

# Recursion - 1

- ↳ How do we write
- ↳ How does it work
- ↳ How to cal T.C/S.C (later)

Adv:

Merge / Quick sort  
Trees / BST / Heaps / Tries /  
Seg. Trees  
Dynamic programming  
Backtracking

Observations:

- ① Size keeps decreasing
- ② Dolls are similar
- ③ End doll (last doll)

Recursion  $\Rightarrow$  Function calling itself



Solving a problem using

smaller instances of same problem

subproblem.

$$\text{sum}(N) : \underbrace{1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (N-1)}_{\text{Sum}(N-1)} + N$$

$$\text{sum}(N) : \underbrace{\text{sum}(N-1)}_{\text{subproblem}} + N$$

Steps

① Assumption

↳ Decides what the function does?

```
int sum(N) {  
    // Assumption sum(N) gives  
    // sum of N natural nos.  
    // Base condition  
    if (N == 1)
```

② Main logic  
Solves the bigger problem  
using subproblem

③ Base Condition  
When recursion should stop.

```
return 1;  
// Main logic  
return sum(N-1) + N;  
}
```

# Factorial of N

```
int fact(N){  
    // Base condition  
    if (N==0)  
        return 1;
```

```
    // Main logic  
    return fact(N-1) * N;  
}
```

$$N! = \underbrace{1 * 2 * 3 * 4 * \dots * (N-1)}_{(N-1)!} * N$$

$$1! = 1$$

$$0! = 1$$

① Assumption  $\Rightarrow$  fact(N) gives N!

② Main logic  $\Rightarrow$  fact(N) = fact(N-1) \* N

$$\text{fact}(1) = \text{fact}(0) * 1$$

$$\text{fact}(0) = \cancel{\text{fact}(-1)} * 0$$

# Golden Ratio

## # Fibonacci Series

↓

(N):	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	.....
	0	1	2	3	5	8	13	21	34	55	....
	1	1	2	3	5	8	13	21	34	55	....

31<sup>st</sup> fibonacci no?

① Assumption

Fib(N) gives N<sup>th</sup> fibonacci No.

② Main logic

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

③ Base Condition

$$\begin{cases} \text{fib}(0) = \text{fib}(-1) + \text{fib}(-2) \\ \text{fib}(1) = \text{fib}(0) + \text{fib}(-1) \\ \dots \end{cases}$$

int fib(N){  
//Base Condition.

if (N==0 || N==1)  
return 1;

//Main logic

return fib(N-1) + fib(N-2)

}

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

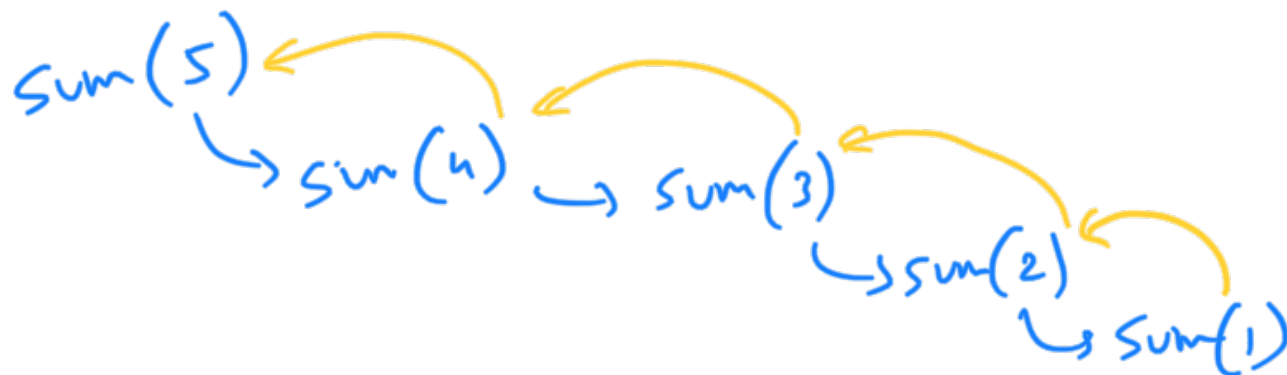
# Sum of N natural nos

```
int sum(N){
```

