

Prac: Recursion

1. Purely by studying the following code listing, can you predict *exactly* what the program would output when executed?

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class Testcheers
{
    public static void Main( string[ ] args )
    {
        int x = 3;
        cheers( x );
    }

    public static void cheers( int n )
    {
        if( n == 0 )
        {
            Console.WriteLine( "Hurray" );
        }
        else
        {
            Console.WriteLine( "Hip " );
            cheers( n - 1 );
        }
    }
}
```

Test your prediction by copying the code, compiling and running it.

2. Write a program that uses a recursive method to print numbers from n (input by user) to 0. Remember a loop must not be used. The 'Testcheers' program may help indicate a solution.
3. The factorial of a number is that number multiplied by itself less 1 with this action repeated until the multiplier itself is equal to 1. For example, the factorial of 5 (symbolized as $5!$) would be $5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 120$. An earlier practical required the development of a program to solve a factorial input by the user using using a loop structure. Now write a program that uses recursion to solve this problem (ie it should *not* use any kind of loop structure). If you find this too difficult, try a web search to find an algorithmic pseudocode recursive solution that you can use to implement in C#.
4. To visualize how recursion works for some cases of sorting, view the following URL's.

<http://www.sorting-algorithms.com/>

<https://www.bluffton.edu/~nesterd/java/SortingDemo.html>