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Recall:

•  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  iff there exist positive

$B, n_0$  s.t. for all  $n \geq n_0$ :

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

•  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$  iff there exist pos.

$B, n_0$ , s.t. for all  $n \geq n_0$

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

•  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$  iff there exist Pos.

$B_1, B_2, n_0$  s.t. for all  $n \geq n_0$  :

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

Analogy :

$$f(n) = O(g(n)) \iff x \leq y$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(g(n)) \iff x \geq y$$

$$f(n) = \Theta(g(n)) \iff x = y$$

$$f(n) = o(g(n)) \iff x < y$$

$$f(n) = \omega(g(n)) \iff x > y$$

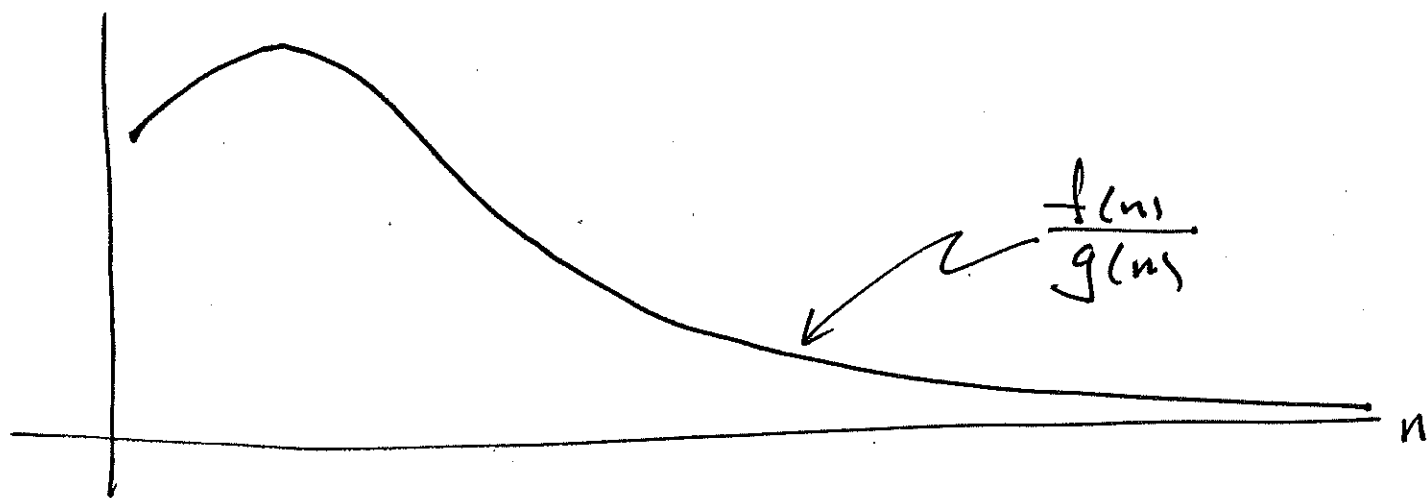
Defn

write  $f(n) = o(g(n))$  iff

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

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

Picture !



Ex.  $\ln(n) = o(n)$  ✓

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

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

note  $\log_b(n) = \frac{\ln(n)}{\ln(b)}$

Exercise: show  $\log_b(n) = o(n)$  for any  $b > 1$

Ex.  $n = o(n^2)$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{n}{n^2} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{n} \right) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Exercise: show for any  $b > 1, k > 0$

$$\log_b(n) = o(n^k)$$

Ex. let  $0 \leq \alpha < \beta$ . Then

$$n^\alpha = o(n^\beta) \quad \leftarrow$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{n^\alpha}{n^\beta} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\alpha-\beta} = 0$$

