

continue -- asymptotic growth of func.

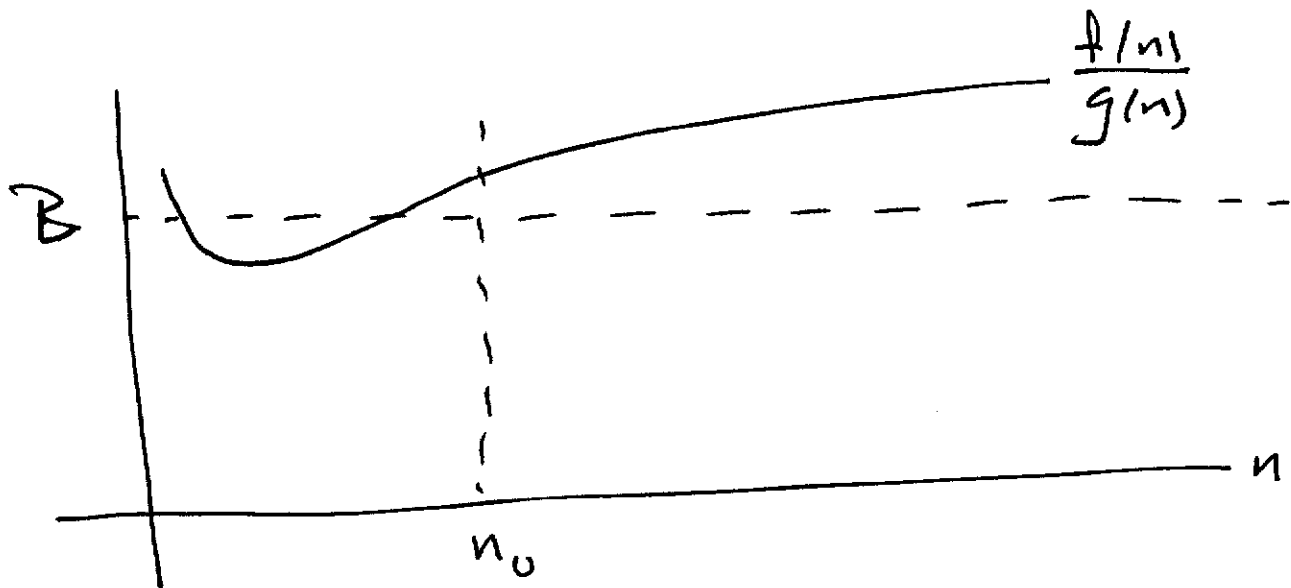
Defn

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$  iff there exist  
 $R > 0, n_0 > 0$  s.t.

$$R \leq \frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$$

for all  $n \geq n_0$ . we say  $g(n)$  is an asymptotic lower bound for  $f(n)$ .

means:  $f(n)$  grows no slower than  $g(n)$ .



Ex.  $f(n) = 6n^3 + 4n$ ,  $g(n) = 2n^2$ . Then

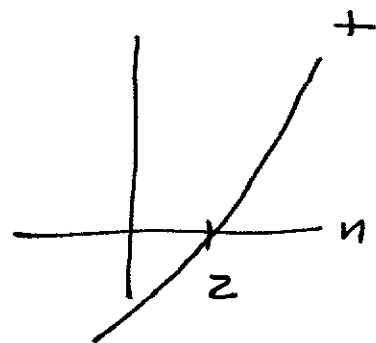
$$\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 3n + \frac{2}{n} \geq 7 \text{ for all } n \geq 2$$

Aside: why?  $3n + \frac{2}{n} \geq 7$

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$$3n^2 + 2 \geq 7n$$

$$3n^2 - 7n + 2 \geq 0$$



Observe:

$$\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \leq R_1 \quad \text{iff} \quad \frac{g(n)}{f(n)} \geq R_2$$

where  $R_2 = \frac{1}{R_1}$ . Therefore

$$f(n) = O(g(n)) \quad \text{iff} \quad g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$$

