

- 1) Define Recursion
- 2) How write recursion
- 3) How it works
- 4) TC / SC of recursion

Recursion

⇒ A function calling itself
 ⇒ When a problem can be solved by solving smaller occurrences of the same problem
 ⇒ Subproblems

Eq Calculate sum of first N natural numbers.

$$\text{Sum}(N) = \underline{1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + N}$$

$$\text{Sum}(N) = \underline{\text{Sum}(N-1)} + \underline{N}$$

Subproblem

Steps

1) Assumption

⇒ Decide what your function does
⇒ Assume it returns correct answers

2) Main Logic

⇒ Solve the original problem using
the solⁿ of the subproblem

3) Base Case

⇒ When should your recursion stop.

Sum (N) using recursion

⇒ int sum (N) {

// Assumption : Returns the correct
sum of the first
N natural no.

// Base Case

= if ($N == 1$) return (1);

// Main Logic

→ return sum ($N-1$) + N;

5

$$N = 7$$

Eg $N = 5$

$\text{sum}(5) \rightarrow 10$

ret $\text{sum}(4) + 5$

10

$\text{sum}(4) \rightarrow 6$

ret $\text{sum}(3) + 4$

6

$\text{sum}(3) \rightarrow 3$

ret $\text{sum}(2) + 3$

3

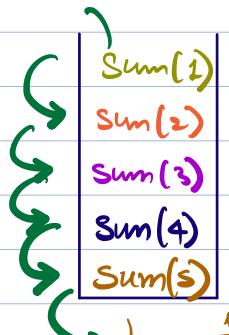
$\text{sum}(2) \rightarrow 1$

ret $\text{sum}(1) + 2$

1

$\text{sum}(1) \rightarrow 1$

ret 1



Stack

2) Factorial (N) using recursion

$$3! = 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

$$5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{N!} = N \times (N-1) \times (N-2) \times (N-3) \dots \dots 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

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Fact (N-1)

$$1! = 1$$

$$0! = 1$$

int fact (N) {

// Assumption: fact(N) will return the correct value of N!

// Base Case

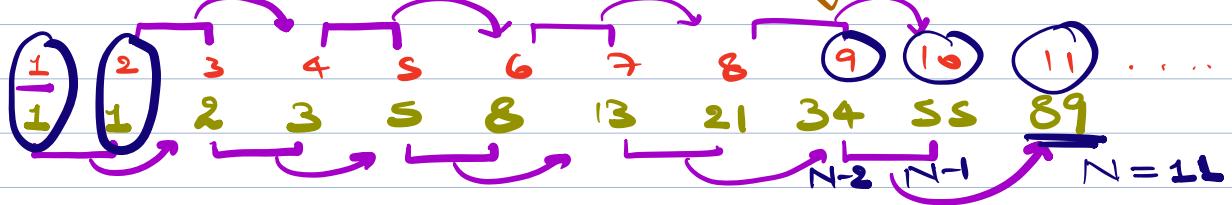
if (N == 1 || N == 0) { return 1; }

// Logic

return N × fact (N - 1);

}

③ Fibonacci Series Using Recursion



int fib(N) {

// Assumption: fib(N) returns the correct Nth fibonacci no.

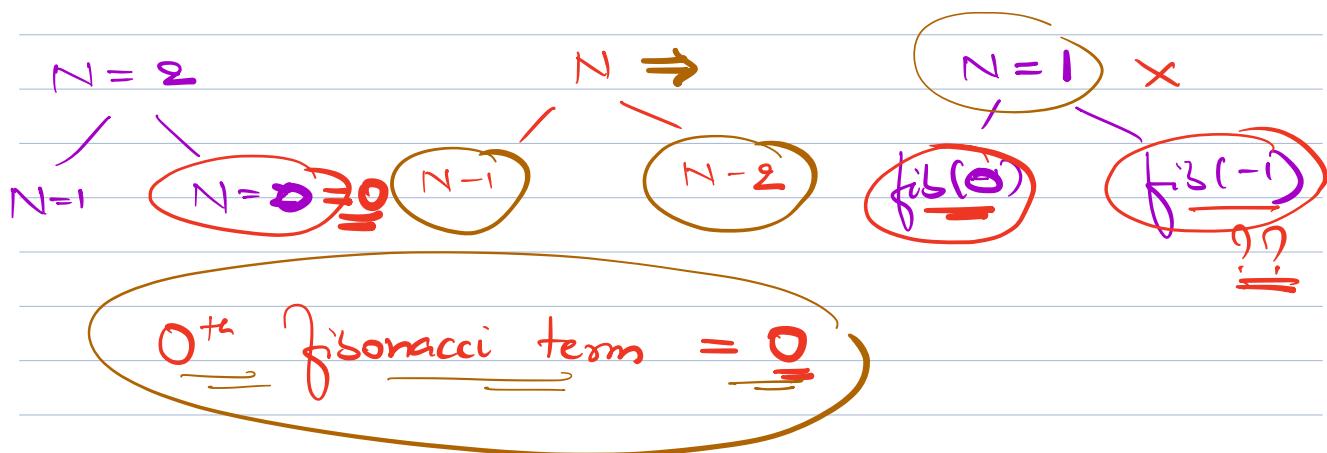
// Base Case

$\Leftarrow \Rightarrow$ if ($N == 1$ || $N == 2$) { return 1; }

// Main Logic

$$\underline{\text{fib}(N)} = \underline{\text{fib}(N-1)} + \underline{\text{fib}(N-2)}$$

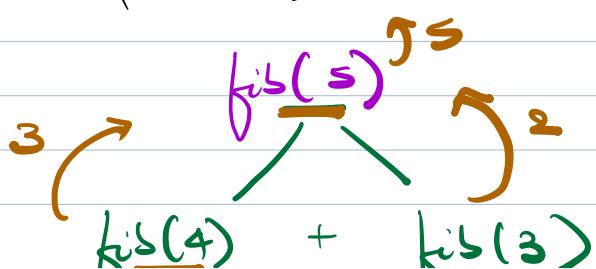
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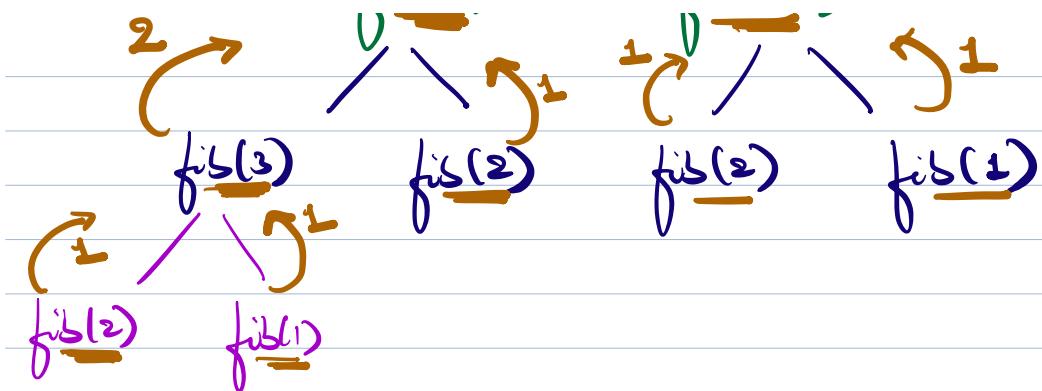
Base Case 2

\Leftarrow [if ($N == 0$) { return 0; }] \rightarrow if ($N == 1$) { return 1; } $\cancel{\rightarrow}$ if ($N < 1$) { return N; }

Dry Run ($N=5$)



Recursion Tree



Q Given a string

Write a recursive program to check if the given string is a palindrome.

Pallindrome \Rightarrow

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MADAM

NITIN

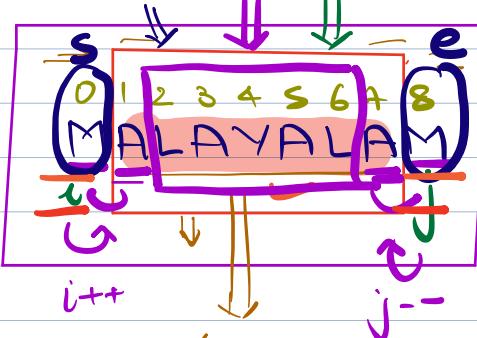
MOM

POOP

MALAYALAM

NITIN

$$(N-2) = 7$$



N=9

\Rightarrow start, end

pallindrome
not a pallindrome

Code

boolean isPallindrome (str, s, e) {

O $N-1$ (initial call)

// Ans : isPalindrome() returns true if
the str from s to e is a
palindrome

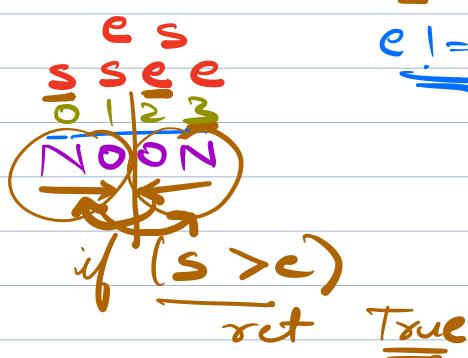
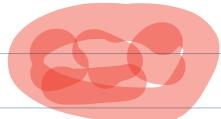
// Base Case

if ($s \geq e$) { return True; }

// Main Logic

\Rightarrow if ($\underline{\text{str}[s]} == \underline{\text{str}[e]}$) {
return isPalindrome(str, $s+1, e-1$);}

else {
 return false;
}



0 3
1 2 X 2
e 1 = s

isPal ('NOON', 0, 3) {

↓
isPal ('NOON', 1, 2)

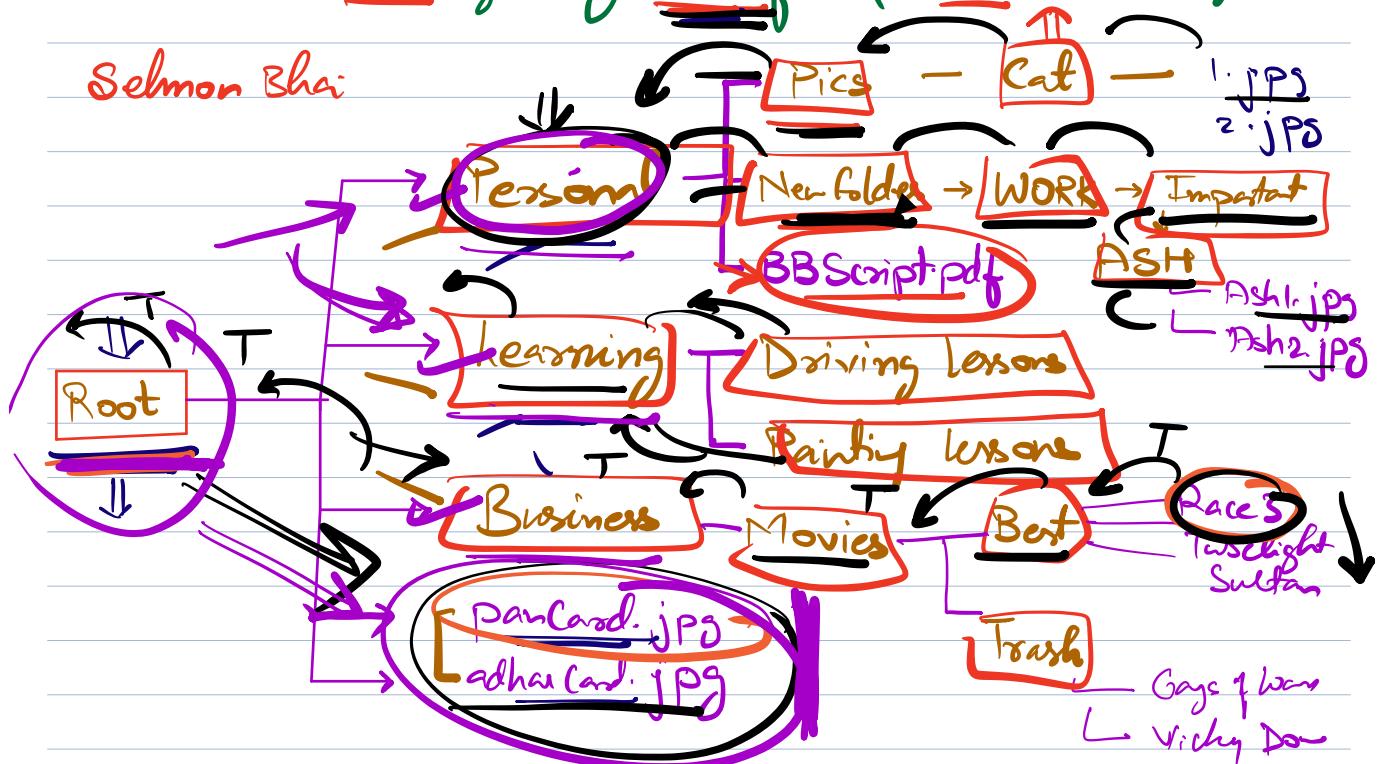
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is Pal ('Noon' , 2, 1)
s > e



Given a dir structure.
Search a file in it

Given [list < string > get All Directories (Directory Name)
List < strings > get All files (Direct Name)

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Given a file Name () return
true if the file exists anywhere in
the directory.

Code

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boolean search (DirectoryName, fileName) {
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// Ass: Search (DN, FN) returns true if file
is present anywhere in the directory.

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{ List <String> files = getAllFiles (DirectoryName);  
  // for (i=0; i < files.size(); i++) {  
    if ( files[i] .equals (fileName) ) {  
      return True;  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Base Case

```
list <String> directories = getAllDirectories (DN);  
for (i=0; i < directories.size(); i++) {  
  → if ( → search (directories[i], fileName) {  
    return True;  
  }  
}  
return False;
```

Eg

1) panCard.jpg

search (root, panCard.jpg) \Rightarrow { panCard.jpg, adv.jpg }
True

2) Race3.pdf

search (root, Race3.pdf) \Rightarrow { PC, AC }

\Downarrow { Personal, Learning, Business }
X

Search (Personal, Race3.pdf)

\Downarrow { Cats, Newfolder })

search (Cats, Race3.pdf)

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Search (Learning , Race3.pdf).

Doubt

$$\text{Sum}(N) = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + N-1 + N$$

$1 \quad N \quad (2, N)$

$\text{Sum}(s, e) \{$

if ($s == e$) { return, e ; }

return $s + \text{Sum}(s+1, e)$;

}