

Give the order of growth (as a function of N) of the running times of each of the following code fragment:

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int sum = 0;
for (int n = N; n > 0; n /= 2)
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        sum++;
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1st loop $n \Rightarrow N, N/2, N/4, N/8, \dots$

2nd loop i varies $\Rightarrow [0, 1, \dots, N], [0, 1, 2, \dots, N/2], [0, 1, 2, \dots, N/4], \dots$

no of times 2nd loop is executed is

$$C \quad N + N/2 + N/4 + \dots$$

$$\text{order of growth} = N + N/2 + N/4 + N/8 + \dots$$

$$X = N \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots \right]$$

geometric progression
of converging series

$$\max(X) = N \times \frac{1}{1 - 1/2}$$

$$= 2N$$

$$\text{order of growth} \propto \underline{\underline{N}}$$

linear growth