

Asymptotic Dominance Theory

- **Definition 1:** Given the functions $f: N \rightarrow R$ and $g: N \rightarrow R$, f is *asymptotically dominated* by g if there exist non-negative constants M and N such that for all $n \geq N$, $|f(n)| \leq M|g(n)|$. This is denoted by $f = O(g)$.
- **Definition 2:** Given the functions $f: N \rightarrow R$ and $g: N \rightarrow R$, $f = o(g)$ if for every positive ε , there exists a non-negative constant N such that for all $n \geq N$, $|f(n)| \leq \varepsilon|g(n)|$.

Theorem 1: If $f = O(g)$, then for any constant s , $sf = O(g)$.

Theorem 2: If $f_1 = O(g_1)$ and $f_2 = O(g_2)$, then $f_1 + f_2 = O(|g_1| + |g_2|)$.

Corollary 2.1: If for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, $f_i = O(g_i)$, then $\sum_{i=1}^k f_i = O(\sum_{i=1}^k |g_i|)$.

Theorem 3: If $f_1 = O(g_1)$ and $f_2 = O(g_2)$, then $f_1 + f_2 = O(\max\{|g_1|, |g_2|\})$.

Corollary 3.1: If for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, $f_i = O(g_i)$, then $\sum_{i=1}^k f_i = O(\max_{i=1, \dots, k} |g_i|)$.

Corollary 3.2: If for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, $f_i = O(g)$, then $\sum_{i=1}^k f_i = O(g)$.

Theorem 4: If $f_1 = O(g_1)$ and $f_2 = O(g_2)$, then $f_1 \cdot f_2 = O(g_1 \cdot g_2)$.

Theorem 5: If $f_1 = O(g_1)$, $g_2 = O(f_2)$, and g_2 has no zeros, then $f_1 / f_2 = O(g_1 / g_2)$.

Theorem 6: If $a \leq b$, then $n^a = O(n^b)$.

Theorem 7: If a is any real value, then $a^n = O(n!)$.

Theorem 8: If $a < b$, then $n^a = o(n^b)$.

Theorem 9: If $0 < p < q$, then $p^n = o(q^n)$