

Design and Analysis of Algorithms Assignment

Question 1:

1. Consider another variation of the binary search algorithm so that it splits the input not only into two sets of almost equal sizes, but into two sets of sizes approximately one-third and two-thirds. Write down the recurrence for this search algorithm and the asymptotic complexity of this algorithm.

Answer to Question 1:

Homework Assignment

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graph TD
    Tn["T(n)"] --> Tn3["T(n/3)"]
    Tn --> T2n3["T(2n/3)"]
    Tn3 --> Tn9["T(n/9)"]
    Tn3 --> T2n9["T(2n/9)"]
    T2n3 --> T2n9_2["T(2n/9)"]
    T2n3 --> T4n9["T(4n/9)"]
    Tn9 --> T1_1["T(1)"]
    Tn9 --> T1_2["T(1)"]
    T2n9 --> T1_3["T(1)"]
    T2n9 --> T1_4["T(1)"]
    T2n9_2 --> T1_5["T(1)"]
    T2n9_2 --> T1_6["T(1)"]
    T4n9 --> T1_7["T(1)"]
    T4n9 --> T1_8["T(1)"]
  
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So from this recurrence tree of the binary search algorithm, we can see that a problem of size n has been divided into subproblems of size $n/3$ and $2n/3$.

The worst case ~~ex~~ occurs when the key to be searched lies in the rightmost index i.e. $n-1$. This means the ~~a~~ recursion skews right i.e. the recurrence relation is:

$$T(n) = T(2n/3) + C$$

↳ (cost of comparisons)

$$a=1 \quad b=\frac{3}{2} \quad f(n)=c$$
$$n^{\log_b a} = 1^{(0)} (n^{\log_{3/2} 1})$$

\Rightarrow Case (2)

as $f(n)$ is $\Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n)$ for $k=1$.

Hence, $T(n) = \Theta(\log n)$ as per Master Method.

Question 2:

2. Two different divide and conquer algorithms A and B have been designed for solving the problem π . A partitions π into 5 subproblems each of size $n/3$. Here n is the input size of π . It takes a total of $\theta(n^2)$ time for the partition and combine steps. B partitions π into 10 subproblems each of size $n/4$. Here n is the input size of π . It takes a total of $\theta(n^{1.8})$ time for the partition and combine steps. Which algorithm is preferable? Why?

Answer to Question 2:

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$$A: T(n) = 5T(n/3) + f_1(n) \Rightarrow \theta(n^2)$$