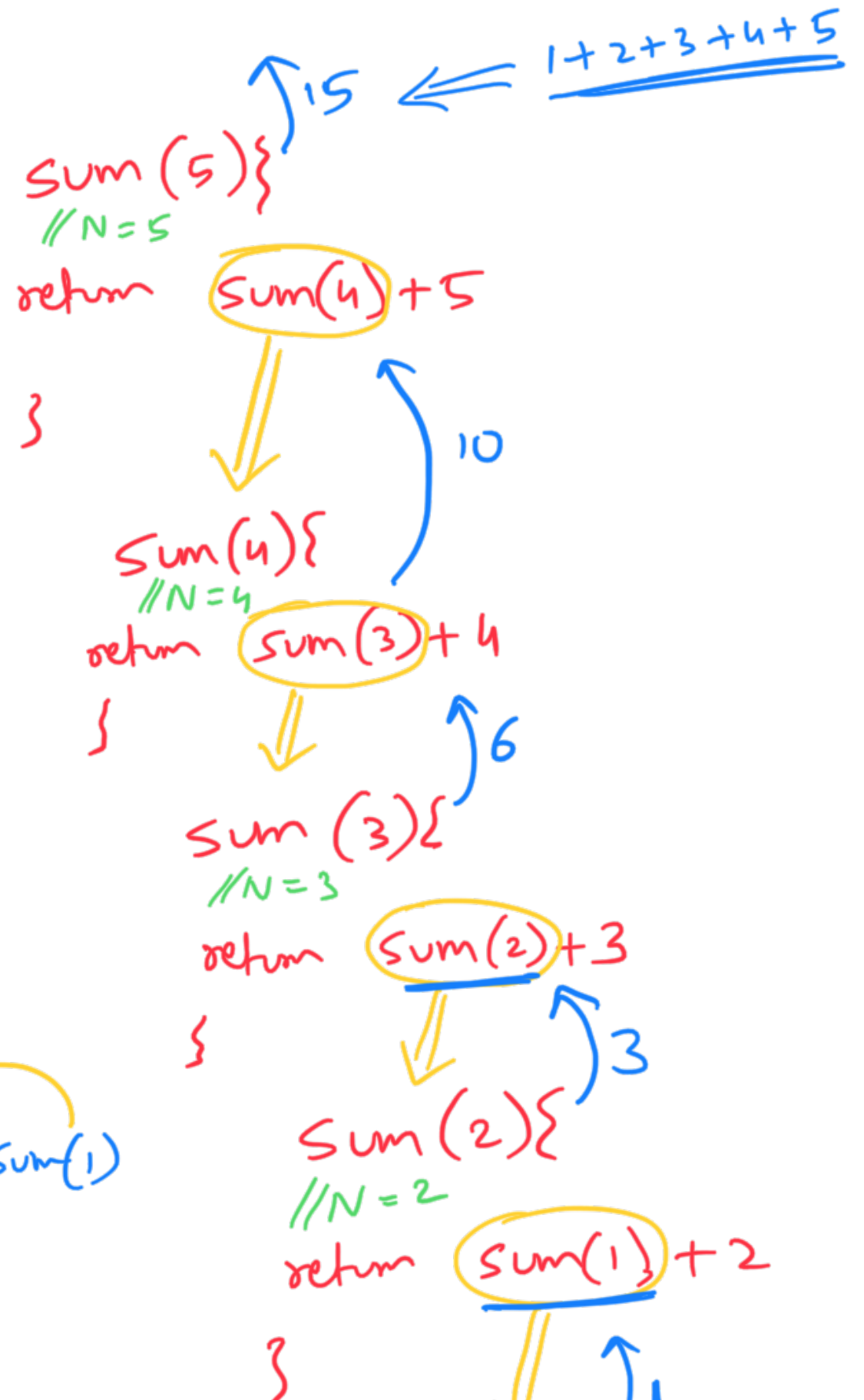
```
if (N == 1)
    return 1;
```

```
return sum(N-1) + N;
```

```
}
```



