

C++ Object-Oriented Prog.

Unit 6: Generic Programming

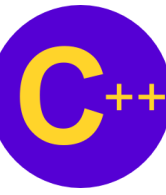
CHAPTER 25: BASIC ALGORITHM 2: RECURSION

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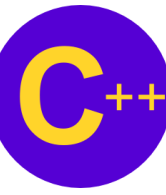
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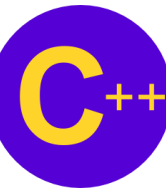
Chapter 18 Topics

- Meaning of Recursion
- Base Case and General Case in Recursive Function Definitions
- Writing Recursive Functions with Simple Type Parameters
- Writing Recursive Functions with Array Parameters
- Writing Recursive Functions with Pointer Parameters
- Understanding How Recursion Works



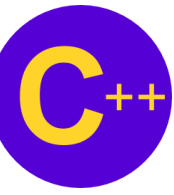
Recursive Function Call

- A **recursive call** is a function call in which the called function is the same as the one making the call
- In other words, *recursion occurs when a function calls itself!*
- But we need to avoid making an infinite sequence of function calls (**infinite recursion**)



Finding a Recursive Solution

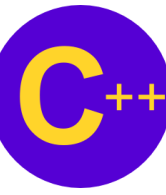
- A **recursive solution** to a problem must be written carefully
- The idea is for each successive recursive call to bring you one step closer to a situation in which the problem can easily be solved
- This easily solved situation is called the **base case**
- Each recursive algorithm must have at least one base case, as well as a **general** (recursive) case



General format for Many Recursive Functions

```
if (some easily-solved condition)  // Base case  
  
    solution statement  
  
else                                // General case  
  
    recursive function call
```

Some examples . . .

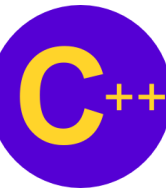


Writing a Recursive Function to Find the Sum of the Numbers from 1 to n

DISCUSSION

- The function call `Summation(4)` should have value 10, because that is $1 + 2 + 3 + 4$
- For an easily-solved situation, the sum of the numbers from 1 to 1 is certainly just 1
- So our base case could be along the lines of

`if (n == 1) return 1;`



Writing a Recursive Function to Find the Sum of the Numbers from 1 to n

Now for the **general case**...

- The sum of the numbers from 1 to n, that is,

$1 + 2 + \dots + n$ can be written as

- $n +$ the sum of the numbers from 1 to $(n - 1)$,

that is, $n + \underbrace{1 + 2 + \dots + (n - 1)}$

or, $n + \text{Summation}(n - 1)$

- And notice that the recursive call $\text{Summation}(n - 1)$ gets us “closer” to the base case of $\text{Summation}(1)$

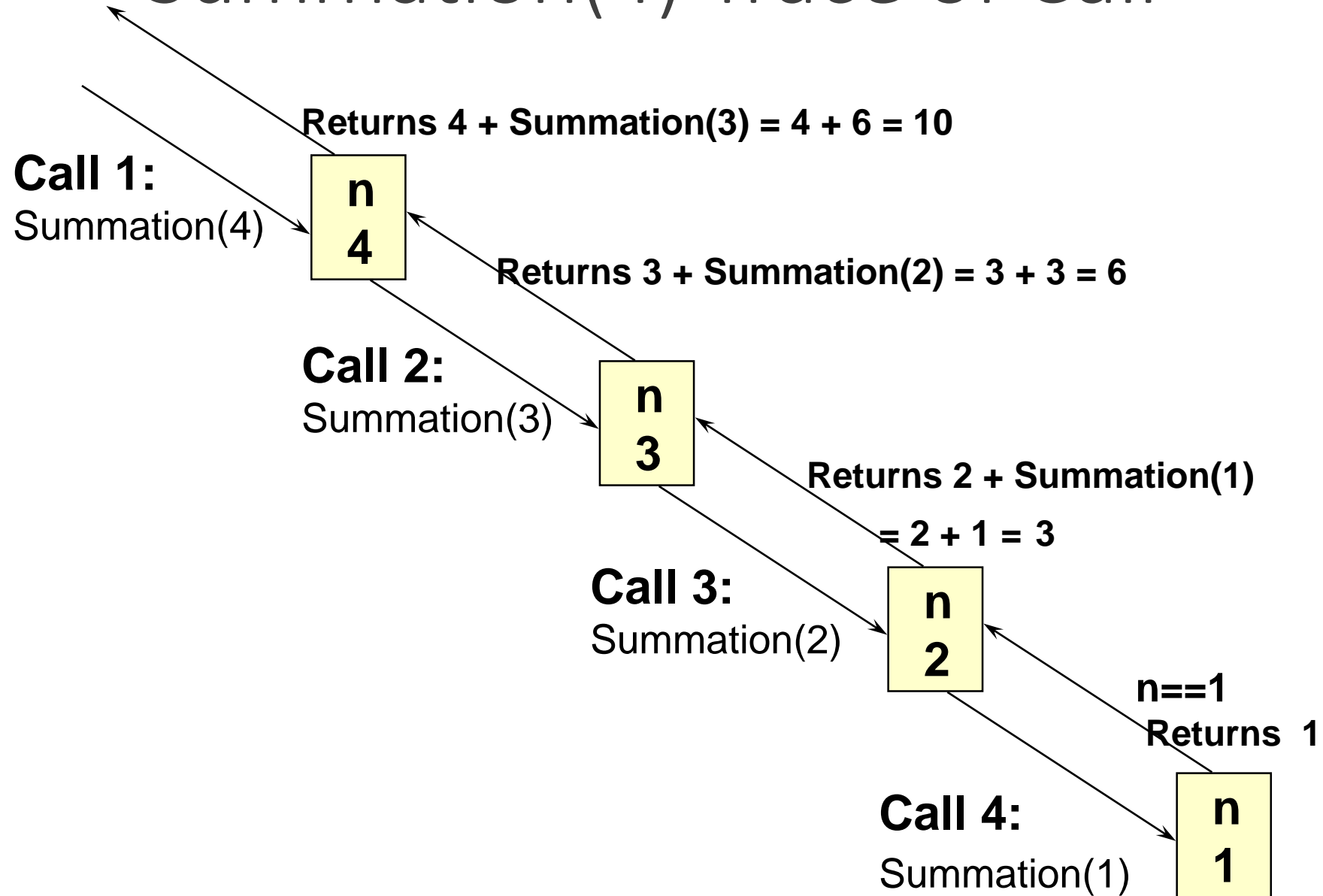
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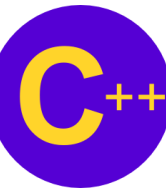
Summation and Factorial

Finding the Sum of the Numbers from 1 to n

```
int    Summation (/* in */ int    n)
// Computes the sum of the numbers from 1 to
// n by adding n to the sum of the numbers
// from 1 to (n-1)
// Precondition: n is assigned && n > 0
// Postcondition: Return value == sum of
// numbers from 1 to n
{
    if (n == 1)    // Base case
        return 1;
    else           // General case
        return (n + Summation (n - 1));
}
```

Summation(4) Trace of Call



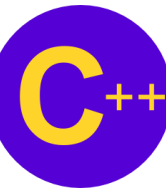


Writing a Recursive Function to Find n Factorial

DISCUSSION

- The function call Factorial(4) should have value 24, because that is $4 * 3 * 2 * 1$
- For a situation in which the answer is known, the value of $0!$ is 1
- So our base case could be along the lines of

if (number == 0) return 1;



Writing a Recursive Function to Find Factorial(n)

Now for the **general case** . . .

