

4 Analysis of Recursive Algorithms

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$n!$ $\text{fib}(n)$

- factorial

$$F(n) = n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \dots \cdot (n-1) \cdot n \\ = (n-1)! \cdot n$$

or

$$F(n) = \begin{cases} F(n-1) \cdot n & n > 0 \\ 1 & n = 0 \end{cases}$$

E.G.

FUNCTION $\text{fact}(n)$

if $n=0$

return 1

else

return $\text{fact}(n-1) * n$

Analysis:

basic operation.

$$M(n) = \underbrace{M(n-1)}_{\substack{\text{no. of multiplications} \\ \text{to compute } F(n-1)}} + \underbrace{1}_{\text{multiply } F(n-1) \& n}$$

"Recurrances" or "Recurrence Relations"
(Big in discrete math and Analysis of Algorithms)

Note: it has infinite solutions.

n	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
$M(n)$	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	

$$M(13) = M(12) + 1$$

$$M(14) = M(13) + 1$$

But. we also have an initial condition.

$$M(0) = 0$$

collecting

- $M(n) = M(n-1) + 1$
- $M(0) = 0$

• BACKWARD SUBSTITUTION

$$\begin{aligned}
 M(n) &= M(n-1) + 1 \\
 &\quad M(n-1) = M(n-2) + 1 \\
 &= M(n-2) + 1 + 1 \\
 &\quad M(n-2) = M(n-3) + 1 \\
 &= M(n-3) + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 &\quad M(n-3) = M(n-4) + 1 \\
 &= M(n-4) + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 &\quad \text{after } i \text{ substitutions.}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= M(n-i) + i$$

Let $i = n$

$$M(n) = M(n-n) + n$$

$$= M(0) + n$$

$$M(n) = n \in \Theta(n) \text{ Linear.}$$

• GENERAL PLAN FOR ANALYSING THE TIME EFFICIENCY OF RECURSIVE ALGORITHMS

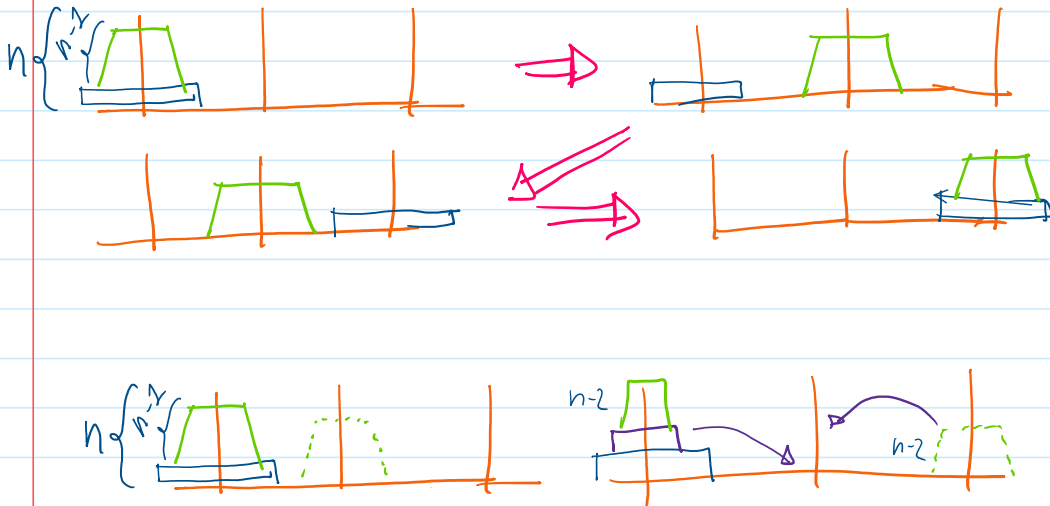
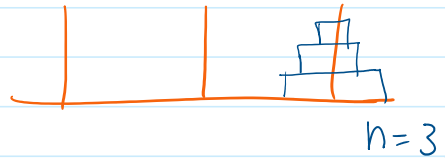
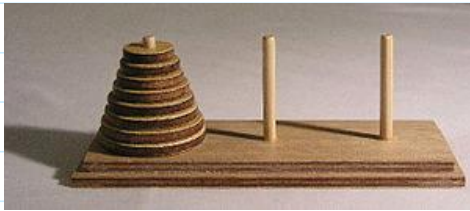
1. Decide on the parameters for the size of the input
2. Identify **basic operation**
3. Check whether the number of execution of the basic operation depends solely on the size of the input, or on other factors.
4. Set up a recurrence relation, with its initial condition for the number of times the basic operation is executed.

with it's initial condition

for the number of times the basic operation is executed.

5.- Solve the recurrence. (using known results and tools)
or at least, find the order-of-growth of the solution. 

E.G 2 Towers of hanoi



Let us count how many moves are needed to move n discs.

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet M(n) &= M(n-1) + 1 + M(n-1) && \text{recurrence} \\ \bullet M(1) &= 1 && \text{initial condition} \end{aligned}$$

SUMS : REVIEW #2

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \sum_{i=0}^v a^i &= \frac{a^{v+1} - 1}{a - 1} \\ &= a^0 + a^1 + a^2 + \dots + a^v \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \sum_{i=0}^v 2^i &= 2^{v+1} - 1 \\ &= 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^v \end{aligned}$$

Solve by backwards substitution:

$$M(n) = 2 \cdot M(n-1) + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} & M(n-1) = 2 \cdot M(n-2) + 1 \\ & = 2 \cdot (2 \cdot M(n-2) + 1) + 1 \\ & = 2^2 \cdot M(n-2) + 2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & M(n-2) = 2 \cdot M(n-3) + 1 \\ & = 2^2 \cdot (2 \cdot M(n-3) + 1) + 2 + 1 \\ & = 2^3 \cdot M(n-3) + 2^2 + 2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & M(n-3) = 2 \cdot M(n-4) + 1 \\ & = 2^3 \cdot (2 \cdot M(n-4) + 1) + 2^2 + 2 + 1 \\ & = 2^4 \cdot M(n-4) + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{after } i \text{ substitutions } \dots \\ & = 2^i \cdot M(n-i) + \underbrace{2^{i-1} + 2^{i-2} + 2^{i-3} + \dots + 2^1 + 2^0}_{\sum_{j=0}^{i-1} 2^j} \\ & = 2^i \cdot M(n-i) + 2^i - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Let } i = n-1 \text{ to reach initial condition} \\ & M(n) = 2^{n-1} \cdot M(n-(n-1)) + 2^{n-1} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & = 2^{n-1} \cdot M(1) + 2^{n-1} - 1 \\ & = 2^{n-1} \cdot 1 + 2^{n-1} - 1 \\ & = 2 \cdot 2^{n-1} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$M(n) = 2^n - 1 \in \Theta(2^n) \text{ exponential}$$