

Homework Assignment #2
Due: September 29, 3:30 p.m.

1. Consider the following recursive algorithm:

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F(n)
  Precondition: n is a positive integer
  if n = 1 then return 1
  else if n = 2 then return 3
  else return  $F(\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor) + F(\lceil \frac{2n}{3} \rceil) + 1$ 
  end if
end F
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- (a) State a simple postcondition that describes what value F returns.
- (b) Prove that the algorithm terminates and satisfies your postcondition if it is called with any input that satisfies the precondition.