



Time Analysis: Examples

Example 1: Write a recursive method to calculate the sum of squares of the first n natural numbers. n is to be given as an input.

```
public int sumOfSquares(int n) {
    if (n==1)
        return 1;
    return (n*n) + sumOfSquares(n-1);
}
```

Recursion may sometimes be very intuitive and simple, but it may not be the best thing to do.

Example 2: Fibonacci sequence:

$F(n) = n$ if $n=0, 1$; $F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)$ if $n > 1$

0	1	1	2	3	5	8	13	..
F(0)	F(1)	F(2)	F(3)	F(4)	F(5)	F(6)	F(7)	..

Solution 1: **Iterative** → **$O(n)$**

```
public static int fib1(int n){
    if(n<=1) return n;
    int f1 = 0, f2 = 1, res=0;
    for(int i=2; i<=n; i++){
        res = f1+f2;
        f1=f2;
        f2=res;
    }
    return res;
}
```

Solution 2: **Recursion**

```
public static int fib2(int n){
    if(n<=1) return n;
    return (fib2(n-1) + fib2(n-2));
}
```

Test for $n=6$ and $n=40$

Why recursive solution is taking much time?

Do analyze the 2 algorithms in term of calculating $F(n)$

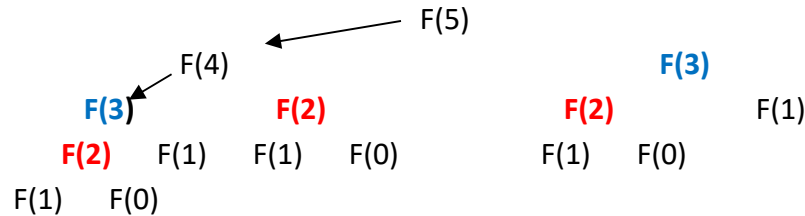
In **Solution 1:**

We have **$F(0)$** and **$F(1)$** given

Then we calculate

- $F(2)$ using $F(1)$ and $F(0)$
- $F(3)$ using $F(2)$ and $F(1)$
- $F(4)$ using $F(3)$ and $F(2)$
- :
- $F(n)$ using $F(n-1)$ and $F(n-2)$





Note: we are calculating the same value multiple times!!

n	F(2)	F(3)	..
5	3	2	
6	5		
8	13		
:			
40	63245986		

Exponential growth

Time and Space complexity Analysis of recursion

Example: recursive factorial

```
fact(n){
    if (n==0) return 1;
    return n * fact(n-1);
}
```

- Calculate operation costs:
 - If statement takes 1 unit of time
 - Multiplication (*) takes 1 unit of time
 - Subtraction (-) takes 1 unit of time
 - Function call
- So

$$T(0) = 1$$

$$T(n) = 3 + T(n-1) \text{ for } n > 0$$

To solve this equation, reduce $T(n)$ in term of its base conditions. This called **recurrence equation**¹ analysis that describes the running time of an algorithm.

¹ A recurrence relation is **an equation that defines a sequence based on a rule that gives the next term as a function of the previous term(s).**





$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= T(n-1) + 3 \rightarrow T(n-1) = T(n-2) + 3 \\
 &= T(n-2) + 6 \rightarrow T(n-2) = T(n-3) + 3 \\
 &= T(n-3) + 9 \\
 &\vdots \\
 &= T(n-k) + 3k
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For } T(0) \rightarrow n-k = 0 \rightarrow n = k$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Therefore } T(n) &= T(0) + 3n \\
 &= 1 + 3n \rightarrow \mathbf{O(n)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Space analysis:

Recursive Tree

Fact(5) $\rightarrow$ Fact(4) $\rightarrow$ Fact(3) $\rightarrow$ Fact(2) $\rightarrow$ Fact(1) $\rightarrow$ Fact(0)

Each function call will cause to save current function state into memory (call stack, **push**):

Fact(1)
Fact(2)
Fact(3)
Fact(4)
Fact(5)

Each return statement will retrieve previous saved function state from memory (**pop**):

So needed space is proportional to $n \rightarrow \mathbf{O(n)}$

Fibonacci sequence time complexity analysis

```

public static int fib2(int n){
    if(n<=1) return n;
    return (fib2(n-1) + fib2(n-2));
}

```

- Calculate operation costs:
 - If statement takes 1 unit of time
 - 2 subtractions (-) takes 2 unit of time
 - 1 addition (+) takes 1 unit of time
 - 2 recursive function calls
- So $T(0) = T(1) = 1$
 $T(n) = T(n-1) + T(n-2) + 4$ for $n > 1$





To solve this equation, reduce $T(n)$ in term of its base conditions.

