



Design and Analysis Algorithms

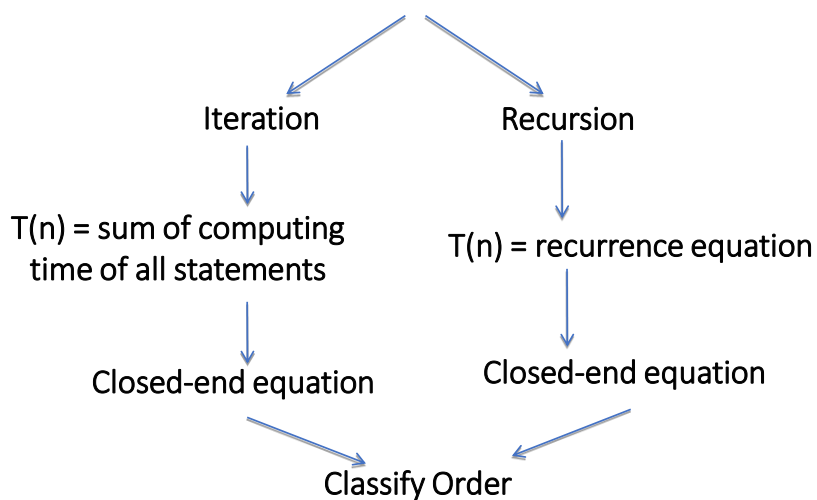
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Algorithm



What is a Recursion ?

Recurrence Relations

Definition: A *recurrence relation* for the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is an equation that expresses a_n in terms of one or more of the previous terms of the sequence, namely, a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1} for all integers n with $n \geq n_0$, where n_0 is a nonnegative integer.



Recurrence Relations

When an algorithm contains a recursion call to itself, we can often describe the running time by *recurrence equation or recurrence*. The recurrence describes the over all running time on the problem of size n in terms of the running time on smaller inputs. *Recurrence* is an equation that describes a function in term of its value on small inputs



A recurrence is an equation that is used to represent the running time of a recursive algorithm

Recurrence relations result naturally from the analysis of recursive algorithms, solving recurrence relations yields a *closed-end formula for calculation of run time*.

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Cases of a Recurrence Relations

A recursive algorithm has two cases:

- (1) Base Case
- (2) Recursive Case

General form of a Recurrence Relations

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & n \leq 1 \\ aT(n/b) + f(n) & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

← Base Case
← Recursive Case

a : the number of times a function calls itself

b : the factor by which the input size is reduced

$f(n)$: the run time of each recursive call



For examples,

Example 1: the recursive Algorithm to compute n! :

```
/* Returns n!= 1*2*3...(n-1)*n for n >= 0. */  
int factorial (int n)  
{  
    if (n == 1) return 1;  
    else  
        return factorial (n-1) * n;  
}
```

The running time, T(n), can be defined as recurrence equation:

```
T(n) = 1    n=1  
T(n) = T(n-1) + 1 for all n>0
```

- As we have seen, a *recursive* function is one that is defined in terms of itself.
- Similarly, a *recurrence* is an equation which is defined in terms of itself.
- In the previous example, *factorial* is a recursive function while the time complexity of this function is expressed in terms of a recurrence:

$$n! = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } n = 1 \\ n * (n - 1)! & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

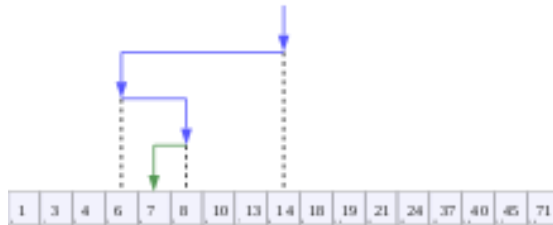
$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } n = 1 \\ T(n - 1) + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Example 2: (binary search tree) a recursive algorithm to search for X element among n stored elements.

```
ALGORITHM BINARY-SEARCH (A, lo, hi, X)  
  
if (lo > hi)  
    return FALSE  
  
mid ← [(lo+hi)/2]  
if x = A[mid]  
    return TRUE if ( x < A[mid] )  
    BINARY-SEARCH (A, lo, mid-1, x)  
  
if ( x > A[mid] )  
    BINARY-SEARCH (A, mid+1, hi, x)
```





The running time, $T(n)$, can be defined as recurrence equation:

$$T(n) = 1 \quad n=1$$

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + 1 \text{ for all } n > 1$$

Lo		mid		hi		
12	18	20	23	35	44	52
<u>a</u> 0	a1	a2	a3	a4	a5	a6



Exercise

```

1) int add (int x)
   {
     if (x == 1) return 5;
     else
       return 1 + add (n-1);
   }

```

Recurrence equation is:

$$T(n) = 1 \quad n=1$$

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + 1 \text{ for all } n > 1$$



Exercise

```
2) int power ( x , n)
{
  if (n == 0)
    return 1;
  else
    if (n == 1)
      return x;
    else
      if (n % 2=0)
        return power(x,n/2) * power(x,n/2) ;
      else
        return return x *power(x,n/2) * power(x,n/2) ;
}
```

Recurrence equation is:

$$T(n) = 1 \quad n=0$$

$$T(n) = 2 \quad n=1$$

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 1 \text{ for all } n>1$$



Solving Recurrence Relations

There are many methods to solve the recurrence relations, some of them are:

- Iteration method.
- The Master method.
- Recursion tree method.



