

Recursion - 1

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Class starts at 7:05 IST



Why Recursion ?

- Pre-requisite of Backtracking , Trees , D.P , Graphs
- Sorting algo's [Merge , Sort , Quick Sort]



Recursion

- Function calling itself.
- Breaking bigger problems into smaller problems (subproblems) and the solution of bigger problem is generated using subproblem.

Sum of first N natural numbers

$$N = 5$$

$$\text{sum}(5) = \underbrace{1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5}_{\text{sum}(4)} \quad \text{sum}(4) = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4$$

$$\text{sum}(5) = \text{sum}(4) + 5$$

Subproblem

$$\text{sum}(n) = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n-1) + n$$

$$\text{sum}(n) = \text{sum}(n-1) + n$$

Base Case: $N=0$
return 0



Steps to write recursive code

1. **ASSUMPTION :** Decide what your function should do & assume that it is working for subproblems.
2. **MAIN LOGIC :** Breaking the problem into subproblem and solve the bigger problem using subproblem.
3. **BASE CASE :** Input for which recursion should stop.



Function Call Tracing

Tracking the sequence of function calls that are made when a program is executed:

```
10 20
int add(int x, int y) {
    return x + y;
}

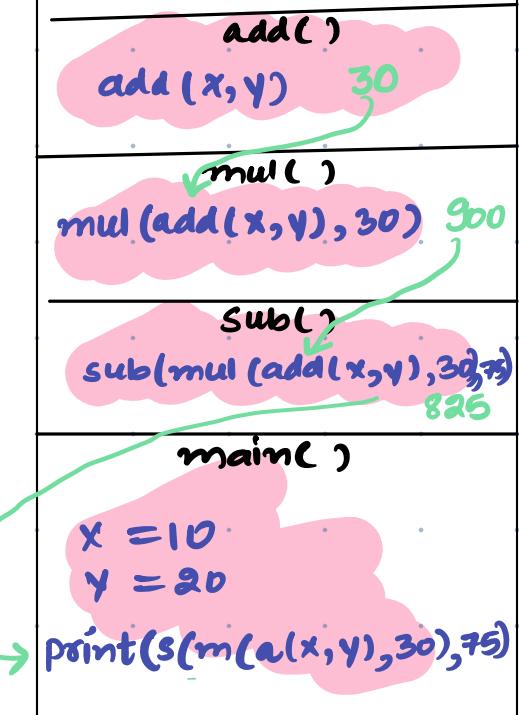
30 30
int mul(int x, int y) {
    return x * y ;
}

900 75
int sub(int x, int y) {
    return x - y;
}

print
void print(int x) {
    cout << x << endl;
}

int main() {
    int x = 10;
    int y = 20;         900
    print(sub(mul(add(x, y), 30), 75)); → 825
    return 0;          ↳ mul(add(x, y), 30) → 900
}                                ↳ add(x, y) → 30
```

Call Stack



O/p : 825

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N Factorial

Given a whole number N, find the factorial of N.

Note : $0! = 1$ $0, 1, \dots$

$$N! = N * (N-1) * (N-2) \dots 2 * 1$$

Quiz : 1

$$5!$$

$$5 * 4 * 3 * 2 * 1 = 120$$

Assumption : Calculate & return factorial of a no.

Main logic :

$$N! = N * \overbrace{(N-1)!}^{\bullet} * (N-2) \dots 2 * 1$$

$$(N-1)! = (N-1) * (N-2) \dots 2 * 1$$

$$N! = N * (N-1)!$$

Base Case : Input for which expression becomes invalid.

