

# Time and Space Complexity

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# Efficiency

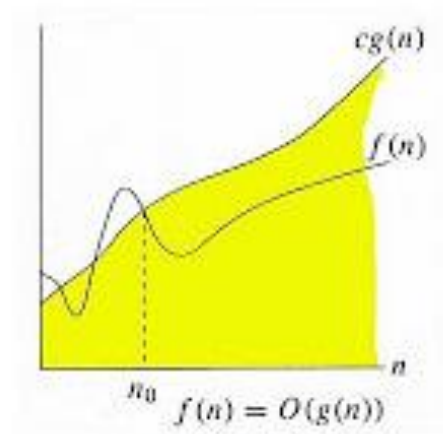
- How efficient is the program you have written?
  - **Time Complexity** : How much time does it take program to complete?
  - **Space Complexity** : How much memory does this program use?
  - How do these complexities change as the amount of data changes?
    - E.g. From 1 to 10,000,000,000,000
  - What is the difference between the average case and worst case efficiency if any?

# Asymptotic notation

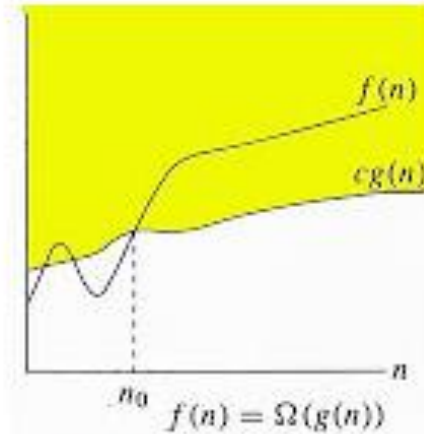
**Big O** ,  **$\Omega$**  and  **$\Theta$**  are formal notational methods for stating the growth of resource needs (efficiency and storage) of an algorithm.

- **Big O - Worst case**
  - Upper bound of an algorithm
  - Rate of growth of an algorithm is less than or equal to a specific value
- **Big  $\Omega$  Omega – Best case**
  - Lower bound of an algorithm
  - Rate of growth is greater than or equal to a specified value
- **Big  $\Theta$  Theta – Average case**
  - Tight bound of an algorithm
  - Rate of growth is equal to a specified value

