

The Growth of Functions (2A)

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Functions and Ranges

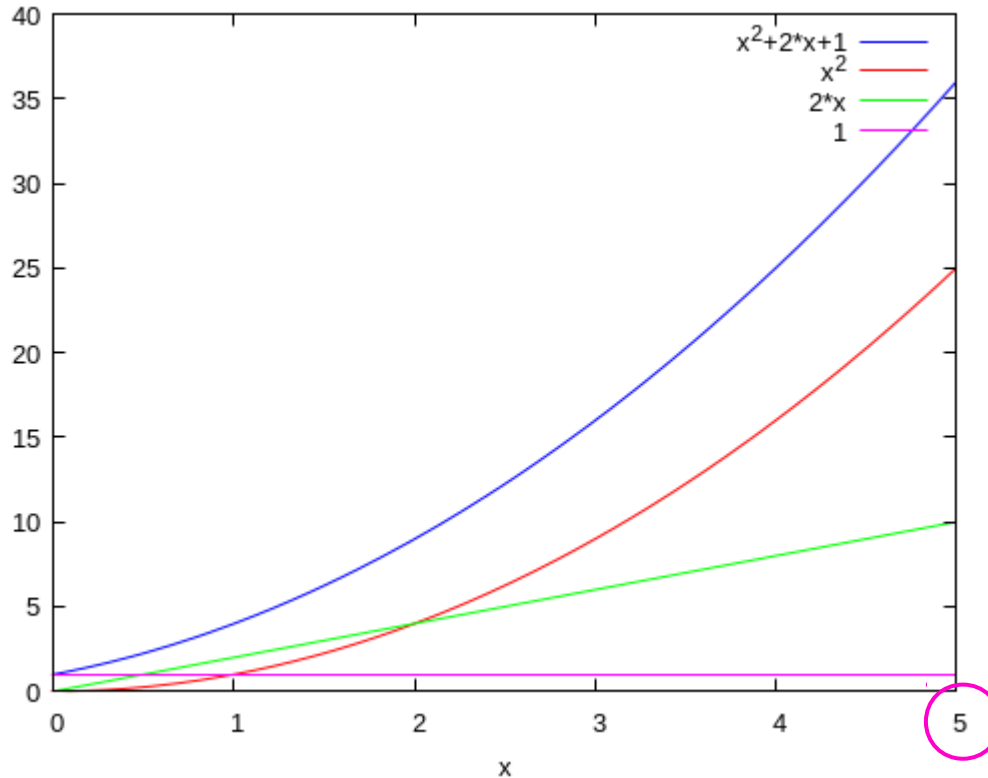
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x^2 + 2x + 1 \\ x^2 \\ 2x \\ 1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$A_1 = [0, 5]$$

$$A_2 = [0, 100]$$

$$A_3 = [0, 500]$$

All are distinguishable



$$x^2+2x+1$$

$$x^2$$

$$2x$$

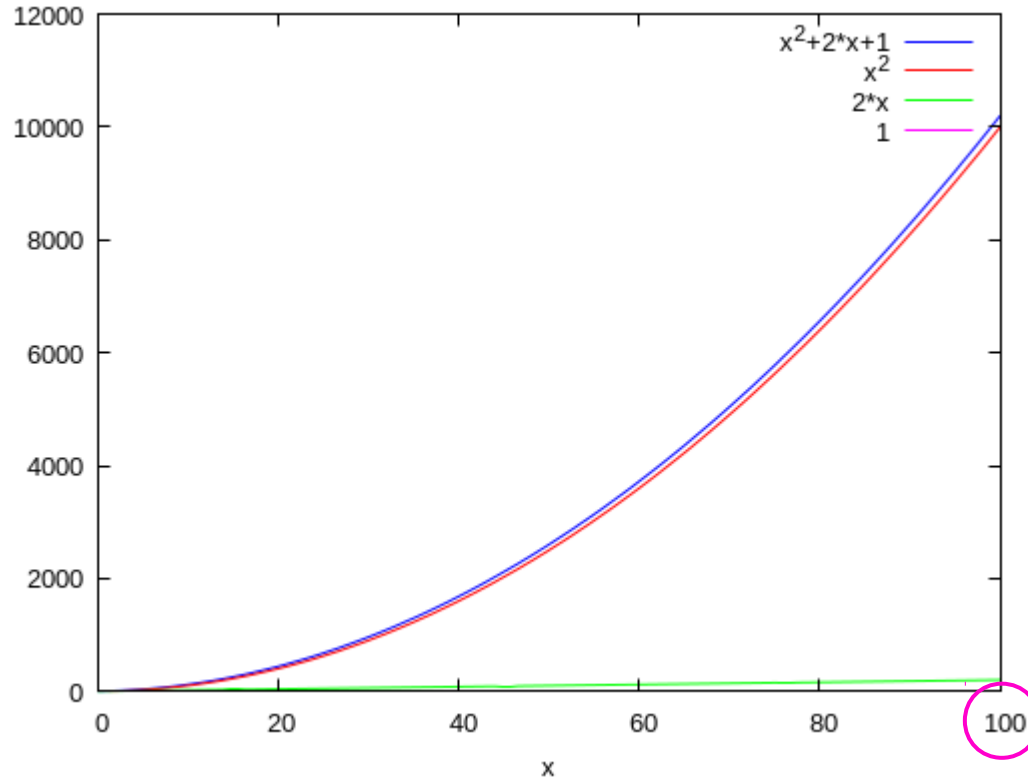
$$1$$



Zoom Out

for $x > -0.5$

$$x^2 < x^2+2x+1$$

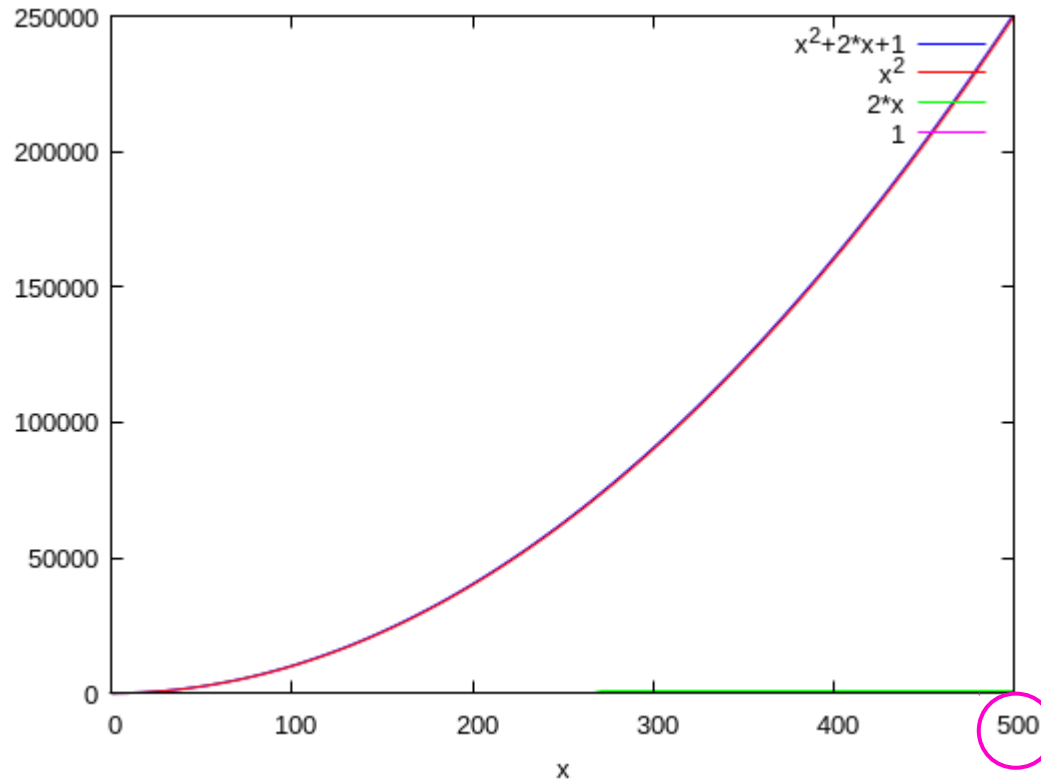


similar

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} x^2+2x+1 & 10000+201 \\ x^2 & 10000 \end{array} \right.$$

