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The Fibonacci Sequence

The Fibonacci sequence begins with fibonacci(0) = 0 and fibonacci(1) = 1 as its respective first and second terms. After these first two elements, each subsequent element is equal to the sum of the previous two elements.

Here is the basic information you need to calculate fibonacci(n):

- fibonacci(0) = 0
- fibonacci(1) = 1
- fibonacci(n) = fibonacci(n-1) + fibonacci(n-2)



Task

Given n, complete the *fibonacci* function so it returns fibonacci(n)

Input Format

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Constraints

• 0 < n < 40

Output Format

Locked stub code in the editor prints the value of *fibonacci*(n) returned by the *fibonacci* function.

Sample Input

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Sample Output

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Explanation

Consider the Fibonacci sequence:

fibonacci(0)=0

fibonacci(1) = 1

fibonacci(2) = (0+1) = 1

fibonacci(3)=(1+1)=2

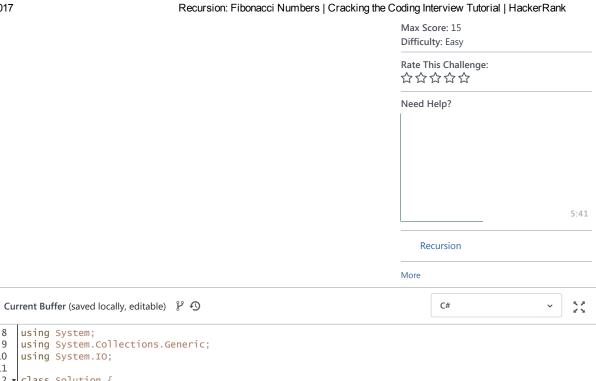
fibonacci(4) = (1+2) = 3fibonacci(5) = (2+3) = 5

fibonacci(6) = (3+5) = 8

We want to know the value of *fibonacci*(3). If we look at the sequence above, *fibonacci*(3) evaluates to 2. Thus, we print 2 as our answer.

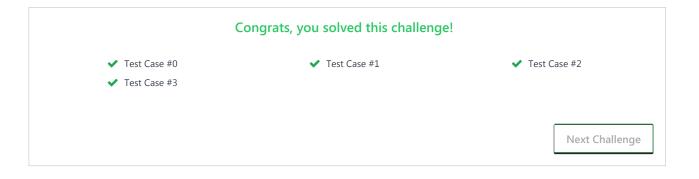
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    class Solution {
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        public static int Fibonacci(int n) {
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             // Write your code here.
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             if (n \ll 1)
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                     return n;
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             return Fibonacci(n - 1) + Fibonacci(n - 2);
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        static void Main(String[] args) {
             int n = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
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            Console.WriteLine(Fibonacci(n));
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