

Recursion

→ big problems → small problems

→ function calls itself

key parts of recursion

1) Base case - The condition where the function stops calling itself.

2) Recursive case - The part where the function keeps calling itself with a smaller input

Problems

1) Logic Print num from ~~n~~ to 1. (Decreasing order)

$n=10$

10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2,

Call Stack

Decreasing order

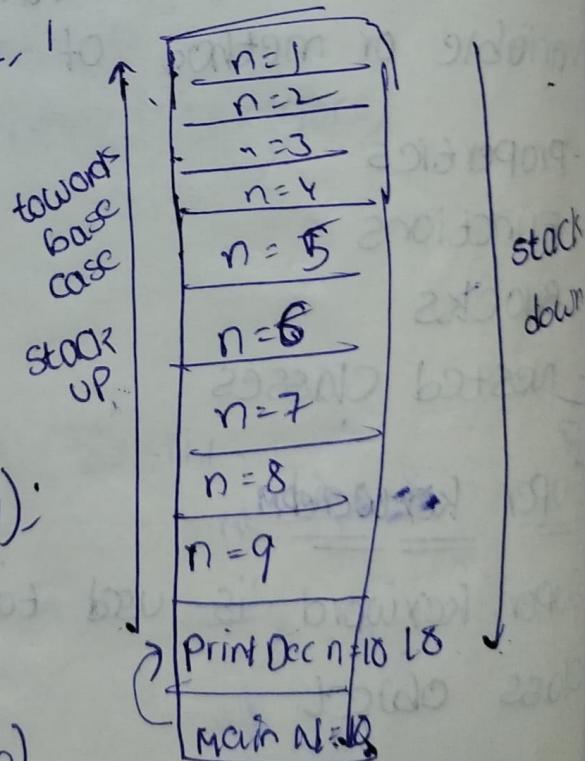
if ($n == 1$) {

System.out.println();

return;

}

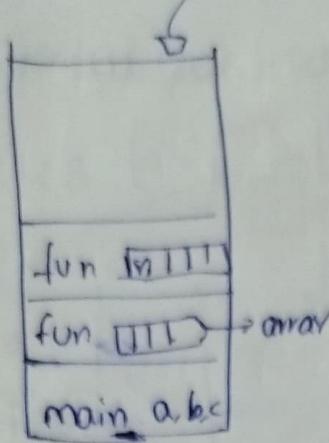
System.out.println(n)
printDec(n-1))



Stack overflow

Base case

↓
not their
means
(stack overflow
occur)

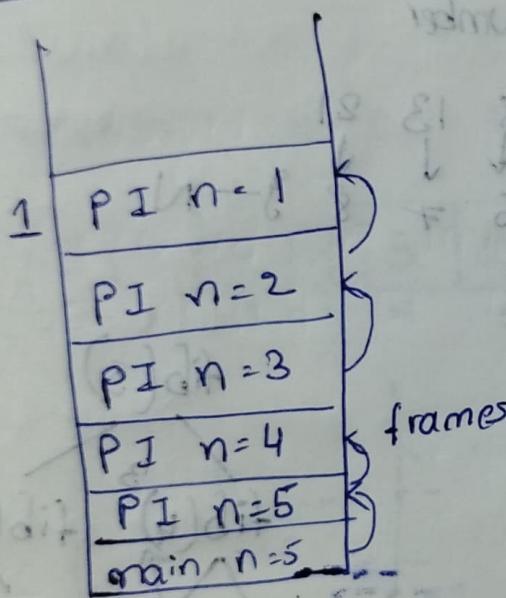


- ① Parameter memory ↑ → very high address or too much
- ② too many calls

problem 2

n to 1 (increasing order)

Call stack



public static void print(

int n) {

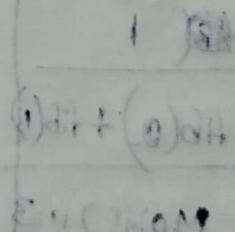
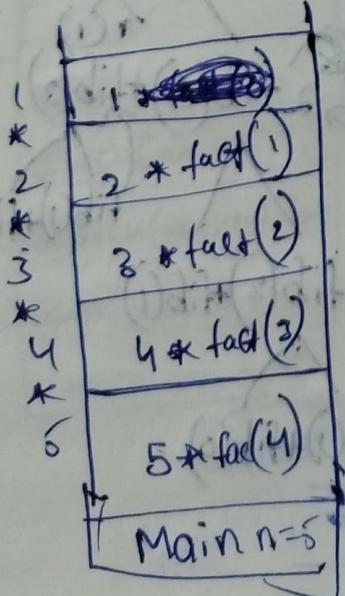
if (n == 1) {
System.out.println();
return;

Print(n-1);

