Data Structures and Algorithms in Java[™]

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Recursion

Hints and Solutions

Reinforcement

R-5.1) Hint Don't forget about the space used by the method stack.

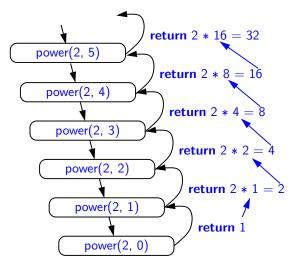
R-5.1) Solution If the array has 1 element, that is the maximum. Otherwise, consider the bigger of the first element or the maximum of the other n-1 elements. The running time and space usages is O(n).

R-5.2) Hint When the algorithm finds a match, does it know where?

R-5.2) Solution

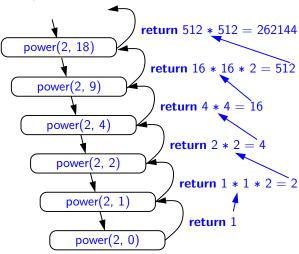
R-5.3) **Hint** This is probably the first power algorithm you were taught.

R-5.3) Solution



R-5.4) Hint Be sure to get the integer division right.

R-5.4) Solution



R-5.5) Hint You can model your figure after Figure 5.11.

R-5.5) Solution

0	1	2	3	4
4	3	6	2	5
5	3	6	2	4
5	2	6	3	4

R-5.6) Hint You should draw small boxes or use a big paper, as there are a lot of recursive calls.

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R-5.7) Hint Start with the last term.
R-5.7) Solution The general case is H_n = H_{n-1} + \frac{1}{n}.
R-5.8) Hint Process the string from right to left.
R-5.8) Solution Use a single-digit as the base case. For a multiple-digit
string, let s' = sd for digit d. We have that value(s') = d + 10 * value(s).
R-5.9) Hint You can rely on bitwise operations to interpret n in binary.
R-5.9) Solution
public static double power(double x, int n) {
 int k = 0;
 while ((1 << k) <= n)
    k++;
 double answer = 1;
 for (int j=k-1; j >= 0; j--) {
    answer *= answer;
    if (((1 << j) \& n) > 0)
      answer *= x;
 return answer;
R-5.10) Hint You can use two recursive methods that look like Binary-
Sum.
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Creativity

C-5.11) **Hint** The integer part of the base-two logarithm of *n* is the number of times you can divide by two before you get a number less than 2.

C-5.12) **Hint** Consider reducing the task of telling if the elements of an array are unique to the problem of determining if the last n-1 elements are all unique and different than the first element.

C-5.13) Hint You need subtraction to count down from m or n and addition to do the arithmetic needed to get the right answer.

C-5.13) Solution The recursive algorithm, *product*(n, m), for computing product using only addition and subtraction, is as follows: If m = 1 return n. Otherwise, return n plus the result of a recursive call to the method *product* with parameters n and m-1.

C-5.14) Hint Define a recurrence equation.

C-5.14) Solution let R(c) denote the number of dashes drawn by drawInterval(c). We prove by induction that $R(c) = 2^{c+1} - c - 2$. As a base case, we note that drawInterval(0) does not produce any output, and that R(0) =

 $2^{0+1}-0-2=0$. For c>0, we note that drawInterval(c) invokes two recursive calls of drawInterval(c-1), and a call to drawLine that produces c dashes. Therefore, R(c)=c+2R(c-1), and by the inductive hypothesis, $R(c)=c+2\left(2^{(c-1)+1}-(c-1)-2\right)=c+2\left(2^{c}-c-1\right)=c+2^{c+1}-2c-2=2^{c+1}-c-2$.

C-5.15) Hint Start by removing the first element x and computing all the subsets that don't contain x.

C-5.16) Hint Consider first the subproblem of moving all but the n^{th} disk from peg a to another peg using the third as "temporary storage."

C-5.17) **Hint** Output to System.out one character at a time.

C-5.17) Solution

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void printReverse(String s, int n) {
  if (n >= 0) {
    System.out.print(s.charAt(n))
    printReverse(s, n-1);
  }
}
void printReverse(String s) {
  printReverse(s, s.length() - 1);
}
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C-5.18) Hint Check the equality of the first and last characters and recur (but be careful to return the correct value for both odd- and even-length strings).

C-5.19) Hint Write your recursive method to first count vowels and consonants.

C-5.20) Hint Consider whether the last element is odd or even and then put it at the appropriate location based on this and recur.

C-5.20) **Solution**

C-5.21) **Hint** Begin by comparing the first and last elements in a range of indices in *A*.

C-5.21) **Solution** This problem can effectively be solved using the same technique as Exercise C-5.20.

C-5.22) **Hint** The beginning and the end of a range of indices in *A* can be used as arguments to your recursive method.

C-5.22) Solution The solution makes use of the method FindPair(A, i, j, k) below, which given the sorted subarray A[i..j] determines whether there is any pair of elements that sums to k. First it tests whether A[i] + A[j] < k. Because A is sorted, for any $j' \leq j$, we have A[i] + A[j'] < k. Thus, there is no pair involving A[i] that sums to k, and we can eliminate A[i] and recursively check the remaining subarray A[i+1..j]. Similarly, if A[i] + A[j] > k, we can eliminate A[j] and recursively check the subarray A[i..j-1]. Otherwise, A[i] + A[j] = k and we return true. If no such pair is ever found, eventually all but one element is eliminated (i = j), and we return false.

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Algorithm FindPair(A, i, j, k):

Input: An integer subarray A[i...j] and integer k

Output: Returns true if there are two elements of A[i...j] that sum to k

if i == j then

return false

else

if A[i] + A[j] < k then

return FindPair(A, i + 1, j, k)
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else if A[i] + A[j] > k then return FindPair(A, i, j - 1, k) else return true
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C-5.23) Hint Check the last element and then recur on the rest of A.

C-5.24) Hint Look for a geometric series.

C-5.24) Solution The running time is O(n), as it is $O(n+n/2+n/4+n/8+\cdots)$.

C-5.25) Hint Recur on the first n-1 positions.

C-5.25) **Solution** Let us define a method reverse(L,n), which reverses the first $n \leq L.\text{size}()$ nodes in L, and returns a pointer end to the node just after the nth node in L (end = null if n = L.size()). If $L.\text{size}() \leq 1$, we are done, so let us assume L has at least 2 nodes. If n = 1, then we return L.first().next(). Otherwise, we recursively call reverse(L,n-1), and let end denote the returned pointer to the nth node in L. We then set ret to end.next() if n < L.size(), and to nth otherwise. We then insert the node pointed to by end at the front of L and we return end. The total running time is O(n).

C-5.26) **Hint** View the chain of nodes following the head node as forming themselves another list.

Projects

P-5.27) Hint Review use of the java.io. File class.

P-5.28) Hint Use recursion in your main solution engine.

P-5.29) **Hint** Consider a small example to see why the binary representation of the counter is relevant.

P-5.30) **Hint** Note the recursive nature of the problem.