$$B: T(n) = 10T(n/4) + f_2(n) \Rightarrow \theta(n^{1.8})$$

$$A: n^{\log_3 5} = n^{\log_3 5} \approx n^{1.465}$$

$$B: n^{\log_4 10} = n^{\log_4 10} \approx n^{1.661}$$

$$A: af(n/b) = 5f_1(n/3) = \frac{5}{9} f_1(n)$$

$$\delta = \frac{5}{9} \approx 0.56$$

$$B: af(n/b) = 10f_2(n/4) = \frac{10}{4^8} f_2(n)$$

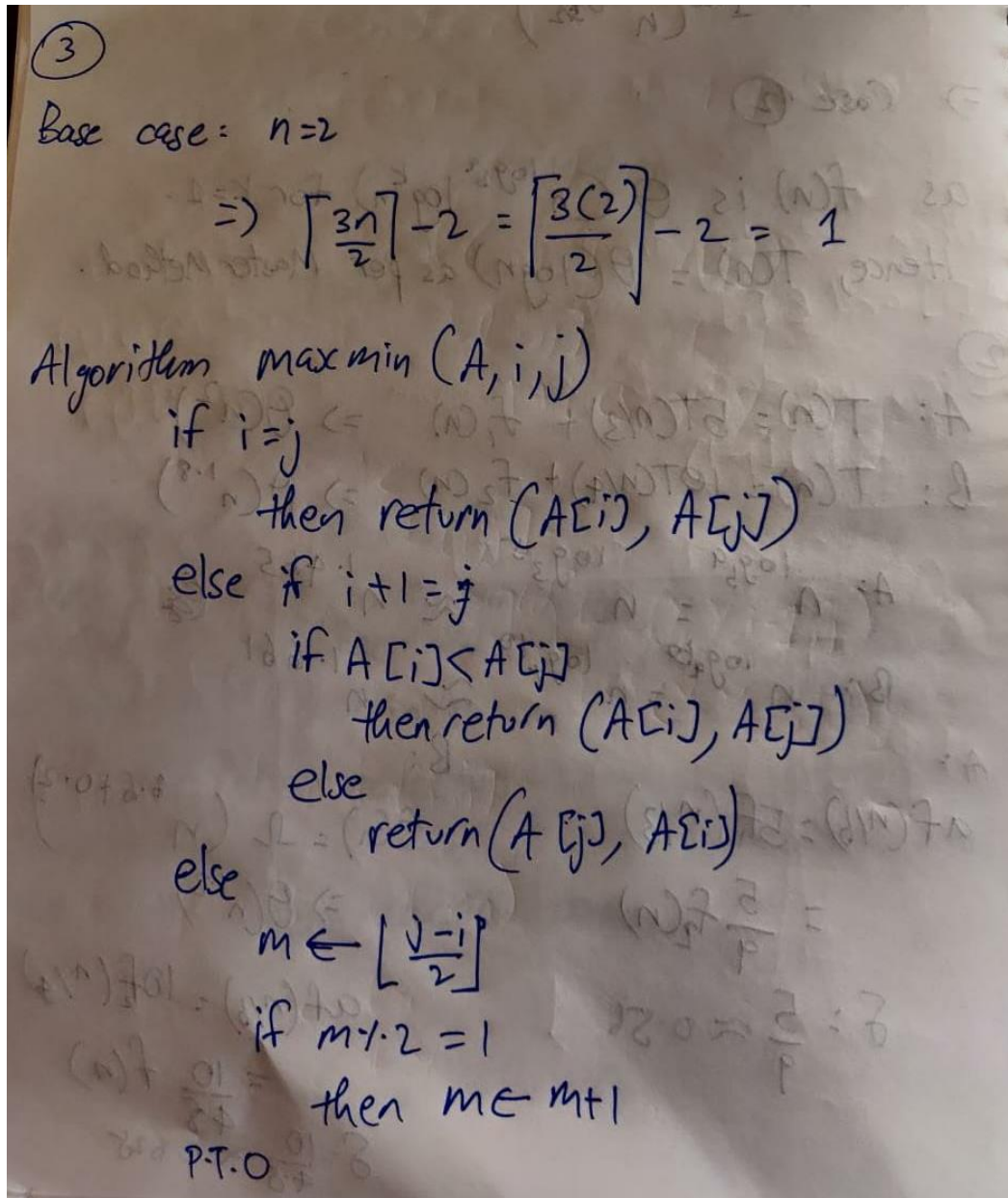
$$\delta = \frac{10}{4^8} \approx 0.625$$

$$f(n) = \Omega(n^{1.6+0.2}) \Rightarrow \theta(n^{1.8})$$

Hence, Algorithm A is preferable as it computes in lesser time in average case, because δ is smaller.

Question 3:

3. Design and analyze a divide and conquer MAXMIN algorithm that uses $\text{ceil}(3n/2) - 2$ comparisons for any n .

Answer to Question 3:

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min1, max1 ← MinMax (A, i, i+m-1)
min2, max2 ← MinMax (A, i+m, j)
min ← (min1 < min2) ? min1 : min2
max ← (max1 > max2) ? max1 : max2
return (min, max)

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As per this algorithm, the recursion tree will have $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ leaves and $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil - 1$ inner nodes.

If $n/2 = 0$, then all $\frac{n}{2}$ leaves are 2 element sequences and require only one comparison.

If $n/2 = 1$, then one leaf is a single element that requires no comparison.

In the leaves we perform $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ comparisons, and in the inner nodes we perform 2 comparisons, adding up to $2\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil - 2$.

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Summing it up, we get

$$\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil + 2\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil - 2 = \lceil \frac{3n}{2} \rceil - 2 \text{ comparisons.}$$

Question 4:

4. Give pseudocode to reconstruct an LCS from the completed cost table and the original sequences $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$ and $Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \rangle$ in $O(mn)$ time.

