

1 Adder

Leo, a diligent CS61B student, was trying to submit HW1 when his computer crashed. Upon re-booting, he discovered that some portions of his code had disappeared! Help Leo fix his homework so that he can turn it in on time.

```
public class Adder {  
  
    /** Adds the range of numbers from 1 to N recursively.  
     * @param N range of numbers being added  
     * @return sum of numbers in range  
     */  
    public static int addRange(int n) {  
        /* Base case */  
        if (n == 1) {  
            return 1;  
        }  
  
        /* Recurse! */  
        return n + addRange(n - 1);  
    }  
}
```

Let's first look at `public static int addRange(int n)`. This is called the *method header*.

- The `int` in the method header refers to the return type of this function. This lets the compiler as well as other developers know that the `addRange` function returns an integer.
- The `(int n)` after the method name refers to the parameters that the method accepts. The `addRange` method takes in one integer `n`.
- You will learn what `public` and `static` mean later in this course.

The *method signature* is `addRange(int n)`. No two methods in the same class can have the same method signature.

The solution to this problem relies on *recursion*. Recall from CS 61A that a function is called *recursive* if the body of that function calls itself, either directly or indirectly.

In this case, we decrement the argument to each recursive call to `addRange` each time till we reach the base case of `n == 1`.

2 Fibonacci Numbers

The next problem took Leo several days, but he only has an hour until his homework is due. Help him out!

```
/** The Fibonacci sequence is 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ... */
public class Fibonacci {

    /** fib1(N) is the Nth Fibonacci number, for N ≥ 0. fib1(N)
     * is tree recursive. */
    public static int fib1(int n) {
        if (n <= 1) {
            return n;
        }
        return fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2);
    }
}
```

This method is *tree recursive* because it calls itself more than once within its body. This solution turns out to be quite inefficient because its branching factor leads to exponential growth.

For example, `fib(n-1)` will call `fib(n-2)` and `fib(n-3)`. Thus, we will be calling `fib(n-2)` twice, and `fib(n-3)` three times, and so on. How many times is `fib(n-4)` called? Hint, it's not four.

```
/** fib2(N, K, F0, F1) is the Nth Fibonacci number, assuming
 * that F0 and F1 are the K-1th and Kth Fibonacci numbers,
 * 1 ≤ K ≤ N. Thus, fib2(N, 1, 0, 1) is simply the Nth
 * Fibonacci number. */
public static int fib2(int n, int k, int f0, int f1) {
    if (k == n) {
        return f1;
    } else {
        return fib2(n, k + 1, f1, f1 + f0);
    }
}
```

As opposed to `fib1`, `fib2` is *tail-recursive*. This means that we don't have to recompute already known values.

```
/** fib3(N) is the  $N^{\text{th}}$  Fibonacci number, for  $N \geq 0$ . fib3(N)
 * is iterative. */
public static int fib3(int n) {
    if (n == 0) {
        return 0;
    }
    int prev = 0;
    int curr = 1;
    for (int i = 1; i < n; i += 1) {
        int tmp = curr;
        curr = prev + curr;
        prev = tmp;
    }
    return curr;
}
```

Nothing special here. This is just an iterative version of fib.

```
}
```