

Information Science

7: Repetition and Recursion II: Combinations and Tower of Hanoi

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➤ Recursion

- Define a function using the function itself

$$\text{sum}(n) = \begin{cases} \text{sum}(n-1) + n & (n \geq 2) \\ 1 & (n = 1) \end{cases}$$

- Simpler description
 - no "...", no loop

Ex) $\text{sum}(3) = \text{sum}(2) + 3$
 $= (\text{sum}(1) + 2) + 3$
 $= (1 + 2) + 3$

- Sometimes it takes much more time to compute than using repetition
 - Observe how it works today

Today's Contents: Recursion

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➤ Review

- Summation

➤ Number of Combinations

- Using recursion
- Using repetition

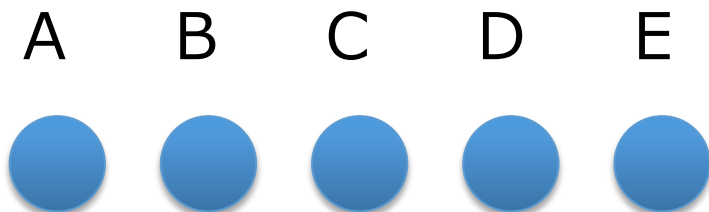
➤ Exercises

- Sierpinski triangle
- Tower of Hanoi

Combination Number nC_k

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- the number of combinations when we choose k items out of n items



Ex. choose 2 items out of the 5 elements

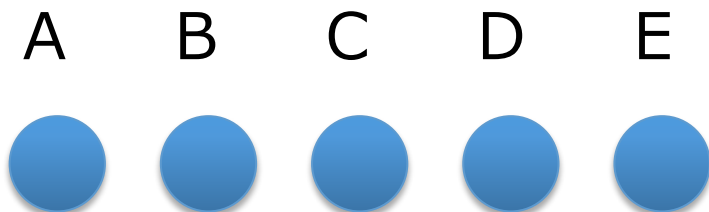
AB	BC	CD
AC	BD	CE
AD	BE	DE
AE		

10 possibilities

Combination Number nC_k

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- the number of combinations when we choose k items out of n items



Ex. choose 2 items out of the 5 elements

Ans. First item: 5 possibilities (one out of (A, B, C, D, E))
2nd item: 4 possibilities (one other than the 1st one)
Reduce “double counting” (both AB & BA are counted)

$$\text{Ans} = 5 * 4 / 2 = 10$$

Combination Number nC_k

- the number of combinations when we choose k items out of n items

Choose k items out of n elements # choosing k elements

$$nC_k = \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\cdots(n-k+1)}{k(k-1)(k-2)\cdots 2 \cdot 1}$$

notation

reduce "double counting"
due to the ordering

$$= \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

Recursive Definition of Combinations

□ Cf) Exercise 5-11

choosing k items out of n items

$${}_nC_k = \begin{cases} 0 & (\text{when } k > n) \\ 1 & (\text{when } k = 0) \\ {}_{n-1}C_{k-1} + {}_{n-1}C_k & (\text{otherwise}) \end{cases}$$

choosing $k-1$ items out of the first $n-1$ items
(the case the last one is chosen)

choosing k items out of the first $n-1$ items
(the case the last one is not chosen)

Today's Contents: Recursion

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➤ Review

- Summation

➤ Number of Combinations

- Using recursion
 - natural implementation using recursion
- Using repetition

➤ Exercises

- Sierpinski triangle
- Tower of Hanoi


```
def combination(n,k)
```

```
  if k > n
```

```
    0
```

```
  else
```

```
    if k == 0
```

```
      1
```

```
    else
```

```
      combination(n-1,k-1) + combination(n-1,k)
```

```
    end
```

```
  end
```

```
end
```

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combination.rb

➤ Review

- Summation

➤ Number of Combinations

- Using recursion
- Using repetition
 - Faster implementation

➤ Exercises

- Sierpinski triangle
- Tower of Hanoi

➤ Relationship

The upper-right part is 0

The 1st column is 1

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1	2	1				
3	1	3	3	1			
4	1	4	6	4	1		
5	1	5	10	10	5	1	
6	1	6	15	20	15	6	1

The value of ${}_nC_k$

Equations in the Table

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$${}_nC_k = \begin{cases} 0 & (\text{when } k > n) \\ 1 & (\text{when } k = 0) \\ {}_{n-1}C_{k-1} + {}_{n-1}C_k & (\text{otherwise}) \end{cases}$$

… The upper-right part is 0
… The 1st column is 1
Relationship btw 2 lines

a row is determined
by the row above

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1	2	1				
3	1	3	3	1			
4	1	4	6	4	1		
5	1	5	10	10	5	1	
6	1	6	15	20	15	6	1

The value of ${}_nC_k$

Concept: Suffices to Obtain The Table

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- Make an $(n+1) \times (n+1)$ array
- Fill in the entries from $i=0$ to n

when $n=6$

the next row is
determined by the
last row



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2	1	2	1				
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The value of ${}_nC_k$

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6	1	6	15	20	15	6	1

The value of ${}_nC_k$

```
load ("./make2d.rb")
```

```
def combination_loop(n,k)
```

```
  c = make2d(n+1,n+1)
```

```
  for i in 0..n          # for each row, do the following
```

```
    c[i][0] = 1          # 1st column
```

```
    for j in 1..(i-1)    # 2nd to (i-1)th column
```

```
      c[i][j] = c[i-1][j-1] + c[i-1][j]
```

```
    end
```

```
    c[i][i] = 1          # i-th column
```

```
  end
```

```
  c[n][k]
```

```
end
```

combination_loop.rb

When we call combination_loop(6,3)

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Make a 2-dimansional array c with 7×7

n \ k	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0							
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							

Fill in the first row

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$i=0$

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							

Case $k > n$
is omitted
in the table

Fill in the second row

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 $i=1$

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1	0					
1	1	1					
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							

 $c[i][0]=1$
 $c[i][i]=1$

Fill in the 3rd row

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$i=2$

$c[i][0]=1$

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1						
3							
4							
5							
6							

Fill in the 3rd row

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 $i=2$

$$c[i][j] = c[i-1][j-1] + c[i-1][j]$$

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1		2				
3							
4							
5							
6							

Fill in the 3rd row

22

 $i=2$

$$c[i][i]=1$$

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1	2	1				
3							
4							
5							
6							

