

# Dynamic Programming

'Those who don't remember the past are condemned to repeat it'

Dynamic Programming is an optimization technique used to solve problem by

- breaking them into smaller subproblem
- Solving each sub problem once
- storing their solution.

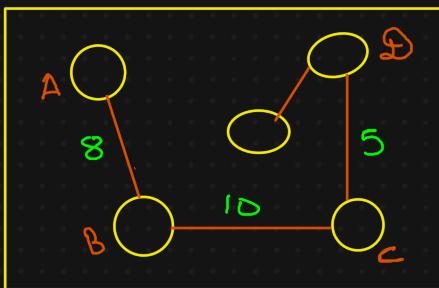
Eg: Trip Itinerary

A - C - B

$$\hookrightarrow \underline{AC} + \underline{CB} = 15$$

A - C  
 $\hookrightarrow AB + BC = 18$

A - D  
 $\hookrightarrow AB + BC + CD = 23$



Pre-requisites:-

1. Recursion

2. List

3. 2-D List

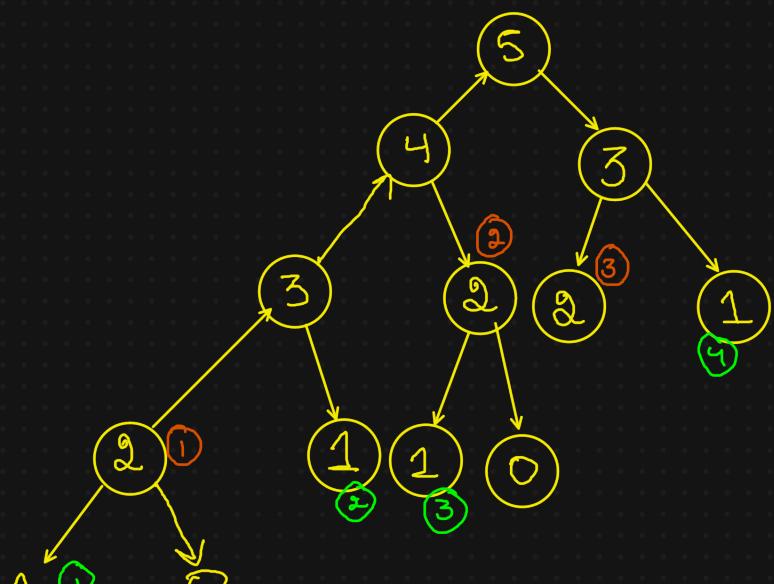
4. Indexing

5. Recursion

## Fibonacci Series

1 1 2 3 5 8 13 . . .

```
def fib_recursive(n):  
    if (n <= 1)  
        return 1  
    return fib_recursive(n-1) + fib_recursive(n-2)
```



We are making a lots  
of duplicate calls

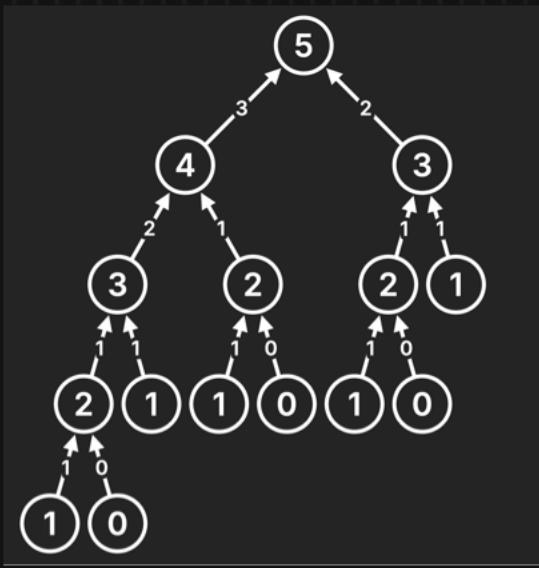
Time complexity =  $2^n$

We are just making  
( $n+1$ ) unique calls.  
0 . . . . .  $n$

We should somehow store the results for numbers we already have calculated Fibonacci/answers for.

