

# Nth element in 3 Fibonacci Series - QOTD 30 Jan

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[*TLE*] *Approach* — 1 (simple recursion)

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Space :  $O(n)$

recursive call stack

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           step 2 : we will check if the Tn we want already exist in map, if yes
then return that value

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calculate it every time we calculate a value of Tn we will store it in the map
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then we add up and return them as Tn

   -> // main fucntion

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memorize the valuess
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code :-

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public:
    int tribonacci(int n) {
        // base case
        if(n == 0) return 0;
        if(n == 1 || n == 2) return 1;

        // we want recursion to give us values of Tn-1 Tn-2 Tn-3, and then we add up
        // and return them as Tn
        return tribonacci(n-1) + tribonacci(n-2) + tribonacci(n-3);
    }
};
```

Whats the problem with this approach and how it can be stored ?

App-2

$$T \leq O(3^n)$$

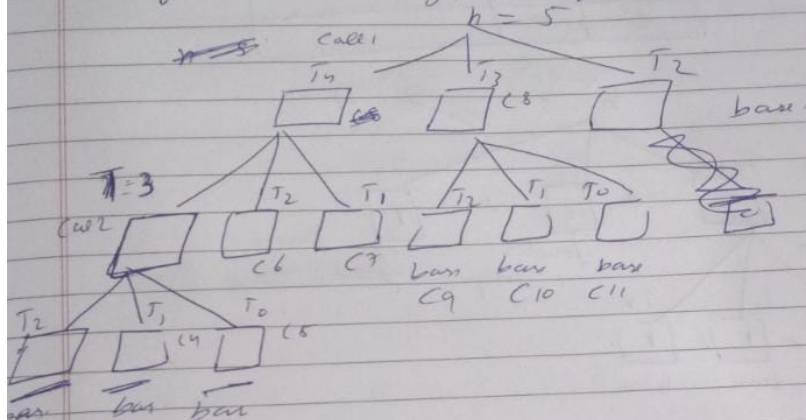
$$S: O(n)$$

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if i draw recursion tree for App 1 it goes like



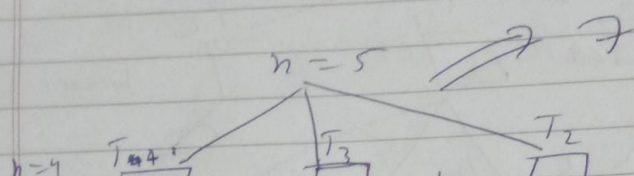
here each time we have to calculate a value even if we have calculated once for eg. we calculated  $T_3$  in call 2 once but then in call 8 we again calculate  $T_3$ , so if we calculate  $T_3$  2 times when  $n=5$  If  $n$  is more larger no. then there will be more recursive calls.

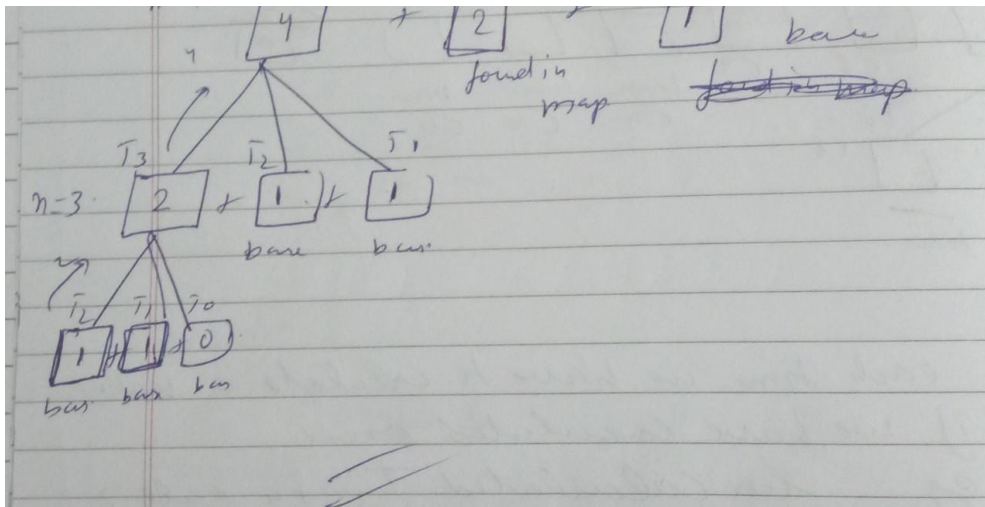
So what if we store anything we calculated once in a map like if we calculated a value we store it in map & use it.

$n=5$

un-map

3	4
2	4





## ★ Approach — 2 (using recursion + map to store the prev outputs) - DP

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Approach/steps

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private:
    int solve(int n, unordered_map<int,int> &map){
        // base case
        if(n == 0) return 0;
        if(n == 1 || n == 2) return 1;

        // we will check if the Tn we want already exist in map, if yes then return
        that value
        if(map.count(n) != 0){
            return map[n];
        }

        // if the desired value of Tn is not in the map then we need to calculate it
        every time we calculate a value of Tn we will store it in the map
        // we want recursion to give us values of Tn-1 Tn-2 Tn-3, and then we add up
        and return them as Tn
        int Tn = solve(n-1, map) + solve(n-2, map) + solve(n-3, map);
        map[n] = Tn;

        return Tn;
    }
public:
    int tribonacci(int n) {

        // we want to map every Tn with its resulting value,
        unordered_map<int,int> map;

        return solve(n, map);
    }
};

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