2x → Zoom Out More

for $x > -0.5$ $x^2 < x^2+2x+1$



Indistinguishable

$$\begin{cases} x^2+2x+1 & 250000+1001 \\ x^2 & 250000 \end{cases}$$

for $x > -0.5$ $x^2 < x^2+2x+1$

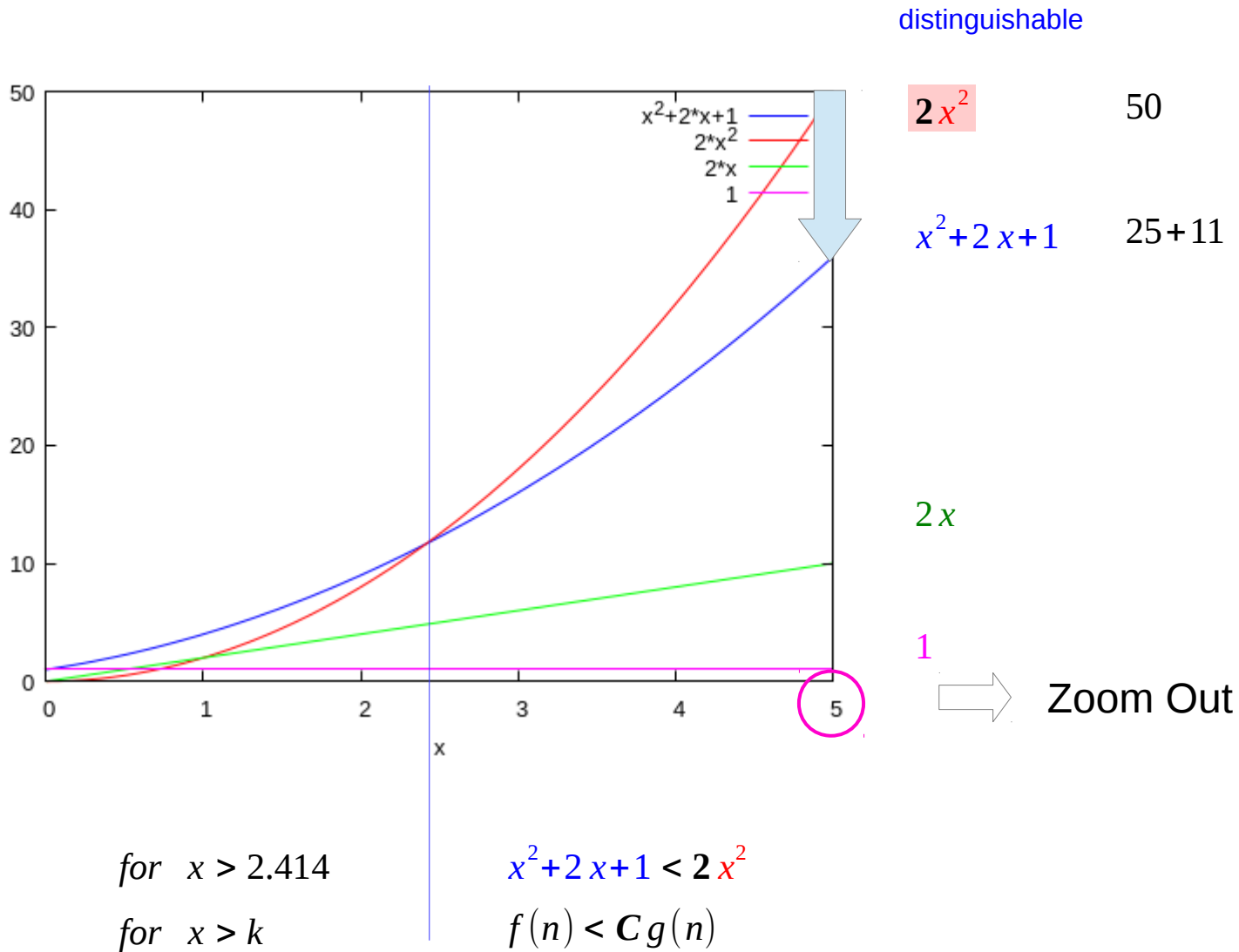
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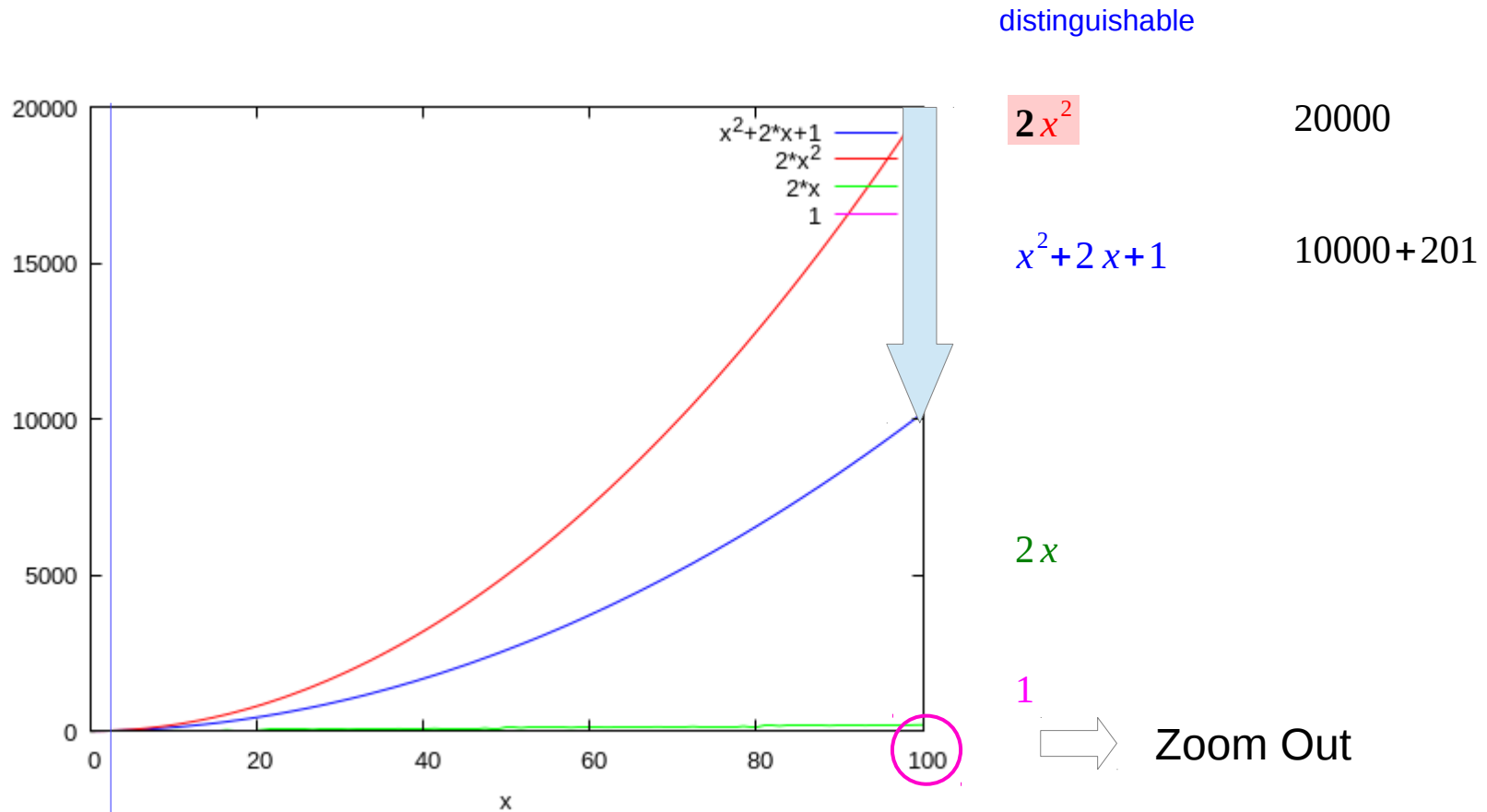
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$$B_1 = [0, 5]$$

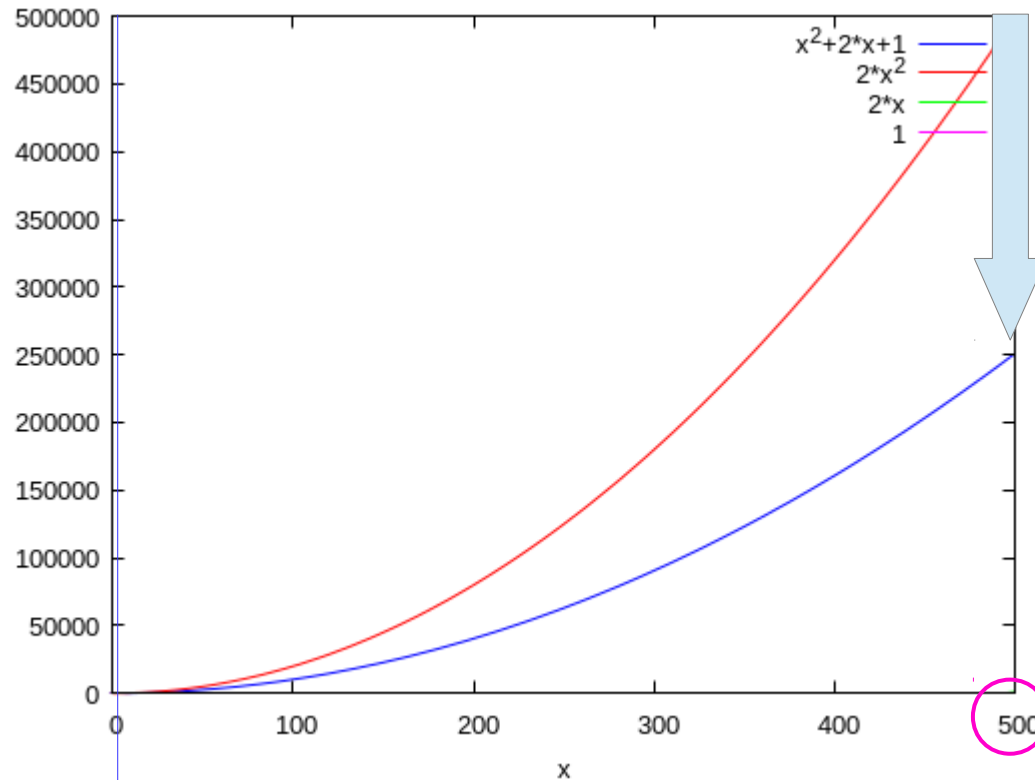
$$B_2 = [0, 100]$$

$$B_3 = [0, 500]$$





for $x > 2.414$ $x^2+2x+1 < 2x^2$
 for $x > k$ $f(n) < Cg(n)$



distinguishable

$2x^2$

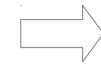
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x^2+2x+1

250000+1001

$2x$

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Zoom Out

for $x > 2.414$

$x^2+2x+1 < 2x^2$

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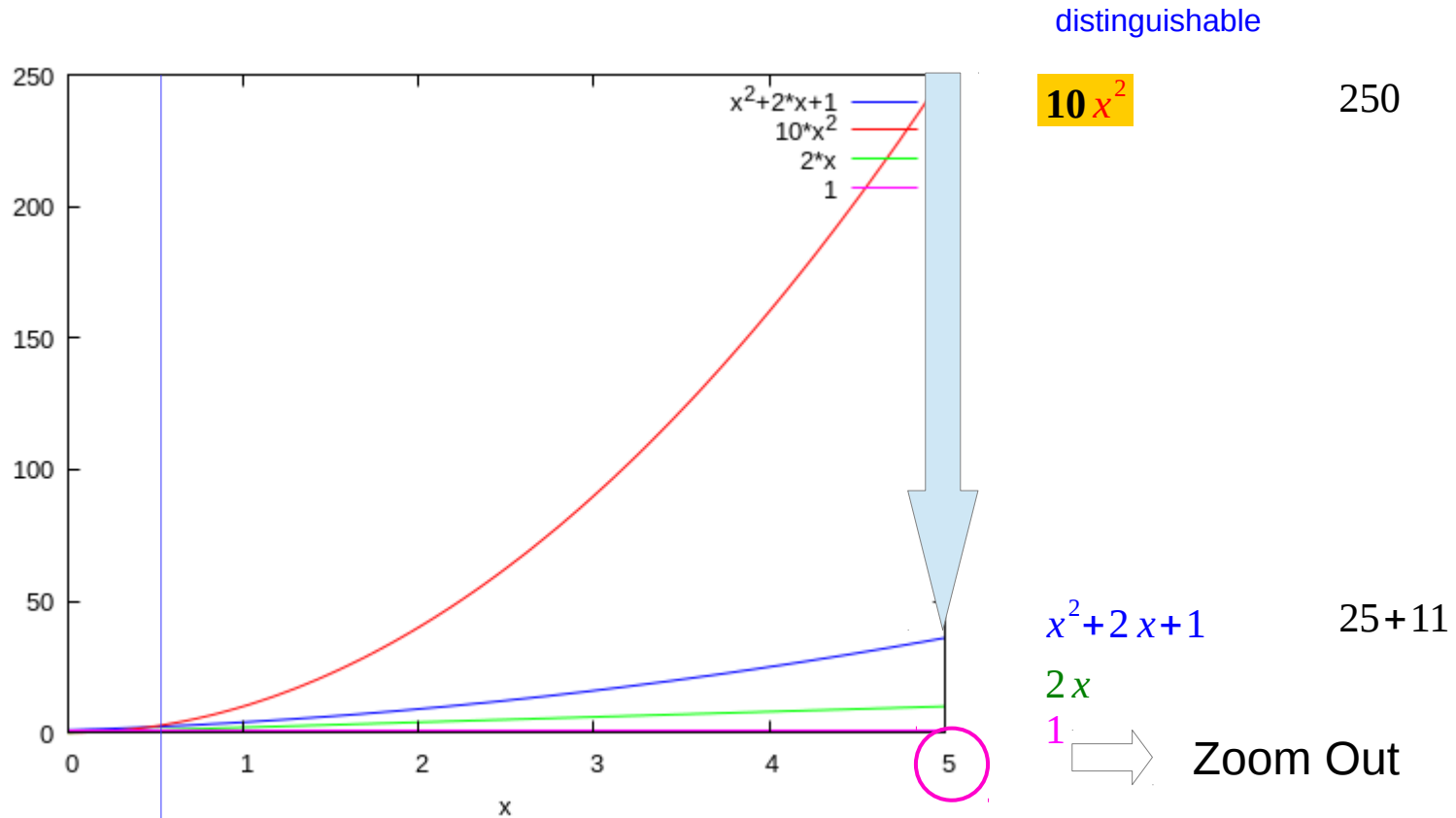
Functions and Ranges

