

1 Asymptotics Introduction

Give the runtime of the following functions in Θ notation. Your answer should be as simple as possible with no unnecessary leading constants or lower order terms.

```
private void f1(int N) {
    for (int i = 1; i < N; i++) {
        for (int j = 1; j < i; j++) {
            System.out.println("hello tony");
        }
    }
}

```

$\Theta(___)$

Solution: $\Theta(N^2)$

Explanation: The inner loop does up to i work each time, and the outer loop increments i each time. Summing over each loop, we get that $1+2+3+4+\dots+N = \Theta(N^2)$.

```
private void f2(int N) {
    for (int i = 1; i < N; i *= 2) {
        for (int j = 1; j < i; j++) {
            System.out.println("hello hannah");
        }
    }
}

```

$\Theta(___)$

Solution: $\Theta(N)$

Explanation: The inner loop does i work each time, and we double i each time until reaching N . $1+2+4+8+\dots+N = \Theta(N)$

Here is a video walkthrough of both parts.

2 Finish the Runtimes

Below we see the standard nested for loop, but with missing pieces!

```

1 for (int i = 1; i < _____; i = _____) {
2     for (int j = 1; j < _____; j = _____) {
3         System.out.println("We will miss you next semester Akshit :(");
4     }
5 }
```

For each part below, **some** of the blanks will be filled in, and a desired runtime will be given. Fill in the remaining blanks to achieve the desired runtime! There may be more than one correct answer.

Hint: You may find `Math.pow` helpful.

(a) Desired runtime: $\Theta(N^2)$

```

1 for (int i = 1; i < N; i = i + 1) {
2     for (int j = 1; j < i; j = _____) {
3         System.out.println("This is one is low key hard");
4     }
5 }
```

```

1 for (int i = 1; i < N; i = i + 1) {
2     for (int j = 1; j < i; j = j + 1) {
3         System.out.println("This is one is low key hard");
4     }
5 }
```

Explanation: Remember the arithmetic series $1+2+3+4+\dots+N = \Theta(N^2)$. We get this series by incrementing j by 1 per inner loop.

(b) Desired runtime: $\Theta(\log(N))$

```

1 for (int i = 1; i < N; i = i * 2) {
2     for (int j = 1; j < _____; j = j * 2) {
3         System.out.println("This is one is mid key hard");
4     }
5 }
```

Any constant would work here, 2 was chosen arbitrarily.

```

1 for (int i = 1; i < N; i = i * 2) {
2     for (int j = 1; j < 2; j = j * 2) {
3         System.out.println("This is one is mid key hard");
4     }
5 }
```

Explanation: The outer loop already runs $\log n$ times, since i doubles each time. This means the inner loop must do constant work (so any constant $j < k$ would work).

(c) Desired runtime: $\Theta(2^N)$

```

1  for (int i = 1; i < N; i = i + 1) {
2      for (int j = 1; j < _____; j = j + 1) {
3          System.out.println("This is one is high key hard");
4      }
5  }
```

```

1  for (int i = 1; i < N; i = i + 1) {
2      for (int j = 1; j < Math.pow(2, i); j = j + 1) {
3          System.out.println("This is one is high key hard");
4      }
5  }
```

Explanation: Remember the geometric series $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^N = \Theta(2^N)$. We notice that i increments by 1 each time, so in order to achieve this 2^N runtime, we must run the inner loop 2^i times per outer loop iteration.

(d) Desired runtime: $\Theta(N^3)$

```

1  for (int i = 1; i < _____; i = i * 2) {
2      for (int j = 1; j < N * N; j = _____) {
3          System.out.println("yikes");
4      }
5  }
```

```

1  for (int i = 1; i < Math.pow(2, N); i = i * 2) {
2      for (int j = 1; j < N * N; j = j + 1) {
3          System.out.println("yikes");
4      }
5  }
```

Explanation: One way to get N^3 runtime is to have the outer loop run N times, and the inner loop run N^2 times per outer loop iteration. To make the outer loop run N times, we need stop after multiplying $i = i * 2$ N times, giving us the condition $i < \text{Math.pow}(2, N)$. To make the inner loop run N^2 times, we can simply increment by 1 each time.

