

Review

The DSelect Algorithm

Elements that are $>$ or $<$ m

$$3 \left(\left\lceil \frac{1}{2} \left\lceil \frac{n}{5} \right\rceil \right\rceil - 2 \right) \geq \frac{3n}{10} - 6$$

Thus, the *upper bound* of the number of elements we put into the recursive call:

$$n - \left(\frac{3n}{10} - 6 \right) = \frac{7n}{10} + 6$$

Recurrence

With this in mind, our recursion complexity looks along the lines of

$$T(N) = \begin{cases} 1, N = 1 \\ T(n) \leq cn + T\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + T\left(\frac{7n}{10}\right) \end{cases}$$

Hope and Check

Hope: There is some constant a [independent of n] such that $T(n) \leq an, \forall n \geq 1$
If true, $T(n) = O(n)$

Analysis

Claim: Let $a = 10c$, then $T(n) \leq an, \forall n \geq 1$

Proof: By induction on n .

Base Case: $T(1) = 1 \leq a \times 1 (n = 1, \text{ since } a \geq 1)$

Induction Step: $n > 1$

Induction Hypothesis: $T(k) \leq a \times k$, for $k < n$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have } T(n) &\leq cn + T(n/5) + T\left(\frac{7n}{10}\right) \\ &\leq cn + a(n/5) + a\left(\frac{7n}{10}\right) \\ &= n\left(c + \frac{9a}{10}\right) = an \end{aligned}$$

Dynamic Programming

Dynamic programming is a method for designing efficient algorithms for recursively solvable problems with the following properties:

1. Optimal Substructure: An optimal solution to an instance contains an optimal solution to its sub-instances
2. Overlapping Subproblems: The number of subproblems is small so during the recursion same instances are referred to over and over again.

Basically fancy recursion

Four steps in solving a problem using dynamic programming:

1. Characterize the structure
2. Recursively define the value of a solution
- 3.

A more refined / intuitive list: ¹

1. Define subproblems
2. Write down the recurrence that relates the subproblems
3. Recognize and solve the best cases

Fibonacci

Sequence: 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, ...

Naive Recursion Approach

```
def fib(n):  
    if n <= 2:  
        return 1  
    return fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2)
```

Runtime

$O(2^n)$ We calculate the same value multiple times.

$$T(n) = T(n - 1) + T(n - 2) + 2$$

¹Recursion + memorization

Memoized DP Approach

```
memo = {}
def fib(n):
    if n in memo: return memo[n]
    if n <= 2:
        f = 1
    else
        f = fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2)
    memo[n] = f
    return f
```

Bottom-Up DP Approach

```
fib = {}
for k in range(n):
    if k <= 2:
        f = 1
    else:
        f = fib[k - 1] + fib[k - 2]
    fib[k] = f
return fib[n]
```

Coin Change

Given n , find the number of different ways to write n as the sum of 1, 3, 4

Example: $n = 5$

$$\begin{aligned} 5 &= 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\ &= 1 + 1 + 3 \\ &= 1 + 3 + 1 \\ &= 3 + 1 + 1 \\ &= 1 + 4 \\ &= 4 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= 1 + 1 + 3$$

Define Subproblems

Let D_n be the number of ways to write n as the sum of 1, 3, 4

Find the recurrence

1. Consider one possible solution $n = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m$
2. If $x_m = 1$, the rest of the terms must sum to $n - 1$
3. Thus, the number of sums that end with $x_m = 1$ is equal to D_{n-1}
4. Take other cases into account ($x_m = 3, x_m = 4$)

$$D_n = D_{n-1} + D_{n-3} + D_{n-4}$$

Base Cases

$$D_0 = 1$$

$$D_1 = 1$$