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 10 \cdot x^2 \\ x^2 + 2x + 1 \\ 2x \\ 1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$C_1 = [0, 5]$$

$$C_2 = [0, 100]$$

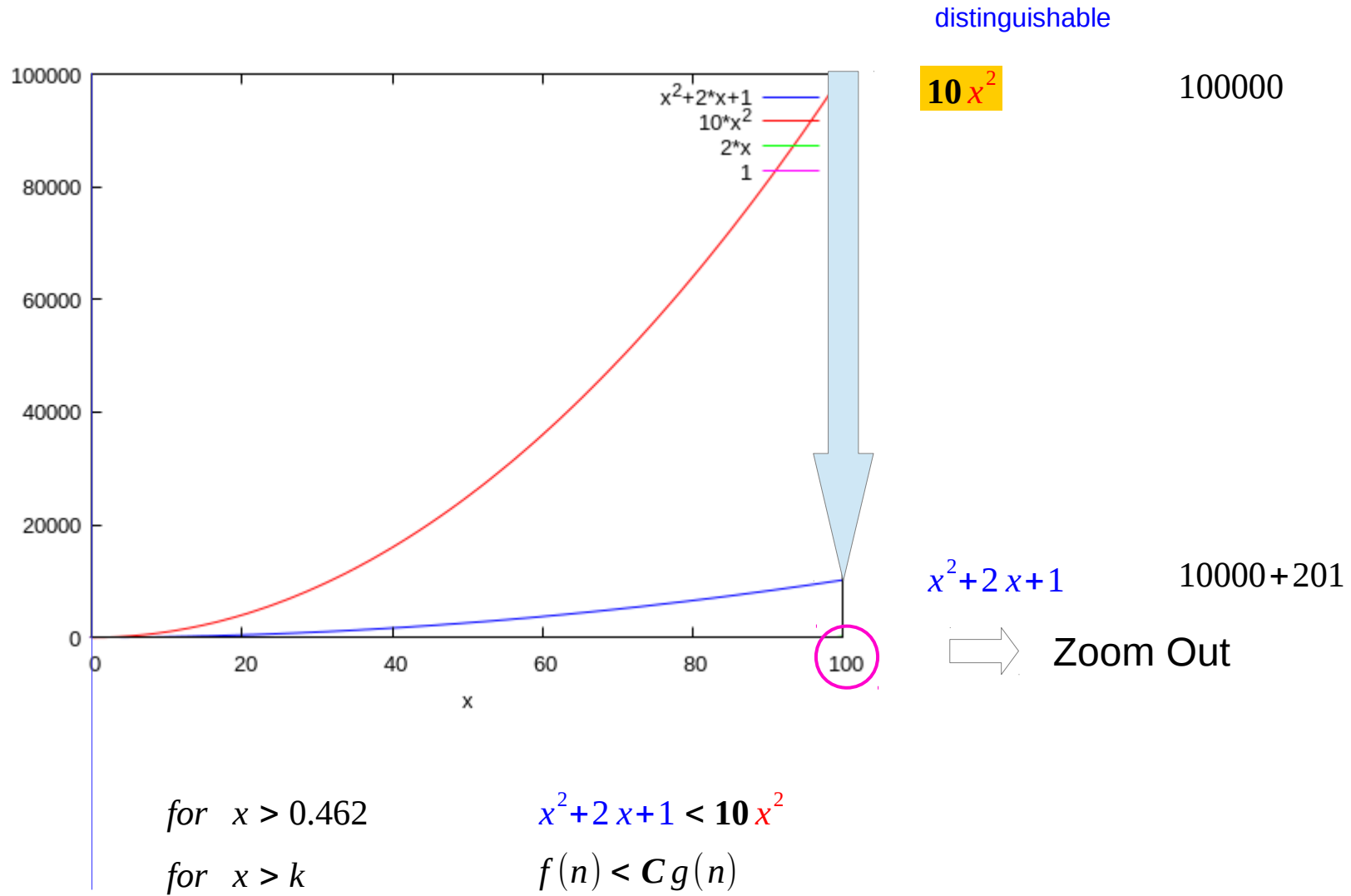
$$C_3 = [0, 500]$$



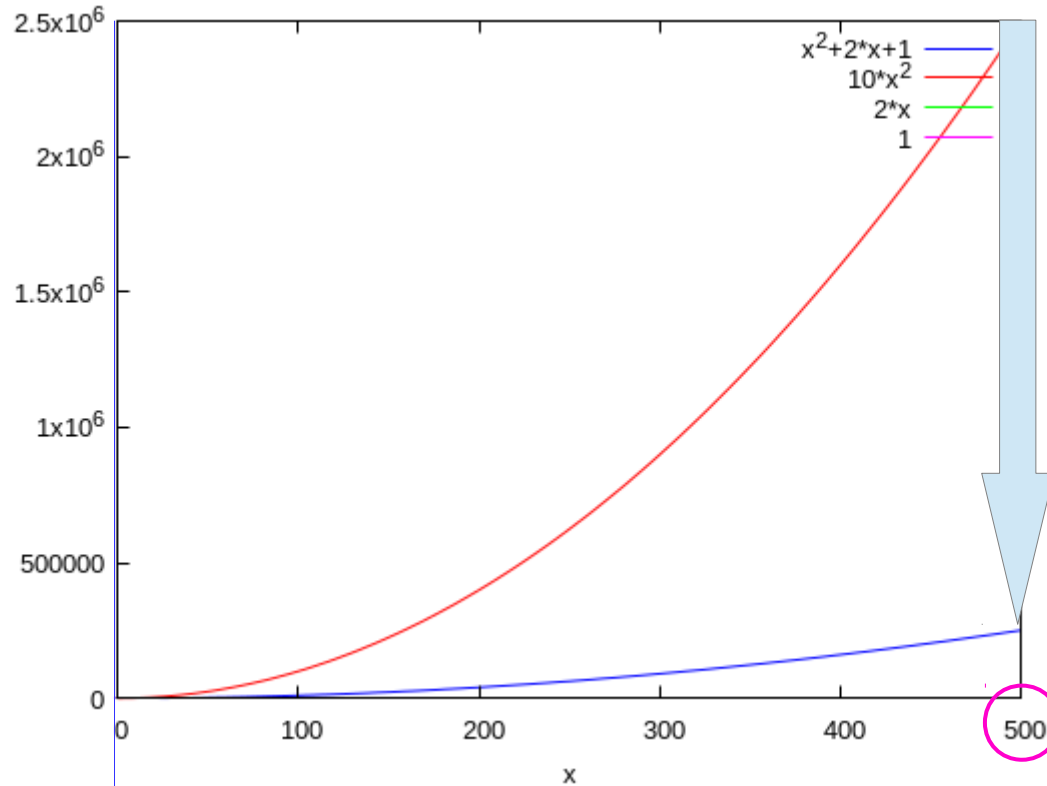
for $x > 0.462$
 for $x > k$

$$x^2+2x+1 < 10x^2$$

$$f(n) < Cg(n)$$



distinguishable



$10x^2$

2500000

x^2+2x+1

250000+1001

for $x > 0.462$

$x^2+2x+1 < 10x^2$

for $x > k$

$f(n) < Cg(n)$

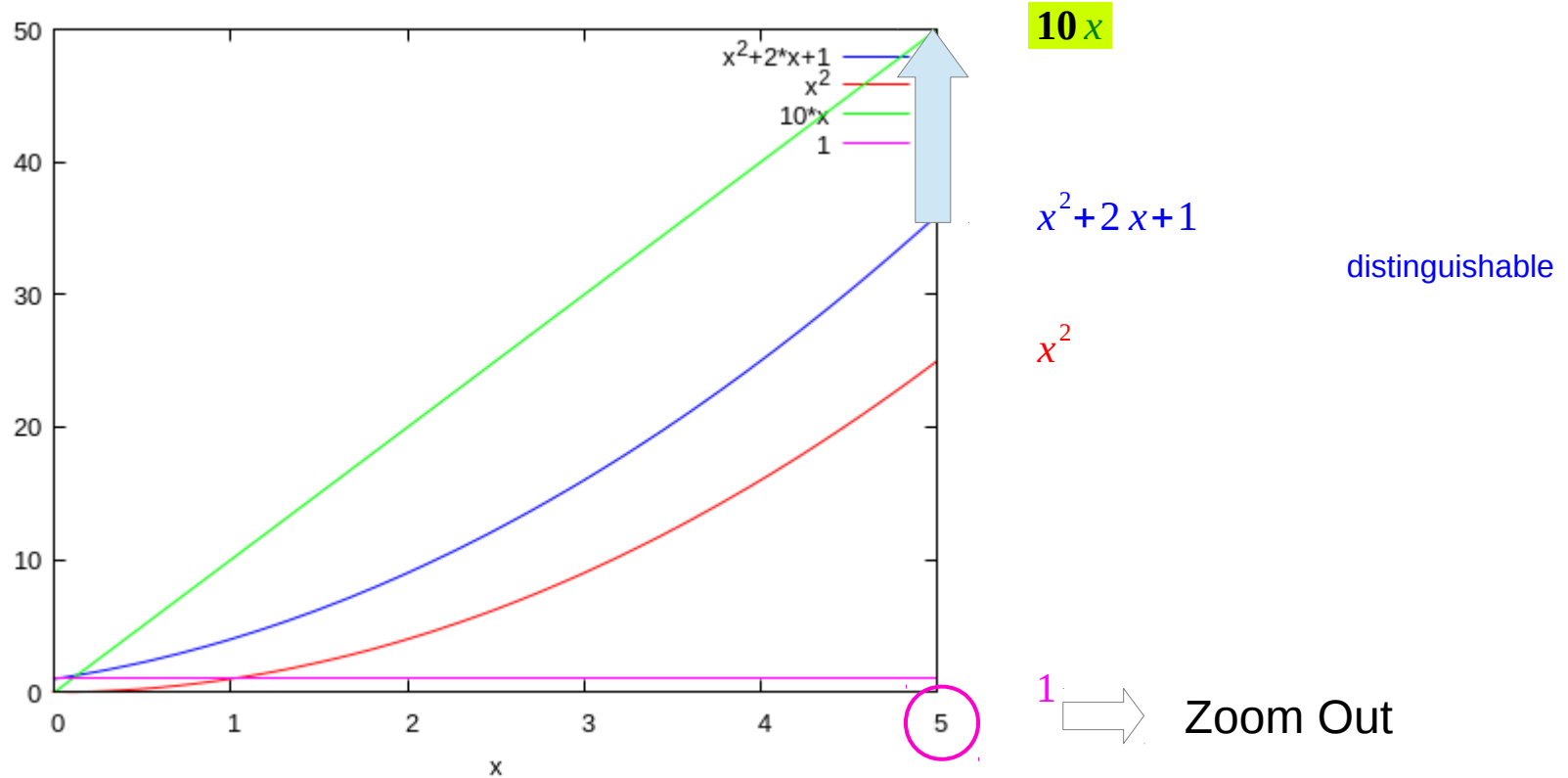
Functions and Ranges

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 10 \cdot x \\ x^2 + 2x + 1 \\ x^2 \\ 1 \end{array} \right.$$