LIFO → out

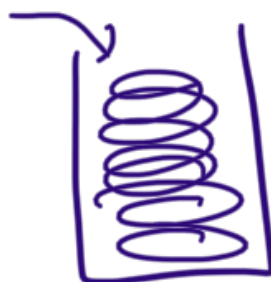




~~Sum(3)~~  
~~Sum(4)~~  
~~Sum(5)~~

Last  $\swarrow$  In  $\swarrow$  first  $\swarrow$

Stack



$\Downarrow$   
 Sum(1) {  
 // N=1  
 X  
 }

# factorial of N.

```
int fact(N) {
```

```
  if (N == 0)
    return 1;
```

```
  return fact(N-1) * N;
```

```
}
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
  // ...
}
```

fact(3) {  $\uparrow 6 \leftarrow 1*2*3$   
 // N=3

return fact(2) \* 3

$\downarrow$   $\uparrow 2$   
 fact(2) {

// N=2  
 return

fact(1) \* 2

$\downarrow$   $\uparrow 1$   
 fact(1) {

return

fact(0) \* 1

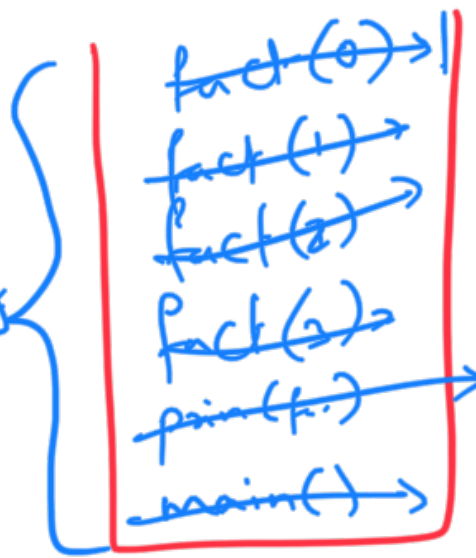
$\downarrow$   $\uparrow 1$   
 fact(0) {

```

    print(fact(3));
    return 0;
}

```

memory used



Call-stack



Add to S.C

Stack overflow

//N=0

}

Q. Given a no. 'N'.  
Print all the nos. from 1 to N in increasing order using recursion.

void func(N){

if(N==0)  
return;

