

Time Complexity

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Notes



Log Basics \Rightarrow inverse of exponential function.

$\log_b a \rightarrow$ To what power b must be raised such that it becomes equal to a .

1. $\log_2 64 = \underline{6}$.

$$2^? = 64$$

2. $\log_3 27 = \underline{3}$

$$3^? = 27$$

3. $\log_2 32 = \underline{5}$

$$2^? = 32$$

floor
4. $\log_2 10 = \underline{3}$

$$2^? = 10$$

$$2^3 \rightarrow 8$$

$$2^4 \rightarrow 16$$

floor
5. $\log_2 40 = \underline{5}$

$$2^? = 40$$

$$2^5 \rightarrow 32$$

$$2^6 \rightarrow 64$$

6. $\log_2 2^6 = \underline{6}$

7. $\log_3 3^5 = \underline{5}$

$$\boxed{\log_a a^N = N}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2^K &= N \\ \log_2 2^K &= \log_2 N \\ \underline{K} &= \underline{\log_2 N} \end{aligned}$$

$$\log_2 N = K \iff 2^K = N$$



< Question > : Given a positive integer N. How many times do we need to divide it by 2 until it reaches 1?

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 N$$

N = 100

$\downarrow /2$
 50
 $\downarrow /2$
 25
 $\downarrow /2$
 12
 $\downarrow /2$
 6
 $\downarrow /2$
 3
 $\downarrow /2$
 1

ans = 6

N = 324

$\downarrow /2$
 162
 $\downarrow /2$
 81
 $\downarrow /2$
 40
 $\downarrow /2$
 20
 $\downarrow /2$
 10
 $\downarrow /2$
 5
 $\downarrow /2$
 2
 $\downarrow /2$
 1

ans = 8

N = 9

$\downarrow /2$
 4
 $\downarrow /2$
 2
 $\downarrow /2$
 1

ans = 3

N = 27

ans = 4

$$N \rightarrow \frac{N}{2} \rightarrow \frac{N}{4} \rightarrow \frac{N}{8} \rightarrow \frac{N}{16} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 1$$

$$N \rightarrow \frac{N}{2^1} \rightarrow \frac{N}{2^2} \rightarrow \frac{N}{2^3} \rightarrow \frac{N}{2^k} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \frac{N}{2^k}$$

$$\frac{N}{2^k} = 1 \Rightarrow N = 2^k \Rightarrow \log_2 N = \log_2 2^k$$

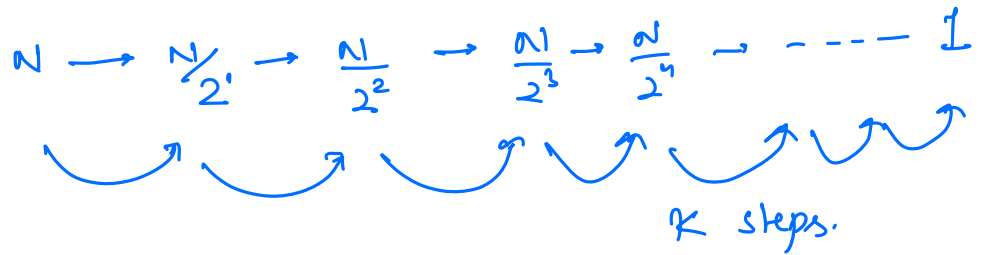
$$\boxed{\log_2 N = k}$$

**Quiz- 1****N > 0**

```

i = N;
while(i > 1){
    i = i/2;
}

```



after K steps, loop will stop.

$$\frac{N}{2^K} = 1 \Rightarrow N = 2^K$$

$$\left[\log_2 N = K \right]$$

$$\therefore \text{iterations} = \log_2 N$$

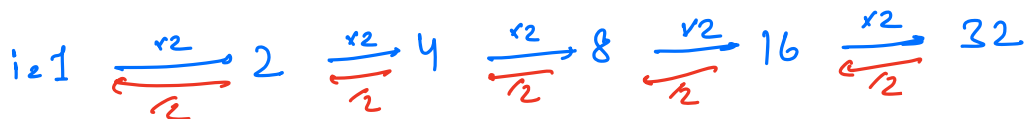
Quiz- 2

```

for(i=1; i<N; i=i*2){
    -----
}

```

$$\therefore \text{iterations} = \log_2 N$$



$$i = 1 \rightarrow 2^1 \rightarrow 2^2 \rightarrow 2^3 \rightarrow 2^4 \rightarrow 2^5 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \underline{2^K}$$

$$2^K = N \Rightarrow \left[K = \log_2 N \right]$$



Quiz- 3

$N \geq 0$
 for($i=0$; $i \leq N$; $i=i*2$)
 {

 }

$i=0 \xrightarrow{\times 2} i=0 \xrightarrow{\times 2} i=0 \xrightarrow{\times 2} i=0 \xrightarrow{\times 2} i=0 \xrightarrow{\times 2} i=0 \xrightarrow{\times 2} i=0$

→ infinite iterations.