For **approximation** assume $T(n-1) \approx T(n-2)$ $\rightarrow$ in reality $T(n-1) > T(n-2)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 2T(n-2) + 4 && \rightarrow \text{assume } c = 4 \\
 &= 2T(n-2) + c && \rightarrow T(n-2) = 2T(n-4) + c \\
 &= 2\{2T(n-4) + c\} + c \\
 &= 4T(n-4) + 3c = 2^2 T(n-4) + (2^2 - 1)c \\
 &= 2^3 T(n-6) + (2^3 - 1)c \\
 &= 2^4 T(n-8) + (2^4 - 1)c \\
 &\vdots \\
 &= 2^k T(n-2k) + (2^k - 1)c
 \end{aligned}$$

For $T(0) \rightarrow n-2k = 0 \rightarrow k = n/2$

Therefore $T(n) = 2^{n/2} T(0) + (2^{n/2} - 1)c \rightarrow 2^{n/2} (1+c) - c$

$T(n)$ is proportional to $2^{n/2} \rightarrow O(2^{n/2}) \leftarrow$ lower bound analysis

Similarly, for approximation assume $T(n-2) \approx T(n-1)$ $\rightarrow$ in reality $T(n-2) < T(n-1)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 2T(n-1) + c && \rightarrow T(n-1) = 2T(n-2) + c \\
 &= 2\{2T(n-2) + c\} + c \\
 &= 4T(n-2) + 3c \\
 &= 2^3 T(n-3) + (2^3 - 1)c \\
 &= 2^4 T(n-4) + (2^4 - 1)c \\
 &\vdots \\
 &= 2^k T(n-k) + (2^k - 1)c
 \end{aligned}$$

For $T(0) \rightarrow n-k = 0 \rightarrow k = n$

Therefore $T(n) = 2^n T(0) + (2^n - 1)c \rightarrow 2^n (1+c) - c$

$T(n)$ is proportional to $2^n \rightarrow O(2^n) \leftarrow$ upper bound analysis $\rightarrow$ worst case analysis

While for iterative solution $\rightarrow O(n)$

Recursion with memorization

Solution: Do not calculate something already has been calculated.

Algorithm:

```

fib(n){
    if (n<=1) return n
    if(F[n] is in memory) return F[n]
    F[n] = fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)
    Return F[n]
}

```

Time complexity $\rightarrow O(n)$



**Calculate X^n using recursion**

Iterative solution: $O(n)$ $X^n = X * X * X * X * \dots * X$ $n-1$ multiplication	Recursive solution 1: $O(n)$ $X^n = X * X^{n-1}$ if $n > 0$ $X^0 = 1$ if $n = 0$	Recursive solution 2: $O(\log n)$ $X^n = X^{n/2} * X^{n/2}$ if n is even $X^n = X * X^{n-1}$ if n is odd $X^0 = 1$ if $n = 0$
<pre>res = 1 for i ← 1 to n res = res * x</pre>	<pre>pow(x, n){ if n==0 return 1 return x * pow(x, n-1) }</pre>	<pre>pow(x, n){ if n==0 return 1 if n%2 == 0 { y ← pow(x, n/2) return y * y } return x * pow(x, n-1) }</pre>

Recursive solution 1: Time analysis

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(1) &= 1 \\
 T(n) &= T(n-1) + c \\
 &= (T(n-2) + c) + c \rightarrow T(n-2) + 2c \\
 &= T(n-3) + 3c \\
 &\vdots \\
 &= T(n-k) + kc \\
 \text{For } T(0) &\rightarrow n-k=0 \rightarrow n=k \\
 T(n) &= T(0) + nc \rightarrow 1 + nc \rightarrow \mathbf{O(n)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Recursive solution 2: Time analysis

- $X^n = X^{n/2} * X^{n/2}$ if n is even
- $X^n = X * X^{n-1}$ if n is odd
- $X^n = 1$ if $n == 0$
- $X^n = X * 1$ if $n == 1$

