

# 20.2. TIME COMPLEXITY CALCULATION FOR LOOP (EG-1).

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//outer loop executed n times  
for(i = 1; i ≤ n; i ++){  
    //inner loop executes n times  
    for(j = 1; j ≤ i; j ++){  
        c = c + 1 ; // constant time.  
    }  
}  
}
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## **SOLUTION:**

1. Inner most loop's statement  $\Rightarrow c = c + 1$  which runs at  $O(1)$  time i.e. 1 unit of time .

2. No. of inputs in outer for loop takes 1 to  $n$  times.  
lets see the inner loop and runtime of  
inner loop's statement.

$$f(1) \leq c \times n \Rightarrow \text{when } i = 1$$

$$f(1) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 1$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

**[Hence , total amount of taken to run ( $c = c + 1$ )  
is 1 unit of time]**

$$f(2) \leq c \times n \Rightarrow \text{when } i = 2$$

$$f(1) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 1$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

$$f(2) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 2$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

**[Hence , total amount of taken to run ( $c = c + 1$ )  
is ( $1 + 1 = 2$ )unit of time]**

$$f(3) \leq c \times n \Rightarrow \text{when } i = 3$$

$$f(1) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 1$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

$$f(2) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 2$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

$$f(3) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 2$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

**[Hence , total amount of taken to run ( $c = c + 1$ )  
is ( $1 + 1 + 1 = 3$ )unit of time]**

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$$f(n) \leq c \times n \Rightarrow \text{when } i = n$$

$$f(1) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 1$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

$$f(2) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 2$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

$$f(3) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 2$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

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$$f(n) \leq c \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = n$$

$c = c + 1$  runs 1 unit of time.

[Hence , total amount of taken to run ( $c = c + 1$ )  
is  $(1 + 1 + 1 + \dots n \text{ times} = n)$  unit of time]

We have to see the number of times to calculate  
time complexity.

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n - 1 + n \text{ times} = \sum_{i=1}^n i \text{ (Arithmetic Series)}$$

**VERY IMPORTANT**

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By arithmetic series(Arithmetic Progression  
to find Sum of first 'n' term):

$$\Rightarrow S(n) = \frac{n}{2} ((2 \times a) + ((n - 1) \times (d)))$$

Where ,  $a$  = First Term.

$d = (T_n - T_{n-1})$  or it can be 2<sup>nd</sup> term – (minus) 1<sup>st</sup> term.

i. e. the common difference.

$T_{n-1}$  = Second Last term  $\Rightarrow n - 1$ .

$T_n$  = Last Term  $\Rightarrow n$ .

### PROOF OF ABOVE EQUATION

if  $l$  which is last term i. e.  $l = a + (n - 1)d$  and the equation actually is:

$$S_n = a + (a + d) + (a + 2d) + (a + 3d) + \dots + (l - 2d) + (l - d) + l$$

Rewriting the series in reverse additive order:

$$S_n = l + (l - d) + (l - 2d) + \dots + (a + 2d) + (a + d) + a$$

Adding columnwise we get:

$$2S_n = (a + l) + (a + l) + (a + l) + \dots n \text{ times} = n(a + l)$$

$$\therefore S_n = \frac{n}{2} [a + l]$$

$$\therefore S_n = \frac{n}{2} [a + a + (n - 1)d]$$

$$\therefore S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n - 1)d]$$

**AND HOW WE ARE GETTING  $T_n = a + (n - 1)d$  or  $l = a + (n - 1)d$ .**

**ARITHMETIC PROGRESSION:** A sequence (finite or infinite) is called an arithmetic progression abbreviated as A.P iff the difference of any term from its preceding term is finite.

Say: we have  $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots n$ , then  $T_{n+1} - T_n = 1$ ,

where  $T_{n+1}$  is preceding term and  $T_n$  is term subtracted i. e.  $2 - 1 = 1$ ,  
 $3 - 2 = 1 \dots \dots$  etc.

if there is a sequence of  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$  then  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n$  is called an

## Arithmetic Series.

### GENERAL TERM OF A.P:

Let  $a$  be the first term and  $d$  be the common difference of Arithmetic Progression(A.P). Let  $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots, T_{n-1}, T_n = 1\text{st}, 2\text{nd}, 3\text{rd}, \dots, n\text{th}$  terms respectively, then we have :

$$T_2 - T_1 = d$$

$$T_3 - T_2 = d$$

$$T_4 - T_3 = d$$

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$$T_n - T_{n-1} = d$$

**ADDING THESE**  $n - 1$  equations we get :

$$T_n - T_1 = (n - 1)d \Rightarrow T_n = T_1 + (n - 1)d, \text{ where } T_1 = a, \text{ then}$$

$$T_n = a + (n - 1)d.$$

### LAST TERM OF A.P

if  $T_n = l$  (last term), then  $l = a + (n - 1)d$ .

**Series:** if the terms are connected by  $+$  (signs) we get a series.

$T_1 + T_2 + \dots + T_n$  is called a series.

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$$\text{Here } d = T_n - T_{n-1} = n - (n - 1) = 1$$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{n(n + 1)}{2} = \frac{n^2 + n}{2} = 0 \left( \frac{1}{2} \times n^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times n \right)$$

By Constant Rule:  $O(k \times n) = O(n)$ , where  $k$  is constant.

$$O\left(\frac{1}{2} \times n^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times n\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{2}(n^2 + n)\right) = O(n^2)$$

*Therefore time complexity of the program is :*

$$= O(n^2)$$

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