

Recursion Vs Iteration

Exercise

- Write the pseudocode for a recursive function that will take a tree and will return true if the tree is full and false otherwise

Recall our process:

- Input/output?
- Examples:
 - Simplest example of calling the function
 - A more complex example
- Edit the template
 - Rename function & data
 - Edit the basecase
 - Deal with one data piece
 - Update to smaller problem for recursive call

HINT: - if you have more than one smaller problem, you can make a recursive call on each of them

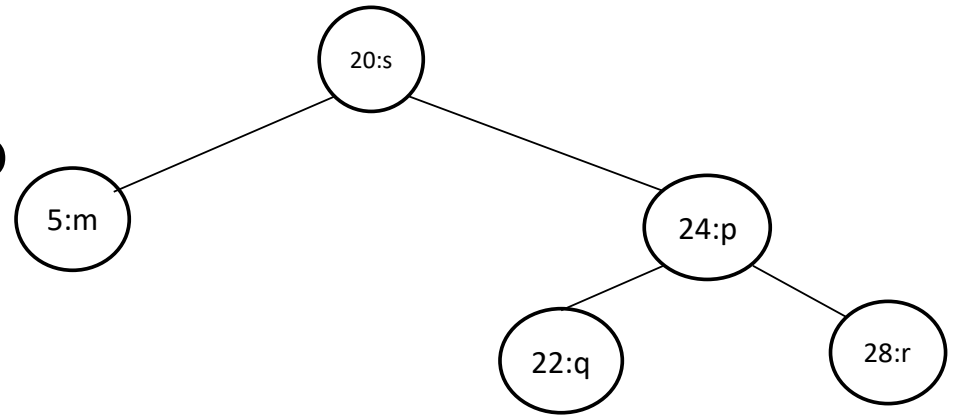
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function(data)
  if (smallestPossibleProblem? data)
    the simple answer
    return ...
  else
    first part of data ...
    function(smallerProblem(data))
    return ...
```

Solution

```
isFull(tree)
  if (tree is empty)
    return true
  else
    if (height(tree's left subtree) NOT= height(tree's right subtree))
      return false

    else
      if (isFull(tree's left subtree) AND (isFull(tree's right subtree)
        return true
      else
        return false
```

Will this solution work for this tree?



isFull(tree)

if(tree is empty)

return true

else

if (tree's left subtree is empty **AND** tree's right subtree is **not** empty)

return false

if (tree's right subtree is empty **AND** tree's left subtree is **not** empty)

return false

else

if (isFull(tree's left subtree) **AND** (isFull(tree's right subtree)

return true

else

return false

exercise

- The Fibonacci Sequence is a series of numbers.
- The first two numbers in the sequence are 0 and 1
- The next number in the sequence is found by adding up the two numbers before it ($0 + 1 = 1$)
- The the first 7 values in the sequence are:
0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8,...
- Write a method called fibonacci that takes an integer (n) and computes n^{th} number in the Fibonacci sequence
- For example,
 - fibonacci(0) would return 0
 - fibonacci(1) would return 1
 - fibonacci(2) would return 1
 - fibonacci(3) would return 2
 - fibonacci(4) would return 3
 - fibonacci(5) would return 5
 - fibonacci(6) would return 8

iterative solution

```
fibonacci(n)
  if(n==0)
    return 0
  else
    previous = 0
    current = 1
```

iterative solution

```
fibonacci(n)
  if(n==0)
    return 0
  else
    previous = 0
    current = 1
    for(count=1 to n(not inclusive))
      newcurrent = previous + current
      previous = current
      current = newcurrent
    return current
```

Recursive solution

