

Lecture 3 - January 14

Recursion: Part 1

Asymptotic Analysis of Algorithms

splitArray: Implementation and Tracing

Announcements/Reminders

- **Assignment 1** released
- Office Hours: 3pm to 4pm, Mon/Tue/Wed/Thu
- Contact Information of TAs on common eClass site

Problem on Recursion

<https://codingbat.com/prob/p185204>

Given an array of ints, is it possible to divide the ints into two groups, so that the sums of the two groups are the same. Every int must be in one group or the other. Write a recursive helper method that takes whatever arguments you like, and make the initial call to your recursive helper from `splitArray()`. (No loops needed.)

`splitArray([2, 5, 3])` → true

`splitArray([2, 2])` → true

`splitArray([2, 3])` → false

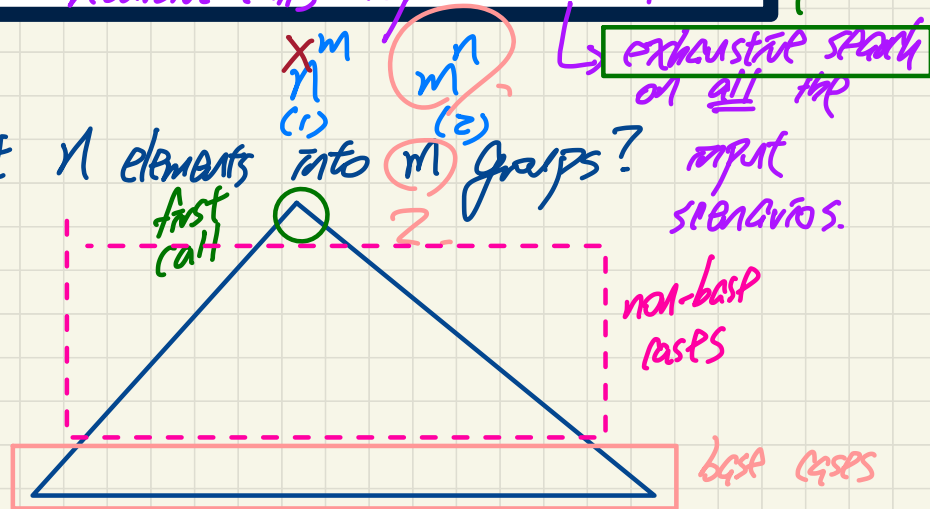
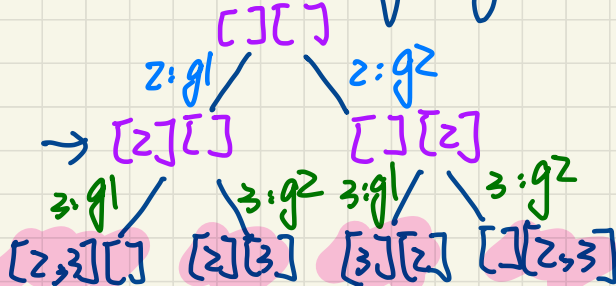
`splitArray([5, 2, 3])` → true

Insight: The recursive and base cases are defined s.t. the tree of recursive calls represents an

worst case

Intuition

NRTH 2030: How many ways to put n elements into m groups?



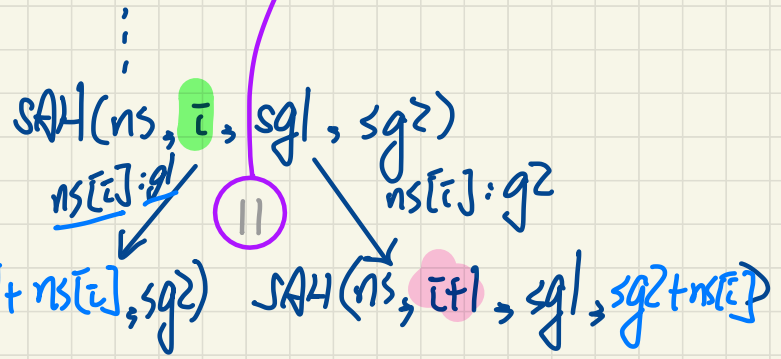
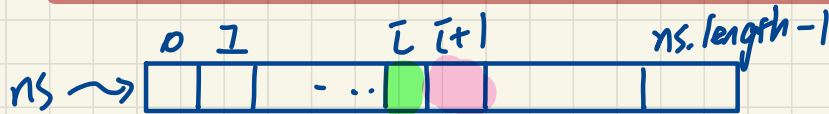
splitArray: Java Implementation → empty groups.

```
public boolean splitArray(int[] ns) {  
    return splitArrayHelper(ns, 0, 0, 0);  
}
```

