

Exercise

- Example: Running time estimates - empirical analysis
 - Personal computer executes 10^9 compares/second
 - Super-computer executes 10^{13} compares/second

	Selection sort (N^2)			Merge sort ($N \log_2 N$)		
N	Million	10 million	Billion	Million	10 million	Billion
PC	16.7 min			instant	0.2 sec	
Super Com	0.1 sec			Instant	Instant	Instant

$\log_{10} 2 \cong 0.3$
86,400sec/day
instant < 0.1 sec

Use a reasonable or understandable time units.
Do not say, for example, "3660 days" nor "1220 seconds",
but 10.0 years or 20.3 min, respectively.

※ **Bottom line:** Good algorithms are better than supercomputers.