

Order of growth

The fundamental reason is that for large values of *n*, any function that contains an *n*² term will grow faster than a function whose leading term is *n*. The leading term is the term with the highest exponent.

we expect an algorithm with a smaller leading term to be a better algorithm for large problems, but for smaller problems, there may be a crossover point where another algorithm is better.

An **order of growth** is a set of functions whose asymptotic growth behavior is considered equivalent. For example, 2*n*, 100*n* and *n* + 1 belong to the same order of growth, which is written *O*(*n*) in Big-Oh notation and often called linear because every function in the set grows linearly with *n*.

What is Order of Growth?

How the time/space complexity of an algorithm grows/changes with the input size

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What is Order of Growth?

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Algorithm 30 Minimum and Maximum Elements
Input: An array A[1..n] of n elements.
Output: The minimum and maximum elements in A1: min \leftarrow A[1]2: max \leftarrow A[1]3: for i \leftarrow 2 to n do
       if (A[i] < min) then
 4:min \leftarrow A[i]5:end if
 6:if (A[i] > max) then
 7:max \leftarrow A[i]8:
       end if
 \mathbf{Q}10: end for
11: return (min, max)
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Algorithm 29 Minimum and Maximum Elements **Input:** An array $A[1..n]$ of n elements sorted in ascending order. **Output:** The minimum and maximum elements in A 1: $min \leftarrow A[1]$ 2: $max \leftarrow A[n]$ 3: return (min, max)

Orders of Common Functions

A list of classes of functions that are commonly encountered when analyzing algorithms.

 $O(1) < O(\log n) < O(n) < O(n \log n) < O(n^2) < O(n^3) < O(2^n)$

The following table shows some of the orders of growth that appear most commonly in algorithmic analysis.

For the logarithmic terms, the base of the logarithm doesn't matter; changing bases is the equivalent of multiplying by a constant, which doesn't change the order of growth.

Similarly, all exponential functions belong to the same order of growth regardless of the base of the exponent.

Exponential functions grow very quickly, so exponential algorithms are only useful for small problems.

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Common order-of-growth classifications Running time complexity

Exercise 1

Arrange the functions in increasing asymptotic order

(a) $n^{1/3}$ (b) e^n (c) $n^{7/4}$ (d) $n \log n$ (e) 1.0000001^n

O-notation (Big-Oh)

• Big O Notation (Big-Oh)

Definition: Let $f(n)$, $g(n)$ be functions, we say $f(n)$ is of order $g(n)$ if there is a constant c>0 such that $n > n_0$

> $f(n) = O(g(n))$ if $f(n) \leq C \cdot g(n)$ for all c, $n_0 > 0$, $n > n_0$.

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

Note That:

- we use O-notation to provide an upper bound on the time for any input.
- the worst case running time of an algorithm is upper bound on the time for any input.
- \blacksquare the worst case running time gives us guarantee that the algorithm will never take any longer.

Example #1:

let $f(n) = n + 5$ and $g(n) = n$ show that $f(n) = O(g(n))$ choose c=6.

answer:

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f(n) = O(g(n)) if f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n) for c, n_0 > 0n+5 < = c.nn+5 \leq 6nThe condition has been proofed for any n_0 > 0
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 $f(n) = O(n)$

Example #2

Prove that the running time of $f(n) = 3n^2 + 10n$ is $O(n^2)$.

Proof:

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by big oh definition 
           f(n) = O(n^2) if f(n) \leq C \cdot g(n) for c, n_0 > 03n^2 + 10n \leq c \cdot n^23 + 10/n \leq cwhen n_0 \Rightarrow 1 then
                  3+10 \leq c13 \leq cThe condition has been proofed when c = 13 when n=1
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Theory

if f(n) = $a_m n^m + a_{m-1} n^{m-1} + ... + a_1 n + a_0$ *then f(n) = O (nm)*

when a function is sum of several terms , its order of growth is determined by the fastest growth term.

Proof

 $f(n) = a_m n^m + a_{m-1} n^{m-1} + ... + a_1 n + a_0$

 $f(n) = O(n^m)$ if $f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$ for $c, n_0 > 0$

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|a_{m}n^{m} + a_{m-1}n^{m-1} + ... + a_{1}n + a_{0}| \leq c.n^{m}
$$

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(|a_{m}n^{m} + a_{m-1}n^{m-1} + ... + a_{1}n + a_{0}|)/n^{m} \leq c
$$

\nwhen $n_{0} = 1$
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$$
|a_{m} + a_{m-1} + ... + a_{1} + a_{0}| \leq c
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$$
\therefore f(n) = O(n^{m}) \text{ when } c \geq |a_{m} + a_{m-1} + ... + a_{1} + a_{0}|
$$

\nThe condition has been proofed.

Ω Notation (Big Omega)

Ω Notation

Given two functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$, we say that $f(n)$ is $\Omega(g(n))$ if there exists positive constants n0 and and c such that:

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f(n) \geq c \ g(n) \quad \forall \ n \geq n_0
$$

Example #1

show that $f(n) = 5n^2$ is $\Omega(n^2)$ when $c=5$ and $n_0=1$.

answer:

$$
f(n) = \Omega (g(n)) \quad \text{if} \quad f(n) = > c \cdot g(n) \text{ for } c, n_0 > 0
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$$
5n^2 \Rightarrow c \cdot n^2
$$
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$$
5n^2 \Rightarrow 5n^2
$$

when $n_0=1$

$5 = > 5$

The condition is true.

Example #2

show that $f(n) = n^2$ is $\Omega(n)$ when $c = 3$

answer:

$$
f(n) = \Omega (g(n))
$$
 if $f(n) = > c.g(n)$ for $c, n_0 > 0$
\n $n^2 = > c.n$
\n $n^2 = > 3n$

when $c=3$

 $3^2 \Rightarrow 3^*3$

Then $f(n) = \Omega(n)$ when $n_0 = 3$

Θ Notation (Big Theta)

Θ Notation

Given two functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$, we say that $f(n)$ is $\Theta(g(n))$ if there exists positive constants n0, c1 and $c2$ such that:

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\forall n \ge n_0, c_1 \ g(n) \le f(n) \le c_2 \ g(n)
$$

Example #1

let $f(n) = 3n+2$, $g(n) = n$ show that $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ when $c_1 = 3$, $c_2 = 4$.

answer:

$$
f(n) = \Theta(g(n)) \quad \text{if } C_1.g(n) \le f(n) \le C_2.g(n) 3n \le 3n+2 \le 4n
$$

when $n=2$

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6 \leq 8 \leq 8
$$

the condition has been proofed when $c=3$, $c=4$ for all $n>1$

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

f(n) = \Theta(n)

Note That:

- $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ is both upper and lower bound on $f(n)$, ٠ this means that the worst and the best case require the same amount of time with in constant factor.
- the Θ -notation called a tight bound. ٠

Theory:

For any 2 functions f(n) and g(n) we have $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ if and only if $f(n) = O(g(n))$ and $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$.

Big O (O()) describes the upper bound of the complexity.

Omega $(\Omega()$) describes the lower bound of the complexity.

Theta (Θ()) describes the exact bound of the complexity.

Write True or False :

 $T(n) = 5n^3 + 2n^2 + 4 \log n$

- 1. $T(n) \in O (n^4)$ 2. $T(n) \in O (n^2)$ 3. $T(n) \in \Theta(n^3)$ 4. $T(n) \in O$ (log n) 5. T(n) $\in \Theta$ (n⁴)
- 6. $T(n) \in \Omega(n^2)$

