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Week 7, Module 2

DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF ALGORITHMS

Memoization

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Inductive definitions

- * Factorial

- * $f(0) = 1$
- * $f(n) = n \times f(n-1)$

- * Insertion sort

- * $\text{isort}(\text{[]}) = \text{[]}$
- * $\text{isort}(\text{[}x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\text{]}) = \text{insert}(x_1, \text{isort}(\text{[}x_2, \dots, x_n\text{]}))$

... Recursive programs

```
int factorial(n):  
    if (n <= 0)  
        return(1)  
  
    else  
        return(n*factorial(n-1))
```

Sub problems

- * $\text{factorial}(n-1)$ is a **subproblem** of $\text{factorial}(n)$
 - * So are $\text{factorial}(n-2)$, $\text{factorial}(n-3)$, ..., $\text{factorial}(0)$
- * $\text{isort}([x_2, \dots, x_n])$ is a subproblem of $\text{isort}([x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n])$
 - * So is $\text{isort}([x_i, \dots, x_j])$ for any $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$
- * Solution of $f(y)$ can be derived by combining solutions to subproblems

Evaluating subproblems

Fibonacci numbers

- * $\text{fib}(0) = 0$
- * $\text{fib}(1) = 1$
- * $\text{fib}(n) = \text{fib}(n-1) + \text{fib}(n-2)$