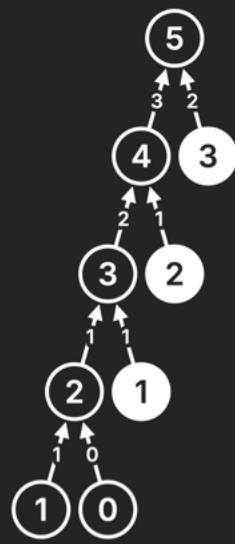
List which stores the answers already calculated.

# Time Complexity : Memoization code



Recursion

$O(2^n)$



Memoization

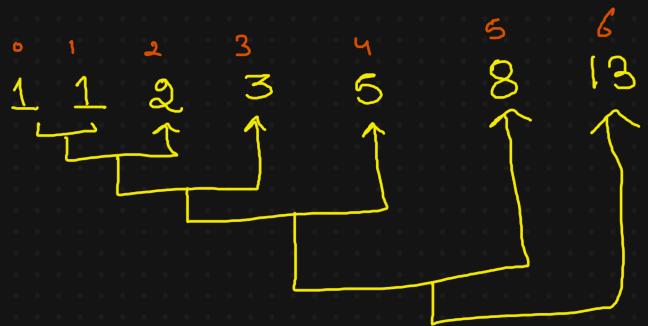
$O(n)$

memoD



Each number, fibonacci  
just calculated 1 time.

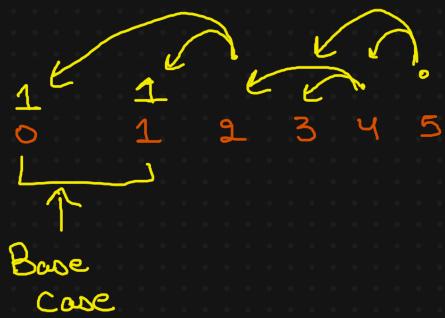
# Fibonacci Numbers : A Dynamic Programming Approach



Bottom up

Tabulation

We want to calculate the answer from bottom.



Top - down

Memoization

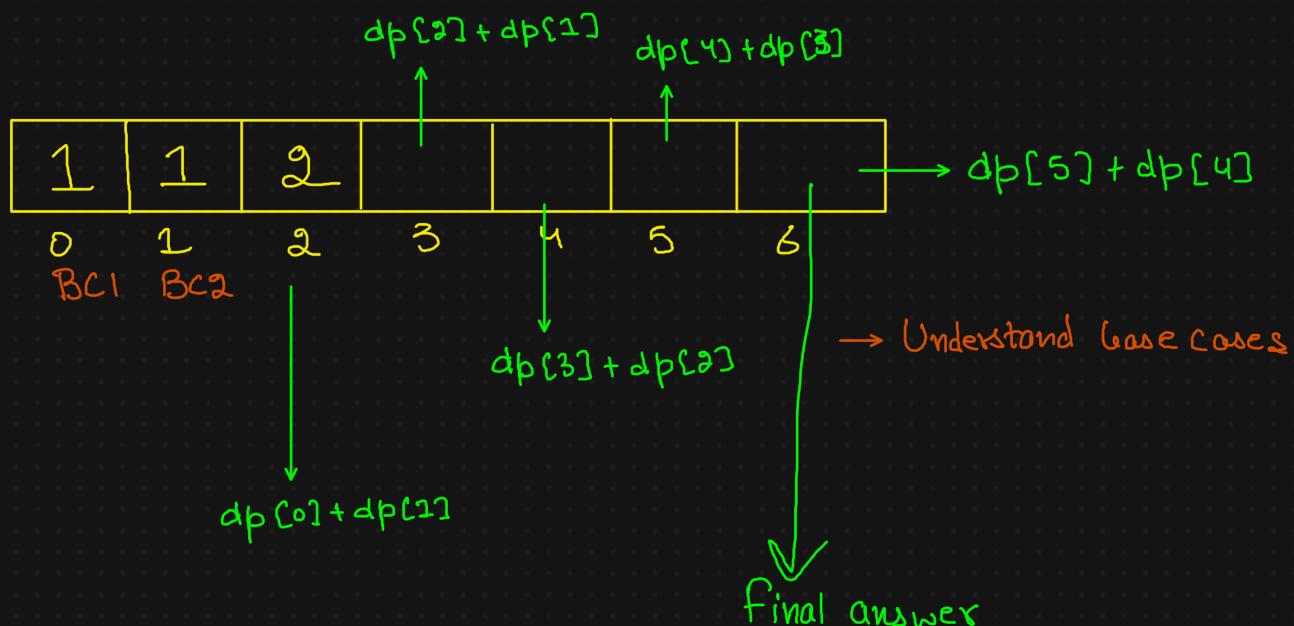
here as we use recursion, extra call stack memory is required