Fill in the 4th row

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 $i=3$ $c[i][0]=1$

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1	2	1				
3	1						
4							
5							
6							

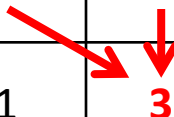
Fill in the 4th row

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 $i=3$

$$c[i][j] = c[i-1][j-1] + c[i-1][j]$$

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
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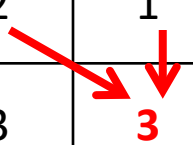
Fill in the 4th row

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 $i=3$

$$c[i][j] = c[i-1][j-1] + c[i-1][j]$$

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1	2	1				
3	1	3	3				
4							
5							
6							



Fill in the 4th row

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$i=3$

$$c[i][i] = 1$$

$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1	2	1				
3	1	3	3	1			
4							
5							
6							

In the End

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i=6

n \ k	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1	2	1				
3	1	3	3	1			
4	1	4	6	4	1		
5	1	5	10	10	5	1	
6	1	6	15	20	15	6	1

$${}^6C_3 = c[6][3]$$

Exercise during Session (**need not submit**)²⁸

➤ Confirm that

- Two functions *combination* and *combination_loop* return the same values for some k and n's
- Compare the computation times for two functions when n and k are large
 - ▣ *combination*(n,100) & *combination_loop*(n,100) for n=100, 200, ..., 1000
 - Press Ctrl+C (and Return) to force-quit

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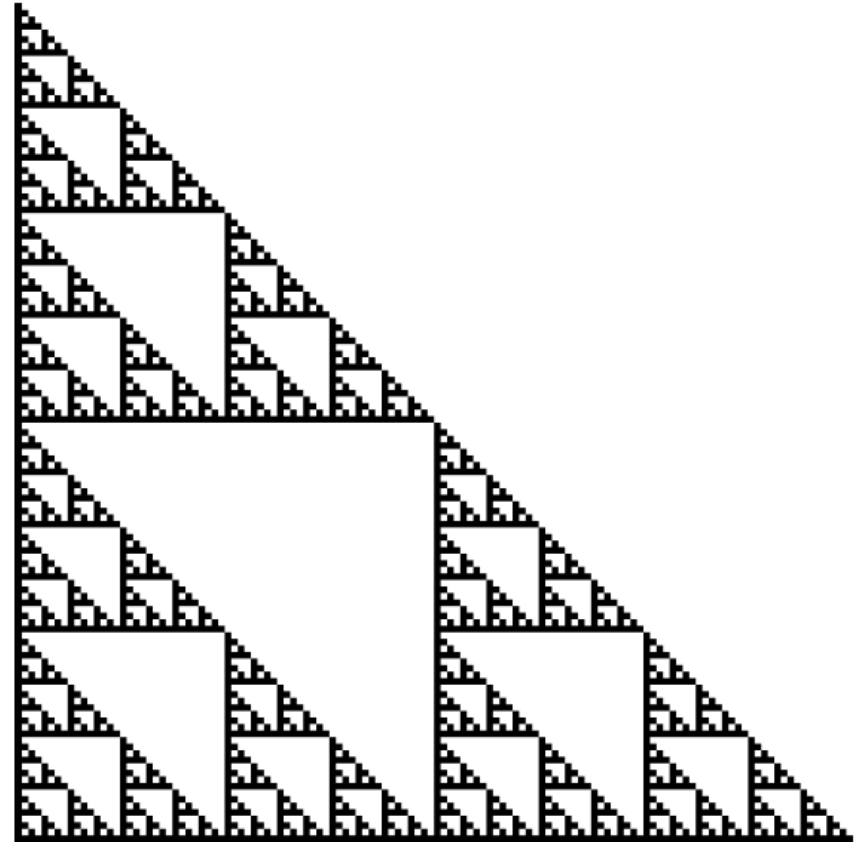
➤ Exercises

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Exercise: Sierpinski Triangle

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- Draw the following image using isrb



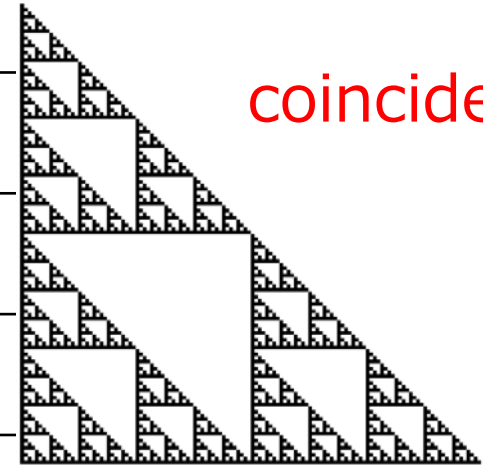
$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
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3	1	3	3	1			
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The value of ${}_nC_k$

Remainders of n choose k when divided by 2

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$n \setminus k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1	0	1				
3	1	1	1	1			
4	1	0	0	0	1		
5	1	1	0	0	1	1	
6	1	0	1	0	1	0	1



coincidence

1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1

Exercise1: Run sierpinski_loop(128)

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- Modifying combination_loop, make a function that makes the image

```
load ("../make2d.rb")
def sierpinski_loop(n)
  c = make2d(n+1,n+1)
  for i in 0..n
    c[i][0] = ?
    for j in 1..(i-1)
      ?
    end
    c[i][i] = ?
  end
  c
end
```

