

What is the runtime of the following algorithm?



① function  $f$  indicating # of primitive operations on input  $n$

② "best" (smallest)  $g$  s.t.  $f = O(g)$ .

[ for  $i=1$  to  $n$  do  
→ if  $i < 3$  do  
    for  $j=1$  to  $n$  do  
        sum = sum + 1 ]  $O(1)$  ]  $\sum_{j=1}^n 1 = n$

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$f = 2n + n = 3n$   
 $f = O(n)$       ↑

n times we do 3 operations

$\sum_{i \in \{1,2\}} n = 2n$

# Analysis of Recursive Algorithms

Factorial problem:  $5! = 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$   
input:  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^{>0}$   
output:  $n! = n(n-1)(n-2) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$

Solution: an algorithm in pseudo code

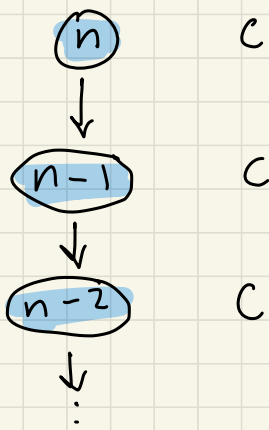
fact(n):  
if  $n=1$  then } d primitive operations  
return 1  
else  
return  $n \cdot \text{fact}(n-1)$  } c prim. ops.

What is its worst-case runtime?

idea : look at the recursion tree.

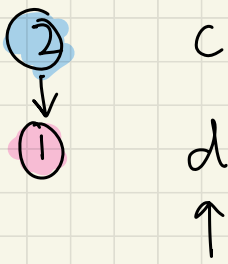
Def the recursion tree for a recursive algorithm A is a tree that shows all of the recursive calls spawned by A on an input of size n.

recursion tree for fact(n):



this recursion tree has  
n "rows" and 1 "column"

$$f = \underline{(n-1)c + d} = O(n)$$



idea #2: use recurrence relation.

Def A recurrence relation is a function  $T(n)$  that is defined in terms of values of  $T(k)$  for  $k < n$ .

$$T(1) = d, \quad T(n) = c + T(n-1)$$

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 base case

How do we find the closed-form solution for  $T(n)$ ?

- iterate the solution a few times
- make a guess about the formula
- prove using induction

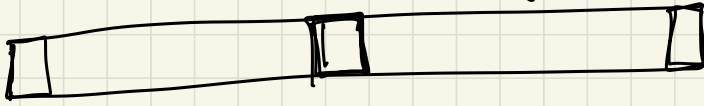
$$\begin{aligned}
 T(1) &= d \\
 T(2) &= c + T(1) = c + d \\
 T(3) &= c + T(2) = c + (c + d) = 2c + d \\
 T(4) &= c + T(3) = c + (2c + d) = 3c + d
 \end{aligned}$$

guess:  $T(n) = (n-1)c + d$ .

prove using induction.  $(n-1)c + d = O(n)$



sorted array  $A$   $x \in A$

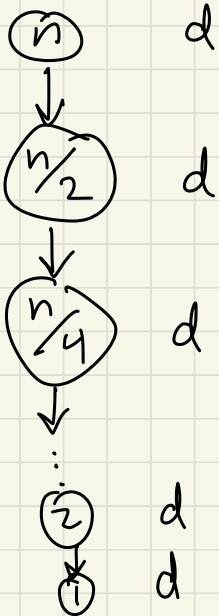


**binarySearch**( $A$ ,  $loIndex$ ,  $hiIndex$ ,  $x$ ):

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1 if  $loIndex > hiIndex$  then
2   return False
3  $middle := \lfloor \frac{loIndex + hiIndex}{2} \rfloor$ 
4 if  $A[middle] = x$  then
5   return True
6 else if  $A[middle] > x$  then
7   return binarySearch( $A$ ,  $loIndex$ ,  $middle - 1$ ,  $x$ )
8 else
9   return binarySearch( $A$ ,  $middle + 1$ ,  $hiIndex$ ,  $x$ )
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To avoid the inefficiency of copying portions of  $A$  with a recursive call is made, this code uses four parameters instead of two: the array  $A$ , the left- and right-most indices in  $A$  to search, and the sought element  $x$ . You call the algorithm **binarySearch**( $A[1 \dots n]$ ,  $1$ ,  $n$ ,  $x$ ) start the recursive search for  $x$  in  $A$ .

recursion trees:



each call takes  $d$  work  
 $\log_2 n$  calls.  
 $d \log_2 n + c = O(\log n)$

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