

Recursion - 2

Question

Given 2 integers a & n , find a^n using recursion.

eg $a=2$
 $n=3$

$$2^3 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8$$

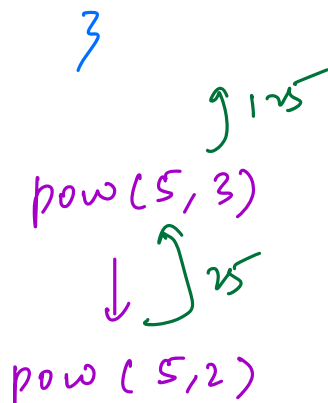
1. $\text{pow}(a, n) \rightarrow \underbrace{a \times a \times a \times \dots \times a}_{n \text{ times}}$

2. $\text{pow}(a, n) = \text{pow}(a, n-1) \times a$

3. $\text{pow}(a, 0) = 1$

Code

```
int pow(a, n) {  
    if (n == 0) return 1  
    return pow(a, n-1) * a  
}
```



$$TC = O(N)$$

$$SC = O(N)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \uparrow 5 \\ \text{pow}(5, 1) \\ \downarrow \uparrow 1 \\ \text{pow}(5, 0) \end{array}$$

Alternative approach

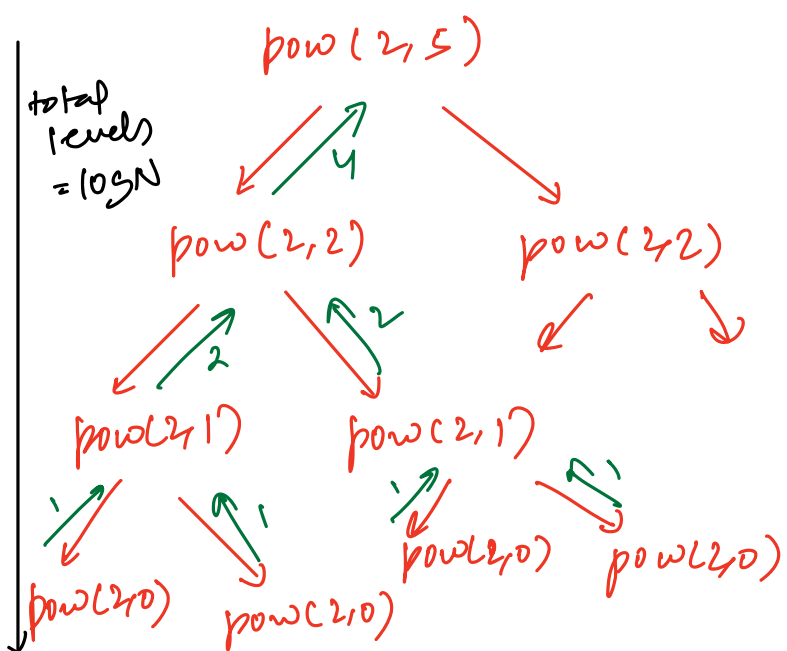
$$\begin{aligned} a^6 &= a^3 \times a^3 \\ a^{10} &= a^5 \times a^5 \\ a^7 &= a^3 \times a^3 \times a \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^n &= a^{n/2} \times a^{n/2} & n \text{ is even} \\ &= a^{n/2} \times a^{n/2} \times a & n \text{ is odd} \end{aligned}$$

1. $\text{pow}(a, n) = a^n$
2. $\text{pow}(a, n) = \begin{cases} \text{pow}(a, n/2) * \text{pow}(a, n/2) & n: \text{even} \\ \text{pow}(a, n/2) * \text{pow}(a, n/2) * a & n: \text{odd} \end{cases}$
3. $\text{pow}(a, 0) = 1$

code

```
int pow(a, n) {  
    if (n == 0) return 1  
    if (n % 2 == 0) { // n & 1 == 0  
        return pow(a, n/2) * pow(a, n/2)  
    }  
    else {  
        return pow(a, n/2) * pow(a, n/2) * a  
    }  
}
```



total calls

2^0

2^1

2^2

2^3

...

$$\text{total calls} = 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + \text{log}_2 n \text{ times}$$

$$= 2^0 \left(\frac{2^{\log_2 n} - 1}{2 - 1} \right) = n - 1$$

$$TC = O(N)$$

$$SC = O(\log N)$$

Optimize (fast Exponentiation)

```
int pow(a, n) {
    if (n == 0) return 1
    x = pow(a, n/2)
    if (n % 2 == 0) {
        return x * x
    }
    else {
        return x * x * a
    }
}
```

$\uparrow 32$
 pow(2, 5)
 $\downarrow \uparrow 4$
 pow(2, 2)
 $\downarrow \uparrow 2$
 pow(2, 1)
 $\downarrow \uparrow 1$
 pow(2, 0)

$$TC = O(\log N)$$

$$SC = O(\log N)$$

Question

Given an array of integers. Write a recursive fⁿ to print all elements.

