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def power(x, n):

if n == 0

power = 1

else

power = x \* power(x, n-1)

return power(x, n)

$$\underbrace{x^n}_{\text{power}} = x^{n-1} \cdot x$$

Recursive Tracing:

↳ n=0 p=1

↳ n=1  $p = x \cdot \underbrace{p(x, 0)}_x$  } n=1  
↳ 1 step

↳ n=2  $p = x \cdot \underbrace{p(x, 1)}_{x \cdot \underbrace{p(x, 0)}_x}$  } n=2  
↳ 2 steps  
 $x^2$

$$\underbrace{x^n = x^{n-1} \cdot x}_{O(n)}$$