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Hog Contest Winners

Spring 2015 Winners

Sinho Chewi & Alexander Nguyen Tran Zhaoxi Li Stella Tao and Yao Ge

Your

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Fall 2015 Winners

Micah Carroll & Vasilis Oikonomou Matthew Wu Anthony Yeung and Alexander Dai

Spring 2016 Winners

Michael McDonald and Tianrui Chen Andrei Kassiantchouk Benjamin Krieges



Cindy Jin and Sunjoon Lee Anny Patino and Christian Vasquez Asana Choudhury and Jenna Wen Michelle Lee and Nicholas Chew

Fall 2017 Winners

Order of Recursive Calls

(Demo)



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Interactive Diagram

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def fib(n):
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        return 0
    elif n == 1:
        return 1
    else:
        return fib(n-2) + fib(n-1)
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fib(5)
































































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(We will speed up this computation dramatically in a few weeks by remembering results)

Example: Counting Partitions

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