System.out.println(n);

Problem 3

fact n



Problem 4

Sum of n numbers

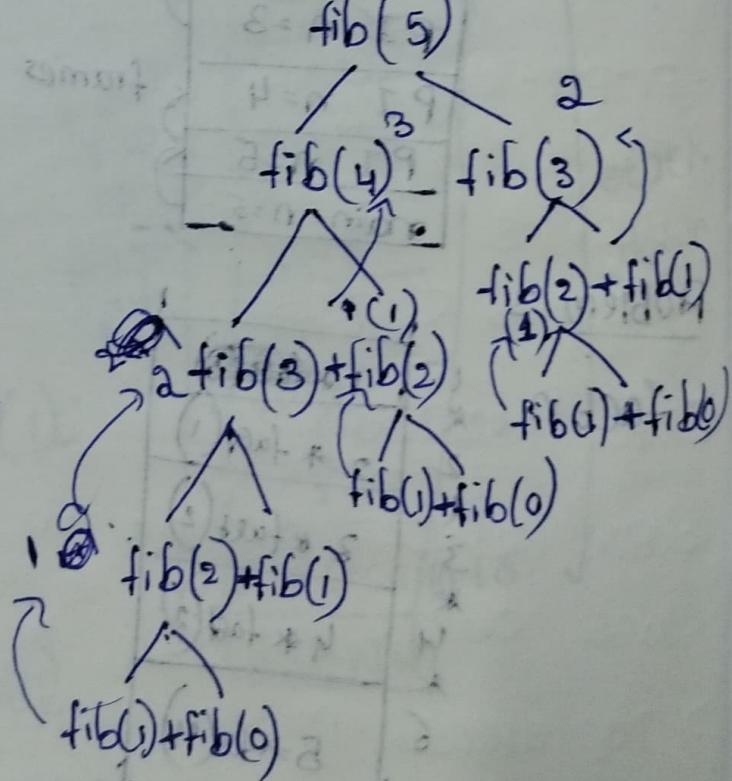
| | |
|---|------------|
| 1 | 1 |
| + | |
| 2 | 2 + sum(1) |
| + | |
| 3 | 3 + sum(2) |
| + | |
| 4 | 4 + sum(3) |
| + | |
| 5 | 5 + sum(4) |
| | Main() n=5 |

Problem 5

Print Nth fibonacci number

Series \rightarrow 0 1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21
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0th 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 - N = 9

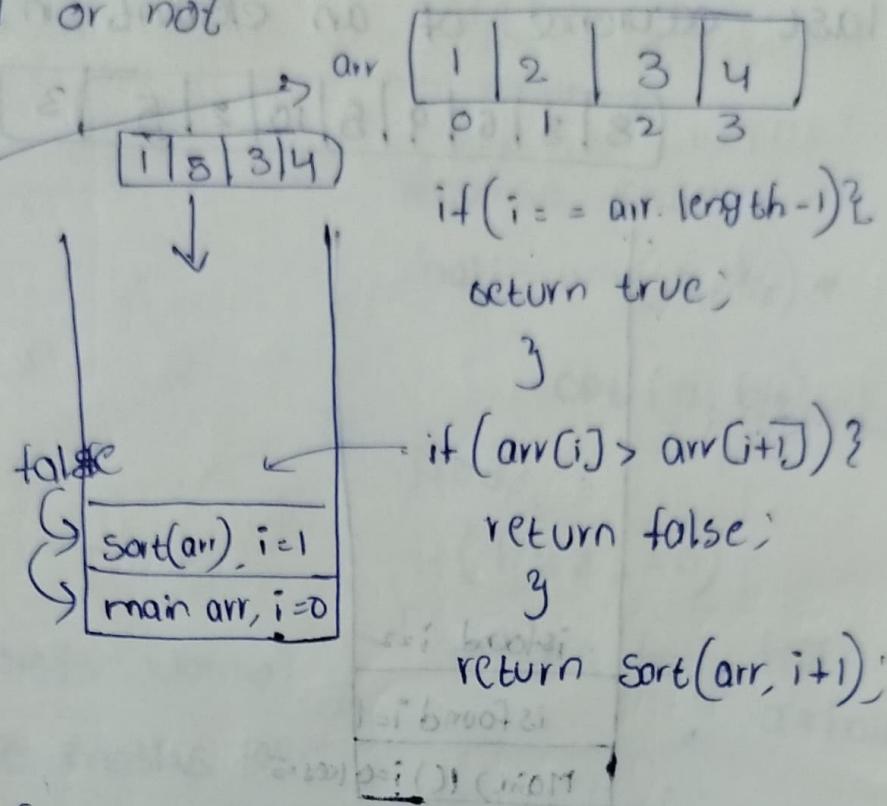
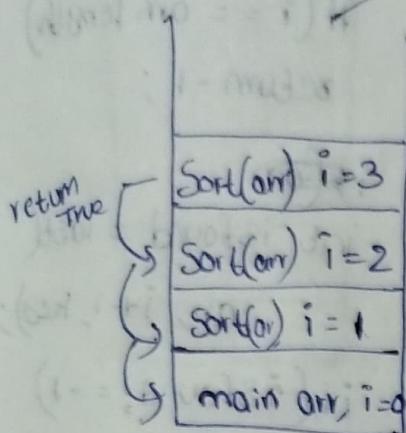
| |
|---------------------------------|
| 1 |
| $\text{fib}(0) + \text{fib}(1)$ |
| Main() n=3 |



