

## 21.B. SOME MORE EXAMPLES OF FOR LOOP TIME COMPLEXITIES

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for(i = 1; i ≤ n; i++){  
    for(j = 1; j ≤ n; j = j + i){  
        print(Hello);  
    }  
}
```

### SOLUTION

*i = 1, j = 1, print Hello runs 1 time.*

*j = (1 + 1) = 2, print Hello runs 1 time.*

*j = (2 + 1) = 3, print Hello runs 1 time.*

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*j = n, print Hello runs 1 time.*

*print Hello executed  $\frac{n}{1}$  time.*

*$i = 2, j = 1$  , print Hello runs 1 time.*

*$j = (2 + 2) = 4$  , print Hello runs 1 time.*

*$j = (4 + 2) = 6$  , print Hello runs 1 time.*

....

*$j = n$  , print Hello runs 1 time.*

*print Hello executed  $\frac{n}{2}$  time.*

*$i = 3, j = 1$  , print Hello runs 1 time.*

*$j = (1 + 3) = 4$  , print Hello runs 1 time.*

*$j = (4 + 3) = 7$  , print Hello runs 1 time.*

....

*$j = n$  , print Hello runs 1 time.*

*print Hello executed  $\frac{n}{3}$  time.*

*Therefore no. of time print Hello executed:*

$$\frac{n}{1} + \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{3} + \dots + n \text{ times}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n}{i} \text{ times}$$

we can write it as:

$$n \times \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \approx \log n$$

*Hence complexity is  $O(n \log n)$*

## Deduction

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} = \int_0^1 \frac{(1-x^n)}{1-x} dx$$

*=  $\psi(n) + \Upsilon$  (Here  $\Upsilon$  is the Euler  
– Mascheroni constant)*

$$= \ln(n) + \Upsilon$$

$$= \ln(n) + 0.57721 \dots (\Upsilon \approx 0.57721 \dots)$$

$$= n \times \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} = n( \ln(n) + 0.57721 \dots )$$

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