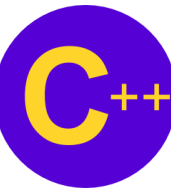
- The value of `Factorial(n)` can be written as $n * \text{the product of the numbers from } (n - 1) \text{ to } 1$,

that is,

$$n * \underbrace{(n - 1) * \dots * 1}$$

or, $n * \text{Factorial}(n - 1)$

- And notice that the recursive call `Factorial(n - 1)` gets us “closer” to the base case of `Factorial(0)`



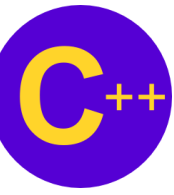
Demo Program:

Summation

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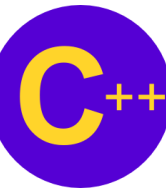
```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  // Computes the sum of the numbers from 1 to
5  // n by adding n to the sum of the numbers
6  // from 1 to (n-1)
7  // Precondition: n is assigned && n > 0
8  // Postcondition: Return value == sum of
9  // numbers from 1 to n
10 int  Summation (/* in */ int  n)
11 {
12     if (n == 1)    // Base case
13         return 1;
14     else          // General case
15         return (n + Summation (n - 1));
16 }
17
18 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
19     cout << Summation(10) << endl;
20     return 0;
21 }
```

```
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55
-----
Process exited after 0.05625 seconds with return value 0
Press any key to continue . . .
```



Recursive Solution

```
int    Factorial ( int    number)
// Pre: number is assigned and number >= 0
{
    if    (number == 0)        // Base case
        return    1;
    else                                // General case
        return
            number * Factorial (number - 1);
}
```



Demo Program:

Factorial

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```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  // Pre: number is assigned and number >= 0
5  int Factorial ( int    number) {
6      if (number == 0)    // Base case
7          return 1;
8      else                // General case
9          return
10         number * Factorial (number - 1);
11 }
12
13 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
14     cout << Factorial(5) << endl;
15     return 0;
16 }
```

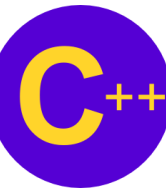
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Power



Another Example Where Recursion Comes Naturally

From mathematics, we know that

$$2^0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad 2^5 = 2 * 2^4$$

In general,

$$x^0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad x^n = x * x^{n-1}$$

for integer x , and integer $n > 0$

Here we are defining x^n recursively, in terms of x^{n-1}

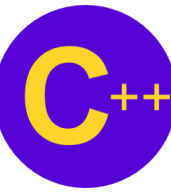
```
// Recursive definition of power function
int Power ( int    x,    int    n)

// Pre:  n >= 0; x, n are not both zero
// Post: Return value == x raised to the
//       power n.

{
    if    (n == 0)
        return 1; // Base case

    else           // General case
        return ( x * Power (x, n-1) );
}
```

Of course, an alternative would have been to use an iterative solution instead of recursion



Demo Program:

Power1

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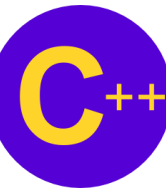
```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  // Recursive definition of power function
5  // Pre:  n >= 0; x, n are not both zero
6  // Post: Return value == x raised to the
7  // power n.
8  int Power ( int    x,    int    n){
9      if (n == 0)
10         return 1; // Base case
11
12     else // General case
13         return ( x * Power (x, n-1));
14 }
15
16 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
17     cout << Power (2, 6) << endl;
18     return 0;
19 }
```

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64

Process exited after 0.1564 seconds with return value 0

Press any key to continue . . .



Extending the Definition

- *What is the value of 2^{-3} ?*
- Again from mathematics, we know that it is

$$2^{-3} = 1 / 2^3 = 1 / 8$$

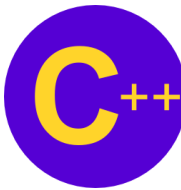
- In general,

$$x^n = 1 / x^{-n} \quad \text{for non-zero } x, \text{ and integer } n < 0$$

- Here we again defining x^n recursively, in terms of x^{-n} when $n < 0$

```
// Recursive definition of power function
float Power ( /* in */ float x,
              /* in */ int n)
// Pre: x != 0 && Assigned(n)
// Post: Return value == x raised to the power n
{
    if (n == 0)          // Base case
        return 1;

    else if (n > 0) // First general case
        return ( x * Power (x, n - 1));
    else              // Second general case
        return ( 1.0 / Power (x, - n));
}
```



Demo Program:

Power2

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```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  // Recursive definition of power function
4  // Pre: x != 0 && Assigned(n)
5  // Post: Return value == x raised to the power n
6  float Power(/*in*/ float x, /*in*/ int n){
7      if (n == 0) // Base case
8          return 1;
9      else if (n > 0) // First general case
10         return (x * Power(x, n - 1));
11     else // Second general case
12         return (1.0 / Power(x, -n));
13 }
14
15 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
16     cout << Power(2, 3) << endl;
17     cout << Power(2, -3) << endl;
18     return 0;
19 }
```

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```
8
0.125
-----
Process exited after 0.1133 seconds with return value 0
Press any key to continue . . .
```

LECTURE 4

Print Stars

The Base Case Can Be “Do Nothing”

```
void    PrintStars (/* in */ int    n)
// Prints n asterisks, one to a line
// Precondition:      n is assigned
// Postcondition:
//      IF n <= 0, n stars have been written
//      ELSE call PrintStarg
{
    if (n <= 0) // Base case: do nothing
    else
    {
        cout    <<    '*'    <<    endl;
        PrintStars (n - 1);
    }
}
```

// Can rewrite as . . .

Recursive Void Function

```
void PrintStars (/* in */ int n)
// Prints n asterisks, one to a line
// Precondition: n is assigned
// Postcondition:
// IF n > 0, call PrintStars
// ELSE n stars have been written
{
    if (n > 0) // General case
    {
        cout << '*' << endl;
        PrintStars (n - 1);
    }
    // Base case is empty else-clause
}
```

PrintStars(3) Trace of Call

Call 1:
PrintStars(3)
* is printed

n
3

Call 2:
PrintStars(2)
* is printed

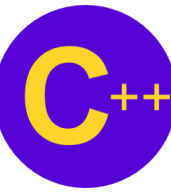
n
2

Call 3:
PrintStars(1)
* is printed

n
1

Call 4:
PrintStars(0)
Do nothing

n
0



Demo Program: PrintStars

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```
*  
*  
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*  
*  
*  
  
-----  
Process exited after 0.2028 seconds with return value 0  
Press any key to continue . . .
```

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  // Prints n asterisks, one to a line
5  // Precondition: n is assigned
6  // Postcondition:
7  //     IF  $n > 0$ , call PrintStars
8  //     ELSE n stars have been written
9  void PrintStars (/* in */ int n){
10     if (n > 0) // General case
11     {
12         cout << "*" << endl;
13         PrintStars (n - 1);
14     }
15     // Base case is empty else-clause
16 }
17
18 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
19     PrintStars(10);
20     return 0;
21 }

```

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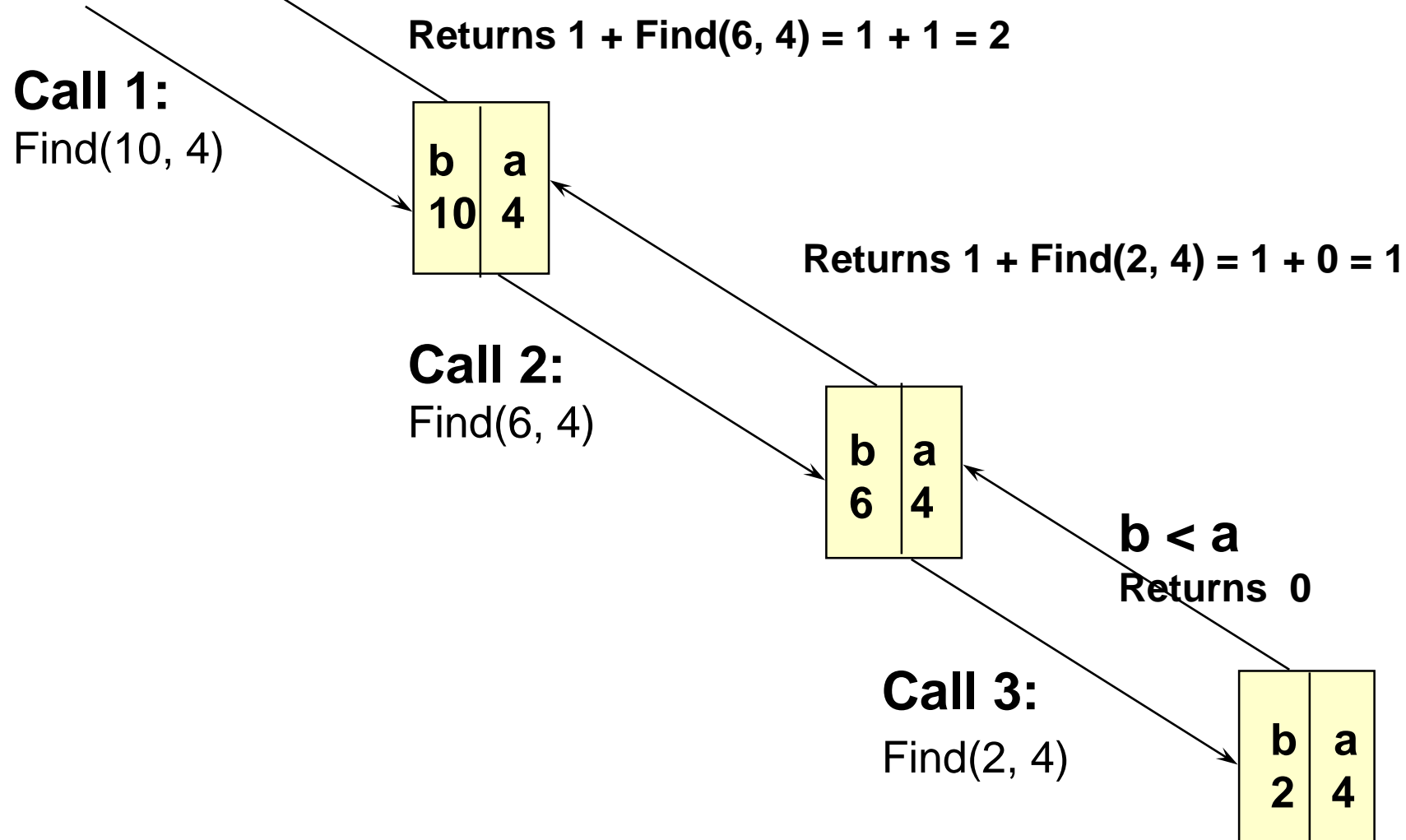
Tracing Recursive Programs

Recursive Mystery Function

