

1st Assignment

Recursive function and Introduction to JAVA programming

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What I've learned: Basic java syntax, recursion process (which line will be executed first)

Source code:

```
public class AssignmentI {  
  
    static long calcFactorial(int n){  
  
        long ans;  
  
        if(n == 0){  
  
            System.out.println(n + "! is a base case. Returning 1 as an answer");  
            ans = 1;  
            return ans;  
        }  
        else{  
  
            System.out.println(n + "! is a recursive case. Returning " + n + " * " + (n - 1) + "!");  
            ans = calcFactorial(n - 1);  
            System.out.print("Returning " + (n - 1) + "! = " + ans + " to calculate " + n + "!");  
            System.out.println(" = [" + n + " * " + (n - 1) + "!] = " + n + " * " + ans + " = " + (n * ans));  
            return ans * n;  
        }  
    }  
  
    static int getInt(){  
  
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);  
        boolean success = false;  
        int input = 0;  
  
        while(!success){  
  
            try{  
  
                success = true;  
                System.out.print("Input n: ");  
                input = sc.nextInt();  
            }  
            catch(InputMismatchException e){  
  
                System.out.println("Invalid input. Only positive integer 1 - 20 allowed. Please try again");  
                sc.nextLine();  
                success = !success;  
            }  
            if(input < 0 || 15 < input){  
  
                System.out.println("Invalid input. Only positive integer 1 - 20 allowed. Please try again");  
                sc.nextLine();  
                success = !success;  
            }  
        }  
  
        return input;  
    }  
}
```

Method: calcFactorial (int n)
Calculate n! using normal recursive method (n * (n - 1)!)

Method: getInt()
Get user input using Scanner class and verify whether the input is valid or not. Integer "input" will be returned if valid

Boolean variable "Success" is used to keep track and control the iteration

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
```

```
    long normalAnswer, TRAnswer;
    int input;
    boolean running = true;
```

```
    Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
```

```
    while(running){
```

```
        System.out.println("Ultimate recursion program");
        System.out.println("Written by 62070501051 Phattarapol Lertchaisirikul");
        System.out.println("Program calculate n! using both NORMAL recursive method and TAIL recursive method");
        System.out.println("(n must be 15 or lower)");
```

```
        input = getInt();
```

```
        System.out.println("\nInitiating normal recursive method...");
        normalAnswer = calcFactorial(input);
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```
        System.out.println("\nInitiating tail call optimization...");
        TRAnswer = calcFactorialTR(input, 1);
```

```
        System.out.println("");
        System.out.println("The answer of " + input + " factorial calculated using ordinary recursion (O(n)) is " + normalAnswer);
        System.out.println("The answer of " + input + " factorial calculated using tail recursion (O(1)) is " + TRAnswer);
```

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        System.out.println("press [y] to continue, others to exit.");
```

```
        if(sc.next().equals("y")){
```

```
            System.out.println("End program.");
            running = !running;
```

```
        }
```

Main method

Includes: heading, description,
author, and input requirement

Boolean variable "running" is used
to track the state and terminate the
runtime

Test cases:

Ultimate recursion program

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Program calculate n! using both NORMAL recursive method and TAIL recursive method

(n must be 15 or lower)

Input n: 4

Initiating normal recursive method...

4! is a recursive case. Returning 4 * 3!

3! is a recursive case. Returning 3 * 2!

2! is a recursive case. Returning 2 * 1!

1! is a recursive case. Returning 1 * 0!

0! is a base case. Returning 1 as an answer

Returning 0! = 1 to calculate 1! = [1 * 0!] = 1 * 1 = 1

Returning 1! = 1 to calculate 2! = [2 * 1!] = 2 * 1 = 2

Returning 2! = 2 to calculate 3! = [3 * 2!] = 3 * 2 = 6

Returning 3! = 6 to calculate 4! = [4 * 3!] = 4 * 6 = 24

The answer of 4 factorial calculated using ordinary recursion (O(n)) is 24

press [y] to continue, others to exit.

1st case: n = 4

The answer of 4 factorial calculated using ordinary recursion (O(n)) is 24
press [y] to continue, others to exit.

y

Ultimate recursion program

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Program calculate n! using both NORMAL recursive method and TAIL recursive method
(n must be 15 or lower)

Input n: x

Invalid input. Only positive integer 1 - 20 allowed. Please try again

Input n: 3x

Invalid input. Only positive integer 1 - 20 allowed. Please try again

Input n: -1

Invalid input. Only positive integer 1 - 20 allowed. Please try again

Input n: 20

Invalid input. Only positive integer 1 - 20 allowed. Please try again

Input n: 0

Invalid inputs: n = x, 3x, -1, 20

Initiating normal recursive method...

0! is a base case. Returning 1 as an answer

n = 0

The answer of 0 factorial calculated using ordinary recursion (O(n)) is 1
press [y] to continue, others to exit.

y

Ultimate recursion program

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Program calculate n! using both NORMAL recursive method and TAIL recursive method
(n must be 15 or lower)

Input n: 1

n = 1

Initiating normal recursive method...

1! is a recursive case. Returning 1 * 0!

0! is a base case. Returning 1 as an answer

Returning 0! = 1 to calculate 1! = [1 * 0!] = 1 * 1 = 1

The answer of 1 factorial calculated using ordinary recursion (O(n)) is 1
press [y] to continue, others to exit.

n

End program.

BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 2 minutes 34 seconds)

Recursive Process:

We'll take a look at our recursive function used to calculate the value of the nth factorial

```
static long calcFactorial(int n){  
  
    long ans;  
  
    if(n == 0){  
  
        System.out.println(n + "! is a base case."  
        ans = 1;  
        return ans;  
    }  
    else{  
  
        System.out.println(n + "! is a recursive case."  
        ans = calcFactorial(n - 1);  
        System.out.print("Returning " + (n - 1) + "  
        System.out.println(" = [" + n + " * " + (n - 1) + "  
        return ans * n;  
    }  
}
```

Our function is divided into two parts the base case (if statement) and the recursive case (else statement)

If our input n is greater than 1 then the recursive block will be executed

Called every time if input n is a recursive case and before the recursion occur

This line will trigger the recursion

After the base case is reached and return a value, call stacks start to pop off. These three lines will be executed