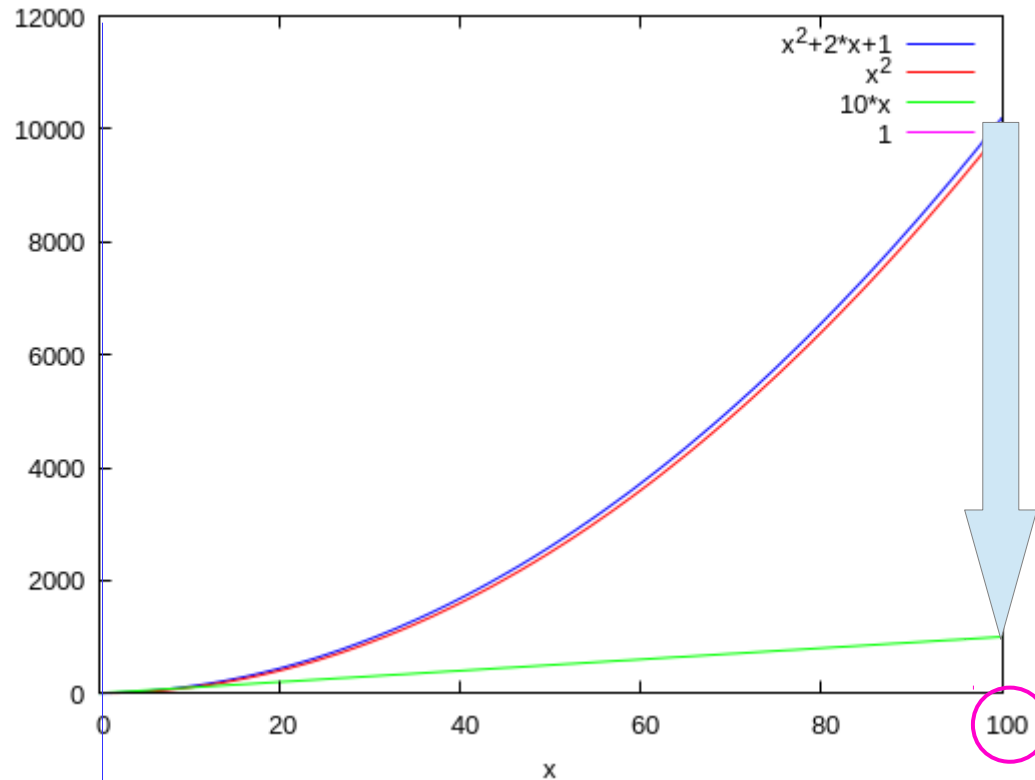
$$D_1 = [0, 5]$$

$$D_2 = [0, 100]$$

$$D_3 = [0, 500]$$



for $0.127 < x < 7.873$ $x^2+2x+1 < 10x$



$$x^2 + 2x + 1$$

indistinguishable

$$x^2$$

$$10x$$



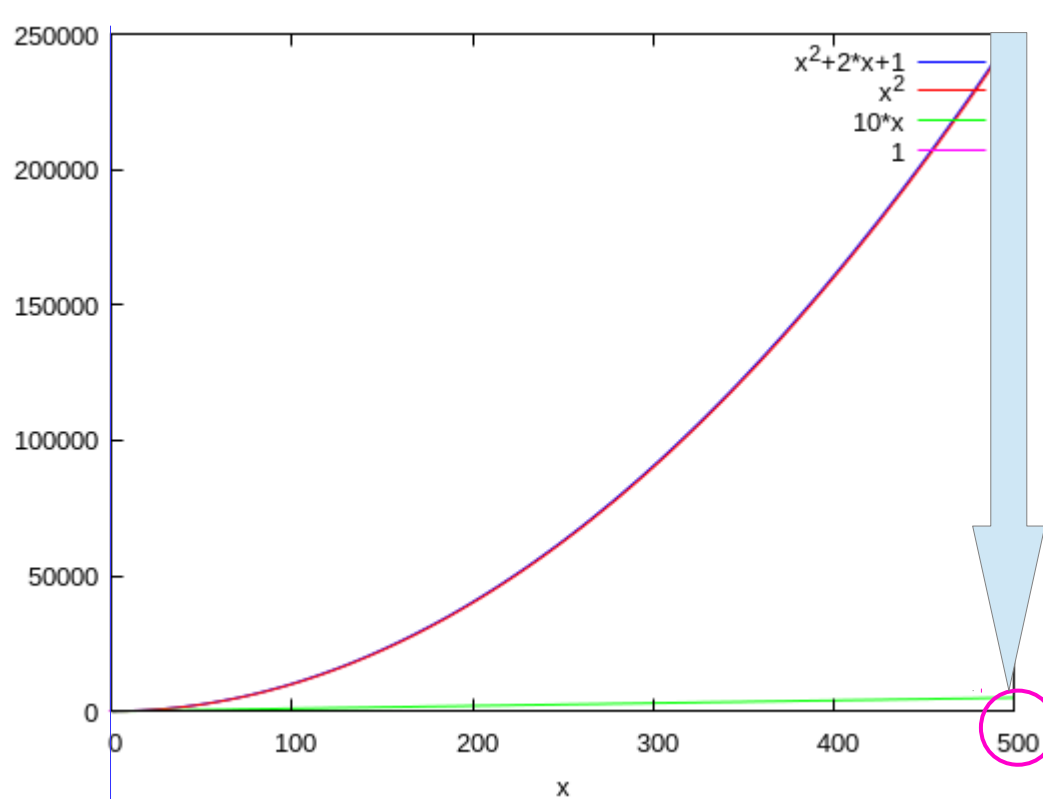
Zoom Out

for $x > 7.873$

$$10x < x^2 + 2x + 1$$

for $x > k$

$$Cg(n) < f(n)$$



$x^2 + 2x + 1$
 x^2

indistinguishable

10x

for $x > 7.873$

$10x < x^2 + 2x + 1$

for $x > k$

$Cg(n) < f(n)$

Big-O Definition

Let f and g be functions $(\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$
from the set of integers or
the set of real numbers
to the set of real numbers.

We say $f(x)$ is $O(g(x))$ “ $f(x)$ is **big-oh** of $g(x)$ ”

If there are constants C and k such that

$$|f(x)| \leq C|g(x)| \quad \text{whenever } x > k.$$



$g(x)$: upper bound of $f(x)$

Big- Ω Definition

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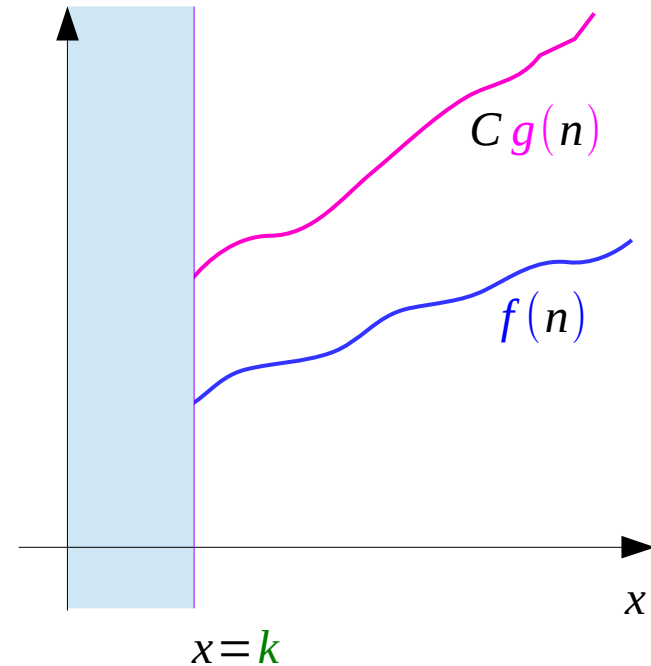
$g(x)$: **lower bound** of $f(x)$

Big-O Definition

for $k < x$

$$f(x) \leq C|g(x)|$$

$f(x)$ is $O(g(x))$



$g(x)$: upper bound of $f(x)$

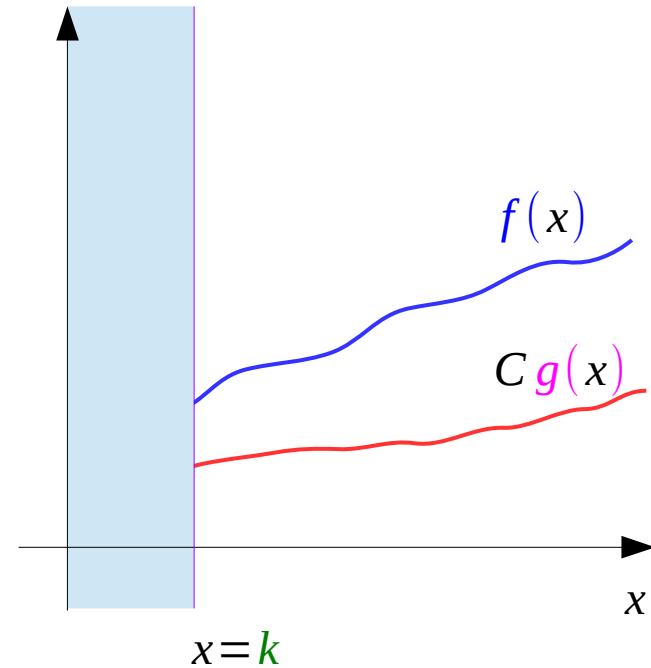
$g(x)$ has a simpler form than $f(x)$
is usually a single term

Big- Ω Definition

for $k < x$

$$f(x) \geq C|g(x)|$$

$f(x)$ is $\Omega(g(x))$



$g(x)$: lower bound of $f(x)$

$g(x)$ has a simpler form than $f(x)$
is usually a single term

Big- Θ definition

for $k < x$

$$f(x) \leq C|g(x)| \iff f(x) \text{ is } \mathbf{O}(g(x))$$

$$C|g(x)| \leq f(x) \iff f(x) \text{ is } \mathbf{\Omega}(g(x))$$

$$C_1|g(x)| \leq f(x) \leq C_2|g(x)| \iff f(x) \text{ is } \mathbf{\Theta}(g(x))$$

