Recursion Application and Examples

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Example-Fibonanci series

Fibonnacci Sequence

- 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34,
- Each element is the sum of the two preceding elements with

```
fib(0) = 0

fib(1) = 1

fib(n) = n

fib(n) = fib(n-2) + fib(n-1)

if n == 0 \text{ or } n == 1

if n >= 2
```

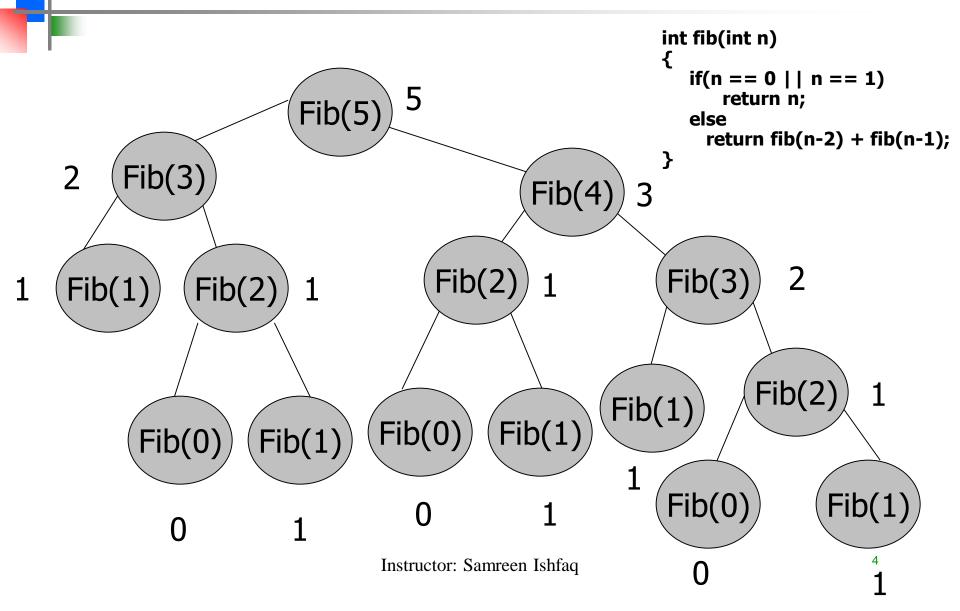
• E.g.

Recursive Programming

Fibonnacci Sequence (0,1,1,2,3,5,8,13,.....)

```
fib(n) = n
                                 if n == 0 or n == 1
fib(n) = fib(n-2) + fib(n-1)
                                        if n \ge 2
int fib(int n)
    if(n == 0 || n == 1)
           return n;
    else
           return fib(n-2) + fib(n-1)
```

Problem To Solved (Fib(5))



Dry Run (Home Task)

• Find fib(7) and how many function calls were executed?

Example – Find



- To find an element in an array
- Base case
 - If array is empty, return false
- Recursive step
 - If 1st element of array is given value, return true
 - Skip 1st element and recur on remainder of array

Example – Count



- To count # of elements in an array
- Base case
 - If array is empty, return 0
- Recursive step
 - Skip 1st element and recur on remainder of array
 - Add 1 to result

Example 1:

```
Input: x=3, n=5
                             Show complete Dry Run.
                             What does this function do/compute?
int F(int x,int n)
                             What will be the output of this function?
                             How many functions calls are there?
       if(n==0)
              return 1;
       else
              return F(x,n-1)*x;
```

Solution:

Example 2:

```
Input: N=5
                             Show complete Dry Run.
                             What does this function do/compute?
int F(int n)
                             What will be the output of this function?
                             How many functions calls are there?
       if(n==0)
              return 0;
       else
              return n+F(n-1);
```

Example 3:

Input:

```
int f(char c1,char c2)
if(c1>c2)
       return 0;
if(c1+1==c2)
       return 1;
  return f(c1+1,c2-1)+2;
Function call with:
F('a','e'); & F('h','c');
```

- Show complete Dry Run.
- 2. What does this function do/compute?
- 3. What will be the output of this function?
- 4. How many functions calls are there?

Example 4:

```
void F(char ch)
     if('A'<=ch && ch <='H')
        F(ch-1)
        cout<<ch;
     else
        cout<<endl;
```

Input: F('G')

- . Show complete Dry Run.
- 2. What does this function do/compute?
- 3. What will be the output of this function?
- 4. How many functions calls are there?

Example 5:

```
void F(char ch)
     if('A'<=ch && ch <='H')
        F(ch+1)
        cout<<ch;
     else
        cout<<endl;
```

Input: F('C')

- .. Show complete Dry Run.
- 2. What does this function do/compute?
- 3. What will be the output of this function?
- 4. How many functions calls are there?

Example 6:

```
void F(char ch)
     if('A'<=ch && ch <='H')
        cout<<ch;
         F(ch-1)
     else
        cout<<endl;
```

Input: F('C')

- L. Show complete Dry Run.
- 2. What does this function do/compute?
- 3. What will be the output of this function?
- 4. How many functions calls are there?

Example 7:

```
void F(char ch)
     if('A'<=ch && ch <='H')
        cout<<ch;
         F(ch-1)
     else
        cout<<endl;
```

Input: F('3')

- L. Show complete Dry Run.
- 2. What does this function do/compute?
- 3. What will be the output of this function?
- 4. How many functions calls are there?