

DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING (DP)

- ① define subproblems
- ② derive recursive formula to express ans to subproblem in terms of answers to smaller subproblems
- ③ evaluate formula bottom-up using a table

Line Break Problem

$\langle 3, 3, 2, 5, 10 \rangle, L=11$
 $\hookrightarrow \langle 3, 3, 2 \rangle, \langle 5 \rangle, \langle 10 \rangle$

Given sequence $\langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle$ and L ,
 split into subseqs $\langle a_1, \dots, a_i \rangle, \langle a_{i+1}, \dots, a_k \rangle,$
 $\dots, \langle a_{k+1}, \dots, a_n \rangle,$
 $0 = i_0 < i_1 < \dots < i_{k-1} < i_k = n,$

st. each subseq has sum $\leq L$
 to minimize penalty $\sum_{j=1}^k (L - (a_{i_{j-1}+1} + \dots + a_{i_j}))^2$

① For each $i=0, \dots, n$,
 define $P(i) = \min_{k} \text{penalty for the input sequence } \langle a_1, \dots, a_i \rangle$
 Want $P(n)$.

② Recursive formula:

if last subseq we split into $\langle a_{j+1}, \dots, a_i \rangle$,
 then $P(i) = P(j) + (L - (a_{j+1} + \dots + a_i))^2$

but don't know j , so try all & take min

$$\Rightarrow P(i) = \min_{\substack{j \in \{0, \dots, i-1\}: \\ a_{j+1} + \dots + a_i \leq L}} (P(j) + (L - (a_{j+1} + \dots + a_i))^2)$$

Base case: $P(0) = 0$.

... $P(1), \dots, P(n)$ recursively.

base case 1(0)

If we evaluate formula recursively,

$$T(i) = T(i-1) + T(i-2) + \dots + T(0)$$

⇒ exponential!

Instead, evaluate in increas. i & use table

Pseudocode:

$$P[0] = 0$$

for $i=1$ to n

$$P[i] = \min_{j \in \{0, \dots, i-1\}: a_{j+1} + \dots + a_i \leq L}$$

$\text{pred}[i] = j$ that attains the above min

return $P[n]$.

$$\begin{cases} s_0 = 0 \\ \text{for } i=1 \text{ to } n \\ s_i = s_{i-1} + a_i \end{cases}$$

$$P[j] + (L - \underbrace{(a_{j+1} + \dots + a_i)}_{(s_i - s_j)})^2$$

$$\underbrace{(a_{j+1} + \dots + a_i)}_{(s_i - s_j)}$$

⇒ $O(n^3)$ time

improves to $O(n^2)$ ←
by using prefix sums

$O(n)$ space

How to output opt sol'n:

output-sol(i):

if $i=0$ return
 $j = \text{pred}[i]$, output-sol(j)
output $\langle a_{j+1}, \dots, a_i \rangle$.

additional
 $O(n)$ time

Call output-sol(n).

Alternative 1: "forward" version

for $i=1, \dots, n+1$,

define $P(i) = \text{min penalty for sequence } \langle a_i, \dots, a_n \rangle$

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Want $P(1)$.

$$P(i) = \min_{\substack{j \in \{i+1, \dots, n+1\} \\ a_i + \dots + a_{j-1} \leq L}} \left(P(j) + \underbrace{(L - (a_i + \dots + a_{j-1}))^2}_{\text{penalty}} \right)$$

Alternative 2: graph version ...

define graph where

"states" \rightarrow vertices are $i \in \{1, \dots, n+1\}$
 "transitions" \rightarrow place edge $i \rightarrow j$ of weight $\underbrace{(L - (a_i + \dots + a_{j-1}))^2}_{\text{penalty}}$
 if $a_i + \dots + a_{j-1} \leq L, j > i$.

Find shortest path from 1 to $n+1$.

