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# EECS 376 Discussion 4

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# Agenda

- ▶ DP Recap
- ▶ 0-1 Knapsack
- ▶ Worksheet Problems

# DP Recap

Lecture Notes

# DP Recipe

- ▶ Write recurrence
  - ▶ Choose the subject of recurrence
  - ▶ Base case(s)
  - ▶ Form optimal sub-solution (“up to this point”)
- ▶ Size of table (Dimensions? Range of each dimensions?)
- ▶ To fill in cell, which other cells do I look at?
- ▶ Which cell(s) contain the final answer?
- ▶ Reconstructing solution: Follow arrows from final answer to base case

# Reconstructing Solution

## 5. A pebble game.

Many two-player strategic games, like the several variants of **Nim**, can be modeled as follows. There is a directed acyclic graph  $G = (V, E)$  presented in topological order: the vertices are labeled as  $V = \{1, \dots, n\}$ , and every edge  $(u, v) \in E$  has  $u < v$ . Moreover, every vertex  $i < n$  has at least one outgoing edge.

Two players, called maize and blue, take turns in the following game on this graph. They start with a pebble at vertex 1, and maize plays first. On each turn, the acting player must move the pebble from the current vertex  $u$  to a new vertex  $v$  along some edge  $(u, v) \in E$  of the graph, of the acting player's choice. If a player moves the pebble to vertex  $n$  (the final one), then that player wins the game.

Give a dynamic-programming algorithm that, given the graph  $G$  as input, determines which player can be guaranteed a win by playing perfectly, no matter how the opponent plays.

### ► Recurrence Relation:

$$W(i) = \begin{cases} \text{false} & \text{if } i = n, \\ \bigvee_{j:(i,j) \in E} \neg W(j) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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- ▶ Bottom-up solution:

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1: allocate table  $W[1 \dots n]$  of booleans
2:  $W[n] = \text{false}$ 
3: for  $i = n - 1$  down to 1 do
4:    $W[i] \leftarrow \text{false}$ 
5:   for all edges  $(i, j) \in E$  (walk the adjacency list of  $i$ ) do
6:     if  $W[j] = \text{false}$  then  $W[i] \leftarrow \text{true}$ 
```

- ▶ Suppose the pebble is currently at position 1 and it's your turn
- ▶ Task: Reconstructing solution (winning strategy), return NULL if none exist
- ▶ DP recipe says “Follow arrows from final answer to base case”
  - ▶ Where is the final answer?
  - ▶ Where is the base case?

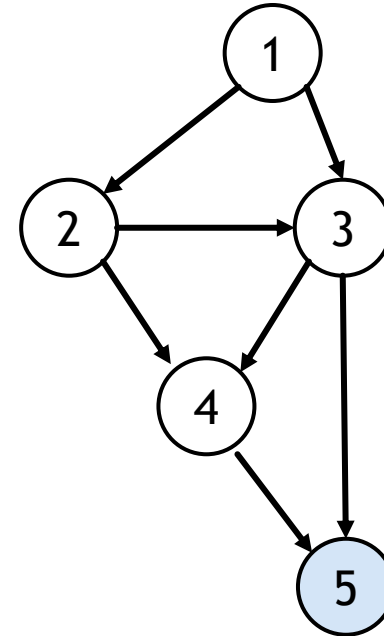
# Reconstructing Solution: Demo

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i	1	2	3	4	5
W[i]					

For node 5

- Base case:  $W[5] = \text{F}$



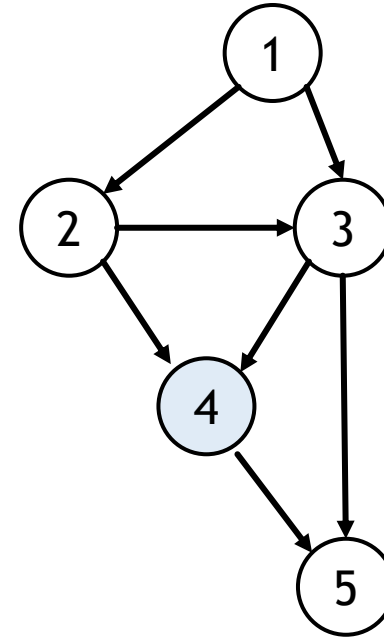
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W[i]					F

For node 4

- $W[5] = \text{F} \rightarrow W[4] = \text{T}$





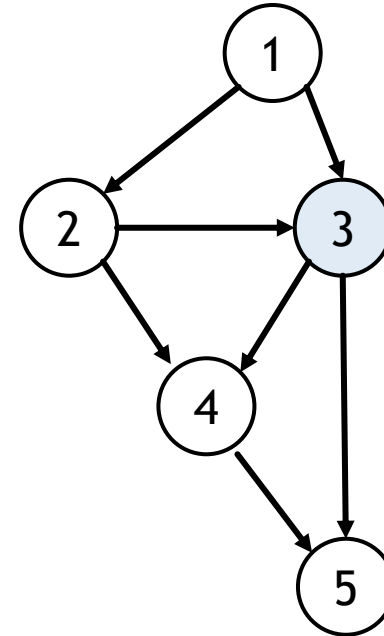
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i	1	2	3	4	5
$W[i]$				T	F

For node 3

- $W[4] = \text{T}$
- $W[5] = \text{F} \rightarrow W[3] = \text{T}$



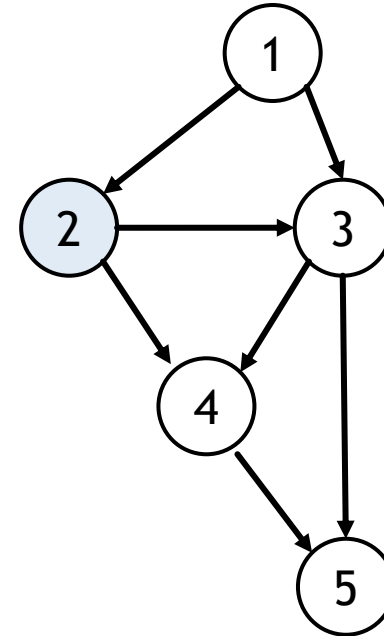
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6:     if  $W[j] = \text{false}$  then  $W[i] \leftarrow \text{true}$ 
```