→ Recursion

→ Recursion + Memoization → storing sub problem solution

→ bottom up / tabulation → no recursion, directly storing the solution.

Tabulation Approach



## Time Complexity : Tabulation Approach

dp → used to store answer to sub-problems in a bottom-up manner

→ recursive

→ memoization

→ tabulation / Pure- $\text{DP}$

## Minimum steps to reduce n to 1

→ Given a number  $n$ , we have to tell minimum number of steps required to reduce the number to 1. Below operations are allowed

1. subtract 1

2. divide by 2

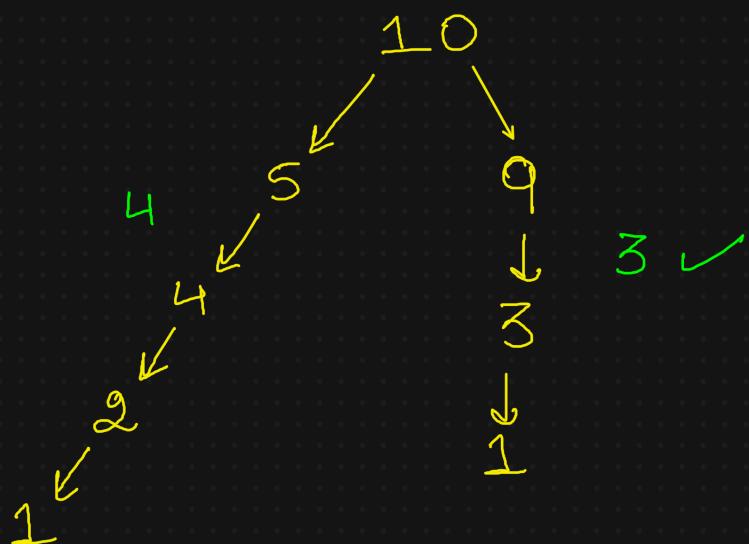
3. divide by 3

$$7 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$$



$$9 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 30 & \rightarrow & 10 \\ & \downarrow & \leftarrow \\ & 15 & \\ & \downarrow & \\ 29 & & \end{array}$$



always reducing by greatest magnitude is not the solution.

1. recursion

2. Memoization

3. Tabulation

Minimum steps to 1 → Solution

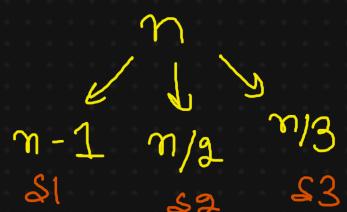
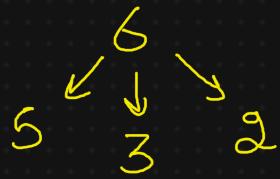
- 1] reduce by 1
- 2] divide by 2
- 3] divide by 3