$A = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5]$

output: 1 2 3 4 5

1. $\text{print}(A, 0, n-1)$
2. $\text{print}(A, 0, n-1) \rightarrow \text{print}(A[0]) \quad \text{print}(A, 1, n-1)$
3. $\text{print}(A, n-1, n-1) \rightarrow \text{print}(A[n-1]) \quad \underline{\text{print}(A, n, n-1)}$
do nothing

Code

$\text{printArray}(A, 0)$

```
void printArray (A, index) {  
    if (index == A.size()) {  
        return  
    }  
    print(A[index])  
    printArray (A, index + 1)  
}
```

$TC = O(N)$

$SC = O(N)$

$A = [1 \ 2 \ 3]$

printArray (A, 0)

printArray (A, 1)

printArray (A, 2)

printArray (A, 3)

output: 1 2 3

Quiz

$\text{findSum}(A, 0, n-1) = A[0] + \text{findSum}(A, 1, n-1)$

int findSum (A, index) {

if (index == A.size()) {

return 0

}

return $A[\text{index}] + \text{findSum}(A, \text{index}+1)$

}

Question

Given an array of N elements & an integer B .
Find all the indices in array where element = B
& return it.

$A = [4, 5, 3, 1, 5, 4, 5]$ $B = 5$

ans: [1, 4, 6]

$A = [1, 2, 3, 1, 1]$

$B = 1$

ans: [0, 3, 4]

$A = [1, 2, 3, 1, 1]$

ans[0] = 0

index = 0
cnt = 0

$A[0] = 1$

index = 1
cnt = 1

if $A[0] = B$
then $cnt = cnt + 1$
else $cnt = cnt$

index = 2
cnt = 1

index = 3
cnt = 1

$A[3] = 1$

index = 4
cnt = 2

$A[4] = 1$

index = 5
cnt = 3

Create
new ans
array
of size 3

ans[1] = 3

ans[2] = 4 return new int[3]

```

        if A[index] == B
find(A, B, index, cut) → find(A, B, index+1, cut+1)
                        else → find(A, B, index+1, cut)

```

```

if (index == A.size()) {
    return new ans[cut]
}

```

find(A, B, 0, 0)

Code

```

int[] find (int[] A, int B, int index, int cut) {
    if (index == A.size()) {
        return new int[cut];
    }
    if (A[index] == B) {
        int[] am = find(A, B, index+1, cut+1);
        am[cut] = index;
    }
    else {
        int[] am = find(A, B, index+1, cut);
    }
}

```


return am

3

Question

Given a string, write a recursive function to check if its palindrome.

$s = \text{"radar"}$ True

$s = \text{"area"}$ false

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$\text{isPalin}(s, i, j) \Rightarrow \text{if } (s[i] \neq s[j]) \text{ return false}$

$\text{else if } (\text{isPalin}(s, i+1, j-1)) \text{ return true}$
 else return false

$\text{isPalin}(s, i, j) \Rightarrow \text{return true}$

base: $i \geq j$

Code

isPalin(s, 0, n-1)

```
bool isPalin(s, i, j) {  
    if (i >= j) return true  
    if (s[i] != s[j]) return false  
    return isPalin(s, i+1, j-1)  
}
```

TC = $O(N)$

SC = $O(N)$

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
x a c a d a c a x

↑ true
isPalin(s, 0, 8)
↓ ↑ true
isPalin(s, 1, 7)
↓ ↑ true
isPalin(s, 2, 6)
↓ ↑ true
isPalin(s, 3, 5)
↓ ↑ true
isPalin(s, 4, 4)

