

# Solved problems for time complexity of loops

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## General comments/hints

1. If a loop variable takes consecutive values, you do not have write it as a function of the iteration number, r.
2. r can start from 0 or 1, whatever is more convenient in writing the loop variable as a function of r
3.  $\lg = \log_2$

A) 6.

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// int mystery(int len, int v); has  $\Theta(\text{len}^2)$ 
for(i=N; i>=0; i--){
    int res = mystery(N, i);    //  $\rightarrow \Theta(N^2)$  or  $O(N^2)$ 
    for(k=N; k>=1; k=k-1)
        printf("B");    //  $\rightarrow \Theta(1)$  or  $O(1)$ 
}
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for-k  $TC_{1iter}(k) = O(1)+O(1)+O(1)$

	K		$TC_{1iter}(k) = O(1)$
	N		1
	N-1		1
	N-2		1
	K		1
	1		1
$TC_{fork} = 1+1+\dots+1 = \text{rows} * 1 = N * 1 = O(N)$			

for-i:  $TC_{1iter}(i) = O(1)+O(N^2)+O(N)+O(1) = O(N^2)$

	i		$TC_{1iter}(i) = O(i^2)$
	N		$N^2$
	N-1		$N^2$
	N-2		$N^2$
	i		$N^2$
	1		$N^2$
$TC_{fori} = N^2 + N^2 + \dots + N^2 + \dots + N^2 = \text{rows} * N^2 = N * N^2 = O(N^3)$			

Final answer:  $O(N^3)$

A) 7.

```
// int mystery(int N, int v); has O(N^2)
for(i=N; i>=0; i--){
    int res = mystery(i, i); // → O(i^2)
    for(k=N; k>=1; k=k-1)
        printf("B");
}
```

for-k  $TC_{1iter}(k) = O(1)+O(1)+O(1)$

	k		$TC_{1iter}(k) = O(1)$
	N		1
	N-1		1
	N-2		1
	k		1
	1		1
$TC_{fork} = 1+1+...+1 = rows * 1 = N * 1 = O(N)$			

for-i:  $TC_{1iter}(i) = O(1)+O(i^2)+O(N)+O(1) = O(i^2)$

	i		$TC_{1iter}(i) = O(i^2)$
	N		$N^2$
	N-1		$(N-1)^2$
	N-2		$(N-2)^2$
	i		$i^2$
	1		$1^2$
$TC_{fori} = 1^2 + 2^2 + ... + i^2 + ... + (N-2)^2 + (N-1)^2 + N^2 = N(N+1)(2N+1)/2 = (2N^3 + 3N^2 + N)/2 = O(N^3)$			

Final answer:  $O(N^3)$

A) 8

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for (i = 101; i<=(100+N); i++)
    for (k=1; k<=i; k = k+1)
        printf("B ");
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for-k  $TC_{1iter}(k) = O(1)+O(1)+O(1)$

	k		$TC_{1iter}(k) = O(1)$
	i		1
	i-1		1
	i-2		1
	k		1
	1		1
$TC_{fork} = 1+1+...+1 = rows * 1 = i * 1 = O(i)$			

for-i:  $TC_{1iter}(i) = O(1)+O(i)+O(1) = O(i)$

r	i	$i = fct(r)$	$TC_{1iter}(i) = O(i)$
1	101	$=100+1$	101
2	102	$=100+2$	102
3	103	$=100+3$	103
r	i	$=100+r$	i
r <sub>last</sub>	100+N	$=100+r_{last}$	100+N
$TC_{fori} = 101 + 102 + 103 + ... + i + ... (100+N) = (100+1)+(100+2)+(100+3)+...+(100+r)+ ... +(100+N) = (100+100+...+100+...+100) + (1+2+3+...+r+...N) = =100*rows + N(N+1)/2 = 100*N + (N^2+N)/2 = O(N^2)$			

Final answer:  $O(N^2)$