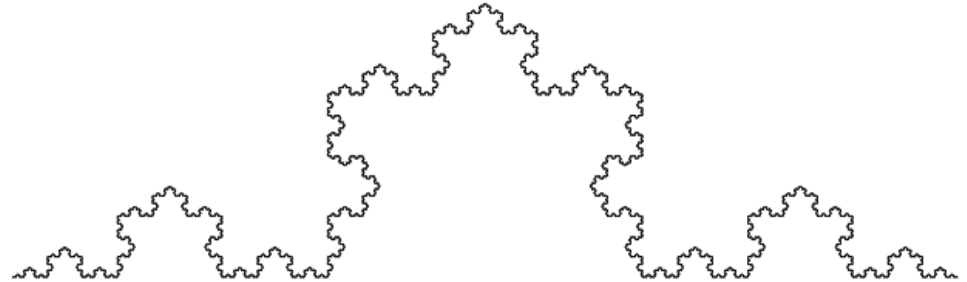
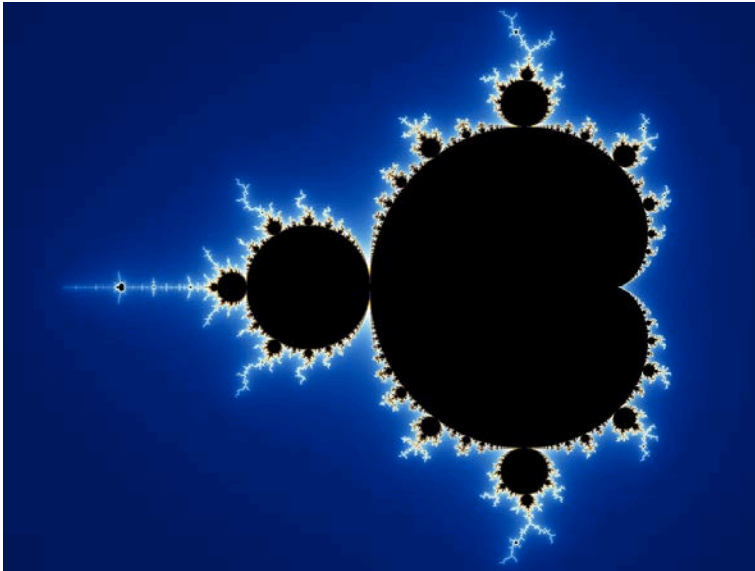
Add a few lines to flip 0 and 1:
for each entry in c
 $c[i][j] = 1 - c[i][j]$

Cf) Fractal

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- <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fractal>

- Images with self-similarity



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Exercise: Tower of Hanoi

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➤ You can play at

- <http://www.mathsisfun.com/games/tower-of-hanoi-2.html>

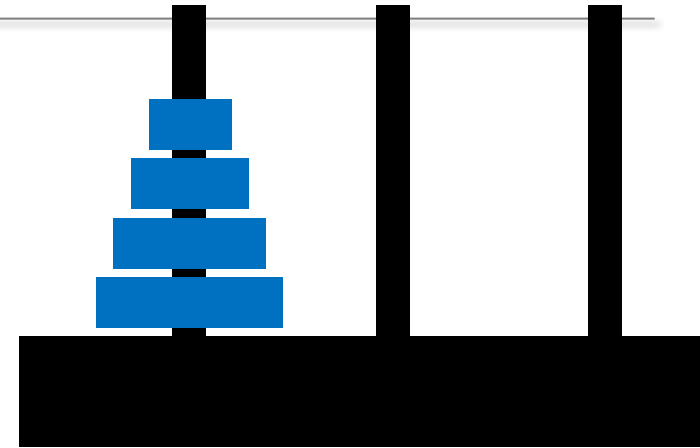
➤ Goal:

- move all the discs from the left peg to the middle one

➤ Rule:

- Only one disc may be moved at a time.
- A disc can be placed either on an empty peg or on top of a larger disc.

➤ Try to move all the discs using the smallest number of moves possible.



Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 2

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Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 2

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Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 2

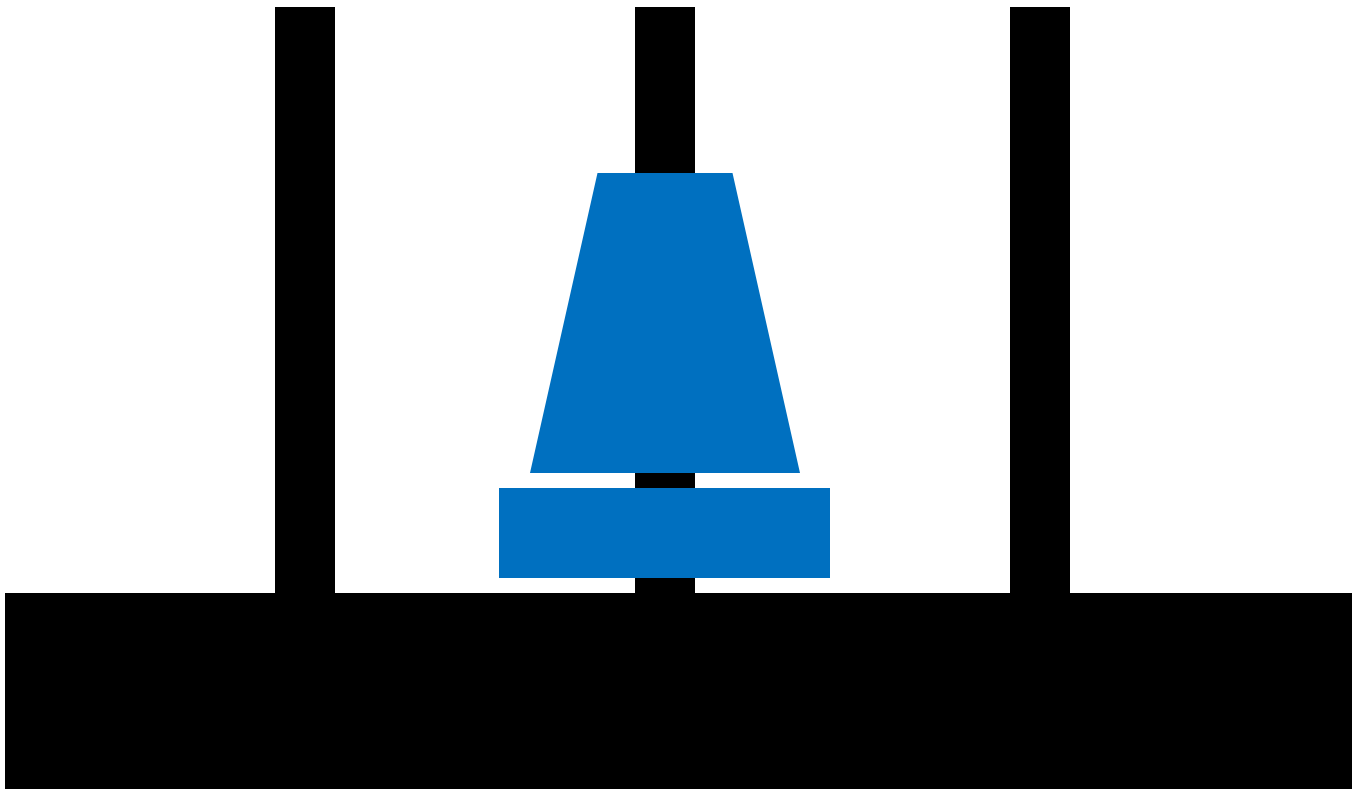
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Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 2

