

## Today's Content:

- Recursion Basics
- Towers of Hanoi
- Gray code
- 7:05 start

Recursion: Solving Problems using subproblems, called recursion

Steps:

Assumption: Decide what your function does

Main logic: Solving assumption using subproblems

Base Condition: When to stop

Fact(N):  $N \geq 0$

$$\text{fact}(3) = 3 * 2 * 1 = 6$$

$$\text{fact}(5) = 5 * 4 * 3 * 2 * 1 = 120$$

Ass: Given  $N$ , calculate & return  $N!$   $\rightarrow$  // function calls

\_\_\_\_\_ fact(N) {

SC: max stack size:

if ( $N \leq 1$ ) { return 1 }  
return  $N * \frac{\text{fact}(N-1)}{f(N-1)}$   
}

max stack size: 4

fact(1): return 1

fact(2): return  $2 * \text{fact}(1)$

fact(3): return  $3 * \frac{\text{fact}(2)}{2}$

fact(4): return  $4 * \frac{\text{fact}(3)}{6}$

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Recursive Relation TC:

Assume time  $\text{fact}(N) = f(N)$

$$f(N) = 1 + f(N-1)$$

$$f(0) = 1, f(1) = 1$$

TO DO

SC:  $O(N)$ : We store  $N$  function in stack.

## Towers of Hanoi:

→ Given 3 Towers A, B, C

→ N discs {inc order of radius} placed on Tower A

→ Move all disc from A → C using B

Note:

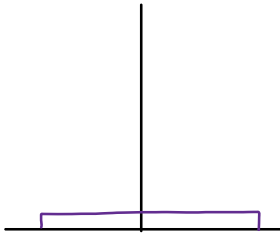
Only 1 disc can be moved at a time

larger disc cannot be placed on a smaller disc

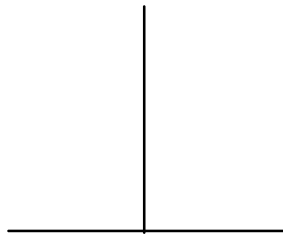
Q) Print movement of discs

N=1

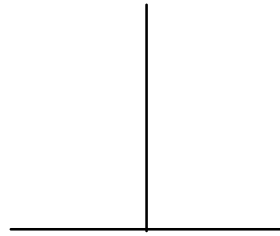
A



B

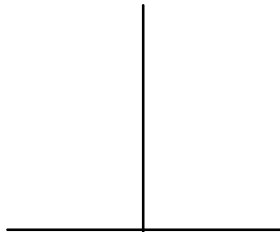


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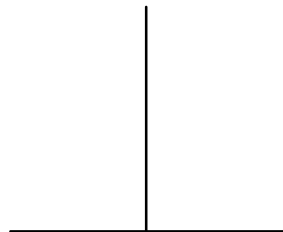


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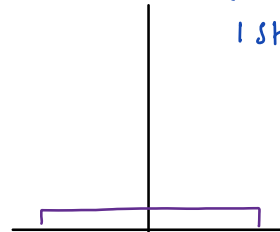
A



B

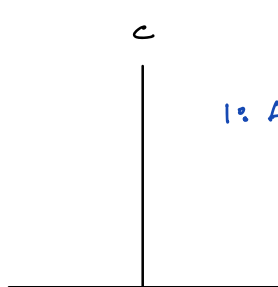
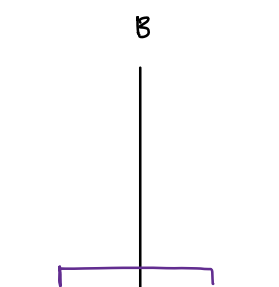
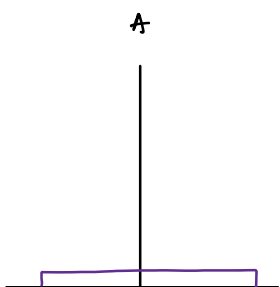
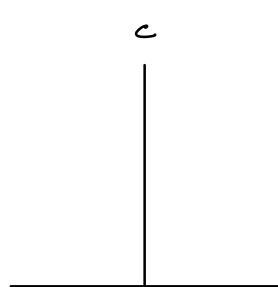
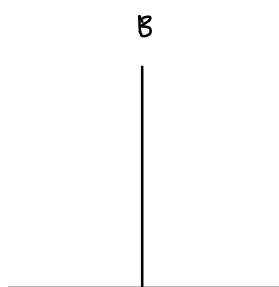
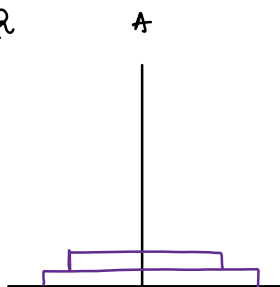


