Sum of digits using invariant programming



- Each recursive call handles one digit
- So we divide the initial number n into its digits:
 - $n = (d_{k-1}d_{k-2}\cdots d_2d_1d_0)$ (where d_i is a digit)
- Let's call the sum of digits function s(n)
- Then we can split the work in two parts:

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$$s(n) = \underbrace{s(d_{k-1}d_{k-2}\cdots d_i)}_{S_i} + \underbrace{(d_{i-1} + d_{i-2} + \cdots + d_0)}_{a}$$

- s_i is the work still to do and a is the work already done
- To keep the formula true, we set i' = i+1 and $a' = a+d_i$
- When i=k then $s_k=s(0)=0$ and therefore a is the answer

Example execution



• Example with *n*=314159:

$$s(n) = s(d_{k-1}d_{k-2}\cdots d_i) + (d_{i-1} + d_{i-2} + \cdots + d_0)$$

- s(314159) = s(314159) + 0
- s(314159) = s(31415) + 9
- s(314159) = s(3141) + 14
- s(314159) = s(314) + 15
- s(314159) = s(31) + 19
- s(314159) = s(3) + 20
- s(314159) = s(0) + 23 = 0 + 23 = 23

Final program



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• S = (d_{k-1}d_{k-2}\cdots d_i)

A = (d_{i-1} + d_{i-2} + \cdots + d_0)

fun {SumDigits2 S A}

if S==0 then A

else

{SumDigits2 (S div 10) A+(S mod 10)}

end

end
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