Big- Θ = Big- Ω \cap Big- O

for $k < x$

$O(g(x))$

$$C_1|g(x)| \leq f(x) \leq C_2|g(x)| \iff f(x) \text{ is } \Theta(g(x))$$

$\Omega(g(x))$

$$\Omega(g(x)) \wedge O(g(x)) \iff \Theta(g(x))$$

$\Theta(x)$ and $\Theta(1)$

for $0 < k < x$

$$f(x) \leq Cx \iff f(x) \text{ is } O(x)$$

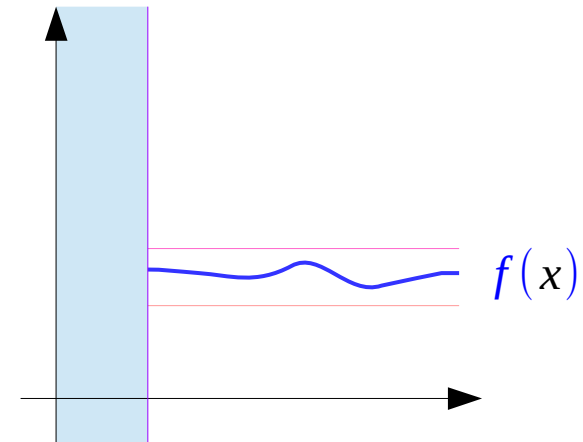
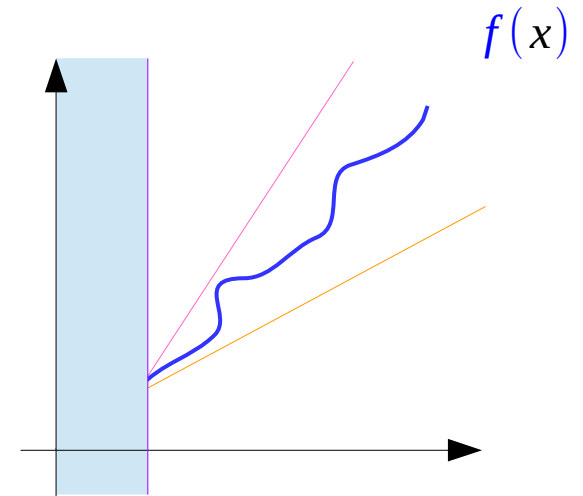
$$Cx \leq f(x) \iff f(x) \text{ is } \Omega(x)$$

$$C_1x \leq f(x) \leq C_2x \iff f(x) \text{ is } \Theta(x)$$

$$f(x) \leq C \cdot 1 \iff f(x) \text{ is } O(1)$$

$$C \cdot 1 \leq f(x) \iff f(x) \text{ is } \Omega(1)$$

$$C_1 \cdot 1 \leq f(x) \leq C_2 \cdot 1 \iff f(x) \text{ is } \Theta(1)$$



Big-O, Big-Ω, Big-Θ Examples

for $x > -0.5$

$$1x^2 < x^2 + 2x + 1 \quad x^2 + 2x + 1 \text{ is } \Omega(x^2)$$

lower bound

for $x > 2.414$

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 < 2x^2 \quad x^2 + 2x + 1 \text{ is } O(x^2)$$

upper bound

for $x > 0.462$

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 < 10x^2 \quad x^2 + 2x + 1 \text{ is } O(x^2)$$

upper bound

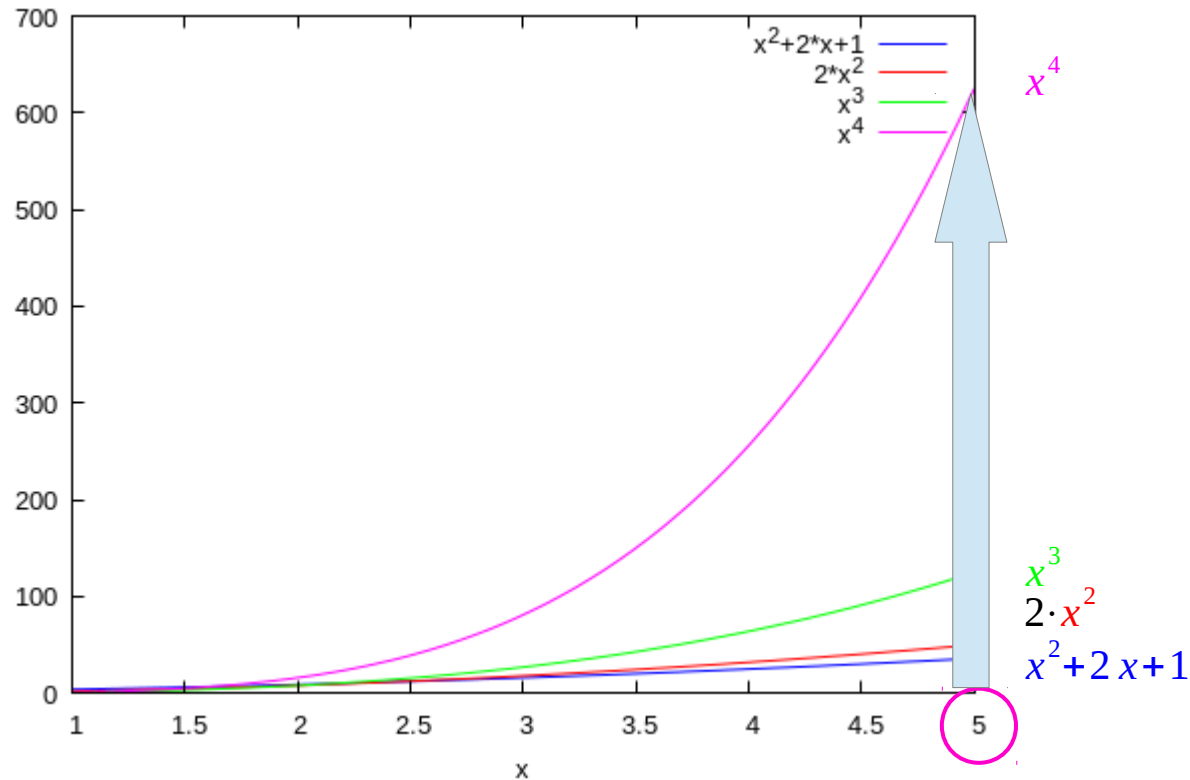
for $x > 7.873$

$$10x < x^2 + 2x + 1 \quad x^2 + 2x + 1 \text{ is } \Omega(x)$$

lower bound

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 \text{ is } \Theta(x^2)$$

Many Larger Upper Bounds



$$x^2+2x+1 \text{ is } O(x^2)$$

$$x^2+2x+1 \text{ is } O(x^3)$$

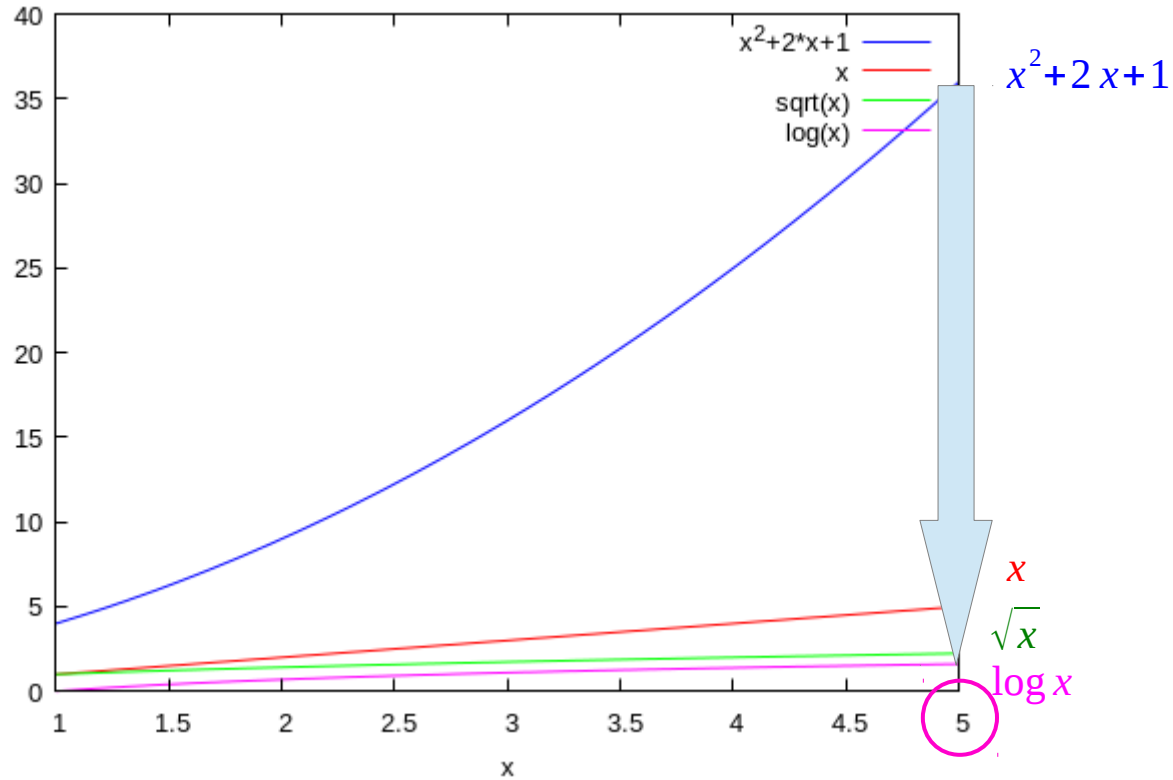
$$x^2+2x+1 \text{ is } O(x^4)$$

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$$x^3$$
$$2 \cdot x^2$$
$$x^2+2x+1$$

the least upper bound?

Many Smaller Lower Bound



x^2+2x+1 is $\Omega(x^2)$
 x^2+2x+1 is $\Omega(x)$
 x^2+2x+1 is $\Omega(\sqrt{x})$
 x^2+2x+1 is $\Omega(\log x)$
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the greatest lower bound?