```
fibonacci(n)
```

```
    if(n==0 OR n==1)
```

```
        return n
```

```
    else
```

```
        return fibonacci(n-1) + fibonacci(n-2)
```


What is the efficiency?

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B. $O(n)$

C. $O(\log n)$

D. $O(n^2)$

E. $O(2^n)$

What is the efficiency?

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fibonacci(n)
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    if(n==0 OR n==1)
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```
        return n
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    else
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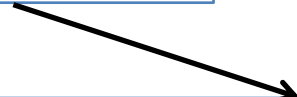
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n is 4
fibonacci (4)



fibonacci (3) + fibonacci(2)



fibonacci (2) + fibonacci(1)

fibonacci (1) + fibonacci(0)



fibonacci (1) + fibonacci(0)

n is 5
fibonacci (5)

fibonacci (4) + fibonacci(3)

fibonacci (2) + fibonacci(1)

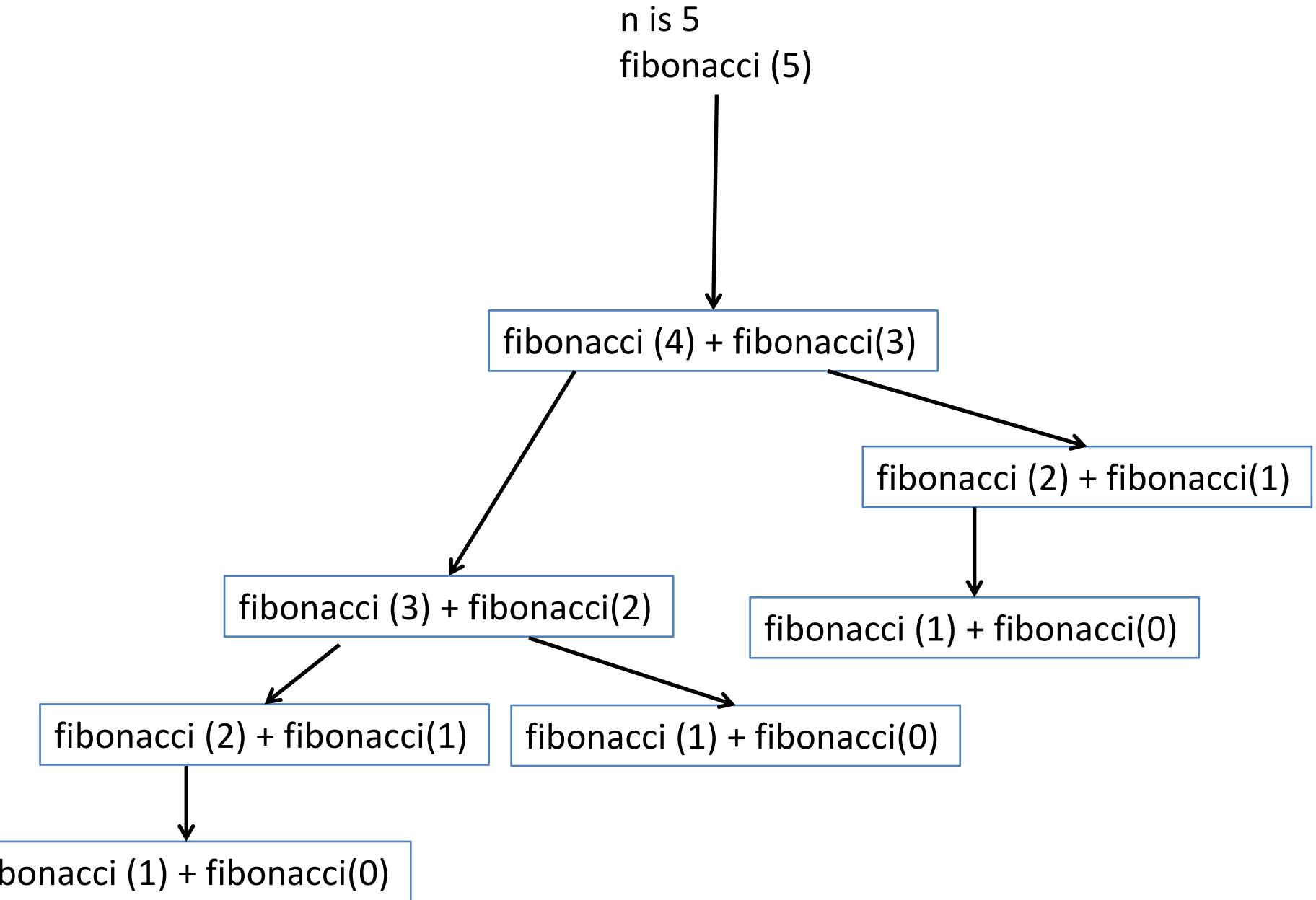
fibonacci (3) + fibonacci(2)

fibonacci (1) + fibonacci(0)

fibonacci (2) + fibonacci(1)

fibonacci (1) + fibonacci(0)

fibonacci (1) + fibonacci(0)



n is 6
fibonacci (6)

fibonacci (5) + fibonacci(4)

?

fibonacci (4) + fibonacci(3)

fibonacci (2) + fibonacci(1)

fibonacci (3) + fibonacci(2)

fibonacci (1) + fibonacci(0)

fibonacci (2) + fibonacci(1)

fibonacci (1) + fibonacci(0)

fibonacci (1) + fibonacci(0)