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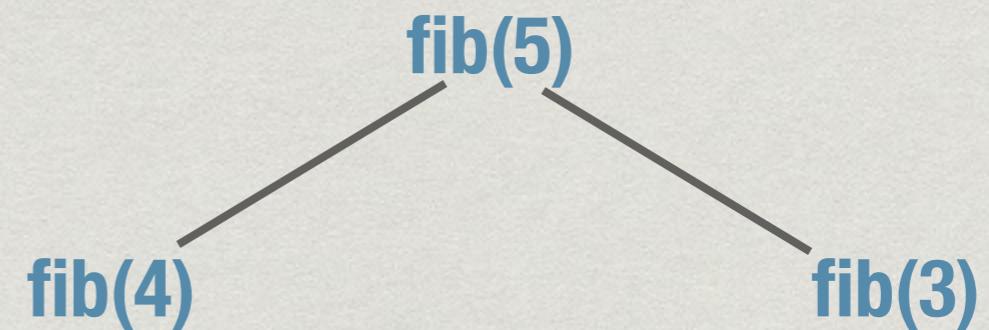
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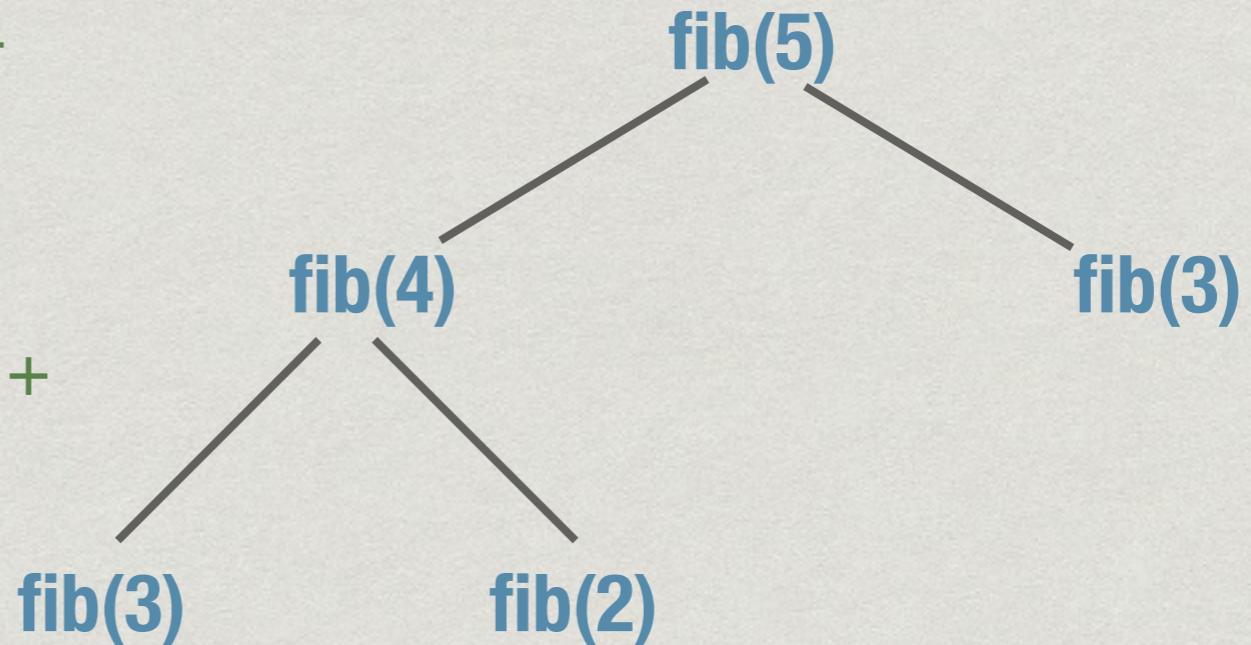
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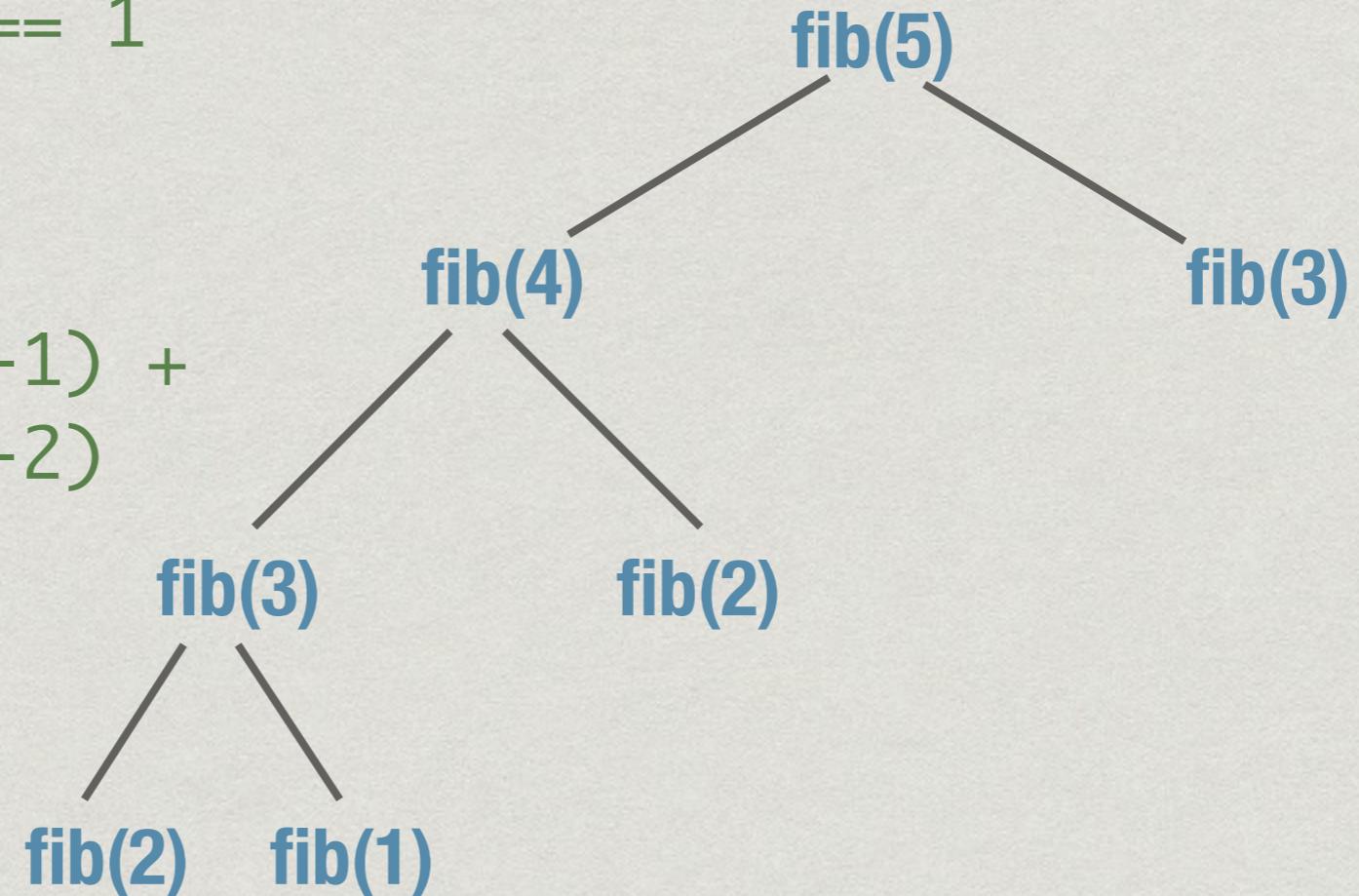
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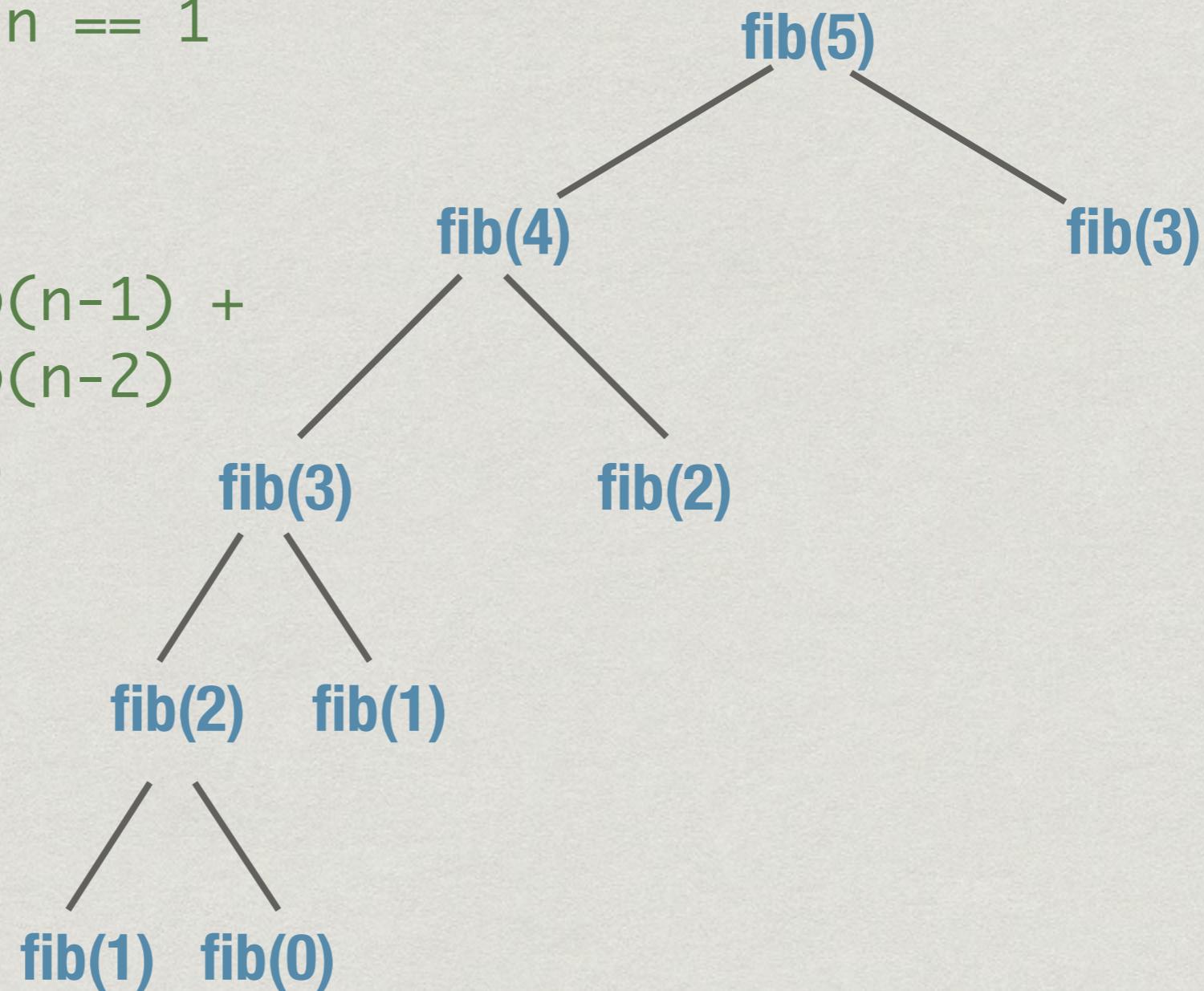
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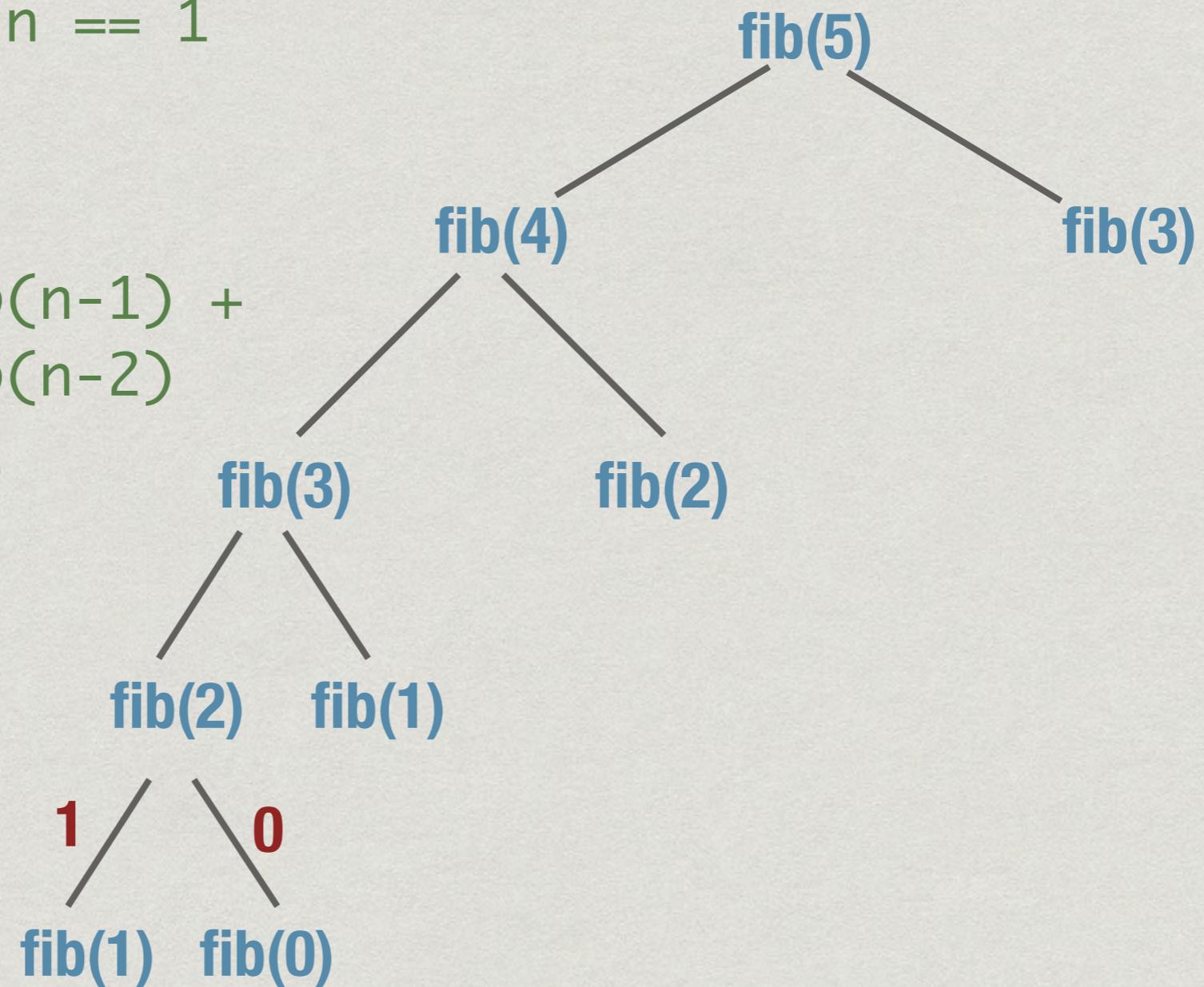