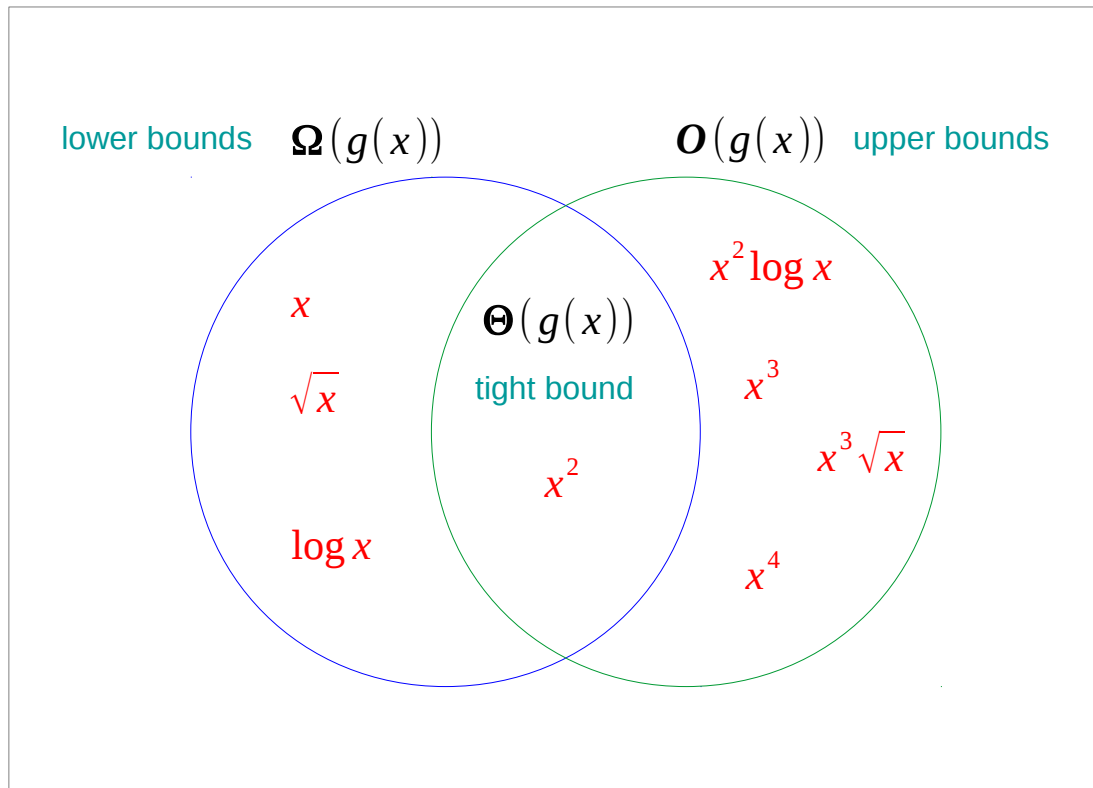
Many Upper and Lower Bounds

x^2+2x+1 is $O(x^2)$	\longleftrightarrow	$x^2+2x+1 \leq Cx^2$	upper bound	the least
x^2+2x+1 is $O(x^3)$	\longleftrightarrow	$x^2+2x+1 \leq Cx^3$	upper bound	
x^2+2x+1 is $O(x^4)$	\longleftrightarrow	$x^2+2x+1 \leq Cx^4$	upper bound	
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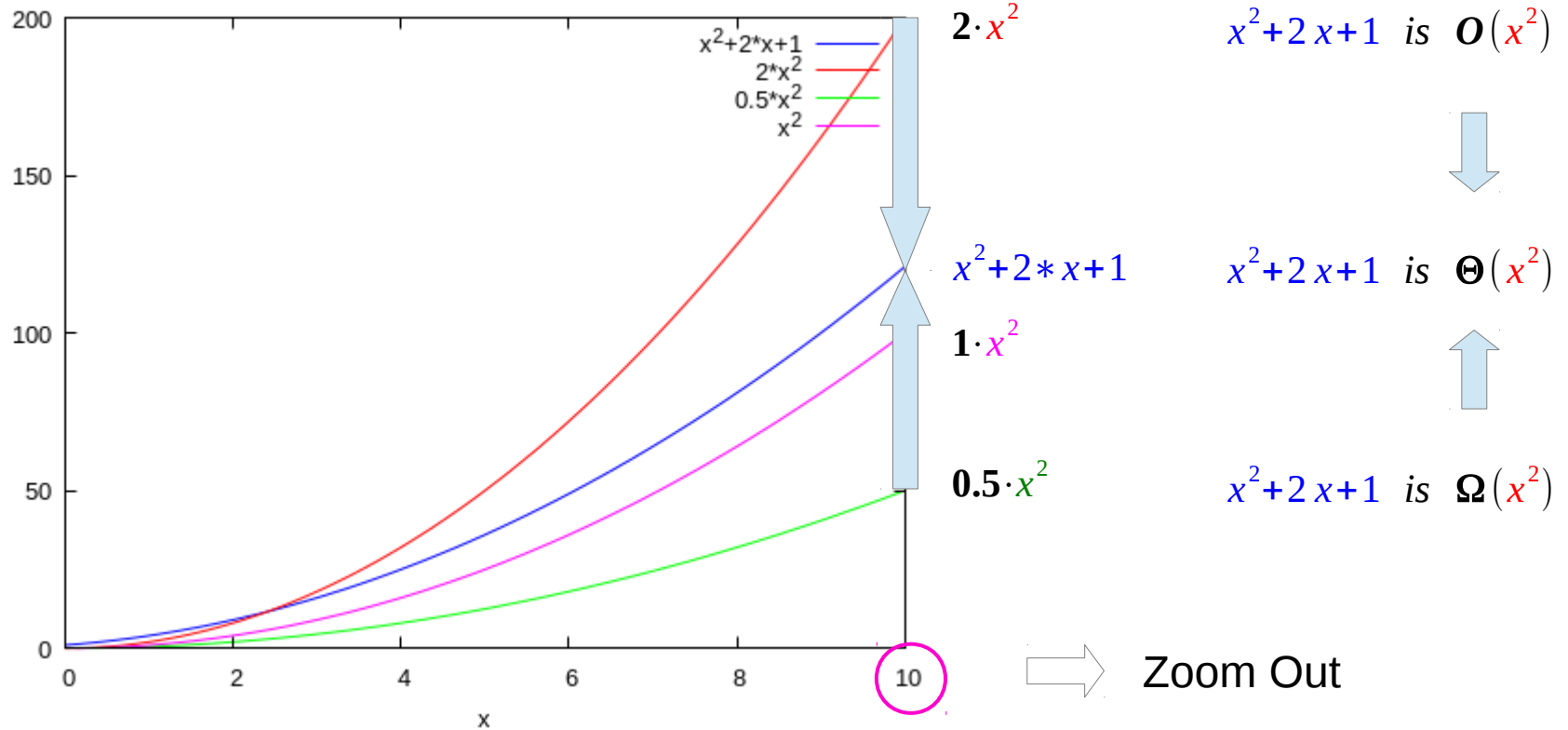
x^2+2x+1 is $O(x^2)$	\longleftrightarrow	$x^2+2x+1 \geq Cx^2$	lower bound	the greatest
x^2+2x+1 is $\Omega(x)$	\longleftrightarrow	$x^2+2x+1 \geq Cx$	lower bound	
x^2+2x+1 is $\Omega(\sqrt{x})$	\longleftrightarrow	$x^2+2x+1 \geq C\sqrt{x}$	lower bound	
x^2+2x+1 is $\Omega(\log x)$	\longleftrightarrow	$x^2+2x+1 \geq C \log x$	lower bound	
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Simultaneously being lower and upper bound

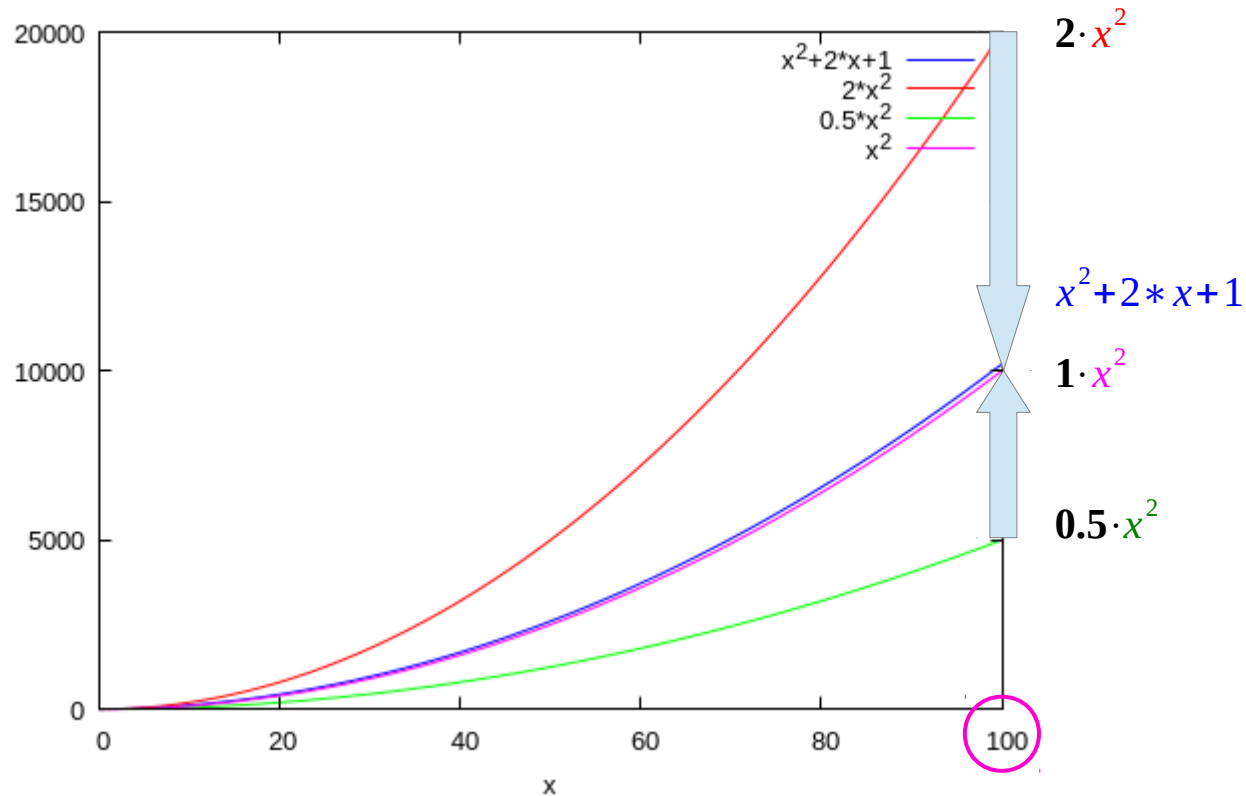
$$f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 1$$



Big-Θ Examples (1)