## Recursion

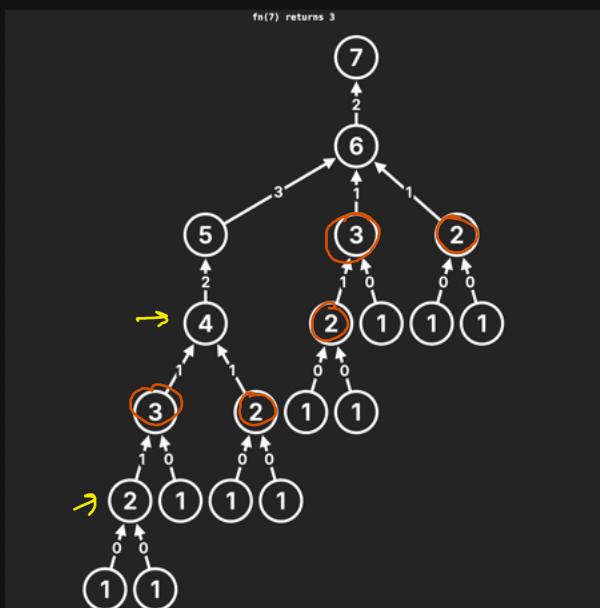
1. Base case

if  $n = 1$

2. Recursive call



3. Our work  $\min(s_1, s_2, s_3) + 1$



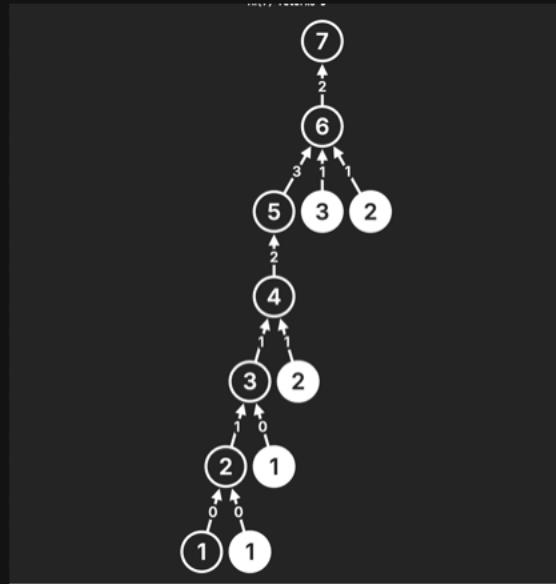
We see that in recursion approach we have many subproblems which we need to solve again and again.

→ we can use DP here to solve & save the solution of sub-problems

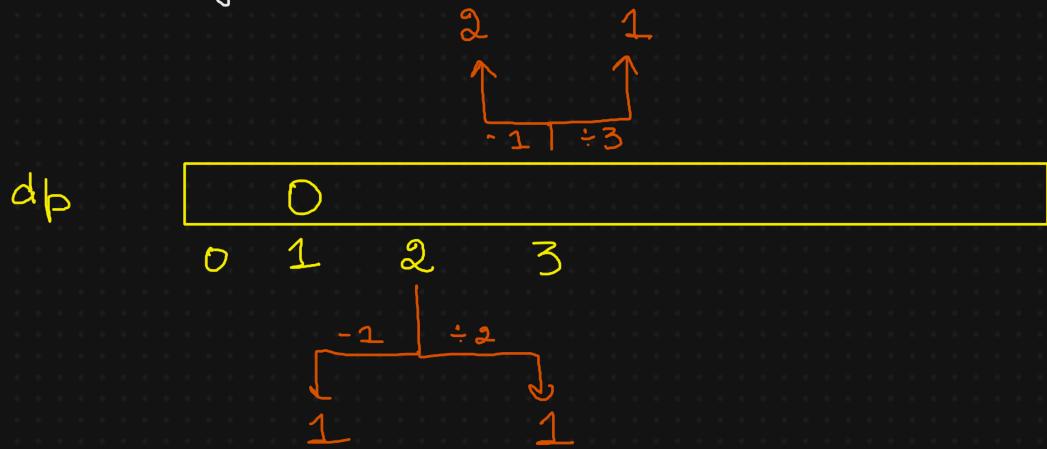
memo

	0	1	1	2	3	2	3
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Recursion tree  
with memorization.