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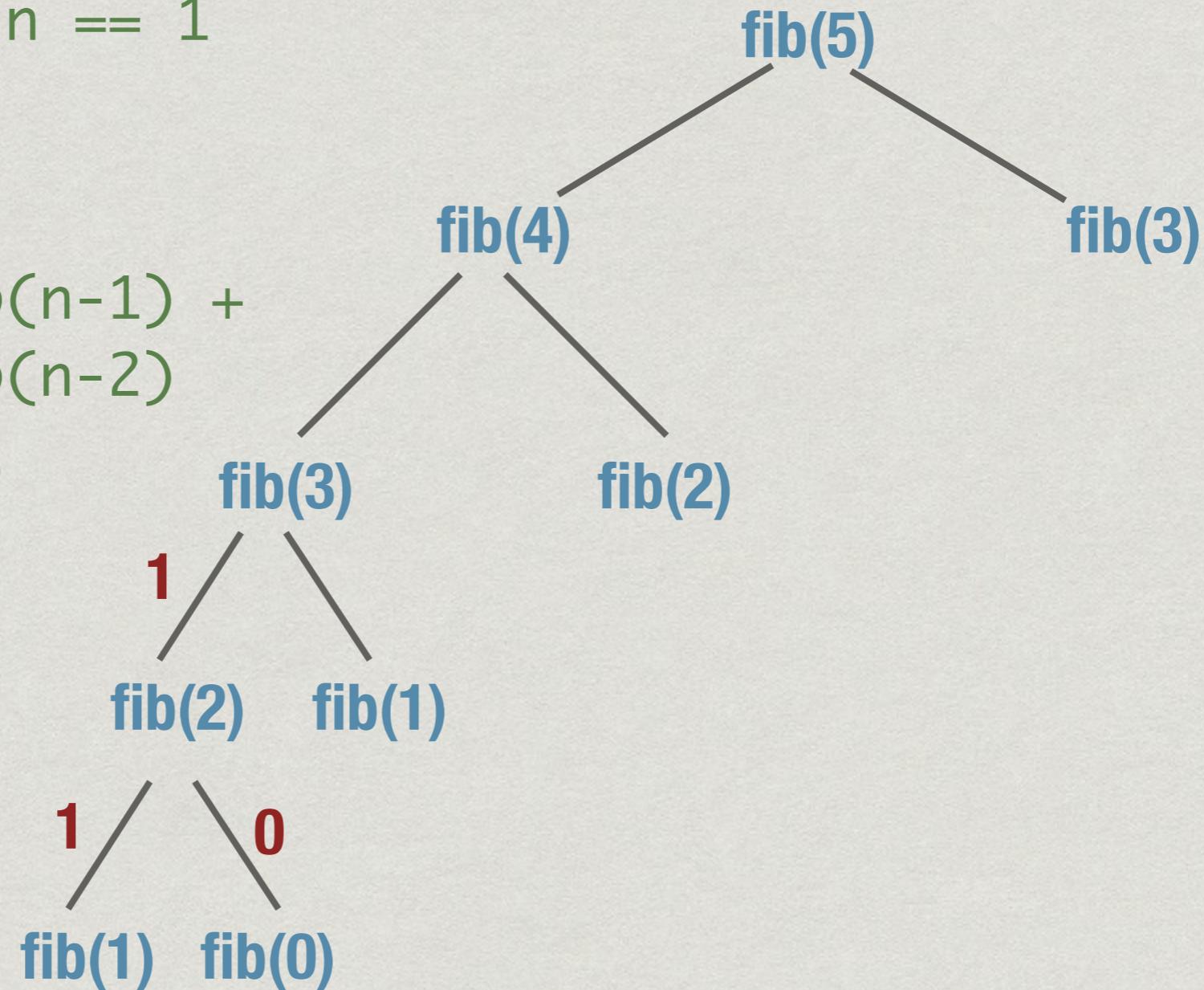
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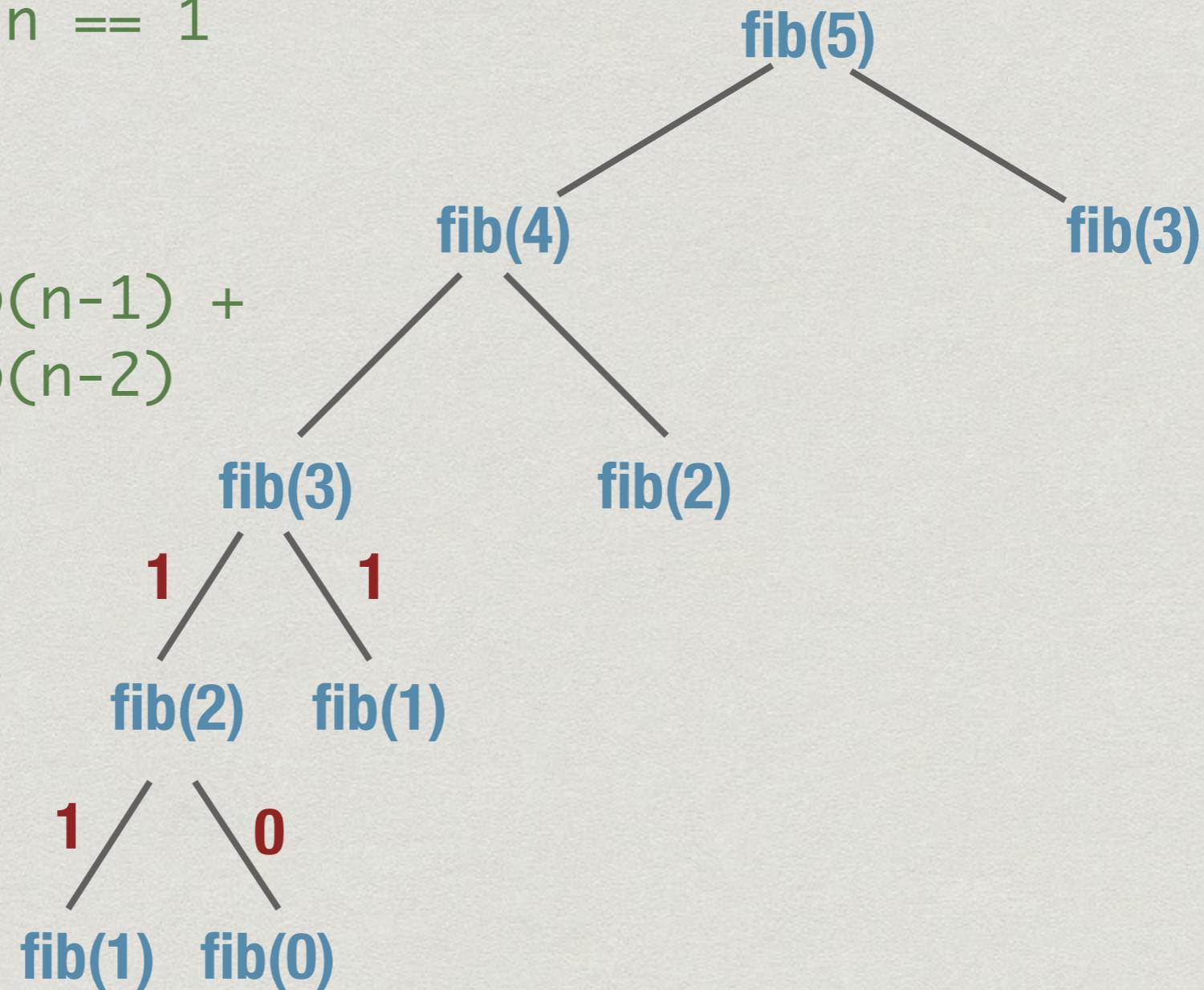
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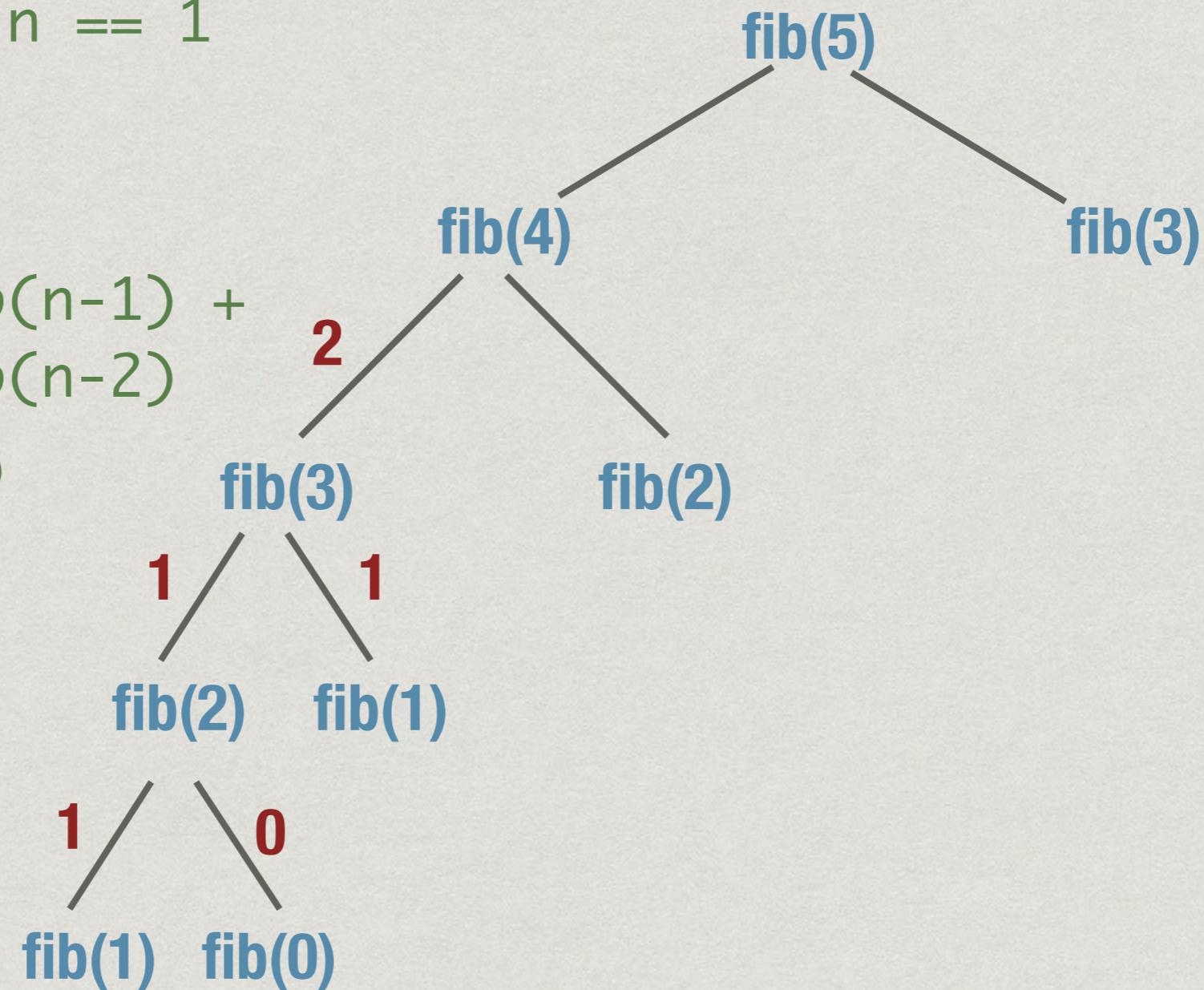
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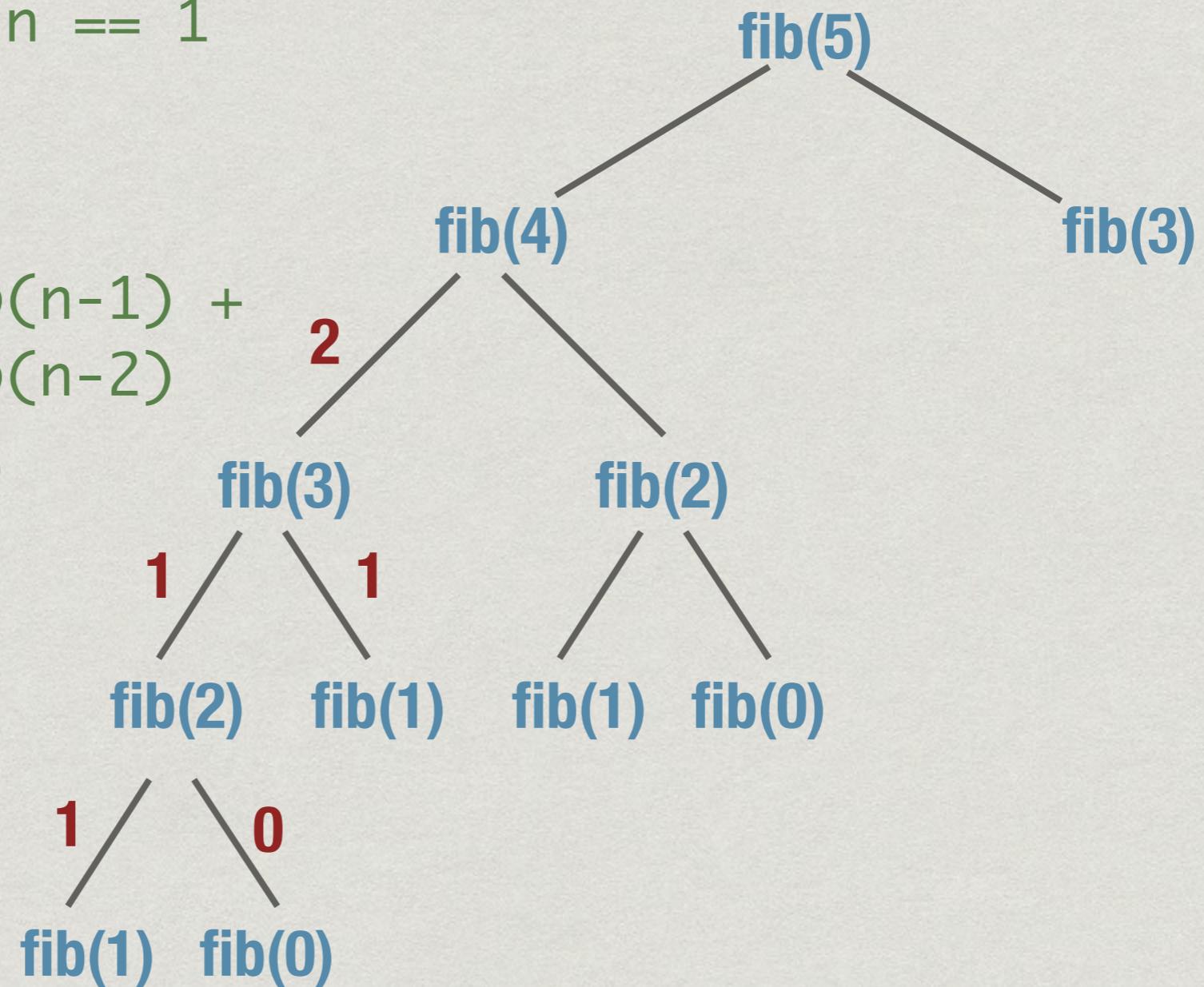
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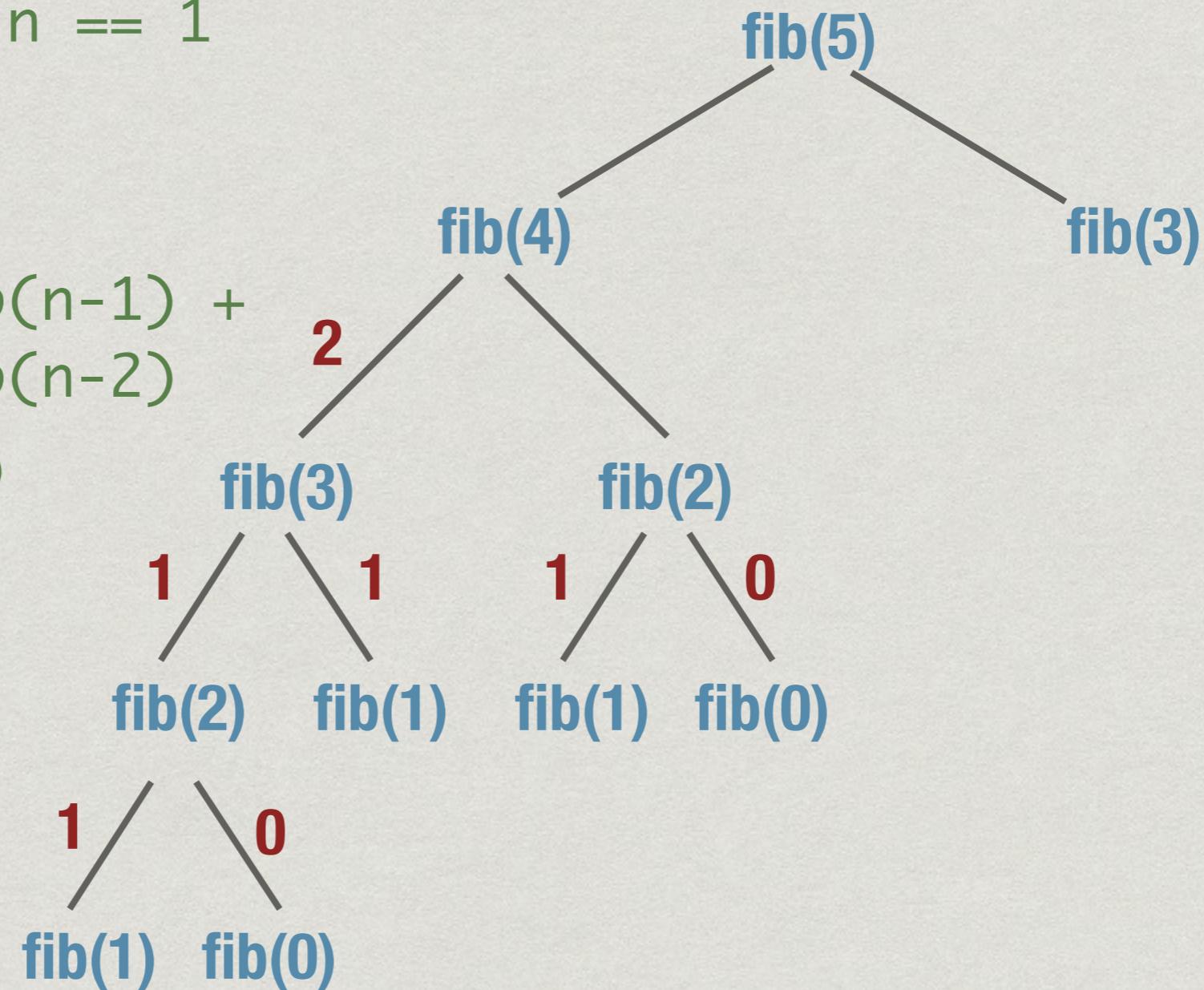
