

# JavaScript Problem Set 6 (PS6) Solutions

## Problem 1 Fibonacci (Recursion & DP)

Write a function `fib(n)` to return the `n`-th Fibonacci number.

**Solution:**

```
// Recursive solution
function fib(n) {
  if (n <= 1) return n;
  return fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2);
}

// Optimized with memoization
function fibMemo(n, memo = {}) {
  if (n in memo) return memo[n];
  if (n <= 1) return n;
  memo[n] = fibMemo(n - 1, memo) + fibMemo(n - 2, memo);
  return memo[n];
}
```

## Problem 2 Climbing Stairs (DP)

You are climbing a staircase. It takes 1 or 2 steps at a time. Write a function `climbStairs(n)` that returns the number of ways to reach the top.

**Solution:**

```
function climbStairs(n) {
  let dp = Array(n + 1).fill(0);
  dp[0] = 1;
  dp[1] = 1;
  for (let i = 2; i <= n; i++) {
    dp[i] = dp[i - 1] + dp[i - 2];
  }
  return dp[n];
}
```

### Problem 3 Binary Search

Write a function `binarySearch(arr, target)` that returns the index of the target value in a sorted array, or -1 if the target isn't found.

**Solution:**

```
function binarySearch(arr, target) {
  let left = 0, right = arr.length - 1;
  while (left <= right) {
    let mid = Math.floor((left + right) / 2);
    if (arr[mid] === target) return mid;
    else if (arr[mid] < target) left = mid + 1;
    else right = mid - 1;
  }
  return -1;
}
```

### Problem 4 Permutations (Backtracking)

Write a function `permute(nums)` that returns all possible permutations of an array of numbers.

**Solution:**

```
function permute(nums) {
  let result = [];
  function backtrack(temp = []) {
    if (temp.length === nums.length) {
      result.push([...temp]);
      return;
    }
    for (let i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
      if (temp.includes(nums[i])) continue;
      temp.push(nums[i]);
      backtrack(temp);
      temp.pop();
    }
  }
  backtrack();
  return result;
}
```

### Problem 5 Max Subarray Product

Write a function `maxProduct(nums)` that returns the maximum product of a contiguous subarray.

**Solution:**

```
function maxProduct(nums) {
  let maxProd = nums[0], minProd = nums[0], result = nums[0];
  for (let i = 1; i < nums.length; i++) {
    let temp = maxProd;
    maxProd = Math.max(nums[i], maxProd * nums[i], minProd * nums[i]);
    minProd = Math.min(nums[i], temp * nums[i], minProd * nums[i]);
    result = Math.max(result, maxProd);
  }
  return result;
}
```

## Problem 6 Coin Change (DP)

Given an integer array `coins` representing coins of different denominations and an integer `amount`, return the fewest number of coins that you need to make up that amount.

**Solution:**

```
function coinChange(coins, amount) {
  let dp = Array(amount + 1).fill(Infinity);
  dp[0] = 0;
  for (let coin of coins) {
    for (let i = coin; i <= amount; i++) {
      dp[i] = Math.min(dp[i], dp[i - coin] + 1);
    }
  }
  return dp[amount] === Infinity ? -1 : dp[amount];
}
```

## Problem 7 Find All Subsets (Backtracking)

Write a function `subsets(nums)` that returns all possible subsets of a list of numbers.

**Solution:**

```
function subsets(nums) {
  let result = [];
  function backtrack(start = 0, temp = []) {
    result.push([...temp]);
    for (let i = start; i < nums.length; i++) {
      temp.push(nums[i]);
      backtrack(i + 1, temp);
      temp.pop();
    }
  }
  backtrack();
}
```

```
    return result;
}
```

## Problem 8 Divide and Conquer – Merge Sort

Implement the merge sort algorithm. It should return the sorted array.

**Solution:**

```
function mergeSort(arr) {
  if (arr.length <= 1) return arr;
  let mid = Math.floor(arr.length / 2);
  let left = mergeSort(arr.slice(0, mid));
  let right = mergeSort(arr.slice(mid));
  return merge(left, right);
}

function merge(left, right) {
  let result = [], i = 0, j = 0;
  while (i < left.length && j < right.length) {
    if (left[i] < right[j]) result.push(left[i++]);
    else result.push(right[j++]);
  }
  return result.concat(left.slice(i), right.slice(j));
}
```

## Problem 9 Search in Rotated Sorted Array

Write a function `search(nums, target)` that searches for a target in a rotated sorted array. Return the index if found, or -1.

**Solution:**

```
function search(nums, target) {
  let left = 0, right = nums.length - 1;
  while (left <= right) {
    let mid = Math.floor((left + right) / 2);
    if (nums[mid] === target) return mid;
    if (nums[left] <= nums[mid]) {
      if (nums[left] <= target && target < nums[mid]) right = mid - 1;
      else left = mid + 1;
    } else {
      if (nums[mid] < target && target <= nums[right]) left = mid + 1;
      else right = mid - 1;
    }
  }
}
```

```
    return -1;
}
```

## Problem 10 N-Queens (Backtracking)

The N-Queens problem is a puzzle where you place  $N$  queens on an  $N \times N$  chessboard so that no two queens threaten each other. Write a function `solveNQueens(n)` that returns all distinct solutions to the N-Queens puzzle.

**Solution:**

```
function solveNQueens(n) {
  let result = [];
  function backtrack(row = 0, board = []) {
    if (row === n) {
      result.push(board.map(row => row.join('')));
      return;
    }
    for (let col = 0; col < n; col++) {
      if (isValid(board, row, col)) {
        board[row][col] = 'Q';
        backtrack(row + 1, board);
        board[row][col] = '.';
      }
    }
  }
  function isValid(board, row, col) {
    for (let i = 0; i < row; i++) {
      if (board[i][col] === 'Q' ||
          board[i][col - (row - i)] === 'Q' ||
          board[i][col + (row - i)] === 'Q') {
        return false;
      }
    }
  }
  backtrack();
  return result;
}
```