Answer to Question 4:

④

Algorithm $LCS(X, Y, i, j)$

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if ( $L[i, j] \neq 0$ )
    if ( $X[i] = ' \backslash 0 ' \parallel Y[j] = ' \backslash 0 '$ )
         $L[i, j] = 0$ 
    else if ( $X[i] = Y[j]$ )
         $L[i, j] = 1 + LCS(X, Y, i-1, j-1)$ 
    else
         $L[i, j] = \max\{LCS(X, Y, i-1, j), LCS(X, Y, i, j-1)\}$ 
return  $L[i, j]$ 
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Complexity: $O(mn)$

m : size of x
 n : size of y

Question 5:

5. Give an $O(n^2)$ time algorithm to find the longest monotonically increasing subsequence of a sequence of n numbers. If the array is $\{3, 2, 8\}$, $\{3, 8\}$ or $\{2, 8\}$ are monotonically increasing subsequences.

Answer to Question 5:

⑤ $\{3, 2, 8\}$

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 0 | 3 | 2 | 8 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 8 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |

$\{2, 8\}$

For 2 different strings of sizes m and n ,
The complexity of LCS is $O(mn)$.

\Rightarrow for same length, $O(n \cdot n) = O(n^2)$

Modified Algorithm:

Algorithm $LCS(X, Y, i, j)$

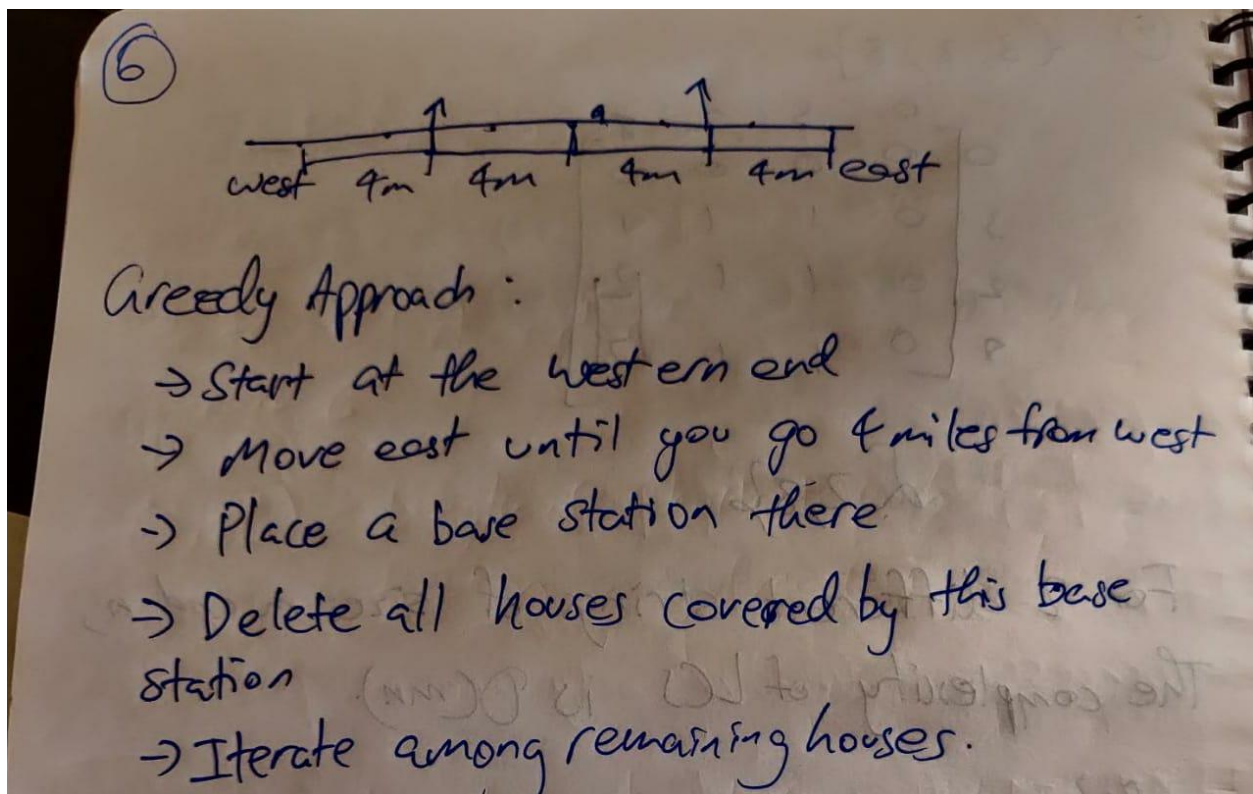
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if ( $L[i, j] < 0$ )
    if ( $X[i] = Y[j]$ )
         $L[i, j] = 1 + LCS(X, Y, i-1, j-1)$ 
    elseif ( $X[i] < Y[j]$ )
        return  $1 + LCS(X, Y, i-1, j-1)$ 
    else return  $\max\{LCS(X, Y, i-1, j), LCS(X, Y, i, j-1)\}$ 