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3 moves are enough



Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 3

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Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 3

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1 move



Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 3

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2 move



Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 3

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3 move



Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 3

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4 move



Tower of Hanoi

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5 move



Tower of Hanoi

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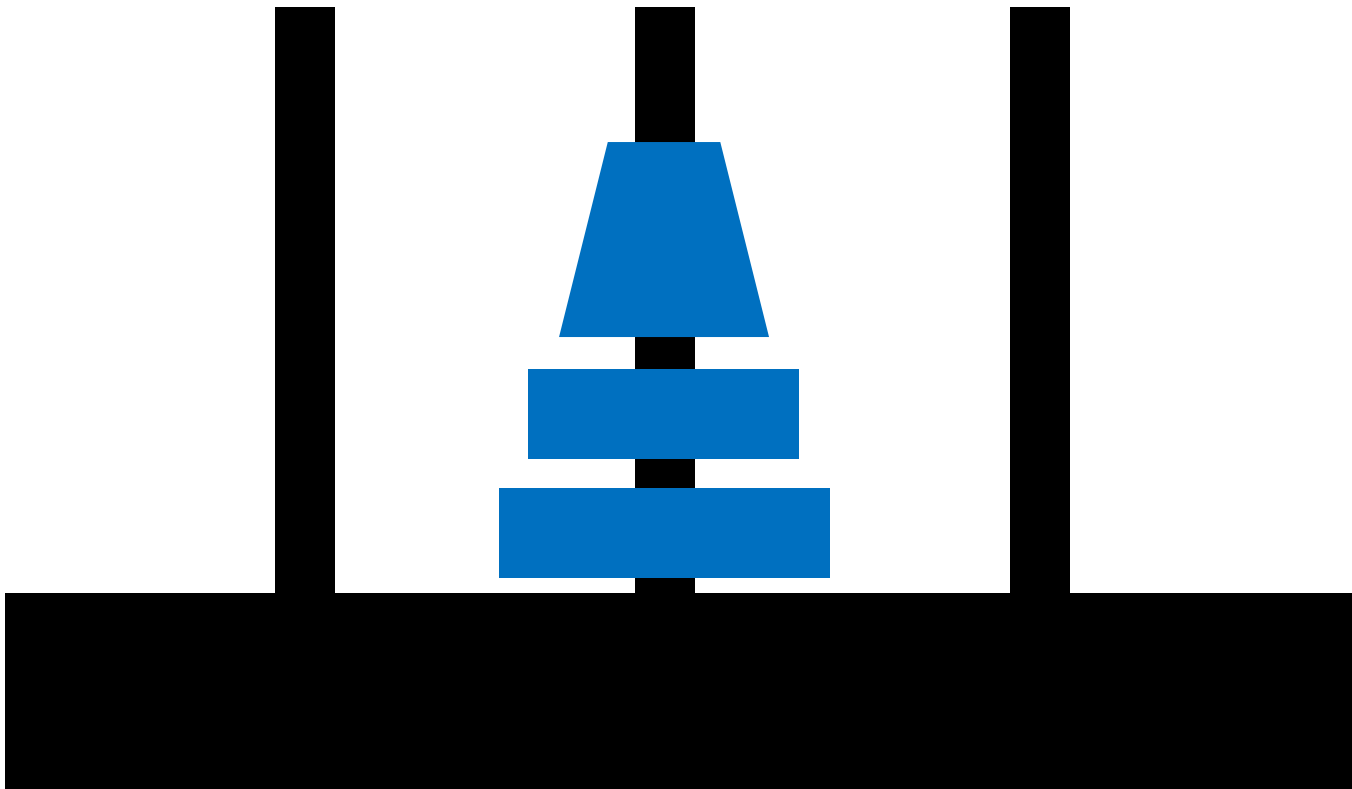
6 move



Tower of Hanoi: #disc = 3

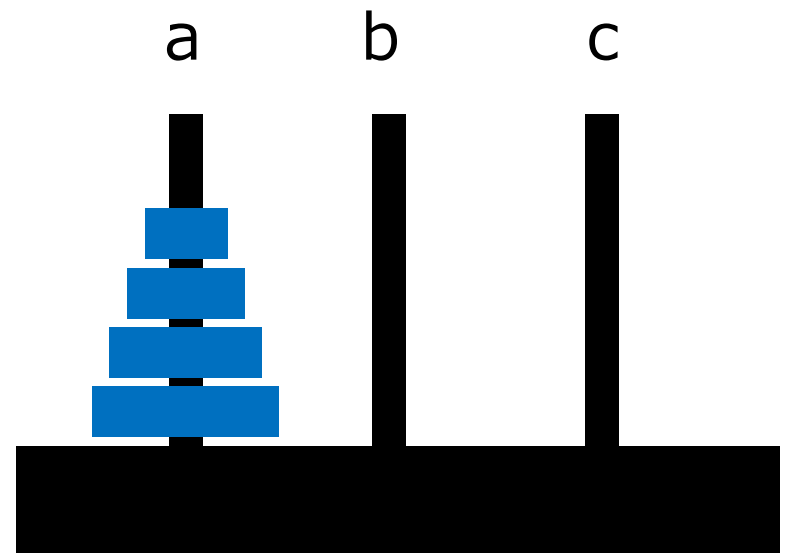
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7 moves: known to be minimum



- Try to solve the puzzle when $n=4$
 - By hand or
 - At
 - ▣ <http://www.mathsisfun.com/games/tower-of-hanoi-2.html>
 - ▣ http://www.softschools.com/games/logic_games/tower_of_hanoi/
- What is the minimum number necessary to move?
 - Explain briefly how you can obtain

- `Hanoi_times(n, a, b, c)`
 - Minimum # times of moving disks when we do `Hanoi(n, a, b, c)`
- `Hanoi(n, a, b, c)`
 - Describe a procedure to move n disks from a to b



Exercise2-2: Complete the Programs

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```
def hanoi_times(n)
  if n==0
    0
  else
    hanoi_times(____) + 1 + hanoi_times(____)
  end
end
```

Exercise2-3: Complete the Program

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```
def hanoi(n, a, b, c)
  if n==1
    print "Move from ", a, "to ", b, "¥n"
  else
    hanoi(____, __, __, __)
    print "Move from ", a , " to ", b , "¥n"
    hanoi(____, __, __, __)
  end
end
```

