

Lesson-4-Class Notes & Review

Slide-4

Iterative Solution

```
F = 1;  
For I = 1 to n  
    F = f * I  
Console.log(f)
```

Find a Factorial of a given number n . ($n \geq 0$)

```
1! = 1  
2! = 1 * 2  
3! = 1 * 2 * 3  
4! = 4 * 3!  
n! = n * (n-1)!
```

The factorial of n , or $n!$ is defined as follows:

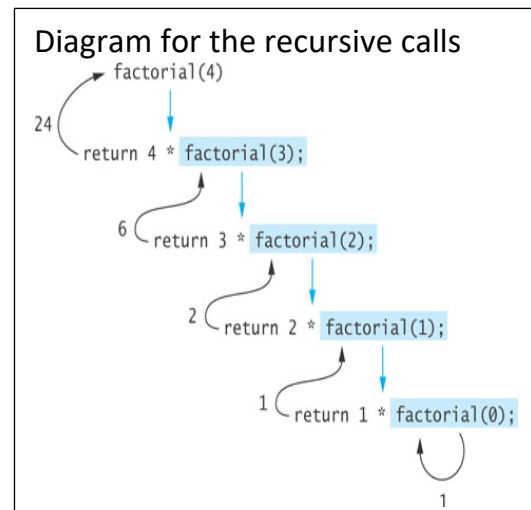
```
0! = 1  
n! = n x (n - 1)! (n > 0)
```

The base case: n is equal to 0

The second formula is a recursive definition.

// Example of Linear Recursion

```
Algorithm factorial(n)  
    // Base case to stop recursion  
    if (n = 0)  
        return 1;  
    else  
        // Smaller version of itself / Recursive call  
        return n * factorial(n - 1);
```



Slide-6 – Linear Recursion

Algorithm sumFirst(n)

if $n < 0$ then Throw InvalidInputException

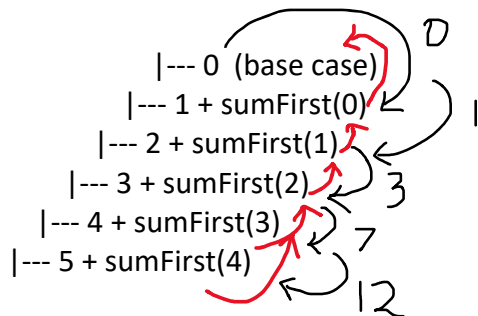
if $n = 0$ then

return 0

else

return $n + \text{sumFirst}(n-1)$

Trace Calls for $n = 5$, after the call return



Stack Calls --> All the method calls are maintained in a stack by introducing stack frame, which includes all the arguments and local variables status. Once the method is returned that call is removed from the stack.


Stack method Call	Return
sumFirst(0) Return 0	0 Call removed from the stack
sumFirst(1) n = 1	N+ Previous call answer 0 + 1
sumFirst(2) n= 2	N+ Previous call answer 1 + 2
sumFirst(3) n=3	N+ Previous call answer
sumFirst(4) n=4	
sumFirst(5) n = 5	
Main()	

Slide-7 – Tail Recursion

```
Algorithm sumFirstHelper(n, s)
  if n = 0 then
    return s
  else
    return sumFirstHelper(n-1, n+s)
```

Trace Calls for n=5

```
|--- 15 (base case)
|--- sumFirstHelper(0, 1+14)
|--- sumFirstHelper(1, 2+12)
|--- sumFirstHelper(2, 3+9)
|--- sumFirstHelper(3, 4+5)
|--- sumFirstHelper(4, 5+0)
```