Quiz- 4

```
for(i=1; i≤10; i++){
    for(j=1; j≤N; j++){
        -----
    }
}
```

i	j	iterations
1	$[1, N]$	N
2	$[1, N]$	N
3	$[1, N]$	N
4		N
5		N
6		N
7		N
8		N
9		N
10	$[1, N]$	N
		<hr/>
		$10 \cdot N$

for (i = 1; i ≤ 10; i++) {

for (j = i; j ≤ N; j++) {

}

i	j	hrs
1	[1, N]	N
2	[2, N]	N-1
3	[3, N]	N-2
4		N-3
5		N-4
6		N-5
7		N-6
8		N-7
9		N-8
10		N-9

$$10 \cdot N - (1+2+3+\dots+9)$$

$$10N - \left(\frac{9 \times 10}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{10N - 45}$$

**Quiz- 5**

```

for(i=1; i≤N; i++){
    for(j=1; j≤N; j++){
        -----
    }
}

```

i	j	iterations
1	[1, N]	N
2	[1, N]	N
3	[1, N]	N
⋮	⋮	⋮
N	[1, N]	N
		<u>$N \times N = N^2$</u>

Quiz- 6

```

for(i=1; i≤N; i++){
    for(j=1; j≤N; j=j*2){
        -----
    }
}

```

i	j	iterations
1	→	$\log_2 N$
2	→	$\log_2 N$
3	→	$\log_2 N$
⋮	⋮	⋮
N	→	$\log_2 N$
		<u>$N \times \log_2 N$</u>

**Quiz- 7**

```

for(i=1; i≤4; i++){
    for(j=1; j≤i; j++){
        //print(i+j)
    }
}

```

i	j	iterations
1	[1,1]	1
2	[1,2]	2
3	[1,3]	3
4	[1,4]	4
		<u>10 iterations.</u>

Quiz- 8

```

for(i=1; i≤N; i++){
    for(j=1; j≤i; j++){
        //print(i+j)
    }
}

```

i	j	iterations
1	[1,1]	1
2	[1,2]	2
3	[1,3]	3
4		4
5		5
⋮	⋮	⋮
N-1		N-1
N		N
		$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + (N-1) + N$ $\Rightarrow \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$



Quiz- 9

```

for(i=1; i≤N; i++){
    for(j=1; j≤2^i; j++){
        -----
    }
}

```

i	j	iterations for inner loop
1	$[1, 2^1]$	2^1
2	$[1, 2^2]$	2^2
3	$[1, 2^3]$	2^3
4	$[1, 2^4]$	2^4
⋮	⋮	⋮
N	$[1, 2^N]$	2^N

$$\text{total iterations} = 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^N$$

