

# Dynamic Programming

Best part → You already have seen an example

Prefix sum →

$$pf(i) = pf(i-1) + arr(i)$$

where  $pf(i) \Rightarrow$  Sum of  $[0:i]$

## Q1 Fibonacci Series

1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 ...

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

$$fib(1) = 1$$

$$fib(2) = 1$$

```
int fib(int n) {
```

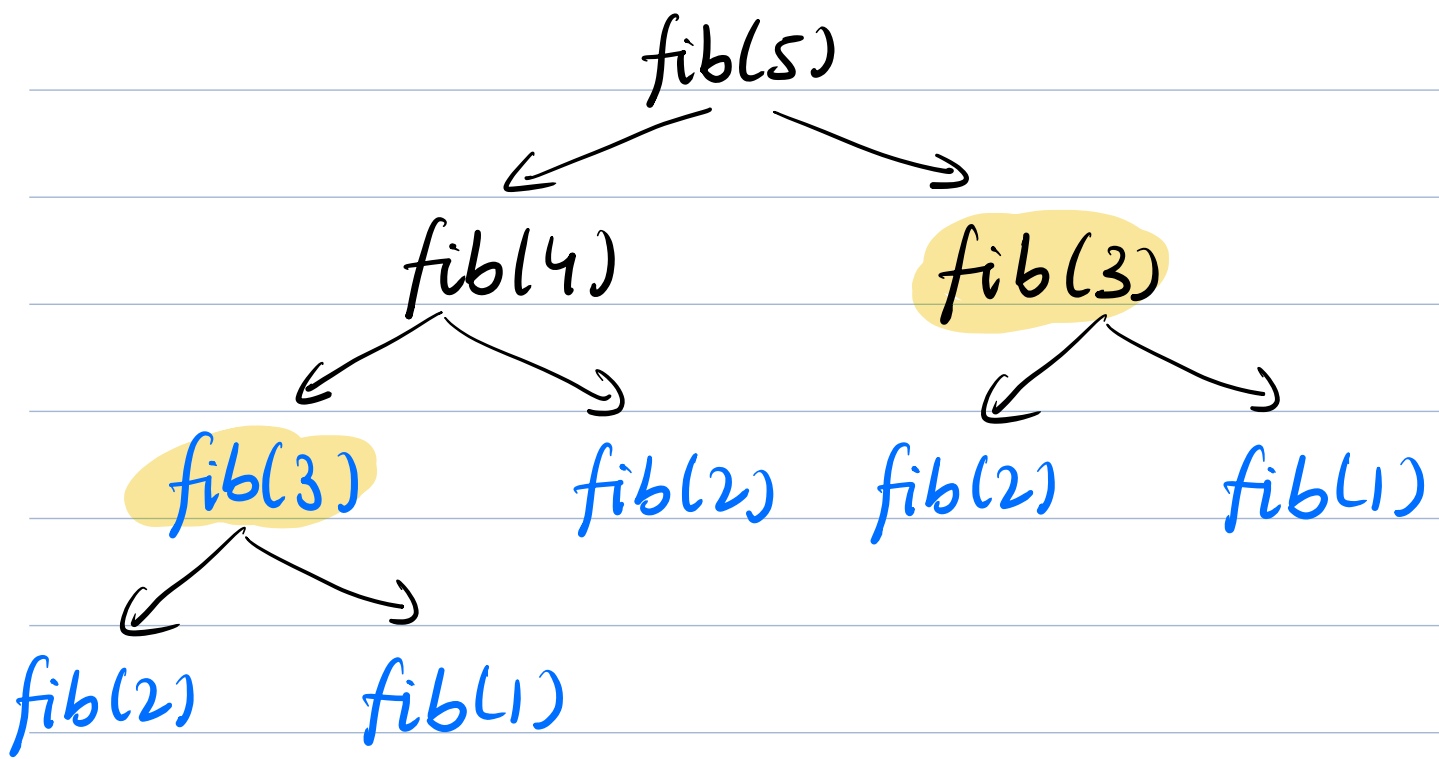
```
    if (n ≤ 2)
```

```
        return 1
```

```
    return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)
```

```
}
```

TC:  $O(2^n)$



Same problem solved multiple times.

