

Quiz 14 - Write Recurrence

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1 Instructions

- The solutions **should be typed**, using proper mathematical notation. We cannot accept hand-written solutions. Here's a short intro to \LaTeX .
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2 Standard 14 - Writing Recurrences

Problem 1. Write down a recurrence for the runtime complexity of this algorithm. Clearly justify your answer. You are **not** being asked to solve the recurrence.

Algorithm 1 Recurrences

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1: procedure Foo1(Integer  $n$ )
2:   if  $n < 4$  then return 0
3:   Foo1( $n/4$ )
4:   Foo1( $n/4$ )
5:
6:   for  $i \leftarrow 1; i \leq 3 * n; i \leftarrow i * 2$  do
7:     print  $i$ 
```

Answer.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & : n < 4, \\ 2T(n/4) + \Theta(\log_2(3n)) & : n \geq 4. \end{cases}$$

The base case is constant time when $n < 4$.

Then when $n \geq 4$, there are two recursive calls to Foo1 with input size $n/4$, hence $2T(n/4)$

Then analyze the non recursive part:

- 1 step to initialize the loop
- let k denote the number of iterations of the i loop. The i loop terminates when $2^k > 3n$. So $k > \log_2(3n)$
Thus the loop takes $k = \lfloor \log_2(3n) \rfloor + 1$ iterations
- each iteration, there is 1 step for comparison, 2 steps for the update, and 1 step for the print statement

Thus the non recursive work is

$$1 + \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \log_2(3n) \rfloor + 1} (4) \\ 1 + 4 \cdot (\lfloor \log_2(3n) \rfloor + 1)$$

Which is $\Theta(\log_2(3n))$

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