$$= \frac{2[2^N - 1]}{(2 - 1)} = \underline{2[2^N - 1]}$$

G.P

$$a = 2$$

$$r = 2$$

$$N = N$$

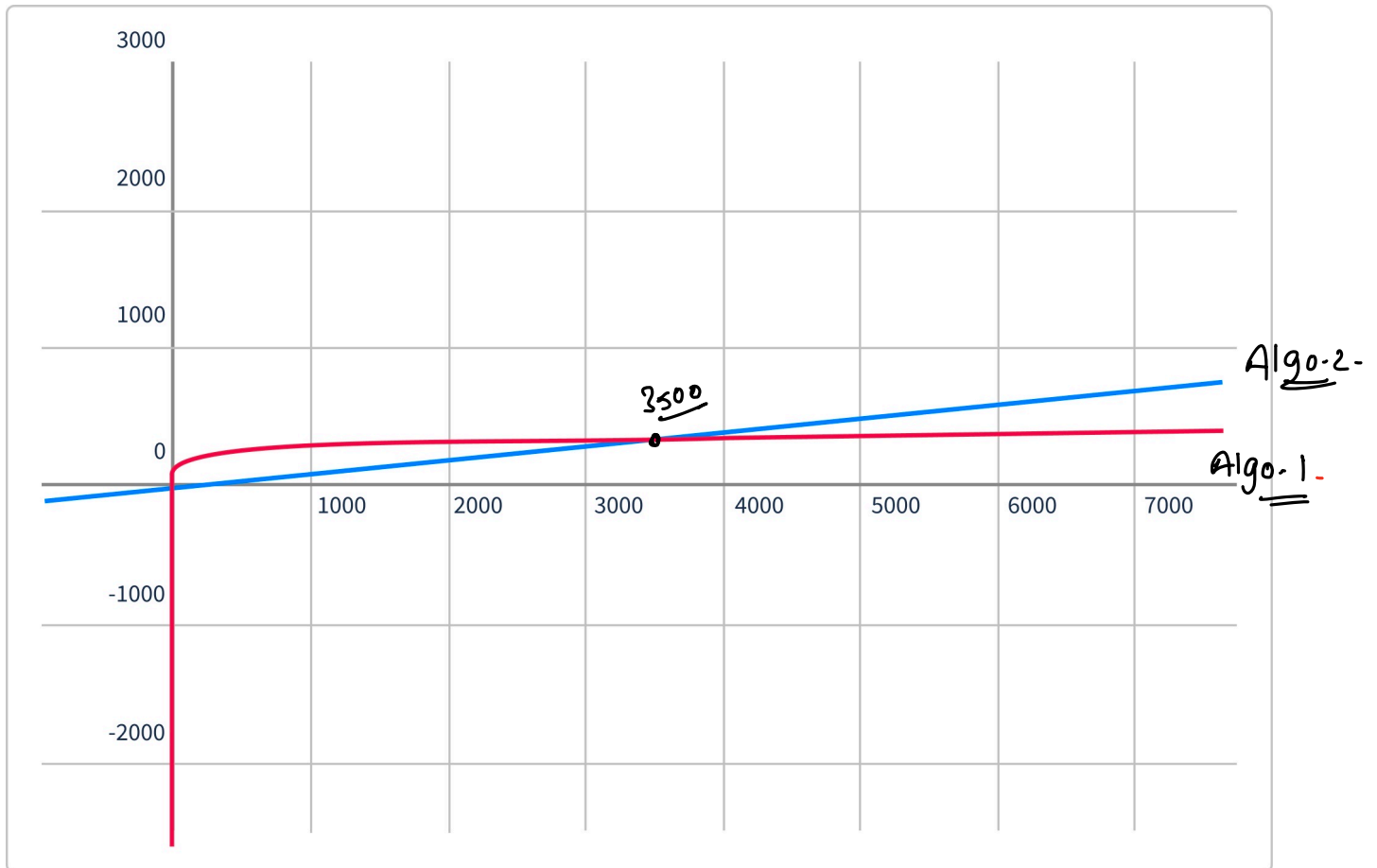
$$\text{sum} \rightarrow \frac{a(r^N - 1)}{(r - 1)}$$

**Algo.1**

$y = 100 \cdot \log N$

Algo.2

$y = N/10$



$N < 3500$ \Rightarrow Algo-2 will perform better than Algo-1.

$N > 3500$ \Rightarrow Algo-1 will perform better than Algo-2.

India vs Pak \Rightarrow 30M

Most no. of views on youtube video \rightarrow 14B

\therefore In real world, data is really huge & keeps on increasing.



Asymptotic analysis of Algorithms

⇒ Analysis of algorithms for really large inputs.

Big-O notation

- ① Calculate Iterations based on Input Size
- ② Ignore Lower Order Terms
- ③ Ignore Constant Coefficients

$$\begin{array}{c} 100 \log N \\ \downarrow \\ O(\log N) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} N/10 \\ \downarrow \\ O(N) \end{array}$$

iterations. → $4N^2 + 3N + 1$

$$\begin{array}{c} 4N^2 \\ - \\ \underline{\underline{O(N^2)}} \end{array}$$

Comparison order

$$\log_2 N < \sqrt{N} < N < N \log_2 N < N\sqrt{N} < N^2 < N^3 < 2^N < N! < N^N$$

$$\cancel{4N^2} + \cancel{3N} + \cancel{6\sqrt{N}} + \cancel{6\log_2 N} + \cancel{50} \rightarrow O(N^2)$$

$$E_1 \rightarrow \cancel{4N} + \cancel{2N \log N} + \cancel{1} \rightarrow O(N \log N)$$

$$E_2 \rightarrow \cancel{4N \log N} + \cancel{2N\sqrt{N}} + \cancel{10^6} \rightarrow \underline{O(N\sqrt{N})}$$



Why do we ignore lower order terms?