i	1	2	3	4	5
W[i]			T	T	F

For node 2

- $W[3] = \text{T}$
- $W[4] = \text{T}$
- No adjacent False node  $\rightarrow W[2] = \text{F}$



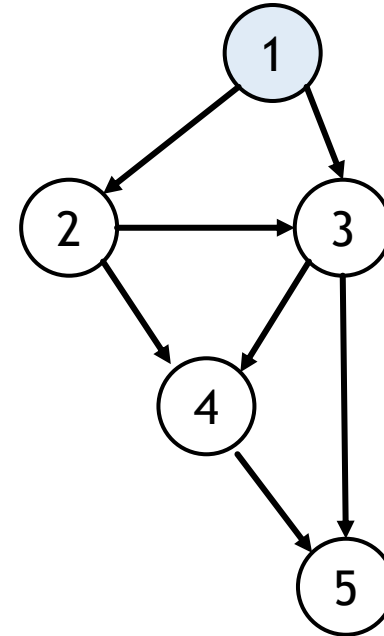
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6:     if  $W[j] = \text{false}$  then  $W[i] \leftarrow \text{true}$ 
```

i	1	2	3	4	5
W[i]		F	T	T	F

For node 1

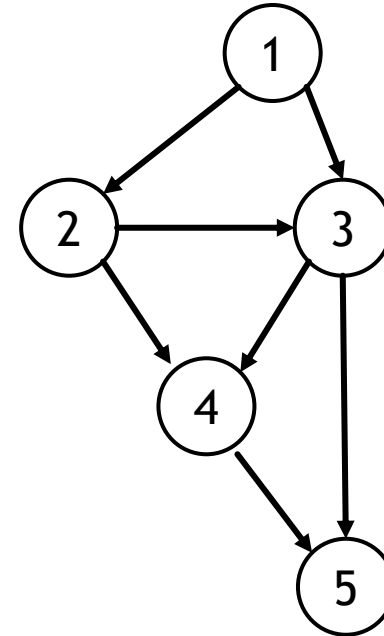
- $W[3] = \text{T}$
- $W[2] = \text{F} \rightarrow W[1] = \text{T}$



# Reconstructing Solution: Demo

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6:     if  $W[j] = \text{false}$  then  $W[i] \leftarrow \text{true}$ 
```