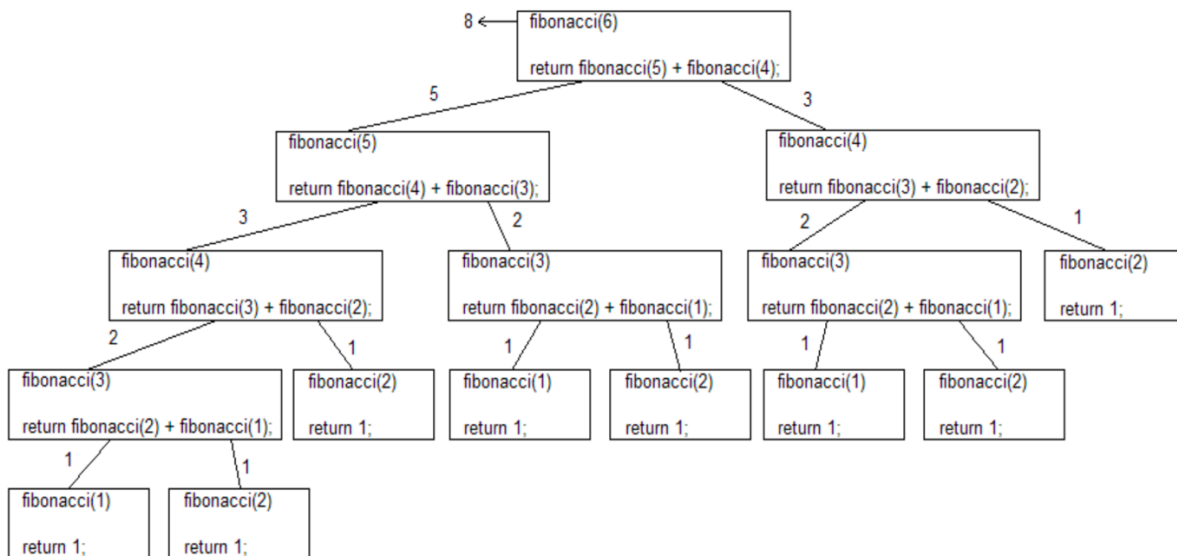


Linear Recursion	Tail Recursion
<p>Linear recursion occurs when methods call themselves only once inside a body.</p> <p>when referring to methods that process the result of the recursive call somehow before producing or returning its own output.</p> <p>The subproblem is added to n, in order to generate the function's result.</p> <p>$n + \text{sumFirst}(n-1)$</p>	<p>Tail recursion also known as Final Recursion.</p> <p>Methods that fall into this category also call themselves once inside a body, but the recursive call is the last operation carried out in the recursive case.</p> <p>Therefore, they do not manipulate the result of the recursive call.</p> <p>The recursive case is simply specifying relationships between sets of arguments for which the function returns the value.</p> <p>As the algorithm carries out recursive calls it modifies the arguments until it is possible to compute the solution easily in a base case.</p> <p>$\text{sumFirstHelper}(n-1, n+s)$</p>

Slide-8

Algorithm Fib(n)

```
if n = 0 then
    return 0
else if n = 1 then
    return 1
else
    return Fib(n-2) + Fib(n-1)
```



Slide-9 – Mutual Recursion

Problem: Check the given number is even or odd

<p>Algorithm isEven(n)</p> <pre>if n = 0 then return true else return isOdd(n-1)</pre>	<p>Algorithm isOdd(n)</p> <pre>if n = 0 then return false else return isEven(n-1)</pre>
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Call Trace for n = 3

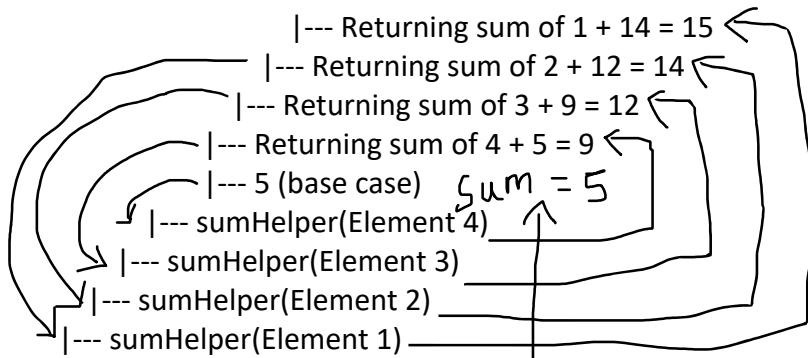
isEven(3) calls isOdd(2).
isOdd(2) calls isEven(1).
isEven(1) calls isOdd(0).
isOdd(0) is the base case and returns false because 0 is not odd.

Slide-13-In-Class Exercise Solution

```
Algorithm sum(L)
  if L.isEmpty() then return 0
  return sumHelper(L, L.first())
```

```
Algorithm sumHelper(L, p)
  if L.isLast(p) then
    return p.element()
  else
    sum := sumHelper(L, L.after(p))
    return sum + p.element()
```

Trace Calls of L = { 1,2,3,4,5 }



Searching Algorithms

1. Linear Search ($O(n)$) – search from 0 position to $n-1$ position, not necessary in sorted order.
2. Binary Search ($O(\log n)$)
 - a. Your inputs need to be in sorted order.
 - b. Find the middle value
 - c. Divide the array into two parts,
 - i. Search either in the left or right with the help middle value

Binary Search Runtime Observation. Finding the upper bound, Worst-case Analysis. (finding an element not in the list). – Optional Part

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Ind 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Arr = [1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8] (n = 8). Low = 0, upper = 7, mid = (0+7)/2 = 3

Search right side [5 6 7 8] (n = 4) Low = 4, upper = 7, mid = (4+7)/2 = 5

Search right side. [7 8] (n=2). Low = 6, upper = 7, mid = (6+7)/2 = 6

Search right side. [8] (n=1) Low = 7, upper = 7, mid = (7+7)/2 = 7
 Next step will reach base case
 Low = 8, upper = 7, mid = (8+7)/2 = 7

Here's an example with n = 8

1. Start with n = 8.
2. Divide by 2: $n = 8 / 2 = 4$.
3. Divide by 2: $n = 4 / 2 = 2$.
4. Divide by 2: $n = 2 / 2 = 1$.

In each recursive call, the size of the subarray is reduced using the result of the previous comparison.

- Initial length of array = n
- Self-call 1 - Length of array = $n/2$
- Self-call 2 - Length of array = $(n/2)/2 = n/2^2$
- Self-call m - Length of array = $n/2^m$
- After m self-calls, the size of the array becomes 1.

Now, let's analyze how many steps it takes to reduce n to 1.

Length of array = $n/2^m = 1$
 $\Rightarrow n = 2^m$

Each step involves dividing n by 2, which corresponds to taking the logarithm base 2 of n. Applying log function on both sides:

$\Rightarrow \log_2(n) = \log_2(2^m)$
 $\Rightarrow \log_2(n) = m \cdot \log_2 2 = m$
 $\Rightarrow m = \log_2(n)$

Review Questions

1. What is recursion?
2. Why base case and recursive case is important in a Recursive thinking.
3. Give examples for various kinds of recursion.
4. Able to write a valid recursive algorithm for the given problem requirements and can analyze its performance.
5. How to perform Binary search using iterative and recursive way. Analyze its performance.