```
int Find(/* in */ int b, /* in */ int a)
// Simulates a familiar integer operator
// Precondition: a is assigned && a > 0
//      && b is assigned &&      b >= 0
// Postcondition: Return value ==      ???
{
    if (b < a)          // Base case
        return 0;

    else                // General case
        return (1 + Find (b - a, a));
}
```

Find(10, 4) Trace of Call



```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  // Simulates a familiar integer operator
4  // Precondition: a is assigned && a > 0
5  // && b is assigned && b >= 0
6  // Postcondition: Return value == ???
7  int Find(/* in */ int b, /* in */ int a){
8      cout << "Find("<< b << ", " << a << ")"<< endl;
9      if (b < a)          // Base case
10         return 0;
11     else                // General case
12     {
13         return (1 + Find (b - a, a));
14     }
15 }
16 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
17     cout << "Find(10, 4)=" << Find(10, 4) << endl;
18     return 0;
19 }

```

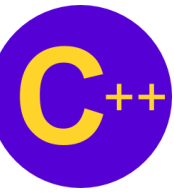
```

Find(10, 4)
Find(6, 4)
Find(2, 4)
Find(10, 4)=2

```

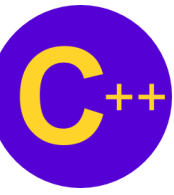

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Recursive Function Over Data Structures



Recursive algorithms with Structured Variables

- Recursive case: a smaller structure (rather than a smaller value)
- Base case: there are no values left to process in the structure



Printing the contents of a one-dimensional array

Recursive case:

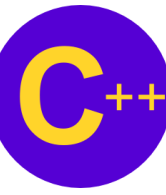
`IF more elements`

`Print the values of the first element`

`Print array of $n-1$ elements`

Base case:

`Do nothing`



Printing the contents of a one-dimensional array

```
void Print( /* in */ const int data[], // Array to be printed
           /* in */          int first, // Index of first element
           /* in */          int last ) // Index of last element
{
    if (first <= last){ // Recursive case
        cout << data[first] << endl;
        Print(data, first+1, last);
    }
    // Empty else-clause is the base-case
}
```

Print (data, 0, 2) Trace

Call 1:

Print (data, 0, 2)
data[0] printed

first 0
last 2

Call 2:

Print (data, 1, 2)
data[1] printed

first 1
last 2

Call 3:

Print (data, 2, 2)
data[2] printed

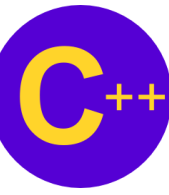
first 2
last 2

Call 4:

Print (data, 3, 2)

first 3
last 2

NOTE: data address 6000 is also passed Do nothing



Demo Program:

Print.cpp

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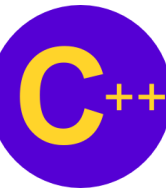
```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  void Print(const int data[], int first, int last )
4  {
5      if (first <= last){    // Recursive case
6          cout << data[first] << endl;
7          Print(data, first+1, last);
8      }
9      // Empty else-clause is the base-case
10 }
11
12 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
13     int data[3] = {0, 1, 2};
14     Print(data, 0, 2);
15     return 0;
16 }
```

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```
0
1
2
-----
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Press any key to continue . . .
```

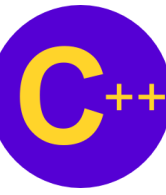
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Tail Recursion



Tail Recursion

- Once the deepest call was reached, each the calls before it returned without doing anything.
- Tail recursion: No statements are executed after the return from the recursive call to the function
- Tail recursion often indicates that the problem could be solved more easily using iteration. (It is easy to translate tail recursion into iteration.)



Writing a Recursive Function to Print Array Elements in Reverse Order

DISCUSSION

For this task, we will use the prototype:

```
void PrintRev(const int data[ ], int first, int last);
```

6000

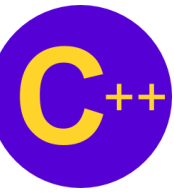
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data[0] data[1] data[2] data[3]

The call

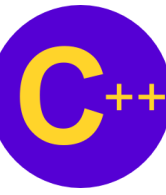
```
PrintRev (data, 0, 3);
```

should produce this output: 95 87 36 74



Base Case and General Case

- A base case may be a solution in terms of a “smaller” array. Certainly for an array with 0 elements, there is no more processing to do.
- The general case needs to bring us closer to the base case situation. If the length of the array to be processed decreases by 1 with each recursive call, we eventually reach the situation where 0 array elements are left to be processed.
- In the general case, we could print either the first element, that is, `data[first]` or we could print the last element, that is, `data[last]`.
- Let's print `data[last]`: After we print `data[last]`, we still need to print the remaining elements in reverse order.



Using Recursion with Arrays

```
int PrintRev (
    /* in */ const int data [ ], // Array to be printed
    /* in */ int first, // Index of first element
    /* in */ int last ) // Index of last element
// Prints items in data [first..last] in reverse order
// Precondition: first assigned && last assigned
// && if first <= last, data [first..last] assigned
{
    if (first <= last) // General case
    {
        cout << data[last] << " "; // Print last
        PrintRev(data, first, last - 1); //Print rest
    }
    // Base case is empty else-clause
}
```

PrintRev(data, 0, 2) Trace

Call 1:

PrintRev(data, 0, 2)
data[2] printed

first 0
last 2

Call 2:

PrintRev(data, 0, 1)
data[1] printed

first 0
last 1

Call 3:

PrintRev(data, 0, 0)
data[0] printed

first 0
last 0

Call 4:

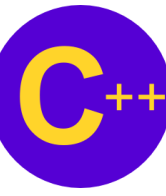
PrintRev(data, 0, -1)

first 0
last -1

NOTE: data address 6000 is also passed Do nothing

Another solution

```
void PrintRev( /* in */ const int data[],
              // Array to be printed
              /* in */ int first,
              // Index of first element
              /* in */ int last )
              // Index of last element
{
    if (first <= last)    // Recursive case
    {
        Print(data, first+1, last);
        cout << data[first] << endl;
    }
    // Empty else-clause is the base-case
}
```



Demo Program:

PrintRev.cpp

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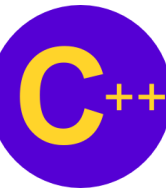
```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  void PrintRev(const int data[], int first, int last ){
4      if (first <= last) // Recursive case
5      {
6          PrintRev(data, first+1, last);
7          cout << data[first] << endl;
8      }
9      // Empty else-clause is the base-case
10 }
11
12 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
13     int data[3] = {0, 1, 2};
14     PrintRev(data, 0, 2);
15     return 0;
16 }
```

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```
2
1
0
-----
Process exited after 0.1133 seconds with return value 0
Press any key to continue . . .
```

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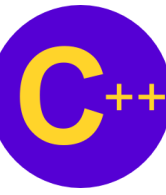
Why Recursion?



Why use recursion?

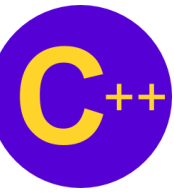
- These examples could all have been written more easily using iteration
- **However**, for certain problems the recursive solution is the most natural solution
- This often occurs when structured variables are used

Remember The iterative solution uses a loop, and the recursive solution uses a selection statement



Recursion with Linked Lists

- For certain problems the recursive solution is the most natural solution
- This often occurs when pointer variables are used

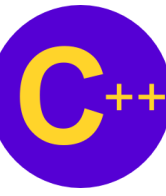


struct NodeType

```
typedef char ComponentType;

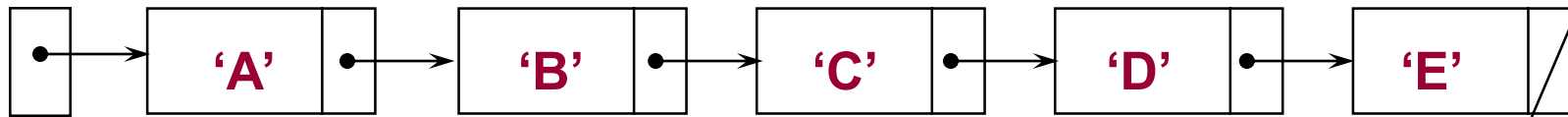
struct NodeType
{
    ComponentType    component;
    NodeType*        link;
}

NodeType* head;
```



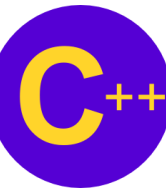
RevPrint (head) ;

head



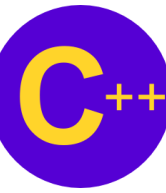
FIRST, print out this section of list, backwards

THEN, print
this element



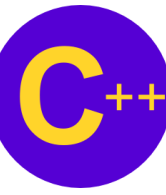
Base Case and General Case

- A base case may be a solution in terms of a “smaller” list. Certainly for a list with 0 elements, there is no more processing to do.
- Our general case needs to bring us closer to the base case situation.
- If the number of list elements to be processed decreases by 1 with each recursive call, the smaller remaining list will eventually reach the situation where 0 list elements are left to be processed.
- In the general case, we print the elements of the (smaller) remaining list in reverse order and then print the current element.



Using Recursion with a Linked List

```
void RevPrint (NodeType* head){  
    // Pre: head points to an element of a list  
    // Post: All elements of list pointed to by head have  
    // been printed in reverse order.  
    if (head != NULL){ // General case  
        RevPrint (head-> link); // Process the rest  
        // Print current  
        cout << head->component << endl;  
    }  
    // Base case : if the list is empty, do nothing  
}
```



Demo Program:
RecursiveList.cpp

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```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  typedef char ComponentType;
4  struct NodeType{
5      ComponentType  component;
6      NodeType*      link;
7      NodeType(ComponentType c, NodeType* ptr):component(c), link(ptr){}
8  };
9
10 // Pre: head points to an element of a list
11 // Post: All elements of list pointed to by head have
12 //       been printed in reverse order.
13 void RevPrint (NodeType* head){
14     if (head != NULL){           // General case
15         RevPrint (head->link); // Process the rest
16         // Print current
17         cout << head->component << endl;
18     }
19     // Base case : if the list is empty, do nothing
20 }

```

```

21
22 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
23     NodeType* head;
24     NodeType *a = new NodeType('A', NULL);
25     NodeType *b = new NodeType('B', NULL);
26     NodeType *c = new NodeType('C', NULL);
27     NodeType *d = new NodeType('D', NULL);
28     NodeType *e = new NodeType('E', NULL);
29     a->link = b;
30     b->link = c;
31     c->link = d;
32     d->link = e;
33
34     head = a;
35     RevPrint(head);
36     return 0;
37 }

```

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Recursion Versus Iteration

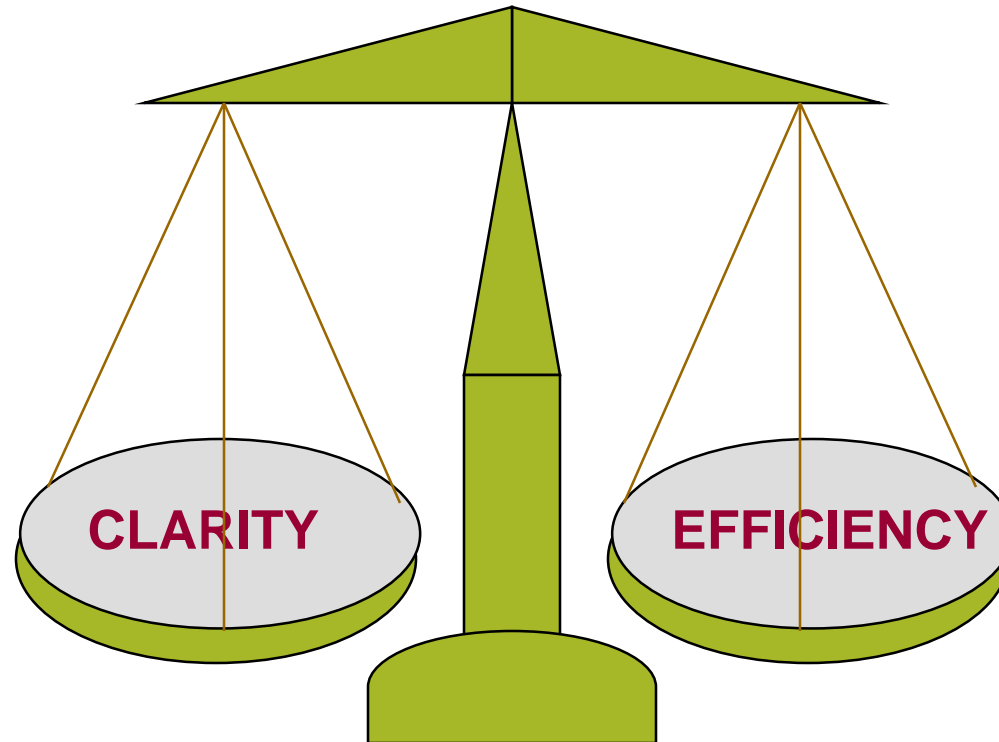
Recall that . . .

Recursion occurs when a function calls itself (directly or indirectly)

Recursion can be used in place of iteration (looping)

Some functions can be written more easily using recursion

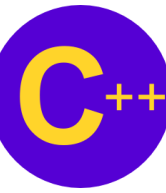
Recursion or Iteration?





