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>N!, N!,  $2^n$ , EXPONENTIAL, NLOGN, O(N), O(LOGN), O(1)

>N!	DP? Permutation/Subset with some sort of additional calculation?
N!	Permutation
$2^n$	Subset
Exponential	Recursion, sliding window (variation), nested loops, nested operations
nlogn	Sorting, heaps, sliding window (variation)
O(n) time O( $n^2$ space), O(n) space, O(1) space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scan through array linearly</li> <li>• Sliding Window</li> <li>• Array/Hash maps</li> <li>• Does storing the last index of something help?</li> <li>• Peaks and Valleys?</li> <li>• Does using another array as DP help solve the questions?</li> <li>• Does using queue to help find something in alphabetical order help?</li> </ul>
logn	Binary tree / binary search?
o(1)	Never be asked

Questions:

- What is my input
- What is my output
- What do i do if my input is empty, = 1
- Any other edge conditions?
- Are there restrictions on my input?
  - Is my input less than the MAX INTEGER REPRESENTATION (if using Java / C++ b/c of overflow, dynamic languages don't matter)
  - Positive only?
  - Integers or float?
  - Can there be a mix of string / ints?
- Should I optimize further (ask this later on before you start coding)
  - Up to you?
    - Ok, i will optimize time, then space then

- Analyze ex.
- At 10 mins get code down even if it is just a function definition
- Can you simplify the problem

Brute force / Intuitive Human solution:

- What this means is come up with an intuition as a human being then try to simplify the steps, so that you can find parallel points.
- Ex. If you need to do a 2 sum question, you would think:
  - Ok as a human I would look towards first checking all possible conditions where two numbers equal to my target
  - Refining that you can further say, specifically the way I do that is I have a target in mind, I subtract the base number I am trying to find pairs for and looking if that number exists
  - Which might help guide you to the answer to use some sort of data-structure to help you store a corresponding search value and a value that it pairs to.

Pseudocode Code:

This section is just to bullet point your answer out.

Ex. If for two sum might be:

- Create a hash map
- Loop through the array
  - For every iteration of the loop, store in hashmap the  $[\text{target} - \text{current value}] = \text{current value}$
- Loop through array again checking  $O(1)$  time against current hashmap

Time/Space Complexity of pseudocode above / before you start coding:

- Helps show the interviewer you actually know what you are doing before you start programming and can give proper analysis.
- If you cannot analyze at this point during the interview is fine, just let the interviewer know that you will give the time/space analysis at the end.

Real Code:

Debugging:

FINAL SPACE/TIME COMPLEXITY: