CS218 - Data Structures
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1 Recursion

Raster images of the notebook 10-recursion

Recursion

Square Root

No, we're not doing this. Enough is enough!

Factorial

In [ ]:
```
def fact(n):
    # base case
    if n <= 1:
        return 1

    # induction case
    return n * fact(n-1)
```

In [ ]:
```
for i in range(1, 7):
    print("Factorial of:", i, "is", fact(i))
```

Fib

In [ ]:
```
def fib(n):
    if n <= 1:
        return 1

    return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)     # more stuff after recursive call
```

In [ ]:
```
%timeit fib(20)
```

In [ ]:
```
def fib(n):
    a, b = 0, 1
    for i in range(n):
        a, b = b, a+b
    return a
```

In [ ]:
```
fib(5)      # 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8
```

In [ ]:
```
def fib(n, a = 0, b = 1):
    if n == 0:
        return a

    return fib(n-1, b, a+b)      # since everything is done at the last call, this is called "tail recursion"
```

In [ ]:
```
fib(8)
```

Tower of Hanoi

In [ ]:
```
def tower_of_hanoi(levels=3):
    move_tower(levels, 'A', 'C', 'B')   # move n-level tower from A to C using B as aux


def move_tower(l, fr, to, ax):
    if l == 1:
        print_move(l, fr, to)
        return

    move_tower(l-1, fr, ax, to)
    print_move(l, fr, to)
    move_tower(l-1, ax, to, fr)


def print_move(l, fr, to):
    print("Move: ", l, "from", fr, "to", to)
```

In [ ]:
```
tower_of_hanoi(3)
```

Sum Over a List

In [ ]:
```
def sum_list(l):
    sum = 0
    for i in l:
        sum += i
    return sum
```

In [ ]:
```
l = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

In [ ]:
```
sum_list(l)
```

In [ ]:
```
def sum_list_recursive(l):
    if len(l) == 0:
        return 0                                # base case: sum of empty list is 0

    return l[0] + sum_list_recursive(l[1:])     # induction case: head + sum of the rest
```

In [ ]:
```
l = [45]
sum_list_recursive(l)
```