

# Time Complexity

1. log basis + iterations
2. Comparing iterations using graph
3. Time Complexity — Big O
4. TLE
5. Imp. of constraints

## logarithms

log is inverse of exponential function

$\log_b(a)$  → To what power we need to raise to 'b' s.t. we get 'a'.

$$b^c = a \Rightarrow c = \log_b(a)$$

$$\log_2 64 = 6 \Rightarrow 2^c = 64 \Rightarrow \boxed{c = 6}$$

$$\log_3 27 = 3$$

$$\log_5 25 = 2 \Rightarrow 5^c = 25 \Rightarrow \boxed{c = 2}$$

$$2^1 = 2$$

$$2^2 = 4$$

$$2^3 = 8$$

$$2^4 = 16$$

$$2^5 = 32$$

$$2^6 = 64$$

$$\log_2 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^c = 10$$

$$2^3 = 8$$

$$2^4 = 16 \quad 3 < c < 4$$

$$c = 3. \text{xxx}$$

$$\log_2 15$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^c = 15$$

$$2^3 = 8$$

$$2^4 = 16$$

$$c = 3. \text{xxx}$$

Always take floor in case of decimal answer

$$2^k = N$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 N$$

$$\log_2 (2^6) = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_a (a^N) = N$$

$$\log_3 (3^5) = 5$$

$$\log_2 (3^5)$$

$$2^c = 3^5 = 243$$

$$c = 8. \dots$$

Question :

Given N, how many times do we need to divide it by 2, until it reaches 1.  $N > 0$

$$N = 100$$

$$100 \xrightarrow{12} 50 \xrightarrow{12} 25 \xrightarrow{12} 12 \xrightarrow{12} 6 \xrightarrow{12} 3 \xrightarrow{12} 1$$

$$\text{count} = 6$$

$$N = 9$$

$$9 \xrightarrow[1]{12} 4 \xrightarrow[2]{12} 2 \xrightarrow[3]{12} 1$$

$$\text{count} = 3$$

$$N \xrightarrow{1^{\text{st}}} N/2 \xrightarrow{2^{\text{nd}}} N/4 \xrightarrow{3^{\text{rd}}} N/8 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 1$$

$$N/2^0 \xrightarrow{1^{\text{st}}} N/2^1 \xrightarrow{2^{\text{nd}}} N/2^2 \xrightarrow{3^{\text{rd}}} N/2^3 \rightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{K^{\text{th}}} N/2^K$$

$$N/2^K = 1$$

$$2^K = N$$

$$\Rightarrow K = \log_2 N$$

times division  
to get 1

Quiz:  $N = 27$  times to get to 1

$$K = \log_2 27$$

$$K \approx 4$$

$$2^4 = 16$$

$$2^5 = 32$$

Quiz

$$i = N$$

while ( $i > 1$ ) {

$$i = i/2$$

}

$$i = N \xrightarrow{1^{st}} N/2 \xrightarrow{2^{nd}} N/4 \dots \xrightarrow{K^{th}} N/2^K$$

$$N/2^K = 1 \Rightarrow K = \log N \text{ or } \log_2 N \quad O(\log N)$$

Quiz 4

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

...  
}

$$i=1 \xrightarrow[1^{st}]{*2} i=2 \xrightarrow[2^{nd}]{*2} i=2^2 \xrightarrow[3^{rd}]{*2} i=2^3 \rightarrow \dots \xrightarrow[K^{th]}{*2} i=2^K$$

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

$O(\log N)$

$$N = 64 \Rightarrow \log_2 N = 6$$

$$N/2 = 32$$

## Quiz 5

$N > 0$   
 $\text{for}(i=0; i \leq N; i = i+2) \{$   
    .  
    .  
    .  
 $\}$