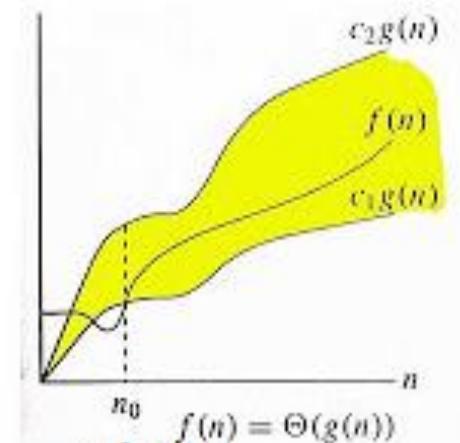
# Asymptotic notation



**Big Oh**  
**Worst case**



**Omega**  
**Best case**

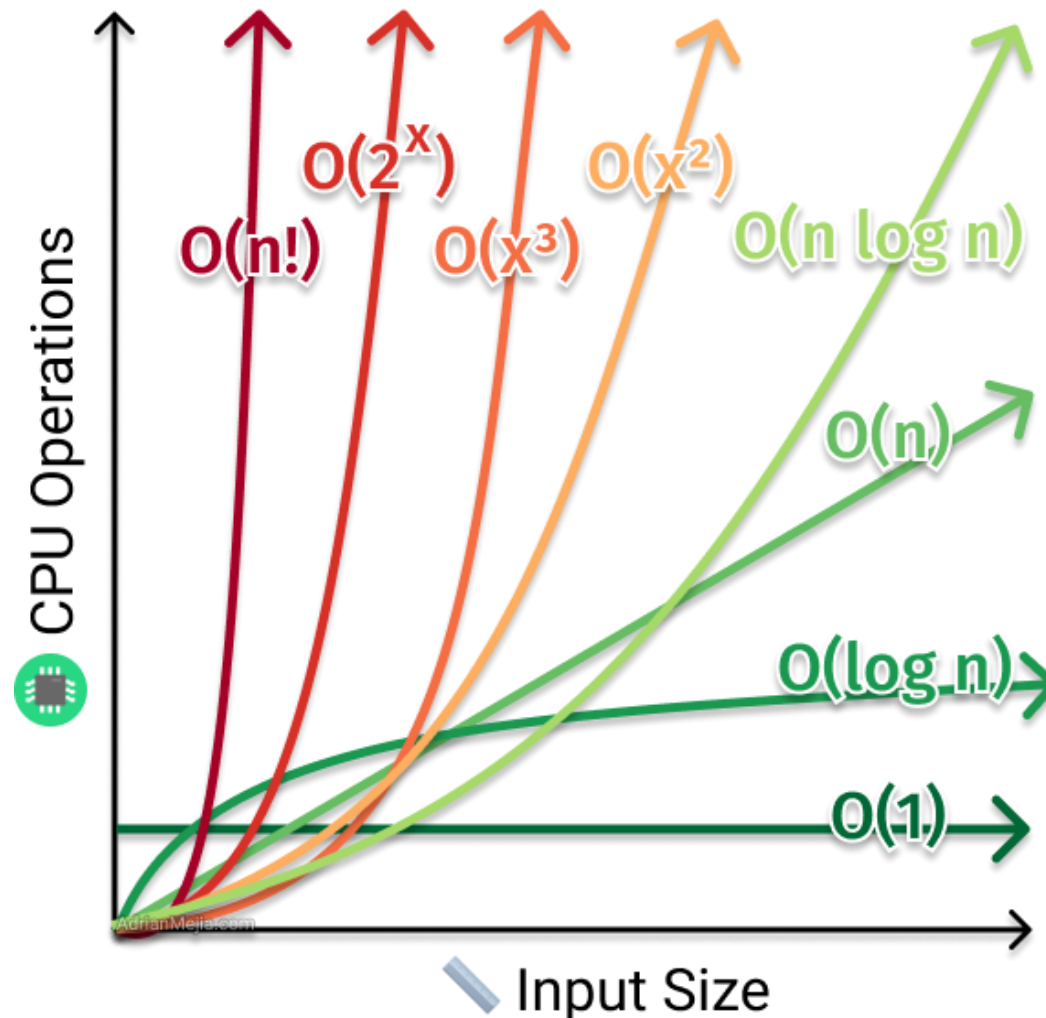


**Theta**  
**Average case**

# Time Complexity



Time Complexity



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So so

Good

Excellent

# Time Complexity

Assume  $N = 100,000$  and processor speed is 1,000,000,000 operations per second