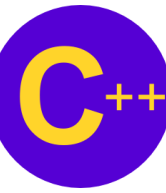
What is the value of Rose (25) ?

```
int  Rose (int  n) {  
    if  (n == 1)  // Base case  
        return  0;  
  
    else          // General case  
        return  (1 + Rose(n / 2)) ;  
  
}
```



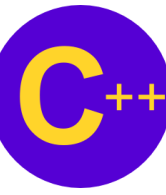
Finding the Value of Rose (25)

Rose(25)	<i>the original call</i>
= 1 + Rose(12)	<i>first recursive call</i>
= 1 + (1 + Rose(6))	<i>second recursive call</i>
= 1 + (1 + (1 + Rose(3)))	<i>third recursive call</i>
= 1 + (1 + (1 + (1 + Rose(1))))	<i>fourth recursive call</i>
= 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 0	
= 4	



Writing Recursive Functions

- There must be at least one base case and at least one general (recursive) case--
the general case should bring you “closer” to the base case
- The arguments(s) in the recursive call cannot all be the same as the formal parameters in the heading, otherwise, infinite recursion would occur
- In function `Rose()`, the base case occurred when `(n == 1)` was true--the general case brought us a step closer to the base case, because in the general case the call was to `Rose(n/2)`, and the argument `n/2` was closer to 1 (than `n` was)



Demo Program:

Rose.cpp

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```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  int  Rose (int  n){
4      if  (n == 1)  // Base case
5          return  0;
6      else          // General case
7          return  (1 + Rose(n / 2));
8  }
9
10 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
11     cout << Rose(25) << endl;
12     return 0;
13 }
```

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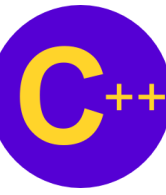
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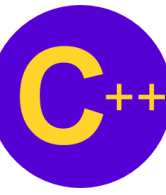
Stack Diagram Activation Records



When a function is called...

- A **transfer of control** occurs from the calling block to the code of the function
- It is necessary that there be a return to the correct place in the calling block after the function code is executed
- This correct place is called the **return address**

When any function is called, the **run-time stack** is used--
activation record for the function call is placed on the stack



Stack Activation Record

- The **activation record** (stack frame) contains the return address for this function call, the parameters, local variables, and space for the function's return value (if non-void)
- The activation record for a particular function call is **popped off the run-time stack** when the final closing brace in the function code is reached, or when a return statement is reached in the function code

At this time the function's return value, if non-void, is brought back to the calling block return address for use there