starting to group elements from index 0

```
private boolean splitArrayHelper(int[] ns, int i, int sumOfGroup1, int sumOfGroup2) {  
    if(i == ns.length) {  
        return sumOfGroup1 == sumOfGroup2;  
    }  
    else {  
        return  
            splitArrayHelper(ns, i + 1, sumOfGroup1 + ns[i], sumOfGroup2)  
            ||  
            splitArrayHelper(ns, i + 1, sumOfGroup1, sumOfGroup2 + ns[i]);  
    }  
}
```

short-circuit eval.



Math

Commutativity:

$$\begin{aligned} P \wedge Q &\equiv Q \wedge P \\ P \vee Q &\equiv Q \vee P \end{aligned}$$

Java

Evaluation orders matter

$\&\&$ $\parallel$ do not commute

(2.1) $P \&\& Q \neq Q \&\& P$

(2.2) $P \parallel Q \neq Q \parallel P$

① Evaluation: left to right

(2.1) P eval. to $T \rightarrow$ still eval Q

P eval. to $F \rightarrow$ skip eval of $Q \rightarrow$ overall (F)

(2.2) P eval. to $F \rightarrow$ still eval Q
 P eval. to $T \rightarrow$ skip eval. of Q
 $\rightarrow$ overall (T)

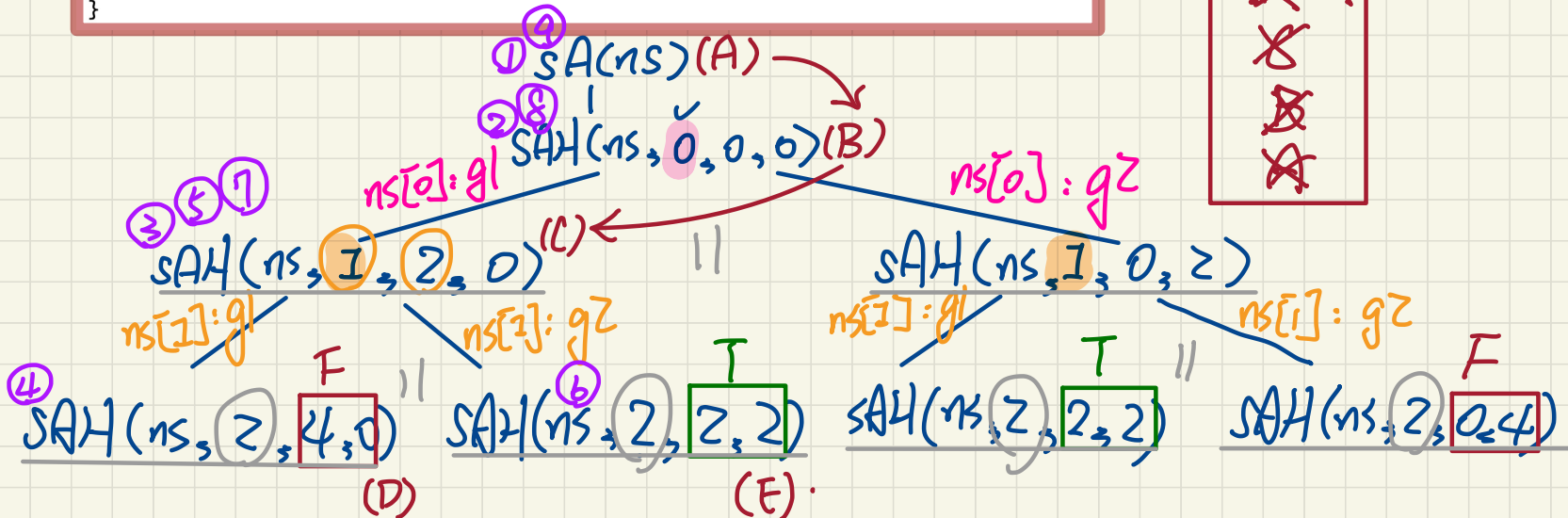
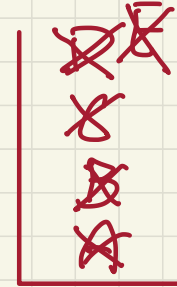
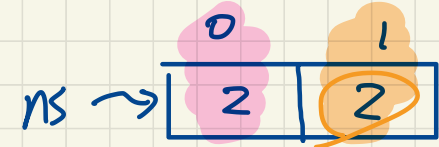
splitArray: Tracing (1)

```
public boolean splitArray(int[] ns) {  
    return splitArrayHelper(ns, 0, 0, 0);  
}
```