↑  
Since  $\alpha - \beta < 0$

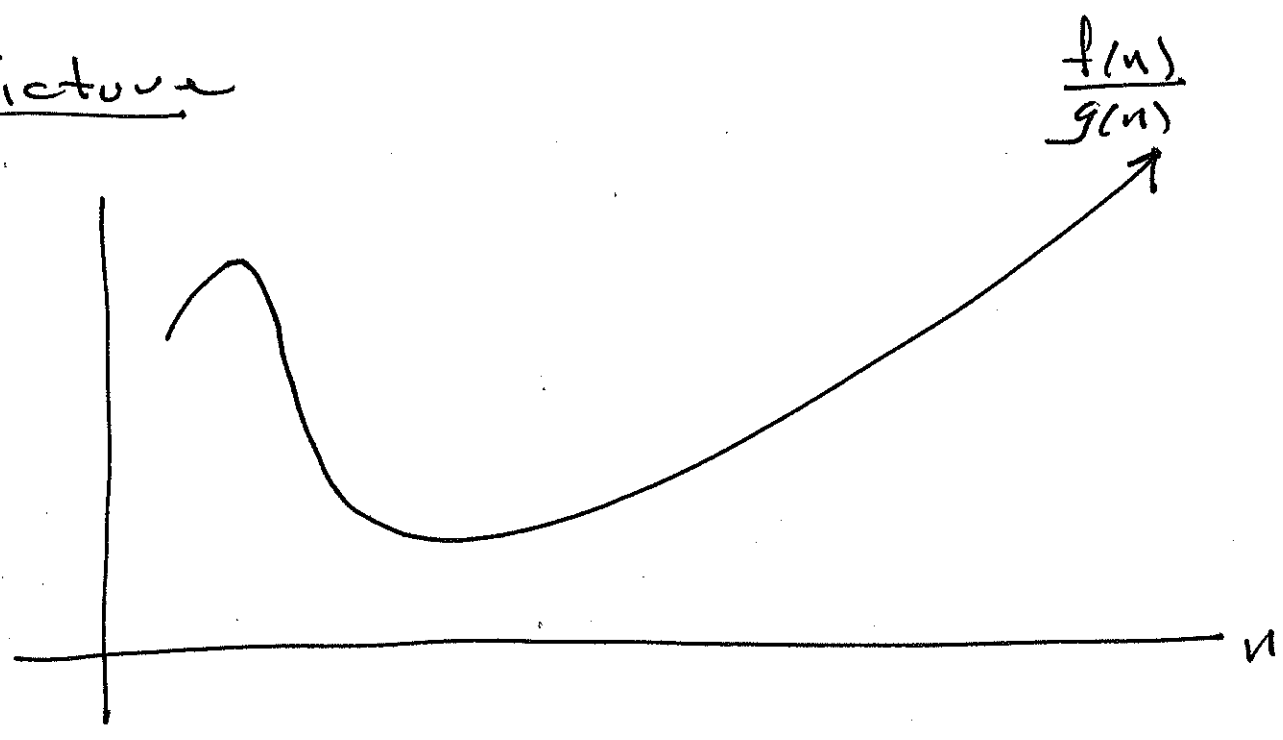
Defn

$f(n) = o(g(n))$  iff

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

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

Pictura



Note:

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

Thus

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

Ex.  $f(n) = b^n, g(n) = a^n, 1 \leq a < b$

then  $f(n) \ll g(n)$ . why

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{b^n}{a^n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^n = \infty$$

Analogy:  $O, \Omega, \Theta, o, \omega$  all satisfy transitivity. e.g.

$$f(n) = O(g(n)) \text{ and } g(n) = O(h(n)) \implies f(n) = O(h(n)).$$

key fact:

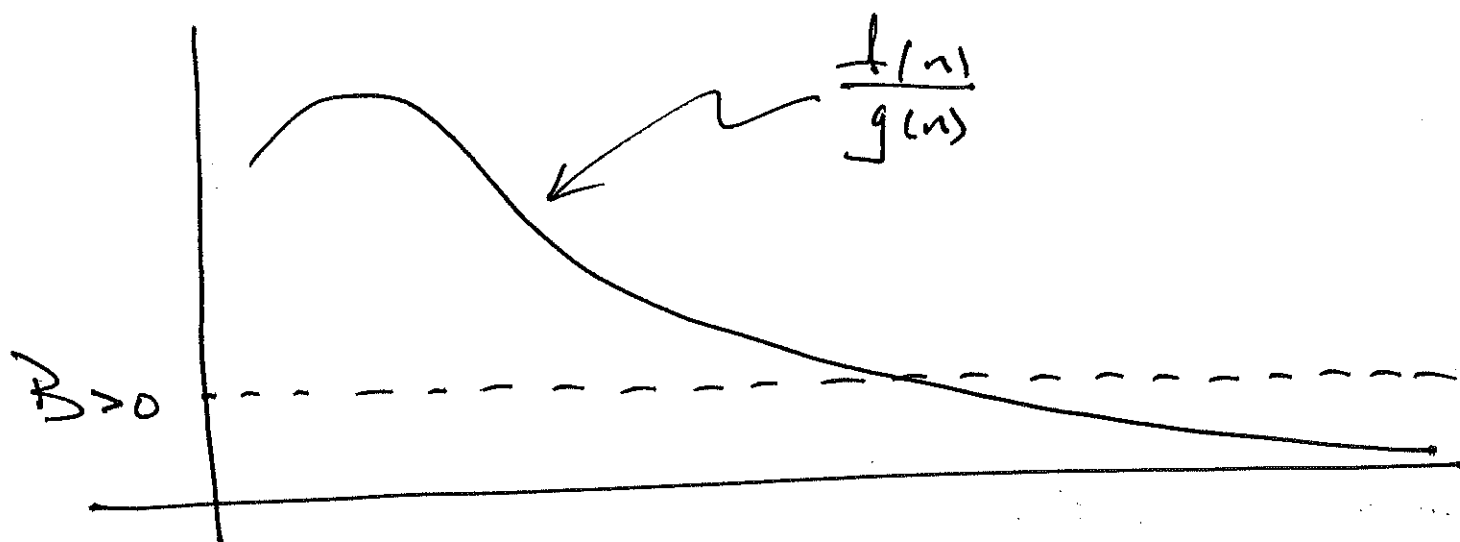
$$\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \leq B_1 \text{ and } \frac{g(n)}{h(n)} \leq B_2 \implies$$

