

Recursion → Function calling itself.

What is recursion? ✓

TC & SC → next class

How to write recursive code. ✓

How to design easy recursive codes. ✓

Used → 1) Merge Sort / Quick Sort

2) Binary Tree / BST

3) Backtracking

4) Dynamic Programming

5) Graphs

Use → Solving answer for current problem using subproblems.

smaller instance of same problem.

Q → Given a positive integer N ,
find sum of first N natural numbers. $N > 0$

$$N=4 \rightarrow 1+2+3+4=10$$

$$S_N = \frac{N * (N+1)}{2}$$

$$N=5 \rightarrow \underline{1+2+3+4} + 5$$

$$\boxed{\text{sum}(5) = \text{sum}(4) + 5}$$

→

$$\boxed{\text{sum}(N) = \text{sum}(N-1) + N}$$

↓
current
problem

↓
subproblem

Steps to write recursive code →

1) Define what the function do. → int sum(N) { ... }

sum of first N natural numbers

2) Build logic on how to use subproblems

to solve the current problem. → $\text{sum}(N) = \text{sum}(N-1) + N$

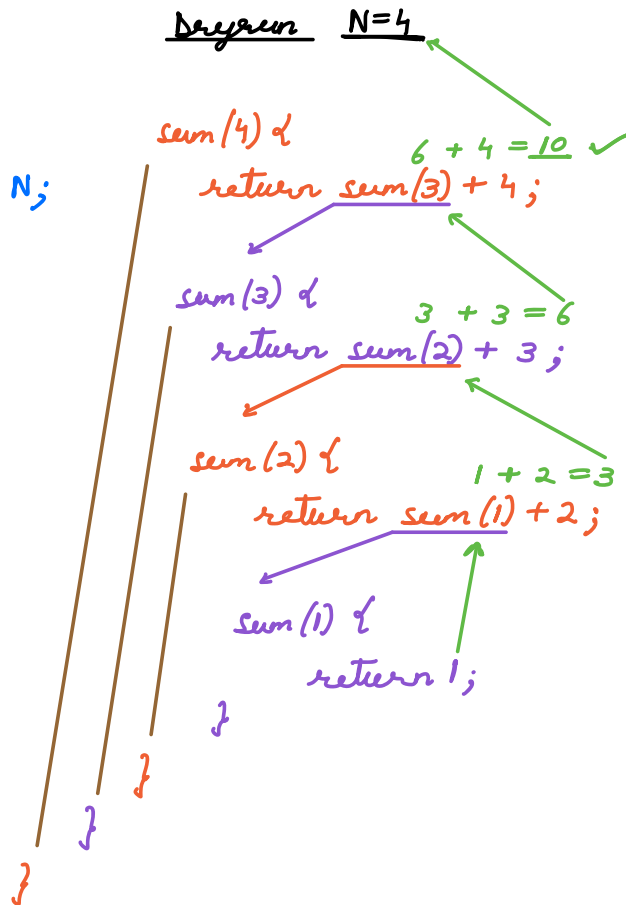
3) Define base case.

smallest subproblem for which we already know the answer.

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

$$\begin{aligned} &\downarrow \\ &\text{sum}(N-2) + (N-1) \\ &\downarrow \\ &\text{sum}(N-3) + (N-2) \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

```
int sum(N) {
    if (N==1)
        return 1;
    return sum(N-1) + N;
}
```



8 → Write recursive code to find factorial of N.

$$N > 0$$

$$1 * 2 * 3 * \dots * (N-1) * N$$

$$N=5 \rightarrow 1 * 2 * 3 * 4 * 5$$

$$\text{fact}(N) = \text{fact}(N-1) * N$$

$$\text{fact}(1) = 1$$

```
long fact(N) {
    if (N==1)
        return 1;
}
```

```

    }
    return fact(N-1) * N;
}

```

Function call using recursion stack

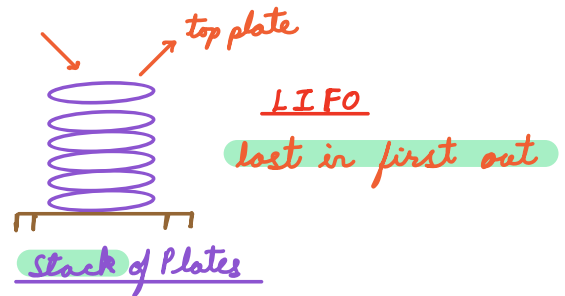
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int add(x, y) {
    return x + y;
}