$$N = 1$$

$$N! = N * (N-1)!$$

$$= 1 * 0! = 1$$

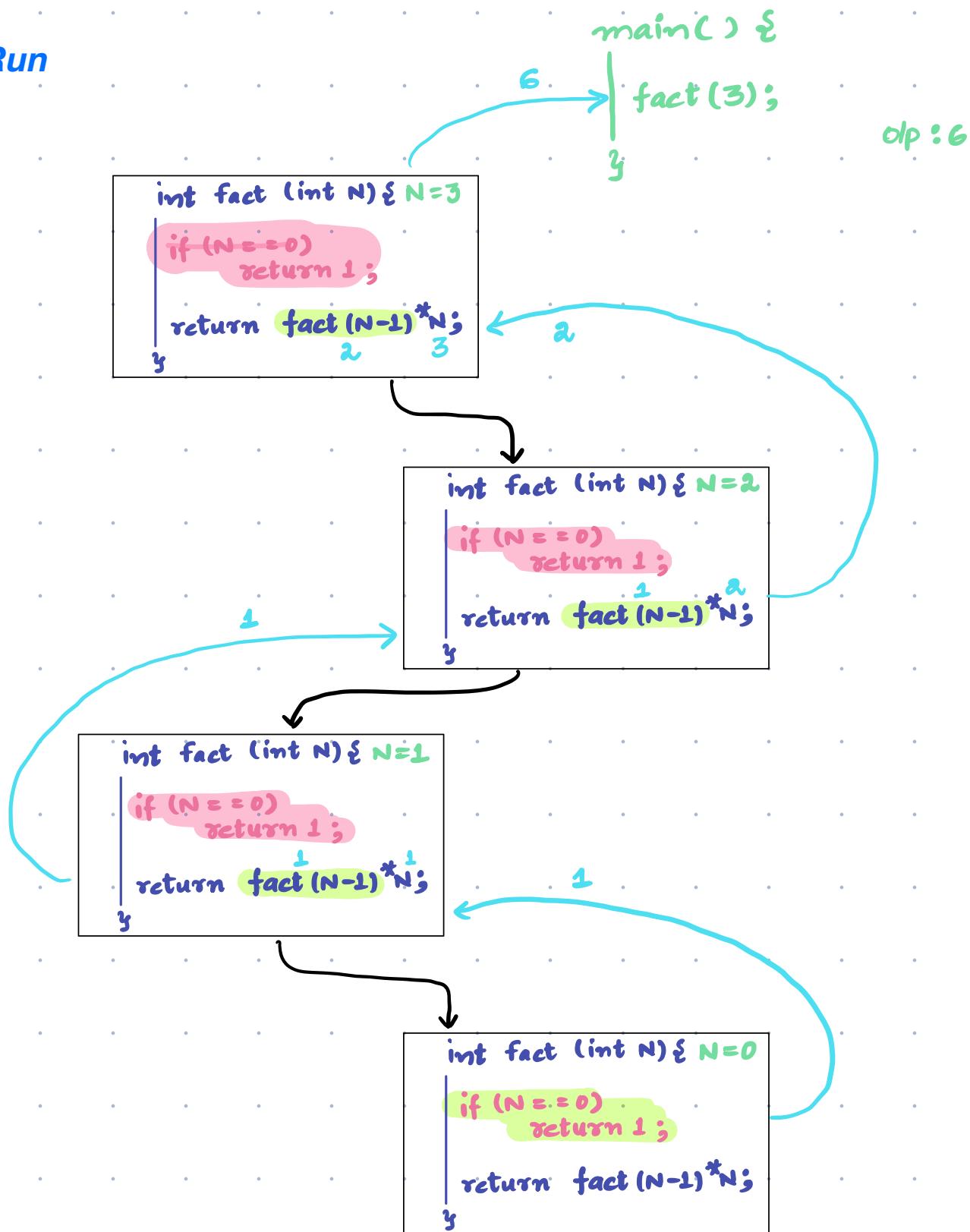
$$N = 0$$

$$N! = 0 * (-1)! \times \text{return } 1$$

```
int fact (int N){  
    if (N == 0)  
        return 1;  
  
    return fact (N-1) * N;  
}
```



*Dry-Run





Nth Fibonacci

The fibonacci sequence is a series of numbers in which each number is the sum of two preceding numbers.

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| N = 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ |

FB → [0 , 1 , 1 , 2 , 3 , 5 , 8 , 13 , 21 , 34 , 55]

Given positive integer N. Write a function of find Nth number in fibonacci sequence using recursion.