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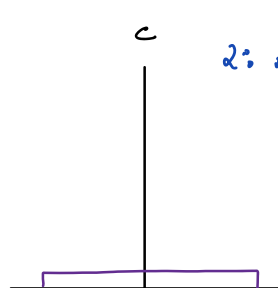
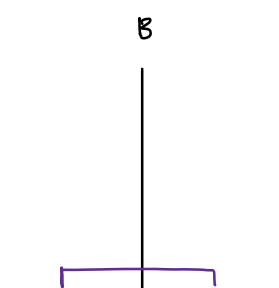
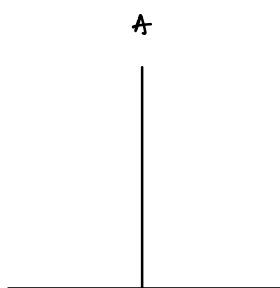


1: A → C  
1 step

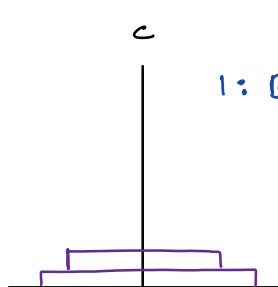
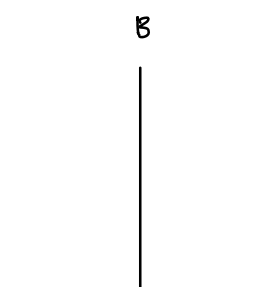
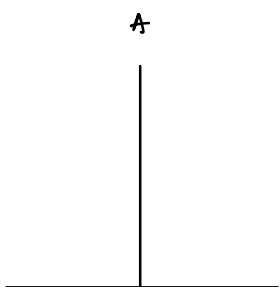
N=2



1:  $A \rightarrow B$



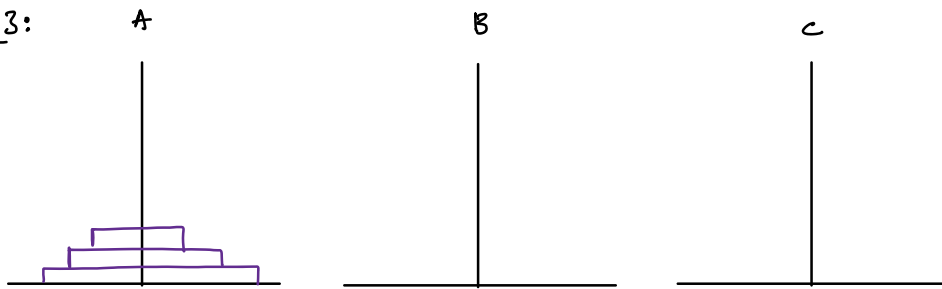
2:  $A \rightarrow C$



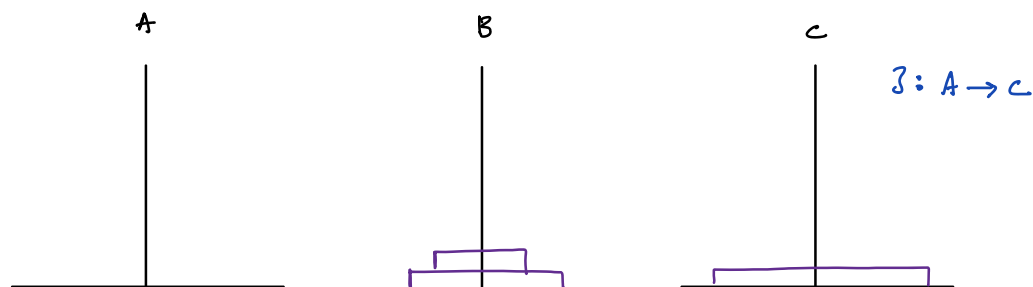
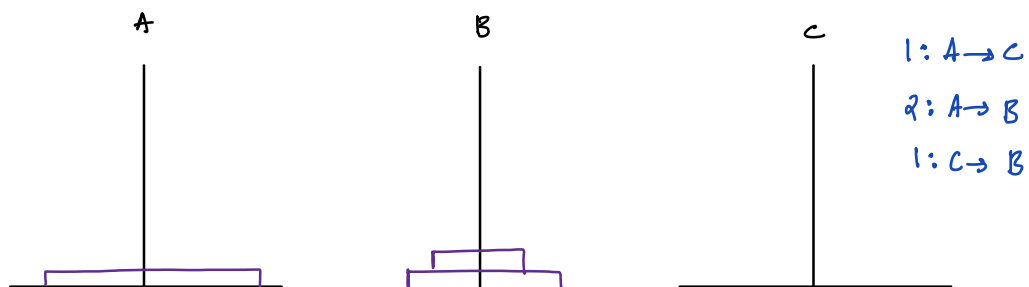
1:  $B \rightarrow C$