func(N-1) → ②  
  func(N) → ③

func(N) = 1, 2, 3, 4, ..., N-1, N

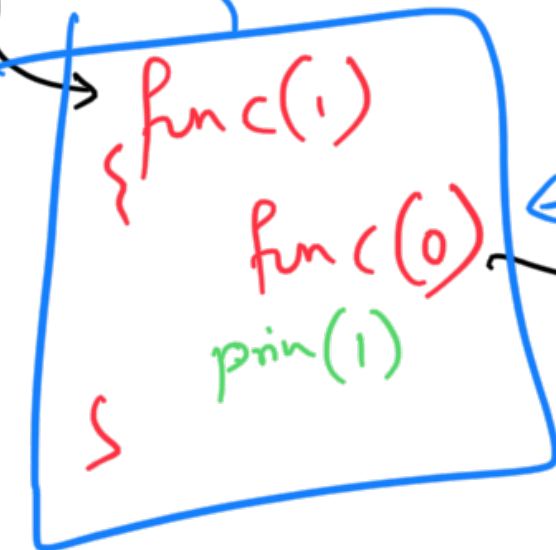
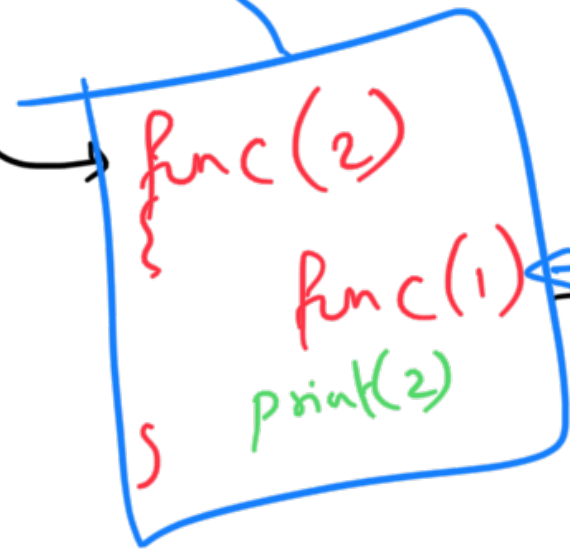
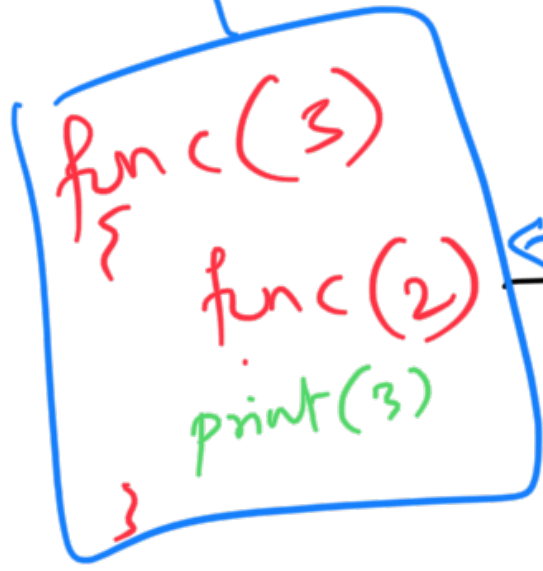
main logic

func(N)  
= 1, 2, 3, 4, ..., N-1, N

↓ print (1)  
}

func(N-1)

Break: 10:18



output : 1, 2, 3 →

Print in decreasing order. `func(N)`



Q.

```
void fun(N){  
    if (N==0)  
        return;  
    print(N);  
    fun(N-1);  
}
```

$\Rightarrow N, \underbrace{N-1, \dots, 3, 2, 1}_{\text{fun}(N-1)}$

Q.

Given a string.  
Check if string is a palindrome  
using recursion.

Palindrome : → racecar ←  
madam  
mom  
nitin

मूले के पापा के मूले

bool isPal(str, s, e){

// Base Case

if (s >= e)  
return true

// Main logic

if (str[s] == str[e]){  
return isPal(str, s+1, e-1);

} else return false;

① Assumption

isPal(str, s, e)

↳ if str from 's' to 'e'  
is palindrome



0 1 2 3 4  
M A D A M

True

Dry Run

isPal(str, 0, 4)

isPal(str, 1, 3)

isPal(str, 2, 2)