Quiz : 2

7th fibonacci no : 13

Assumption: Calculate & return Nth fibonacci no.

Main logic: $\text{fib}(N) = \text{fib}(N-1) + \text{fib}(N-2)$

Base Case:

$$N=2$$

$$\text{fib}(2) = \text{fib}(1) + \text{fib}(0) \quad \checkmark$$

$$N=1$$

$$\text{fib}(1) = \text{fib}(0) + \text{fib}(-1)$$

$$\text{fib}(1) = 1$$

$$N=0$$

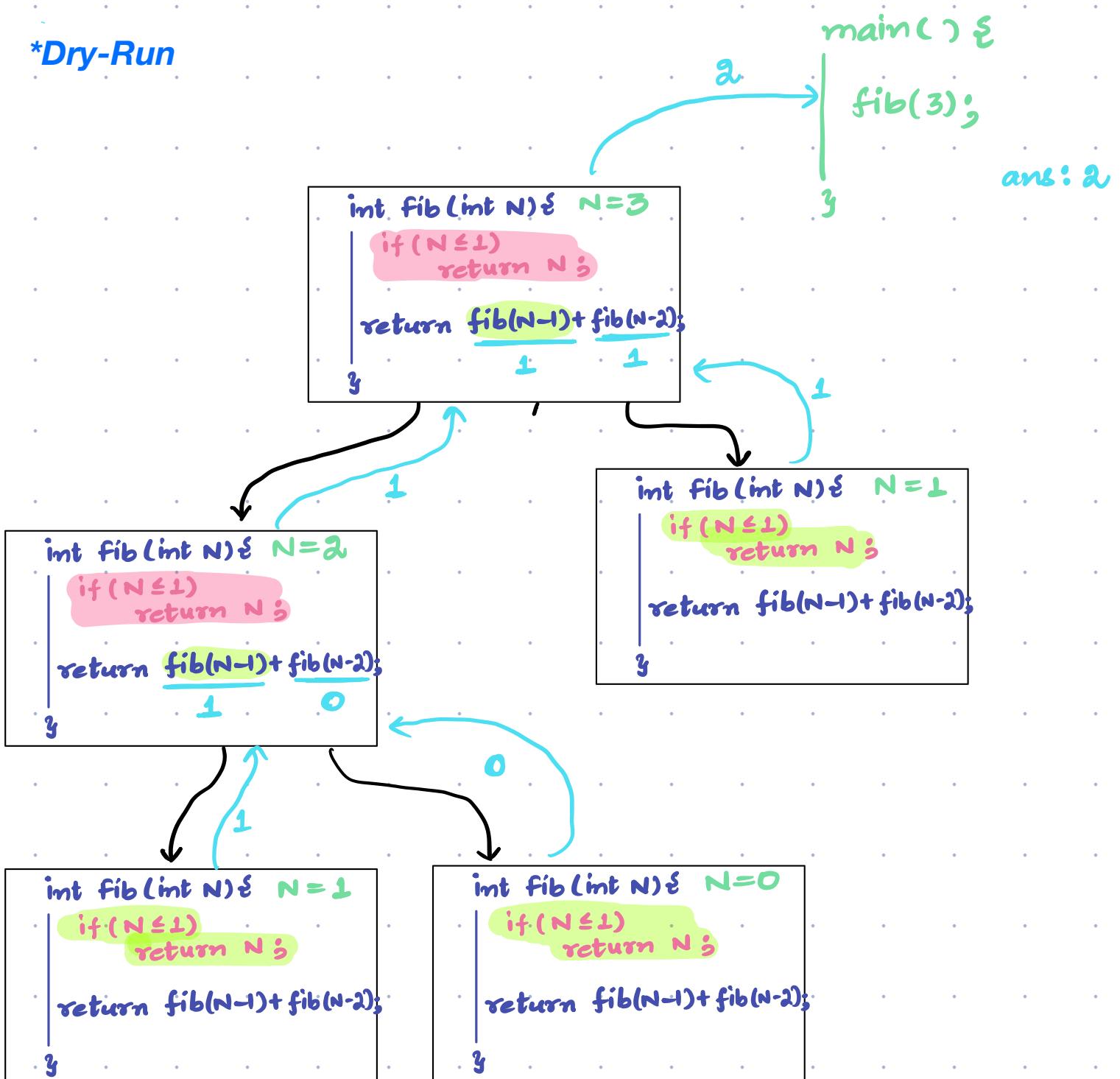
$$\text{fib}(0) = \text{fib}(-1) + \text{fib}(-2)$$