3 steps

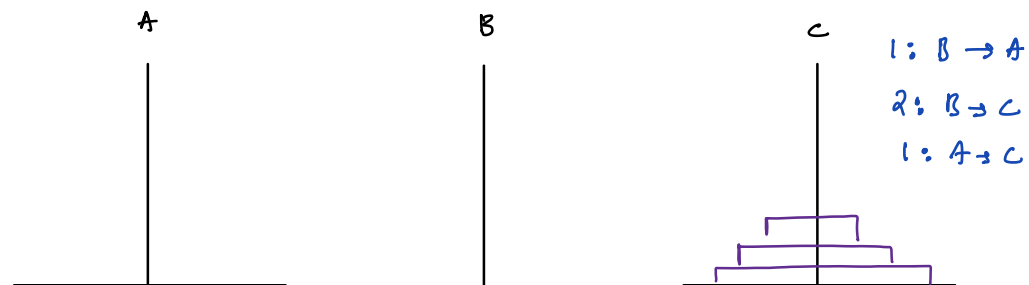
N=3:



1<sup>st</sup> 2 discs from A  $\rightarrow$  B : {Subproblem}

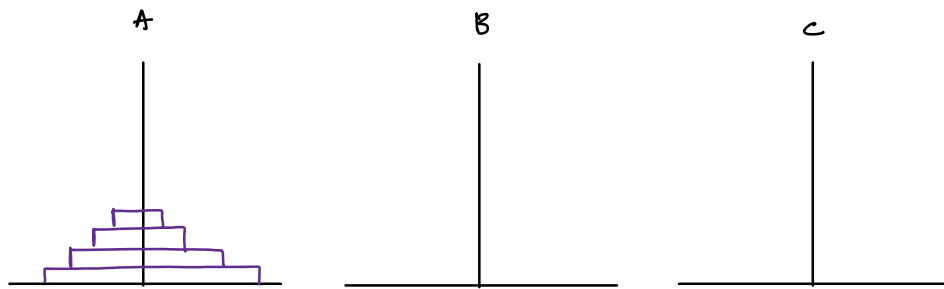


1<sup>st</sup> 2 discs from B  $\rightarrow$  C

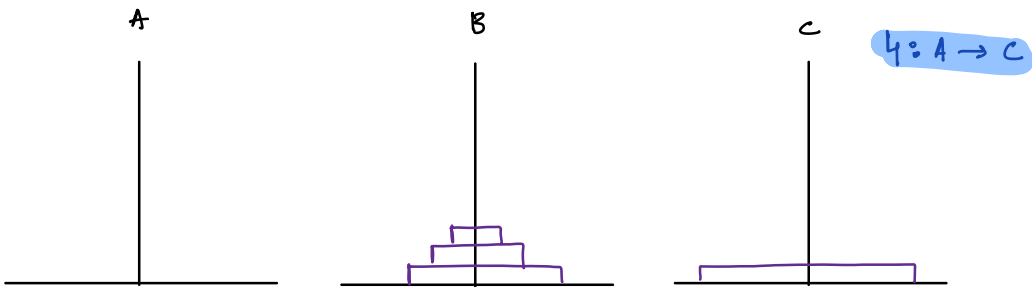
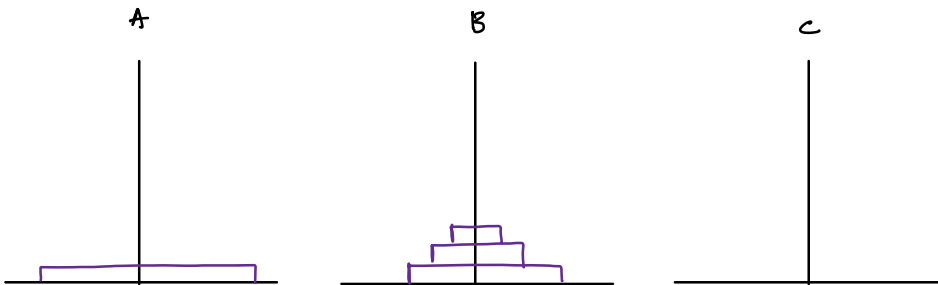