$i=0 \xrightarrow{\times 2} i=0 \xrightarrow{\times 2} i=0 \dots \dots \dots \xrightarrow{\times 2} \infty \text{ times}$  0

loop will never stop  $\rightarrow$  Infinite

## Quiz 6

$\text{for}(i=1; i \leq 10; ++i) \{$   
    .  
    .  
    .  
 $\}$

$\Rightarrow 10N$

$O(N)$

i	j	iterations
1	[1, N]	N
2	[1, N]	N
3	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.
10	[1, N]	N

$= 10N$

## Quiz 7

```
for (i = 1; i <= N; ++i) {  
    for (j = 1; j <= N; ++j) {  
        ..  
    }  
}
```

$\Rightarrow N \times N$

$= N^2$

$O(N^2)$

i	j	iteration
1	[1, N]	N
2	[1, N]	N
...		...
...		...
...		...
N	[1, N]	N
		$= N \times N$

## Quiz 8

```
for (i = 1; i <= N; ++i) {  
    for (j = 1; j <= N; j = j * 2) {  
        ..  
    }  
}
```

$= N \log N$

$O(N \log N)$

i	j	iteration
1	[1, 2, 4, 8, ..., N]	$\log N$
2		$\log N$
...		...
...		...
...		...
N		$\log N$
		$= N \log N$

## Quiz 9

for ( $i=1$ ;  $i \leq 4$ ;  $++i$ ) {

for ( $j=1$ ;  $j \leq i$ ;  $++j$ ) {

...

3 }  
7

10 iterations

$O(1)$

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

## Quiz 10

for ( $i=1$ ;  $i \leq N$ ;  $++i$ ) {

for ( $j=1$ ;  $j \leq i$ ;  $++j$ ) {

...

3 }  
3

$\frac{N(N+1)}{2}$

iterations

$O(N^2)$

i	j	iterations
1	[1,1]	1
2	[1,2]	2
3	[1,3]	3
⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮
N	[1,N]	N

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + N$$

$$= \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{N^2 + N}{2}$$

$$= \frac{N^2}{2} + \frac{N}{2}$$

Ques 11

```
for (i=1; i<=N; ++i) {
    for (j=1; j<=2i; ++j) {
        . . .
    }
}
```

3  
3

i	j: [1, 2 <sup>i</sup> ]	iterations
1	[1, 2 <sup>1</sup> ]	2 <sup>+</sup>
2	[1, 2 <sup>2</sup> ]	4 <sup>+</sup>
3	[1, 2 <sup>3</sup> ]	8 <sup>+</sup>
⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮
N	[1, 2 <sup>N</sup> ]	2 <sup>N</sup> <sup>+</sup>

$$2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + 2^N$$

eg  $r=2, a=2, N$  terms

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sum} &= a \left( \frac{r^n - 1}{r - 1} \right) = 2 \left( \frac{2^N - 1}{2 - 1} \right) \\ &= 2(2^N - 1) \\ &O(2^N) \end{aligned}$$

Algo 1

Samir

$$100 \log_2 N$$

Algo 2

Kunaboo

$$N/10$$

$$N = 8$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\text{algo 1} = \log \log 8 = 300$$

$$\text{algo 2} = 8/10 = 0.8$$





for small input ( $N \leq 3500$ ) , Algo 2 is better

for large input ( $N > 3500$ ) , Algo 1 is better ✓

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Asymptotic Analysis of algo  $Big(O)$

$\hookrightarrow$  it works for sufficiently large input

steps to calculate  $Big O$

1. Calculate iterations based on input size
2. Ignore lower Order terms
3. Ignore constant coefficients

Algo 1  $\rightarrow$   $100 \log N$   $O(\log_2 N)$

Algo 2  $\rightarrow$   $N/10$   $O(N)$

iteration :

$\swarrow$   $\boxed{4N^2} + \boxed{3N + 1} \rightarrow$  lower order terms  
const.  
coef.