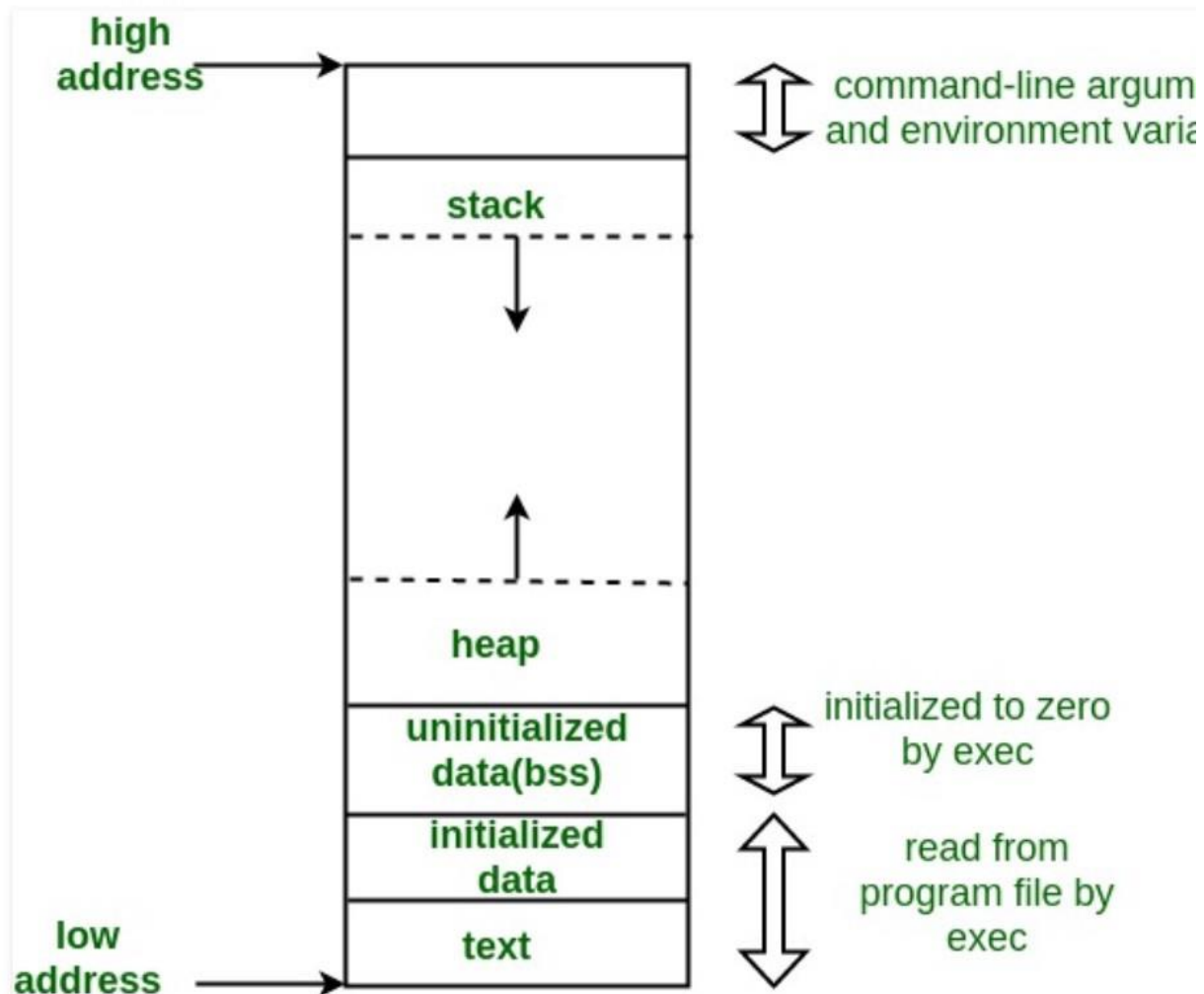
Function	Running Time
$2^N$	$3.2 \times 10^{30,086}$ years
$N^4$	3171 years
$N^3$	11.6 days
$N^2$	10 seconds
$N \cdot N$	0.032 seconds
$N \log N$	0.0017 seconds
$N$	0.0001 seconds
$\sqrt{N}$	$3.2 \times 10^{-7}$ seconds
$\log N$	$1.2 \times 10^{-8}$ seconds

# Space Complexity

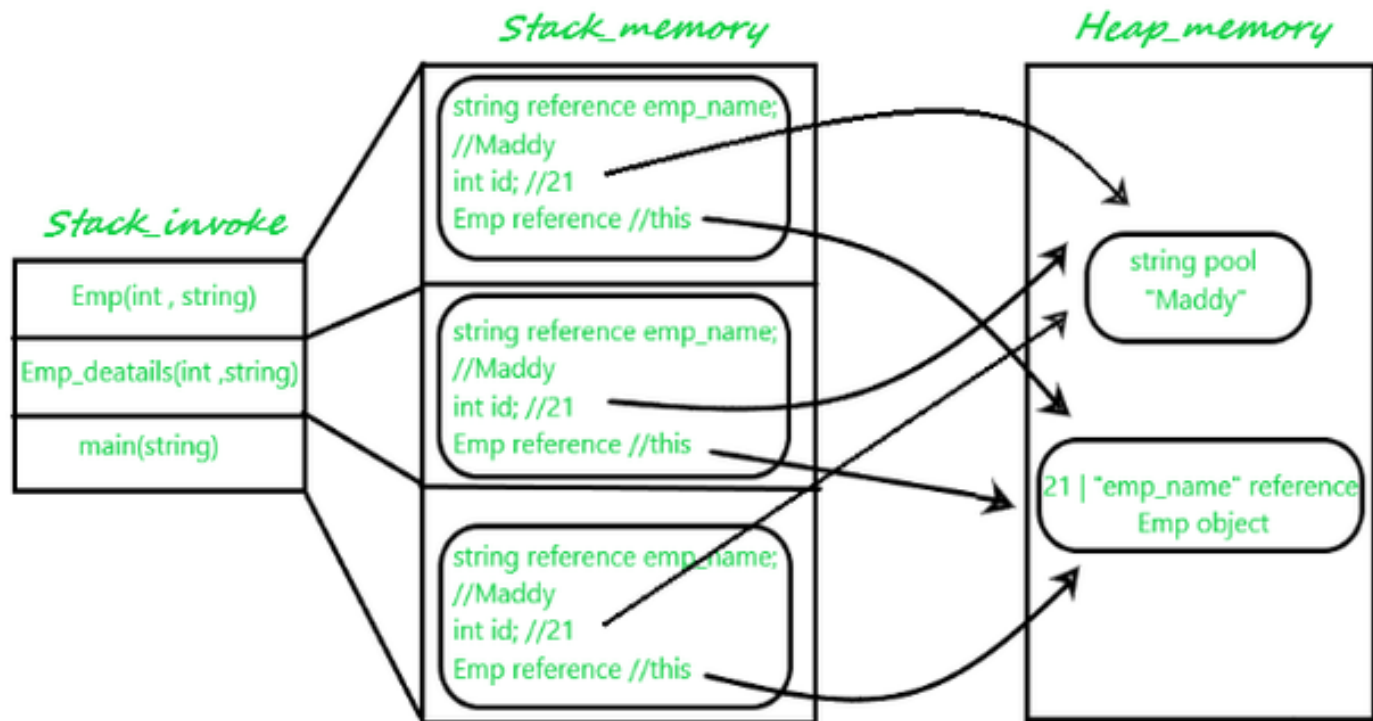
- The amount of memory used by the algorithm (including the input values to the algorithm) to execute and produce the result.
- **Program instruction** – instruction space
  - amount of memory used to save the compiled version of instructions
- **Environmental stack**
  - One function calls another functions
  - Program stores the current variables to the system stack , while waiting for further execution
- **Data space**
  - Variables – space used by variables and constants constant values , temporary values
  - E.g. int , const, let , etc.