7 Steps

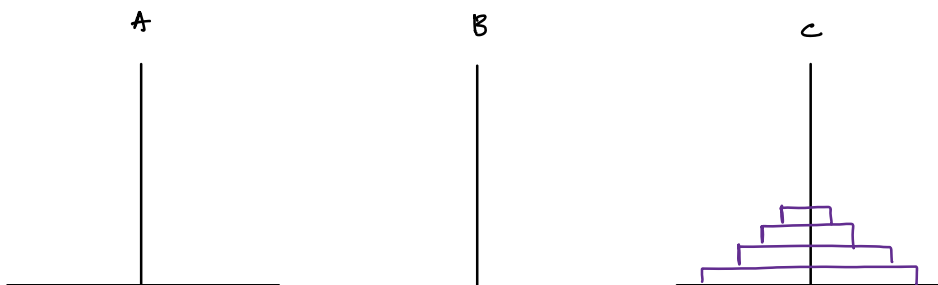
N=4:



move 3 discs from A  $\rightarrow$  B : 7 steps

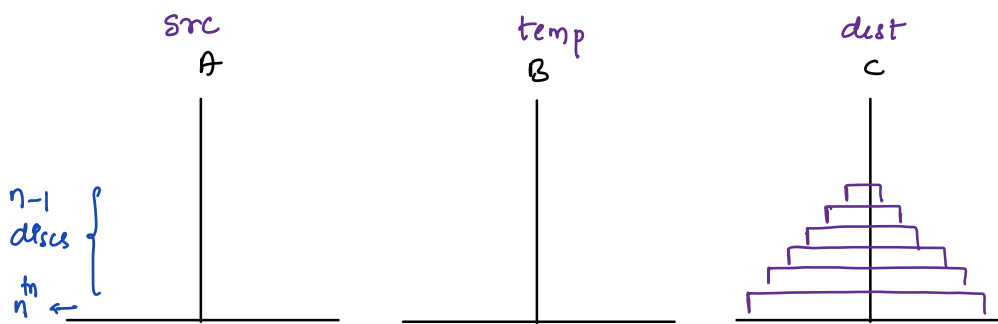


move 3 discs from B  $\rightarrow$  C : 7 steps



Total = 15 Steps

Idea: N discs



Pseudo Code:  $\rightarrow$  min no. of steps TODO / Cross Check

Ass: Print step by step movement of all N discs from  $S \rightarrow D$  using T

```
void TOH(srcint n, tempchar S, destchar T, char D) {  
    if(n == 0) { return } // nothing to print  
    TOH(n-1, S, D, T) // step by step n-1 disc from S  $\rightarrow$  T using D  
    print( $N^{\text{th}}$ : S  $\rightarrow$  D) // Move  $N^{\text{th}}$  disc from S  $\rightarrow$  D  
    TOH(n-1, T, S, D) // step by step n-1 disc from T  $\rightarrow$  D using S  
}
```

Rough:

```
void TOH(n S T D) {  
    1 if(n == 0) { return }  
    2 TOH(n-1, S, D, T)  
    3 print( $N^{\text{th}}$ : S  $\rightarrow$  D)  
    4 TOH(n-1, T, S, D)  
}
```

Line 2  $\Rightarrow$  T & D will interchange  
Line 4  $\Rightarrow$  S & T will interchange