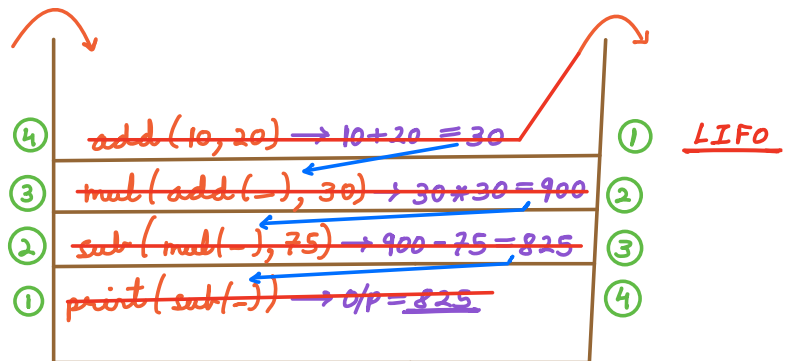
int mul(x, y) {
    return x * y;
}

int sub(x, y) {
    return x - y;
}

```



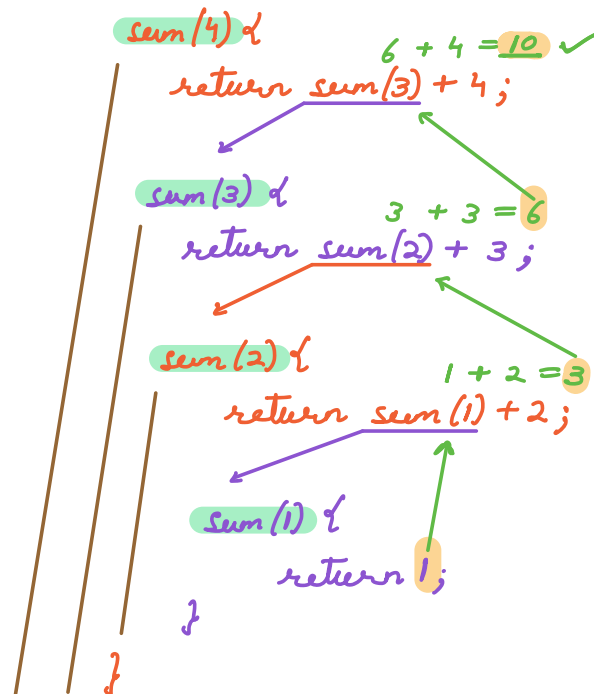
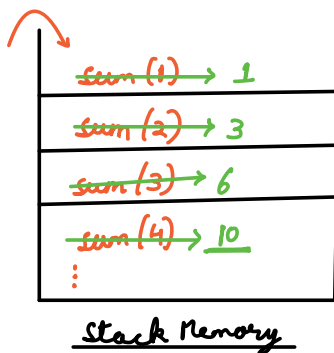
① ② ③ ④
print(sub(mul(add(10, 20), 30), 75))



```

int sum(N) {
    if (N == 1)
        return 1;
    return sum(N-1) + N;
}

```

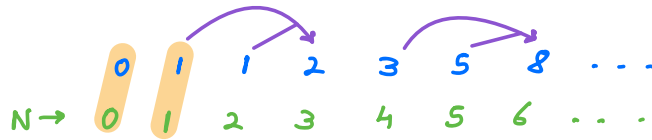


}
| }
}

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Q → Fibonacci Numbers

(sum of previous two numbers is the current number)



Find N^{th} fibonacci number using recursion.

```
int fib(N) {
    if (N==0 || N==1)
        return N;
    return fib(N-1) + fib(N-2);
}
```

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

$$fib(0) = 0 \quad fib(1) = 1$$

$fib(3)$ {

return $fib(2) + fib(1)$;

$fib(2)$ {

① return $fib(1) + fib(0)$;

$fib(1)$ {

① return 1;

$fib(0)$ {

② return 0;

③ return 1+0;

}

$fib(1)$ {

② return 1;

}

$fib(1) \rightarrow 1$ $fib(0) \rightarrow 0$
 $fib(2) \rightarrow 1$ $fib(1) \rightarrow 1$
 $fib(3) \rightarrow 2$

Stack Memory

```
int fib(N) {
    if (N==0 || N==1)
        return N;
    return fib(N-1) + fib(N-2);
}
```

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$fib(-8) \rightarrow$ invalid input

$fib(-8) \rightarrow fib(-9) + fib(-10) \dots$

$fib(-10) + fib(-11) \dots$

