

Let's solve it

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Recursion

A function calling itself.

Iterative

$5! \Rightarrow 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$ result = 120

for (i=3; i<=n; i++)

{

result = result * i;

}

$n! \Rightarrow n \times (n-1)!$

$5 \times 4!$

Recursive

$$4! \Rightarrow 4 \times 3!$$

$$3! \Rightarrow 3 \times 2!$$

$$2! \Rightarrow 2 \times 1!$$

$$1! \Rightarrow 1$$

terminating condition.

without terminating condition
it will be infinite loop.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i \Rightarrow n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i$$

$$\sum 1 \Rightarrow 1$$

// ?

GNU \Rightarrow GNU is Not Unix

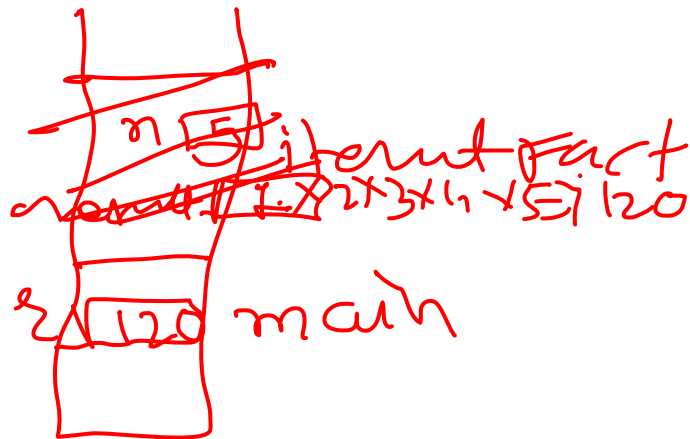
~~W/o terminating condition - X~~

Iterative way

formal lang.

```
int iterativeFact(int n)
{
    int result = 1;
    for (i = 1; i <= n; i++)
        result = result * i;
    return (result);
}
```

```
int main()
{
    int r;
    r = iterativeFact(5);
    printf("%d", r);
    // printf("%d", iterativeFact(5));
}
```



What is the advantage of
recursive solution, wherever
possible?

It is programmer's
friendly.

Printing only n^{th} term of fibonacci

$$fib(n) \Rightarrow fib(n-1) + fib(n-2) \quad \Bigg| \quad \text{p.s. -}$$

for n^{th} back?

$$fib(1^{\text{st}}) \Rightarrow _$$

$$fib(2^{\text{nd}}) \Rightarrow _$$

display()

```
{ char ch;
```

```
  ch = getchar();
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  if (ch == EOF) check
  {
    return;
  }
  display();
```

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  putchar(ch);
}
```

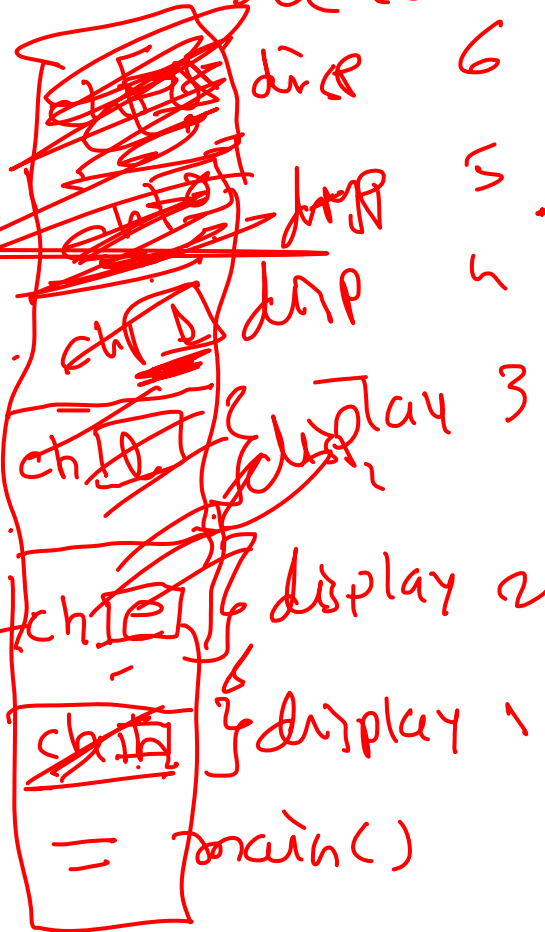
hello
input

output: 0 hello

A function calling

itself is

recursion.



```
int recursiveFact ( int n )
```

```
{ int result;
```

```
    // terminating condition
```

```
    if ( n == 1 )
```

```
    { result = 1; // return(1);
```

```
    } else
```

```
    {
```

```
        result = n * recursiveFact ( n - 1 );
```

```
    } return (result);
```

```
}
```

not reached by return value

fun call

res 1	1!
res 2x1	2!
res 3x2	3!
res 4x6	4!
res 5x24	5!
2 [20]	main \Rightarrow

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