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Topics:

Recursion Introduction

Function call Tracing

Factorial of a number

Increasing

Decreasing

Print Decreasing & Increasing

Fibonacci no.

Recursion \Rightarrow function calling itself

\Rightarrow solve a problem by using

a subproblem.

smaller instance of same problem.

why it is need?

1. It is pre-requisites for

1. Back Tracking
2. DP
3. Trees
4. Graphs

2. Sorting algorithms! mergesort & quick sort.

Example: sum of first 5 natural numbers

$$\text{sum}(5) = \underbrace{1 + 2 + 3 + 4}_{\text{sum}(4)} + 5 \Rightarrow 15 \Rightarrow \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\underbrace{1 + 2 + 3 + 4}_{\text{sum}(3)}$$

```
def sum(n):  
    if n == 1: return 1  
    ↓ return sum(n-1) + n
```

Steps for recursive code:

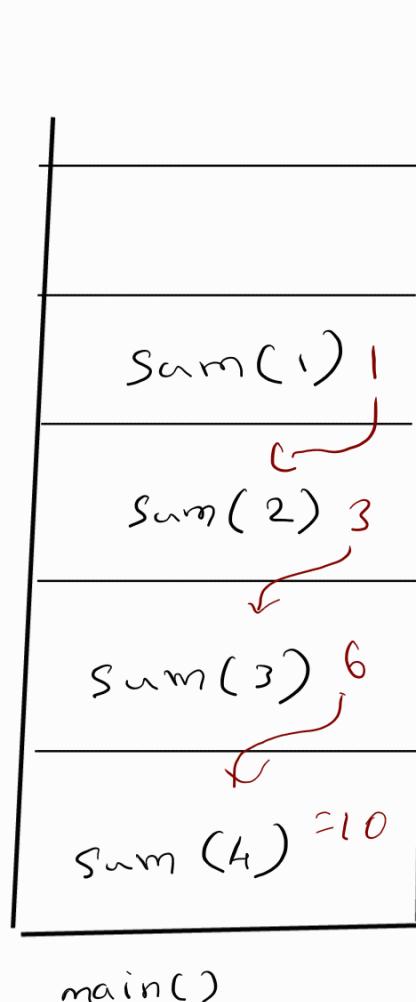
1. Expectation from the function

2. writing main logic:

Breaking problem to

sub problem

3. Base Case: How the recursion has to stop



Function Call Tracing

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main () {  
    x=10, y=20;  
    print (sub (mul (add (x,y), 30), 75))
```

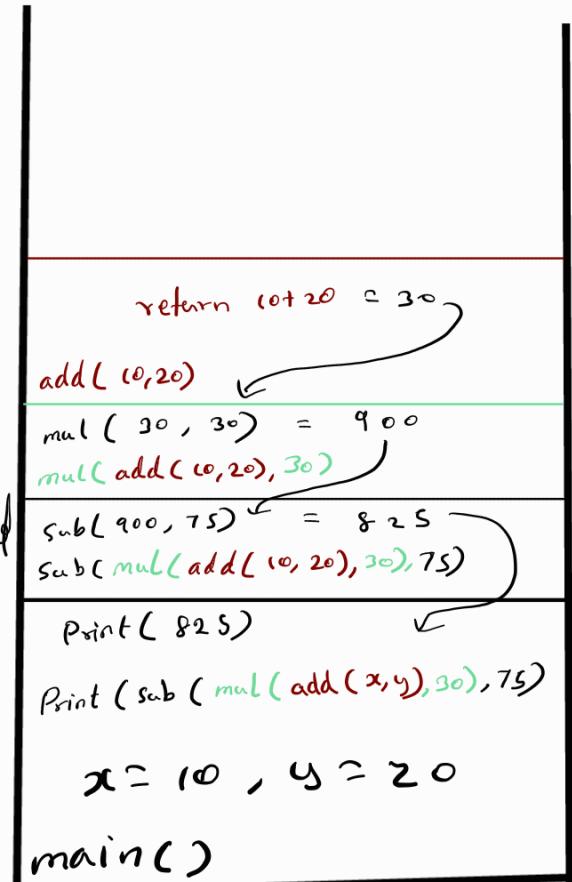
1. First In Last Out

The top most call gets executed

2. The child function will always return its answer to its parent function and

parent function will execute only when it has received the answer from its child.

3. Once function call returns answer it is going to be removed from the call stack.



Quiz: Factorial of 5 ? = 120

Factorial ($n!$)

Factorial is the product of all the positive numbers less than or equal to a number.

ex: $3! = 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 6$

$$5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 120$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 1! & = & 1 \\ 0! & = & 1 \end{array}$$

$$7! = 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 =$$

$$(a, b, c) = 3! = 6$$

abc bca cab } 6 different ways
acb bac cba } it can be written

$$(a, b) = 2! = 2 \times 1 = 2$$

a b } 2 different pairs can be formed
b c }

Time Complexity:

$O(\text{Number of function calls} * \text{Time per function call})$

Space Complexity:

$O(\text{maximum depth of recursive stack space}$
 $\quad\quad\quad (\uparrow \text{Num. function calls}) + \text{space per function calls})$

Problem 1 : Factorial of n

Given int n , find the factorial of n

$$n = 5$$

$$\text{fact}(5) = 5 \times \underbrace{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}_{\text{fact}(4)}$$

$$\text{fact}(n) = n \times \text{fact}(n-1)$$

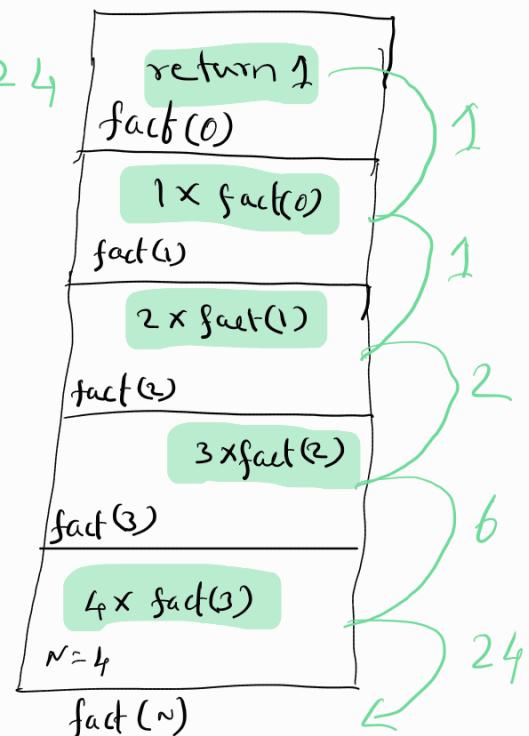
```
def fact(n):
    if (n==0): return 1 # Base case
    return (n * fact(n-1))
```

Ex:

$$n = 4$$

$$\text{output} = 24$$

$$\begin{matrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow$$



Time Complexity :