$$\text{fib}(0) = 0$$

```
int fib(int N){\n    if(N≤1)\n        return N;\n\n    return fib(N-1)+fib(N-2);\n}
```



*Dry-Run





Time Complexity of Recursion [Using Recurrence relation]

Time Complexity of Factorial

```
int fact (int N){  
    if (N==0) {return 1}  
    return fact(N-1)*N;  
}
```

$T(N)$ → time taken to calculate factorial of N .

time taken to calculate factorial of $N-1$ → ? $T(N-1)$

$$T(N) = T(N-1) + c$$

Recurrence Relation

$$T(0) = c'$$

$$T(N) = T(N-1) + c$$

Substitute $N \rightarrow N-1$ in recurrence relation

$$T(N-1) = T(N-2) + c$$

$$T(N) = [T(N-2) + c] + c$$

$$T(N) = T(N-2) + 2c$$

Substitute $N \rightarrow N-2$ in recurrence relation n

$$T(N-2) = T(N-3) + c$$

$$T(N) = [T(N-3) + c] + 2c$$

$$T(N) = T(N-3) + 3c$$

After k substitutions

$$T(N) = T(N-k) + kc$$

$$T(0) = c'$$

$$N-k=0 \Rightarrow N=k$$

$$T(N) = T(N-N) + nc$$

$$T(N) = T(0) + nc = c' + nc$$

$$T(N) = O(N)$$



Time complexity of Fibonacci

```
int fib(int N){  
    if(N ≤ 1) {return N}  
    return fib(N-1) + fib(N-2);  
}
```

$T(N)$ → time taken to calculate N th fibonacci no.
time taken to calculate $(N-1)$ fibonacci no $T(N-1)$
time taken to calculate $(N-2)$ Fibonacci no $T(N-2)$

$$T(N) = T(N-1) + T(N-2) + c$$

recurrence Relation

$$T(N) = T(N-1) + T(N-2) + c$$

Substitute $N \rightarrow N-1$ in recurrence relⁿ

$$T(N-1) = T(N-2) + T(N-3) + c$$

$$N \rightarrow N-2$$

$$T(N-2) = T(N-3) + T(N-4) + c$$

$$T(N) = [T(N-2) + T(N-3) + c] + [T(N-3) + T(N-4) + c] + c$$

$$T(N) = T(N-2) + 2T(N-3) + T(N-4) + 3c$$

$$T(N-3) = T(N-4) + T(N-5) + c$$

$$T(N-4) = T(N-5) + T(N-6) + c$$

$$T(N) = [T(N-3) + T(N-4) + c] + 2[T(N-4) + T(N-5) + c] + [T(N-5) + T(N-6) + c] + 3c$$