$i$	1	2	3	4	5
$W[i]$	T	F	T	T	F

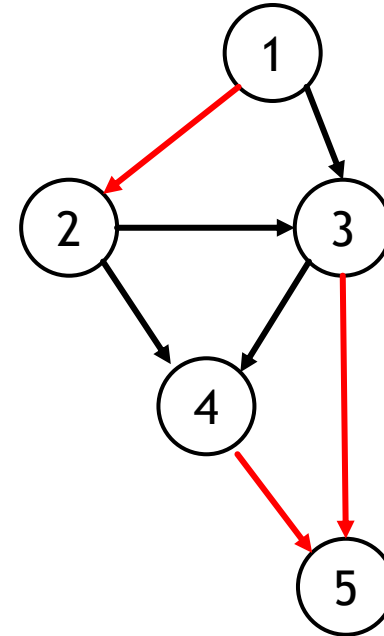


- ▶ Suppose the pebble is at node 1 during your turn, where should you move it to?
- ▶ Key observation: Whenever  $W[i] = \text{True}$ , **there must be some adjacent node  $j$  such that  $W[j] = \text{False}$** 
  - ▶ Use that to draw the arrow!

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i	1	2	3	4	5
$W[i]$	T	F	T	T	F
$W[j]$ that yield $W[i] = \text{T}$ , if any	2	NULL	5	5	NULL



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- ▶ Key observation: Whenever  $W[i] = \text{True}$ , **there must be some adjacent node  $j$  such that  $W[j] = \text{False}$** 
  - ▶ Use that to draw the arrow!
  - ▶ Here, the arrow tells us the next step when the pebble is at node  $i$  (with winning strategy)

# Reconstructing Solution: Takeaway

- ▶ Identify the cell containing **final solution**,  $c_s$
- ▶ Identify the cell containing the **base case**
- ▶ **Track** all the cells used to fill  $c_s$ , cells used to fill those cells, ..., all the way to the base case
- ▶ **Remark:** In OOP, it might be easier to represent each cell as an object and store the “where I come from” info

# 0-1 Knapsack

# 0-1 Knapsack Set-Up

- ▶ You have a set of  $n$  items, each with weight  $w_i$  and value  $v_i$ , and you have a knapsack with maximum weight capacity  $C$
- ▶ Inputs:
  - ▶  $n$ -length array of positive integer weights  $W = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$
  - ▶  $n$ -length array of positive integer values  $V = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$
  - ▶ Capacity of the knapsack  $C \in \mathbb{N}$
- ▶ Goal: pick a subset of items  $S \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  that maximizes the value of the knapsack  $\sum_{i \in S} v_i$ , while staying within the capacity  $\sum_{i \in S} w_i \leq C$



# 0-1 Knapsack Recurrence

## ▶ Step 1: Subject of recurrence

- ▶ Let  $K(i, j)$  be an optimal knapsack solution using only **items up to index  $i$** , and having **capacity only up to  $j$**

## ▶ Step 2: Base cases

- ▶  $i = 0$  (No item) or  $j = 0$  (no space):  $K(i, j) = 0$
- ▶  $w_i > j$  (Not enough space to consider item  $i$ ):  $K(i, j) = K(i - 1, j)$

## ▶ Step 3: Optimal sub-solution

- ▶ [Sub-solution] For items 1, ...,  $i$ , how do we reduce the problem?
  - ▶ Deal with [Items 1, ...,  $i-1$ ] and [Item  $i$ ] separately
  - ▶ Q: What would happen if we take item  $i$  in the knapsack?
    - ▶ Capacity reduces by  $w_i$ , total value increases by  $v_i$
    - ▶ Else: Both capacity and total value remain unchanged
- ▶ [Optimal] **Choose** between whether to include the  $i$ th item
  - ▶ Maximization problem: Use **max**
  - ▶ Objective function?  $K(i, C) = \max\{K(i - 1, C - w_i) + v_i, K(i - 1, C)\}$

# DP Implementations

- ▶ Top-down recursion
- ▶ Top-down memorization
- ▶ Bottom-up (iterative)
- ▶ For this class we usually expect the algorithms to be implemented bottom-up

# Top Down Recursive Approach

- ▶ Implement the recursion as in the recurrence

- ▶ **Runtime:**  $O(2^n)$

- ▶ **Space:**  $O(n)$

**Input:** Integers  $n, C$ , arrays  $W, V$ . Again, note the 1-based indexing.  
**Output:** The maximum total value of objects the Knapsack can hold

```
1: function KNAPSACK( $n, C, W, V$ )
2:   if  $n = 0$  or  $C = 0$  then
3:     return 0
4:   if  $W[n] > C$  then
5:     return Knapsack( $n - 1, C, W, V$ )
6:   return max(Knapsack( $n - 1, C - W[n], W, V$ ) +  $V[n]$ , Knapsack( $n - 1, C, W, V$ ))
```