```
def fact(n):
    if (n==0): return 1 # Base case
    return (n * fact(n-1))
```

$T(N)$ = Time taken by recursive function to calculate $\text{fact}(n)$

$T(N-1)$ = Time taken to calculate $\text{fact}(n-1)$

$$T(N) = T(N-1) + 1 \Rightarrow \text{Recurrence Relation}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} (N-1) \\ (N-2-1) \\ \vdots \\ N-2 \end{array} \quad \downarrow \quad ①$$

$$T(N-1) = T(N-2) + 1$$

$$T(N) = T(N-2) + 1 + 1 \quad \downarrow$$

$$T(N) \Rightarrow T(N-2) + 2 \rightarrow ②$$

$$T(N-2) = T(N-3) + 1$$

$$T(N) = T(N-3) + 1 + 2$$

$$T(N) = T(N-3) + 3 \rightarrow ③$$

After ④ substitution:

$$\begin{aligned} T(N) &= T(N-k) + k \\ &= T(N-n) + n \\ &= T(N-n) + n \quad \leftarrow \begin{cases} T(0) = 1 \\ \Rightarrow T(N-k) = T(0) \\ \Rightarrow \underbrace{n-k}_{k=n} = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{k = n}} \end{cases} \\ T(N) &= n \end{aligned}$$

SC:
 $n \rightarrow$ function calls
 $1 \rightarrow$ space per function
 $\Rightarrow n \times 1$
 $\Rightarrow O(n)$

Problem 2 : Print 1 to N

⇒ Given N , print all the numbers from 1 to N in increasing order.

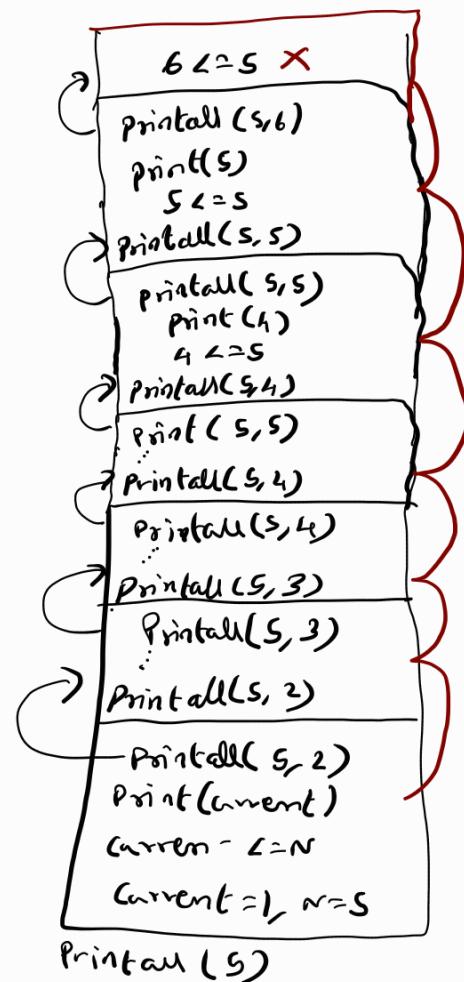
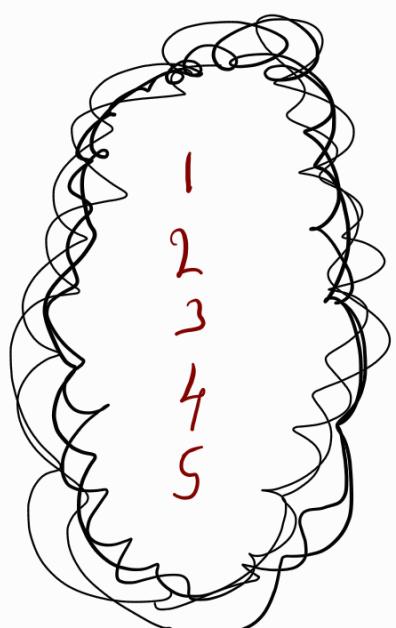
```
def print_all(n, current=1)
    if current <= n: #Base case
        print(current)
        print_all(n, (current+1))
```

```
def inc(n):
    if n == 0: # Base case
        ↓ print(n)
    else:
        ↓ inc(n-1)
        ↓ print(n)
```

$T_C \in O(n)$

$S \subset \mathcal{O}(1)$

$$N = 5$$



inc(5)

1

2

3

4

5

inc(4)

1

2

3

4

1 5

logic should be

inc(4)

print(5) print 5 manually

```
def inc(n):  
    if n == 0:  
        ↓ print(n)  
    else:  
        ↓ inc(n-1)  
        ↓ print(n)
```

```
def inc(start, end)
```

increase the start

```
if start ≤ end:
```

↓ print(start)

↓ inc((start+1), end)

```
else: return
```

1 _printed
2 x
3 ~
4 ~
5 ~
6 ≤ end x

Problem: whirlpool's countdown timer

⇒ given int A. print out each minutes until zero

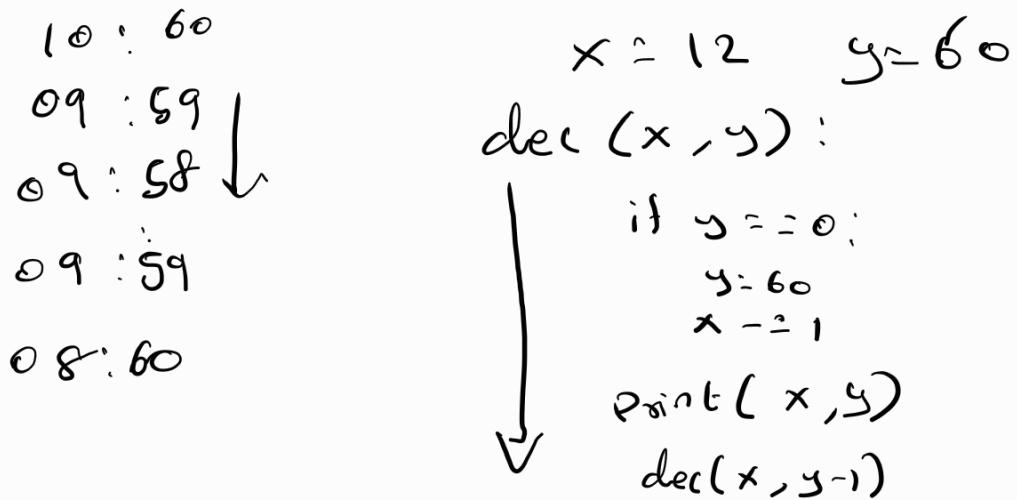
⇒ decrement one by one until zero.

$$A = 5$$