Tracing:

src tmp dst  
↑ ↑ ↑  
TOH(3, A B C)

n src + dst  
2: TOH(2, A, C, B) ✓

n src + dst  
2: TOH(1, A, B, C) ✓

n src + dst  
2: TOH(0, A, C, B) : return

3: print(1: A → C)

n src + dst  
4: TOH(0, B, A, C) : return

3: print(2: A → B)

n src + dst  
4: TOH(1, C, A, B) ✓

2: TOH(0, C, B, A) : return

3: print(1: C → B)

4: TOH(0, A, C, B) : return

3: print(3: A → C)

n src + dst  
4: TOH(2, B, A, C) : function call trace TODO

}

Output:

1: A → C

2: A → B

1: C → B

3: A → C

N → Steps

1 2,  $2^1 - 1$

2 3,  $2^2 - 1$

3 7,  $2^3 - 1$

4 15,  $2^4 - 1$

N →  $2^N - 1$

if we print  $2^N - 1$  steps

TC:  $O(2^N)$

Recursive Relation:

Assume time taken to move N disc =  $f(n)$

$$f(n) = 2 * f(n-1) + 1, f(0) = 1$$

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

$$= 2 * [2f(n-2) + 1] + 1 \Rightarrow 4f(n-2) + 3$$

$$= 4f(n-2) + 3 \rightarrow 2^2 f(n-2) + 2^2 - 1$$

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

$$= 4[2f(n-3) + 1] + 3 \Rightarrow 8f(n-3) + 7$$

$$= 8f(n-3) + 7 \rightarrow 2^3 f(n-3) + 2^3 - 1$$

$$f(n-3) = 2f(n-4) + 1$$

$$= 8[2f(n-4) + 1] + 7 \Rightarrow 16f(n-4) + 15$$

$$= 16f(n-4) + 15 \rightarrow 2^4 f(n-4) + 2^4 - 1$$

After k steps:

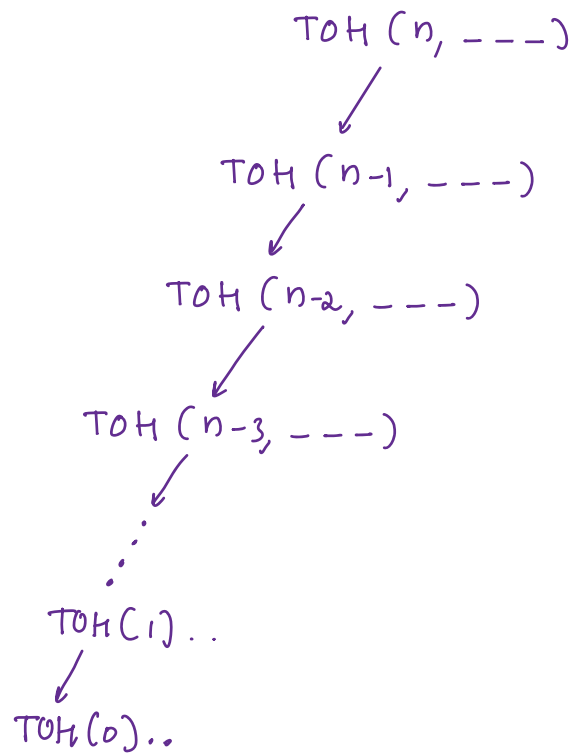
$$= 2^k f(n-k) + 2^k - 1, f(0) = 1, \text{ if } n-k=0, k=n$$

$$= 2^n f(0) + 2^n - 1$$

$$= 2^n + 2^n - 1 = 2 * 2^n - 1 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{TC:  $O(2^n)$ }}$$