Solution using tabulation



balanced

Number of possible binary tree with given height

$h = 1$

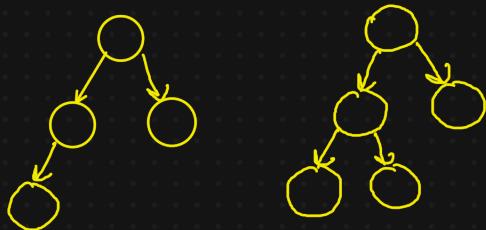


$h = 2$

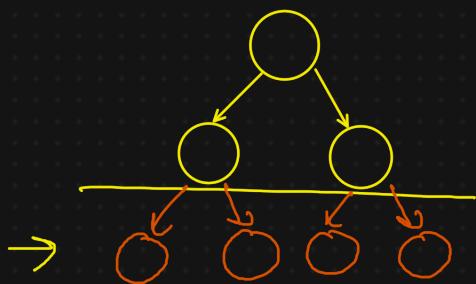


$\approx 3$

$h = 3$

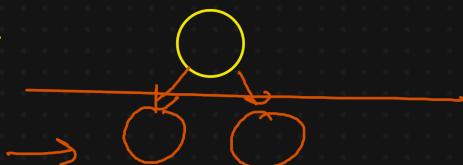


$\approx 15$



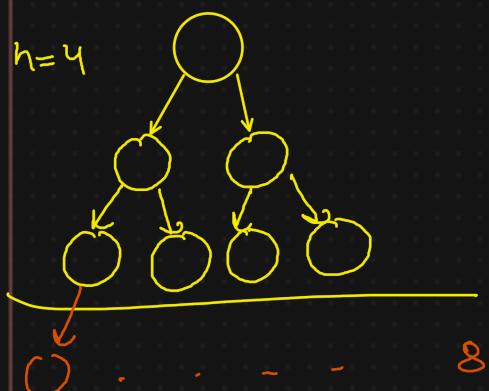
$$2^4 - 1 = 15$$

$h = 2$

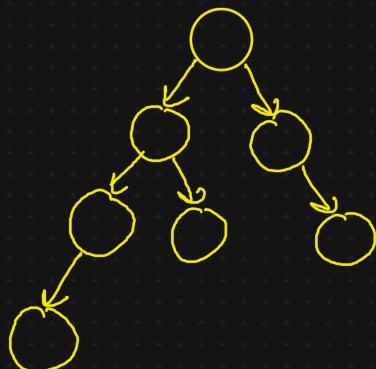


$$2^2 - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

$h = 4$

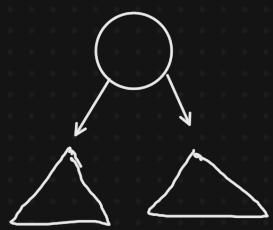


$$2^8 - 1 = 256 - 1 = 255$$



$h = 4$

We are assuming that  
tree with  $(h-1)$  height  
will be complete.



$h$  and balanced.

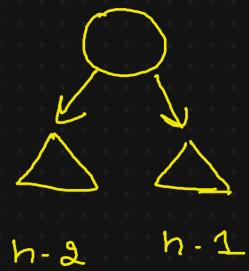
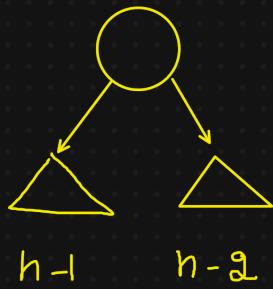
→  $(h-1) \quad (h-1)$   
 $(h-1) \quad (h-2) \Rightarrow$  as still balanced because diff.  $\leq 1$   
 $(h-2) \quad (h-1)$

