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code:

```
while (a > 0 && b > 0)
```

```
{ if (a > b) a = a * b;
```

```
else b = b * a;
```

```
} if (a == 0) return b;
```

```
else return a;
```

## Recursion

when a function calls itself until a specific condition is met.

```
void f() {
    print(1);
```

```
f();
}
```

```
int main() {
```

```
f();
```

```
}
```

Infinite recursion

out of memory → stack overflow

```
cnt = 0
```

```
f() { print(cnt);
```

```
cnt++;
```

```
f();
```

```
main() { f(); }
```

```
f(1), L2 | waits
f(2), L2 | "
f(3), L2 | "
```



```
0
1
2
3
4 ==
```

\* Base condition → f() { if (cnt == 4) return;

```
print(cnt)
```

```
cnt++
```

```
f();
```

```
}
```

Goes till 4 and stops

```
1
2
3
```

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Recursion Tree:  $f() \rightarrow f() \rightarrow f() \rightarrow f()$

Basic Recursion Problems:

Q. Print name N times.

```
void f(i, n) {
    if (i > n) return; // Base case
    print("Ray");
    f(i+1, n);
}
```

Ray  
Ray  
Ray

```
main() {
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    f(0, n);
}
```

Q. Print linearly from 1 to N

```
f(i, n) {
    if (i > n) return;
    print(i);
    f(i+1, n);
}
```

```
main() {
    input(n);
    f(1, n);
}
```

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Q. Print integers  $N \rightarrow 1$

```
f(i, n) {
    if (i < 1) return;
    print(i);
    f(i-1, n);
}
```

```
main() {
    input(n);
    f(n, n);
}
```

Q. Print for  $1 \rightarrow N$  (not with  $f(i+1, n)$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Backtracking

```
f(i, n) {
    if (i < 1) return;
    f(i-1, n);
    print(i);
}
```

```
main() {
    input(n);
    f(n, n);
}
```

Q. Print for  $N \rightarrow 1$  (not with  $i-1, n$ )

```
f(n, i) {
    if (n < 1) return;
    printf(n, i+1);
    print(i);
}
```

```
main() {
    input(n);
    f(n, 1);
}
```

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Q. Summation of  $1 \rightarrow N$

```
f(i, sum) {
    if (i < 1) { print(sum);
                return i; }
    f(i-1, sum+i);
}
```

```
main() {
    input(n);
    f(n, 0); // zero
}
```

functional

```
f(n) {
    if (n == 0) return 0;
    return n + f(n-1);
}
```

```
main() {
    n;
    print(f(n));
}
```

Q. Factorial of N

```
f(n) {
    if (n == 0) return 1;
    return n * f(n-1);
}
```

```
main() {
    n;
    print(f(n));
}
```

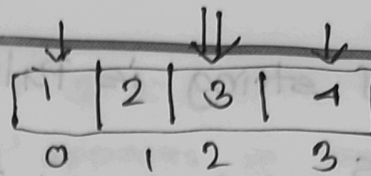
TC  $\rightarrow O(N)$   
 SC  $\rightarrow O(N)$

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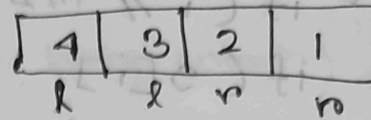
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Q. Reverse an array

two pointers:



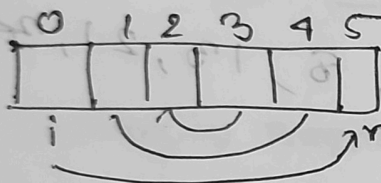
Ptr swap  
middle no swap.



moment they cross/  
overlap → don't

```
f(l, r)
{
    if (l > r) return;
    swap(a[l], a[r]);
    f(l+1, r-1);
}
```

```
main() {
    input(arr);
    f(0, n-1);
}
```



till how long?  $i > n/2$

```
f(i) {
    if (i > n/2) return;
    swap(a[i], a[n-i-1]);
    f(i+1);
}
```

```
main() {
    input(arr);
    f(arr, n);
}
```



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Q. Check if string is Palindrome

var  $\rightarrow$  var

functional

```

f(i) {
    if (i > n/2) return true;
    if (s[i] != s[n-i-1]) return false;
    return f(i+1);
}
    
```

```

main() {
    string s;
    printf("%s", f(0, s));
}
    
```

TC  $\rightarrow \frac{N}{2}$

SC  $\rightarrow$  Auxiliary stack space  $\frac{1}{2}$

## \* Multiple Recursion Calls

Fibonacci: 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34

$N^{th} \rightarrow f(n) \rightarrow f(n-1) + f(n-2)$

```

f(n) {
    if (n <= 1) return n;
    last = f(n-1);
    second last = f(n-2);
    return last + second last;
}
    
```

```

main() {
    n;
    f(n);
}
    
```

TC  $\rightarrow \frac{2}{n} \frac{2}{n-1} \frac{2}{n-2}$

$\rightarrow 2^n$  near about exponential nature.