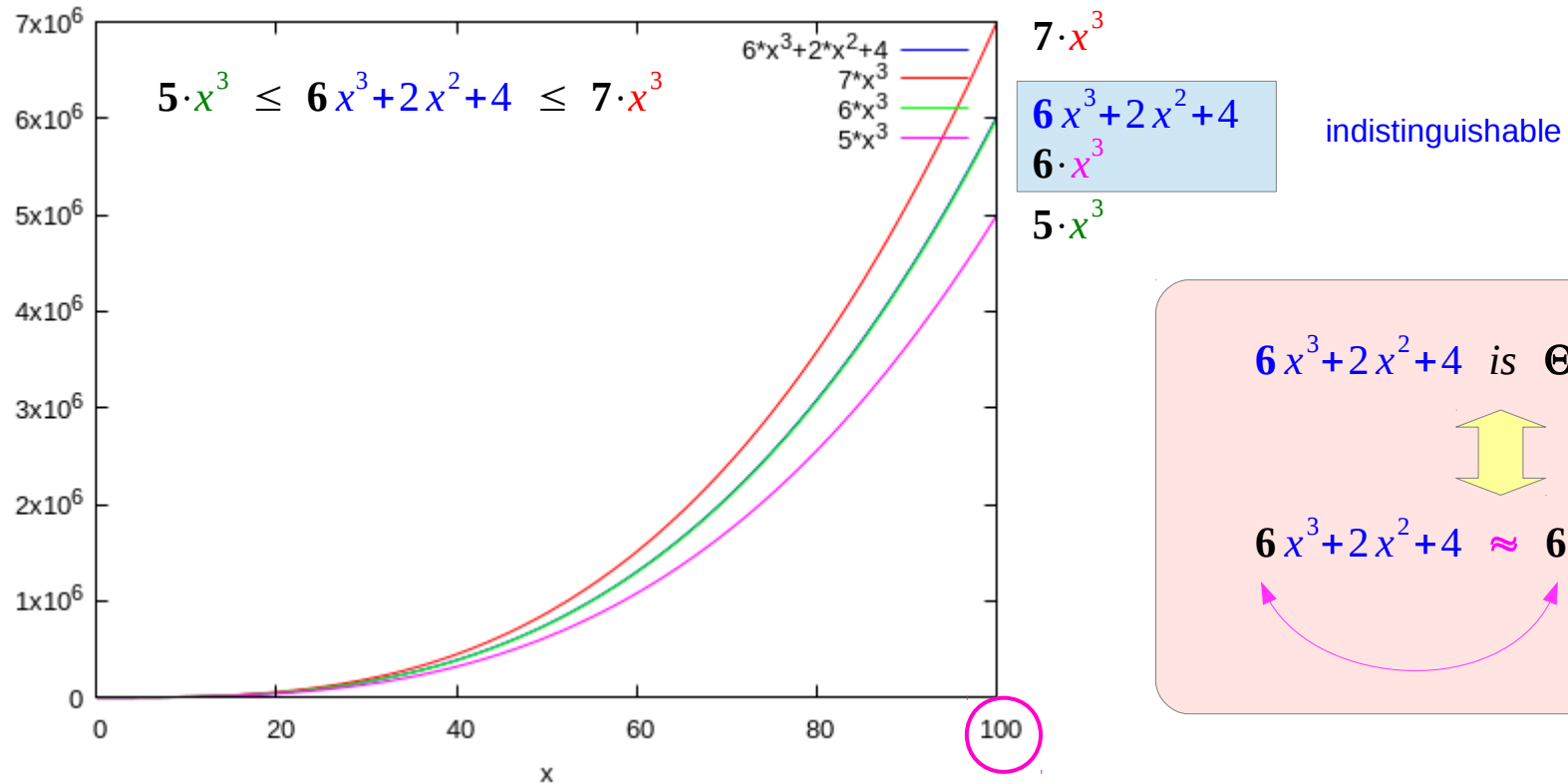


Big- Θ Examples (2)



$x^2 + 2x + 1$ is $\Theta(x^2)$

Big-Θ Examples (3)



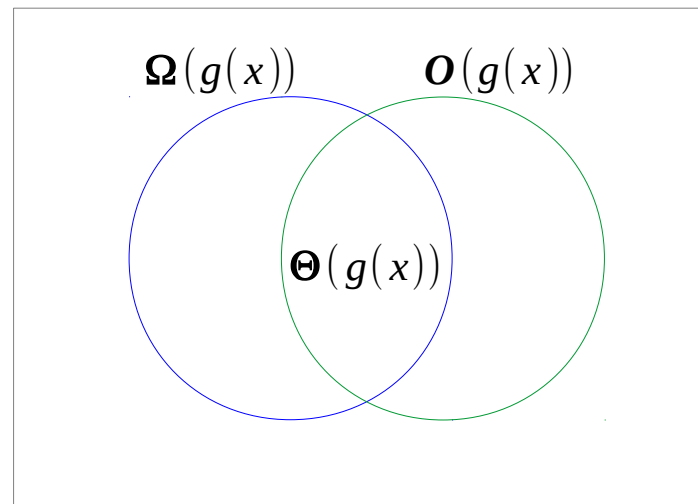
Tight bound Implications

$$f(x) \text{ is } \Theta(g(x)) \implies f(x) \text{ is } O(g(x))$$

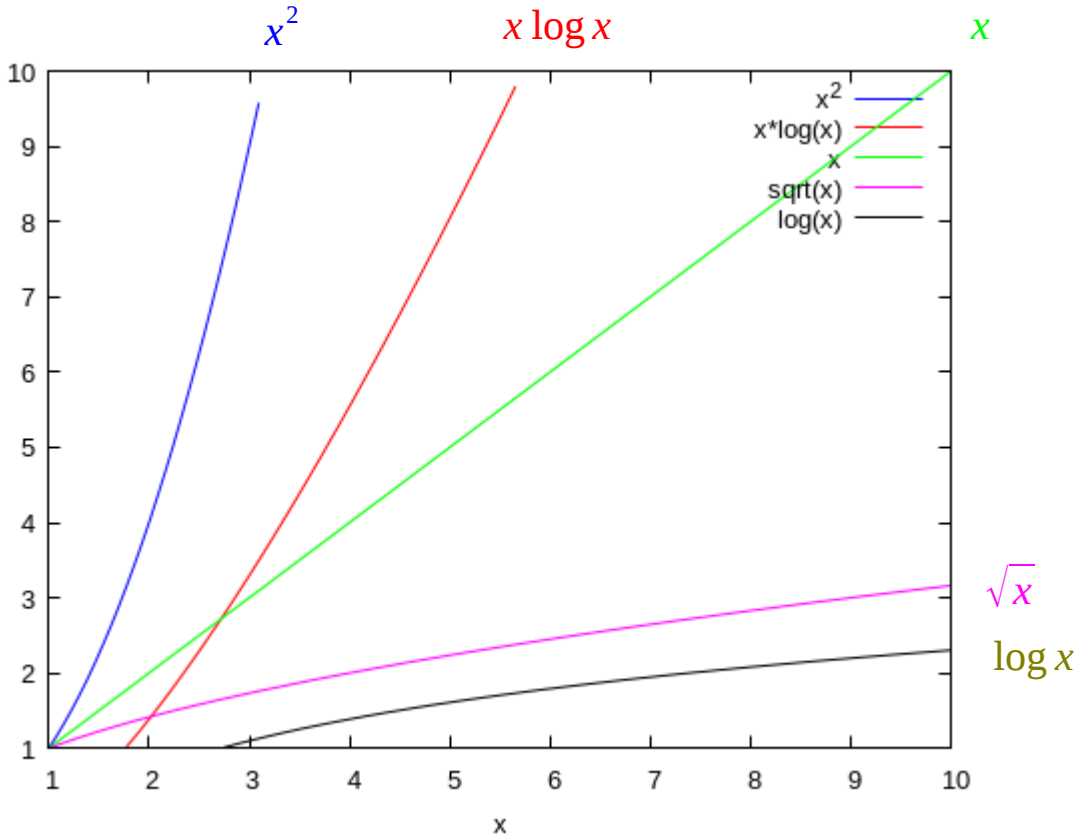
$$f(x) \text{ is } \Theta(g(x)) \implies f(x) \text{ is } \Omega(g(x))$$

$$f(x) \text{ is } \Theta(g(x)) \not\implies f(x) \text{ is } O(g(x))$$

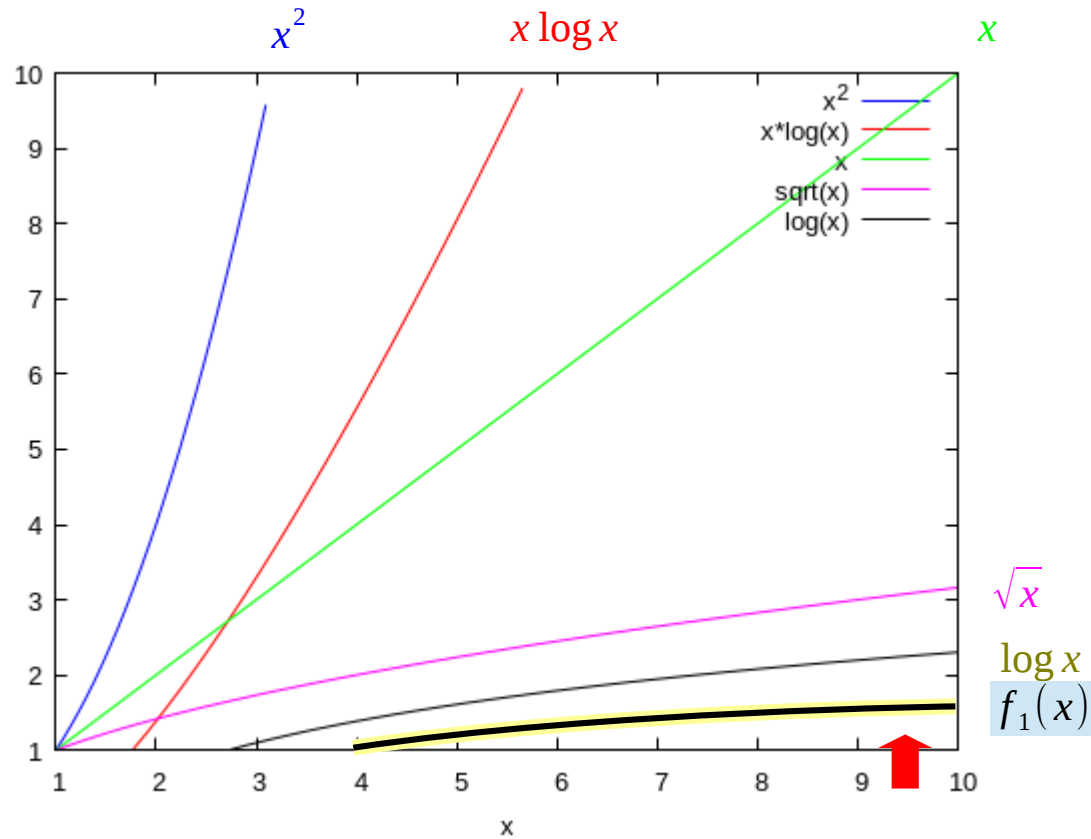
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Common Growth Functions

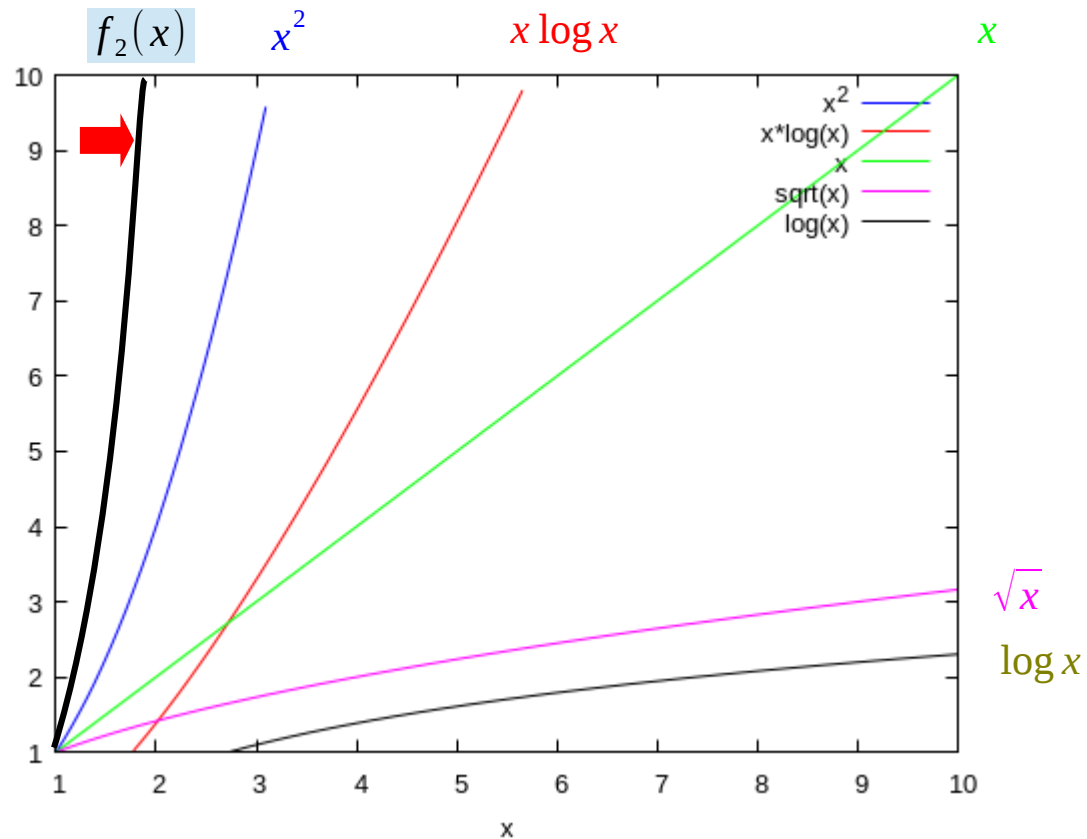


Upper bounds



$f_1(x)$ is $O(\log x)$ \rightarrow $O(\sqrt{x})$ \rightarrow $O(x)$ \rightarrow $O(x \log x)$ \rightarrow $O(x^2)$