DAG

Longest Common Subsequence (LCS) Problem

Given 2 strings $a = a_1 a_2 \dots a_n$
 $b = b_1 b_2 \dots b_n$

find longest string that is a subseq of both a & b

e.g. ~~0~~ 1 0 ~~3~~ 2 1
 1 0 3 2 0 1 0 2
 - - - - -
 ↑ ↑

1 0 3 2 1

(appl's: compare strings/
 files/
 DNAs)

min # char deletes
 + # char inserts
 "edit distance"

Define subproblems: for $i=0, \dots, m, j=0, \dots, n,$

let $C(i,j) =$ length of LCS of
 a_1, \dots, a_i & b_1, \dots, b_j

Want $C(m,n).$

Base cases. $C(i,0) = 0 \quad \forall i$
 $C(0,j) = 0 \quad \forall j$

Recursive formula:

Case 1. sol'n not use a_i
 $\Rightarrow C(i,j) = C(i-1,j).$

Case 2. sol'n not use b_j
 $\Rightarrow C(i,j) = C(i,j-1)$

Case 3. sol'n uses a_i & uses b_j with $a_i = b_j$.
 $\Rightarrow C(i,j) = C(i-1,j-1) + 1$

but don't know which case,
so try all & take max

$$\Rightarrow \underline{C(i,j)} = \begin{cases} \max \{ \underline{C(i-1,j)}, \underline{C(i,j-1)}, \underline{C(i-1,j-1)+1} \} & \text{if } a_i = b_j \\ \max \{ C(i-1,j), C(i,j-1) \} & \text{if } a_i \neq b_j \end{cases}$$

Evaluation order: $\begin{cases} \text{increas. order of } i \\ \text{same } i : \text{ increas order of } j \end{cases}$

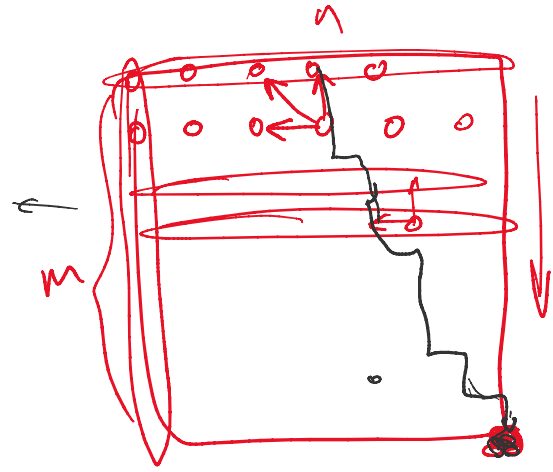
for $i=1$ to m
 for $j=1$ to n

table entries = $O(mn)$

time per entry = $O(1)$

\Rightarrow $O(mn)$ time

$O(mn)$ space



Rmk - can improve space to $O(n)$
 by remembering only last 2 rows

How to output opt sol'n?

output-sol(i, j)

if $i=0$ or $j=0$ return
 if $C[i, j] = C[i-1, j-1] + 1$ & $a_i = b_j$
 output-sol($i-1, j-1$), output a_i

else if $C[i, j] = C[i-1, j]$
 output-sol($i-1, j$)

else output-sol($i, j-1$)

call output-sol(m, n)

$O(m \times n)$
 time

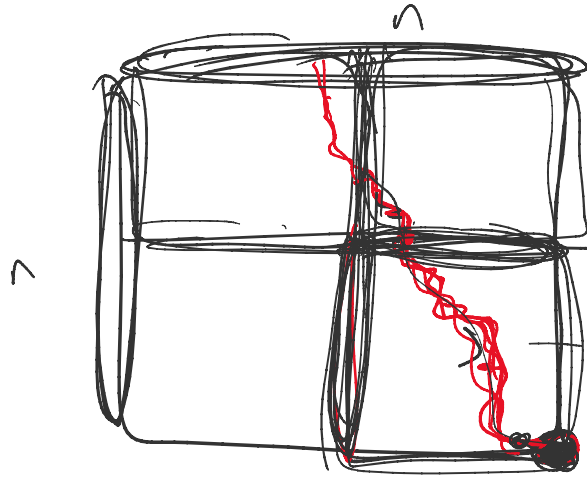
but space goes back up to $O(mn)$
 unfortunately!

Space Improvement: (Hirschberg '75 /
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Suppose $m=n$.

idea - divide & conquer!



$$T(n) = 3 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \cancel{O(n^2)} \Rightarrow T(n) = O(n^2)$$

$$S(n) = \cancel{S\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)} + \cancel{O(n)} \Rightarrow S(n) = O(n)$$