

CMPS 12B

Introduction to Data Structures

Quiz 1 Practice Problems

1. Recall the recursive function $C(n, k)$ in the class `BinomialCoefficients` discussed in lecture and posted on the webpage. Write a box trace of the function call $C(5, 3)$. Use this trace to find the value of $C(5, 3)$. Notice that in the full recursion tree for $C(5, 3)$, the value $C(3, 2)$ is evaluated 2 times, and $C(2, 1)$ is evaluated 3 times. Suggest a modification to the function that would allow it to avoid computing the same values multiple times. (Don't write the code, just explain it in words.)
2. Write a recursive function called `sum(n)` that computes the sum of the integers from 1 to n . Hint: recall the recursive function `fact(n)` in the class `Factorial` discussed in lecture and posted on the webpage.
3. Write a recursive Java method that takes two non-negative integers n and m as input, then returns the sum of the integers from n to m (inclusive) if $n \leq m$, and returns 0 if $n > m$. Do this in two ways as described below.
 - a. Determine the sum of integers from n to $m - 1$ recursively, then add m to the result.
 - b. Split the sequence of integers from n to m (roughly) in half, recur on the two half-sequences, then add the results. Hint: model this function on `mergeSort()`.
4. Write a recursive function called `sumArray()` that determines the sum of the integers in an array $A[0 \dots n-1]$. Do this in 3 ways.
 - a. Recur on $A[0 \dots n-2]$, add the result to $A[n-1]$, then return the sum.
 - b. Recur on $A[1 \dots n-1]$, add the result to $A[0]$, then return the sum.
 - c. Split $A[0 \dots n-1]$ into two subarrays of length (approximately) $n/2$, recur on the two subarrays, add the results and return the sum. Hint: think about `MergeSort()`.
5. Write a modification of the recursive function `BinarySearch()` that prints out the sequence of array elements that are compared to the target.
6. What output does the following program produce?

```
public class problem6 {
    public static int getValue(int a, int b, int n){
        int x, c;
        System.out.println("arrive: a = " + a + " b = " + b);
        c = (a+b)/2;
        if( c*c <= n ){
            x = c;
        }else{
            x = getValue(a, c-1, n);
        }
        System.out.println("depart: a = " + a + " b = " + b);
        return x;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args){
        System.out.println(getValue(3, 13, 5));
    }
}
```

7. The following Java method converts a positive decimal integer to base 8 (octal) and displays the result. Explain how the function works and trace it on the input $n=100$.

```
static void displayOctal(int n){
    if(n>0){
        if(n/8>0){
            displayOctal(n/8);
        }
        System.out.println(n%8);
    }
}
```

8. Use what you learned in problem 6 above to create a recursive function called `integerToString()` that returns a String representation of an integer n expressed in base b . For instance the function call `integerToString(100, 8)` would return the String “144”, which is what was printed in problem 6.
9. The Fibonacci function $F(n)$ is defined by $F(0)=0$, $F(1)=1$ and the recurrence formula $F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)$ for $n \geq 2$. Write a *recursive* Java method that calculates $F(n)$.
10. Perform a box trace of the function call `F(5)`. for the Fibonacci function from the previous problem. Each box should state the value of n for the recursive call that it represents. What integer is returned?