

Time & Space Complexity

1. What is Space Complexity

There are two types of space in a program: **input space** and **auxiliary space**.

Space complexity refers to the **auxiliary space**, which is the extra space or temporary space used by an algorithm **excluding** the space required for the input.

2. $O(1)$ Space Complexity

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    int a[n];
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        cin >> a[i];
    int s = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        s += a[i];
    cout << s << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

3. $O(N)$ Space Complexity

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int n;
```

```
cin >> n;
int a[n];
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    cin >> a[i];
int b[n];
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    b[i] = a[i];
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    cout << b[i] << " ";
return 0;
}
```

4. $O(N^2)$ Space Complexity

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    int a[n][n];
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    {
        for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
        {
            a[i][j] = i + j;
        }
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    {
        for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
        {
            cout << a[i][j] << " ";
        }
    }
}
```

```
        cout << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

5. Check if a number is Prime in $O(N)$ time $O(1)$ space

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
bool isPrime(int n)
{
    if (n <= 1)
        return false;
    for (int i = 2; i < n; i++)
    {
        if (n % i == 0)
            return false;
    }
    return true;
}
int main()
{
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    if (isPrime(n))
        cout << "yes" << endl;
    else
        cout << "no" << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

The code given below is also $O(N)$ time complexity

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
```

```

bool isPrime(int n)
{
    if (n <= 1)
        return false;
    for (int i = 2; i <= n / 2; i++)
    {
        if (n % i == 0)
            return false;
    }
    return true;
}

int main()
{
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    if (isPrime(n))
        cout << "yes" << endl;
    else
        cout << "no" << endl;
    return 0;
}

```

6. Check if a number is Prime in $O(\sqrt{N})$ time $O(1)$ space

```

#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
bool isPrime(int n)
{
    if (n <= 1)
        return false;
    for (int i = 2; i * i <= n; i++)
    {
        if (n % i == 0)
            return false;
    }
}

```

```

    }
    return true;
}
int main()
{
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    if (isPrime(n))
        cout << "yes" << endl;
    else
        cout << "no" << endl;
    return 0;
}

```

7. Examples of $O(N * \log N)$ time complexity

```

#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) //  $O(N)$ 
    {
        for (int j = 1; j <= n; j *= 2) //  $O(\log N)$ 
        {
            cout << j << endl;
        }
    }
    return 0;
}

```

8. Code Examples of $O(N)$ time and $O(N)$ space complexity for Recursion

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int fact(int n)
{
    if (n == 0)
        return 1;
    return n * fact(n-1);
}
int main()
{
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    cout << fact(n);
    return 0;
}
```

9. Code Examples of $O(2^N)$ time and $O(N)$ space complexity for Recursion

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int fib(int n)
{
    if (n == 0)
        return 0;
    if (n == 1)
        return 1;
    return fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2);
}
int main()
{
    int n;
```

```
    cin >> n;
    cout << fib(n) << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

10. Code Examples of $O(N^2)$ time and $O(N^2)$ space complexity for Recursion

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int fun(int n)
{
    if (n == 0)
        return 0;
    int a[n];
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        a[i] = i;
    return a[n - 1] + fun(n - 1);
}
int main()
{
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    cout << fun(n) << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

11. Code Example of $O(N * \log N)$ and Proof

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
```

```

int n;
cin >> n;
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++)
{
    for (int j = 1; j <= n / i; j++)
    {
        cout << j << endl;
    }
}
return 0;
}

```

Proof of Time Complexity

Consider a nested loop where:

- The inner loop runs for N , $N/2$, $N/3$, $N/4$, $N/5$, ..., 1 iterations.
- The outer loop runs N times.

The total number of iterations in the inner loop over all outer loop runs forms a harmonic series:

$$S = 1 + 1/2 + 1/3 + 1/4 + \dots + 1/N$$

Time complexity for a harmonic series is $\log(N)$

So, the overall time complexity is: $O(N * \log N)$

Proof of Harmonic Series

When $N = 100$,

The series will be: $1 + 1/2 + 1/3 + 1/4 + 1/5 + 1/6 + \dots + 1/100$

Here,

$$1 = 1$$

$$1/2 + 1/3 < 1$$

$$1/4 + 1/5 + 1/6 + 1/7 < 1$$

$$1/8 \text{ to } 1/15 < 1$$

$$1/16 \text{ to } 1/31 < 1$$

$1/32 \text{ to } 1/63 < 1$
 $1/64 \text{ to } 1/100 < 1$

So, the total summation is approximately $\log_2(N)$

12. Practice $O(N)$ Complexity

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i /= 2)
    {
        for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++)
        {
            cout << j << endl;
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Proof of Time Complexity

Consider a nested loop where:

- The inner loop runs for $N, N/2, N/4, N/8, \dots, 1$ iterations.
- The outer loop runs $\log_2(N)$ times.

The total number of iterations in the inner loop over all outer loop runs forms a geometric series:

$$S = N + N/2 + N/4 + N/8 + \dots + 1$$

where:

- $a = N$ (the first term),
- $r = 1/2$ (the common ratio),
- $k = \log_2(N)$ (the number of terms).

Using the geometric series sum formula:

$$S = a * (r^k - 1) / (r - 1)$$

Substitute the values:

$$\begin{aligned} S &= N * ((1/2)^{\log_2(N)} - 1) / ((1/2) - 1) \\ &= 2N [1 - (1 / 2^{\log_2(N)})] \end{aligned}$$

Recall that:

$$2^{\log_2(N)} = N$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} S &= 2N [1 - (1 / N)] \\ &= 2(N - 1) \\ &= O(N) \end{aligned}$$

Ignoring constants in Big-O notation, the overall time complexity is: **$O(N)$**