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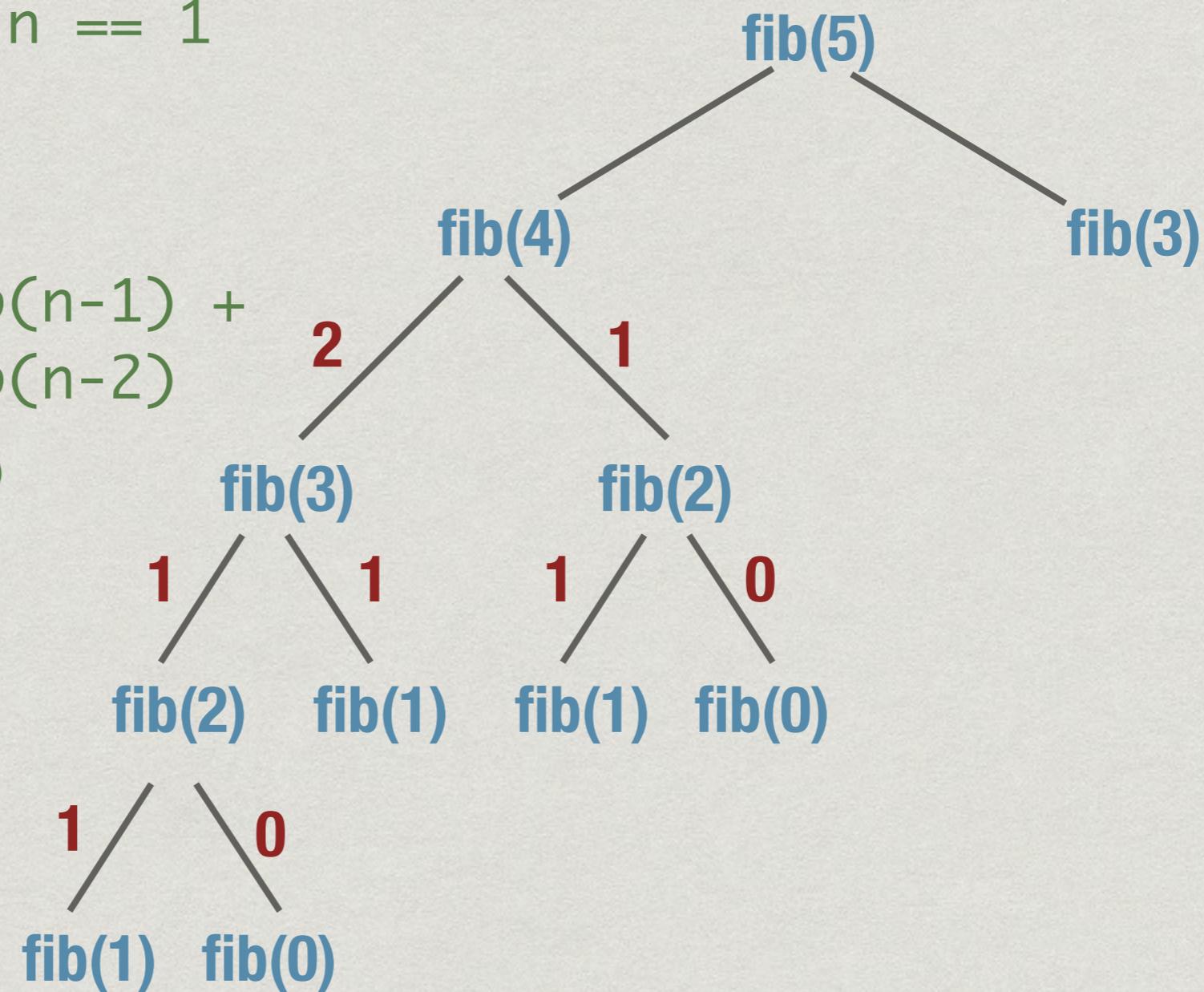
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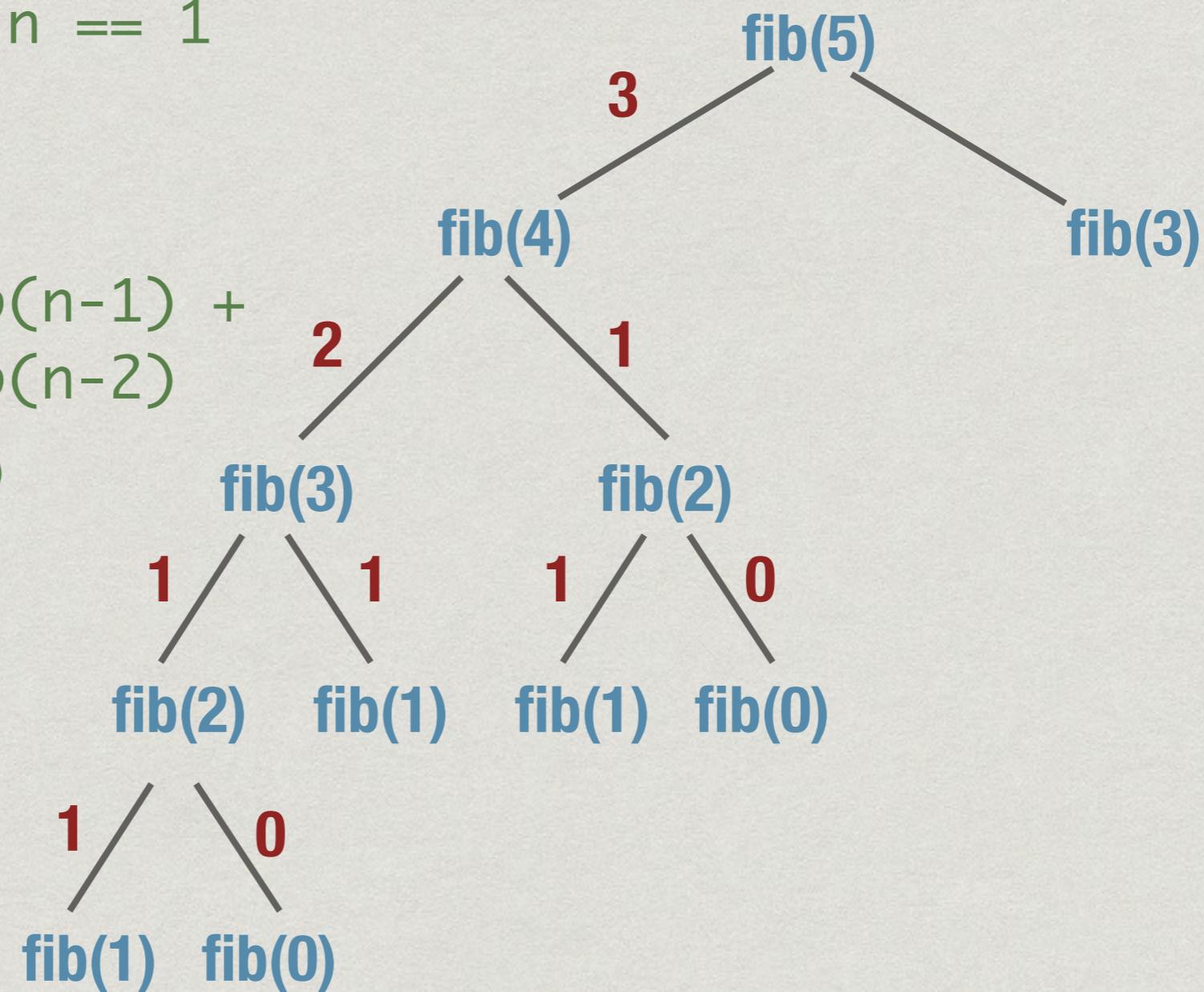
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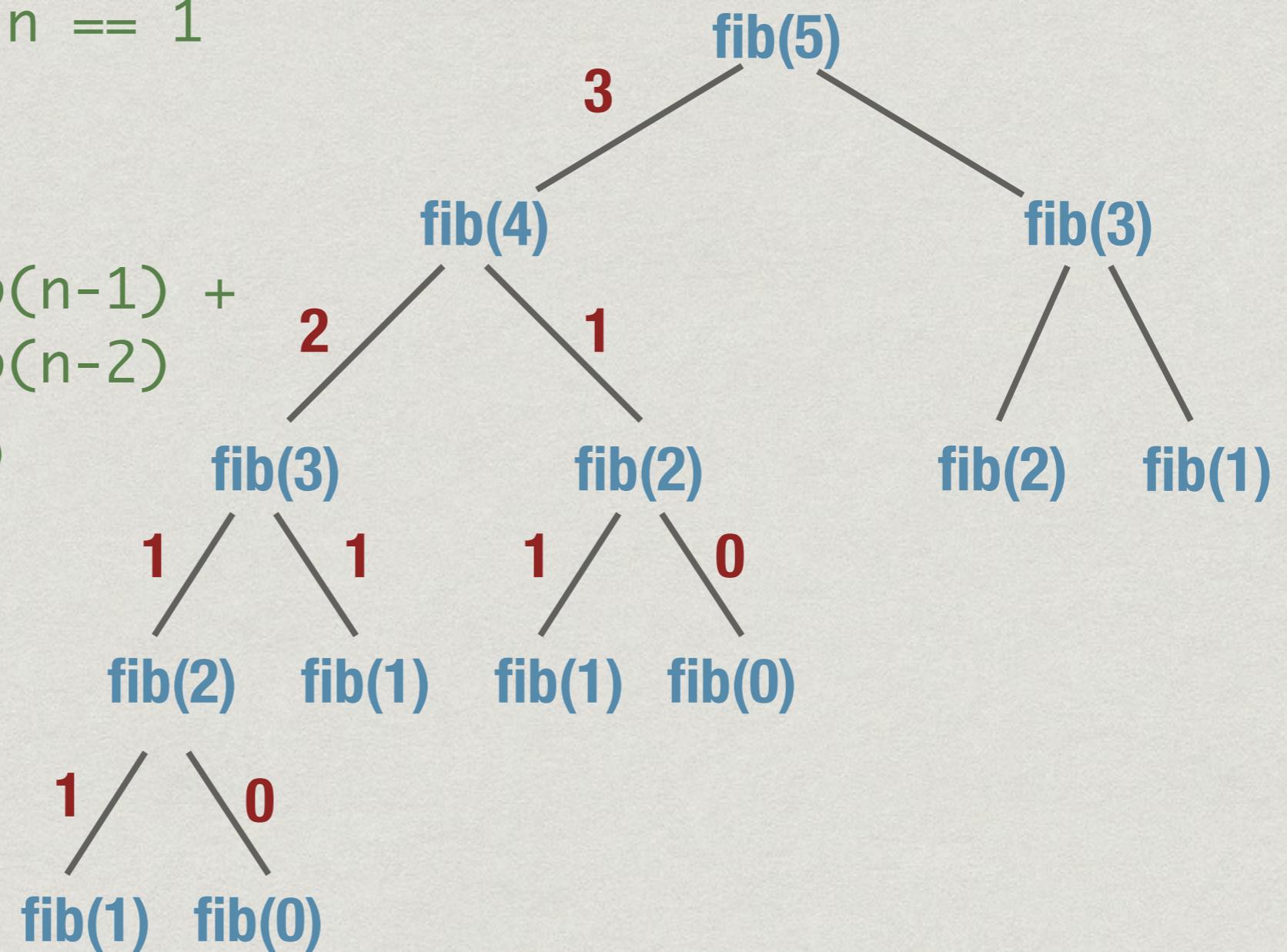
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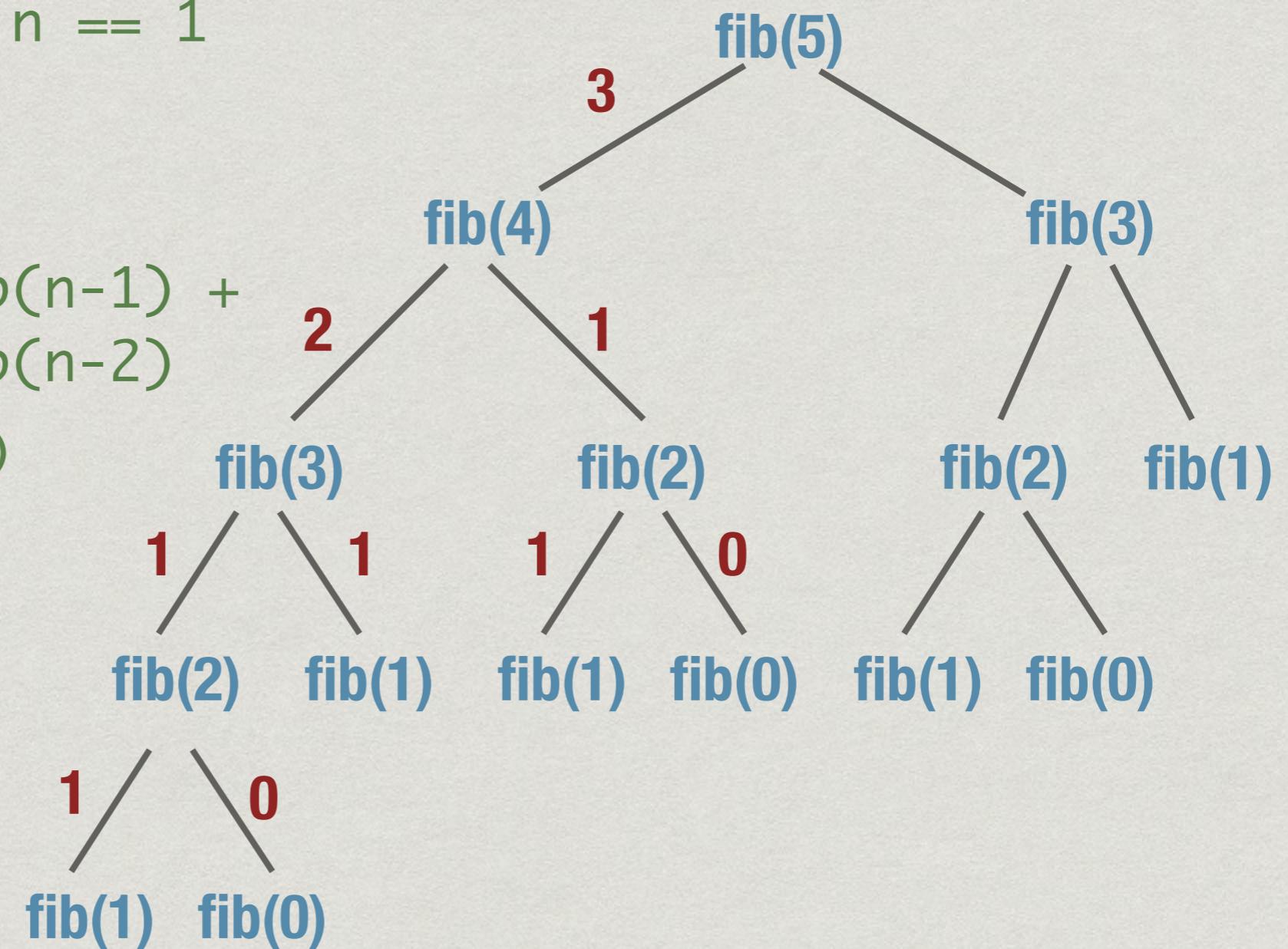
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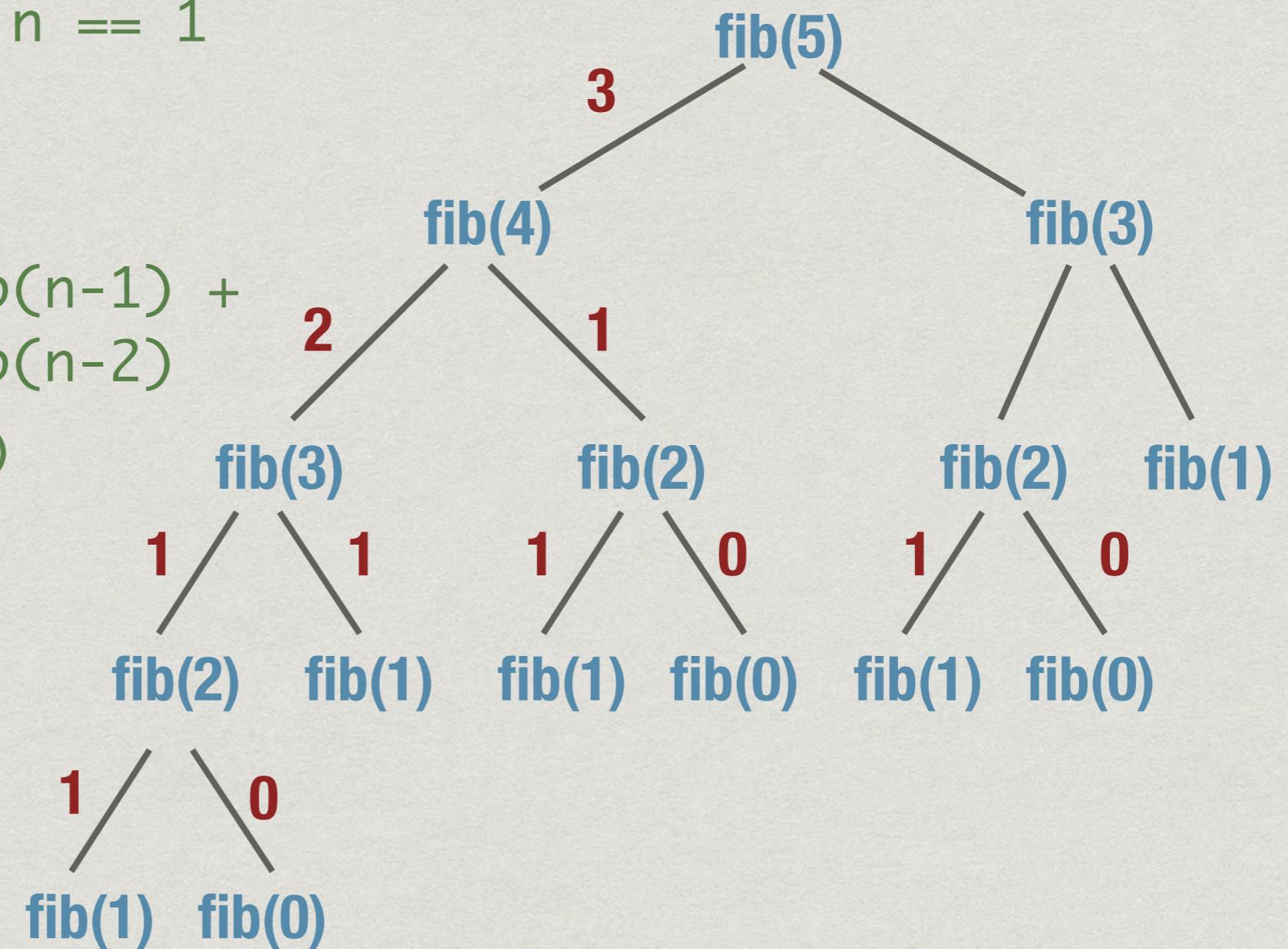
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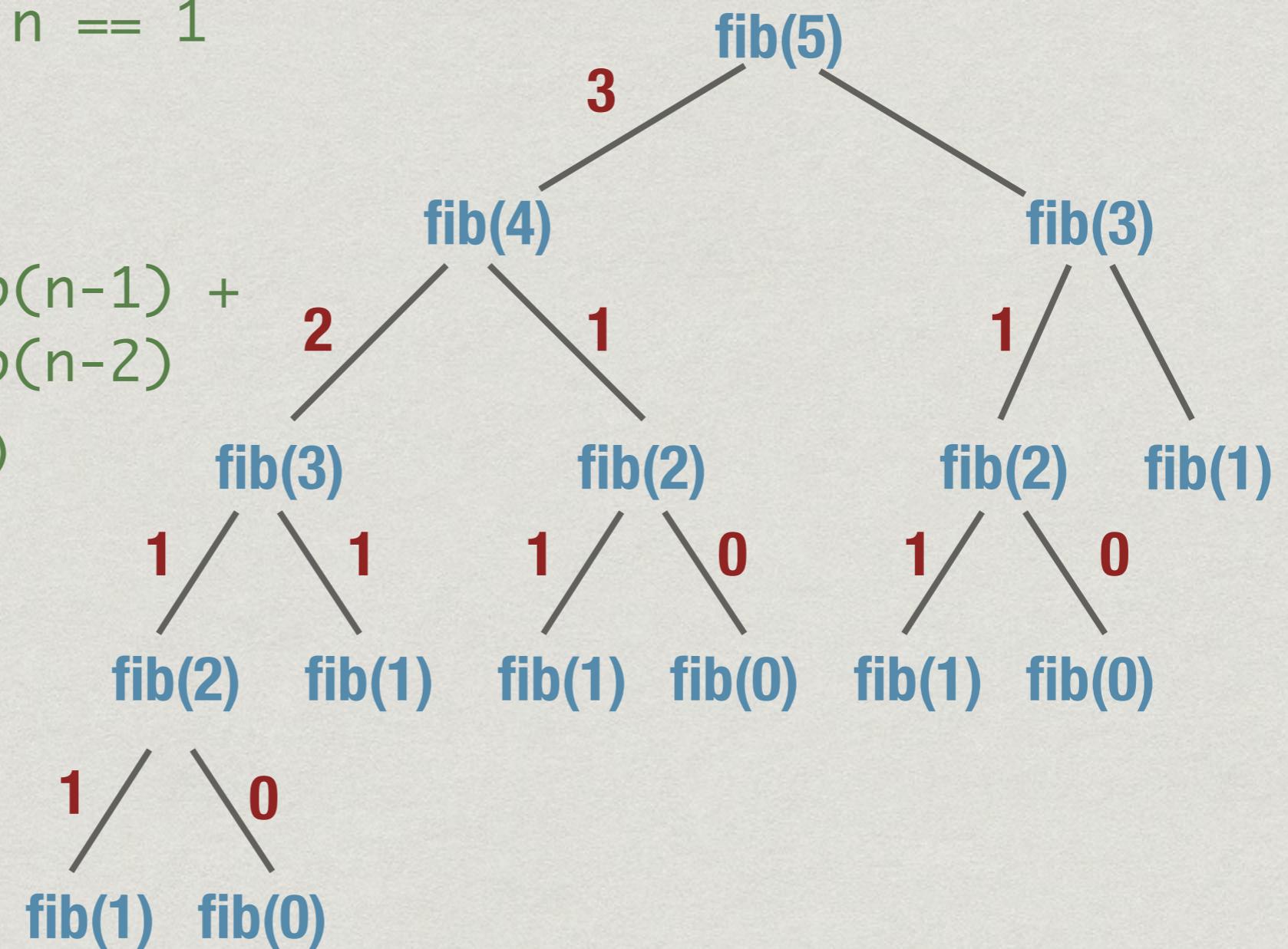