- ▶ Advantages

- ▶ **Easy to translate** from recurrence relation
- ▶ No additional **data structures** necessary

- ▶ Disadvantages

- ▶ A lot of recursive calls- **may not be time-efficient**
- ▶ Correctness proof is usually **harder**
  - ▶ Not as smooth as bottom up- imagine proving by induction  $P(k) \Rightarrow P(k + 1)$ , but we can't do that with recursive top-down

# Top Down Memoization Approach

- ▶ Same as before, but include a memo recording **results of previous recursive calls**

- ▶ **Runtime:**  $O(n \cdot C)$

- ▶ **Space:**  $O(n \cdot C)$

**Input:** Integers  $n, C$ , arrays  $W, V$ , and lookup-table  $DP$  with values initialized to -1. Again, note the 1-based indexing.

**Output:** The maximum total value of objects the Knapsack can hold

```
1: function KNAPSACK( $n, C, W, V, DP$ )
2:   if  $n = 0$  or  $C = 0$  then
3:     return 0
4:   if  $DP[n - 1][C] = -1$  then
5:      $DP[n - 1][C] \leftarrow \text{Knapsack}(n - 1, C, W, V, DP)$ 
6:   if  $W[n] > C$  then
7:     return  $DP[n - 1][C]$ 
8:   if  $DP[n - 1][C - W[n]] = -1$  then
9:      $DP[n - 1][C - W[n]] \leftarrow \text{Knapsack}(n - 1, C - W[n], W, V, DP)$ 
10:  return  $\max(DP[n - 1][C - W[n]] + V[n], DP[n - 1][C])$ 
```

- ▶ Advantages:

- ▶ Usually much **better time-complexity than top-down recursion**
- ▶ While harder than recursion, the logic is often **more intuitive** than bottom-up

- ▶ Disadvantage:

- ▶ May still be **slower than bottom up**

# Bottom Up Iterative Approach

- ▶ Build the table **without recursion**

- ▶ Iterate **over previous results** to fill the cells

- ▶ **Runtime:**  $O(n \cdot C)$

- ▶ **Space:**  $O(n \cdot C)$

**Input:** Integers  $n, C$ , arrays  $W, V$ , and memo table  $DP$ .

**Output:** The maximum total value of objects the Knapsack can hold

```
1: function KNAPSACK( $n, C, W, V$ )
2:    $DP[n][C] \leftarrow -1$                                 ▷ Initialize values in lookup-table to -1
3:   for  $i = 0 : n$  do
4:      $DP[i][0] = 0$ 
5:   for  $j = 0 : C$  do
6:      $DP[0][j] = 0$ 
7:   for  $i = 1 : n$  do
8:     for  $j = 1 : C$  do
9:       if  $W[i] > j$  then
10:         $DP[i][j] = DP[i - 1][j]$ 
11:       else
12:         $DP[i][j] = \max(DP[i - 1][j - W[i]] + V[i], DP[i - 1][j])$ 
13:   return  $DP[n][C]$ 
```

- ▶ Advantages:

- ▶ Almost **always fastest** in practice
- ▶ Easier to extend the algorithm to **reconstruct solution**
- ▶ [Practical] Don't have to worry about seg fault

- ▶ Disadvantage: Less intuitive

# Worksheet Problems

# Matrix Multiplication

$(M[1, \dots, n])$ : Given a sequence of matrices to multiply together, write a recurrence to determine the minimum number of element-element multiplications required (you may disregard additions).

As an example, suppose the sequence of matrices to multiply is  $ABC$ , where  $A$  is  $2 \times 3$ ,  $B$  is  $3 \times 4$ , and  $C$  is  $4 \times 5$ .

Computing  $(AB)C$  requires  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 + 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 = 64$  multiplications. Computing  $A(BC)$  requires  $3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 = 90$  multiplications. Therefore, the minimum number of multiplications required is 64.

The following is a short example of how to perform matrix multiplication:

If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{00} & b_{01} \\ b_{10} & b_{11} \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $AB = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00}b_{00} + a_{01}b_{10} & a_{00}b_{01} + a_{01}b_{11} \\ a_{10}b_{00} + a_{11}b_{10} & a_{10}b_{01} + a_{11}b_{11} \end{bmatrix}$ .

