ME1 Computing- Session 7: Recursive functions and Matrices

Learning outcomes:

- Explore how to code functions in recursive form
- Being able to define and generate matrices
- Being able to compute basic matrix operations

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Before you start

In your H drive create a folder H:\ME1MCP\Session7 and work within it.

Task 1: Recursive function: Fibonacci sequence

The Fibonacci set is a mathematical sequence used to represent physical events such as spiral galaxies, hurricanes and the evolution of prolific species (like rabbits).

The Fibonacci sequence is generated, starting from the seeds 1 and 1, by adding up the two previous numbers of the sequence, i.e.



$$F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)$$

Write a **recursive** function, *Fibonacci*, to compute the n-th Fibonacci number. Then write a script to make use of the function, to generate the first N numbers of the sequence.

Answer Question 1

Task B: Defining matrices

Write the following tasks into a new script:

2. Swap 67 with 17. Then Swap 81 with 63. Sum 24 with 28 and replace 3 with the result.

3. Create a matrix B with values:
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer Question 2

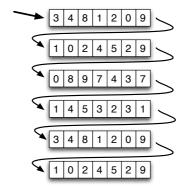
Task C: Patterns: the Scottish flag

Write a script to generate a *N x N* matrix (the size N must be inputted from the keyboard), with the following pattern:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Task D: Matrix operations: sum of two matrices

The files *MatA.tx*t and *MatB.txt* contain the values of two matrices of size 60x60. Entries of the matrices are stored in the file one value per line, sequentially as:



Read in the numerical values from the two files and form the two matrices A and B accordingly.

[Suggestion: instead of writing twice the lines of code for reading the files and forming the matrix, write and use a function ReadMatrix that receives the name of the file to be read and the size of the expected matrix. The function ReadMatrix will then return the matrix in the expected form].

Answer Quiz 3

Compute a third matrix C, as C = A + B.

Answer Quiz 4