$h_{\text{minus}} 1$

$h_{\text{minus}} 2$

$$\text{ans} = (h_1 \times h_1) + (2^h \times h_1 \times h_2)$$

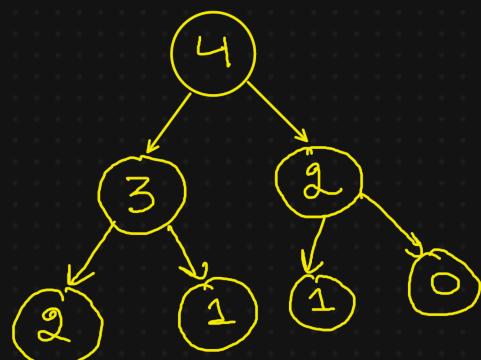
# Balanced Binary Tree of given height $h$ — Solution



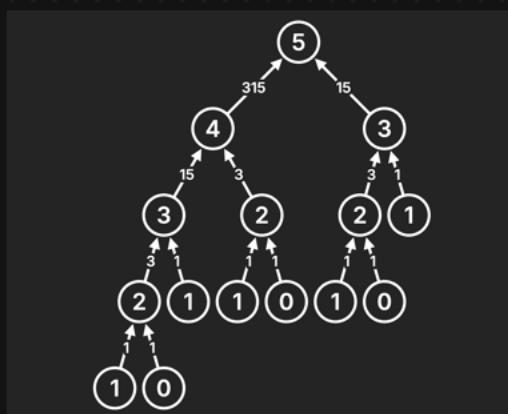
1. Base Case ✓
2. Recursive call ✓
3. Our work

$$\text{Ans} = h_1 \times h_1 + 2(h_1 \times h_2)$$

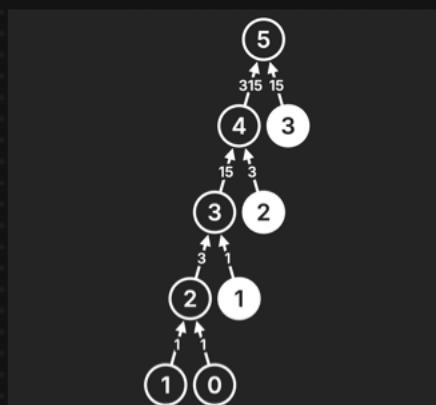
\* In some other languages, to prevent overflow the answer is bounded by taking mod wrt a number.



Complexity  $\rightarrow 2^n$



Recursion

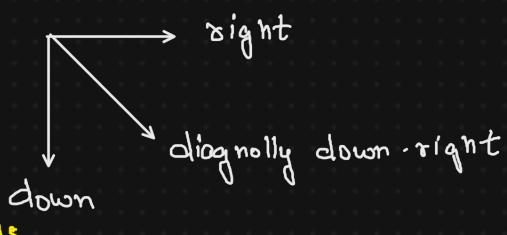


Memoization



## Min Cost path

1	2	3
4	8	2
1	5	3



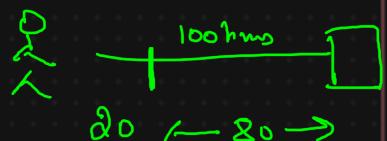
1. recursive
2. Memoization
3. Tabulation



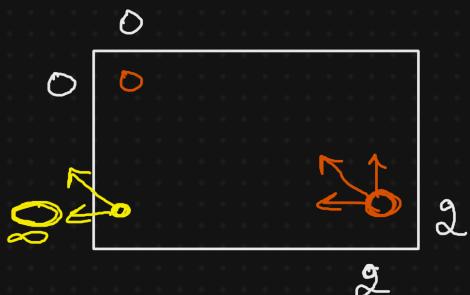
$2, 2$

Directions in which we can move -

1. right  $(0,0) \rightarrow (0,1)$
2. down  $(0,0) \rightarrow (1,0)$
3. Diagonally  $(0,0) \rightarrow (1,1)$



