# **Tower of Hanoi**

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# Rules of Tower of Hanoi:

- 1. Only one disk can be moved at a time
- 2. Disk can be moved only if it is the uppermost disk on the stack
- 3. No disk may be replaced on top of the smaller disk.

hanoi (n,start,end) ⇒ Outputs a sequence of steps to move n disks from start to end rod.

#### Assume:

1≤ Start ≤3

1≤ End ≤3

Start ≠ End

## **Possible Moves:**

 $1 \rightarrow 3$ 

 $1 \rightarrow 2$ 

 $3 \rightarrow 2$ 

 $1 \rightarrow 3$ 

 $2 \rightarrow 1$ 

 $2 \rightarrow 3$ 

 $1 \rightarrow 3$ 

## How recursion works:

- 1. Show f(1) works
- 2. Assume f(n-1) works
- 3. Show f(n) works using f(n-1)