$$T(N) = T(N-3) + 3T(N-4) + 3T(N-5) + T(N-6) + 7c$$

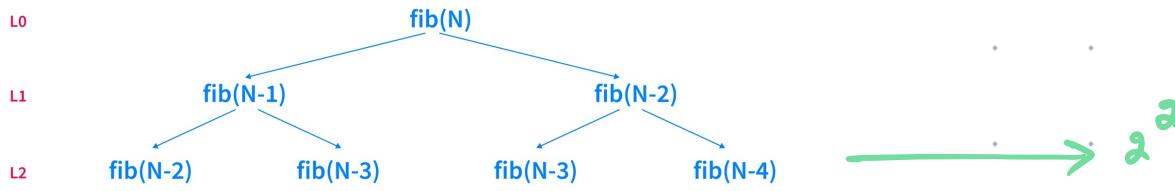
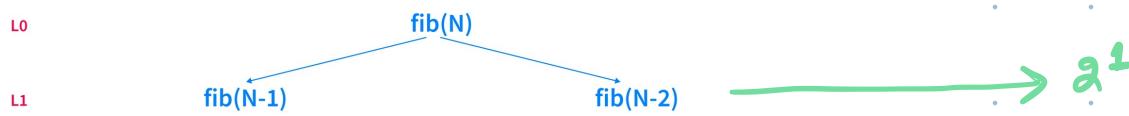


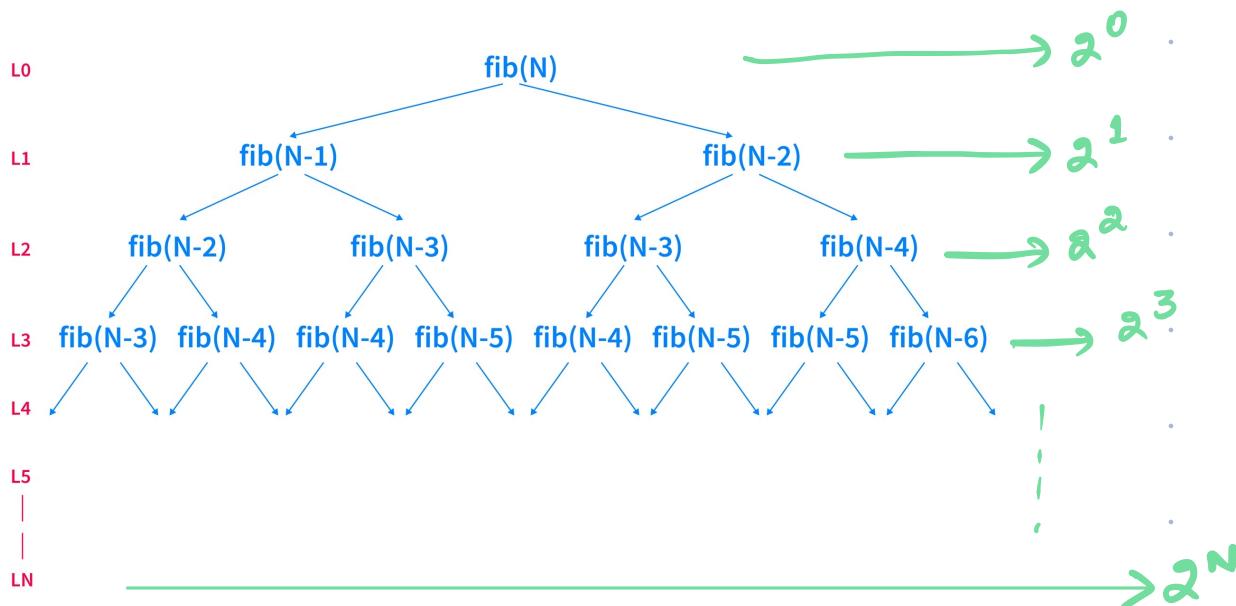
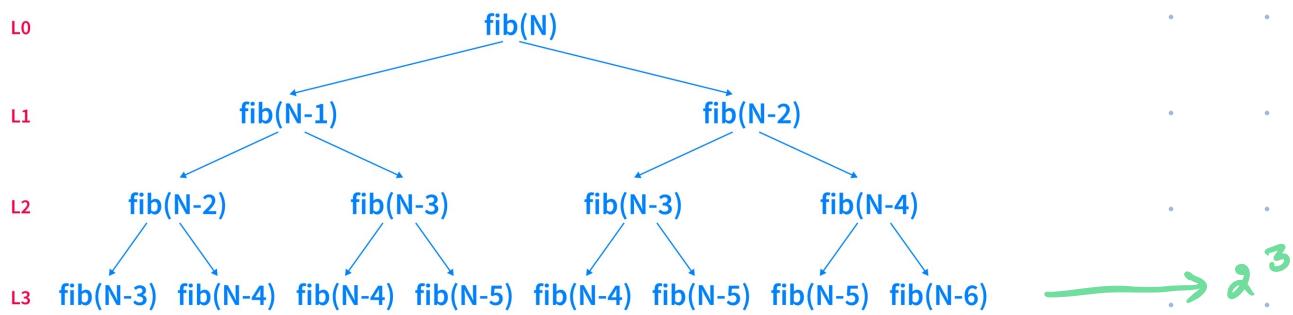
Another definition of Time Complexity

