

Key

n = original input size

$T(n)$ = time required to process input of size n

m = new input size

$T(m)$ = time required to process input of size m

$O(\log n)$ Algorithms

- It doesn't matter which base you use for the logs, as long as you use the same base throughout the problem.
- If the numbers in the problem are powers of 10, use base 10.
- If the numbers in the problem are powers of 2, use base 2.
- Even if you don't use the base suggested above, you'll still get the same answer, but the arithmetic will be more complicated.

$$T(n) = c \log(n)$$

$$T(m) = c \log(m)$$

$$\frac{T(n)}{\log(n)} = \frac{T(m)}{\log(m)}$$

$O(n)$ Algorithms

$$T(n) = c n$$

$$T(m) = c m$$

$$\frac{T(n)}{n} = \frac{T(m)}{m}$$

$O(n \log n)$ Algorithms

$$T(n) = c n \log(n)$$

$$T(m) = c m \log(m)$$

$$\frac{T(n)}{n \log(n)} = \frac{T(m)}{m \log(m)}$$

$O(n^2)$ Algorithms

$$T(n) = c n^2$$

$$T(m) = c m^2$$

$$\frac{T(n)}{n^2} = \frac{T(m)}{m^2}$$

$O(n^3)$ Algorithms

$$T(n) = c n^3$$

$$T(m) = c m^3$$

$$\frac{T(n)}{n^3} = \frac{T(m)}{m^3}$$

$O(2^n)$ Algorithms

$$T(n) = c 2^n$$

$$T(m) = c 2^m$$

$$\frac{T(n)}{2^n} = \frac{T(m)}{2^m}$$