

Week 6: Recursive Algorithms

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Announcement

- Tutorial BA 1130 *only*
 - Tutorials now focus on more examples
- Midterm details
 - Multiple Choice and True/False: +1 if answer completely correctly, -1 if answer incorrectly. Can be left blank. *Don't guess.*
 - Short answer: no justification required.
 - Other types: 20% IDK for entire question or part of a question.

Recursion

Iterative algorithms:

Fibonacci sequence 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5,

$$f_{n+2} = f_{n+1} + f_n$$

```
def fib(n):  
    # Pre: natural number n  
    # Post: returns f_n  
1. if n == 0:  
2.     return 0  
3. if n == 1:  
4.     return 1  
5. return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)
```

From last lecture

```
def mult(a, b):  
    # Pre: a and b are natural  
    #       number with at most n bits  
    # Post: returns a*b  
1   m = 0  
2   count = 0  
3   while count < b:  
4       m += a  
5       count += 1  
6   return m
```

Elementary Multiplication

```
def mult_elementary(a, b):  
    # Pre: a and b are natural  
    number with at most n bits  
    # Post: returns a*b  
1   m = 0  
3   while b > 0:  
4       m += a * (b % 10)  
5       b //= 10 # int division  
6   return m
```

Fast Multiplication (Karatsuba's Algorithm)

```
def karatsuba(a, b):  
    # Pre: a and b are natural  
    #       number with at most n digits  
    # Post: returns a*b  
    if |a| == 1 and |b| == 1:  
        return a*b  
    a1, a2 = a[0..n/2], a[n/2..n]  
    b1, b2 = b[0..n/2], b[n/2..n]  
    p1 = karatsuba(a1, b1)  
    p2 = karatsuba(a1+a2, b1+b2)  
    p3 = karatsuba(a2, b2)  
    return p1*10^{n} + (p2-p1-  
    p3)*10^{n/2} + p3
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Now your turn!

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2. Use Karatsuba's algorithm to multiply together the number 1024 and 1729.

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Q2. Use Karatsuba's algorithm to multiply together the number 1024 and 1729.

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Quick Sort

```
def partition(A, i, j):  
    # Pre: i, j indices of A (i <= j)  
    # Post: index p so that A[k] < A[p] for  
    # k = i, ..., p-1 and A[l] > A[p] for  
    # l = p+1, ..., j  
    p = i  
    pivot = A[j-1]  
    for k in range(i, j-1):  
        if pivot > A[k]:  
            swap(A, p, k)  
            p += 1  
    swap(A, p, j-1)  
    return p
```

```
def quicksort(A, i, j):  
    # Pre: list A. i, j indices  
    # Post: A is sorted  
    if j-i <= 1:  
        return  
    p = partition(A, i, j)  
    quicksort(A, i, p)  
    quicksort(A, p+1, j)
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Quick Sort (Worst Case)

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        if pivot > A[k]:  
            swap(A, p, k)  
            p += 1  
    swap(A, p, j-1)  
    return p
```

Recap

- Recursive vs iterative algorithms
- Classic Multiplication
- Karatsuba Multiplication
- Quick Sort

Next time... running time of recursive algorithms via the Master Method