

Big Oh-my!

You have been asked to choose one of two possible algorithms, **A** or **B**, to implement. Their asymptotic running times are:

$$T_A(n) = O(n^{1.1})$$

$$T_B(n) = O(n \log_2 n)$$

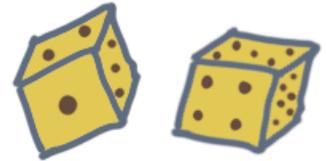
Suppose the most important factor is that n will be truly gigantic. Which would you choose?

Odd Men Out

uniformly random outcomes

Suppose you roll two, fair, six-sided dice.

What is the probability that their sum is even?



Gamma, Gamma, Go Gamma...

Consider the function,

$$\Gamma(a) \equiv \int_0^{\infty} t^{a-1} e^{-t} dt.$$

Show that

$$\Gamma(a) = (a-1) \Gamma(a-1).$$

Own this Problem

Determine the values of λ_1 & λ_2 that satisfy this matrix equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Bipartite Delight

Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected graph. Give an algorithm to check whether G is bipartite.

↙ Recall definition:

I.e., (a) $V = V_1 \cup V_2$, where

$$V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset \text{ (disjoint)}$$

(b) All edges go between

V_1 and V_2 , never within.