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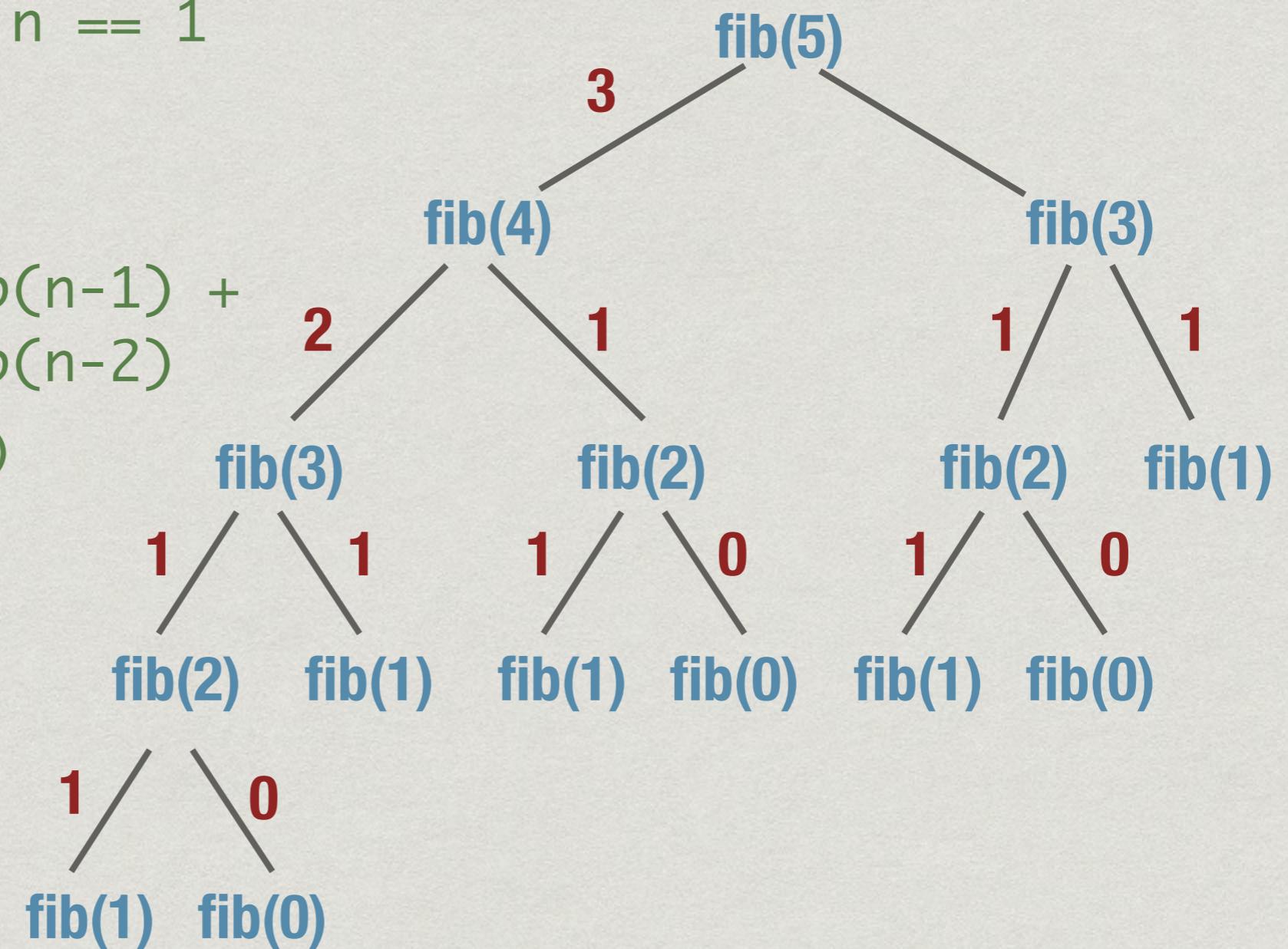
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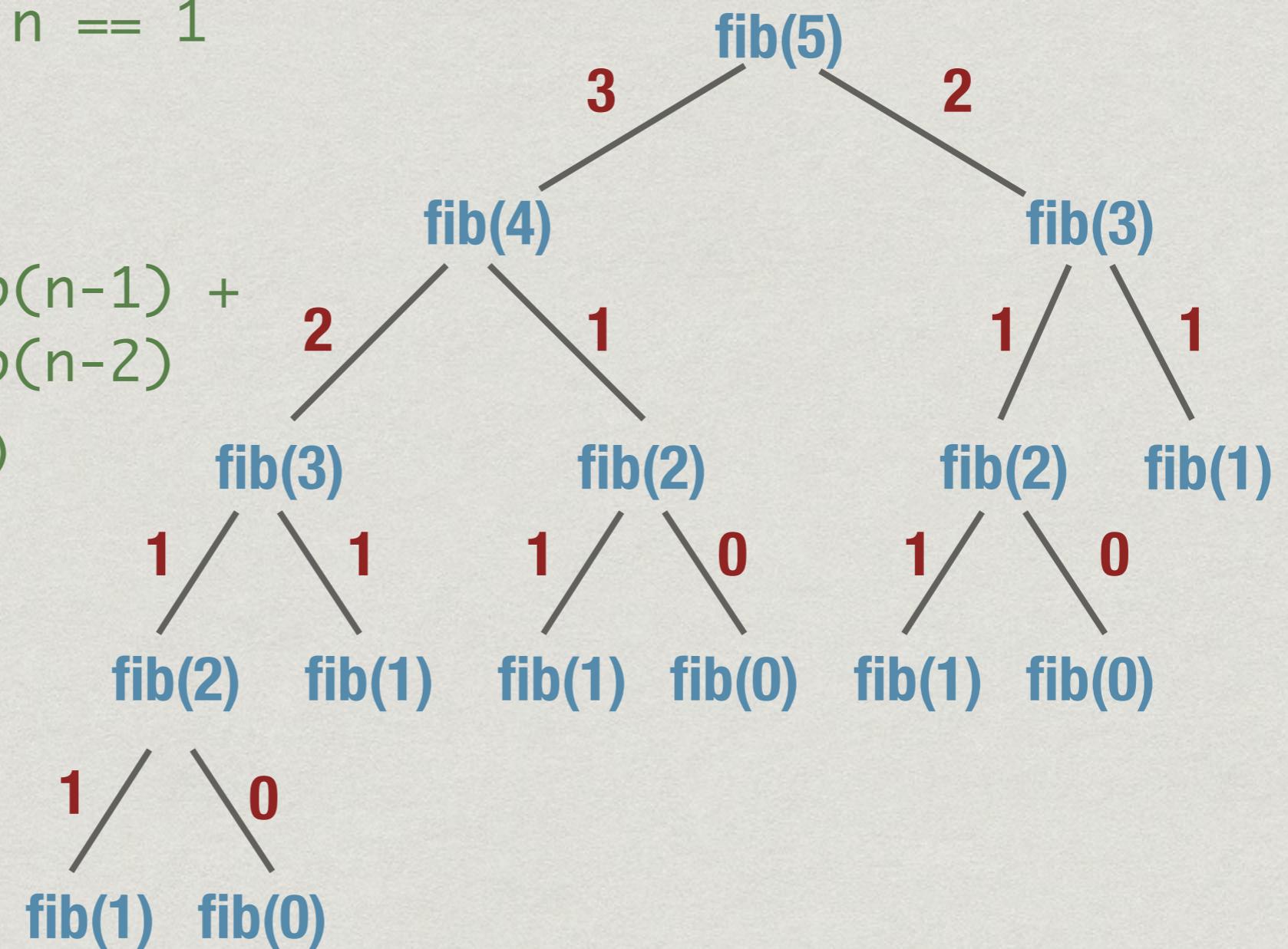
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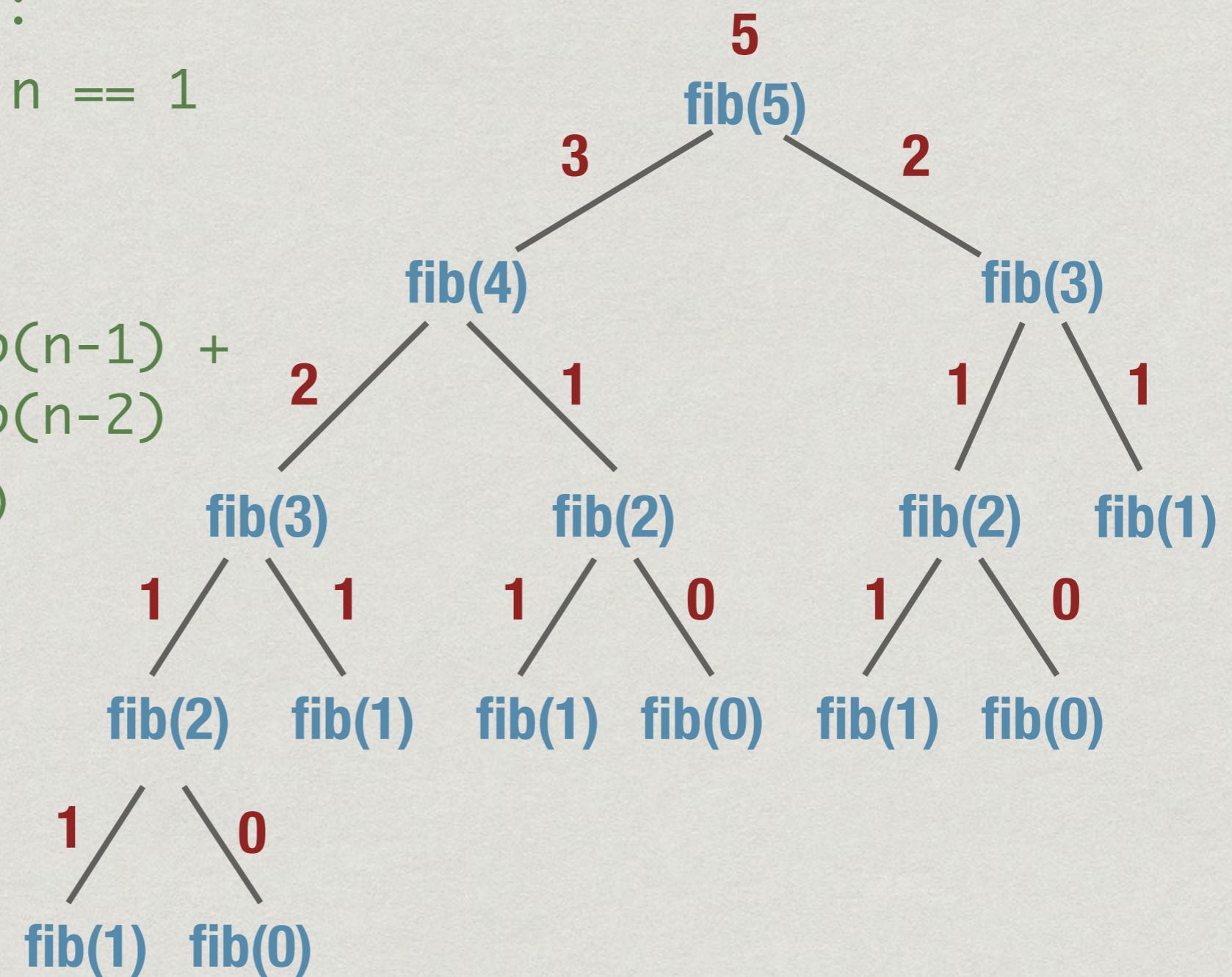
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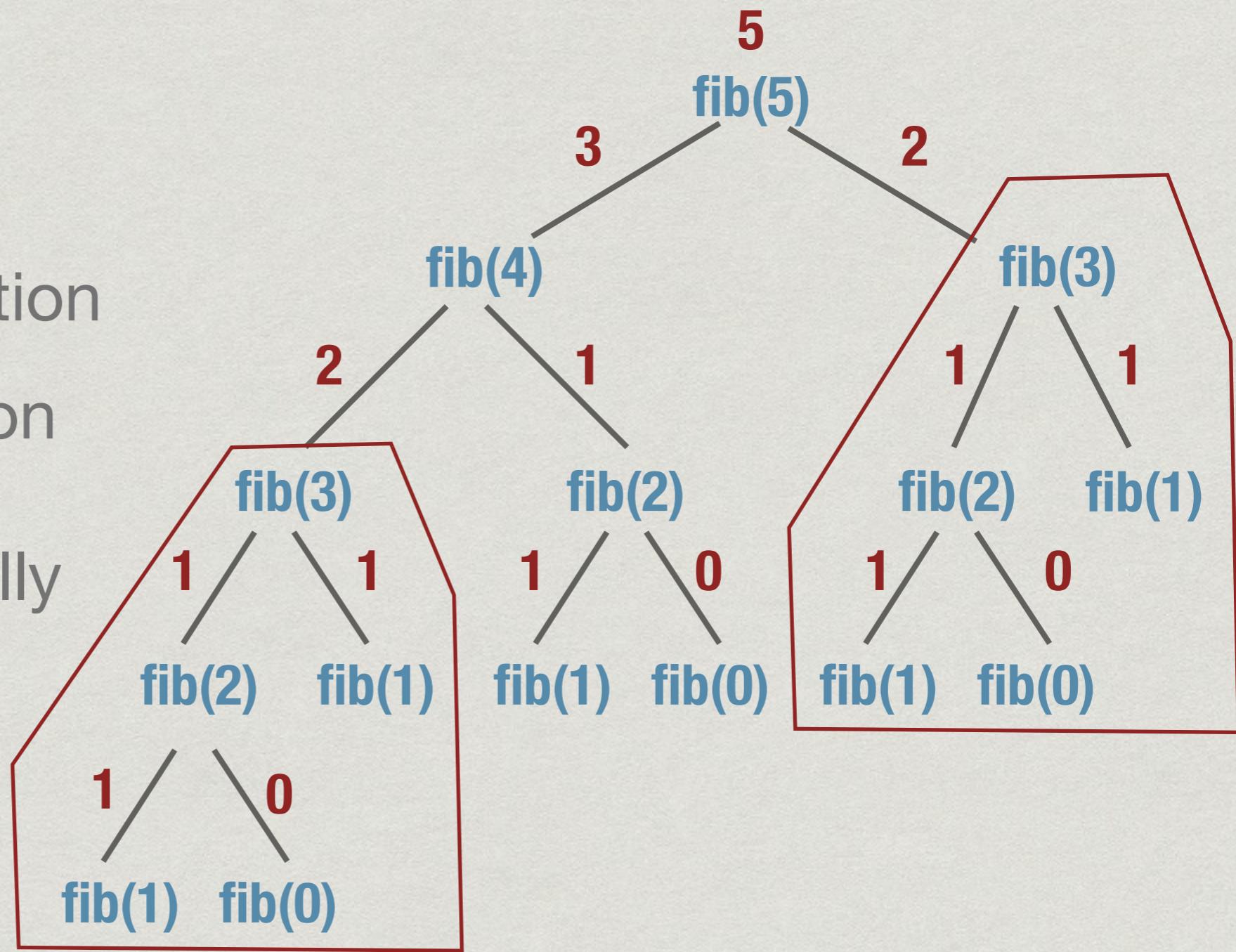
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Computing $\text{fib}(5)$

