

Activity: Big-O Definitions

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$T(n) \in \Theta(f(n))$ iff

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if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \begin{cases} \in [0, \infty), & f(n) \in O(g(n)) \\ \in (0, \infty), & f(n) \in \Theta(g(n)) \\ \in (0, \infty], & f(n) \in \Omega(g(n)) \end{cases}$

L'Hôpital's Rule

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(n) = 0$ or $\pm \infty$ and $f'(n)$ and $g'(n)$ exist, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)}$$

Function	Derivative
c	0
n	1
n^k	$k * n^{k-1}$
$\log_2(n)$	$\frac{1}{n * \ln(2)}$
2^n	$2^n * \ln(n)$
$\ln(n)$	$\frac{1}{n}$
e^n	e^n

1. For the following questions, fill in the **most appropriate** Big-O relation ($O/\Omega/\Theta$):

$25n + 3 \in __(n)$	$2^n \in __(1)$
$n^2 + 3n \in __(n)$	$n^2 + \log(n) \in __(\log(n))$
$n * \log(n) \in __(n^2)$	$n^2 + \log(n) \in __(n^2)$

2. Use the **non-limit** definition (find constants c and n_0) to demonstrate that:

$$5n + 2 \in \Omega(n)$$

3. Use the **non-limit** definition (find constants c and n_0) to demonstrate that:

$$5n^3 + 4n^2 \in \Omega(n^2)$$

4. Use the **limit definition** to demonstrate that:

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5. Use the **limit definition** to determine the relationship between $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ (show every step of your derivation):

$$f(n) = 5n^2 + n, \quad g(n) = n^2 + \log(n)$$

Circle all that are true: $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$ $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$ $f(n) \in O(g(n))$

6. Analyze the following algorithm and answer the questions. Count the **underlined code** as your basic operation.

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public static boolean mystery(int[] numbers) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < numbers.length - 1; i++) {  
        for (int j = i + 1; j < numbers.length; j++) {  
            if (numbers[i] == numbers[j]) {  
                return true;  
            }  
        }  
    }  
    return false;  
}
```

In English, what does this method do or accomplish? _____

Give an input for $n = 5$ that would result in a best case runtime: numbers = { , , , , }

Give an input for $n = 5$ that would result in a worst case runtime: numbers = { , , , , }

Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate function:

Best Case: $\Theta(\rule{1cm}{0.4pt})$

Worst Case: $\Theta(\rule{1cm}{0.4pt})$

Average Case: $\Theta(\rule{1cm}{0.4pt})$

← Take a guess here!