

# 15. Recursion

**Recursion** in java is a process in which a method calls itself continuously. A method in java that calls itself is called recursive method.

It makes the code compact but complex to understand.

## Syntax:

1. returntype methodname(){
2. //code to be executed
3. methodname();//calling same method
4. }

## Java Recursion Example 1: Infinite times

1. **public class** RecursionExample1 {
2. **static void** p(){
3. System.out.println("hello");
4. p();
5. }
- 6.
7. **public static void** main(String[] args) {
8. p();
9. }
10. }

## Output:

```
hello
hello
...
java.lang.StackOverflowError
```

## Java Recursion Example 2: Finite times

1. **public class** RecursionExample2 {
2. **static int** count=0;
3. **static void** p(){
4. count++;
5. **if**(count<=5){
6. System.out.println("hello "+count);
7. p();
8. }
9. }

```
10. public static void main(String[] args) {  
11. p();  
12. }  
13. }
```

#### Output:

```
hello 1  
hello 2  
hello 3  
hello 4  
hello 5
```

#### Java Recursion Example 3: Factorial Number

```
1. public class RecursionExample3 {  
2.     static int factorial(int n){  
3.         if (n == 1)  
4.             return 1;  
5.         else  
6.             return(n * factorial(n-1));  
7.     }  
8.  
9. public static void main(String[] args) {  
10. System.out.println("Factorial of 5 is: "+factorial(5));  
11. }  
12. }
```

#### Output:

```
Factorial of 5 is: 120
```

#### Java Recursion Example 4: Fibonacci Series

```
1. public class RecursionExample4 {  
2.     static int n1=0,n2=1,n3=0;  
3.     static void printFibo(int count){  
4.         if(count>0){  
5.             n3 = n1 + n2;  
6.             n1 = n2;  
7.             n2 = n3;  
8.             System.out.print(" "+n3);  
9.             printFibo(count-1);  
10.        }  
11.    }
```

```

12.
13. public static void main(String[] args) {
14.     int count=15;
15.     System.out.print(n1+" "+n2);//printing 0 and 1
16.     printFibo(count-2);//n-2 because 2 numbers are already printed
17. }
18. }

```

**Output:**

```
0 1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 55 89 144 233 377
```

## Wrapper class in Java

**Wrapper class in java** provides the mechanism to convert primitive into object and object into primitive.

Since J2SE 5.0, **autoboxing** and **unboxing** feature converts primitive into object and object into primitive automatically. The automatic conversion of primitive into object is known as autoboxing and vice-versa unboxing.

The eight classes of **java.lang** package are known as wrapper classes in java. The list of eight wrapper classes are given below:

Primitive Type	Wrapper class
boolean	Boolean
char	Character
byte	Byte
short	Short
int	Integer
long	Long

float	Float
double	Double

### **Wrapper class Example: Primitive to Wrapper**

```

1. public class WrapperExample1{
2. public static void main(String args[]){
3. //Converting int into Integer
4. int a=20;
5. Integer i=Integer.valueOf(a);//converting int into Integer
6. Integer j=a;//autoboxing, now compiler will write Integer.valueOf(a) internally
7.
8. System.out.println(a+" "+i+" "+j);
9. }}
```

#### **Output:**

```
20 20 20
```

### **Wrapper class Example: Wrapper to Primitive**

```

1. public class WrapperExample2{
2. public static void main(String args[]){
3. //Converting Integer to int
4. Integer a=new Integer(3);
5. int i=a.intValue();//converting Integer to int
6. int j=a;//unboxing, now compiler will write a.intValue() internally
7.
8. System.out.println(a+" "+i+" "+j);
9. }}
```

#### **Output:**

```
3 3 3
```