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

Exercise: carry out details

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

(but  $\nLeftarrow$ .)



Note:  $f(n) = o(g(n)) \Rightarrow f(n) \neq \Omega(g(n))$

also  $f(n) = \omega(g(n)) \Rightarrow f(n) \neq O(g(n))$

More exercises

•  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \right) = L$ , where  $0 < L < \infty$

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

Also  $\begin{cases} 0 < L \leq \infty \Rightarrow f(n) = \Omega(g(n)) \\ 0 \leq L < \infty \Rightarrow f(n) = O(g(n)) \end{cases}$

•  $n^\alpha = \begin{cases} o(n^\beta) & \text{if } \alpha < \beta \\ \Theta(n^\beta) & \text{if } \alpha = \beta \\ \omega(n^\beta) & \text{if } \alpha > \beta \end{cases}$

$\frac{n^\alpha}{n^\beta} = n^{\alpha-\beta} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & \alpha < \beta \\ 1 & \alpha = \beta \\ \infty & \alpha > \beta \end{cases}$

$$a^n = \begin{cases} o(b^n) & \text{if } a < b \\ \Theta(b^n) & \text{if } a = b \\ \omega(b^n) & \text{if } a > b \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{a^n}{b^n} = \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } a < b \\ 1 & \text{if } a = b \\ \infty & \text{if } a > b \end{cases}$$

• for any  $a, b$  with  $a > 1, b > 1$

$$\log_b(n) = \Theta(\log_a(n)) \quad \checkmark$$

why  $\log_a(n) = \frac{\log_b(n)}{\log_b(a)}$ , i.e.

$$\log_b(n) = \log_b(a) \cdot \log_a(n) = \text{const} \cdot \log_a(n)$$

• for any func.  $f(n)$

$$f(n) + o(f(n)) = \Theta(f(n))$$

why? let  $h(n) = o(f(n))$ . Then

$$\frac{f(n) + h(n)}{f(n)} = 1 + \frac{h(n)}{f(n)} \rightarrow 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\downarrow$$

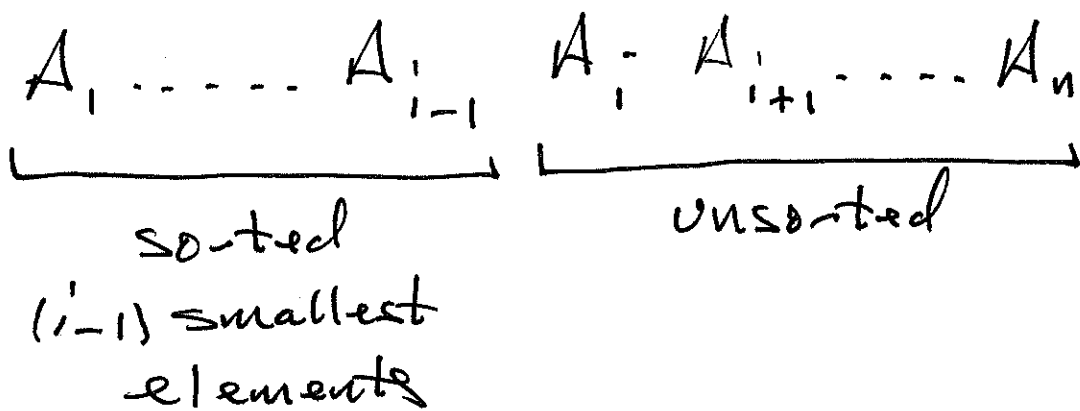
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Ex. Selection sort

SelectionSort(A)

1.  $n = \text{length}[A]$
2. for  $i = 1$  to  $(n-1)$
3.      $\text{imin} = i$
4.     for  $j = i+1$  to  $n$
5.         if  $A[j] < A[\text{imin}]$
6.              $\text{imin} = j$
7.      $A[i] \leftrightarrow A[\text{imin}]$  // swap

basic operation



count # comparisons on input of size  $n$ :

$$\# \text{comp} = (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 3 + 2 + 1$$

$$= \frac{(n-1)(n-1+1)}{2} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}n^2 - \frac{1}{2}n$$

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