

Time Complexity Analysis

What do we mean by the time complexity of a running program?

Total operations performed

Big-O

Example 1:

```
void main()
{
    int x = 5;
    x = x + 3;
    print(x);
}
```

1
2
1

4

Constant

Time $\rightarrow O(1)$

Example 2:

```
void main()
{
    int n;
    input(n);

    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        print(i);
}
```

Linear

$\propto n$

$O(n)$
Time

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Why care about time complexities? – Consider the below example

- Write an algorithm to sum first n natural numbers.

// Brute Force Approach

```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    int sum = 0;
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++)
        sum += i;

    print(sum);
}
```

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n$$

time $\rightarrow O(n)$

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time $\rightarrow O(n)$

// Efficient Approach

```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    int sum = (n * (n + 1)) / 2;

    print(sum);
}
```

time $\rightarrow O(1)$

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time $\rightarrow O(\log_2 n)$

Example for $O(\log n)$

```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i = i * 2)
        print(i);
}
```

Few Important Algorithms with $O(\log n)$ complexities:

- Binary Search
- Certain Divide & Conquer Algorithms

$$2^k = n$$

$$\log_2(2^k) = \log_2 n$$

$$k = \log_2 n$$

$$\log_a(a^x) \Rightarrow x$$

1, 2, 4, 8, 16, ...

$2^0, 2^1, 2^2, 2^3, 2^4, \dots$

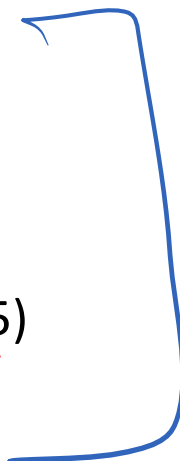
n

2^k


k

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```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i = i * 5)
        print(i);
}
```




time $\rightarrow O(\log_5 n)$



```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user +ve
    for (int i = 0; i <= n; i = i * 7)
        print(i);
}
```



time $\rightarrow O(\infty)$



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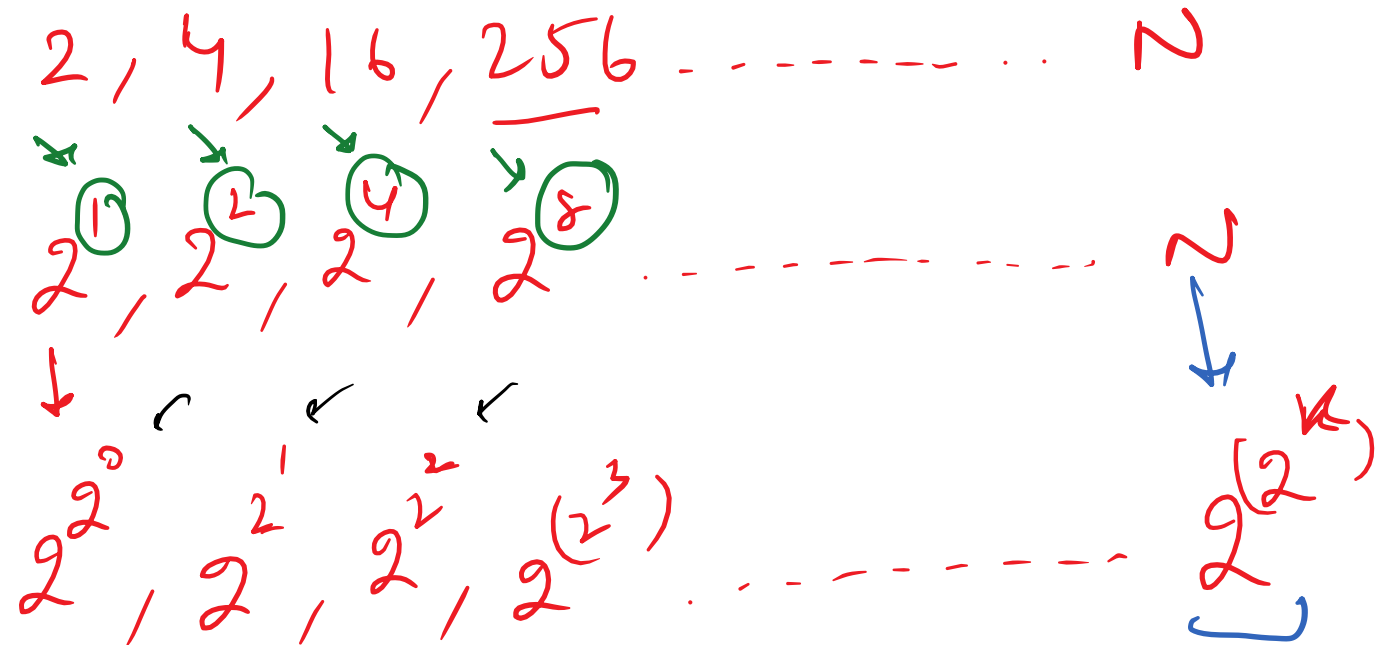
```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    for (int i = n; i >= 1; i = i / 3)
        print(i);
}
```

