

# Summarization

## **Topic:** Recursion

Recursion is a process where the function calls itself again.

## **How do I write a recursive function?**

- 1- Divide the problem into smaller sub problems.
- 2- Determine the base condition where the recursion stops.

## **Types of recursion functions:**

- Direct Recursion: The function calls itself again directly.
- Indirect Recursion: The function calls itself through another function.
- Tail recursion: The recursive call is the last operation in the function.
- Non-Tail recursion: The recursive call is followed by additional operations.

## Examples:

In problem 8 the function's type is direct Recursion & non-Tail Recursion (as the recursive call is not the last operation).

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  //https://codeforces.com/group/MWSDmqGsZm/contest/223339/my#
3  void nextNum(int n, int count){
4
5      if (n == 1) {
6          printf("%d\n", count);
7          return;
8      }
9
10     if(n%2 == 0)
11         nextNum(n/2, count+1);
12     else
13         nextNum((3*n +1),count+1);
14 }
15
16 int main(){
17     int n ;
18     scanf("%d", &n);
19     nextNum(n, 1);
20
21     return 0;
22 }
```

A different approach to problem 7 is using the Euclidean Algorithm Where the type of recursion here will be direct and tail recursion.

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  int gcdTail(int a, int b) {
3      if (b == 0) return a;
4      return gcdTail(b, a % b);
5  }
6
7  int main() {
8      int a, b;
9      scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);
10     printf("GCD of %d and %d = %d\n", a, b, gcdTail(a, b));
11     return 0;
12 }
```