

Chapter 4 Exercises

(Question 22, Exercises section 4.3)

for $i=1$ to n **for** $j=1$ to n **for** $k=1$ to i $x=x+1$

Complete the following table.

i	j	k	Ops this j	Ops this i	Total So Far
1	1	1	1		
	2	1	1		
	...				
	n	1	1	n	n
2	1	1,2	2		
	2	1,2	2		
	...				
	n	1,2	2	$2n$	$n+2n$
3	1	1,2,3	3		
	2	1,2,3	3		
	...				
	n	1,2,3	3	$3n$	$n+2n+3n$
4				$4n$	$n+2n+3n+4n$
...					
n				n^*n	$n+2n+\dots+n^2$

Hence the total number of operations is

$$n + 2n + 3n + \dots + n^*n = n(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n) = \frac{1}{2}n^2(n+1) = \frac{1}{2}(n^3 + n^2) = \Theta(n^3).$$

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(Question 20, Exercises section 4.3)

for $i=1$ to n **for** $j=1$ to $\lfloor i/2 \rfloor$ $x=x+1$

i	j	Ops This i	Total So Far
1	-	0	
2	1	1	1
3	1	1	1+1
4	1,2	2	1+1+2
5	1,2	2	1+1+2+2

6	1,2,3	3	$1+1+2+2+3$
7	1,2,3	3	$1+1+2+2+3+3$
8	1,2,3,4	4	$1+1+2+3+3+4$
...			

So it seems that the number of operations will be of the form $1+1+2+2+3+3+\dots+\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ if n is even, and $1+1+2+2+3+3+\dots+\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ if n is odd.

Suppose n is even, in which case $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor = n/2$. Then the number of operations is

$$\begin{aligned} 2\left(1+2+\dots+\frac{n}{2}\right) &= 2 * \frac{1}{2} \frac{n}{2} \left(\frac{n}{2}+1\right) \\ &= \frac{n}{2} \left(\frac{n}{2}+1\right) \\ &= \frac{n^2}{4} + \frac{n}{2} \end{aligned}$$

which is, of course, $\Theta(n^2)$. If n is odd, then $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor = \frac{n-1}{2}$. Hence the number of operations will be as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} 1+1+2+2+\dots+\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor &= 1+1+2+2+\dots+\frac{n-1}{2} + \frac{n-1}{2} - \frac{n-1}{2} \\ &= 2\left(1+2+\dots+\frac{n-1}{2}\right) - \frac{n-1}{2} \\ &= 2 * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{n-1}{2} * \left(\frac{n-1}{2}+1\right) - \frac{n-1}{2} \\ &= \frac{n-1}{2} * \frac{n+1}{2} - \frac{n-1}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(n^2 - 1) - \frac{1}{2}(n-1) \\ &= \Theta(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

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