```
def decrement(n):  
    if n < 0: # Base Case  
        ↓ return  
        print(n)  
        decrement(n-1)
```

5
4 if $n < 0$ return.
3 print(n)
2 decrement($n - 1$)
1
0

Decrease time 10:00 one by one.



Time Complexity:

$O(\text{Number of function calls} * \text{Time per function call})$

Space Complexity:

$O(\text{maximum depth of recursive stack space}$
 \uparrow
(Num. function calls) \times $O(\text{space per function calls})$

Problem:

Fibonacci numbers

$$F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	1	1	2	3	5	8	13	21	34	55...
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what is Fibonacci of n ?

$$\text{fib}(7) = 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 5 \ 8 \boxed{13}$$

```
ans = [0, 1] 1 2 3 5 ↗
```

```
for i in range(1, 7)
```

```
    ↓ ans.append(ans[i] + ans[i-1])
```

```
return ans
```

```
def fib(n)
    x=0 y=1
    for i in range(1, n)
        ↓ temp = (x+y)
        ↓ x=y
        ↓ y=temp
    return y
```

```
def fib(n, x=0, y=1, index=1)
```

```
if index ≤ n:
```

```
    temp = x+y
```

```
    x = y
```

```
    y = temp, index+=1
```

```
    fib(n, x, y)
```

```
else:
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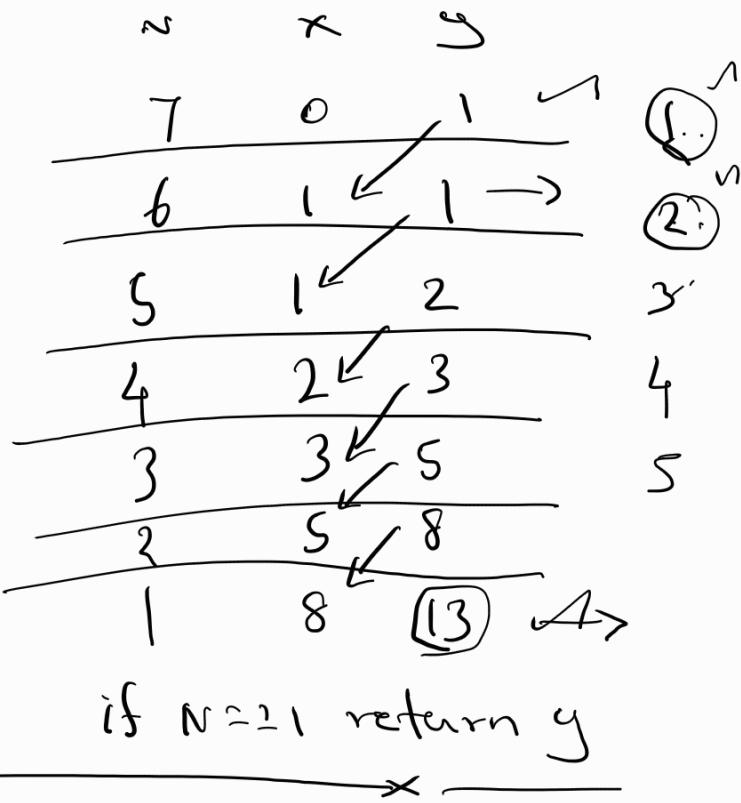
```
    return y
```

x	y
0	1
1	1
1	2
2	3
3	5
5	8
8	13 ↗

```

def fib(n, x=0, y=1)
    ↓
    if n == 1: return y
    ↓
    fib(n-1, y, (x+y))