Examples of Outputs

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```
>> hanoi(3,"a","b","c")
```

Move from a to b

Move from a to c

Move from b to c

Move from a to b

Move from c to a

Move from c to b

Move from a to b

You need "" in the parameter because a,b,c are characters. Otherwise they are variables

➤ Solve

- Sierpinski Triangle
 - Execute it on isrb2
 - submit an image and Ruby programs
- Solve Tower of Hanoi (Exercise 2- 1--4)
 - Solve when $n=4$
 - Fill in the blanks and submit Ruby program
 - Confirm it works
- If you have time
 - Optional quizzes of the last week
 - Past exam 2013, Problem 2 (a)—(d)

- By **Nov. 23 (Wed) 23:59**
 - Through ITC-LMS
 - Don't forget to send the outcome images

- Next week
 - How to estimate computational time
 - How to evaluate the performance of programs

Tower of Hanoi: #disc = n

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Tower of Hanoi: #disc = n

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Tower of Hanoi: #disc = n

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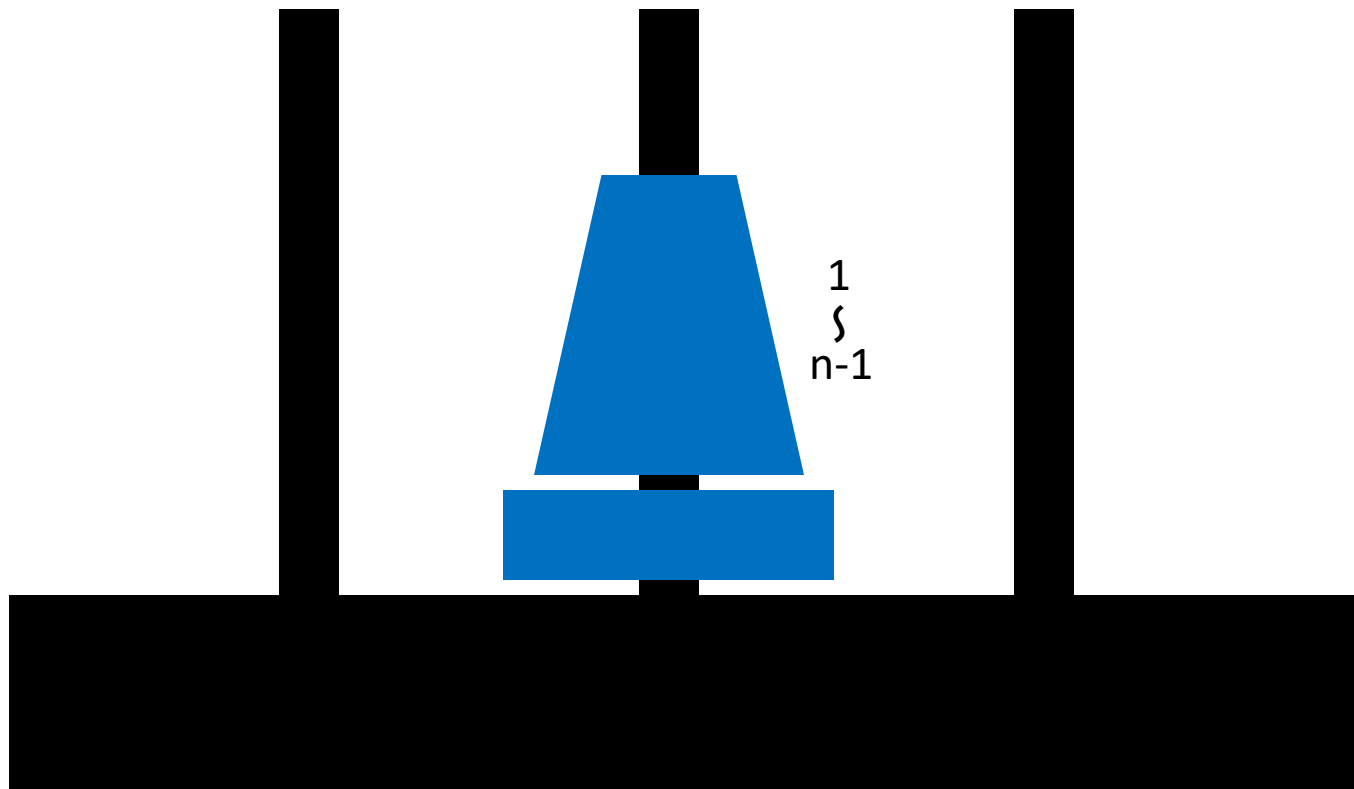
Move the first $n-1$ discs to the right



1 step to move the largest disc to the middle



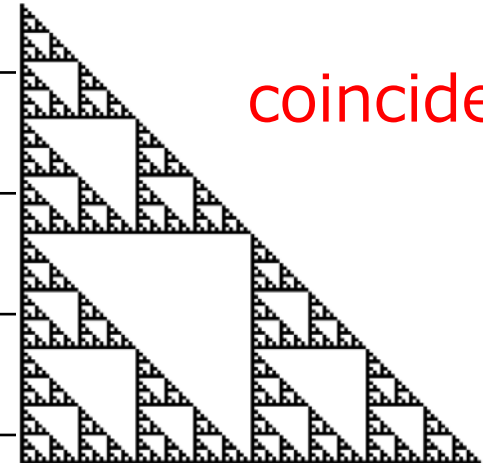
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About Sierpinski Triangle

n \ k	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1						
1	1	1					
2	1	0	1				
3	1	1	1	1			
4	1	0	0	0	1		
5	1	1	0	0	1	1	
6	1	0	1	0	1	0	1

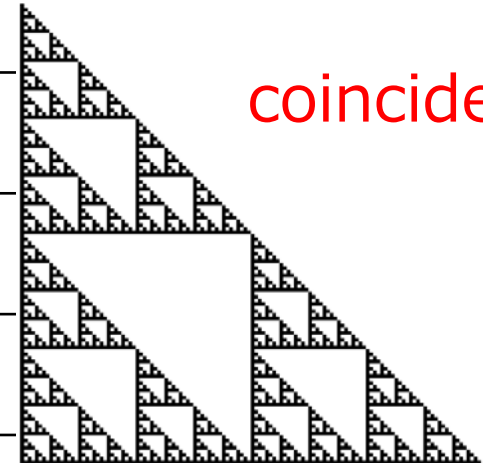


coincidence

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1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1

About Sierpinski Triangle

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3	1	1	1	1			
4	1	0	0	0	1		
5	1	1	0	0	1	1	
6	1	0	1	0	1	0	1



coincidence

1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

About Sierpinski Triangle