# Space Complexity



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# Space Complexity

```
#include "holberton.h"

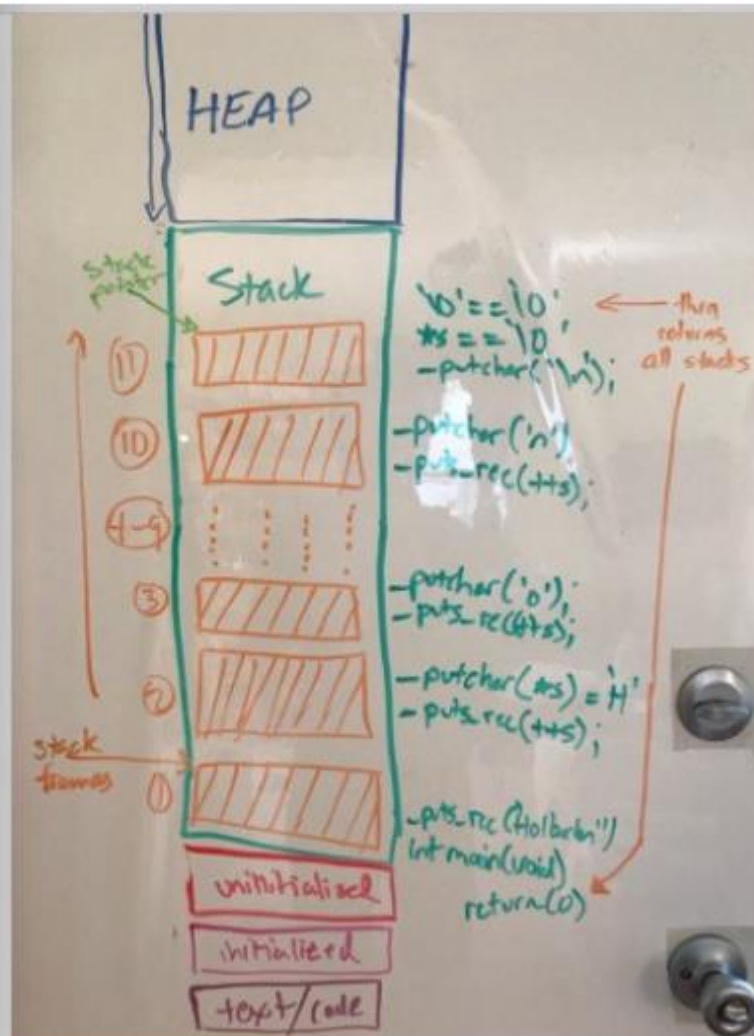
int main(void)
{
    /* main - prints Betty Holberton
     * recursion */
    _puts_recursion("Holberton");
    return (0);
}

/*
 * int main(void)
 */
void _puts_recursion(char *s)
{
    _puts_recursion("Betty Holberton");
    if (*s == '\0')
        _putchar('\n');

    _putchar(*s);
    _puts_recursion(++s);
}

/*
 * void _puts_recursion(char *s)
 */
{
    if (*s == '\0')
    {
        _putchar('\n');
    }
    _putchar(*s);
    _puts_recursion(++s);
}

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```



# Ascending order of Complexity

Function	Common Name
$N!$	factorial
$2^N$	Exponential
$N^d, d > 3$	Polynomial
$N^3$	Cubic
$N^2$	Quadratic
$N \sqrt{N}$	N Square root N
$N \log N$	$N \log N$
$N$	Linear
$\sqrt{N}$	Root - n
$\log N$	Logarithmic
1	Constant



Running time grows 'quickly' with more input.

Running time grows 'slowly' with more input.

# Worst Accepted Algorithm

Length of Input (N)	Worst Accepted Algorithm
$\leq [10..11]$	$O(N!), O(N^6)$
$\leq [15..18]$	$O(2^N * N^2)$
$\leq [18..22]$	$O(2^N * N)$
$\leq 100$	$O(N^4)$
$\leq 400$	$O(N^3)$
$\leq 2K$	$O(N^2 * \log N)$
$\leq 10K$	$O(N^2)$
$\leq 1M$	$O(N * \log N)$
$\leq 100M$	$O(N), O(\log N), O(1)$

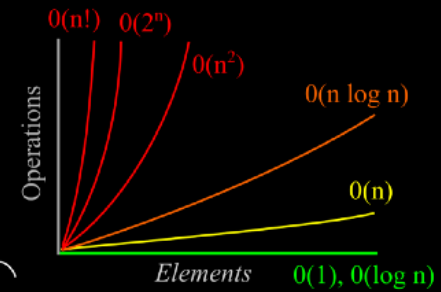
## Legend

TIME Complexity  vs.  SPACE Complexity















 Good  Fair  Bad

 Good  Fair  Bad

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### DATA STRUCTURE Operations

DATA Structure		TIME Complexity								SPACE Complexity
		Average				Worst				Worst
		Access	Search	Insertion	Deletion	Access	Search	Insertion	Deletion	
Array		O(1)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(1)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)
Stack		O(n)	O(n)	O(1)	O(1)	O(n)	O(n)	O(1)	O(1)	O(n)
Queue		O(n)	O(n)	O(1)	O(1)	O(n)	O(n)	O(1)	O(1)	O(n)
Singly-Linked List		O(n)	O(n)	O(1)	O(1)	O(n)	O(n)	O(1)	O(1)	O(n)
Doubly-Linked List		O(n)	O(n)	O(1)	O(1)	O(n)	O(n)	O(1)	O(1)	O(n)
Skip List		O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n log(n))
Hash Table		N/A	O(1)	O(1)	O(1)	N/A	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)
Binary Search Tree		O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)
Cartesian Tree		N/A	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	N/A	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)
B-Tree		O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(n)
Red-Black Tree		O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(n)
Splay Tree		N/A	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	N/A	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(n)
AVL Tree		O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(n)
KD Tree		O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(log(n))	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)

### ARRAY SORTING Algorithms

ARRAY Algorithms		TIME Complexity			SPACE Complexity
		Best	Average	Worst	Worst
Quicksort		$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n^2)$	$O(\log(n))$
Mergesort		$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$
Timsort		$O(n)$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(1)$
Heapsort		$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(1)$
Bubble Sort		$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
Insertion Sort		$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
Selection Sort		$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
Tree Sort		$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$
Shell Sort		$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n)^2)$	$O(n \log(n)^2)$	$O(1)$
Bucket Sort		$O(n+k)$	$O(n+k)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$
Radix Sort		$O(nk)$	$O(nk)$	$O(nk)$	$O(n+k)$
Counting Sort		$O(n+k)$	$O(n+k)$	$O(n+k)$	$O(k)$
Cubesort		$O(n)$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$

# Data Structures Time and Space Complexity

# Data Structures

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# Array : Sorting -Time and Space Complexity

Algorithm	Time Complexity			Space Complexity
	Best	Average	Worst	Worst
Quicksort	$\Omega(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n^2)$	$O(\log(n))$
Mergesort	$\Omega(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$
Timsort	$\Omega(n)$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$
Heapsort	$\Omega(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(1)$
Bubble Sort	$\Omega(n)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
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Tree Sort	$\Omega(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$
Shell Sort	$\Omega(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n(\log(n))^2)$	$O(n(\log(n))^2)$	$O(1)$
Bucket Sort	$\Omega(n+k)$	$\Theta(n+k)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$
Radix Sort	$\Omega(nk)$	$\Theta(nk)$	$O(nk)$	$O(n+k)$
Counting Sort	$\Omega(n+k)$	$\Theta(n+k)$	$O(n+k)$	$O(k)$
Cubesort	$\Omega(n)$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$

Horrible
Bad
Fair
Good
Excellent



# Problem – 1

