

Recursion.

↓
when a funcⁿ calls itself.

eg.

```
void main() {
```

```
    printHello(5);
```

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}
```

```
void printHello (int n) {
```

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    if (n == 0) {
```

```
        return;
```

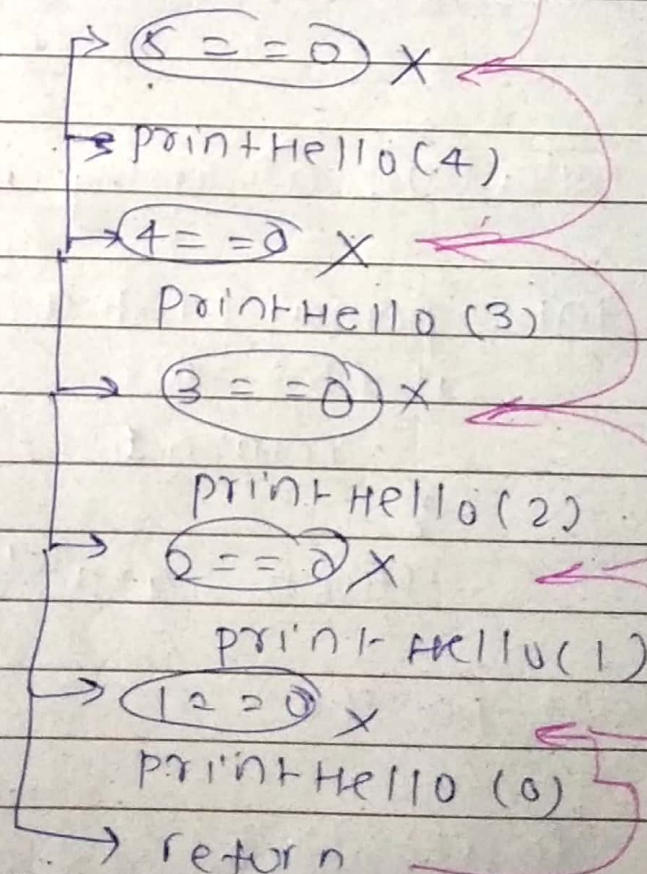
```
    }
```

```
    printHello (n-1);
```

```
}
```

Dry run.

n = 5,



3 steps for Recursion.

- (i) find the best case
- (ii) find the relation between the problem & subproblem.
- (iii) Generalise the relation.

eg2 Sum of n natural numbers using recursion

```
int sum(int n){  
    ↖ base case [ if (n == 1)  
                  return 1;  
    return n + sum(n-1);  
}
```

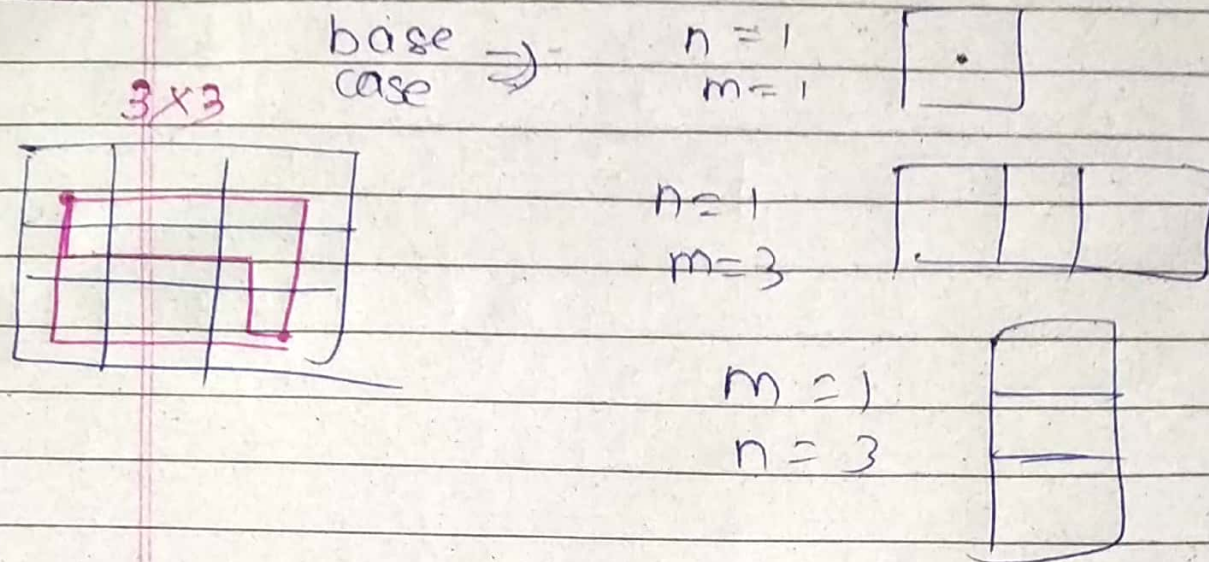
eg3 calculate a^b using recursion

```
int power (int a, int b){  
    if (b == 0){  
        return 1;  
    }  
    return a * ab-1;
```

⇒ fast power

$$\text{fastPow}(a, b) = \begin{cases} 1, & b = 0 \\ \text{fastPow}(a^2, b/2), & b \text{ is even} \\ a * \text{fastPow}(a, b-1), & b \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

eg3 Find all the paths in a $n \times m$ grid.



```
static int path (int n, int m) {
    if (n == 1 || m == 1)
        return 1;
    return path (n, m-1) + path (n, m-1);
}
```