T.C = Total No of function calls * Time taken in every func. call

Recursive tree for Fibonacci

No of function calls $\rightarrow 2^0$





Total function calls: $2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^N$

$$\text{Sum of a GP} = a \left[\frac{x^n - 1}{x - 1} \right]$$

$$a = 2^0 = 1 \quad x = 2^1 / 2^0 = 2$$

$0 \dots N$
 $N+1$ terms

$$\text{Total function calls: } 1 \left[\frac{2^{N+1} - 1}{2 - 1} \right] = 2^{N+1} - 1$$



```
int fib(int N){  
    if(N <= 1) {return N}  
    return fib(N-1) + fib(N-2);  
}
```

T.C = Total function calls x Time per call

$$\begin{aligned} &= (2^{N+1} - 1) \cdot C \\ &= 2^{N+1} \cdot C - C \\ &= 2^N \cdot 2 \cdot C - C \\ &= 2^N \cdot 2C - C \end{aligned}$$

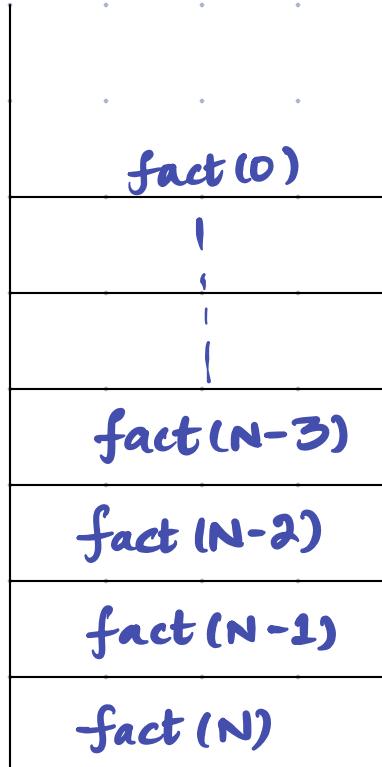
T.C = $O(2^N)$

```
int fact (int N){  
    if (N==0) {return 1}  
    return fact(N-1)*N;  
}
```