```
int a = 0, b = 0;
for (i = 0; i < N; i++) {
    a = a + rand();
}
for (j = 0; j < M; j++) {
    b = b + rand();
}
```

1.  $O(N * M)$  time,  $O(1)$  space
2.  $O(N + M)$  time,  $O(N + M)$  space
3.  $O(N + M)$  time,  $O(1)$  space
4.  $O(N * M)$  time,  $O(N + M)$  space

# Problem – 1

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3.  **$O(N + M)$  time,  $O(1)$  space**
4.  $O(N * M)$  time,  $O(N + M)$  space

## Problem – 2

```
int a = 0;
for (i = 0; i < N; i++) {
    for (j = N; j > i; j--) {
        a = a + i + j;
    }
}
```

1.  $O(N)$
2.  $O(N \cdot \log(N))$
3.  $O(N * \text{Sqrt}(N))$
4.  $O(N \cdot N)$

## Problem – 2

```
int a = 0;
for (i = 0; i < N; i++) {
    for (j = N; j > i; j--) {
        a = a + i + j;
    }
}
```

1.  $O(N)$
2.  $O(N \cdot \log(N))$
3.  $O(N * \text{Sqrt}(N))$
4.  **$O(N * N)$**

## Problem – 3

```
int i, j, k = 0;
for (i = n / 2; i <= n; i++) {
    for (j = 2; j <= n; j = j * 2) {
        k = k + n / 2;
    }
}
```

1.  $O(n)$
2.  $O(n \log n)$
3.  $O(n^2)$
4.  $O(n^2 \log n)$

# Problem – 3

```
int i, j, k = 0;
for (i = n / 2; i <= n; i++) {
    for (j = 2; j <= n; j = j * 2) {
        k = k + n / 2;
    }
}
```

1. If  $n = 32$
2. Outer loop
  1.  $i = 32/2 = 16$ ,  $i$  will be incremented by **1** ( **$n$** )
3. Inner loop
  1.  $J = 2, j \leq n; j = 2 * 2 = 4$  ( **$\log n$** )
  2.  $K = k + n / 2$

1.  $O(n)$
2.  **$O(n \log n)$**
3.  $O(n^2)$
4.  $O(n^2 \log n)$

## Problem – 4

```
int a = 0, i = N;  
while (i > 0) {  
    a += i;  
    i /= 2;  
}
```

1.  $O(N)$
2.  $O(\text{Sqrt}(N))$
3.  $O(N / 2)$
4.  $O(\log N)$

# Problem – 4

```
int a = 0, i = N;  
while (i > 0) {  
    a += i;  
    i /= 2;  
}
```

1.  $O(N)$
2.  $O(\text{Sqrt}(N))$
3.  $O(N / 2)$
4.  $O(\log N)$

1. If  $a = 0, i = 32$
2.  $i > 0$
3.  $a = 32$
4.  $i = 32/2 = 16$

1.  $i > 0$
2.  $a = 48$
3.  $i = 16/2 = 8$

1.  $i > 0$
2.  $a = 56$
3.  $i = 8/2 = 4$

1.  $i > 0$
2.  $a = 60$
3.  $i = 4/2 = 2$

1.  $i > 0$
2.  $a = 62$
3.  $i = 2/2 = 1$

1.  $i > 0$
2.  $a = 63$
3.  $i = 1/2 = 0$



## Problem – 4

```
int a = 0, i = N;  
while (i > 0) {  
    a += i;  
    i /= 2;  
}
```

1.  $O(N)$
2.  $O(\text{Sqrt}(N))$
3.  $O(N / 2)$
4.  $O(\log N)$

## 912. Sort an Array

Medium



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Given an array of integers `nums`, sort the array in ascending order.

### Example 1:

**Input:** `nums = [5,2,3,1]`

**Output:** `[1,2,3,5]`

### Example 2:

**Input:** `nums = [5,1,1,2,0,0]`

**Output:** `[0,0,1,1,2,5]`

### Constraints:

- `1 <= nums.length <= 5 * 104`
- `-5 * 104 <= nums[i] <= 5 * 104`

# Problem – 5 Leetcode

[\(3\) Sort an Array - LeetCode](#)

# Problem – 5 Leetcode