```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    for (int i = 2; i <= n; i = i * i)
        print(i);
}
```

time $\rightarrow O(\log_2(\log_2 N))$



$$2^{2^k} = N$$

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

$$\boxed{2^k = \log_2 N} \Rightarrow k = \log_2(\log_2 N)$$

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```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    int p = 1;

    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i = i * 2)
        p++;

    for (int j = 1; j <= p; j = j * 2)
        print(j)
}
```

time $\rightarrow \log(\log n)$

```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    for (int i = n; i >= 1; i = i / 2)
    {
        for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++)
            print(j)
    }
}
```

time $\rightarrow O(n)$

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Example for $O(\sqrt{n})$

```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    for (int i = 1; i <= sqrt(n); i++)
        print(i);
}
```

time $\rightarrow O(\sqrt{n})$

Few Important Algorithms with $O(\sqrt{n})$ complexities:

- Verify Prime Number

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Example for $O(n \log n)$

```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++)
        for (int j = 1; j <= n; j = j * 2)
            print(i);
}
```

Few Important Algorithms with $O(n \log n)$ complexities:

- Quick Sort
 - Merge Sort
 - Heap Sort
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Example for $O(n^2)$

```
void main()
```

```
{
```

```
  int n; // Input from user
```

```
  for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++)
```

```
    for (int j = 1; j <= n; j++)
```

```
      print(i);
```

```
}
```

Handwritten analysis of the code complexity:

- The inner loop is circled in green.
- The expression $n^2 + n + 1$ is written, with n and 1 crossed out with red lines, leaving n^2 as the dominant term.

How many times inner loop will iterate

i	How many times inner loop will iterate
1	n
2	n
3	n
...	...
n	n

Handwritten calculation:

$$n \times n = n^2$$

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Example for $O(n^2)$

```
void main()
```

```
{
```

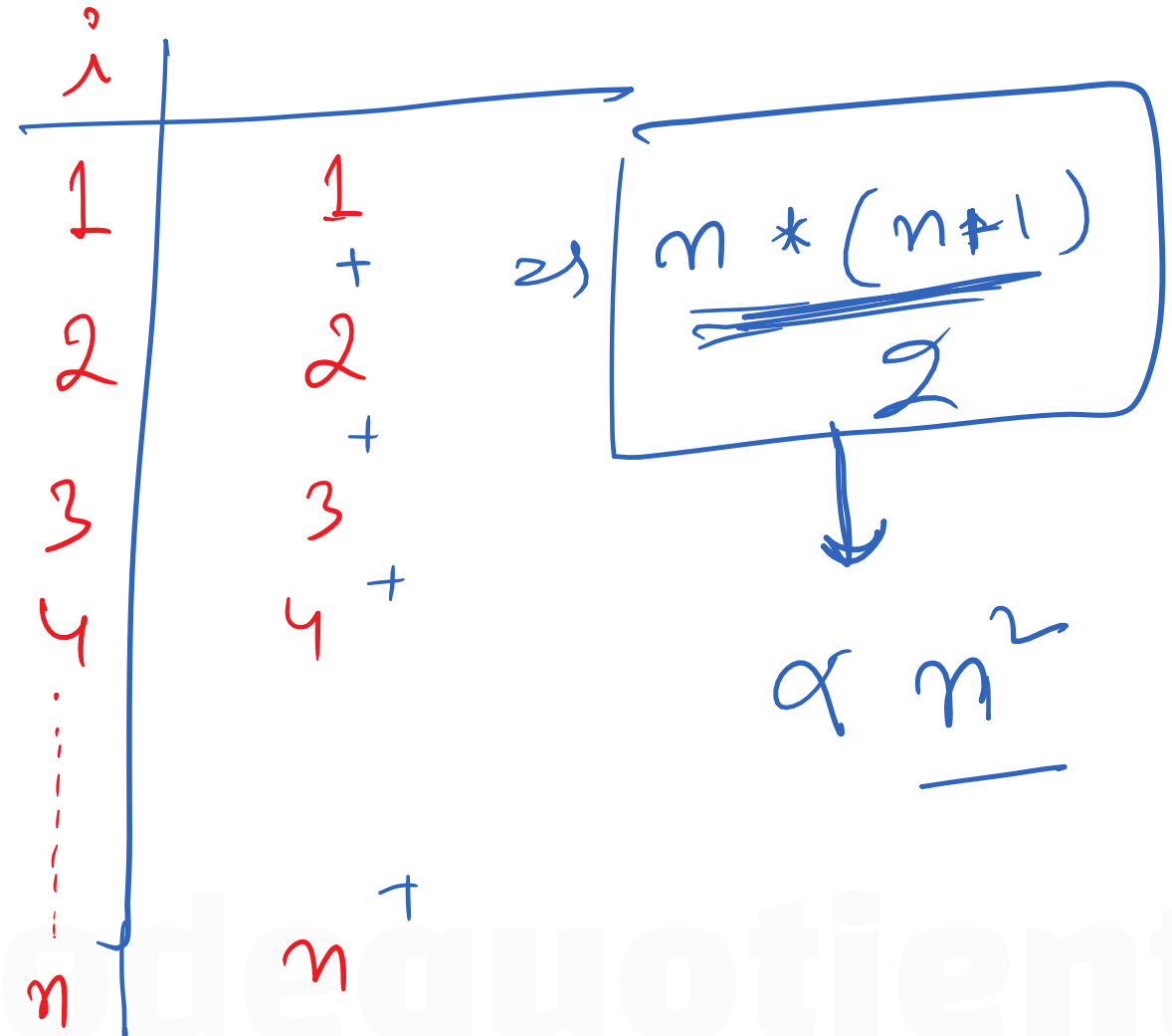
```
    int n; // Input from user → 1
```

```
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) → n
```

```
        for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++) →  $n^2$ 
            print(i);
```

```
}
```