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- ▶ **Sanity check:** What is the number of multiplications in  $AB$  in terms of
  - ▶  $A.r$  = number of rows of matrix  $A$
  - ▶  $A.c$  = number of columns of matrix  $A$
  - ▶  $B.r$  = number of rows of matrix  $B$
  - ▶  $B.c$  = number of columns of matrix  $B$

$$\text{Ans: } A.r \cdot A.c \cdot B.c = A.r \cdot B.r \cdot B.c$$



# Matrix Multiplication Recurrence

## ► Step 1: Subject of recurrence

- Let  $L(i, j)$  = minimum number of multiplications to multiply matrices  $i$  through  $j$

## ► Step 2: Base cases

- $i = j$  (One matrix):  $M(i, j) = 0$

## ► Step 3: Optimal sub-solution

- [Sub-solution] For  $M_i M_{i+1} \dots M_j$ , how do we reduce the problem?
  - “Partition” by some  $k$ :  $(M_i \dots M_k)(M_{k+1} \dots M_j) = AB$
  - $A$  is  $M_i.r \times M_k.c$ ;  $B$  is  $M_{k+1}.r \times M_j.c = M_k.c \times M_j.c$
  - Number of multiplication to multiply  $AB$ ?  $M_i.r \cdot M_k.c \cdot M_j.c$  from previous slide
- [Optimal] **Choose** the best  $k$ 
  - Minimization problem: Use **min** across all  $k$ 's in range  $i \leq k < j$
  - Objective function?  $L(i, j) = \min_{i \leq k < j} (L(i, k) + L(k + 1, j) + M[i].r \cdot M[k].c \cdot M[j].c).$

# Edit Distance

Imagine that you are building a spellchecker for a word processor. When the spellchecker encounters an unknown word, you want it to suggest a word in its dictionary that the user might have meant (perhaps they made a typo). One way to generate this suggestion is to measure how “close” the typed word  $A$  is to a particular word  $B$  from the dictionary, and suggest the closest of all dictionary words. There are many ways to measure closeness; in this problem we will consider a measure known as the *edit distance*, denoted  $\text{EDIT-DIST}(A, B)$ .

In more detail, given a strings  $A$  and  $B$ , consider transforming  $A$  into  $B$  via character *insertions* ( $i$ ), *deletions* ( $d$ ), and *substitutions* ( $s$ ). For example, if  $A = \text{ALGORITHM}$  and  $B = \text{ALTRUISTIC}$ , then one way of transforming  $A$  into  $B$  is via the following operations:

A	L	G	O	R		I		T	H	M
A	L	T		R	U	I	S	T	I	C
		<i>s</i>	<i>d</i>		<i>i</i>		<i>i</i>		<i>s</i>	<i>s</i>

Write the base case(s) and recurrence for **EDIT-DIST**( $A, B$ ), the minimal cost of transforming string  $A$  to string  $B$ , parameterized by the following three numbers:

- $c_i$ , the cost to *insert* a character,
- $c_d$ , the cost to *delete* a character,
- $c_s$ , the cost to *substitute* a character.

# Edit Distance Recurrence

## ▶ Step 1: Subject of recurrence

- ▶ Suppose we have arrays  $A[1, \dots, n]$  and  $B[1, \dots, m]$
- ▶ Let  $ED(i, j)$  = edit distance from  $A[1, \dots, i]$  to  $B[1, \dots, j]$

## ▶ Step 2: Base cases

- ▶  $i = 0$  (A is empty):
  - ▶ Insert all  $j$  characters from B to A
  - ▶  $ED[0, j] = c_i \cdot j$
- ▶  $j = 0$  (B is empty):
  - ▶ Delete  $i$  characters from A
  - ▶  $ED[i, 0] = c_d \cdot i$

# Edit Distance Recurrence

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## ► Step 2: Base cases

- $i = 0$  (A is empty):  $ED[0, j] = c_i \cdot j$
- $j = 0$  (B is empty):  $ED[i, 0] = c_d \cdot i$

## ► Step 3: Optimal sub-solution

- [Sub-solution] From  $A[1, \dots, i]$  and  $B[1, \dots, j]$ , how do we reduce the problem?
  - Reduce into  $A[1, \dots, i-1]$  and  $B[1, \dots, j]$ , OR
  - $A[1, \dots, i]$  and  $B[1, \dots, j-1]$ , OR
  - $A[1, \dots, i-1]$  and  $B[1, \dots, j-1]$
  - How to know which one to recurse into?