DP  $\Rightarrow$  Smart Recursion

- Optimal Substructure : Solve problem using smaller subproblem
- Overlapping subproblem: Solve the same subproblem multiple times.

# DP sol<sup>n</sup>

Top-down  
(recursive)

Break larger prob  
into smaller

Bottom up  
(iterative)

Small सिमाने जाओ  
Large बनाने जाओ

Top down

int dp[n+1] // initialize everything

int fib(int n) { = -1

if ( $n \leq 2$ )

return 1

if ( $dp[n] \neq -1$ )

return  $dp[n]$

} if already calculated,  
return from memory.

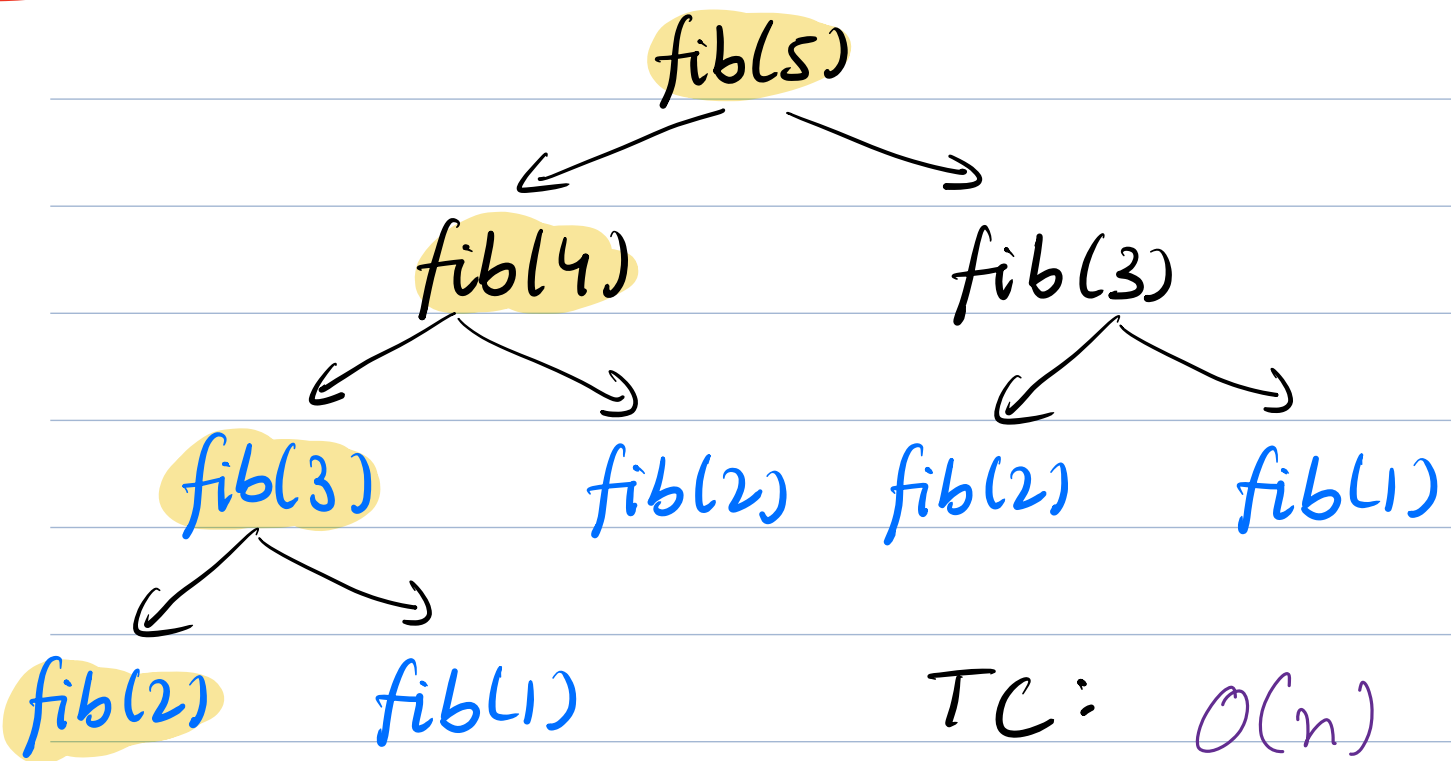
ans =  $fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)$