If even $\rightarrow T(n) = T(n/2) + c_1$

If odd $\rightarrow T(n) = T(n-1) + c_2$

If 0 $\rightarrow T(0) = 1$

If 1 $\rightarrow T(1) = c_3$

If odd, next call will become even:

$$T(n) = T((n-1)/2) + c_1 + c_2$$





If even

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= T(n/2) + c \\&= T(n/4) + 2c \\&= T(n/8) + 3c = T(n/2^3) + 3c \\&\vdots \\&= T(n/2^k) + k c\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For } T(1) \rightarrow T(0) + c \rightarrow 1$$

$$n/2^k = 1 \rightarrow n = 2^k \rightarrow k = \log n$$

$$= c3 + c \log n \rightarrow \mathbf{O(\log n)}$$

DO NOT COPY





Big-O Exercises

Exercise 1:

```

void fun(int n, int[] arr) {
    int i = 0, j = 0;
    for( ; i < n ; ++i)
        while( j < n && arr[i] < arr[j])
            j++;
}

```

Solution 1:

$T(n) = O(n)$, since the inner while loop will run n times during the entire outer for loop. Outer loop will run n times as well. So $T(n) = O(2n)$, 2 is constant.

Exercise 2:

```

int fun(int n) {
    if (n <= 1)
        return n;
    return fun (n-1) + fun (n-1); // 2 f(n-1)
}

```

Solution 2:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} d & n \leq 1 \\ 2T(n-1) + c & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) = 2T(n-1) + c$$

$$T(n-1) = 2T(n-2) + c$$

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

$$T(n-2) = T(n-3) + c$$

$$T(n) = 2^3T(n-3) + 3c$$

$$\vdots$$

$$T(n) = 2^k T(n-k) + k c$$

$$\text{Let } n-k = 0 \rightarrow n = k$$

$$T(n) = 2^n T(0) + nc \rightarrow T(n) = 2^n d + nc \rightarrow \mathbf{T(n) = O(2^n)}$$





Exercise 3:

```

int fun(int n) {
    if (n <= 0)
        return 1;
    return 1 + fun(n-5);
}

```

Solution 3:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} d & n \leq 0 \\ T(n-5)+c & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) = T(n-5) + c$$

$$T(n-5) = T(n-10) + c$$

$$T(n) = T(n-10) + 2c$$

$$T(n-10) = T(n-15) + c$$

$$T(n) = T(n-15) + 3c$$

$$T(n-15) = T(n-20) + c$$

$$T(n) = T(n-20) + 4c$$

$$T(n-20) = T(n-25) + c$$

...

$$T(n-(n-5)) = T(0) + c$$

$$T(n) = T(0) + n/5 c \rightarrow T(n) = d + n/5 c \rightarrow \mathbf{T(n) = O(n)}$$

Exercise 4:

```

int fun(int n) {
    if (n <= 0)
        return 1
    return 1 + fun(n/5);
}

```

Solution 4:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} d & n \leq 0 \\ T(n/5)+c & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) = T(n/5) + c$$

$$T(n/5) = T(n/25) + c$$

$$T(n) = T(n/25) + 2c$$

$$T(n/25) = T(n/125) + c$$

$$T(n) = T(n/125) + 3c = T(n/5^3) + 3c$$

...

$$T(n) = T(n/5^k) + k c$$

$$\text{Let } n/5^k = 1 \rightarrow n = 5^k \rightarrow k = \log_5(n)$$

$$T(n) = T(1) + \log_5(n) c \rightarrow T(n) = d + \log_5(n) c \rightarrow \mathbf{T(n) = O(\log_5 n)}$$





Exercise 5:

```

int isln(int A[], int k, int x) {
    if (k >= A.length )
        return 0;
    if (A[k] == x)
        return 1;
    return isln(A, k+1, x)
}

```

Solution 5:

$T(n) =$

d	$n \leq 1$
$T(n-1)+c$	$n > 1$

$T(n) = T(n-1)+c$
 $T(n-1) = T(n-2)+2c$
 $\vdots$
 $T(n-(n-1)) = T(1)+nc$
 $T(n) = T(1)+nc$
 $T(n) = d+nc \rightarrow \mathbf{T(n) = O(n)}$

Exercise 6:

```

int fun(int n) {
    int count = 0;
    for (int i = n; i > 0; i /= 2)
        for (int j = 0; j < i; j++)
            count += 1;
    return count;
}

```

Solution 6:

For input integer n , the innermost statement of `fun()` is executed following times.

$n + n/2 + n/4 + \dots + 1$

So time complexity $T(n)$ can be written as

$T(n) = O(n + n/2 + n/4 + \dots + 1) \rightarrow \mathbf{O(n)}$

The value of count is also $n + n/2 + n/4 + \dots + 1$

$T(n) = n + T(n/2) \rightarrow n + n/2 + T(n/4) \rightarrow n + n/2 + n/4 + T(n/8) + \dots + 1 \rightarrow n + n-1 \rightarrow 2n - 1$