$$\begin{aligned} T.C &= (N+1) * C \\ &= NC + C \end{aligned}$$

T.C = $O(N)$

(N+1)
function
calls



(N+1) func at max

S.C = $O(N+1)$

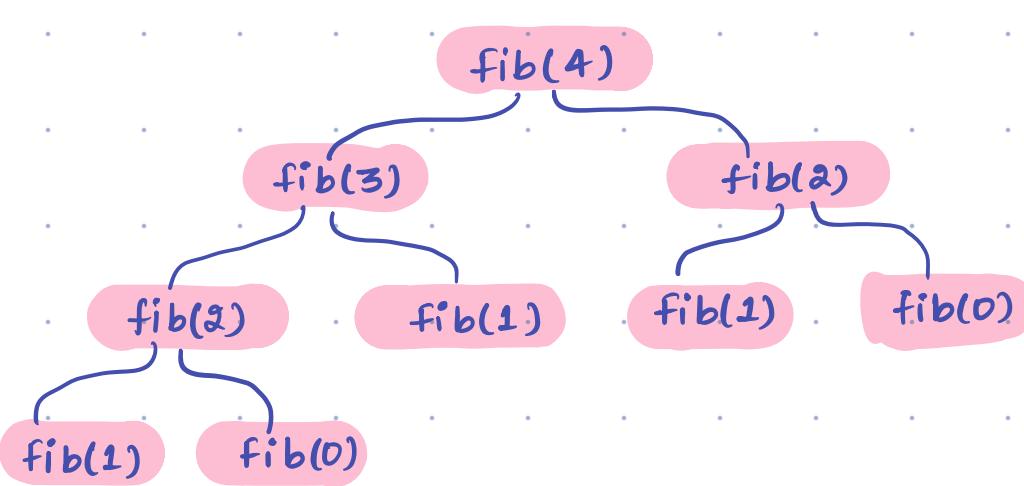
S.C = $O(N)$



Space Complexity

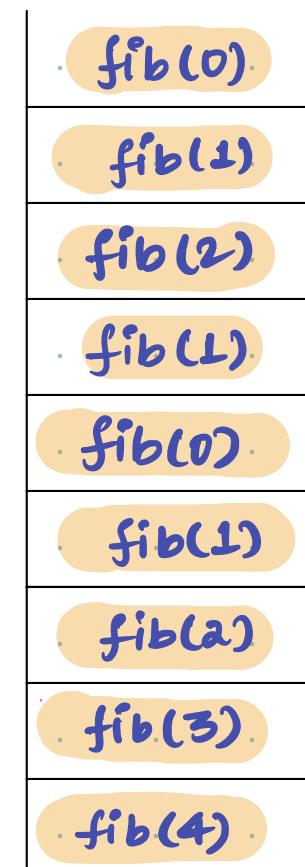
Max amount of stack space used by our algorithm.

$$\text{fib}(N) = \text{fib}(N-1) + \text{fib}(N-2)$$



N Max calls in stack

$$S.C = O(N)$$



max : 4

$$N = 4$$



Print numbers in increasing order

Given N, print all numbers from 1 to N in increasing order.

$$N = 5$$

O/p : 1 2 3 4 5

Assumption : $\text{Inc}(N) \rightarrow$ Print no from $1 \rightarrow N$.

Main logic : $\text{Inc}(N-1)$
 $\text{print}(N)$

Base Case : $N = 0$ return

void Inc(int N){

 if(N == 0) return;
 Inc(N-1);
 print(N);

}

$$T.C = (N+1) * c$$

$$T.C = O(N)$$

$$S.C = N+1$$

$$S.C. = O(N)$$

$$N = 4$$

Inc(4)

(N+1)
calls



1 2 3 4

HW

Print numbers in decreasing order

Given N, print all numbers from N to 1 in decreasing order.

$$N = 5$$

O/p : 5 4 3 2 1

Order of printing & calling recursive func. will change in above code for dec. order.

$$N = 5$$

O/p : 5 4 3 2 1

Assumption : Dec(N) : Prints no from N to 1 in dec. order

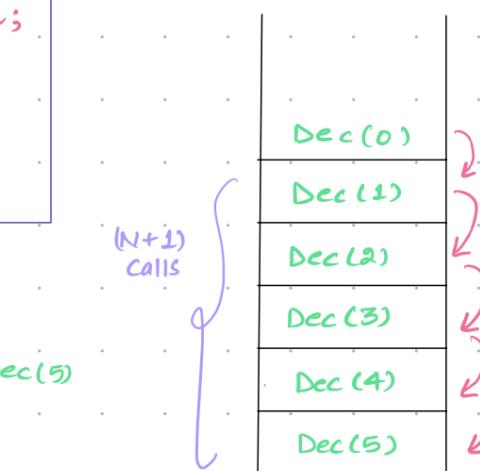
Main logic : $\text{print}(N)$
 $\text{Dec}(N-1)$

Base Case :

```
void printDec(int N) {  
    if (N == 0) return;  
    print(N);  
    Dec(N-1);  
}
```

$$\text{T.C} = (N+1) * 1
= O(N)$$

$$\text{S.C} = (N+1)
= O(N)$$



5 4 3 2 1