```
// Another recursive function

int Func (/* in */ int a, /* in */ int b)
// Pre: Assigned(a) && Assigned(b)
// Post: Return value == ??
{
    int result;
    if (b == 0)          // Base case
        result = 0;
    else if (b > 0) // First general case
        result = a + Func (a, b - 1);
        // Say location 50
    else                // Second general case
        result = Func (- a, - b);
        // Say location 70
    return result;
}
```

Run-Time Stack Activation Records

`x = Func(5, 2);`

// original call at instruction 100

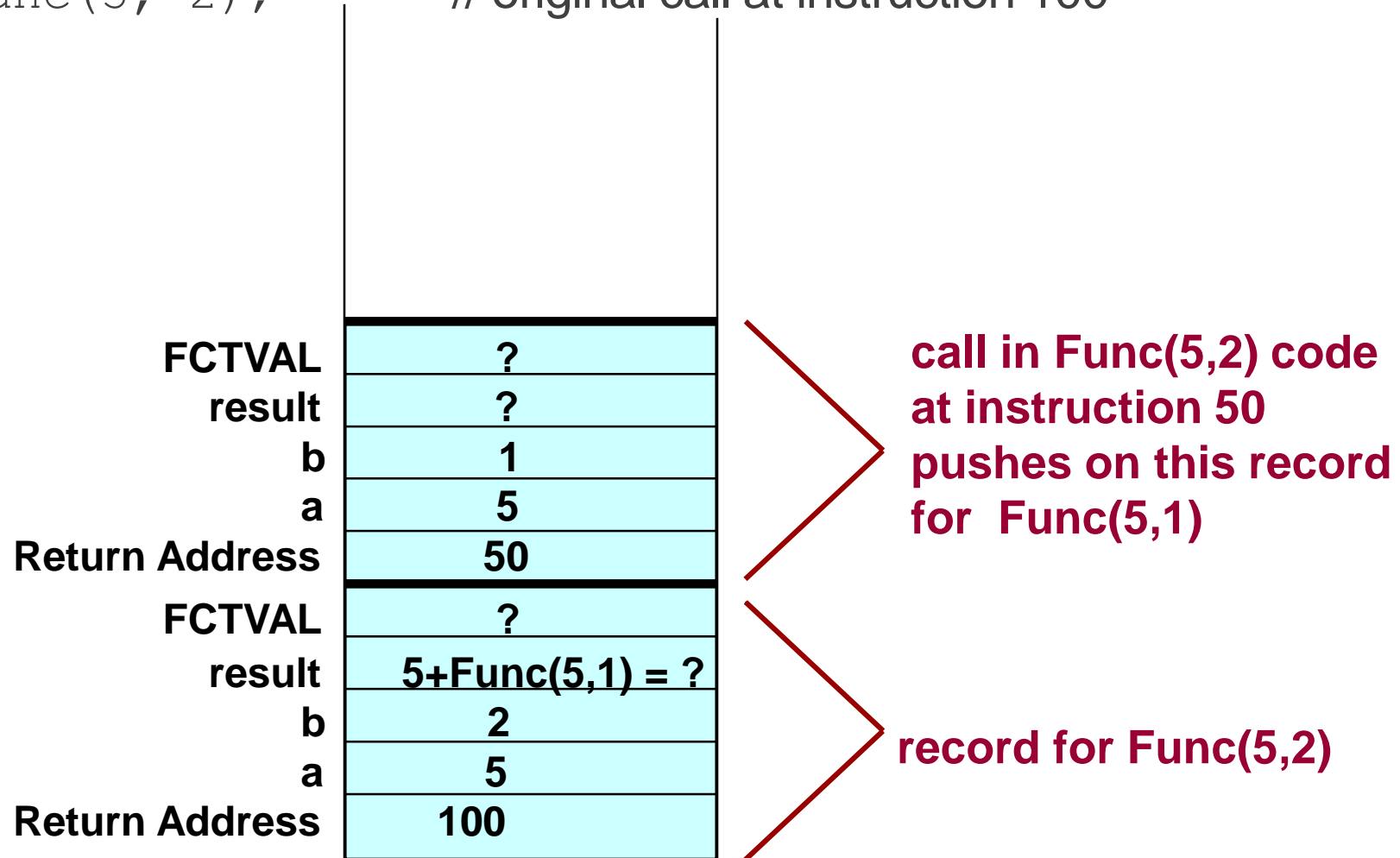
FCTVAL	?
result	?
b	2
a	5
Return Address	100

**original call
at instruction 100
pushes on this record
for Func(5,2)**

Run-Time Stack Activation Records

`x = Func(5, 2);`

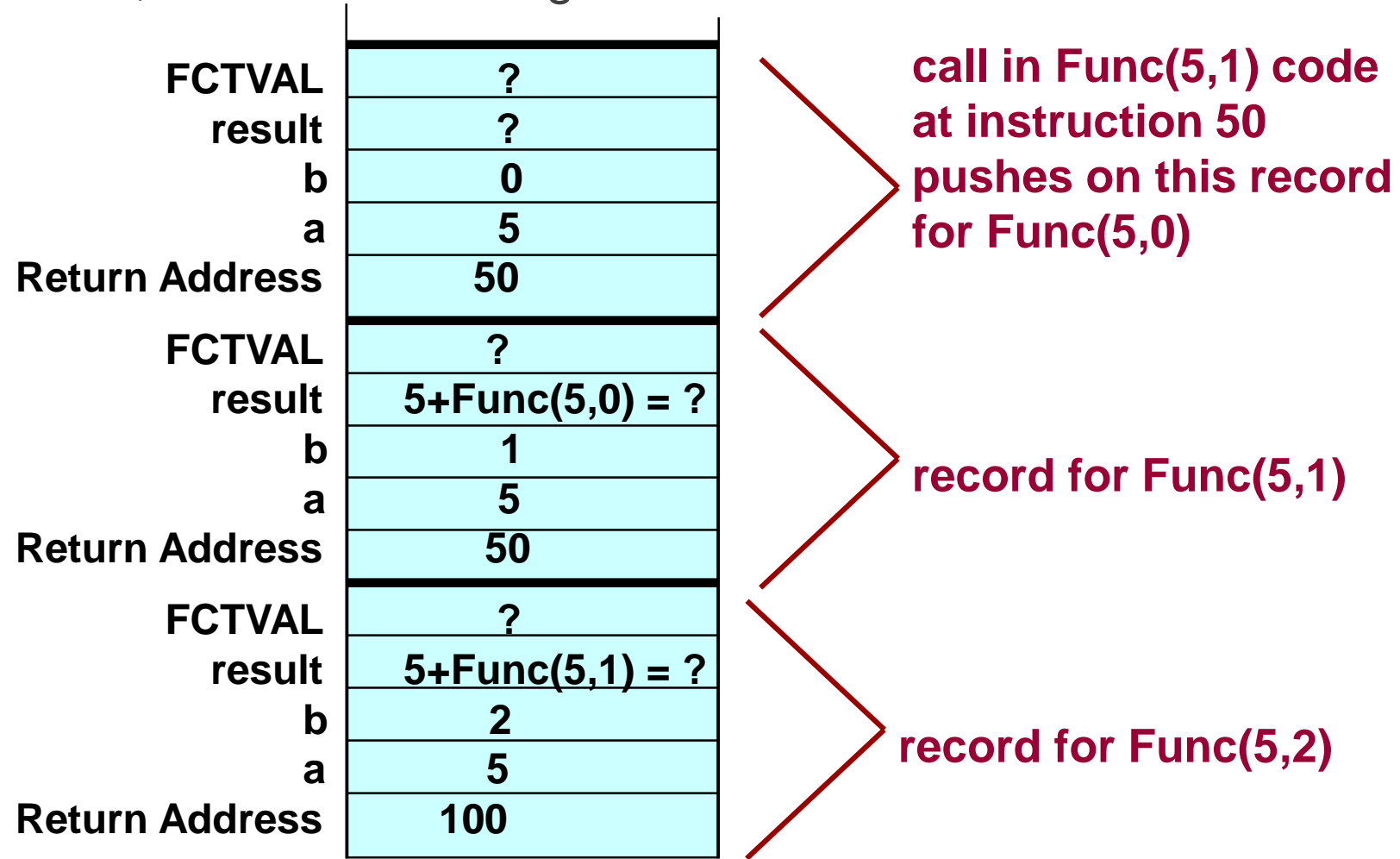
// original call at instruction 100



Run-Time Stack Activation Records

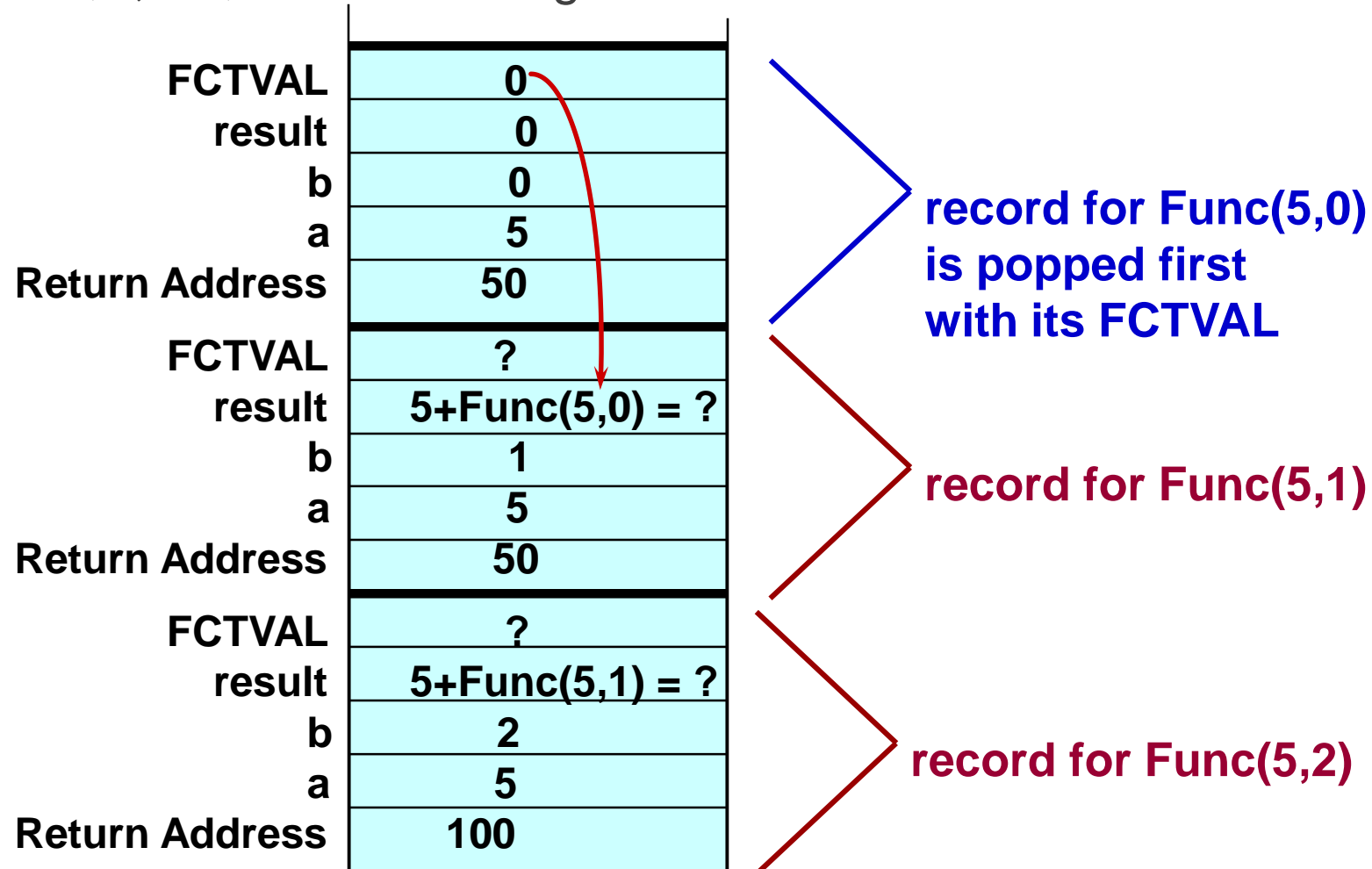
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// original call at instruction 100



Run-Time Stack Activation Records

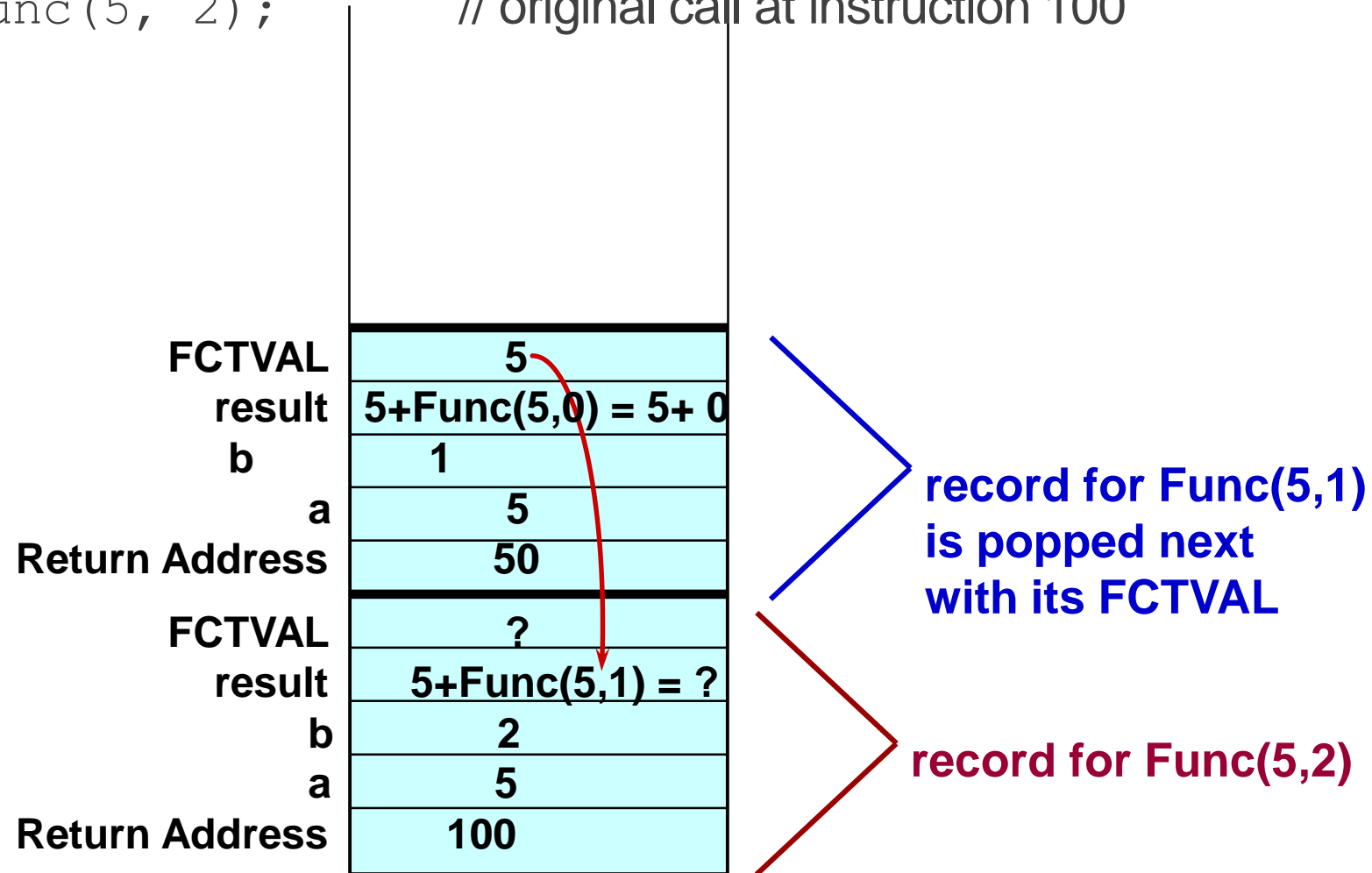
`x = Func(5, 2);` // original call at instruction 100



Run-Time Stack Activation Records

`x = Func(5, 2);`

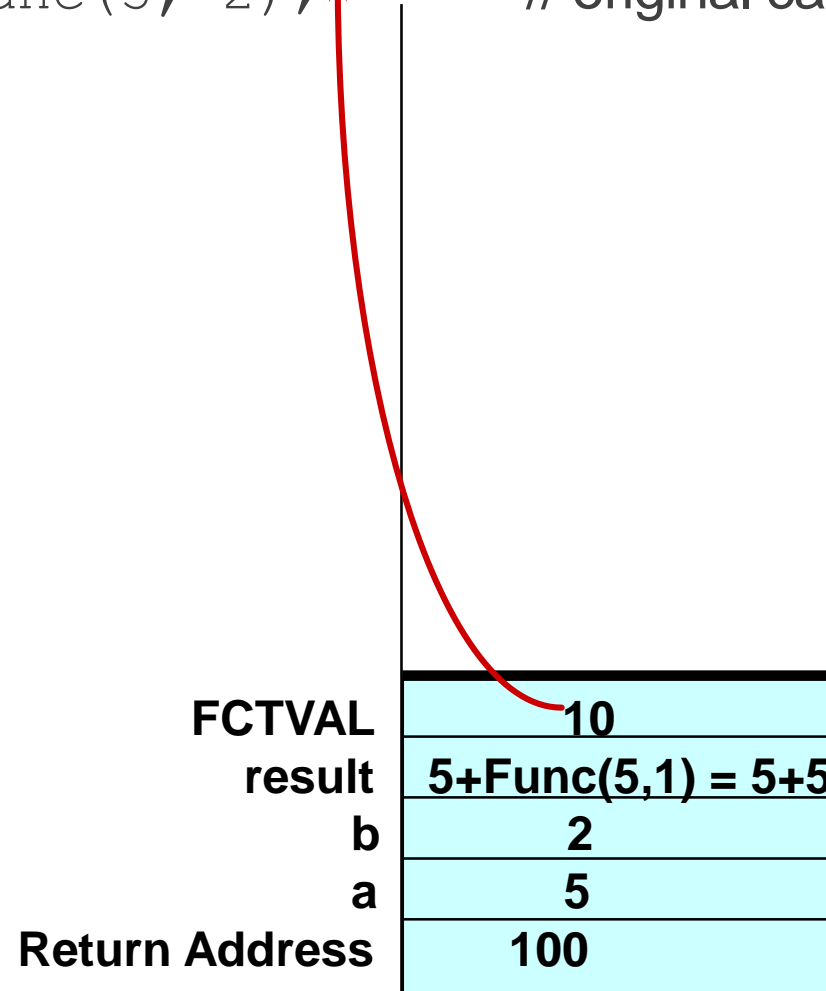
// original call at instruction 100



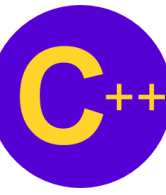
Run-Time Stack Activation Records

`x = Func(5, 2);`

// original call at instruction 100



record for Func(5,2)
is popped last
with its FCTVAL

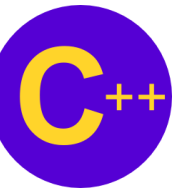


Show Activation Records for these calls

`x = Func(- 5, - 3);`

`x = Func(5, - 3);`

What operation does Func(a, b) simulate?



Demo Program:

Func.cpp

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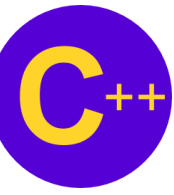
```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 // Pre: Assigned(a) && Assigned(b)
5 // Post: Return value == ??
6 int Func (/* in */ int a, /* in */ int b){
7     int result;
8     if (b == 0) // Base case
9         result = 0;
10    else if (b > 0) // First general case
11        result = a + Func (a, b - 1);
12        // Say location 50
13    else // Second general case
14        result = Func (- a, - b);
15        // Say location 70
16    return result;
17 }
18
19 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
20     cout << Func(-5, -3) << endl ;
21     cout << Func(5, -3) << endl ;
22     return 0;
23 }
```

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Recursive Function on Arrays



Write a function . . .

Write a function that takes an array `a` and two subscripts, `low` and `high` as arguments, and returns the sum of the elements

`a[low] + .. + a[high]`

Write the function two ways - - one using iteration and one using recursion

For your recursive definition's base case, for what kind of array do you know the value of `Sum(a, low, high)` right away?