Problem 6

array is sorted or not

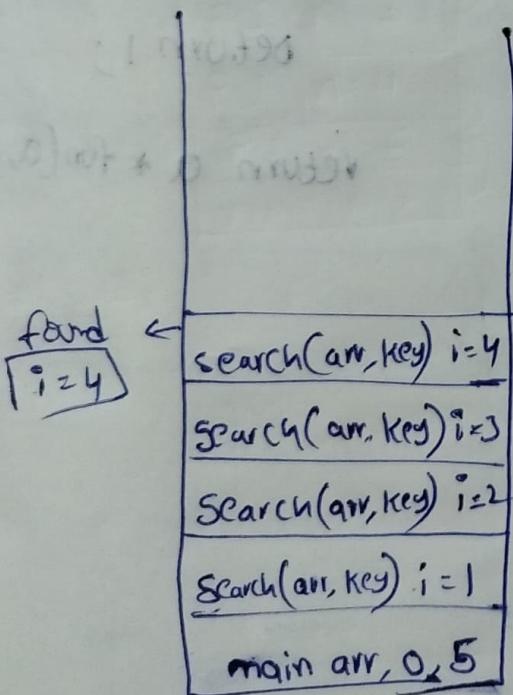
1 2 3 4 5



Problem 7

first occurrence of an element

8 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 5 | 10 | 2 | 5 | 3



base case

if ($i == arr.length$)
return -1;

if ($arr[i] == key$)
return i;

recursive case

search(arr, $i + 1$, key)

Problem 8

Last occurrence of an element in an array

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|
| 8 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 5 | 10 | 2 | 5 | 3 |
|---|---|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|

arr[8] = 1

| |
|------------------|
| isfound i=2 |
| isfound i=1 |
| Main() i=0 key=5 |

if ($i == \text{arr.length}$)
return -1;

~~for~~
int isfound = last(
arr, i+1, key);
if (isfound != -1)
return isfound;
if (arr[i] == key)
return i;

Problem 9

Print x^n

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 01 | c | p | a | s | 8 |
|---|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|

if ($b == 0$)

return 1;

return $a * \text{fun}(a, b-1)$

| |
|---------------|
| 2 * fun(2, 0) |
| 2 * fun(2, 1) |
| Main a=2 b=2 |

0: (0, 0) → brk

1: (0, 1) → wrk

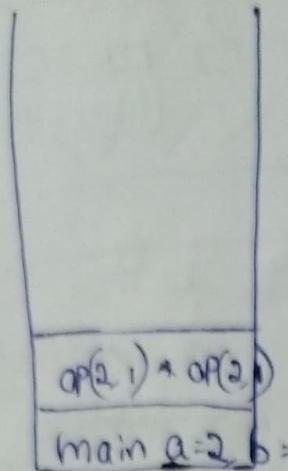
2: (0, 2) → wrk

3: (0, 3) → wrk

4: 0 no main

problem 10

optimized power a^b given a m

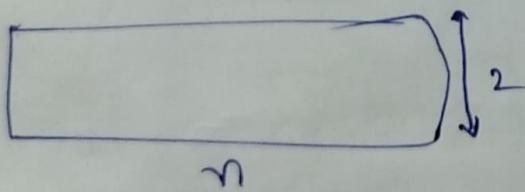


Note: Mostly we prefer normal method or this one maths logic high.

problem 11

Tiling Problem This is Advanced hard

$2 \times n \rightarrow$ floor



combo
 vertical horizontal
 $2 \times n - 1$ $2 \times n - 2$

base case is if ($b = 0$)
 return 1;
 Recurse Case
 $\text{half} = \text{opt}(a, b/2)$
 $\text{opt}(a, b/2)$
 || odd
 if ($b \% 2 != 0$)

return half = ~~half~~
 $a * \text{half}$
 return half;

base case
 if ($n == 0 \text{ or } n == 1$)
 return 1;
 recurse case
 $h = 2 * f(n-1) +$
 $2 * f(n-2)$