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**Title: Study, Implementation, and Analysis of the Longest Common Subsequence Algorithm.**

**Objective:** To compute longest common subsequence for the given two strings.

**CO to be achieved:**

CO 2	Analyze and solve problems for divide and conquer strategy, greedy method, dynamic programming approach and backtracking and branch & bound policies.
CO 3	Analyze and solve problems for different string matching algorithms.

**Books/ Journals/ Websites referred:**

1. Ellis horowitz, Sarataj Sahni, S.Rajsekaran," Fundamentals of computer algorithm", University Press
2. T.H.Cormen ,C.E.Leiserson,R.L.Rivest and C.Stein," Introduction to algortihms",2nd Edition ,MIT press/McGraw Hill,2001
3. <http://www.math.utah.edu/~alfeld/queens/queens>.

**Pre Lab/ Prior Concepts:**

Data structures, Concepts of algorithm analysis

**Historical Profile:**

Given 2 sequences,  $X = x_1, \dots, x_m$  and  $Y = y_1, \dots, y_n$ , find a subsequence common to both whose length is longest. A subsequence doesn't have to be consecutive, but it has to be in order.

**New Concepts to be learned:**

String matching algorithm, Dynamic programming approach for LCS, Applications of LCS.



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**Recursive Formulation:**

Define  $c[i, j]$  = length of LCS of  $X_i$  and  $Y_j$ .  
Final answer will be computed with  $c[m, n]$ .

```
c[i, j]=0  
if i=0 or j=0.  
c[i, j]= c[i - 1, j - 1] + 1  
if i,j>0 and xi=yj  
  
c[i, j]= max(c[i - 1, j ], c[i, j - 1])  
if i, j > 0 and xi <> yj
```

**Algorithm: Longest Common Subsequence**

**Compute length of optimal solution-**

```
LCS-LENGTH ( X , Y, m, n )  
for i ← 1 to m  
    do c[i, 0] ← 0  
for j ← 0 to n  
    do c[0, j] ← 0  
for i ← 1 to m  
    do for j ← 1 to n  
        do if xi = yj  
            then c[i, j] ← c[i - 1, j - 1] + 1  
                b[i, j] ← “≈”  
            else if c[i - 1, j ] ≥ c[i, j - 1]  
                then c[i, j] ← c[i - 1, j ]  
                    b[i, j] ← “↑”  
                else c[i, j] ← c[i, j - 1]  
                    b[i, j] ← “←”  
return c and b
```

**Print the solution-**

```
PRINT-LCS(b, X, i, j )  
if i = 0 or j = 0  
    then return  
if b[i, j ] = “≈”  
    then PRINT-LCS(b, X , i - 1, j - 1)  
        print xi  
elseif b[i, j ] = “↑”  
    then PRINT-LCS(b, X , i - 1, j )  
else PRINT-LCS(b, X , i, j - 1)
```

Initial call is  $\text{PRINT-LCS}(b, X, m, n)$ .

$b[i, j]$  points to table entry whose subproblem we used in solving LCS of  $X_i$  and  $Y_j$ . When  $b[i, j] = \approx$ , we have extended LCS by one character. So longest common subsequence = entries with  $\approx$  in them.



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Example: LCS computation

Longest Common Subsequence

Q. ACTGTA<sub>G</sub>, ACTAC<sub>G</sub>

A C G T A C G	)
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	
A 0 ① 1 1 1 1 1 1	
C 0 1 ② 2 2 2 2 2	
T 0 1 2 2 ③ 3 3 3	
A 0 1 2 2 3 ④ 4 4	
C 0 1 2 2 3 4 ⑤ 5	ACTAC <sub>G</sub>
G 0 1 2 3 3 4 5 ⑥	

Sequence → ACTAC<sub>G</sub>

If ( $x[i] == y[j]$ ),  $c[i][j] = 1 + c[i-1][j-1]$   
otherwise  $c[i][j] = \max(c[i][j-1], c[j-1][i])$

Time Complexity: O(m\*n)

$m \rightarrow$  length of string 1  
 $n \rightarrow$  length of string 2

~~8 1 4 1 2 5~~



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### **Analysis of LCS computation**

Time Complexity:  $O(m * n)$

Space Complexity:  $O(m * n)$



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**Code:**

```
import java.util.Scanner;

class lcs {
    static void lcs(String S1, String S2, int m, int n) {
        int[][] table = new int[m + 1][n + 1];

        for (int i = 0; i <= m; i++) {
            for (int j = 0; j <= n; j++) {
                if (i == 0 || j == 0)
                    table[i][j] = 0;
                else if (S1.charAt(i - 1) == S2.charAt(j - 1))
                    table[i][j] = table[i - 1][j - 1] + 1;
                else
                    table[i][j] = Math.max(table[i - 1][j], table[i][j - 1]);
            }
        }

        int index = table[m][n];
        int temp = index;

        char[] lcs = new char[index + 1];
        lcs[index] = '\0';

        int i = m, j = n;
        while (i > 0 && j > 0) {
            if (S1.charAt(i - 1) == S2.charAt(j - 1)) {
                lcs[index - 1] = S1.charAt(i - 1);

                i--;
                j--;
                index--;
            }

            else if (table[i - 1][j] > table[i][j - 1])
                i--;
            else
                j--;
        }

        // Printing the sub sequences
        System.out.print("S1 : " + S1 + "\nS2 : " + S2 + "\nLCS: ");
        for (int k = 0; k <= temp; k++)
            System.out.print(lcs[k]);
        System.out.println("");
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
```



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```
Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.println("Enter the first string: ");
String S1 = sc.nextLine();
System.out.println("Enter the second string: ");
String S2 = sc.nextLine();

int m = S1.length();
int n = S2.length();
lcs(S1, S2, m, n);
}
}
```

**Output:**

```
Enter the first string:
ACGTACG
Enter the second string:
ACTACG
S1 : ACGTACG
S2 : ACTACG
LCS: ACTACG
```

**Algorithm:**

The dynamic programming (DP) approach is a more efficient way to solve the longest common subsequence problem. It avoids redundant calculations by storing the results of subproblems in a table, which can be reused.

This approach builds a 2D table where the entry at  $dp[i][j]$  represents the length of the LCS of the first  $i$  characters of the first string and the first  $j$  characters of the second string.

**Advantages:**

The DP approach has a time complexity of  $O(m * n)$  and space complexity of  $O(m * n)$ , making it much more efficient than the recursive approach.

**CONCLUSION:**

The above experiment highlights implementation of LCS in Java using dynamic programming (DP) approach.