SC: max stack size:  $N+1 \Rightarrow O(N)$

Doubts: refer fibnacci  
space complexity



Gray Code: {  $\rightarrow$  }

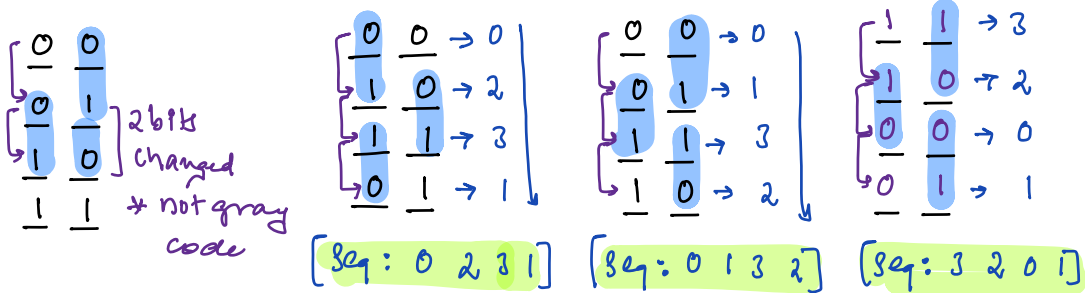
#count:  $2^n$  elements

Given  $N$ , generate all  $N$  bits numbers

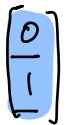
Note: Numbers in sequence should differ by exactly 1 bit

We can return any valid sequence that works

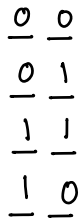
Ex:  $N=2$



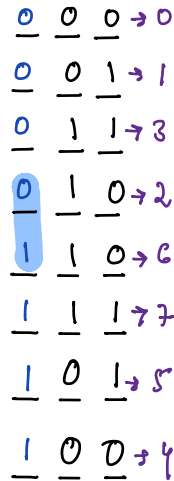
$N=1$ :



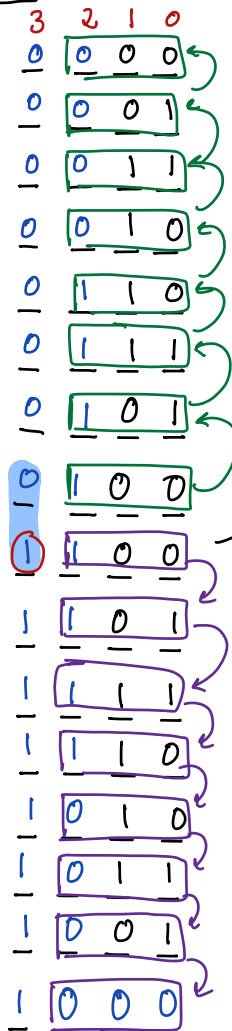
$N=2$ :



$N=3$ :



$N=4$ :



Ass: Given  $N$ , return  $N$  bit gray code seq

list<int> grayCode( $n$ ) {  $n \geq 0$

if( $n == 1$ ) { list b; b.insert(0), b.insert(1) return b }

list sb = grayCode( $n-1$ ); // gray code of  $n-1$  bits

list ans; // gray code of  $n$  bits

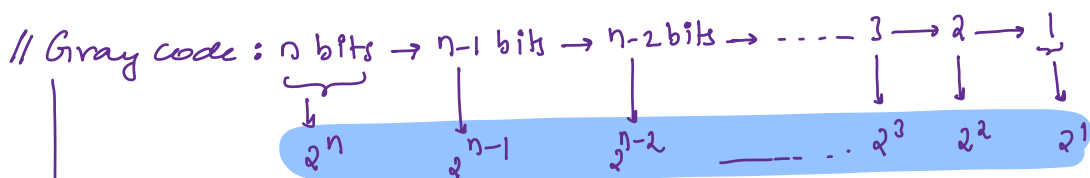
i = 0; i < sb.size(); i++ { // add 0 at  $n-1^{\text{th}}$  bit,

ans.insert(sb[i]) // decimal value won't change

i = sb.size() - 1; i >= 0; i-- {

// set  $n-1^{\text{th}}$  bit pos for all number  
ans.insert(sb[i] +  $\underbrace{1 \ll (n-1)}_{2^{n-1}}$ )

return ans;



$$\rightarrow TC: 2^n + 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-2} + \dots + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1 \approx 2^{n+1} - 2 \approx \underline{\underline{O(2^N)}}$$

$$SC: O(2^n) + \underline{\underline{recursive stack size}}$$

for gray  
code seq

$$\hookrightarrow O(N)$$

graycode(N=3) {

list<int> sb = graycode(N-1)

sb = {0 1 3 2}

ans = {0 1 3 2 2+4 3+4 1+4 0+4} =  
          sb[i]           sb[i]

ans = {0 1 3 2 6 7 5 4}

graycode(N=2) {

list<int> sb = graycode(N-1)

sb = 0 1

ans = 0 1   1+2 0+2 = 0 1 3 2  
          sb[i]   sb[i]

return ans

graycode(N=1) {

list<int> b = {0, 1}

return b