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In [81]: def basic_recursion(n):  
    """What do I do?? Remember what we acted out during recitation?"""  
    if n == 0:  
        return 0  
  
    return 1 + basic_recursion(n-1)
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In [50]: def recursive_fib(n):  
    """Returns the nth number of the fibonacci sequence using vanilla recursion"""  
    if n == 0:  
        return 0  
    elif n == 1:  
        return 1  
  
    return recursive_fib(n-2) + recursive_fib(n-1)  
  
print("%d <-- that took way too long!" % recursive_fib(35))  
  
9227465 <-- that took way too long!
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In [56]: fib_nums = [None]*1000 # This is an arbitrary length for this example. Do  
n't do this in real life!  
fib_nums[0] = 0  
fib_nums[1] = 1  
  
def memoized_fib(n):  
    """Returns the nth number of the fibonacci sequence using top-down memoization"""  
    if fib_nums[n] != None:  
        return fib_nums[n]  
  
    new_num = memoized_fib(n-2) + memoized_fib(n-1)  
    fib_nums[n] = new_num  
    return new_num  
  
print("%d <-- that was way faster!" % memoized_fib(35))  
  
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In [65]: def dp_fib(n):
        """Returns the nth number of the fibonacci sequence using bottom-up dynamic programming"""
        fib_nums = [0,1]

        for i in range(n-1):
            fib_nums.append(fib_nums[-2] + fib_nums[-1])

        return fib_nums[n]

print("%d <-- and this is even better! (remember what I said about the cost of function calls?)" % memoized_fib(35))

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In [66]: import time

def time_me(f, a):
    """I return the time it takes to run the function f with input a"""
    start = time.clock()
    f(a)
    end = time.clock()
    return end - start
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In [67]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

recursive_inputs = list(range(35))
recursive_times = []

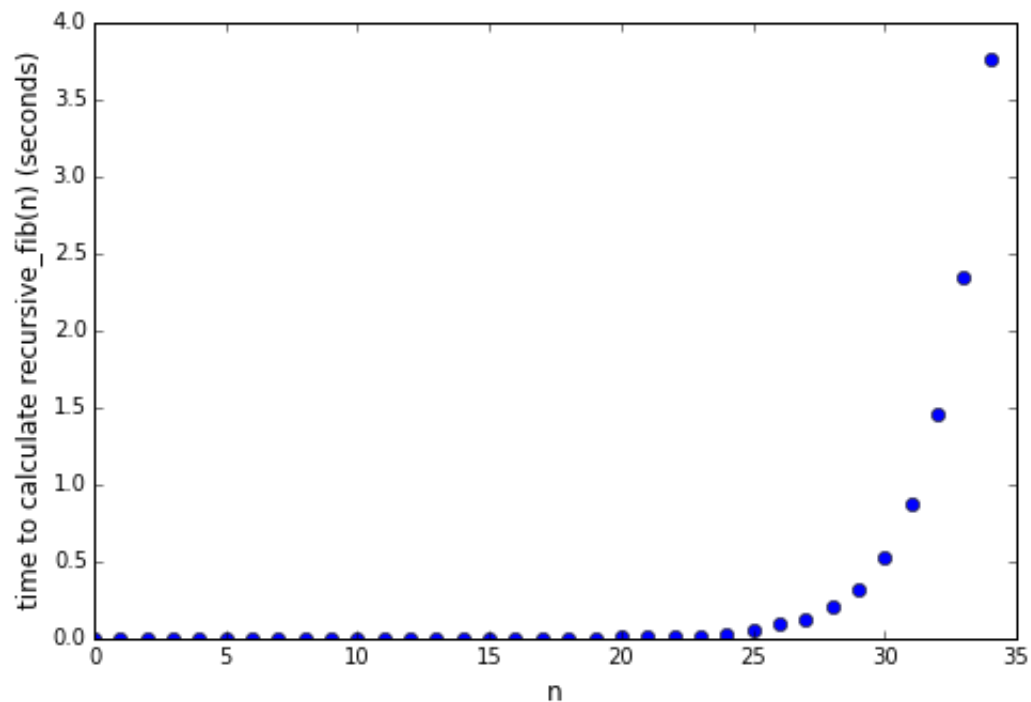
for n in recursive_inputs:
    recursive_times.append(time_me(recursive_fib, n))

fig = plt.figure()
axes = fig.add_axes([0, 0, 1, 1])
axes.set_xlabel('n', size="large")
axes.set_ylabel('time to calculate recursive_fib(n) (seconds)', size="large")

axes.plot(recursive_inputs, recursive_times, 'o')

print("This is growing at roughly 2^n. Yikes.")
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In [80]: dp_inputs = list(range(0, 3500, 100))
dp_times = []

for n in dp_inputs:
    dp_times.append(time_me(dp_fib, n))

fig = plt.figure()
axes = fig.add_axes([0, 0, 1, 1])
axes.set_xlabel('n', size="large")
axes.set_ylabel('time to calculate dp_fib(n) (seconds)', size="large")

axes.plot(dp_inputs, dp_times, 'o')

print("This is growing roughly linearly. Awesome!")
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