L2: Substitution Model, Recursion

CS1101S: Programming Methodology

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Review: Evaluating arithmetic expressions, see 1.1.3

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 - stackn and repeat_pattern
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A new predeclared combination: stack_frac

```
stack_frac(r, heart, sail)
```

splits available bounded box such that heart occupies top fraction r of box and sail occupies remaining 1 - r of box

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Can we generalise this idea?



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Computers will follow our orders

We need to *precisely* describe how a computational process should be executed.

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Observation

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Solution for n computed using solution n-1, solution for n-1 is computed using solution n-2, ... until we reach trivial case.
```

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Recursive process

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Iterative process

With applicative order reduction, pat function is applied *before* the recursive call.

There is no deferred operation.

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Translation into Source

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```
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Factorial in Source

```
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     : n *
          factorial(n - 1);
}
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Example execution using Substitution Model

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    return fib_iter(1, 0, n);
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