

## 20.3. TIME COMPLEXITY CALCULATION FOR LOOP (EG-2).

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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/2; 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 iterations in outer for loop takes 1 to n times.

lets see the inner loop and runtime of inner loop's statement.

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

$$f(1) \leq c \times \frac{1}{2} \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 1$$

$$c = c + 1 \text{ executes in } \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \text{ unit of time .}$$

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

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

$$f(1) \leq c \times \frac{1}{2} \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 1$$

$$c = c + 1 \text{ executes in } \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \text{ unit of time .}$$

$$f(2) \leq c \times \frac{1}{2} \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 2$$

$$c = c + 1 \text{ executes in } \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \text{ unit of time}$$

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

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

$$f(1) \leq c \times \frac{1}{2} \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 1$$

$$c = c + 1 \text{ executes in } \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \text{ unit of time .}$$

$$f(2) \leq c \times \frac{1}{2} \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = 2$$

$$c = c + 1 \text{ runs } \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \text{ unit of time.}$$

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$$f(n) \leq c \times \frac{1}{2} \times i \Rightarrow \text{when } j = n$$

$$c = c + 1 \text{ runs } \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \text{ unit of time.}$$

[Hence , total amount of taken to run ( $c = c + 1$ )

is  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2}$  to  $n$  times  $= \frac{n}{2}$  unit of time]

No. of units of time taken to run the inner most statement

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

### 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  $2^{nd}$  term –  
(minus)  $1^{st}$  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` 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:*

$$2Sn = (a + l) + (a + l) + (a + l) + \cdots n \text{ times} = n(a + l)$$

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

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

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

**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  $1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots n$ , 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  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \cdots + a_n$  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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$$\text{Here } d = T_n - T_{n-1} = n - (n - 1) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow S(n) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n - 1) + n)$$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{n(n + 1)}{4} = \frac{n^2 + n}{4} = O\left(\frac{1}{4} \times n^2 + \frac{1}{4} \times n\right)$$

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

$$O\left(\frac{1}{4} \times n^2 + \frac{1}{4} \times n\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{4}(n^2 + n)\right) = O(n^2)$$

Therefore time complexity of the program is :

$$= O(n^2)$$

### **SOME OBSERVATION:**

$c = c + 1$  inner most statement will execute depending upon the upper bound of inner most loop  $j$  i.e.  $\frac{i}{2}$ :

i.e. when for  $i = 1, j \leq \frac{1}{2}, c = c + 1$  will execute  $\frac{1}{2}$  times.

when for  $i = 2, j \leq \frac{2}{2}, c = c + 1$  will execute  $\frac{2}{2}$  times.

when for  $i = n, j \leq \frac{n}{2}, c = c + 1$  will execute  $\frac{n}{2}$  times.

and we can too add up upper bound  $g(n) = \{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \dots, \frac{n}{2}\}$  of

inner most loop  $\rightarrow j$  as outer loop  $\rightarrow i$  increment at each iteration

i.e.  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{2} + \dots + \frac{i}{2}$  since

we are looking for upper bound and  $i$  will execute till  $n$  time

hence at  $i = n$ , we have:  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{2} + \dots + \frac{n}{2}$ . This is also correct.

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