Analogy:

$$a \leq b \quad \text{iff} \quad b \geq a$$

Apply to last 2 examples

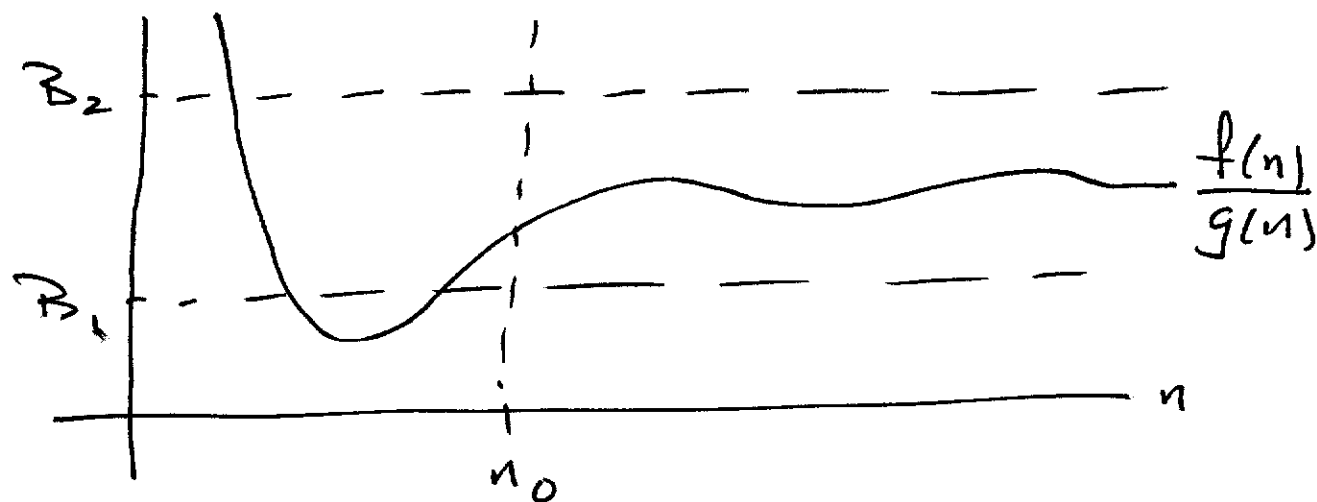
- $n = \Omega(2n+5)$
- $2n^2 = O(6n^3+4n)$

Defn

$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  iff there exist  $B_1, B_2 > 0$  and  $n_0 > 0$  s.t.

$$B_1 \leq \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \leq B_2$$

for all  $n \geq n_0$ . we say  $g(n)$  is a tight asymptotic bound for  $f(n)$ .



Equivalent:  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  iff both  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  and  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ .

Analogy:

$$a = b$$

iff both  $a \leq b$  and  $a \geq b$ .

so  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  means  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$  have same asymptotic growth rate

Recall  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  iff  $g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$

It follows that

$$f(n) = \Theta(g(n)) \text{ iff } g(n) = \Theta(f(n))$$

Analogy

$$a = b \text{ iff } b = a$$

Ex.  $f(n) = 5n^2 + 11n - 24$ ,  $g(n) = n^2$

let  $R_1 = 4$ ,  $R_2 = 6$ ,  $n_0 = 8$ . check that

$$4 \leq \frac{5n^2 + 11n - 24}{n^2} \leq 6$$

holds for all  $n \geq 8$ . so

$$5n^2 + 11n - 24 = \Theta(n^2).$$

Exercise show for any  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$   
with  $a > 0$ , that