```



Fib number = sum of previous two fib numbers

$$\text{fib}(5) = \text{fib}(4) + \text{fib}(3)$$

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

Expectation: calculate & return fibunaci of n

~~$n=0 \quad \text{fib}(0) + \text{fib}(0)$~~

~~$n=1 \quad \text{fib}(1-1) + \text{fib}(1-2)$~~

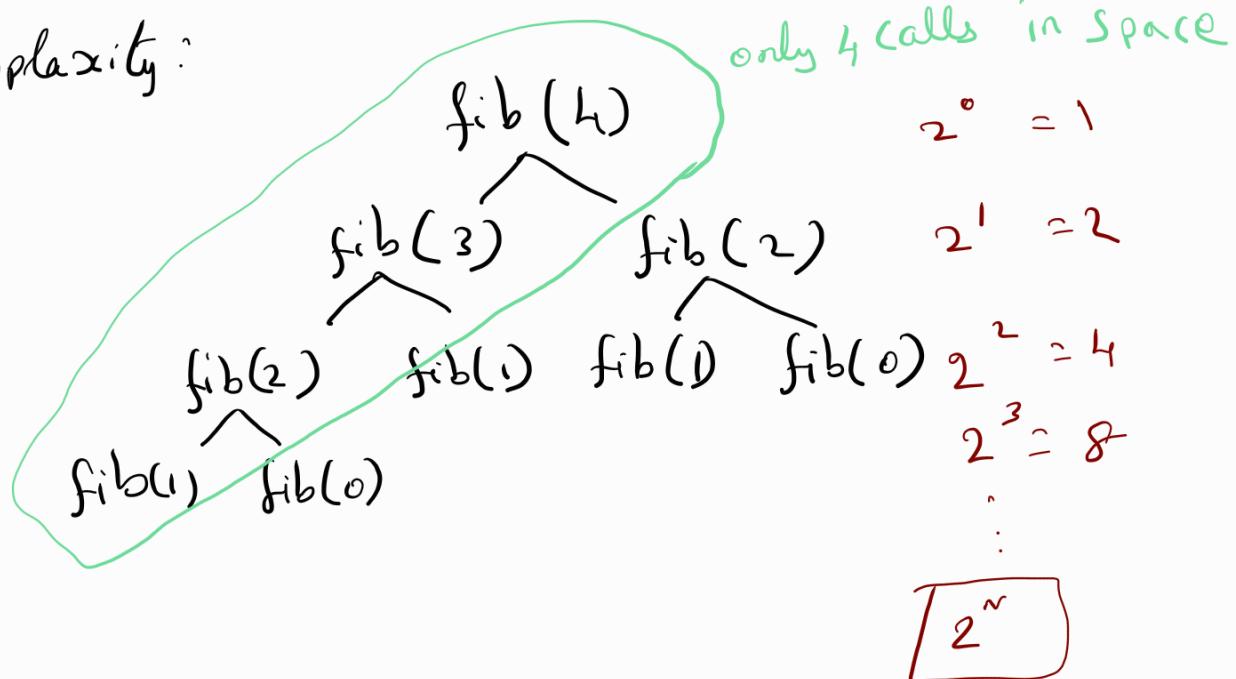
~~$n=2 \quad \text{fib}(2-1) + \text{fib}(2-2)$~~

```

fib(n):
    if n == 1: return 1
    if n == 2: return 1
    if n == 0: return 0
    ↓
    return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)

```

Time Complexity:



$$\text{Total number of calls} = 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^n = 1 + N$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{what is the sum of } \\ \text{this series} \end{array} \right\} = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

(G.P)

$$\text{ratio} = 2$$

$$n = (1 + N)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a(2^{(1+N)} - 1)}{2 - 1} \Rightarrow a(2^{(1+N)} - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 * (2^{(N+1)} - 1)$$

$$= (2^{N+1} - 1)$$

$$\boxed{\text{TC} \approx 2^n}$$

Space Complexity

Number of function calls = 4

SC: $O(n)$