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

$\sqrt{N \log N}$

$$1 < \log N < \sqrt{N} < N < N \log N < N \sqrt{N} < N^2 < N^3 < 2^N < N! < N^N$$

	$\log N$	$\sqrt{N}$	
$N = 4$	2	2	
16	4	4	
64	6	8	
256	8	16	$\Rightarrow \log N < \sqrt{N}$

iteration:  $4N^2 + 3N + 6\sqrt{N} + 9\log N + 10$

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

$$f(n) : 4N + 3N \log N + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow O(N \log N)$$

$$f(n) : 4N \log N + 3N\sqrt{N} + 10^6$$

$$\Rightarrow O(N\sqrt{N})$$

Why ignore lower order terms?

	iteration $N^2 + 10N$	lower order $10N$	% $\frac{10N}{N^2 + 10N} \times 100$
$N$ $= 10$	$100 + 100 = 200$	$100$	$\frac{100}{200} = 50\%$
$100$	$10000 + 1000$	$1000$	$\frac{10^3}{10^4 + 10^3} \approx 9\%$
$1000$	$10^6 + 10^4$	$10^4$	$\frac{10^4}{10^6 + 10^4} \approx 0.1\%$

Why ignore const. off.

$$10 \log N \checkmark \quad N$$

$$100 \log N \checkmark \quad N$$

Issues with Big O

$$\text{Algo 1} \rightarrow 10^3 N \rightarrow O(N)$$

$$\text{Algo 2} \rightarrow N^2 \rightarrow O(N^2)$$

$$N = 10, 100, 1000$$

Algo 2 is better

iteration 1 =  $N \rightarrow O(N)$

iteration 2 =  $N/2 \rightarrow O(N)$

↓  
always better

Quiz 14

```
for (i = N; i > 0; i = i/2) {  
    for (j = 1; j <= i; ++j) {  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

i	j: [1, i]	iteration
N	[1, N]	N +
N/2	[1, N/2]	N/2 +
N/4		N/4 +
⋮		⋮ +
1	[1, 1]	1

$$N_{2^0} + N/2_{2^1} + N/4_{2^2} + \dots + 1_{2^K}$$

$$N/2^K = 1$$

$$a = N, \quad r = 1/2, \quad n = \log N$$

$$K = \log N$$

$$\text{Sum} = a \left( \frac{r^n - 1}{r - 1} \right) \Rightarrow a \left( \frac{1 - r^n}{1 - r} \right)$$

$$= N \left( \frac{1 - (1/2)^{\log N}}{1 - 1/2} \right)$$

$$= N \left( \frac{1 - 1/2^{\log_2 N}}{1/2} \right)$$

$$= 2N \left( 1 - 1/2^{\log_2 N} \right)$$

$$= 2N \left( 1 - \frac{1}{N} \right) = \frac{2N(N-1)}{N}$$

$$= 2(N-1)$$

$$= O(N)$$

$$\frac{1}{2^{\log_2 N}}$$

$$2^{\log_2 N} = N$$

$$\log_b a = c \Rightarrow b^c = a$$

$$\log_2 a = \log_2 N$$

Time limit Exceeded

Online IDE  $\rightarrow 10^9$  instructions per sec

for ( $i=0$ ;  $i < n$ ;  $++i$ ) {  
 $S = S + i$ ; }  
 $= 2 + 2n$

3 iterations  $\rightarrow$  10 instructions  
 1 iteration  $\rightarrow$  100 instructions

1 sec  $\rightarrow$   $10^7 - 10^8$  iterations

## Importance of constraints

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

$$O(N^3) \quad (10^5)^3 = 10^{15} \quad \times$$

$$O(N^2) \quad (10^5)^2 = 10^{10} \quad \times$$

$$O(N \log N) \quad 10^5 \log 10^5 \approx 20 \times 10^5 \quad \checkmark$$

$$10^3 \approx 2^{10} \rightarrow \log 2^{10} = 10$$

$$10^6 = 2^{20} = 20$$

$$1 \leq N \leq 100$$

$$O(N^3)$$

$$(100)^3 = 10^6 \quad \checkmark$$