

Complexity Space Assignment

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Find the space complexity

Alg test (n):

if (n > 0) {

print n

test (n - 1)

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}

Solution

• The algorithm makes recursive calls decreasing n by 1 at each step $n, n-1, n-2, \dots, 1, 0$.

• Each function call stores only the integer variable n and a return address. Hence the memory per frame = $O(1)$

$$\text{space} = (\text{Max Depth}) \times (\text{Memory per frame})$$

$$\text{space} = n \times O(1)$$

$$\text{Space Complexity} = O(n)$$

$$\text{Answer} = O(n)$$