

# Big O Summary (Arranged from Fastest to Slowest)

Time Complexity	Description	Example
$O(1)$ - Constant	Time taken remains same regardless of input size	Access element in array
$O(\log N)$ - Logarithmic	Time taken increases logarithmically as the input size grows. Operations are typically halved at each step. Time increases linearly as $N$ goes up exponentially.	Binary search in a sorted array
$O(N)$ - Linear	Time grows when input grows	Find an item in unsorted list
$O(N \log N)$ - Linearithmic	Time taken increases in a linearithmic manner, often seen in divide and conquer algorithms	Merge sort or quicksort.
$O(N^2)$ Quadratic	Time taken increases quadratically as <sup>input</sup> <del>time</del> increases. (Nested loop)	Bubble sort or selection sort.
$O(2^N)$ Exponential	Time taken doubles with each addition to $N$ , leads to grow <del>rapid</del> execution time	Finding all subset of a set
$O(N!)$ Factorial	Time taken increases factorially <sup>with</sup> <del>each</del> increase in input size, leading to extreme slow execution	Solving the travelling salesman problem exhaustively.