



A **recursive solution** is a solution that is defined in terms of itself.

- Learn how to model and solve complex problems with computers
- To that end:
 - Explore common abstractions for representing problems
 - Harness recursion and understand how to think about problems recursively.
- Quantitatively analyze different approaches for solving problems

Perfect Numbers: A positive integer n is called a perfect number if it's equal to the sum of its positive divisors (excluding itself)

To find the first four perfect numbers:

```

#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

/* Returns the sum of the positive divisors of the number n >= 0. */
int sumOfDivisorsOf(int n) {
    int total = 0;
    for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) {
        if (n % i == 0) {
            total += i;
        }
    }
    return total;
}

int main() {
    int found = 0; // How many perfect numbers we've found
    int number = 1; // Next number to test

    /* Keep looking until we've found four perfect numbers. */
    while (found < 4) {
        /* A number is perfect if the sum of its divisors is equal to it. */
        if (sumOfDivisorsOf(number) == number) {
            cout << number << endl;
            found++;
        }
        number++;
    }
    return 0;
}

```

In Python, indentation alone determines nesting.

In C++, indentation is nice, but **curly braces** alone determine nesting.

{ }

In Python, newlines mark the end of statements.

In C++, individual statements must have a semicolon (;) after them.

;

In Python, you print output by using print().

In C++, you use the **stream insertion operator** (<<) to push data to the console. (Pushing endl prints a newline.)

//

In Python, you can optionally put parentheses around conditions in if statements and while loops.

In C++, these are mandatory.

..

<< endl

()

Python and C++ each have **for** loops, but the syntax is different. (Check the textbook for more details about how this works!)

C++ has an operator ++ that means "add one to this variable's value." Python doesn't have this.

for(; ;)

++

In Python, comments start with # and continue to the end of the line.

In C++, there are two styles of comments. Comments that start with /* continue until */. Comments that start with // continue to the end of the line.

In Python, each object has a type, but it isn't stated explicitly.

In C++, you *must* give a type to each variable. (The **int** type represents an integer.)

//
/*
*/

int
double

In Python, statements can be either in a function or at the top level of the program.

In C++, all statements must be inside of a function.

- C++ is a great language for writing high-performance code that takes advantage of underlying hardware.

- Compiling C++ code introduces some delays between changing the code and running the code.

- C++ programs, generally, run much faster than Python programs

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    return M_PI * r * r;
}

int maxOf(int first, int second) {
    if (first > second) {
        return first;
    }
    return second;
}

void printNumber(int n) {
    cout << "I like " << n << endl;
}
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"""          Python Version          """
def areaOfCircle(r):
    return math.pi * r * r

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    if first > second:
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def printNumber(n):
    print("I like " + str(n))
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/*          Java Version          */
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Functions in C++ work like functions in Python/JavaScript or like methods in Java. They (optionally) take in parameters, perform a calculation, then (optionally) return a value.

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You define a function by writing

```

return-type fn-name(args) {
    // ... code goes here ...
}

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All variables in C++ need a type. Some common types include **int** (integer), **double** (real number), and **bool** (true/false),

If a function does not return a value, its return type should be the cool-but-scary-sounding **void**.