Overlapping subproblems

- * Wasteful recomputation
- * Computation tree grows exponentially



Never re-evaluate a subproblem

- * Build a table of values already computed
 - * Memory table
- * Memoization
 - * Remind yourself that this value has already been seen before

Memoized fib(5)

Memoization

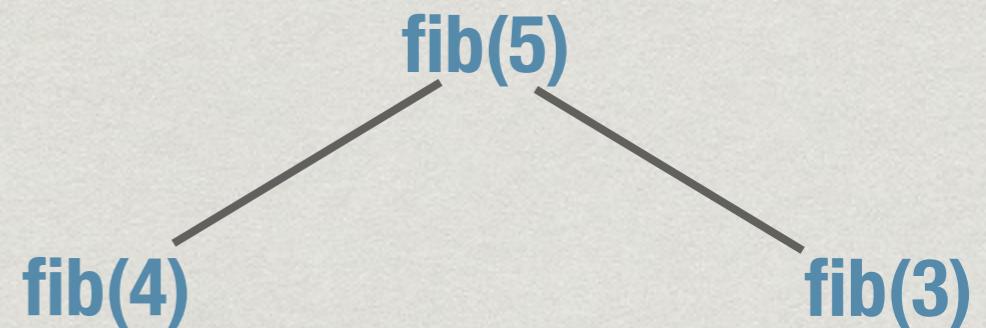
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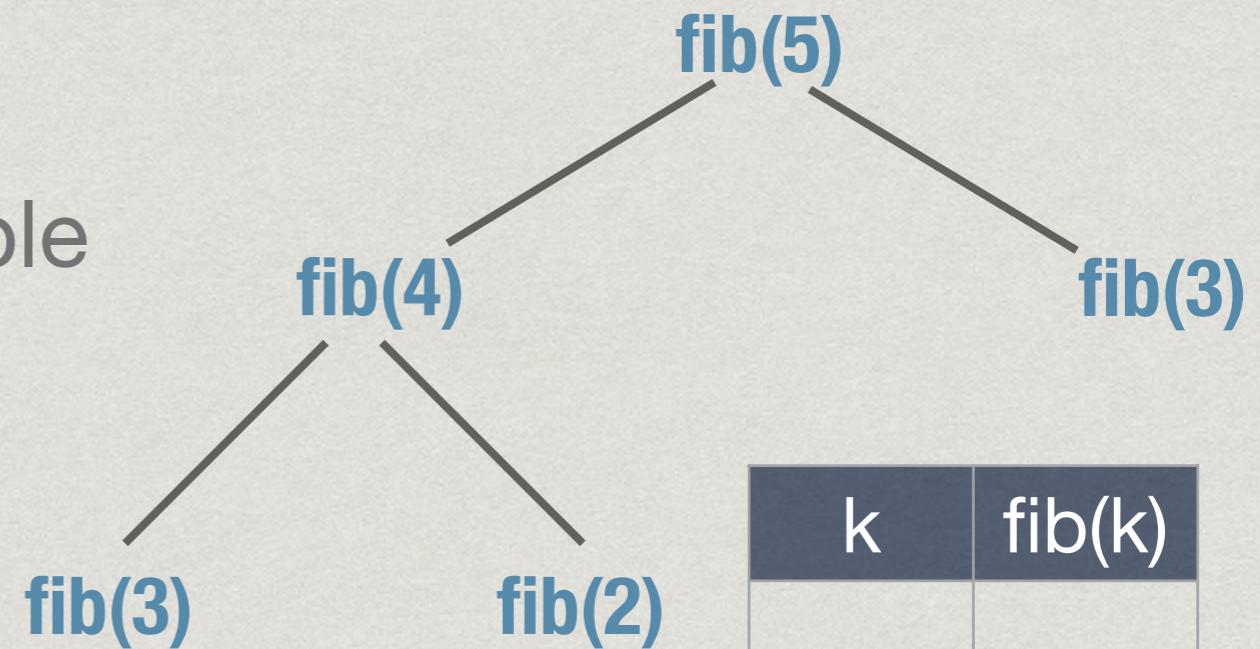
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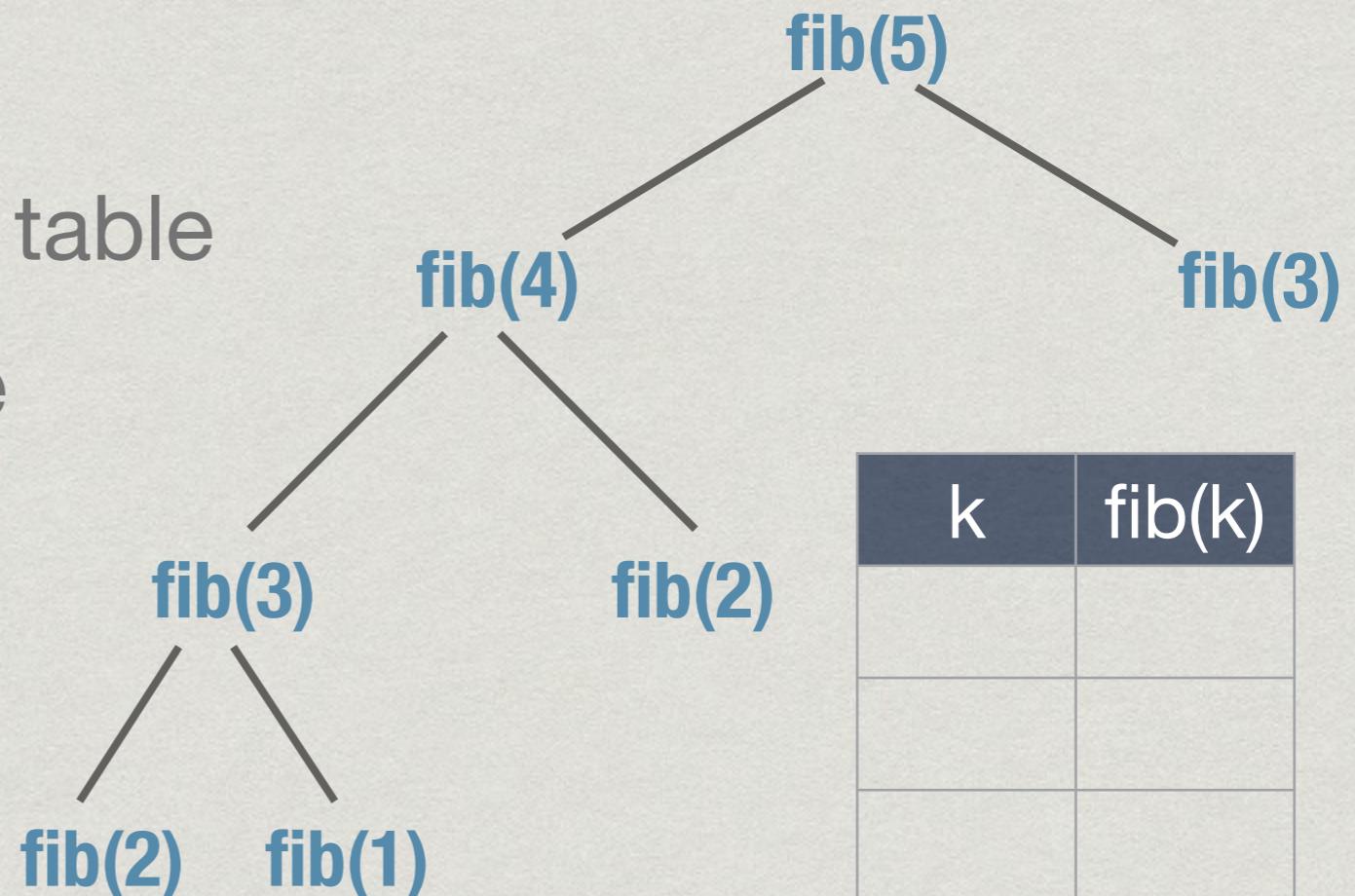
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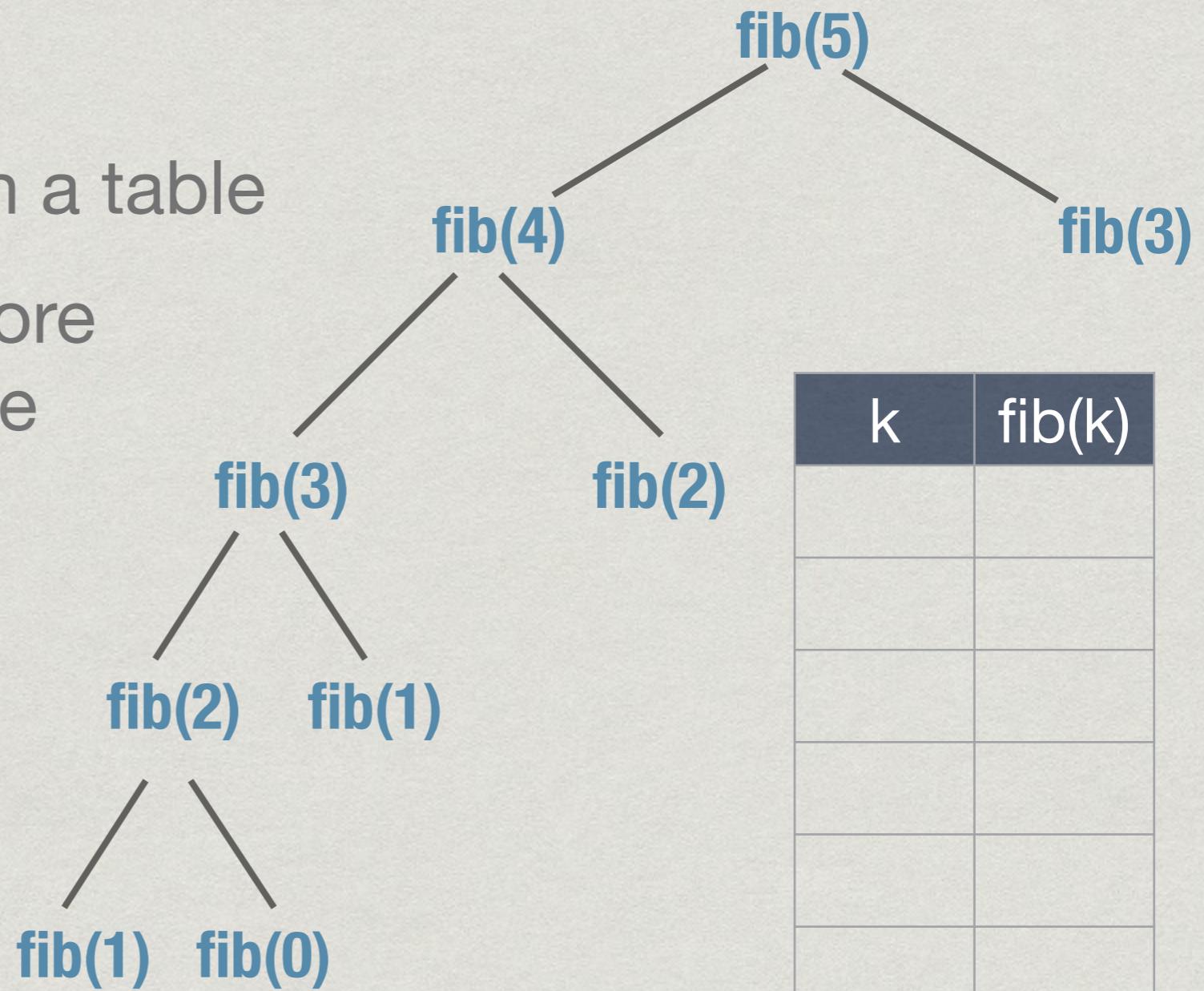
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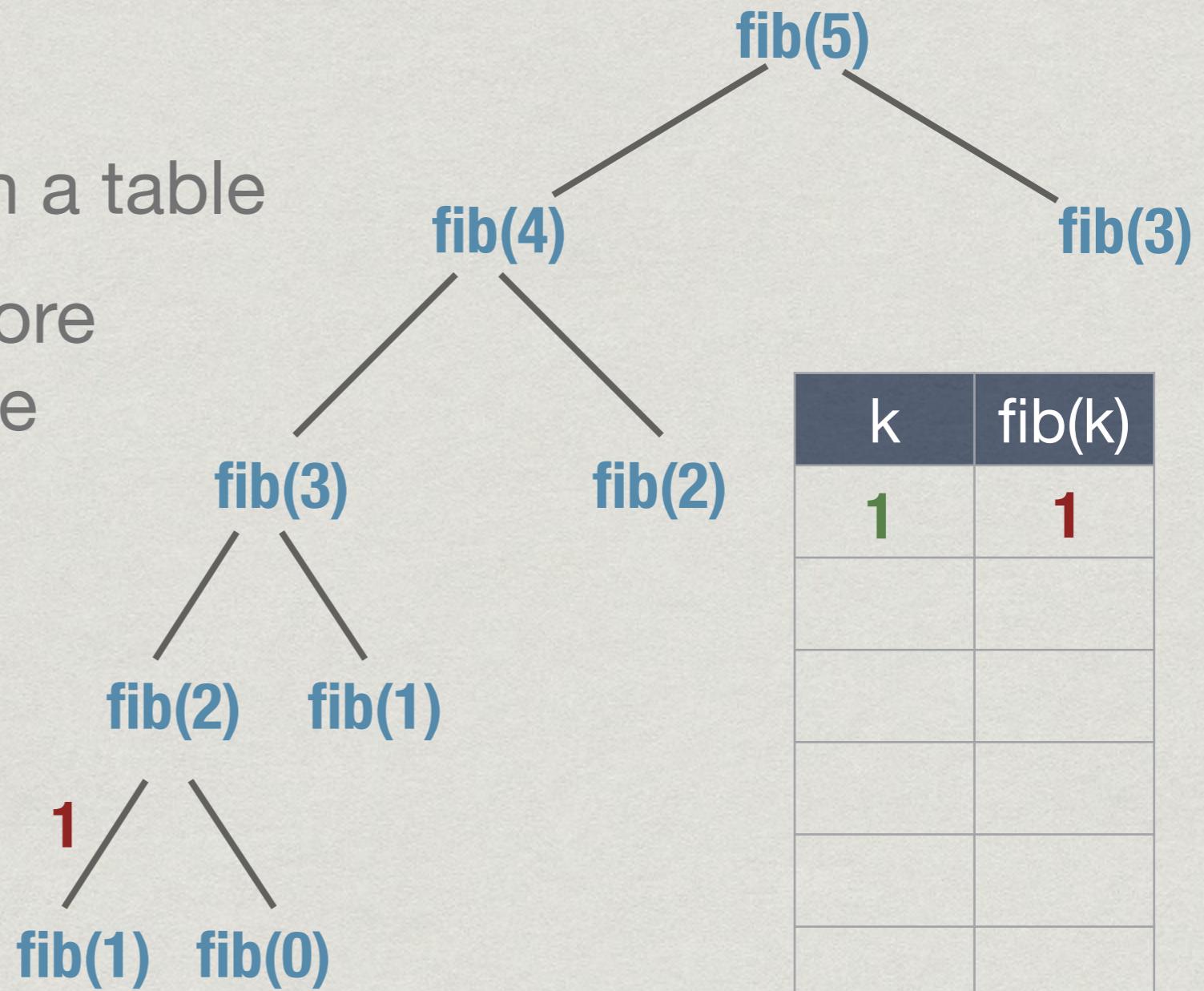
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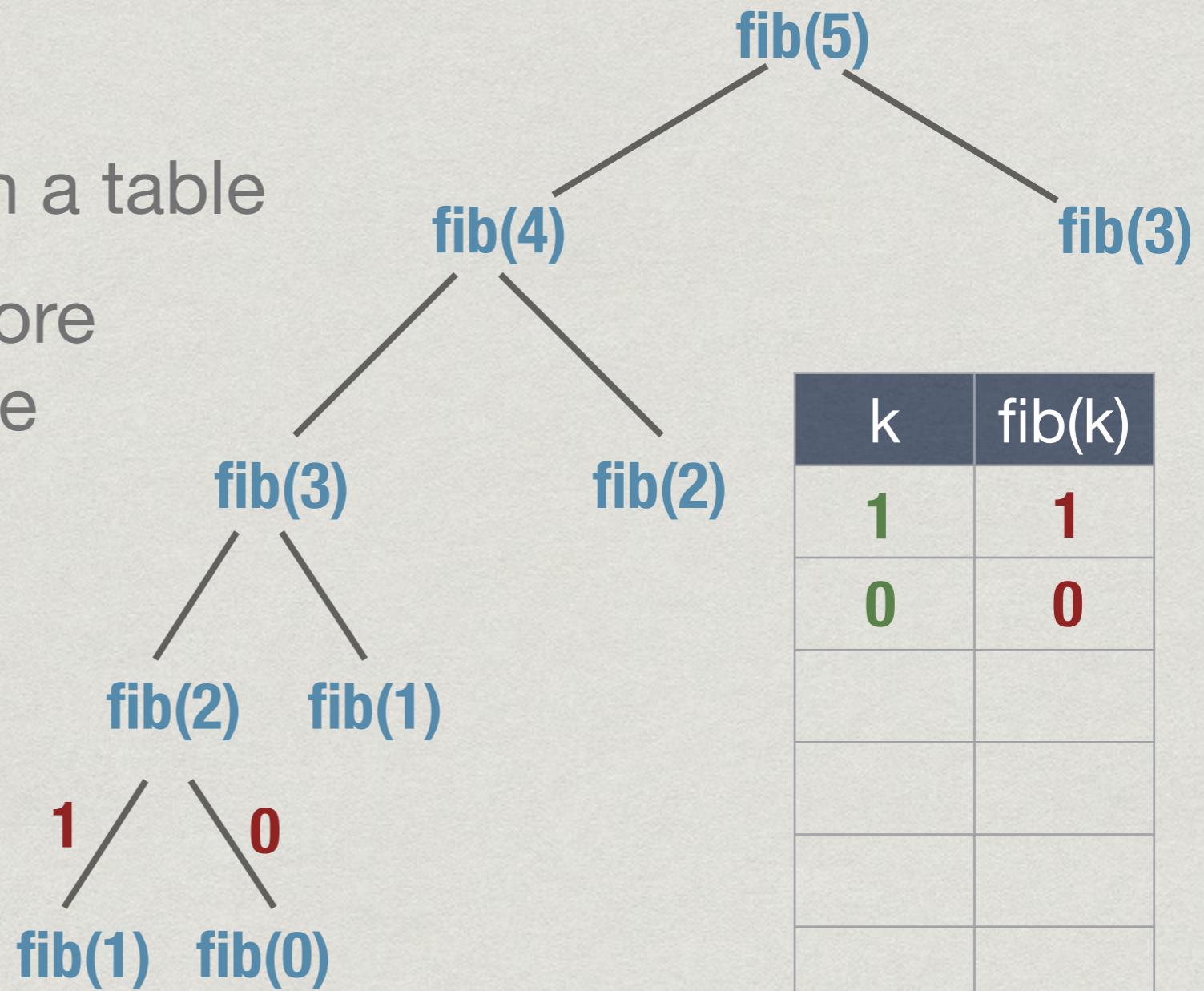