@Test

```
public void testSplitArray_01() {  
    RecursiveMethods rm = new RecursiveMethods();  
    int[] input = {2, 2};  
    assertEquals(true, rm.splitArray(input));  
}
```

```
private boolean splitArrayHelper(int[] ns, int i, int sumOfGroup1, int sumOfGroup2) {  
    if (i == ns.length) {  
        return sumOfGroup1 == sumOfGroup2;  
    }  
    else {  
        return  
            splitArrayHelper(ns, i + 1, sumOfGroup1 + ns[i], sumOfGroup2)  
            ||  
            splitArrayHelper(ns, i + 1, sumOfGroup1, sumOfGroup2 + ns[i]);  
    }  
}
```



splitArray: Tracing (2)

```
public boolean splitArray(int[] ns) {  
    return splitArrayHelper(ns, 0, 0, 0);  
}
```

```
private boolean splitArrayHelper(int[] ns, int i, int sumOfGroup1, int sumOfGroup2) {  
    if(i == ns.length) {  
        return sumOfGroup1 == sumOfGroup2;  
    }  
    else {  
        return  
            splitArrayHelper(ns, i + 1, sumOfGroup1 + ns[i], sumOfGroup2)  
            ||  
            splitArrayHelper(ns, i + 1, sumOfGroup1, sumOfGroup2 + ns[i]);  
    }  
}
```

@Test

```
public void testSplitArray_04() {  
    RecursiveMethods rm = new RecursiveMethods();  
    int[] input = {5, 2, 2};  
    assertEquals(false, rm.splitArray(input));  
}
```

Exercises

(1) Trace (recursion tree)

(2) Trace (debugger)

splitArray: Tracing (3)

```
public boolean splitArray(int[] ns) {  
    return splitArrayHelper(ns, 0, 0, 0);  
}
```

```
private boolean splitArrayHelper(int[] ns, int i, int sumOfGroup1, int sumOfGroup2) {  
    if(i == ns.length) {  
        return sumOfGroup1 == sumOfGroup2;  
    }  
    else {  
        boolean possibility1 = splitArrayHelper(ns, i + 1, sumOfGroup1 + ns[i], sumOfGroup2);  
        boolean possibility2 = splitArrayHelper(ns, i + 1, sumOfGroup1, sumOfGroup2 + ns[i]);  
        return possibility1 || possibility2;  
    }  
}
```

```
@Test  
public void testSplitArray_13() {  
    RecursiveMethods rm = new RecursiveMethods();  
    int[] input = {1, 2, 3, 10, 10, 1, 1};  
    assertEquals(true, rm.splitArray(input));  
}
```


splitArray: Tracing (3)

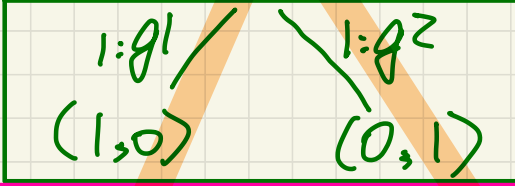
input

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	3	10	10	1	1

Level 0 $(0, 0)$

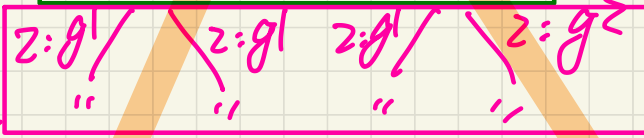
$$1 = 2^0$$

Level 1
after insp.
1st elem.
at index 0



$$2 = 2^1$$

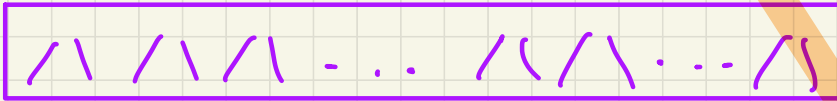
Level 2
after insp.
2nd elem.
at index 1



$$4 = 2^2$$

geometric seq.
sum.

Level 7
after insp.
7th elem.
at index 6



$$= 2^7 = 128$$