```
// Recursive definition
```

```
int Sum ( /* in */ const int a[ ],  
          /* in */ int low,  
          /* in */ int high)
```

```
// Pre: Assigned(a[low..high]) && low <= high  
// Post: Return value == sum of items a[low..high]  
{  
    if (low == high) // Base case  
        return a [low];  
  
    else // General case  
        return a [low] + Sum(a, low + 1, high);  
}
```

```
// Iterative definition
```

```
int Sum ( /* in */ const int a[ ],  
          /* in */ int high)
```

```
// Pre: Assigned(a[0..high])
```

```
// Post: Return value == sum of items a[0..high]
```

```
{
```

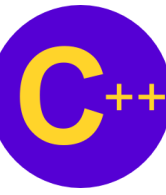
```
    int sum = 0;
```

```
    for (int index= 0; index <= high; index++)
```

```
        sum = sum + a[index];
```

```
    return sum;
```

```
}
```

Write a function . . .

- Write a `LinearSearch` that takes an array `a` and two subscripts, `low` and `high`, and a `key` as arguments
- It returns `true` if `key` is found in the elements `a[low...high]`; otherwise, it returns `false`
- Write the function two ways - - using iteration and using recursion

For your recursive definition's base case(s), for what kinds of arrays do you know the value of `LinearSearch(a, low, high, key)` right away?

```

// Recursive definition
bool LinearSearch
    (/* in */ const int a[ ],
     /* in */ int low,
     /* in */ int high,
     /* in */ int key)
// Pre: Assigned(a[low..high])
// Post: IF (key in a[low..high])
//        Return value is true,
//        else return value is false
{
    if (a [ low ] == key) // Base case
        return true;

    else if (low == high) // Second base case
        return false;

    else // General case
        return
            LinearSearch(a, low + 1, high, key);
}

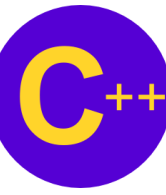
```

// Iterative definition

```
int LinearSearch ( /* in */ const int a[ ], /* in */ int low ,
                  /* in */ int high,      /* in */ int key )

    // Pre:    Assigned( a [ low .. high ] ) && low <= high
    //          && Assigned (key)
    // Post:    (key in a [ low .. high ] ) --> a[FCTVAL] == key
    //          && (key not in a [ low .. high ] ) -->FCTVAL == -1