Lower bounds



$f_2(x)$ is $\Omega(x^2)$ \Rightarrow $\Omega(x \log x)$ \Rightarrow $\Omega(x)$ \Rightarrow $\Omega(\sqrt{x})$ \Rightarrow $\Omega(\log x)$

Example 1

$$f(n) = n^6 + 3n$$

$$f(n) = 2^n + 12$$

$$f(n) = 2^n + 3^n$$

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

$$f(n) = O(n^6)$$

$$f(n) = O(2^n)$$

$$f(n) = O(3^n)$$

$$f(n) = O(n^n)$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(n)$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(1)$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(2^n)$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(n)$$

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Example 2

$$f(n) = n^6 + 3n$$

$$f(n) = 2^n + 12$$

$$f(n) = 2^n + 3^n$$

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

$$f(n) = O(n^6)$$

$$f(n) = O(2^n)$$

$$f(n) = O(3^n)$$

$$f(n) = O(n^n)$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(n^6)$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(2^n)$$

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$$f(n) = \Omega(n^n)$$

$$f(n) = \Theta(n^6)$$

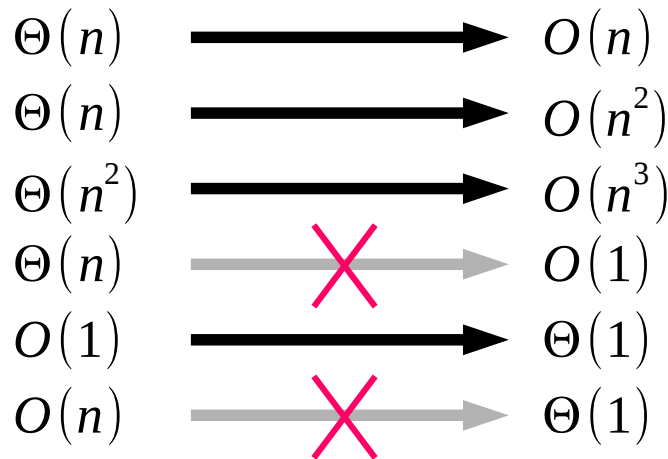
$$f(n) = \Theta(2^n)$$

$$f(n) = \Theta(3^n)$$

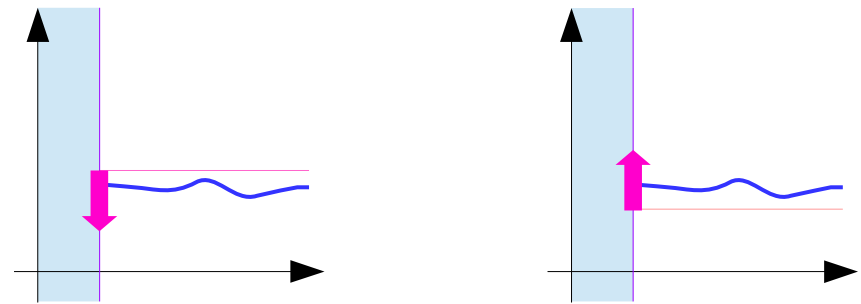
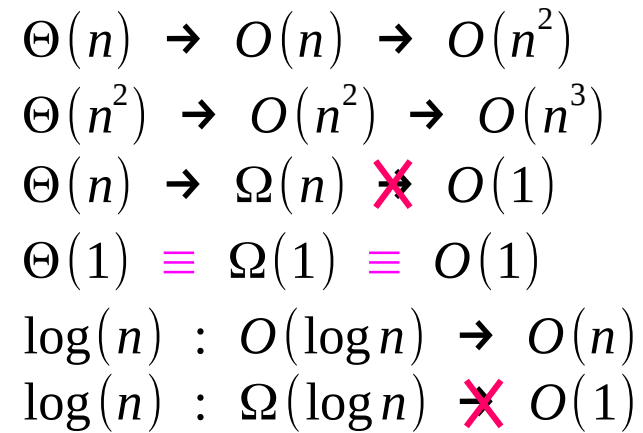
$$f(n) = \Theta(n^n)$$

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Example 3








generally not true



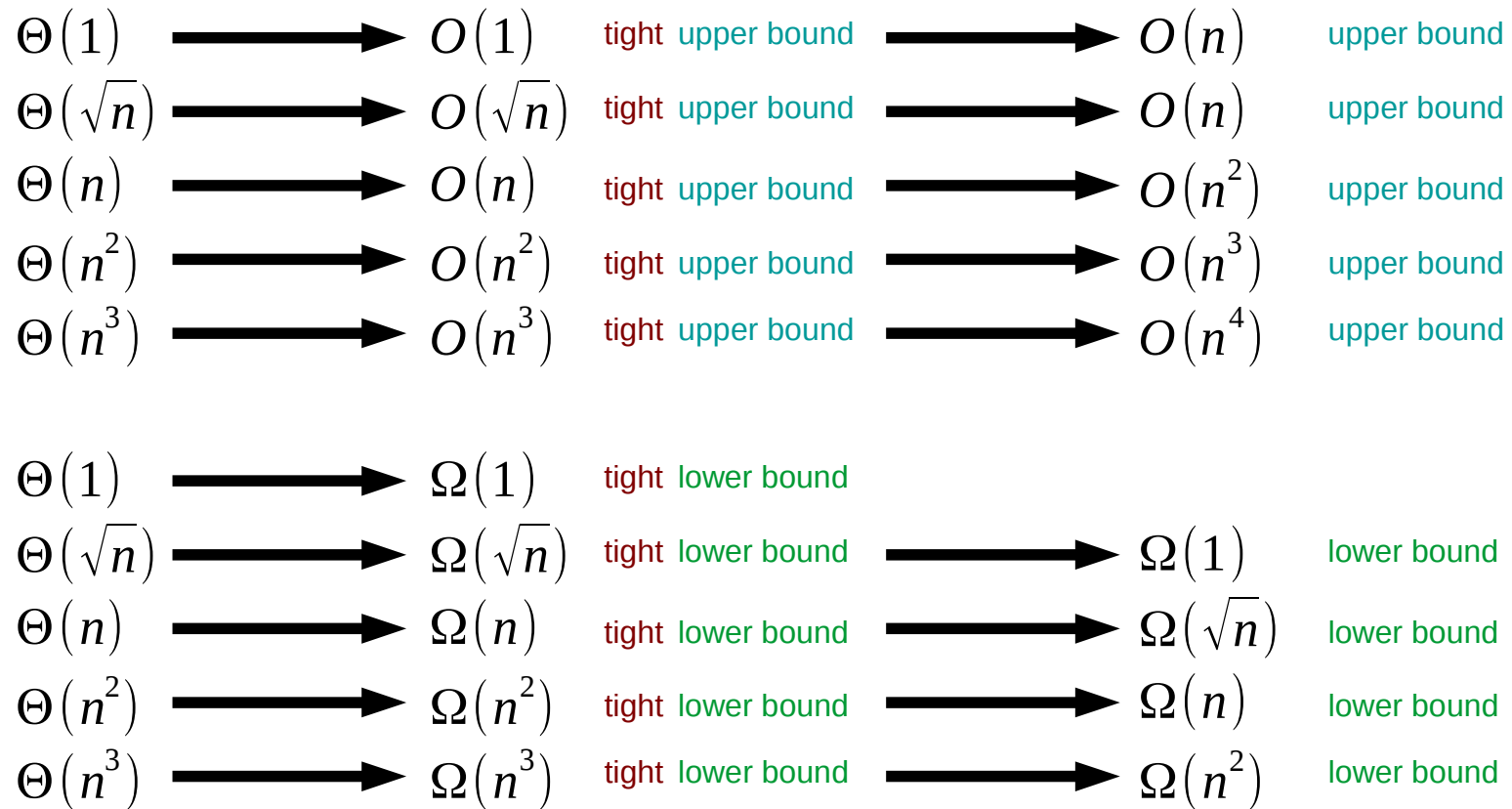
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Example 4

$\Theta(n)$		$O(n)$	upper bound	tight	
$\Theta(n^2)$		$O(n^3)$	upper bound		
$\Theta(1)$		$O(n)$	upper bound		
$\Theta(n)$		$O(1)$	upper bound	wrong	$\Theta(n) \rightarrow \Omega(n) \not\rightarrow O(1)$
$\Theta(n)$		$O(2n)$	upper bound	tight	$O(2n) = O(n)$

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Example 5



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Example 6

$$f(n) = 6n^2 + 3n$$

$$f(n) = O(n^2) \longrightarrow f(n) = O(n^3) \quad \text{upper bound}$$

$$f(n) = \Theta(n^2) \longrightarrow f(n) \not\equiv \Theta(n^3)$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(n^2) \longrightarrow f(n) \not\equiv \Omega(n^3)$$

$$c_1 n^2 - c_2 n^3 = n^2(c_1 - c_2 n)$$

$$f(n) = O(n^2) \longrightarrow f(n) \not\equiv O(n)$$

$$f(n) = \Theta(n^2) \longrightarrow f(n) \not\equiv \Theta(n)$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(n^2) \longrightarrow f(n) = \Omega(n)$$

lower bound

$$c_1 n^2 - c_2 n = n(c_1 n - c_2)$$

Example 7

$O(n^2)$	\longrightarrow	$O(n^3)$	always true
$\Theta(n^2)$	$\overset{\times}{\longrightarrow}$	$\Theta(n^3)$	always false
$\Omega(n^2)$	$\overset{\times}{\longrightarrow}$	$\Omega(n^3)$	generally not true

$O(n^2)$	$\overset{\times}{\longrightarrow}$	$O(n)$	generally not true
$\Theta(n^2)$	$\overset{\times}{\longrightarrow}$	$\Theta(n)$	always false
$\Omega(n^2)$	\longrightarrow	$\Omega(n)$	always true

References

- [1] <http://en.wikipedia.org/>
- [2]