```
def sierpinski_loop(n)
  c = make2d(n+1,n+1)
  for i in 0..n
    c[i][0] = 1
    for j in 1..(i-1)
      c[i][j]=(c[i-1][j-1]+c[i-1][j])%2
    end
    c[i][i] = 1
  end
  for i in 0..n
    for j in 0..n
      c[i][j]=1-c[i][j]
    end
  end
  c
end
```


Another Solution: Using combination(,)

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```
def sierpinski_loop(n)
  c = make2d(n+1,n+1)
  for i in 0..n
    c[i][0] = 1
    for j in 1..(i-1)
      c[i][j] =
        if !even(combination_loop(i,j)) then 1
        else 0
        end
      end
    end
    c[i][i] = 1
  end
  c
end
```

Computational time
becomes large
(later in exercises)



Compute combination_loop(i, j).
If it is even, return 1, o/w, return 0

- Submit complete programs
 - not only the corresponding part, to check the correctness easily by copy&paste
 - not only answers, but images,
 - to give a partial point
 - You can write what you did

- Exercises' programs can be made by modifying sample programs

- We have more exercises
 - Downloadable from CFIVE
 - Some are same as in the sessions
 - Some are interesting
 - Some may be useful for better understanding



Ans1: Run sierpinski_loop(128)

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- Modifying combination_loop, make a function that makes the image

```
load ("../make2d.rb")
def sierpinski_loop(n)
  c = make2d(n+1,n+1)
  for i in 0..n
    c[i][0] = 1
    for j in 1..(i-1)
      c[i][j] = (c[i-1][j-1] + c[i-1][j])%2
    end
    c[i][i] = 1
  end
  c
end
```

For flipping 0 and 1, we need:
for each entry in c
 $c[i][j] = 1 - c[i][j]$

```
def hanoi(n, a, b, c)
  if n==1
    print "Move from ", a, " to ", b, "¥n"
  else
    hanoi(n-1, a, c, b)
    print "Move from ", a, " to ", b, "¥n"
    hanoi(n-1, c, b, a)
  end
end
```

```
def hanoi_times(n)
  if n==0
    0
  else
    hanoi_times(n-1) + 1 + hanoi_times(n-1)
  end
end
```



- Arrange the remainder when divided by 2 in reverse

25 → 11001

12 ... 1

6 ... 0

3 ... 0

1 ... 1

0 ... 1

```
def binary_loop(n)
  s = ""
  while n >= 1
    s = s + (n%2).to_s()
    n = n / 2
  end
  s
end
```

```
irb(main):007:0> binary_loop(25)
=> "10011"
```

```
def binary(n)
  if n < 2
    n.to_s()
  else
    binary(n/2) + (n%2).to_s()
  end
end
```

```
irb(main):009:0> binary(25)
=> "11001"
```

```
def binary_good(n)
  s = ""
  while n >= 1
    s = (n%2).to_s() + s
    n = n / 2
  end
  s
end
```

```
irb(main):008:0> binary_loop(25)
=> "11001"
```



Tower of Hanoi

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Tower of Hanoi

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Tower of Hanoi

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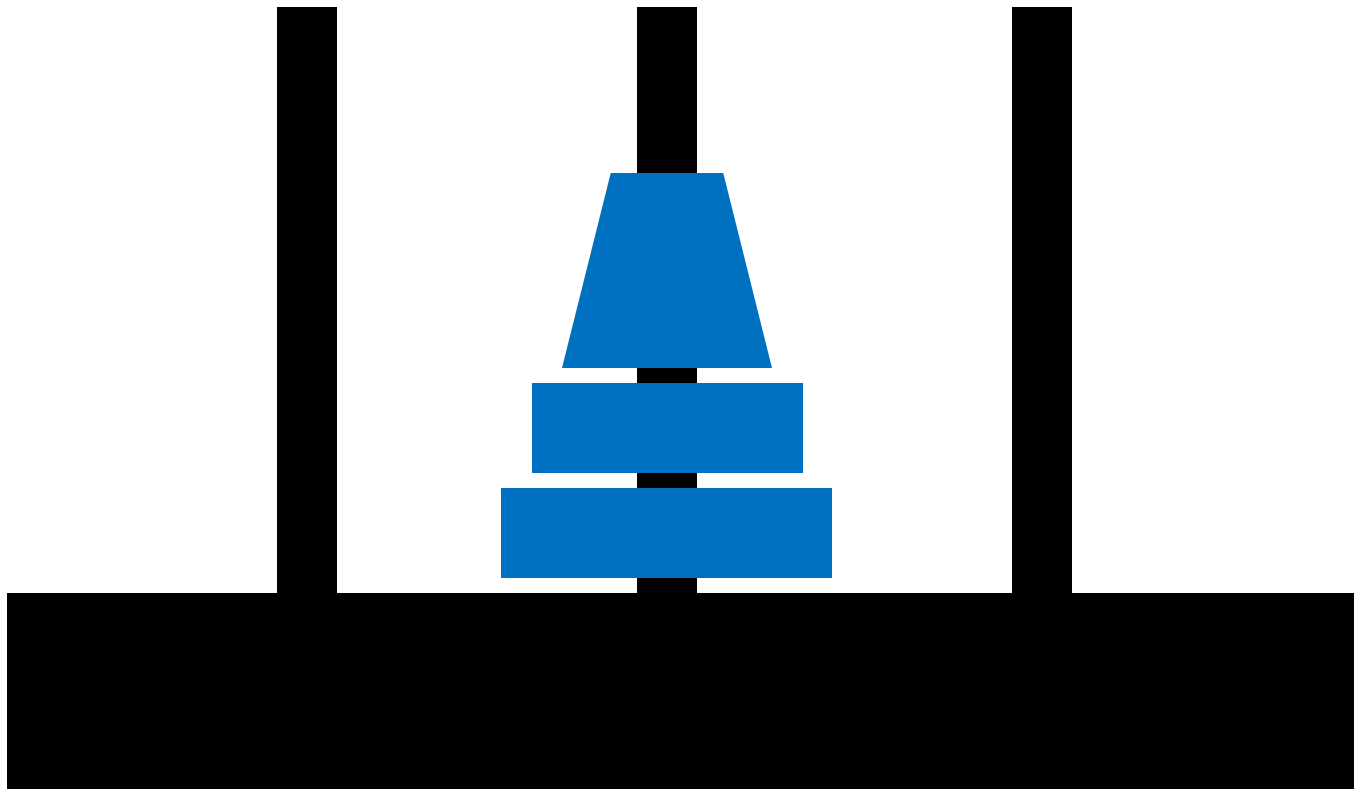
Tower of Hanoi