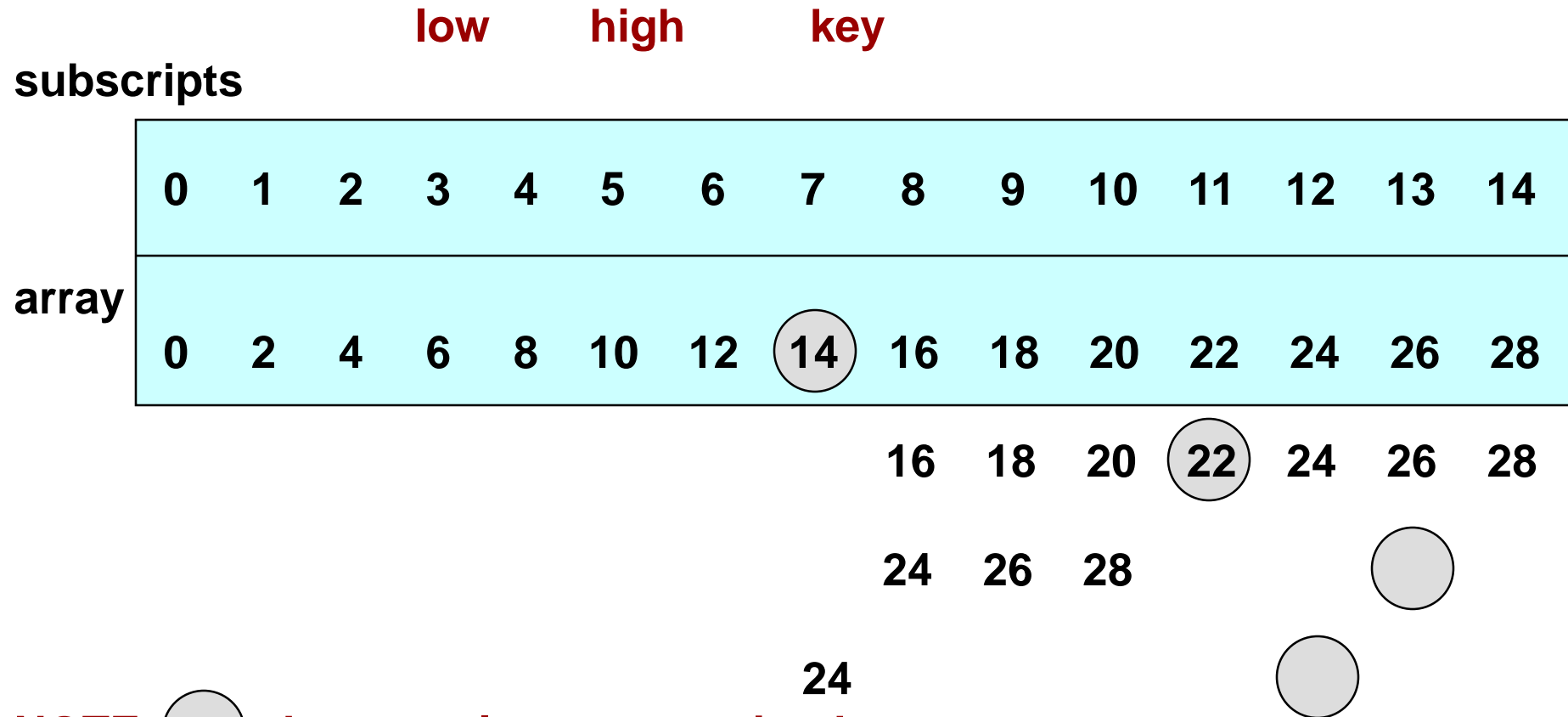
{
    int i = low;
    while (i <= high && key != a[i]) i++;
    return (i <= high);
}
```



Function BinarySearch ()

- BinarySearch that takes **sorted** array a, and two subscripts, low and high, and a key as arguments
- It returns true if key is found in the elements a[low...high], otherwise, it returns false
- BinarySearch can also be written using iteration or recursion, but it is an inherently recursive algorithm

```
x = BinarySearch(a, 0, 14, 25);
```



NOTE:  denotes element examined

// Recursive definition

```
bool BinarySearch (/* in */ const int  a[ ],
                  /* in */ int    low,
                  /* in */ int    high,
                  /* in */ int    key)
// Pre:  a[low .. high] in ascending order && Assigned (key)
// Post: IF (key in a[low . . high]), return value is true
//      otherwise return value is false
{
    int  mid;
    if  (low > high)
        return false;
    else
    {
        mid = (low + high) / 2;
        if (a [ mid ] == key)
            return true;
        else if (key < a[mid]) // Look in lower half
            return BinarySearch(a, low, mid-1, key);
        else // Look in upper half
            return BinarySearch(a, mid+1, high, key);
    }
}
```

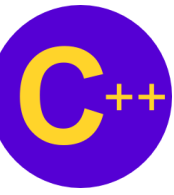
// Iterative definition

```
int BinarySearch ( /* in */ const int a[ ], /* in */ int low ,
                  /* in */ int high,      /* in */ int key )
// Pre: a [ low .. high ] in ascending order && Assigned (key)
// Post: (key in a [ low .. high ] ) --> a[FCTVAL] == key
//       && (key not in a [ low .. high ] ) -->FCTVAL == -1
{
    int mid;
    while ( low <= high ) {           // more to examine
        mid = (low + high) / 2 ;

        if ( a [ mid ] == key )      // found at mid
            return mid ;

        else if ( key < a [ mid ] )  // search in lower half
            high = mid - 1 ;

        else                         // search in upper half
            low = mid + 1 ;
    }
    return -1 ;                      // key was not found
}
```



Write a function . . .

- `Minimum` that takes an array `a` and the `size` of the array as arguments, and returns the smallest element of the array, that is, it returns the smallest value of `a[0] . . . a[size-1]`
- write the function two ways - - using iteration and using recursion
- for your recursive definition's base case, for what kind of array do you know the value of `Minimum(a, size)` right away?

// Iterative definition

```
int Minimum ( /* in */ const int a[ ], /* in */ int size )
```

```
    // Pre:  Assigned( a [ 0 .. (size - 1) ] ) && size >= 1
```

```
    // Post: Function value == smallest of a [ 0 .. (size - 1) ]
```

```
{
    int min = a[0];
    for (int i = 1; i < size; i++)
        if (min > a[i]) min = a[i];
    return min;
}
```

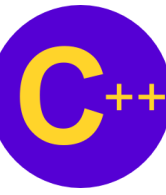
// Recursive definition

```
int Minimum ( /* in */ const int a[ ], /* in */ int size )
```

```
    // Pre:  Assigned( a [ 0 .. (size - 1) ] ) && size >= 1
```

```
    // Post: Function value == smallest of a [ 0 .. (size - 1) ]
```

```
{
    if ( size == 1 )                // base case
        return a [ 0 ];
    else {                          // general case
        int y = Minimum ( a, size - 1 );
        if ( y < a [size - 1] )
            return y ;
        else
            return a [ size -1 ] ;
    }
}
```



Demo Program:
RecursiveArray.cpp

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```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int Sum(const int a[], int low, int high){
5      if (low == high) // Base case
6          return a [low];
7      else // General case
8          return a [low] + Sum(a, low + 1, high);
9  }
10
11 int LinearSearch(const int a[], int low, int high, int key){
12     if (a [low] == key) // Base case
13         return low;
14     else if (low == high) // Second base case
15         return -1;
16     else // General case
17         return LinearSearch(a, low + 1, high, key);
18 }
19
```

```

20 int BinarySearch (const int a[], int low, int high, int key) {
21     int mid;
22     if (low > high)
23         return -1;
24     else{
25         mid = (low + high) / 2;
26         if (a [mid] == key)
27             return mid;
28         else if (key < a[mid]) // Look in lower half
29             return BinarySearch(a, low, mid-1, key);
30         else // Look in upper half
31             return BinarySearch(a, mid+1, high, key);
32     }
33 }
34
35 int Minimum(const int a[], int size){
36     if ( size == 1 ) // base case
37         return a [ 0 ] ;
38     else{ // general case
39         int y = Minimum ( a, size - 1 );
40         if (y < a [size - 1])
41             return y ;
42         else
43             return a[size -1];
44     }
45 }
46

```

```

47 int main(int argc, char** argv){
48     int a[10] = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100};
49     int b[10] = {3, 6, 7, 8, 4, 5, 9, 0, 1, 2};
50     cout << Sum(a, 0, 9)<< endl;
51     cout << LinearSearch(b, 0, 9, 8)<< endl;
52     cout << BinarySearch(a, 0, 9, 30)<< endl;
53     cout << Minimum(b, 10);
54     return 0;
55 }

```

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