

L9 - Time Complexity (Recursive Functions)

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Asymptotic Analysis of Recursive Functions

$$Sum(n) = \begin{cases} 0; & \text{if } n = 0; \text{ Basis step} \\ Sum(n-1) + (lastNumber); & \text{if } n > 0; \text{ Recursive step} \end{cases}$$

Time Complexity of recursive Sum of a list of numbers

Calculate the Cost and Frequency of each line **as if there is no recursive call**.

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| | Operations | Freq. |
| recSum(Arr, n) | | |
| 1. if n == 0 | c1 | 1 |
| 2. return 0 | c2 | 1 (0) |
| 3. return recSum(Arr, n-1) + Arr[n] | c3 + (?) | 1 |

recSum (array, size)

$T_{recSum}(n)$ is a function that represents the Time Complexity of **recSum** when invoked on a list of **n elements**.

$$\begin{aligned} T_{recSum}(n) &= (?) + c1 + c3 & \text{if } n > 0 \\ &= (T_{recSum}(n-1)) + c & = (T_{recSum}(n-1)) + O(n^0) = (T_{recSum}(n-1)) + O(1) \end{aligned}$$

$$T_{recSum}(n) = c1 + c2 = c21 \quad \text{if } n == 0$$

Recurrence Equation/Relation

$$T_{recSum}(n) = \begin{cases} c21; & \text{if } n = 0 \\ T_{recSum}(n-1) + c; & \text{if } n > 0 \end{cases}$$

Fibonacci

$$fib(n) = \begin{cases} 0; & \text{if } n = 0 & \text{Basis Step} \\ 1; & \text{if } n = 1 & \text{Basis Step} \\ fib(n-1) + fib(n-2); & \text{if } n > 1 & \text{Recursive Step} \end{cases}$$

Time Complexity of recursive Fibonacci

Calculate the Cost and Frequency of each line **as if there is no recursive call**.

| recFib(n) | Cost | Freq. |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------|
| 1. If n <= 1 | c1 | 1 |
| 2. return n | c2 | 1 (0) |
| 3. return recFib(n-1) + recFib(n-2) | (?) + (?) + c3 | 1 |

$$T_{\text{recFib}}(n) = (?) + (?) + c1 + c3 \quad \text{if } n > 1$$
$$= (T_{\text{recFib}}(n-1)) + (T_{\text{recFib}}(n-2)) + c$$

$$T_{\text{recFib}}(n) = c1 + c2 = c11 \quad \text{if } n \leq 1$$

Recurrence Equation/Relation

$$T_{\text{recFib}}(n) = \begin{cases} c11; & \text{if } n \leq 1 \\ T_{\text{recFib}}(n-1) + T_{\text{recFib}}(n-2) + c; & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

Time Complexity of recursive Factorial

Calculate the Cost and Frequency of each line *as if there is no recursive call*.

| recFactorial(n) | Cost | Freq. |
|---------------------------------|----------|-------|
| 1. If n <= 1 | c1 | 1 |
| 2. return 1 | c2 | 1 (0) |
| 3. return n * recFactorial(n-1) | c3 + (?) | 1 |

$$T_{\text{recFactorial}}(n) = (T_{\text{recFactorial}}(n-1)) + c1 + c3 = (?) + c \quad = (?) + O(n^0) = (?) + O(1)$$

if $n > 1$

$$T_{\text{recFactorial}}(n) = c1 + c2 = c13 \quad \text{if } n \leq 1$$

Recurrence Equation/Relation

$$T_{\text{recFactorial}}(n) = \begin{cases} c13; & \text{if } n \leq 1 \\ T_{\text{recFactorial}}(n-1) + c; & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$