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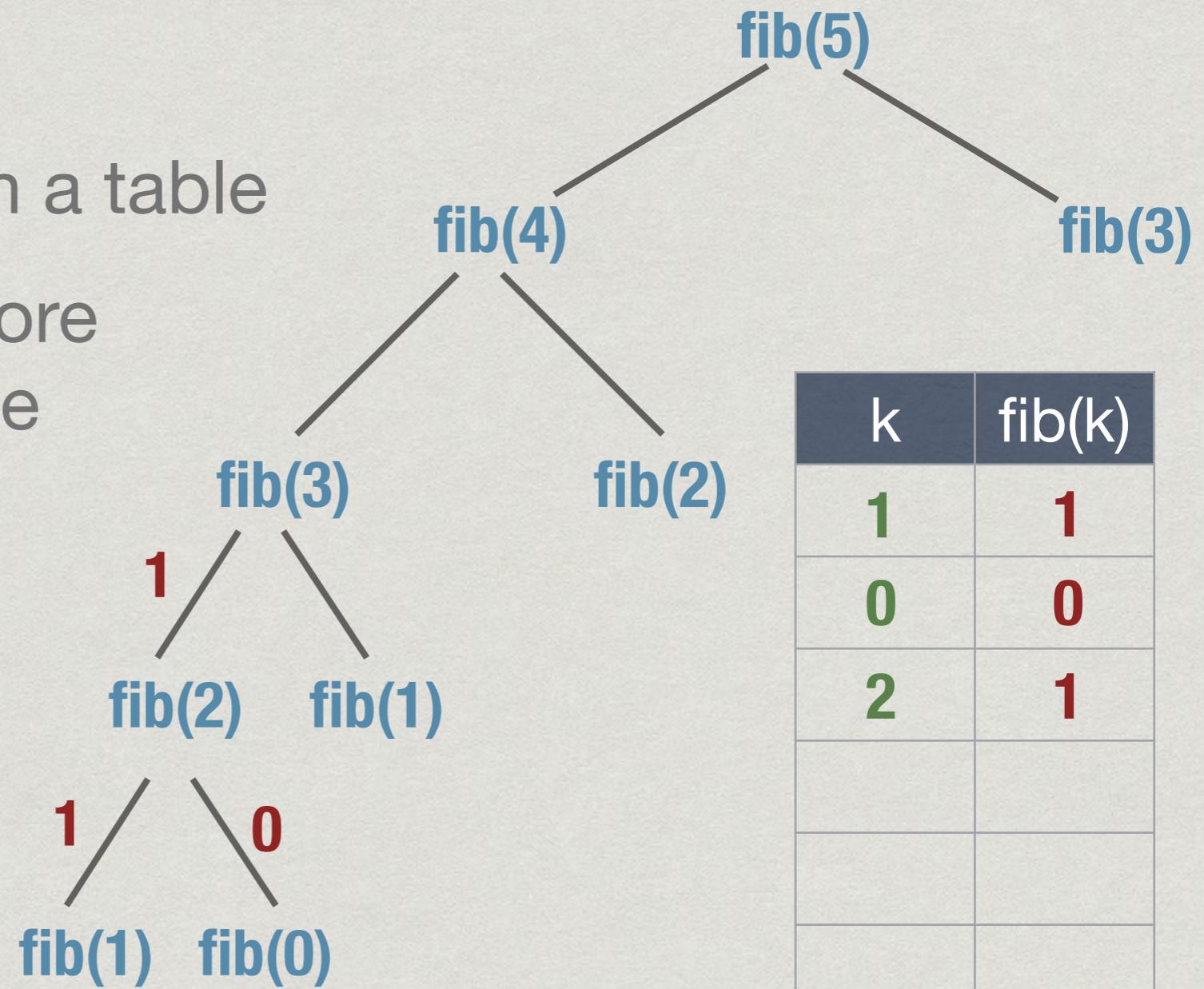
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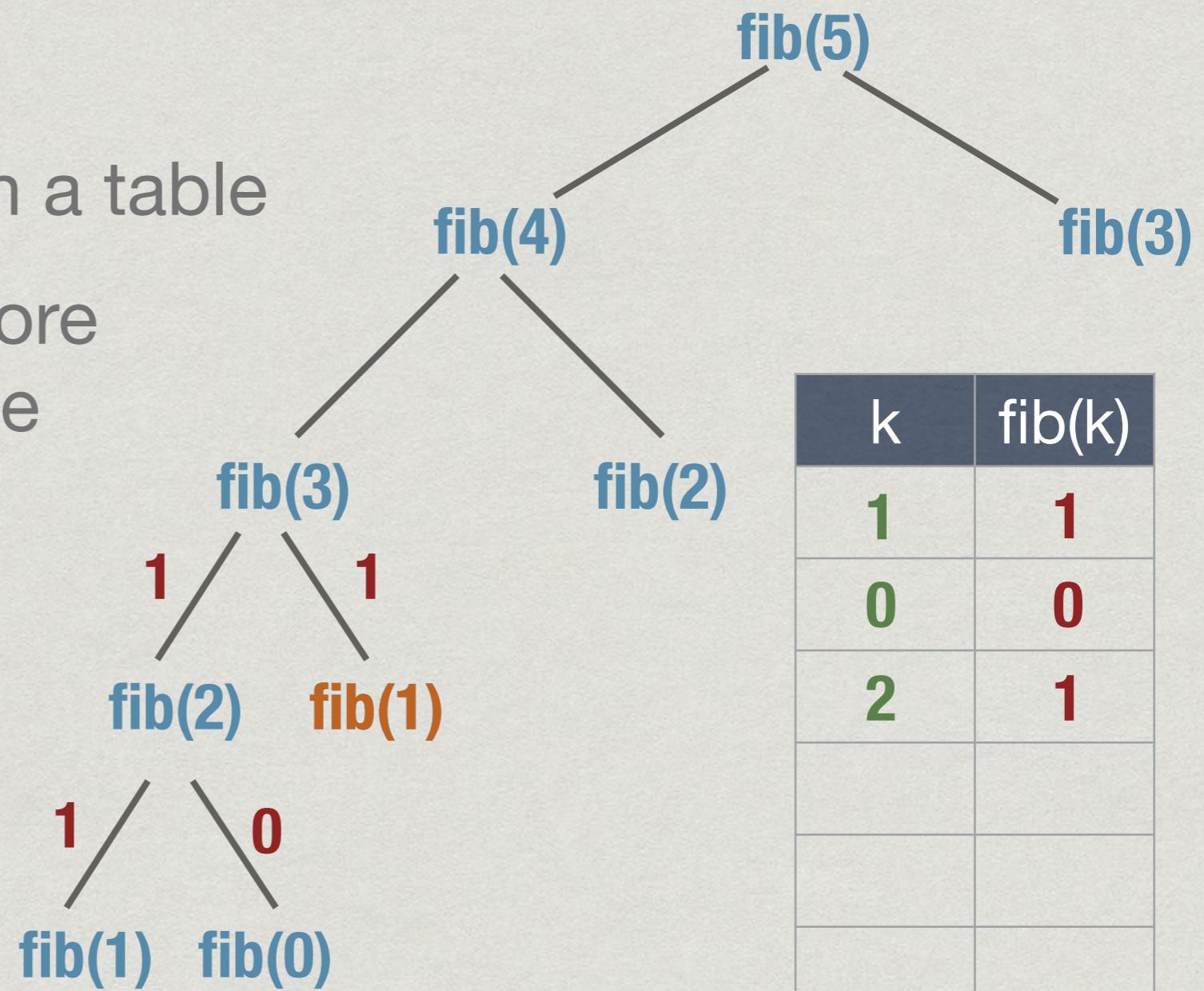
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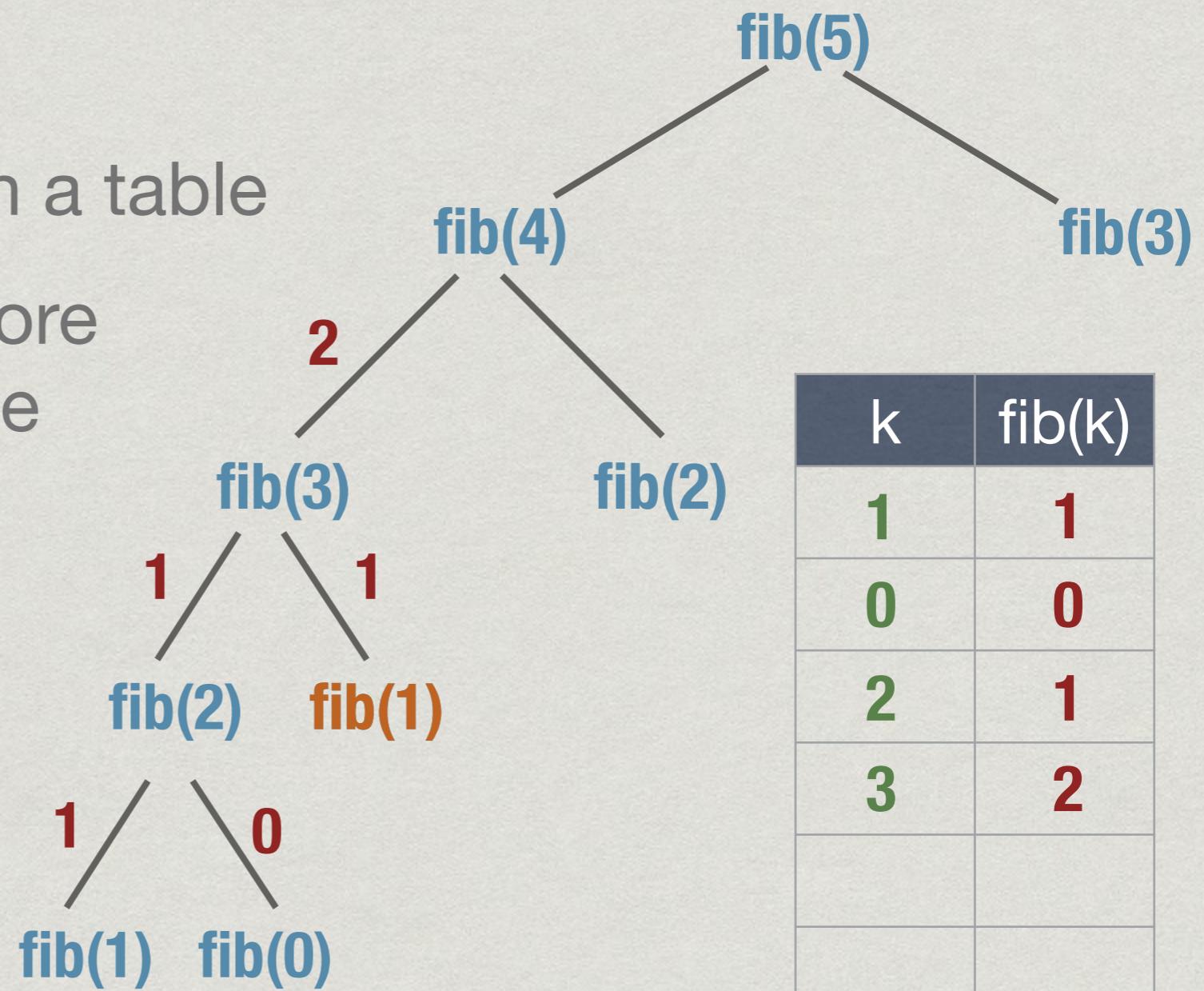
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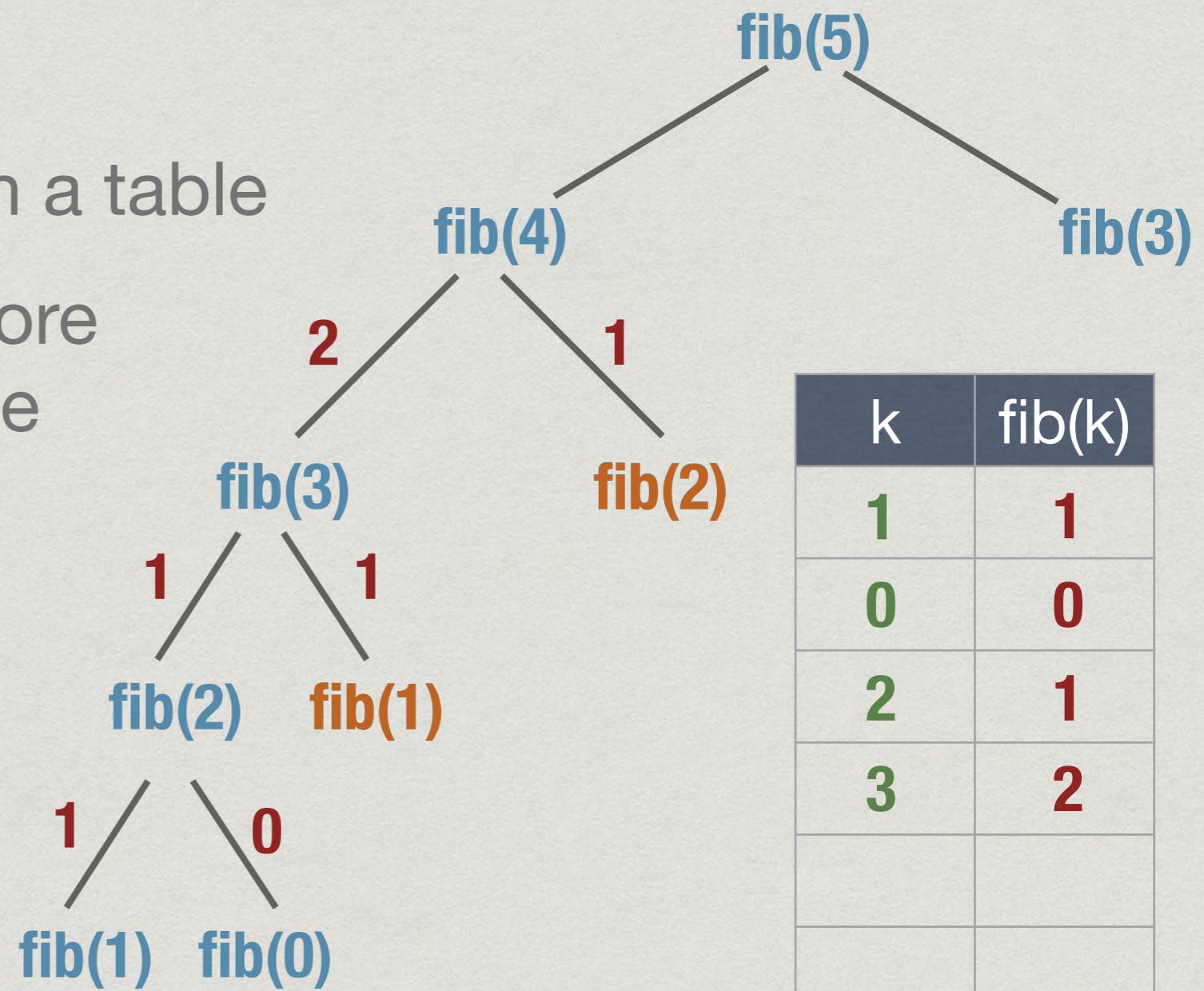
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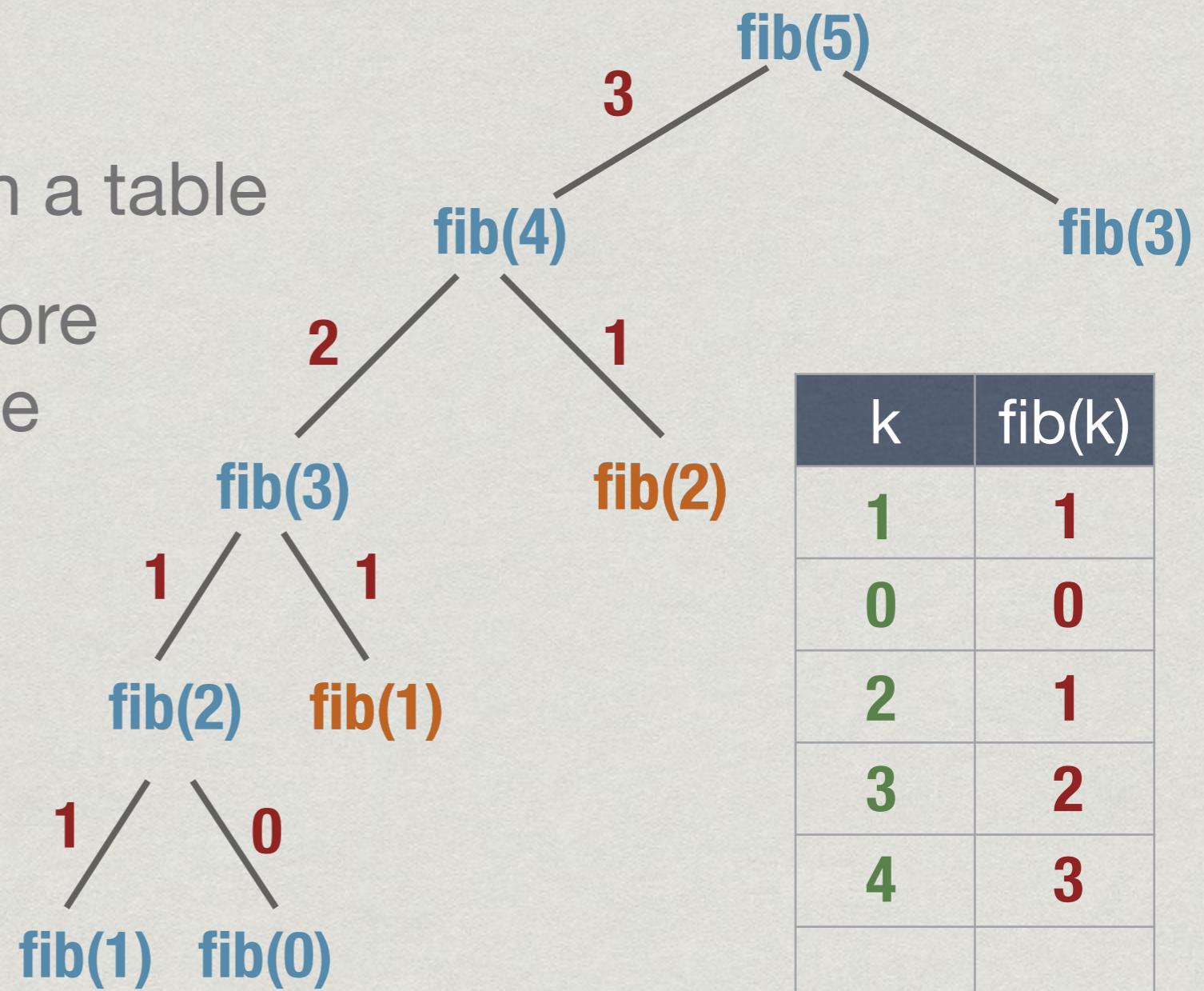
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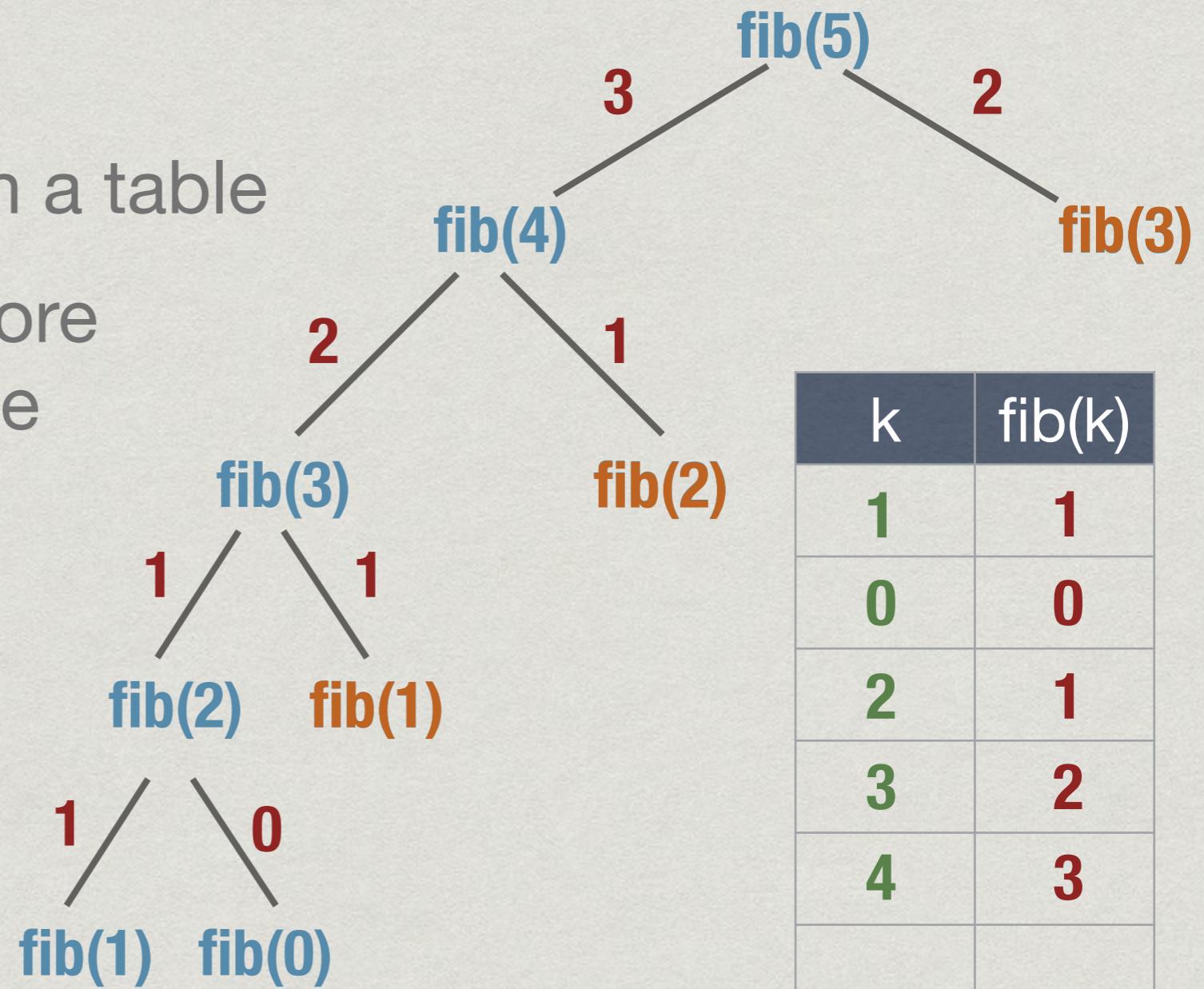
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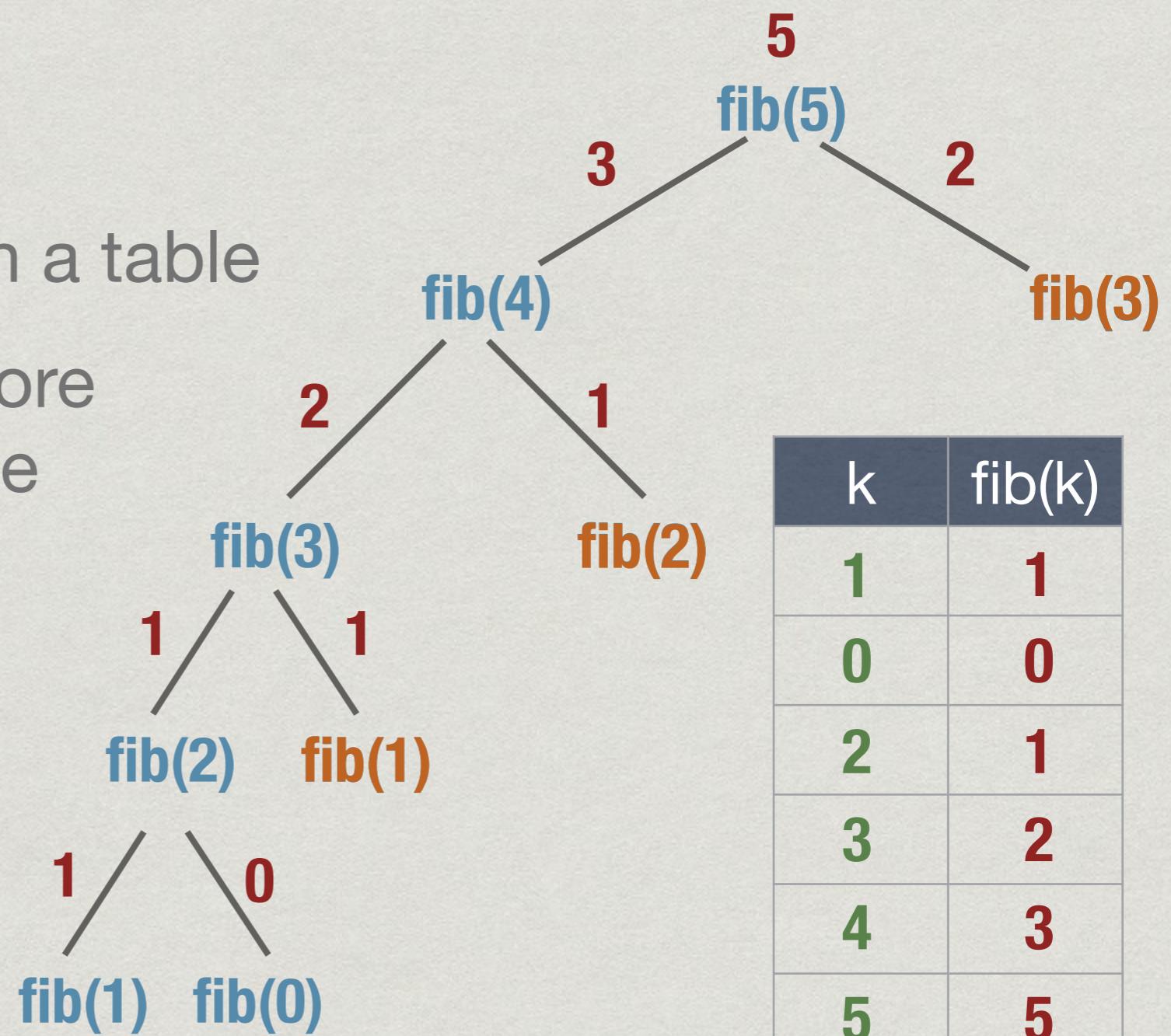
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In general

