



## DNHI Homework 2 Recursion

### Problem 1

**Part A** Write an iterative method that computes a value of  $x^n$  for a positive integer  $n$  and a real number  $x$ .

**Part B** Write a recursive method that computes a value of  $x^n$  for a positive integer  $n$  and a real number  $x$ .

### Problem 2

Consider the following recursive method

```
1 public int recMethod ( int number ) {  
2     if ( number <= 0 )  
3         return 0;  
4     if ( number % 2 == 0 )  
5         return recMethod ( number - 1 );  
6     else  
7         return number + recMethod ( number - 1 );  
8 }  
9
```

#### Part A

How many times is this method called (including the initial call) when we run `recMethod(10)` ?

How many times is this method called (including the initial call) when we run `recMethod(-10)` ?

#### Part B

What does `recMethod` do (i.e. what does it compute)?

### Problem 3

Write a recursive method to compute the following series:

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{7} + \frac{4}{9} + \dots + \frac{i}{2i+1}.$$

### Problem 4

Write a **recursive** method that computes the sum of the digits in an integer. Use the following method header:

```
public static int sumOfDigits ( long n )
```

For example, `sumOfDigits( 234 )` should return 9 (since  $2 + 3 + 4 = 9$ ) and `sumOfDigits( 390 )` should return 12 (since  $3 + 9 + 0 = 12$ ).

### Problem 5

For each of the following recursive methods, rewrite it using iterations instead of recursion. HINT: in order to do so you should first figure out what these methods do.



## Part A

```
public int recur ( int n ) {
    if ( n < 0 )
        return -1;
    else if ( n < 10 )
        return 1;
    else
        return ( 1 + recur ( n / 10 ) );
}
```

## Part B

```
public int recur2 ( int n ){
    if ( n < 0 )
        return -1;
    else if ( n < 10 )
        return n;
    else
        return ( n % 10 + recur2 ( n / 10 ) );
}
```

## Problem 6

What would be printed by the following programs

### Part A)

```
1 public class CatsAndDogs {
2
3     public static void main(String[] args) {
4         foo("Cats and Dogs", 4);
5     }
6
7     public static void foo ( String s, int n ) {
8         if ( n <= 1)
9             System.out.println("Cats");
10        else {
11            System.out.println( s ) ;
12            foo ( s, n-1 );
13        }
14    }
15 }
```

### Part B)

```
1 public class Numbers {
2
3     public static void main(String[] args) {
4         int [] list = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5};
5         System.out.println( foo (list, 0, list.length-1) );
6     }
7
8     public static int foo ( int [] nums, int begin, int end ) {
9         if ( begin == end )
```



```
10     return nums[begin];  
11     else  
12         return nums[begin] + foo(nums, begin+1, end);  
13     }  
14 }
```

## Problem 7

**Part A** Write a method that generates all sequences of a given length that contain digits 0 through 9 (all ten digits are allowed, repetitions are allowed)? Given length of the sequence equal to  $n$ , how many possible sequences are there?

**Part B** Modify the above method so that none of the generated sequences start with zero. How many of those sequences exist, given the length of  $n$  digits?