$dp[n] = ans$

} memoization

return ans

}



Bottom up (Iterative)

int dp[n+1]

$dp[1] = 1$        $dp[2] = 1$

for ( $i=3$ ;  $i \leq n$ ;  $i++$ ) {

$dp[i] = dp[i-1] + dp[i-2]$

}

TC: }  $O(n)$   
 SC: }

1	2	3	4	5
1	1	2	3	5

Q2 Find minimum no of perfect squares to get the sum = N

Eg  $6 \begin{cases} 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 = 6 \\ 2^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 = 4 + 1 + 1 = 6 \end{cases}$

ans = 3

10

$$3^2 + 1^2$$

ans = 2

9

$$3^2$$

ans = 1

Idea Greedy ?

N - last perfect square

$$12 \rightarrow 12 - 3^2 = 3$$

$$3^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2$$

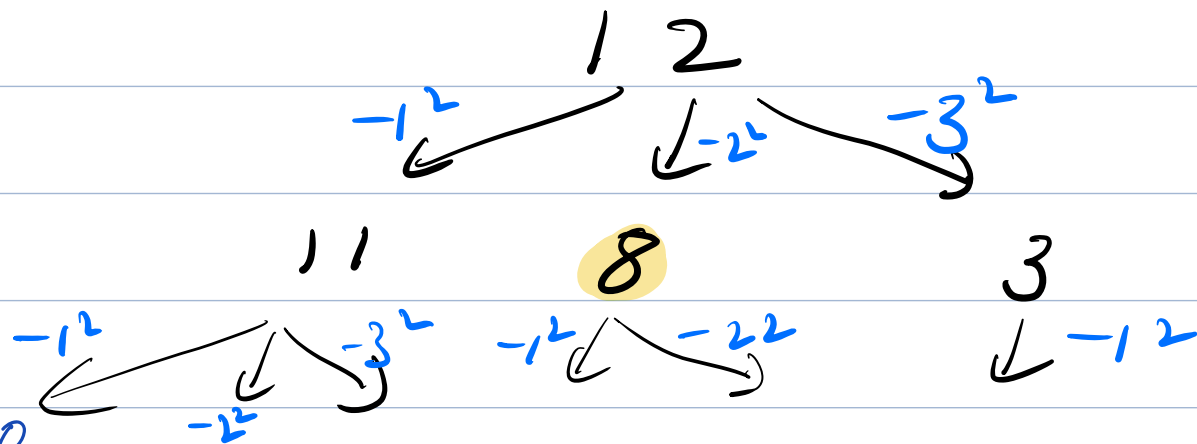
$$3 - 1^2 = 2$$

$$2 - 1^2 = 1$$

$$2^2 + 2^2 + 2^2$$

$$1 - 1^2 = 0$$

but better is  $2^2 + 2^2 + 2^2$   
and = 3



$$\text{squares}[12] = 1 + \min \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{squares}[12-1^2], \\ \text{squares}[12-2^2], \\ \text{squares}[12-3^2] \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{squares}[i] = 1 + \min \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{squares}[i-1^2], \\ \text{squares}[i-2^2], \\ \text{squares}[i-x^2] \end{array} \right)$$

$x^2 \leq i$

## Code

```
int dp[n+1] // initialize = -1
```

```
int calc(int n) {
```

```
    if (n == 0)
```

```
        return 0
```

