

COSC2006 Lab 3 – Recursion, Part 2

Coding – Upload all java files to the LMS.

The Fibonacci Sequence, Part 1. One of the most famous number sequences in mathematics, the Fibonacci sequence, has a recursive definition. Write a recursive method to calculate the nth Fibonacci number. In your main method, ask for n, and call your method to calculate it. Your method signature must be **public static int fib(int n)**.

The formula for the Fibonacci sequence is: $\text{fib}(n) = \text{fib}(n - 1) + \text{fib}(n - 2)$, $\text{fib}(1) = 1$ and $\text{fib}(2) = 1$.

The Fibonacci Sequence, Part 2. In a new class, modify your main method code from part 1 to create an array of the first n Fibonacci numbers. You will need a loop for this, but do not change the recursive method! Your main method should ask for the value of n, and calculate all values from $\text{fib}(1)$ to $\text{fib}(n)$. Note: $\text{fib}(1) = 1$ and $\text{fib}(2) = 1$, but you're using array indexes!

Recursive Printing. Create a recursive method, `printUp(int n)` to print the following pattern for any $n > 0$ rows: (this shows $n=5$).

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*
* *
* * *
* * * *
* * * * *
```

Also create a recursive method, `printDown(int n)` to print the following pattern for any $n > 0$ rows: (this shows $n=5$)

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```

You will need loops in your recursive methods for this question, but only to print the number of asterisks. Your main method should ask for the value of n and call each method in order.

Discussion: is it possible to write a third recursive method, if possible, called `printBoth(int n)` to print both patterns at the same time, **without calling printUp or printDown, or any other method**? The output should look like this for $n=5$:

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* *
* * *
* * * *
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* * * *
* * *
* *
*
```

Your methods in this lab must be recursive. If they are not, you will receive a zero.

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