

## Solution Review: Total Number of Words in a Trie

This review provides a detailed analysis of the solution to the Total Number of Words in a Trie Challenge.

We'll cover the following



- Solution: Increment Recursively
- Time Complexity





### Solution: Increment Recursively #

main.py
Trie.py
TrieNode.py

```

1  from Trie import Trie
2  from TrieNode import TrieNode
3
4
5  # TrieNode => {children, is_end_word, char,
6  # mark_as_leaf(), unmark_as_leaf()}
7  def total_words(root):
8      result = 0
9
10     # Leaf denotes end of a word
11     if root.is_end_word:
12         result += 1
13
14     for i in range(26):
15         # Check if the node has children
16         if root.children[i] is not None:
17             # Recursively return the word count
18             result += total_words(root.children[i])
19     return result
20
21
22 keys = ["the", "a", "there", "answer", "any", "by", "bye", "th
23
24 trie = Trie()
25
26 for key in keys:
27     trie.insert(key)
28
29 print(total_words(trie.root))
30

```

It's a pretty straightforward algorithm. Starting from the `root`, we visit each branch recursively. Whenever a node is found with its `isEndWord` set to `True`, the `result` variable is incremented by 1.

## Time Complexity #



For a trie with **n** number of nodes, the algorithm runs in  $O(n)$  because each node has to be traversed

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