Iterations $\rightarrow N^2 + 10.N$

N	$N^2 + 10.N$ (Total iterations)	Percentage of $10.N$ in total iterations
10	$10^2 + 10 \times 10 = 200$	$\frac{10 \times 10}{200} \times 100 = 50\%$
100	$100^2 + 10 \times 100 = 11000$	$\frac{1000 \times 100}{11000} \approx 9\%$
1000	$1000^2 + 10 \times 1000$	$\frac{10 \times 1000 \times 100}{1000000} \approx 1\%$

as input size \uparrow , % of lower order terms in total itrs less.

Why to neglect co-efficient / constants?

Algo-1	Algo-2	
$10 \times \log_2 N$	N	\rightarrow Algo-1. is better
$100 \times \log_2 N$	N	\rightarrow " " "
$10^3 \times \log_2 N$	N	\rightarrow " " "
$9 \times N$	N^2	\rightarrow " " "
$90 \times N$	$\frac{N^2}{100}$	\rightarrow Algo-1 is better

rate of growth of $N^2 \gg \gg$ rate of growth of N .

Issues with Big-O

①

$10^3 \cdot n$

Algo-1

n^2

Algo-2

Algo-1 is always better than Algo-2? ~~X~~

For larger inputs, Algo-1 is better than Algo-2? ✓



2. Can't compare when Big-O notation are same.

```
for(int i=1; i≤N; i++){  
    if(i%2!=0){  
        c=c+1;  
    }  
}
```

\approx iterations.

→ $O(N)$

```
for(int i=1; i≤N; i=i+2){  
    c=c+1;  
}
```

$\frac{N}{2}$ iterations

→ $O(\underline{N})$

Acc. to Big-O, both are same

but, actually second one will be better.



Online Editors and T.L.E

Amazon

1st Question \rightarrow T.L.E. $\xrightarrow[\text{implement}]{\text{think \&}}$ T.L.E. $\xrightarrow[\text{implement}]{\text{think \&}}$ T.L.E.

Online Servers \rightarrow processing speed \rightarrow 1 GHz
 \rightarrow 1×10^9 instructions/sec.
 \downarrow
 +, -, x, /, =
 ==, <, >, function calling
 variable declaration.

```
int countFactors ( int n ) {
    count = 0;
    for ( i = 1; i <= n; i++ ) {
        if ( n % i == 0 ) {
            count++;
        }
    }
    return count;
}
```

// 1 iteration \approx 6 instructions.

total instructions = $6n + 3$.

Approx-1

1 iteration \rightarrow 10 instructions.

in 1 sec \rightarrow 10^9 instructions are executed

in 1 sec \rightarrow $10^8 \times \underbrace{10 \text{ instructions}}_{\text{or}}$ are executed.

in 1 sec \rightarrow 10^8 iterations are executed

Approx-2.

1 iteration \rightarrow 100 instructions

in 1 sec \rightarrow 10^9 instructions are executed

in 1 sec \rightarrow $10^7 \times \underbrace{100 \text{ instructions}}_{\text{or}}$ are executed.

in 1 sec \rightarrow 10^7 iterations are executed

Conclusion:

No. of iterations must be less than $10^7 - 10^8$, in order to submit the code.



How should we approach a problem?

Read the problem statement
↓

Read the constraints carefully.

$$1 \leq N \leq 10^5$$

$$\Rightarrow O(N^3)$$

$$(10^5)^3 \rightarrow 10^{15} \text{ iterations}$$

X

$$\Rightarrow O(N^2)$$

$$(10^5)^2 \rightarrow 10^{10} \text{ iterations}$$

X

$$\Rightarrow O(N)$$

$$10^5 \rightarrow 10^5 \text{ iterations}$$

✓

$$1 \leq N \leq 10^5$$

$$\swarrow \quad \searrow$$
$$N \log N \quad N$$

$$10^5 \log_2 10^5 \rightarrow 10^7$$

✓

N \Rightarrow perfect square

```
for (i = 1; i ≤ n; i++) {  
    if (i * i == n) {  
        return i;  
    }  
}
```

1
4
9
16
25
36

iteration = \sqrt{n}

250+ problem.

↓
[for every problem discussed.

T.C, S.C will be]