function $f(x, y, z)$:

if $ftable[x][y][z]$

return($ftable[x][y][z]$)

value = expression in terms of
subproblems

$ftable[x][y][z] = value$

return(value)

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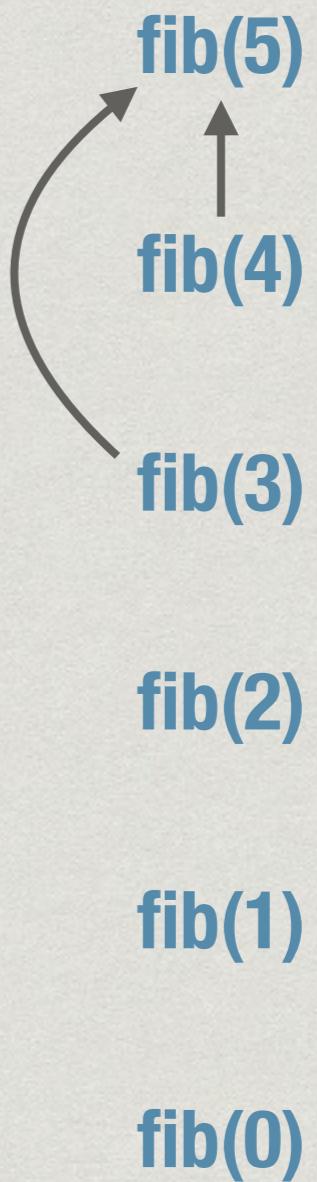
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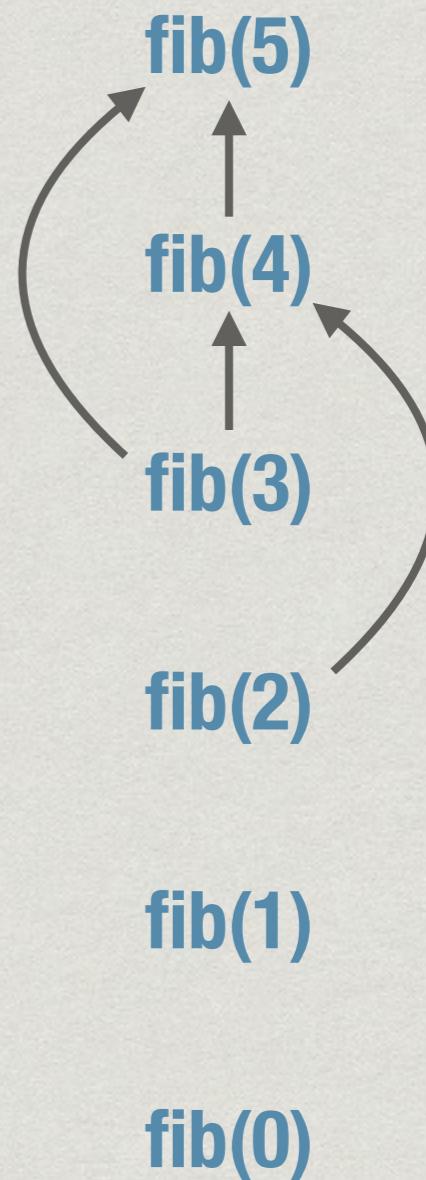
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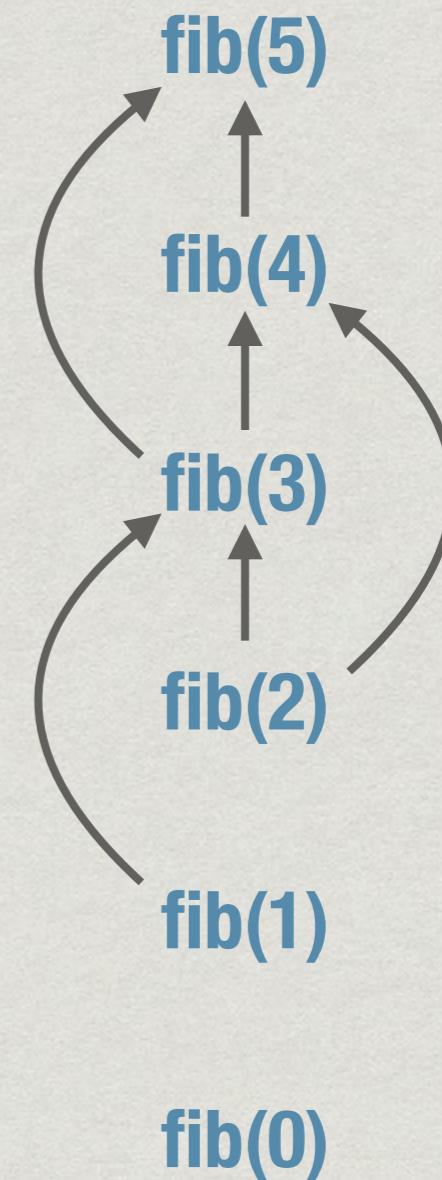
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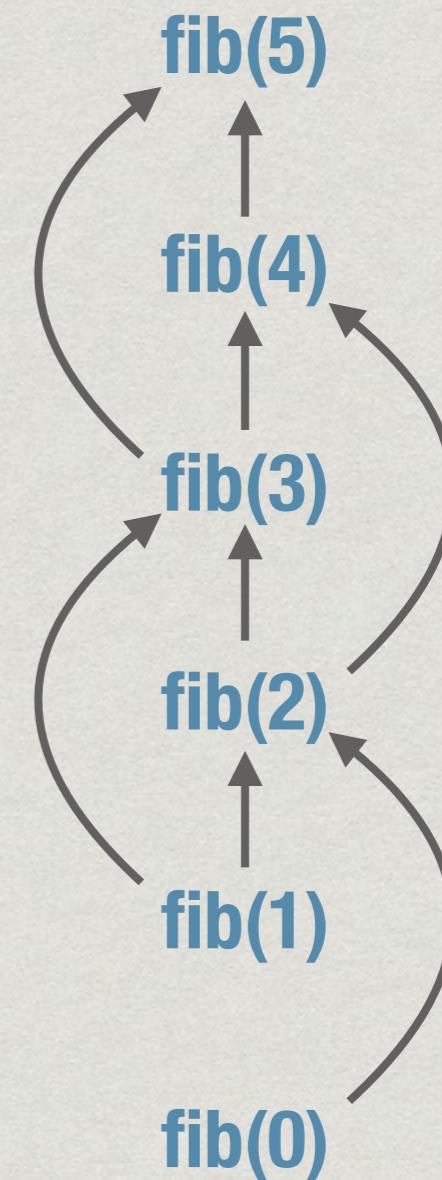
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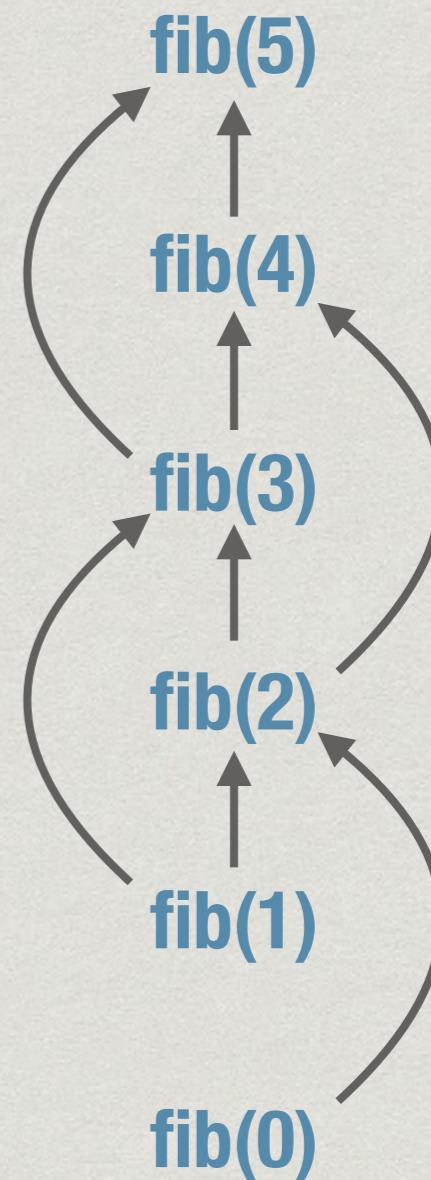
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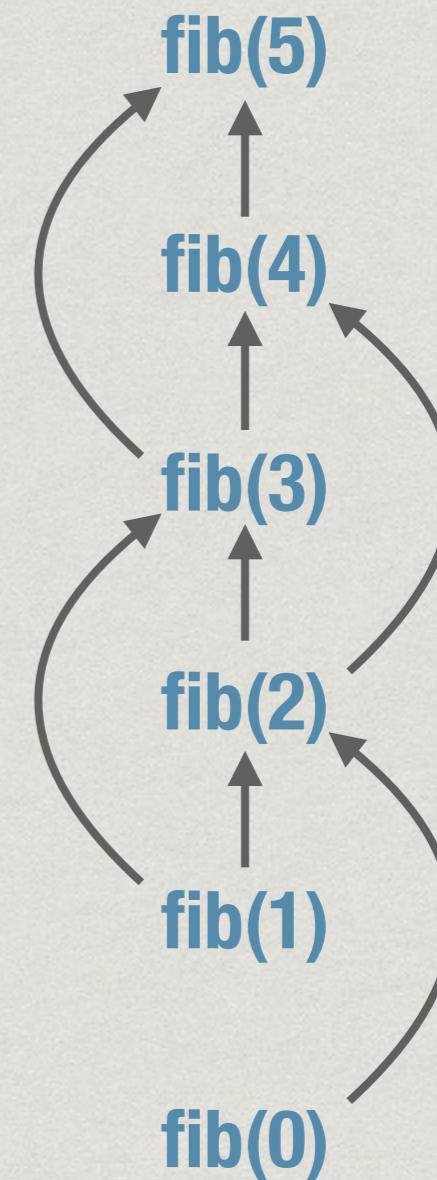
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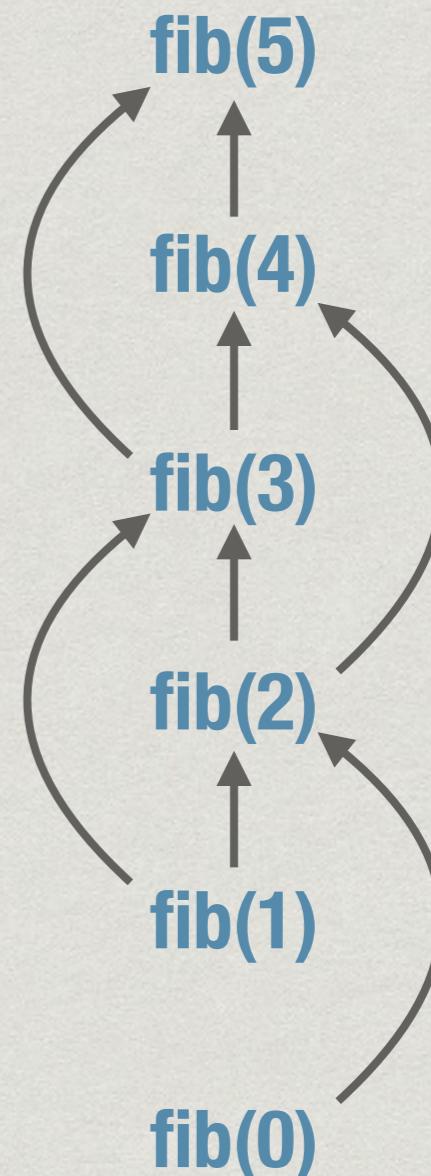
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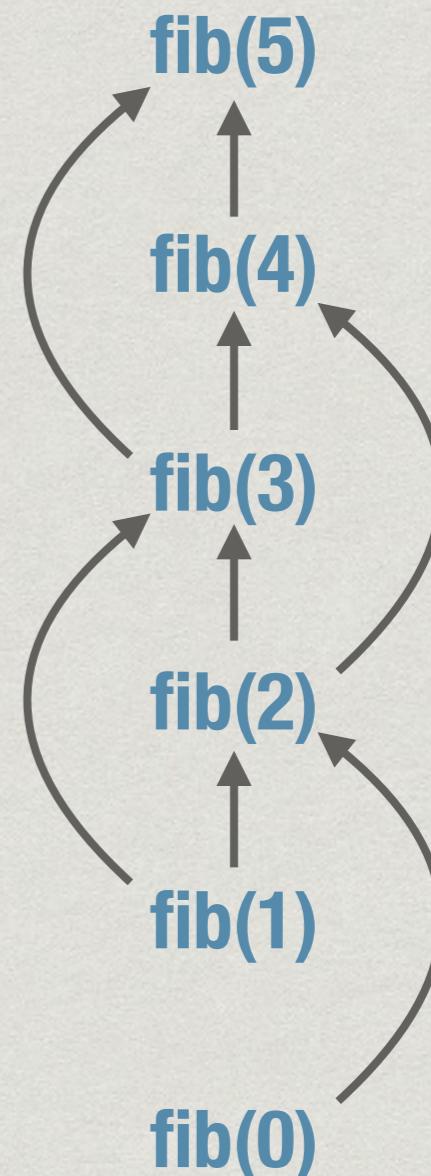
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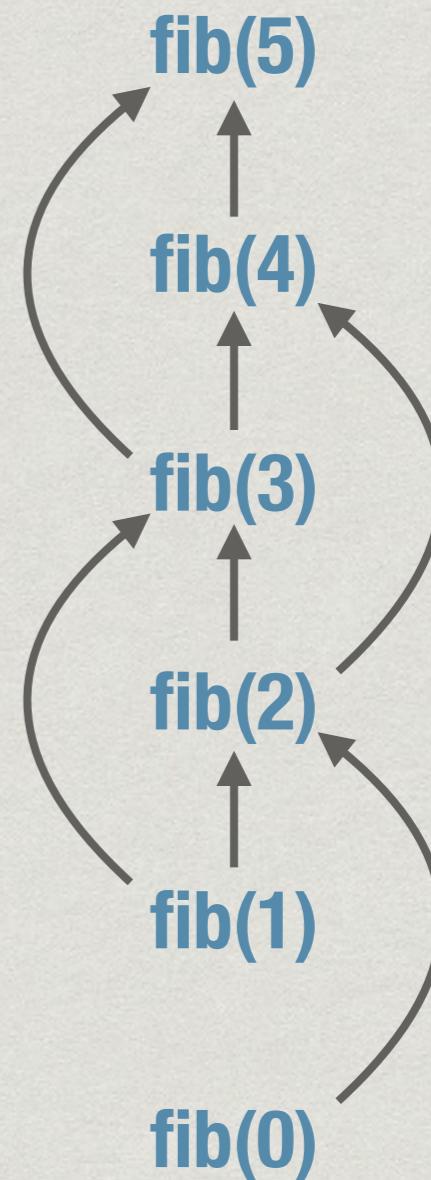
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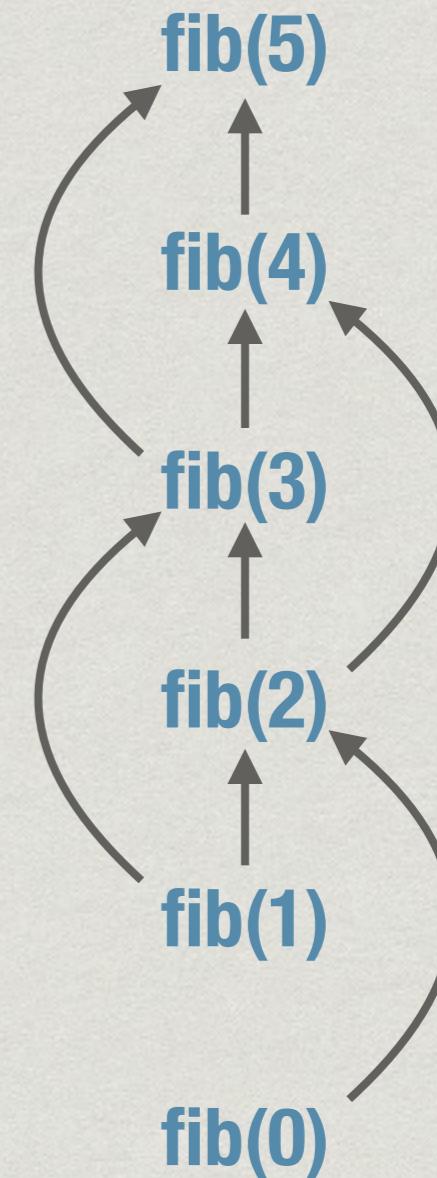
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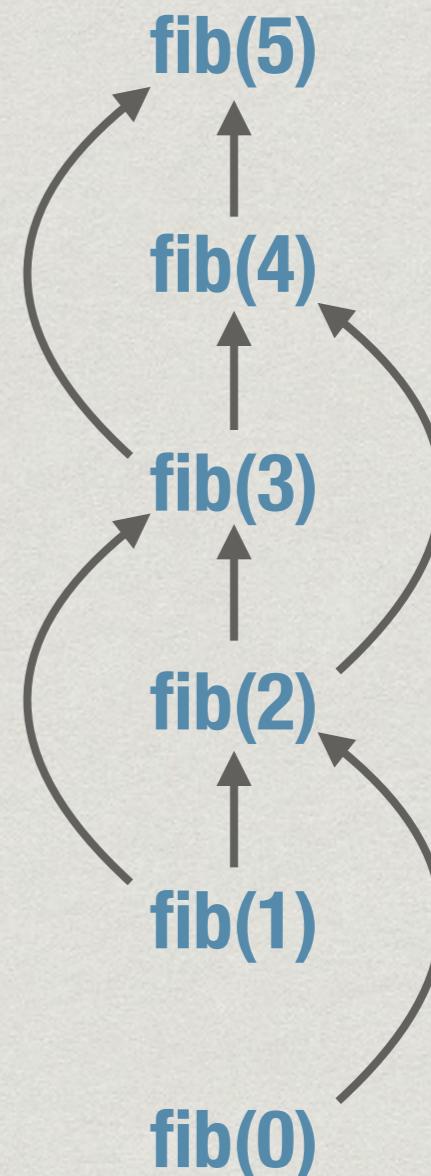
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Summary

Memoization

- * Store values of subproblems in a table
- * Look up the table before making a recursive call

Dynamic programming:

- * Solve subproblems in topological order of dependency
 - * Dependencies must form a dag (why?)
- * Iterative evaluation