```
// Bubble sort
// In i-th pass of Bubble Sort (ascending order),
// last (i-1) elements are already sorted
// i-th largest element is placed at (N-i)-th position
class Solution {
    public int[] sortArray(int[] nums) {
        for(int i = 0 ; i < nums.length; i++){
            for(int j = 0; j < nums.length-1; j++){
                if (nums[j] > nums[j+1]){
                    int temp = nums[j];
                    nums[j] = nums[j+1];
                    nums[j+1] = temp;
                }
            }
        }
        return nums;
    }
}
```

```
// Selection Sort
// It divides the array into two parts:
// -- sorted (left) and unsorted (right) subarray.
// It repeatedly selects the next smallest element.
class Solution {
    public int[] sortArray(int[] nums) {
        for(int i = 0 ; i < nums.length; i++){
            int minIndex = i;
            for(int j = i + 1; j < nums.length; j++){
                if (nums[j] < nums[minIndex]){
                    int temp = nums[minIndex];
                    nums[minIndex] = nums[j];
                    nums[j] = temp;
                }
            }
        }
        return nums;
    }
}
```

# Problem – 5 Leetcode

**// Insertion Sort**

**// Compare current element temp to its predecessor**

**// If key < , compare it to the elements before**

**// Move the greater elements one position up**

```
class Solution {  
    public int[] sortArray(int[] nums) {  
        for(int i = 1 ; i < nums.length; i++){  
            int temp = nums[i];  
            int j = i - 1;  
            // Move elements of nums, that are greater than temp to  
            // one position ahead of their current position  
            while(j >= 0 && nums[j] > temp){  
                nums[j+1] = nums[j];  
                j--;  
            }  
            nums[j+1] = temp;  
        }  
        return nums;  
    }  
}
```

# Problem – 5 Leetcode

**// Insertion Sort**

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class Solution {  
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        for(int i = 1 ; i < nums.length; i++){  
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            int j = i - 1;  
            // Move elements of nums, that are greater than temp to  
            // one position ahead of their current position  
            while(j >= 0 && nums[j] > temp){  
                nums[j+1] = nums[j];  
                j--;  
            }  
            nums[j+1] = temp;  
        }  
        return nums;  
    }  
}
```

# Problem – 5

## Leetcode

```
class Solution {
    public int[] sortArray(int[] nums) {
        mergeSortRecursive(nums, 0, nums.length - 1);
        return nums;
    }
    private static void mergeSortRecursive(int[] nums, int low, int high){
        if (high - low + 1 <= 1) return;
        // To prevent integer overflow
        if (mid = low + (high - low)/2);
        mergeSortRecursive(nums, low, mid);
        mergeSortRecursive(nums, mid+1, high);
        merge(nums, low, mid, high);
    }
    private static void merge(int[] nums, int low, int mid, int high){
        int[] temp = new int[high - low+1];
        int i = low;
        int j = mid+1;
        int tempIndex = 0;

        while(i <= mid && j <= high){
            if(nums[i] < nums[j]){
                temp[tempIndex++] = nums[i++];
            }else{
                temp[tempIndex++] = nums[j++];
            }
        }
        while(i <= mid){
            temp[tempIndex++] = nums[i++];
        }
        while(j <= high){
            temp[tempIndex++] = nums[j++];
        }
        for(int x = low; x <= high; x++){
            nums[x] = temp[x-low];
        }
    }
}
```

# Array : Sorting -Time and Space Complexity

Algorithm	Time Complexity			Space Complexity
	Best	Average	Worst	Worst
Quicksort	$\Omega(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n^2)$	$O(\log(n))$
Mergesort	$\Omega(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$
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Bucket Sort	$\Omega(n+k)$	$\Theta(n+k)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$
Radix Sort	$\Omega(nk)$	$\Theta(nk)$	$O(nk)$	$O(n+k)$
Counting Sort	$\Omega(n+k)$	$\Theta(n+k)$	$O(n+k)$	$O(k)$
Cubesort	$\Omega(n)$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$

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