

## Stair Case in C++

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#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

// Function to calculate number of ways to reach nth
step
int staircase(int n) {
    // Base cases
    if (n == 0 || n == 1) {
        return 1;
    }
    if (n == 2) {
        return 2;
    }
    // Recursive case
    return staircase(n-1) + staircase(n-2) +
    staircase(n-3);
}

int main() {
    // Test case
    int n = 7;
    cout << staircase(n) << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

### Initial Call

The function staircase(7) is called.

- Base cases:
  - If  $n == 0$ , return 1
  - If  $n == 1$ , return 1
  - If  $n == 2$ , return 2

The recursive case is  $\text{staircase}(n-1) + \text{staircase}(n-2) + \text{staircase}(n-3)$ .

For  $n = 7$ , we call:

$\text{staircase}(7) = \text{staircase}(6) + \text{staircase}(5) + \text{staircase}(4)$

### Step 1: staircase(6)

- Call:  $\text{staircase}(6) = \text{staircase}(5) + \text{staircase}(4) + \text{staircase}(3)$
- Let's break it down:

#### Step 1.1: staircase(5)

- Call:  $\text{staircase}(5) = \text{staircase}(4) + \text{staircase}(3) + \text{staircase}(2)$
- Let's break it down:

##### Step 1.1.1: staircase(4)

- Call:  $\text{staircase}(4) = \text{staircase}(3) + \text{staircase}(2) + \text{staircase}(1)$
- Let's break it down:

##### Step 1.1.1.1: staircase(3)

- Call:  $\text{staircase}(3) = \text{staircase}(2) + \text{staircase}(1) + \text{staircase}(0)$
- Let's break it down:
  - $\text{staircase}(2) = 2$
  - $\text{staircase}(1) = 1$
  - $\text{staircase}(0) = 1$

So,  $\text{staircase}(3) = 2 + 1 + 1 = 4$ .

##### Step 1.1.1.2: staircase(2)

- Base case:  $\text{staircase}(2) = 2$

##### Step 1.1.1.3: staircase(1)

- Base case:  $\text{staircase}(1) = 1$

So,  $\text{staircase}(4) = 4 + 2 + 1 = 7$ .

**Step 1.2: staircase(3)**

- We already calculated that  $\text{staircase}(3) = 4$ .

**Step 1.3: staircase(2)**

- Base case:  $\text{staircase}(2) = 2$ .

So,  $\text{staircase}(5) = 7 + 4 + 2 = 13$ .

**Step 2: staircase(4)**

We already calculated that  $\text{staircase}(4) = 7$ .

**Step 3: staircase(3)**

We already calculated that  $\text{staircase}(3) = 4$ .

So,  $\text{staircase}(6) = 13 + 7 + 4 = 24$ .

**Final Calculation: staircase(7)**

Now that we have the values for  $\text{staircase}(6)$ ,  $\text{staircase}(5)$ , and  $\text{staircase}(4)$ , we can calculate  $\text{staircase}(7)$ :

$$\text{staircase}(7) = 24 + 13 + 7 = 44$$

Output:-

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