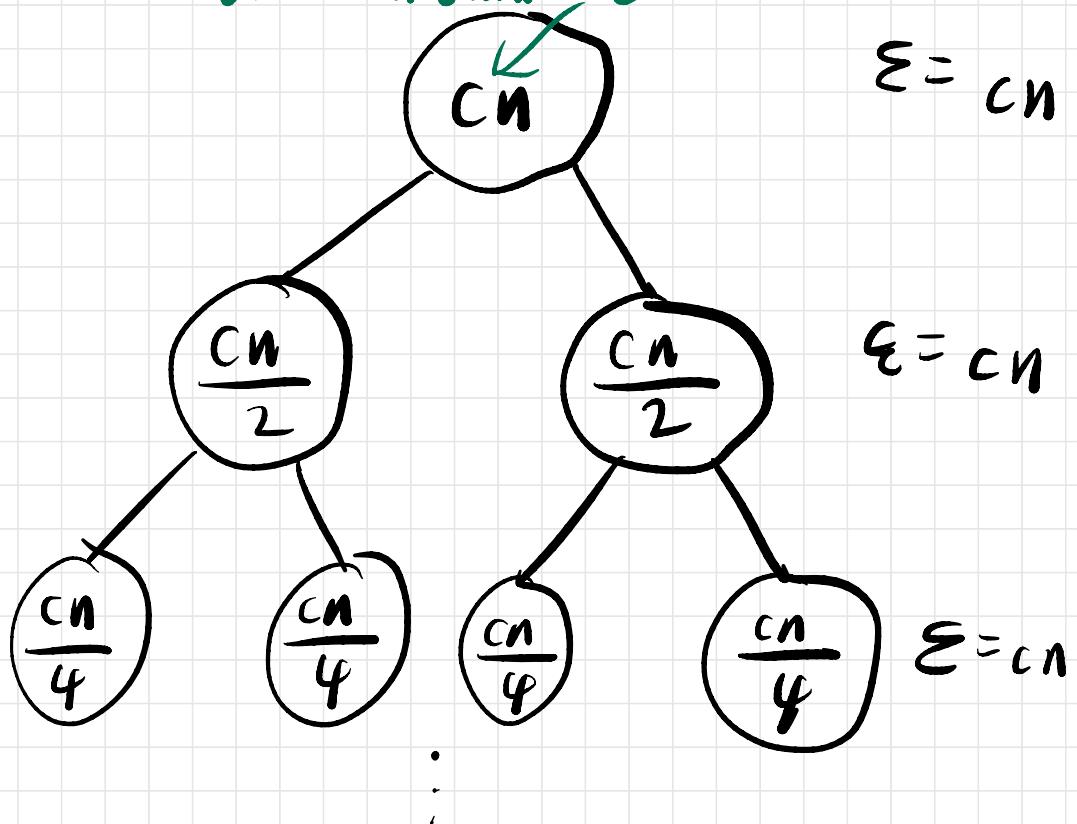
children of a node: direct recursive calls

Value on a node: contribution to sum/amount of work done by that subproblem

(does not include recursive calls)

some constant c

$$\Sigma = cn$$



0 0 0 0 0 0 0 $\Theta(1)$...

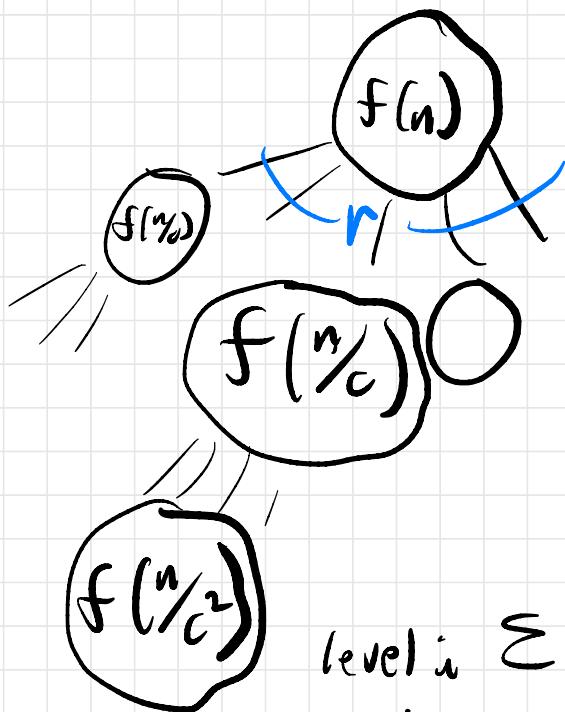
$$T(n) = \sum_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{sum}}} \text{of node values}$$

$\lg n$ levels

$$T(n) \leq cn \lg n = \Theta(n \lg n)$$

$$\text{often } T(n) = \underbrace{r}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ n/c}} \cdot T(n/c) + f(n)$$

r recursive calls
 ↴
 work
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 n/c subproblem size



$$\Sigma = f(n)$$

$$\Sigma = r \cdot f(n/c)$$

$$\Sigma = r^2 \cdot f(n/c^2)$$

$$\text{level } i \quad \Sigma = r^i \cdot f(n/c^i)$$

⋮

$\Theta(1)$

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Three common cases

Decreasing: decay exponentially

i.e. $r \cdot f(n/c) = k \cdot f(n)$ where $k < 1$

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

Equal: $r \cdot f(n/c) = f(n)$

$$T(n) = f(n) \cdot \# \text{ levels}$$

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

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

Increasing: grows exponentially

$$T(n) = A \text{ leaves}$$

$$= \Theta(r^{\log_c n}) = \Theta(n^{\log_c r})$$

Compare to (but don't
memorize) Master method
[CLRS]

$$T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & 0 & & n & n \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \cdot \frac{n}{2} & \frac{3}{2}n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \cdot \frac{n}{4} & \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 n \\ & & & & \vdots & \end{array}$$

$$T(n) = \Theta\left(n^{\log_2 3}\right)$$