[done]

```
    if (dp[n] != -1)
```

```
        return dp[n]
```

```
    ans = INT_MAX
```

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    for (x = 1; x * x ≤ n; x++) {
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        ans = min(ans, calc(n - x2))
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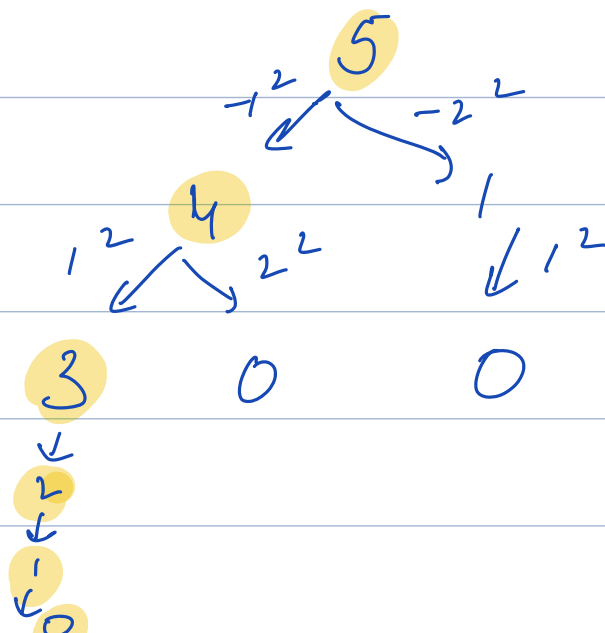
```
    }
```

```
    dp[n] = 1 + ans
```

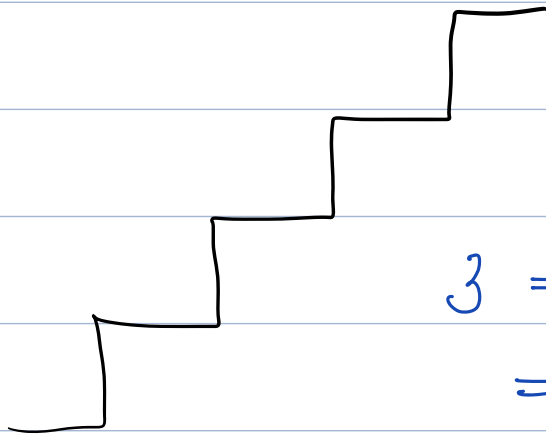
```
    return dp[n]
```

TC:  $O(N * \sqrt{N})$

SC:  $O(N)$



Q3 No of ways to reach  $N^{\text{th}}$  stair  
can take one step or 2 steps



step size = 1 or 2

$4 \Rightarrow 5$  ways

$$3 \Rightarrow 1 + 1 + 1$$

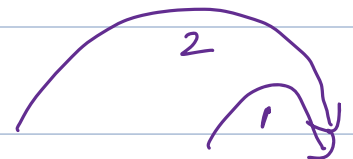
$$\Rightarrow 1 + 2$$

ans = 3

$$\Rightarrow 2 + 1$$

$$2 \Rightarrow \underbrace{1+1}_{\text{ans} = 2} \text{ or } 2$$

$$1 \Rightarrow 1$$



1      2      3      4      . . . .      n-3      n-2      n-1      n

$$\text{ways}(n) = \text{ways}(n-1) + \text{ways}(n-2)$$

$$1 \Rightarrow 1$$

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$$2 \Rightarrow 2$$

1+1

2



## Top down

int dp[n+1] // initialize everything

int ways (int n) { = -1

if ( $n \leq 2$ )

return n

if ( $dp[n] \neq -1$ )

return dp[n]

} if already calculated,  
return from memory.

ans = ways (n-1) + ways (n-2)

dp[n] = ans

} memoization

return ans

TC: }  $O(n)$   
SC: }

TC of DP  $\Rightarrow$

no of states  $\times$  TC of 1 state