# Edit Distance Recurrence

## ► Step 3: Optimal sub-solution

- [Sub-solution] From  $A[1, \dots, i]$  and  $B[1, \dots, j]$ , how do we reduce the problem?
  - Compare  $A[i]$  and  $B[j]$
  - If  $A[i] = B[j]$ , do nothing and recurse into  $A[1, \dots, i-1]$  and  $B[1, \dots, j-1]$
  - If  $A[i] \neq B[j]$ , what options do we have?
    - <sup>[1]</sup> Insert  $B[j]$  into  $A[i+1]$  then recurse into  $A[1, \dots, i]$  and  $B[1, \dots, j-1]$
    - <sup>[2]</sup> Delete  $A[i]$  then recurse into  $A[1, \dots, i-1]$  and  $B[1, \dots, j]$
    - <sup>[3]</sup> Substitute  $A[i]$  with  $B[j]$  then recurse into  $A[1, \dots, i-1]$  and  $B[1, \dots, j-1]$
- [Optimal] Choose the best option
  - If  $A[i] = B[j]$ , we don't have to choose:  $\mathbf{ED}(i, j) = \mathbf{ED}(i-1, j-1)$
  - If  $A[i] \neq B[j]$ , we have a minimization problem: Use min across options [1], [2], [3]

$$\mathbf{ED}(i, j) = \min \begin{cases} c_i + \mathbf{ED}(i, j-1) \\ c_d + \mathbf{ED}(i-1, j) \\ c_s + \mathbf{ED}(i-1, j-1) \end{cases}$$

# Longest Palindromic Subsequence

Given a string  $S$ , write a recurrence relation to determine the length of a longest subsequence of  $S$  (not necessarily a substring) that is a palindrome. Recall that a palindrome is a string which is the same forwards and backwards (e.g., “racecar”).

- ▶ Example:  $LPS(\text{“abca”}) = 3$  (“aba” or “aca”)
- ▶ **Step 1: Subject of recurrence**
  - ▶  $LPS[i, j]$  = length of the longest palindromic subsequence of  $S[i, \dots, j]$
- ▶ **Step 2: Base cases**
  - ▶  $i = j$  (string of length 1):  $LPS[i, j] = 1$
  - ▶  $i > j$  (invalid input):  $LPS[i, j] = 0$

# Longest Palindromic Subsequence

## ► Step 3: Optimal sub-solution

- [Sub-solution] From  $S[i, \dots, j]$ , how to reduce the problem?
  - Compare  $S[i]$  and  $S[j]$
  - If  $S[i] = S[j]$ , add 2 and recurse into  $S[i+1, \dots, j-1]$
  - If  $S[i] \neq S[j]$ , what options do we have?
    - [1] Recurse into  $S[i+1, \dots, j]$
    - [2] Recurse into  $S[i, \dots, j-1]$
- [Optimal] Choose the best option
  - If  $A[i] = B[j]$ , we don't have to choose:  $2 + LPS[i+1, j-1]$
  - If  $A[i] \neq B[j]$ , we have a maximization problem: Use **max** across options [1] and [2]  
$$\max\{LPS[i+1, j], LPS[i, j-1]\}$$

# DP Recurrence- Takeaway

## ▶ Step 1: Define the subject of recurrence

- ▶ Is this a 1D DP problem? 2D? What **dimension** do we want to do it in?
- ▶ In which/ how many **direction(s)** do we want to **reduce** the problem?

## ▶ Step 2: Identify the base case(s)

- ▶ In what situation(s) we **can't reduce** the problem **further**?
- ▶ Is there any **special cases**?

## ▶ Step 3: Construct (optimal) sub-solution

- ▶ Sub-solution:
  - ▶ [Sub] How to **reduce** the problem to **smaller** version of the same problem?
  - ▶ [Solution] How to **combine** the result so that the **overall result is correct**?
  - ▶ If [some condition] is/ isn't satisfied, what options do we have?
- ▶ Optimal: (only for optimization problem)
  - ▶ Is it a **maximization** or **minimization** problem?
  - ▶ What is/ are the **variable(s)** we're taking max/ min over?
  - ▶ What is **the objective function** to be maximize/ minimize?