Min cost path - Recursive Solution



$m, n$

$(0,0)$

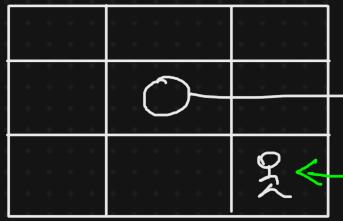
1. left

2. Top

3. diag

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cost_matrix = [
    [1, 2, 3],
    [4, 8, 2],
    [1, 5, 3]
]
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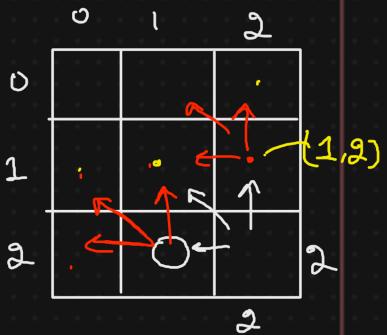
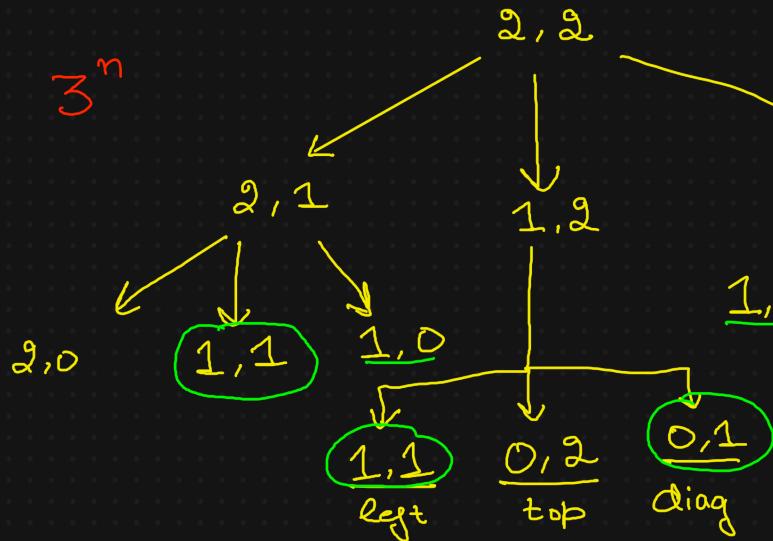




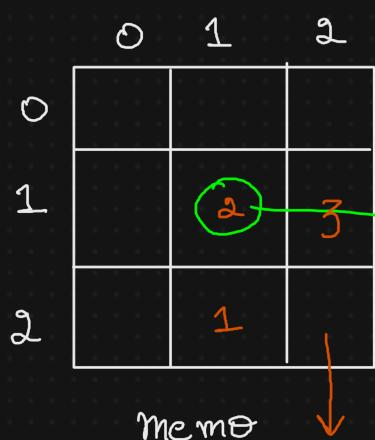
↑  
start, end

minimum

→ cost to reach this point from (m, n)



these are subproblems  
which we are solving  
again and again



\* give the ans to  
our subproblem

1. Space or list size

2. what each box signifies

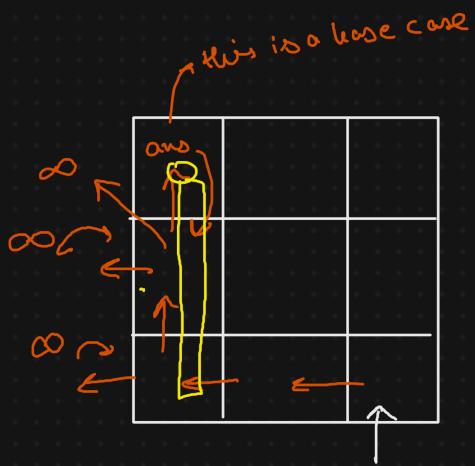
i.e. minm cost path from 0,0  
to this box (or vice versa)

$$\min(c_1, c_2, c_3) + \text{cost}_{m,n}$$

$m \times n$  will be size of our memo list

Steps for solving 2-D DP using memorization.

1. Solve problem using recursion
2. Create recursion tree and see if sub-problems are overlapping
3. Find out unique subproblems.
4. Create the memo space
5. Define what each box or individual memory in space signify.
6. Write down code and save the solution.



Minimum cost path  $\rightarrow$  tabulation approach

