

## Asymptotic Notation & Properties:

- An order of growth & Running time of alg gives a simple characterization of alg &
- Complexity is usually represented in  $O, \Omega$  in  $f(n)$  notation.
- To choose the best alg we need to check efficiency of each alg.
- Asymptotic alg is a shorthand way to represent the time complexity.
- Using Asymptotic notations, we can give time complexity as,

- ↳ Latest possible (or) Best case
- ↳ Slowest " (or) worst case
- ↳ Average " (or) Average case.

### Various notation used:

- ① Big-oh ( $O$ )
- ② Omega ( $\Omega$ )
- ③ Theta ( $\Theta$ )

### Bigoh notation:

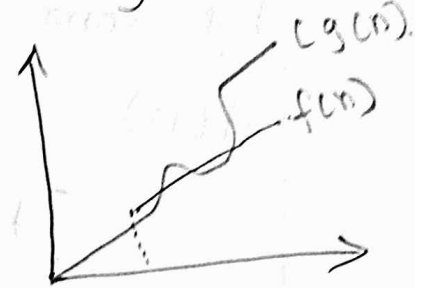
- Its denoted by ' $O$ '.
- Its a method of representing the upper bound of alg running time.

- Using big-oh notations, we can give longest amount of time taken by the alg to complete.

Definition:

Let  $f(n)$  &  $g(n)$  be two non-negative functions. Let  $n_0$  & constant 'c' are 2 integers, such that  $n_0$  denotes some value of  $1/P$  &  $n > n_0$ . Similarly 'c' is a constant such that  $c > 0$ , we write,

$$f(n) \leq c * g(n)$$



then  $f(n)$  is big-oh of  $g(n)$ . It is also denoted as  $f(n) \in O(g(n))$

Ex: Consider the function  $f(n) = 2n + 2$  &  $g(n) = n^2$ . Then we have to find some constant c, so that  $f(n) \leq c * g(n)$ .

n=1:-

$$f(n) = 2n + 2 \\ = 2 + 2 = 4.$$

$$g(n) = n^2 \\ = (1)^2 = 1.$$

$$f(n) > g(n).$$

n=2:-

$$f(n) = 2(2) + 2 \\ = 4 + 2 = 6$$

$$g(n) = n^2 \\ = (2)^2 = 4$$

$$f(n) > g(n).$$

n=3:-

$$f(n) = 2(3) + 2 \\ = 6 + 2 = 8$$

$$g(n) = n^2 \\ = (3)^2 = 9$$

$f(n) < g(n)$ . is true. //

## ② Omega Notation

→ Its denoted by  $\Omega$

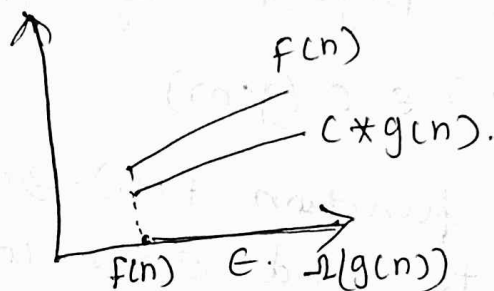
→ Its notation is used to represent the lower bound of alg's running time.

### Definition:

A function  $f(n)$  is said to be in  $\Omega(g(n))$ , if  $f(n)$  is bounded below by some positive constant multiple of  $g(n)$ , such that,

$$f(n) \geq c * g(n)$$

→ Its denoted by  $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$ .



Ex: consider  $f(n) = 2n^2 + 5$  &  $g(n) = 7n$ .

n=0:

$$f(n) = 2(0)^2 + 5$$
$$= 5$$

$$g(n) = 7(0)$$
$$= 0$$

$$f(n) > g(n)$$

n=2:

$$f(n) = 2(2)^2 + 5$$

$$= 2(4) + 5 = 8 + 5 = 13$$

$$g(n) = 7(2)$$

$$= 14$$

$$f(n) > g(n)$$

n=1:

$$f(n) = 2(1)^2 + 5$$

$$= 2 + 5 = 7$$

$$g(n) = 7(1)$$

$$= 7$$

$$f(n) = g(n)$$

∴ Hence for  $n > 3$ , we get

$$f(n) > c * g(n)$$

### ③. Theta Notation:

→ Its denoted by  $\Theta$ .

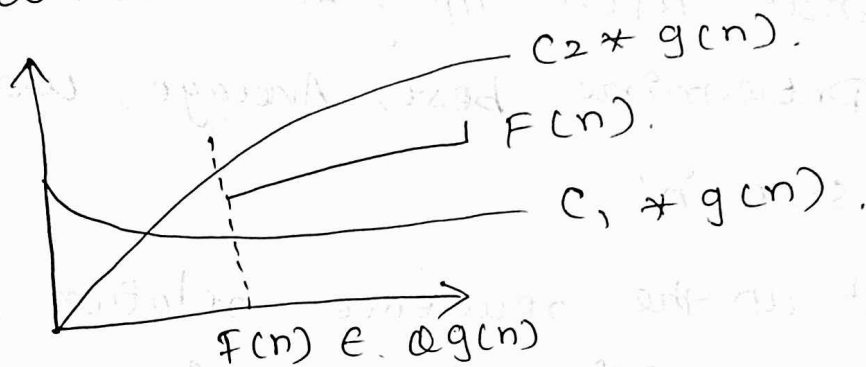
→ This notation is used to represent the upper & lower bound of alg's running time.

Def:

Let  $f(n)$  &  $g(n)$  be two non-negative functions. There are two positive constants namely  $c_1$  &  $c_2$ , such that.

$$c_1 * g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 * g(n)$$

→ Its denoted as  $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$ .



Ex:  $f(n) = 2n + 8$  &  $g(n) = 7n$  where  $(n \geq 2)$

(i.e)  $5n < 2n + 8 \leq 7n$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

Here,  $c_1 = 5$

$c_2 = 7$ .

&  $n_0 = 2$ .