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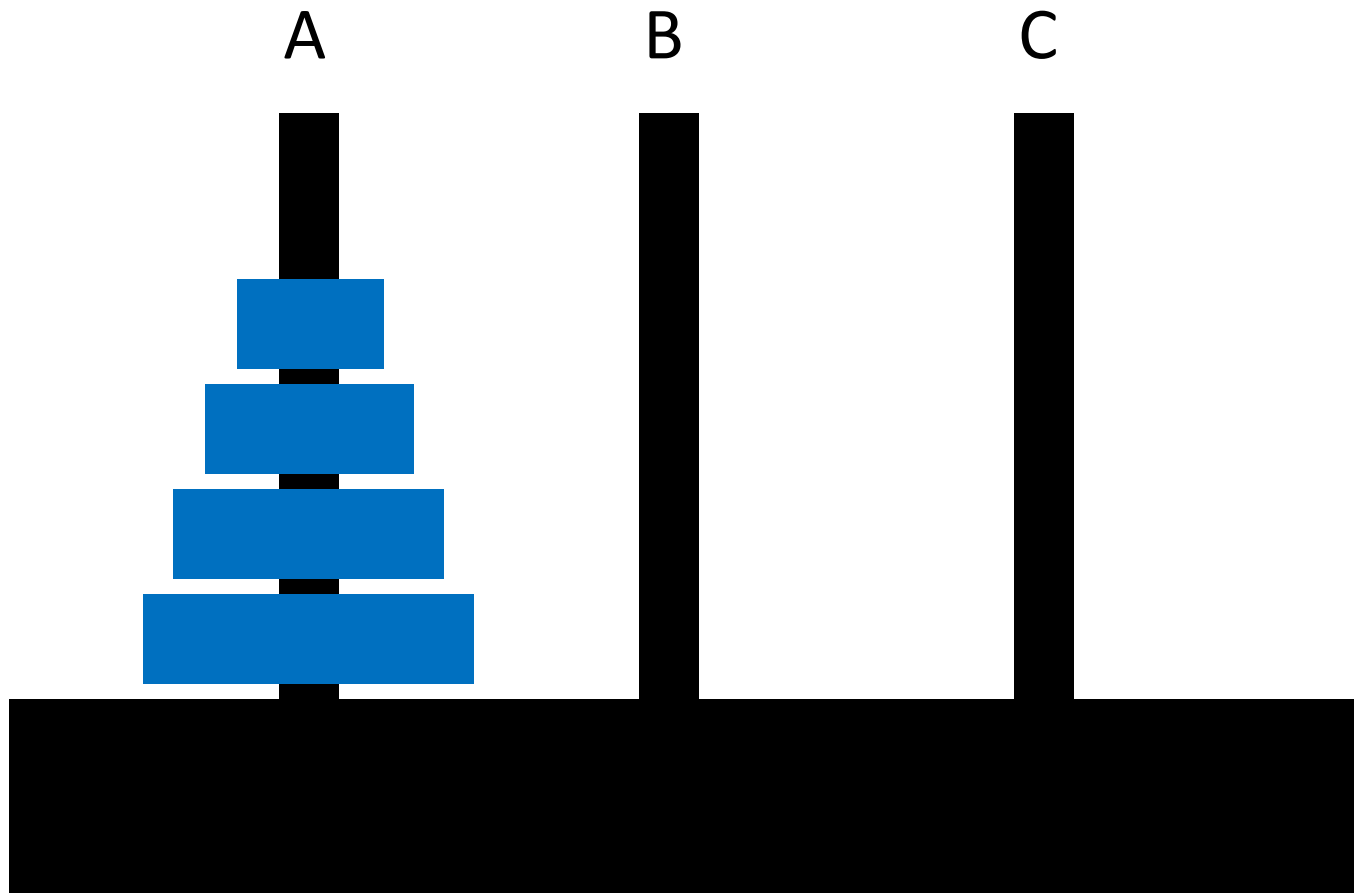
Tower of Hanoi

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Tower of Hanoi

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➤ 課題

- 再帰で絵を描いてみよう
 - Sierpinski のカーペット・三角形
- 再帰でハノイの塔の移動回数を解いてみよう
- 再帰でハノイの塔を解いてみよう

➤ 提出先

CFIVE

➤ 〆切

12月 1日 授業開始前



```
def cantor(n)
  a = make1d(3**n)
  subcantor(a, n, 0)
  a
end
```

Make an array with size $3^{**}n$
All entries are 0

Call subprocedure subcantor
for the point 0

Return a

```
def subcantor(a, n, x)
  if n==0
    a[x] = 1
  else
    subcantor(a, n-1, x)
    subcantor(a, n-1, x+2*3**(n-1))
  end
end
```

If n is 0, it is just 1

Set to the array a the
Cantor set of order n
around x

Recursive calling.
Notice its origin

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

a:

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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cantor(2)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

cantor(2)
subcantor(a,2,0)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

subcantor(a,0,0)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

subcantor(a,0,0)

a[0] = 1

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

subcantor(a,0,0)

a[0] = 1

subcantor(a,0,0+2*3**0)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

subcantor(a,0,0)

a[0] = 1

subcantor(a,0,0+2*3**0)

a[2] = 1

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

subcantor(a,0,0)

a[0] = 1

subcantor(a,0,0+2*3**0)

a[2] = 1

subcantor(a,1,0+2*3**1)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

subcantor(a,0,0)

a[0] = 1

subcantor(a,0,0+2*3**0)

a[2] = 1

subcantor(a,1,0+2*3**1)

subcantor(a,0,6)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

subcantor(a,0,0)

a[0] = 1

subcantor(a,0,0+2*3**0)

a[2] = 1

subcantor(a,1,0+2*3**1)

subcantor(a,0,6)

a[6] = 1

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a:	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

subcantor(a,0,0)

a[0] = 1

subcantor(a,0,0+2*3**0)

a[2] = 1

subcantor(a,1,0+2*3**1)

subcantor(a,0,6)

a[6] = 1

subcantor(a,0,6+2*3**0)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
a	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1

cantor(2)

subcantor(a,2,0)

subcantor(a,1,0)

subcantor(a,0,0)

a[0] = 1

subcantor(a,0,0+2*3**0)

a[2] = 1

subcantor(a,1,0+2*3**1)

subcantor(a,0,6)

a[6] = 1

subcantor(a,0,6+2*3**0)

a[8] = 1

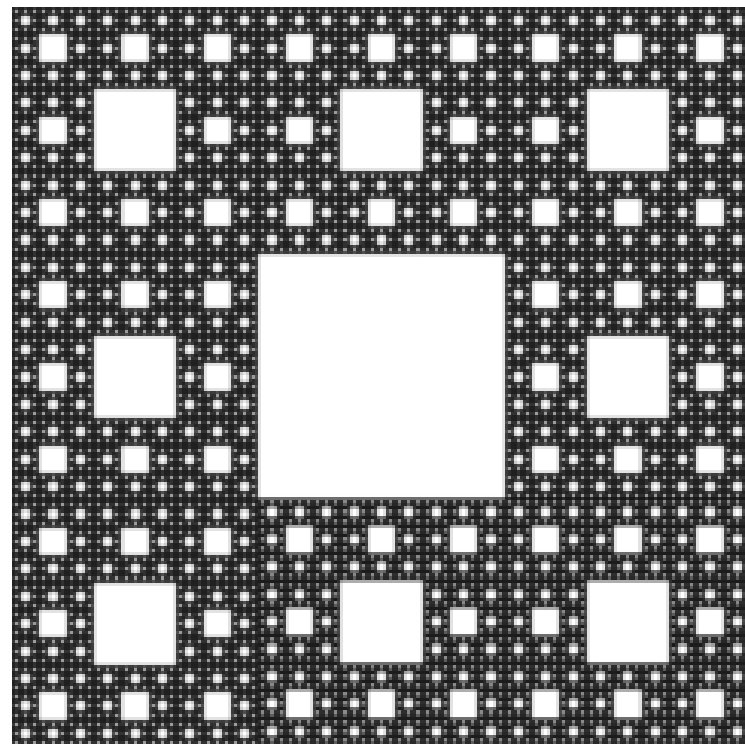
- Delete $1/3$ of interval $[0,1]$
- For the remaining two interval, do the same.
- Repeat the same thing infinite times
- The remaining set is called the Cantor set.

- It is known that
- しらべる
- the measure(length) of the Cantor set is 0.
- しかし、濃度（点の数）は、もとの区間 $[0,1]$ の実数に等しい。

Cantor set の 2 次元版。
cf. Cantor dust

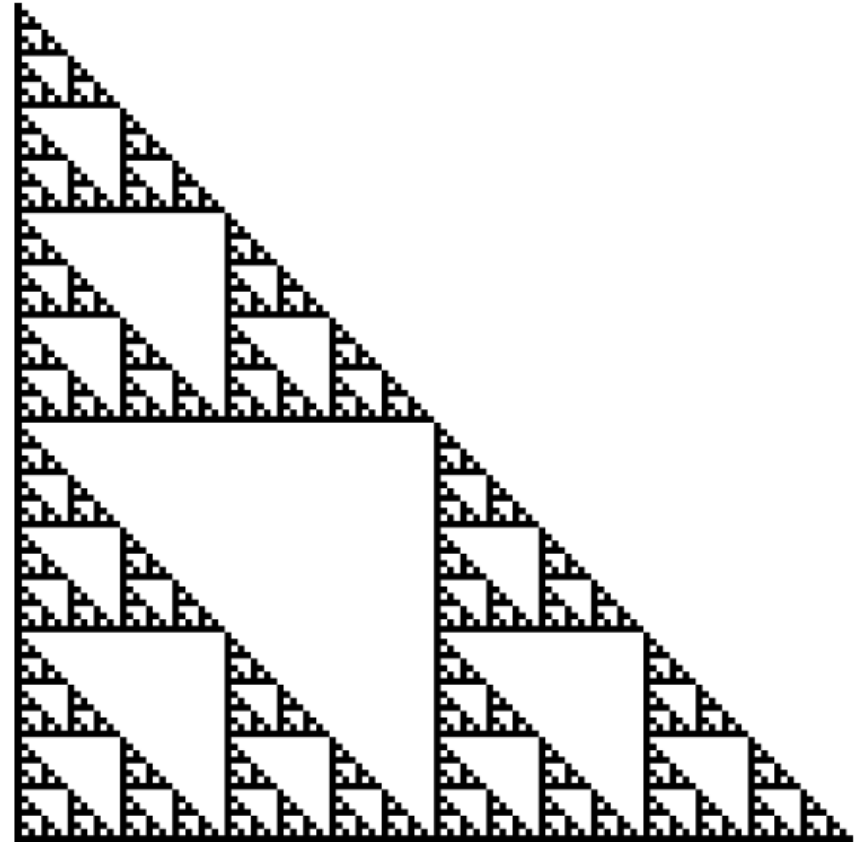
➤ Sierpinski のカーペット

- n 次のカーペットは、縦横が 3^n で、 $n-1$ 次のカーペットを 8 枚敷き詰めて作られる。真ん中は空いている。0 次のカーペットは、縦横 1 の黒い正方形とする。（実際のプログラムでは、白黒が反転する。）



➤ Sierpinski の三角形

- 関数 `sierpinski2d(n)` を再帰的に定義せよ。 n 次の三角形は、縦横が 2^n で、 $n-1$ 次のの三角形を 3 枚敷き詰めて作られる。真ん中は空いている。（見易さのために白黒を逆になっている。）



- When we use a function, do not forget to specify parameters

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- Let $\text{Hanoi}(n)$ be a function that computes the minimum number of steps to move n discs to the right. Describe a recursive relation of the function.
 - Express $\text{Hanoi}(n)$ not recursively only using n .
 - Make the function $\text{Hanoi}(n)$, and compute $\text{Hanoi}(4)$, $\text{Hanoi}(5)$, $\text{Hanoi}(6)$, and $\text{Hanoi}(64)$.