3 Bit Operations

In the following questions, use bit manipulation operations to achieve the intended functionality and fill out the function details -

- (a) Implement a function `isPalindrome` which checks if the binary representation of a given number is palindrome. The function returns true if and only if the binary representation of `num` is a palindrome.

For example, the function should return true for `isPalindrome(9)` since binary representation of 9 is 1001 which is a palindrome.

```

1  /**
2  * Returns true if binary representation of num is a palindrome
3  */
4  public static boolean isPalindrome(int num) {
5      // stores reverse of binary representation of num
6      int reverse = 0;
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20     -----
21
22     return num == reverse;
23 }

```

Solution:

```

1  /**
2  * Returns true if binary representation of num is a palindrome
3  */
4  public static boolean isPalindrome(int num) {
5      // stores reverse of binary representation of num
6      int reverse = 0;
7
8      // do till all bits of num are processed
9      int k = num;

```

```

10     while (k > 0)
11     {
12         // add rightmost bit to reverse
13         reverse = (reverse << 1) | (k & 1);
14         k = k >> 1;           // drop last bit
15     }
16     return num == reverse;
17 }

```

Explanation: The main idea is to reverse the bits of `num`; it is a palindrome if and only if it is equal to its reverse. To do this, we initialize `reverse` to all zeros. Inside the loop:

1. Shift `reverse` to "vacate" its last bit.
 $rrr \ll 1 \rightarrow rrr0$
2. Get the last bit of `k`.
 $kkkk \& 0001 \rightarrow 000k$
3. or the numbers together to get the combined bits.
 $rrr0 \mid 000k \rightarrow rrrk$
4. Remove the bit of `k` we just used.

- (b) Implement a function `swap` which for a given integer, swaps two bits at given positions. The function returns the resulting integer after bit swap operation.

For example, when the function is called with inputs `swap(31, 3, 7)`, it should reverse the 3rd and 7th bits from the right and return 91 since 31 (00011111) would become 91 (01011011).

```

1  /**
2  * Function to swap bits at position a and b (from right) in integer num
3  */
4  public static int swap(int num, int a, int b) {
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17     -----
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19     return num;
20 }

```

Solution:

```

1  /**
2  * Function to swap bits at position a and b (from right) in integer num
3  */
4  public static int swap(int num, int a, int b) {
5      int p = a-1;
6      int q = b-1;
7
8      int bit_a = (num >> p) & 1;
9      int bit_b = (num >> q) & 1;
10
11     if (bit_a != bit_b) {           // if the bits are different
12         num ^= (1 << p);
13         num ^= (1 << q);
14     }
15     return num;
16 }

```

Explanation: To get the k th bit from the right in a number, we can shift the number right by $k - 1$ bits, then perform an `&` with 1. For a visualization, suppose we are trying to get the third bit from the right for $b_4b_3b_2b_1$. First, we right shift by 2 to get $00b_4b_3$. $00b_4b_3 \& 0001$ gives $000b_3$ as desired. This is the operation performed in line 8 and 9.

We only need to swap if the two bits are different. If the bits are different, this problem reduces to flipping the bits at position a and b . To flip a bit at position k , we simply `xor` it with 1 ($1 \oplus 1 = 0, 0 \oplus 1 = 1$). This corresponds to lines 12 and 13.

4 Bits Runtime

Determine the best and worst case runtime of `tricky`.

```

1 public void tricky(int n) {
2     if (n > 0) {
3         tricky(n & (n - 1));
4     }
5 }
```

Best Case: $\Theta(\quad)$, Worst Case: $\Theta(\quad)$

Solution:

Best Case: $\Theta(1)$, Worst Case: $\Theta(\log N)$

Explanation: The main idea is that this function zeros out a 1 in n each time. If n starts off as some power of 2, it only has one 1 and finishes in constant time. If n is all ones, it takes $\log N$ recursive calls to finish (there are $\log N$ bits in N).

There are two main cases for n . First, if n is odd, $n - 1$ has a 0 in the last bit, so the last bit of n will be zeroed out. If n is even so its last bits are something like $10 \dots 0$, then the last bits of $n - 1$ will be $01 \dots 1$. `and`-ing these together zeros out the first nonzero bit from the right.