ITERATION METHOD

Iteration method

Iteration is simply the repetition of processing steps. It is used to computing the running time for any recursive algorithm.

Note: We need to solve the recurrence equation by getting the Closed End formula, then calculation of running time.



We will show how this method works by some examples:

Example 1 (Factorial)



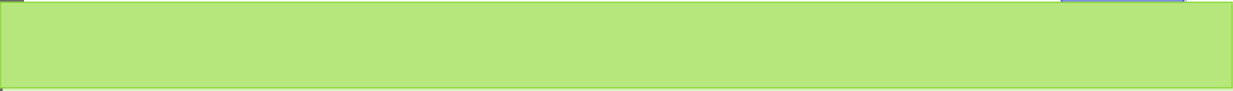
$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0 \\ T(n-1)+1 & \text{for all } n > 0 \end{cases}$$

Answer: Iteration $T(n)$

1 . $T(n) = T(n-1) + 1$

2 Since, $T(n-1) = T(n-1-1) + 1$
 $= T(n-2) + 1$




$$\begin{aligned} \text{then, } T(n) &= T(n-2)+1+1 \\ &= T(n-2) + 2 \end{aligned}$$

3 Since, $T(n-2) = T(n-2-1) + 1$
 $= T(n-3) + 1$



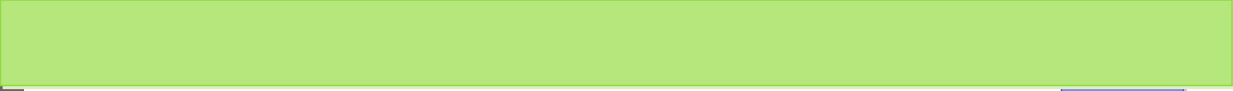
$$\begin{aligned} \text{then, } T(n) &= T(n-3) + 1 + 2 \\ &= T(n-3) + 3 \end{aligned}$$

4 Since, $T(n-3) = T(n-3-1) + 1$
 $= T(n-4) + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then, } T(n) &= T(n-4) + 1 + 3 \\ &= T(n-4) + 4 \end{aligned}$$



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$$\begin{aligned} n \quad T(n) &= T(n-n) + n \\ &= T(0) + n \\ &= 1 + n \end{aligned}$$

The closed end formula: $T(n) = 1 + n$
the running time $T(n) = O(n)$

Example 2 (Binary Search)

Find the closed end formula using the iteration method.



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$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=1 \\ T(n/2) + 1 & \text{for all } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

answer

1 $T(n) = T(n/2) + 1$

2 Since, $T(n/2) = T(n/4) + 1$
 Then, $T(n) = T(n/4) + 1 + 1$
 $= T(n/4) + 2$

3 Since, $T(n/4) = T(n/8) + 1$
 $T(n/2^2) = T(n/2^3) + 1$

Then, $T(n) = T(n/2^3) + 1 + 2$
 $= T(n/2^3) + 3$

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n $T(n) = T(n/2^k) + k$
 Since $T(n) = 1$ suppose that $n/2^k$

$$n = 2^k \quad k = \log_2 n \quad k = \lg n$$

$$T(n) = T(1) + k$$

$$= T(1) + \lg n$$

The closed end formula = $1 + \lg n$
The running time $T(n)$ is $O(\lg n)$.

Example 3:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & n=0 \\ 2T(n-1) + 1 & \text{for all } n > 0 \end{cases}$$

answer

1. $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1$

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2 $T(n-1) = 2T(n-2) + 1$

Then $T(n) = 2[2T(n-2) + 1] + 1$
 $= 4T(n-2) + 2 + 1$

3 $T(n-2) = 2T(n-3) + 1$

Then $T(n) = 4[2T(n-3) + 1] + 2 + 1$
 $= 8T(n-3) + 4 + 2 + 1$
 $= 2^3 T(n-3) + 2^2 + 2 + 1$

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n $T(n) = 2^k T(n-k) + 2^{k-1} + 2^{k-2} + \dots + 2^1 + 2^0$

When $n=0$

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$$n - k = 0 \rightarrow k = n$$

$$T(n) = 2^n T(n-n) + 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-2} + \dots + 2^1 + 2^0$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2^n \cdot T(0) + \sum_0^{n-1} 2^k \\ &= 2^n \cdot 0 + [2^{n-1+1} - 1 / 2 - 1] \\ &= 2^n \cdot 0 + [2^n - 1] \\ &= 2^n - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Geometric series:

$$\sum_{k=0}^n x^k = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n = \frac{x^{n+1} - 1}{x - 1} (x \neq 1)$$

The closed end formula = $2^n - 1$

The running time = $O(2^n)$

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The End.