0 1 2 3 4 5
x a x b a x
↑ false
isPalin(s, 0, 5)
↓ ↑ false
isPalin(s, 1, 4)
↓ ↑ false
isPalin(s, 2, 3)

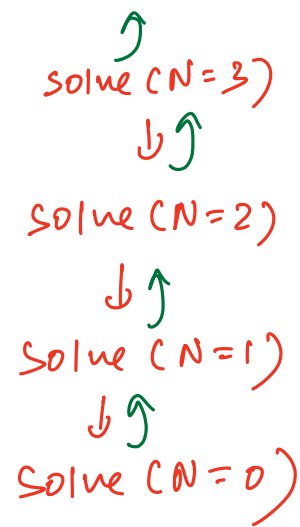
total levels = $N/2$

Quiz

```
solve(N) {  
  if (N == 0) return  
  print(N)  
  solve(N-1)  
  print(N)  
}
```

3

output: 3 2 1 1 2 3

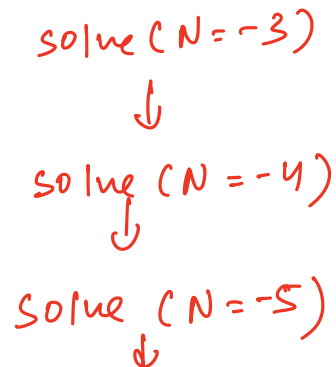


Quiz

```
solve(N) {  
  if (N == 0) return  
  print(N)  
  solve(N-1)  
}
```

3

output: -3 -4 -5 -6



⋮

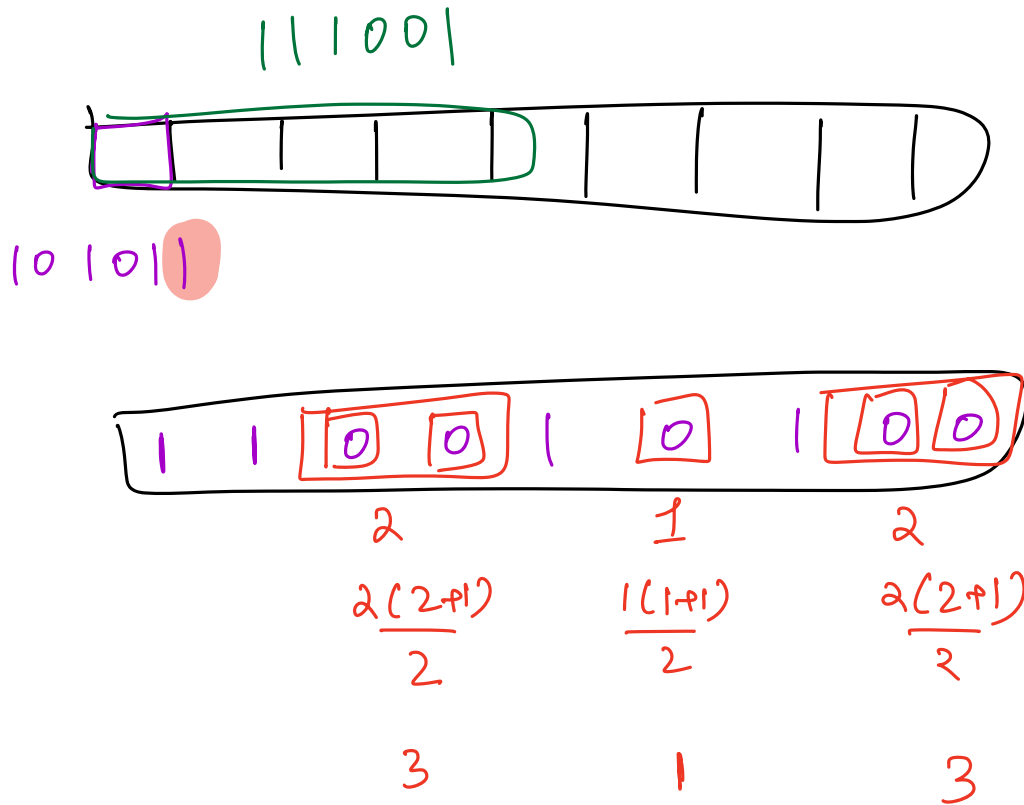
never become 0

Stack overflow error

Doubt

32 bit

find sum of all subarray ORs.



$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} - (3+1+3)$$

$$TC = O(32 \times N)$$