$$an^2 + bn + c = \Theta(n^2)$$

# Defn

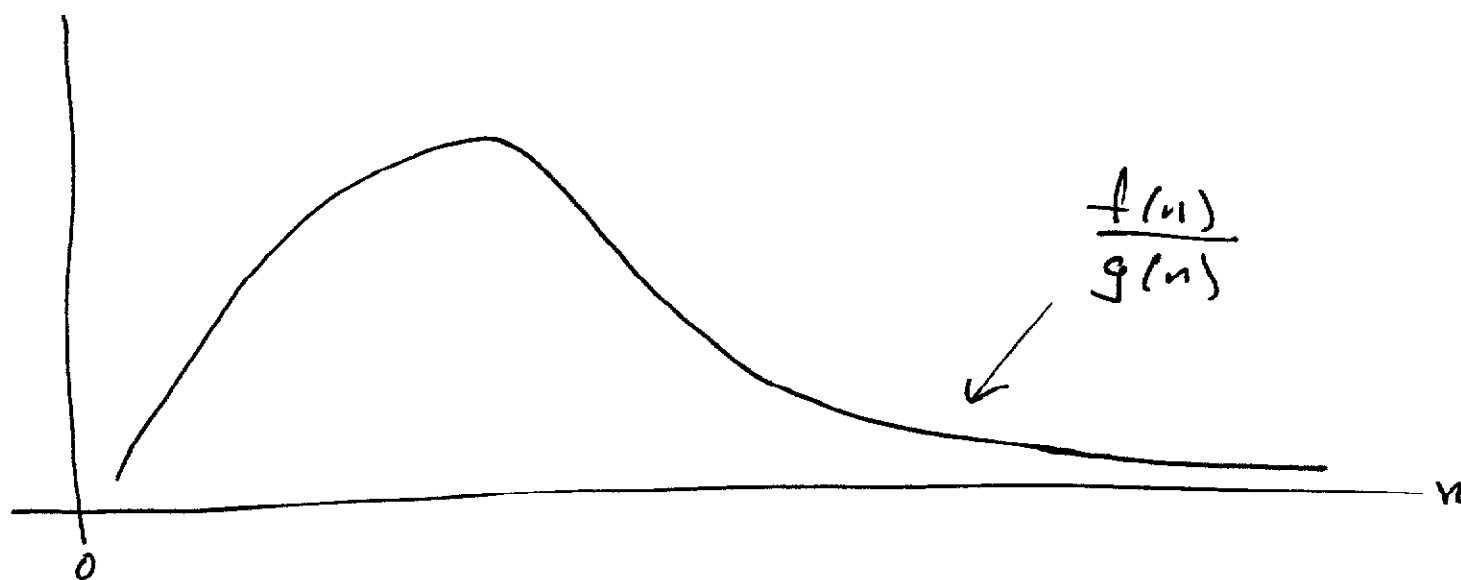
$$f(n) = o(g(n)) \text{ iff } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \right) = 0.$$

we say  $g(n)$  is a strict asymptotic upper bound for  $f(n)$ .

means:  $f(n)$  has a strictly slower growth rate than  $g(n)$

Analogy:  $f(n) = o(g(n))$

$$a < b$$



observe:  $f(n) = o(g(n)) \Rightarrow f(n) = O(g(n))$

$\Leftarrow$

Analogy:  $a < b \Rightarrow a \leq b$

$\Leftarrow$

Ex.  $f(n) = \ln(n), g(n) = n$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\ln(n)}{n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1/n}{1} \right) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{'Hopital's'} \\ \text{rule} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{n} \right) = 0$$

$$\therefore \ln(n) = o(n)$$

Exercise: show  $\log_b(n) = o(n^k)$

for any  $b > 1$  and  $k > 0$ .

Hint: use  $\lceil k \rceil$  applications of 'Hop.



Exercise show  $(\log_b(n))^m = o(n^k)$

for any  $b > 1$ ,  $m > 0$ ,  $k > 0$ .

Ex.  $f(n) = n^k$  ( $k > 0$ , integer) and  $g(n) = e^n$ . Then  $k$  applications of L'Hop. gives

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{n^k}{e^n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{k n^{k-1}}{e^n} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{k(k-1) n^{k-2}}{e^n} \right)$$

$\vdots$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{k!}{e^n} \right) = 0$$

$$\therefore n^k = o(e^n).$$

Exercise: show  $n^k = o(b^n)$

for all  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and all  $b > 1$

(use  $\lceil k \rceil$  app. of l'Hôv.)

we have:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 (\text{all logs}) & < & (\text{all polys}) & < & (\text{all exp.}) \\
 \uparrow & & & & \uparrow \\
 = o(\ ) & & & & = o(\ )
 \end{array}$$

Ex  $n^2 = o(n^3)$  why?

$$\frac{n^2}{n^3} = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Exercise  $n^k = o(n^m)$  iff  $k < m$

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Ex.  $2^n = o(3^n)$  why?

$$\frac{2^n}{3^n} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Exercise  $a^n = o(b^n)$  iff  $a < b$ .