```
return 1 + 1;
```

Stack Overflow Error (MLE)

$\text{fib}(10^{18}) \rightarrow$ valid large input

If we have inf. memory \rightarrow TLE

usually \rightarrow 10^5 for memory in recursion calls.

Q → Given a positive integer N ,
print first N natural numbers from 1 to N . (using recursion)

$N=5 \rightarrow o/p = \underline{1\ 2\ 3\ 4}\ 5$
 $N=4$

$N=4 \rightarrow o/p = 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4$

- 1) `void pet(N) { ... }`
- 2) `pet(N) → pet(N-1)`
`print(N)`
- 3) `N == 1 → print(1)`

```
void part(N) {
    if (N == 1) {
        print(1);
        return;
    }
}
```

- ① `part(N-1);` \rightarrow recursion call
- ② `print(N);` \rightarrow o/p \rightarrow N

O/P \rightarrow 1 2 3 4

H.W \rightarrow What is o/p of \rightarrow $N=4$
(Easy)

```
void per(N) {
    if (N == 1) {
        print(1);
        return;
    }
}
```

```
① print(N);
```

```

N = 4
    part(4) {
        part(3) {
            part(2) {
                part(1) {
                    print(1); → 1
                }
            }
            print(2); → 2
        }
        print(3); → 3
    }
    print(4); → 4
}

```

```

    } ② ret(N-1);

```

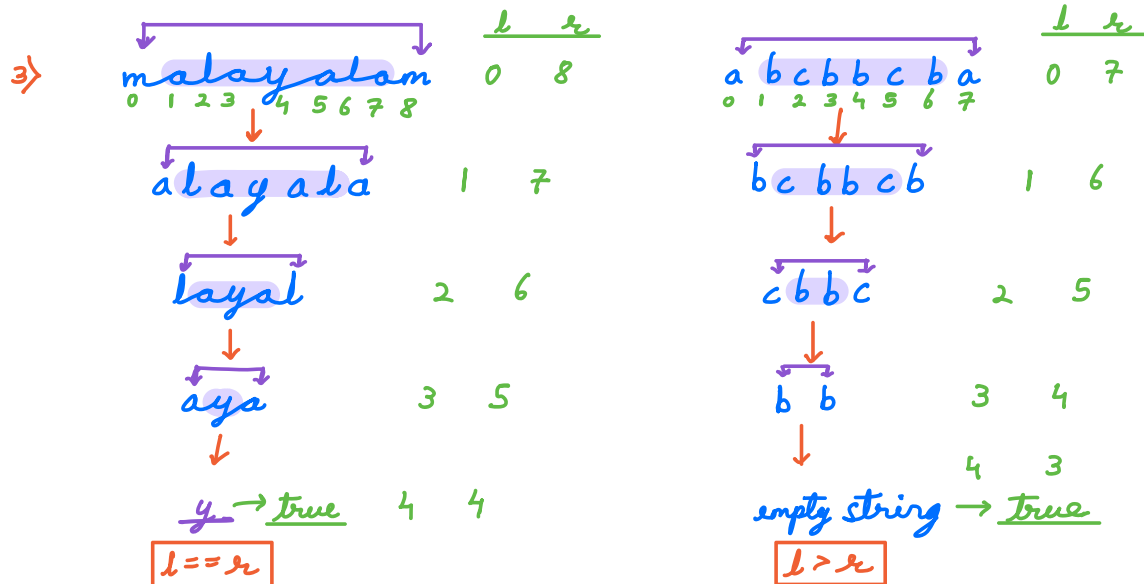
Q → Give a string, check if it is a palindrome using recursion.

1) boolean $\text{isPalindrome}(s, l, r)$ { ... } $\text{eg} \rightarrow \text{madam},$
 $\text{naman},$
 $\text{abccba},$
 $\text{malayalam}, \text{etc}$

2) malayalam
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

$\text{isPalindrome}(s, 0, N-1) = (s[0] == s[N-1]) \ \&\&$
 $\text{isPalindrome}(s, 0+1, (N-1)-1)$

$\text{isPalindrome}(s, l, r) = (s[l] == s[r]) \ \&\&$
 $\text{isPalindrome}(s, l+1, r-1)$



$\text{if } (l \geq r) \rightarrow \text{return true};$

H.W → code + Dryrun