

$$\sum_{i=1}^k i = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + k$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^k i &= 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + (k-1) + k + \\ &\quad + k + (k-1) + \dots + 2 + 1 = \end{aligned}$$

$$(k+1)(k+1) + \dots + (k+1) = \frac{k(k+1)}{2} = \sum_{i=1}^k i$$

$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} O(1) & n \leq 1 \\ O(n \lg n) & \text{at first } + \text{ later } \end{cases}$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^k) & n \leq e^k \\ O(n^{\lg \lg n}) & n = e^k \\ O(n^{\lg \lg \lg n}) & n > e^k \end{cases}$$