

# Factorial Trailing Zeroes [Microsoft Python Interview Question]

Before, you work on this question, make sure you've solved the easier warmup problem [Factorial Formula](#), where you need to write a function to compute  $n$  factorial as follows:

$$n! = n * (n-1) * (n-2) * \dots * 2 * 1.$$

Now that you know the factorial formula, let's write a function that returns the number of trailing zeroes in  $n!$ .

For example, for  $5!$ , we'd return 1, because  $5! = 5 * 4 * 3 * 2 * 1 = 120$  and 120 has exactly 1 trailing zero.

For  $10!$ , which evaluates to 3628800 we'd return 2, because there are two trailing zeroes.