True

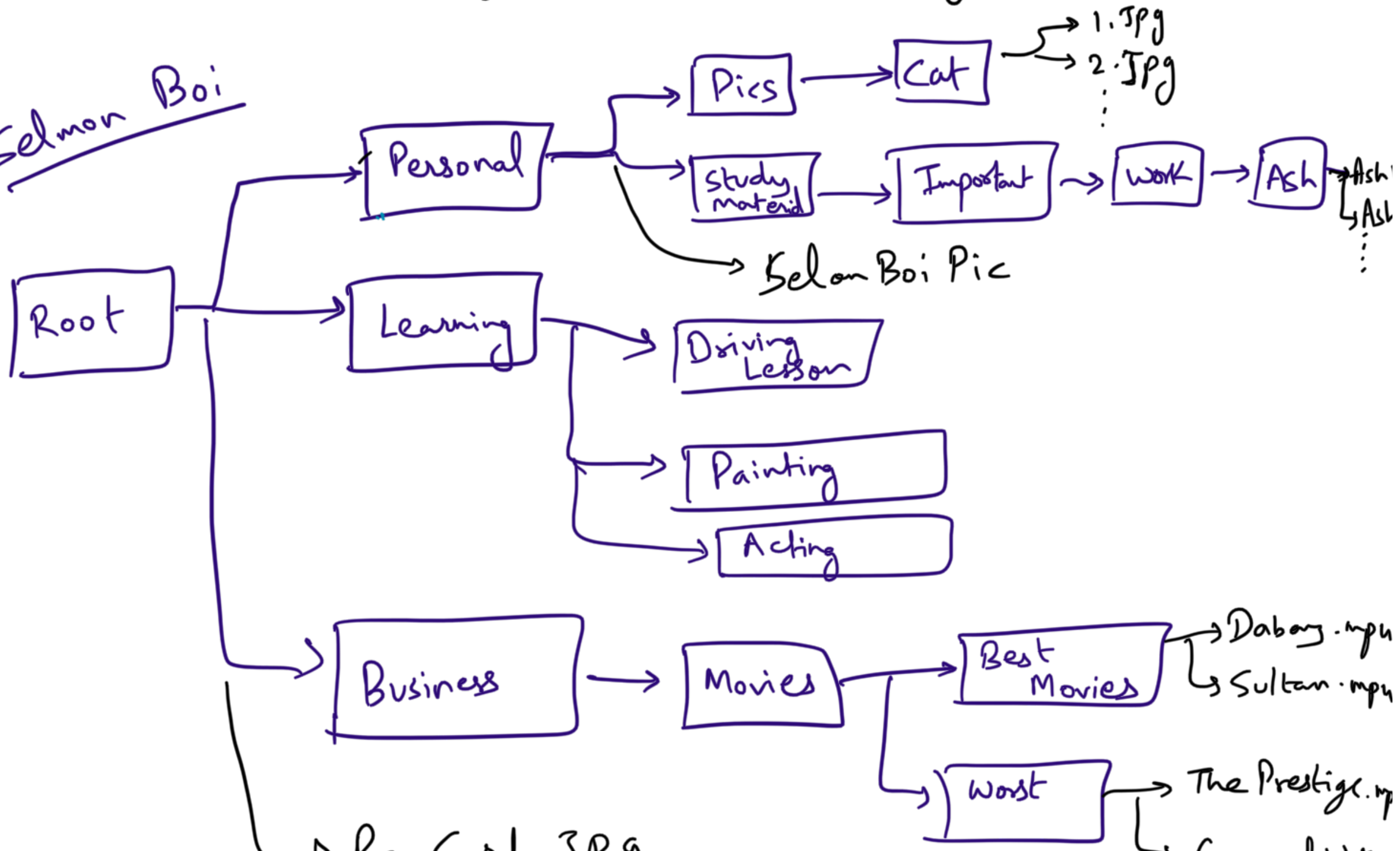
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Given:

List < str > get All Directories (Directory Name)

List < str > get All Files (Directory Name)

Selmon Boi



pan card . jpg  
Selfies . jpg

→ Gangs of Wazir

get All Directory (Movies)  
↳ return → Best movies  
↳ worst

get All Dirctos (Root)  
↳ return → Person  
↳ Learning  
↳ Business

get All Files (Root)  
↳ Pan card . jpg  
↳ Selfies . jpg .

Search (root, file)

Salman Boi Pic?

bool Search ( Directory Name , File Name )  
{ //Assumption : Search (DN, FN) return true if FN is  
present anywhere inside DN

```
List<str> files = getAllFiles(DirectoryName);  
for (i=0; i < files.size; i++)  
{  
    if (files[i] == fileName)  
        return True;  
}
```

Base  
Condition

```
List<str> dir = getAllDirectories(DirectoryName)  
for (i=0; i < dir.size; i++)  
{  
    if (search(dir[i], fileName))  
        return True;  
}
```

main  
logic

```
} return false;
```

Doubts

Recursion