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- a) The for loop runs **N** times,
- **N** = the length of the List L.
  - So the Time Complexity of the mean(L) function is **O(N)**.
  - This means it is a linear time complexity.

**Proof:**

- Worst Case: total number of times the for loops gets executed will be N times
  - **N** = length of L
- The operation of (total += x) are executed at constant time.
- The return values are also executed at constant time.
- Therefore, the time complexity of the mean(L) function is **O(N)**.

- b) The first loop gets executed **n** times
- **n** is a positive integer
  - So the Time Complexity for running the first loop is **O(n \* Time Complexity of the second for loop)**.
  - The rows.append([]) binding that is inside the first for loop, is appending a list to the rows list.
    - Because the appended list is empty, the time complexity for this operation is constant.
  - The second for loop that is located within the first for loop will be executed **n** times.
  - So the running Time Complexity of the second for loop is **O(n)**.
  - The remainder rows[r].append(x) binding is constant.
  - Therefore, the Time Complexity of the first for loop is:
    - $O(n * \text{Time Complexity of the second for loop})$
    - $O(n * O(n))$
    - $O(n^2)$
  - The overall Time Complexity is **O(n<sup>2</sup>)**.