

More Dynamic Programming

Ex1 (Subset Sum)

Given n integers $a_1, \dots, a_n > 0$ and T , does there exist subset summing to T ?

Define subproblems $(i=0, \dots, n, j=0, \dots, T)$

$C(i, j) = \text{true}$ iff $\exists S \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_i\}$ summing to j

Final Ans: $C(n, T)$.

Base cases: $C(0, 0) = \text{true}$
 $C(0, j) = \text{false} \quad j \geq 1$

Recursive formula:

consider opt sol'n for $C(i, j)$

Case 1. not use $a_i \rightarrow C(i-1, j)$

Case 2. use $a_i \rightarrow C(i-1, j-a_i)$

$$C(i, j) = \begin{cases} C(i-1, j) \vee C(i-1, j-a_i) & \text{if } j \geq a_i \\ C(i-1, j) & \text{if } j < a_i \end{cases}$$

evaluate in increasing order of i

\Rightarrow # subproblems $O(nT)$
 time per subproblem $O(1)$

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Retrieving opt sol'n:

extra time $O(n)$ {
OutputAns(i, j):
if $i=0$ return
if $C(i-1, j)$ true
 OutputAns(i-1, j)
else { OutputAns(i-1, j-a_i), print a_i }
Call OutputAns(n, T).

Hint: Unfortunately T can be big!
Polynomial in n? not likely!

($\tilde{O}(\sqrt{nT})$ by Koiliaris, Xu '16)

Variations:

- what if a number can be used more than once?

$$C(i, j) = C(i-1, j) \vee C(i, j-a_i)$$

(or drop i: $C(j) = \bigvee_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq n \\ a_i \leq j}} C(j-a_i))$

subproblems $O(T)$
time per subprob. $O(n) \Rightarrow O(nT)$ time

- what if we want smallest-size sol'n?

define $C(i, j) =$ ^{weight} ~~size~~ of smallest subset of $\{a_1, \dots, a_i\}$ summing to j

formula: $C(i, j) = \min\{C(i-1, j), C(i-1, j-a_i) + w_i\}$

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- what if we want smallest-weight sol'n where each element a_i is given a weight w_i ?
- what if we want subset to have size exactly k ?

define $C(i, j, l) = \text{true}$ iff $\exists S \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_i\}$ of size l summing to j

$$\text{formula: } C(i, j, l) = C(i-1, j, \underline{l}) \vee C(i-1, j-a_i, \underline{l-1})$$

$\Rightarrow O(knW)$ time

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Ex 2 (Edit distance)

Given strings $a_1 \dots a_m,$
 $b_1 \dots b_n,$

find min # edits \leftarrow insert/delete/change a char

Define $D(i, j) =$ edit dist between $a_1 \dots a_i$ & $b_1 \dots b_j$

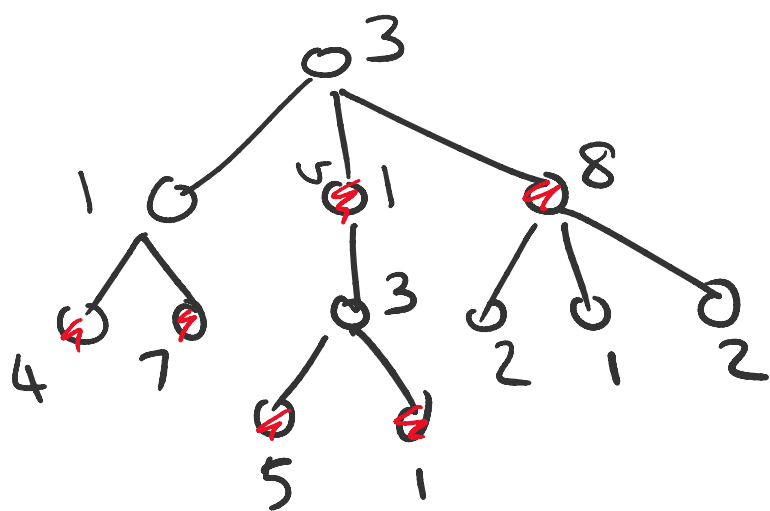
Formula:

$$D(i, j) = \begin{cases} \min\{D(i-1, j) + 1, D(i, j-1) + 1, D(i-1, j-1) + 1\} \\ \text{if } a_i \neq b_j \\ \min\{D(i-1, j) + 1, D(i, j-1) + 1, D(i-1, j-1)\} \end{cases}$$

\uparrow delete a_i \uparrow insert b_j \uparrow change a_i to b_j

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \min \{ D(i-1, j) + 1, D(i, j-1) + 1, D(i-1, j-1) \} \\ \text{if } a_i = b_j \end{array} \right\}$$

Ex3: max-weight Independent Set for a Tree



each vertex v
has weight
 $w(v) > 0$

$$8 + 7 + 4 + 5 + 1 + 1 = 26$$

Define subproblems:

$A(v) =$ weight of max-weight indep set for subtree at v .

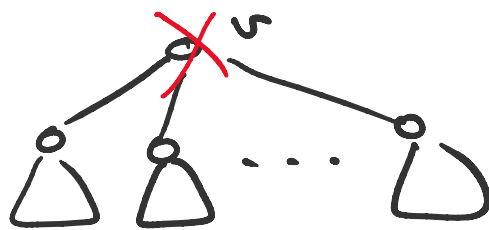
Final Ans: $A(\text{root})$.

Base cases: if v leaf, $A(v) = w(v)$.

Recursive formula:

Consider opt sol'n for $A(v)$.

Case 1. not use v

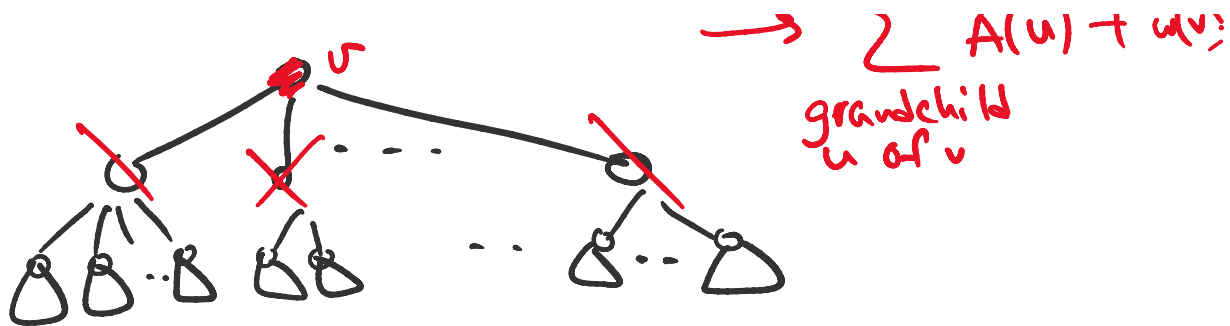


$$\rightarrow \sum_{\text{child } u \text{ of } v} A(u)$$

Case 2. use v



$$\rightarrow \sum_{\text{child } u \text{ of } v} A(u) + w(v)$$



$$A(v) = \max \left\{ \sum_{\text{child } u \text{ of } v} A(u), \left(\sum_{\text{grand-child } u \text{ of } v} A(u) + w(v) \right) \right\}$$

Evaluation order: postorder traversal of tree

Analysis: # subproblems $O(n)$
time per subproblem $O(n)$
 $\Rightarrow O(n^2)$ total time

Better analysis: each node^u examined twice
(at its parent & grandparent)
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{O(n)}$ time