EE360C: Algorithms

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Problem 1: Dynamic Programming

You are climbing a stair case. It takes n steps to reach to the top. Each time you can either climb 1 or 2 steps. In how many distinct ways can you climb to the top? Note: Given n will be a positive integer.

Example: Input: 3 Output: 3

Explanation: There are three ways to climb to the top:

- 1. 1 step + 1 step + 1 step
- 2.1 step + 2 steps
- 3. 2 steps + 1 step
- 1. A function F(i) is defined to denote the number of distinct ways you can climb to the top. Please provide F(1) and F(2). Then provide F(i) in terms of previously computed value of F.

Solution

- F(1) = 1
- F(2) = 2
- F(i) = F(i-1) + F(i-2)