

Use Case - 1

use case - finding the winning strategy in a card game in python

Problem Description:

Imagine a card game where each player receives a hand of card with values the objective is to find the best way to maximize cost from the remaining pile

Assumptions

- each player tries to max their score
- cards are represented by integers which indicates their values
- two players alternate turns & each player picks a card from either the beginning or end of the list

plan: we can solve problem dynamic programming by calculate the optimal score for every possible scenario

steps: Define the game: Represent the pile of card as list of integers

- 2) Recursive strategy
- 3) Dynamic Program
- 4) Basic case

Program `def find_optimal_strategy(cards):`
`n = len(cards)`

`# create a memorization table to store sub problem result`

`dp = [0] * n for i in range(n)`

`# fill the table for sub problem of increasing size`

`for length in range(1)`

`j = ++ length`

`else:`

`# choose best of two choice`

Example work through:

consider the array of cards: [3, 9, 1, 2]
optimizing strategy:

By using dynamic programming we ensure that the solution is computed efficiently avoiding redundant calculations. This approach ensures both players play optimally and the first player gets the highest score possible given the opponent's best move.

choose the best of two choices

1. Take the left card, and the opponent plays optimally on the remaining $(i+1, j)$

2. Take the right card, and the opponent plays optimally on the remaining $(i, j-1)$

take_left = $\text{cards}[i] - \text{dp}[i+1][j]$

take_right = $\text{card}[j] - \text{dp}[i][j-1]$

$\text{dp}[i][j] = \max(\text{take_left}, \text{take_right})$

return $(\text{dp}[0][n-1] + \text{sum}(\text{card})) / 2$

player's maximum possible score

example case

card = [3, 9, 1, 2]

print("first player's optimal score:")

find_optimal_strategy(cards)

Example: $[3, 9, 1, 2]$

consider the array of cards $[3, 9, 1, 2]$

1. first player (you) can choose between:

- Taking the leftmost card (3),
leaving the card $[9, 1, 2]$.
- Taking the rightmost card (2),
leaving the cards $[3, 9, 1]$.

2. The opponent will then make their turn, playing optimally to minimize the first player's score.

This program computes the best possible outcome for the first player.

first player's optimal score: 5
first player, if played optimally, can guarantee a score of 5 regardless of how the opponent plays.

Optimizing strategies

By using dynamic programming, we ensure that the solution is computed efficiently avoiding optimality. & the

✓ First ensure first player gets the highest score possible given the opponent's best move

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