Defn

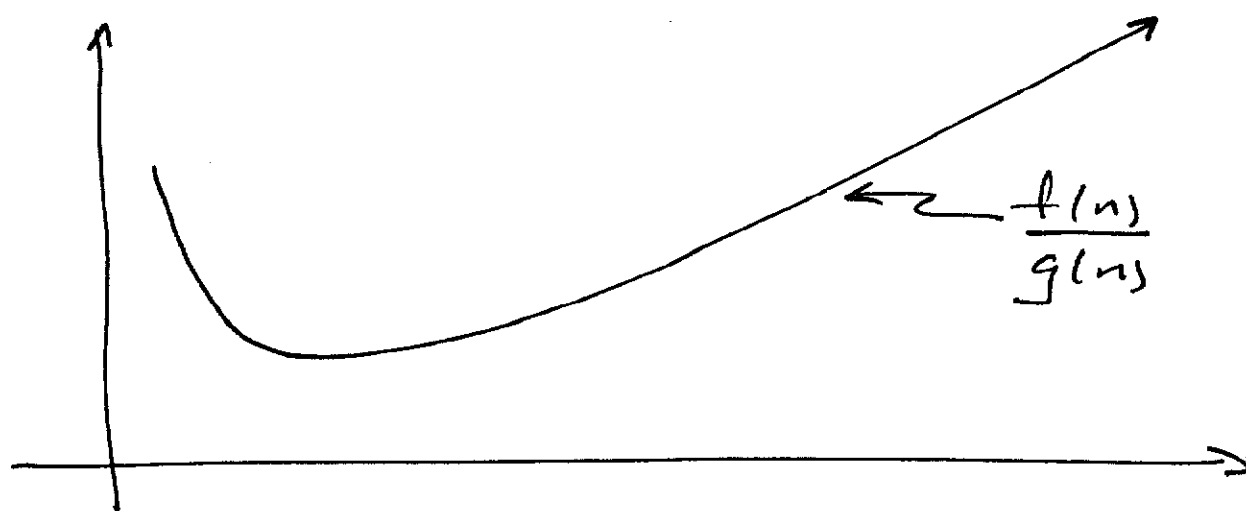
$$f(n) = o(g(n)) \text{ iff } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \right) = 0$$

we say  $g(n)$  is a strict asymptotic lower bound for  $f(n)$ .

meaning:  $f(n)$  grows strictly faster than  $g(n)$

Analogy:  $f(n) = o(g(n))$

$$a > b$$



observe  $f(n) = o(g(n)) \Rightarrow f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$   
 $\nLeftarrow$

Analogy:  $a > b \Rightarrow a \geq b$   
 $\nLeftarrow$

Also observe:  $f(n) = o(g(n))$  iff  $g(n) = \omega(f(n))$

why?

$$\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \xrightarrow{\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad \text{iff} \quad \frac{g(n)}{f(n)} \xrightarrow{\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty} \infty$$

Full analogy:

$$f(n) = O(g(n)) \iff a \leq b$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(g(n)) \iff a \geq b$$

$$f(n) = \Theta(g(n)) \iff a = b$$

$$f(n) = o(g(n)) \iff a < b$$

$$f(n) = \omega(g(n)) \iff a > b$$

Theorem:

all of these relations are transitive.

For example

$$f(n) = o(g(n)) \text{ and } g(n) = o(h(n))$$

$$\Rightarrow f(n) = o(h(n))$$

Proof for 0 :

$$f(n) = o(g(n)) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{\Rightarrow} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$g(n) = o(h(n)) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{\Rightarrow} \frac{g(n)}{h(n)} \rightarrow 0 \text{ " " " "}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{f(n)}{h(n)} = \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \cdot \frac{g(n)}{h(n)} \rightarrow 0 \cdot 0 = 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Therefore  $f(n) = o(h(n))$ . ~~END~~

Exercise

do same for other relations.