Recap:

① Basic idea of problem solving : Template + Variation → Problem solved

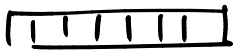
② Time Complexity → Demo : Bulb toggle problem using code
$O(nq) \rightarrow O(n+q)$

③ 1st DS : Arrays → Recursion : linear recursion (1 call) Eg. factorial

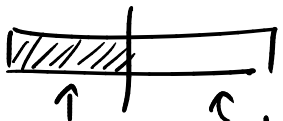
Every recursion :
a) Base cond^n
b) Problem decomposition : Tree-based recursion (2 calls) Eg. fibonacci
c) Problem Recomposition.

a) → Trivial b) → Assume it gives us the ans. c) Just figure how you will combine the partial ans.

④ Sorting → $O(n^2)$: Bubble sort → no good
→ $O(n \log n)$: Merge sort
Quicksort → partition f^n



if cond^n :
swap(,)



cond^n is satisfied

elements that don't satisfy the cond^n

Rearrangement problems.
a) Alternate +ve -ve
b) Alternate even odd
c) Push zeros to the end
d) DNF problem an [0,1,2...] sort it. per element.

⑤ Searching : → linear search $O(n)$ search $O(1)$ insertion
: Binary search $O(\log n)$ search $O(n)$ insert.

Use binary search to find optimal value in a range.
1. output you want → mid
2. You find the range for this mid.
3. When you will move left & when right.

uniqueness ← set & map → freq

Hashing O(1) search O(1) Insert.

← Complicated → readymade available sol?

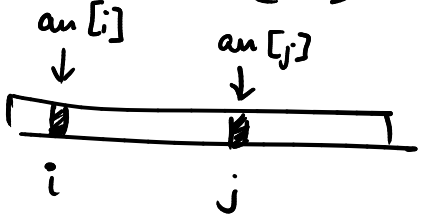
Bucketsort.

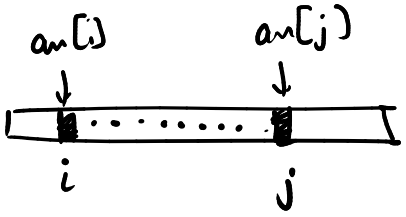
In future (trees) O(log n) search O(log n) Insert

Binary Search Tree (BST)

with no extra space.

⑥ 2 pointers :





i and j will change based on some rules

→ 2 pointer method.

i & j ⇒ imp.

all elements bet? i & j

sliding window technique →

Simplest standard problems.

① 2 Sum problem. Q. arr = [a1, a2, a3, a4 ...] Sum = 12

Is there a pair of elements that can give me this sum ?

Bruteforce : # no. of pairs possible with n elements = $^nC_2 = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$

[1, 2, 3, 4]

(1,2) (2,3) (3,4)
(1,3) (2,4)
(1,4)

T.C ~ $O(n^2)$

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for (int i = 0 ; i < n-1 ; i++)
    for (int j = i+1 ; j < n ; j++)
        print (arr[i], arr[j])
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Optimized : 1. sort the array → sort( )

sum = 12

arr = [1 3 4 6 7 9 10 11 13]

i (start) → ; j (end) ←

pair_sum <= sum → i++

pair_sum > sum → j--

i=0

while (i != j) j = len-1

if arr[i] + arr[j] == sum :

Use the higher scope array. → save this pair

i++

else if arr[i] + arr[j] < sum :

i++

else :

j--

1 + 13 = 14 > 12

(1,11) 1 + 11 = 12

3 + 11 = 14 > 12

3 + 10 = 13 > 12

(3,9) 3 + 9 = 12.

4 + 9 = 13 > 12

4 + 7 = 11 < 12

6 + 7 = 13 > 12

O(n)

T.C. O(nlogn) + O(n)

~ O(nlogn).

Strings. (problems) → also valid array problems

→ string-specific problems (pattern matching) → x

str = "malayalam"

str[2] = 'l'

Sorting. strings ✓

1 particular string → sort characters.

strings → length / reverse of string

str = "abcbcbca"

find "bcbc" 2 times.

hashing : bucketsort. map the characters → freq.

unique names → sets

2 pointer : 2 sum

Q. How will you identify if a string is palindrome?

i<j

while (i<j) :

if str[i] == str[j] :

i++, j--

else return false

return true

str = m a l a y a l a m

i i i i j j j j

DP.

abba

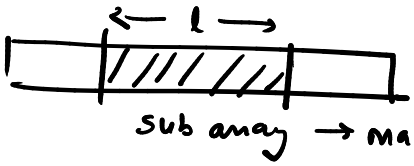
i i j j

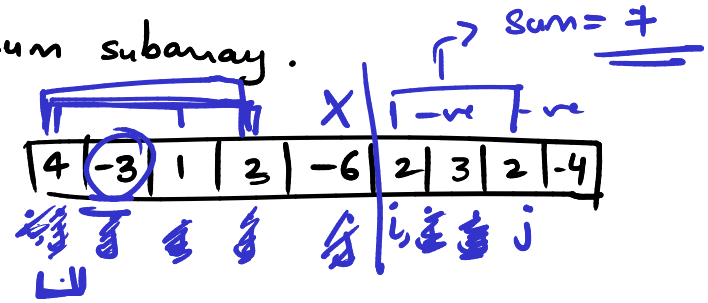
Moral of story : Whatever you lean for arrays → transfer to strings.

2 pointer method : i → ←j , next: i → j →

classic question.

Kadane's algo : Max sum subarray.





current_sum=0 → sum of all elements between i & j

max_sum=0 → largest sum seen so far.

ans=5

0,3

cum_sum = 0

4

= 1 (+ve)

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= 2

= 5

= -1 (-ve), = 0, j++

i=j

cum_sum += arr[j]

j++

cum_sum = 2

= 5

= 7

= 3

max_sum = 0

= 4

= 4

= 4

= 5

max_sum = 7

ans = max_sum (7)

cum_sum = max_sum = i = j = 0, sub_i, sub_j

while j<n:

if curr_sum > 0:

cum_sum += arr[j]

j++

max_sum = max(max_sum, cum_sum)

if max_sum < curr_sum:

max_sum = curr_sum

sub_i = i

sub_j = j

Kadane's algo

O(n)

else:

cum_sum = 0

j++

i=j

Reset phase

return max_sum

Sliding window problem.

i & j → valuable → but everything in between.

Container ← window.

Q. string s = "pwwkew"

longest substring with no duplicates.

99% set map

set → uniqueness

map → freq

array → in order

max length of substring with no duplicates → 3.

FCFS queue

LCFS stack.

Logic: → Container

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set<char> seen;
max_length = 0, i = j = 0

while (j < n):
    if !seen.find(s[j]) :        // not present
        j++
        seen.insert(s[j])
        max_length = max(max_length, j-i+1)
    else :                       // duplicate found
        { seen.remove(s[i])
          i++ }
return max_length
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abcdc
i j

I am not updating the 'j'. ✗

Hard Leetcode

Q. s = "adobecodebanc" → abanc

t = "abc"

o/p: that substring

" " if no substring is found

Q. Find the shortest substring in s such that all chars of t are available in that substring.

t → duplicates: a = "baba" t = "aa" o/p: "aba"