time $\Rightarrow O(n^2)$



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Example for $O(2^n)$

Given an array with n distinct elements, print all the distinct subsets of it.

arr = { 1, 2, 3 }

✓ ✓ ✓
x x x

$2 \times 2 \times 2$

2^n

{ 3 }, { 1 }, { 2 }, { 3 }
{ 1, 2 }, { 2, 3 }, { 1, 3 }
{ 1, 2, 3 }

Backtracking

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Example for $O(n!)$

Given an array with n distinct elements, print all the permutations of it.

$arr = \{1, 2, 3\}$

1, 2, 3

2, 1, 3

1, 3, 2

2, 3, 1

3, 1, 2

3, 2, 1

→ 6 ← 3!

Time Complexity Analysis



Never judge the time complexity by just looking at the number of loops / nested loops.

For Example 1

```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user

    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++)
        for (int j = i; j <= i; j++)
            print(i);
}
```

time $\rightarrow O(n)$

Example 2

```
void main()
{
    int n; // Input from user + ve

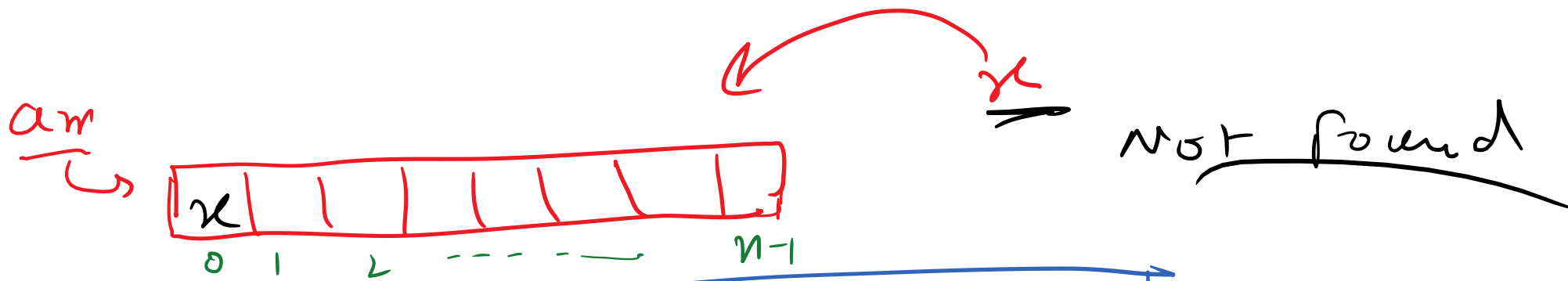
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i--)
        print(i);
}
```

time $\rightarrow O(1)$

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General points for finding time complexity:

- ➔ For large inputs
- ➔ Considering **Worst Case scenarios** ★ ★



```

for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
{
    if (arr[i] == x)
        return i;
}
  
```

return -1

Time $\rightarrow O(n)$

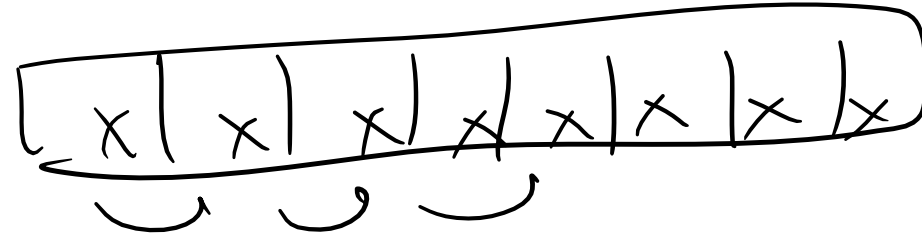
Space Complexity Analysis

Example 1

```
void main()
{
    int a = 1, b = 2, c = 3;
    int d = a + b + c;
    print(d);
}
```

4

Space $\rightarrow O(1)$



Example 2

```
void main()
{
    int n;           // Input from user
    int arr[n];
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        // do something
}
```

Space $\rightarrow O(n)$