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Question 6:

6. Let us consider a long, quiet country road with houses scattered very sparsely along it. (Picture the road as a long line segment, with an eastern endpoint and a western endpoint. The houses are points along the line.) Further, let's suppose that despite the bucolic setting, the residents of all these houses are avid cell phone users. You want to place cell phone base stations at certain points along the road, so that every house is within four miles of one of the base stations. Give an efficient greedy algorithm that achieves this goal, using as few base stations as possible. Note that a station covers an interval of eight miles.
1. At what point do you place the next base station?
 2. Show that your greedy algorithm is optimal using a swapping argument.

Answer to Question 6:

Question 7:

7. Let $A[0..n-1]$ be an array of n real numbers. A pair $(A[i], A[j])$ is said to be an inversion if these numbers are out of order, i.e., $i < j$ but $A[i] > A[j]$. Design an $O(n \log n)$ algorithm for counting the number of inversions. Demonstrate that your algorithm is correct.

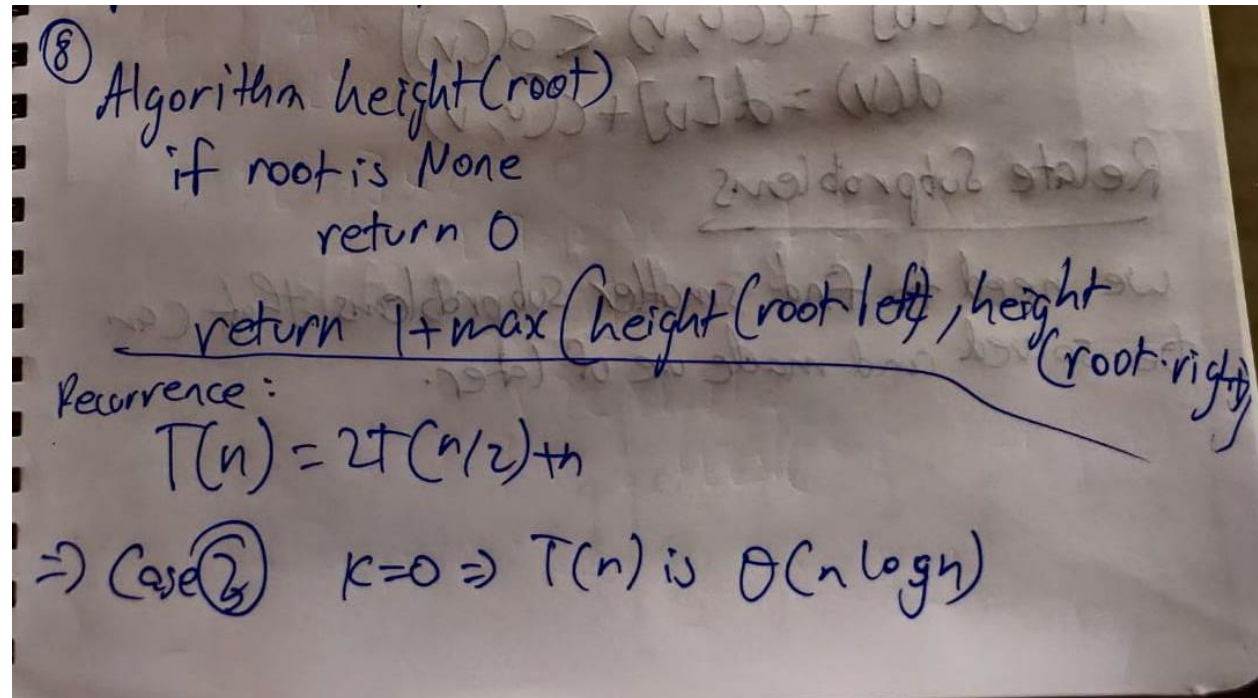
Answer to Question 7:

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Given $A[0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1]$
To get $O(n \log n)$, merge sort has to be used.
So this is simply a modification to merge sort.

Algorithm:
Algorithm invCount(A)
 if (len(A) < 2)
 return 0
 mid = (len(A) + 1) / 2
 L = A[0 ... mid]
 R = A[mid+1 ... len(A)-1]
 return invCount(L) + invCount(R) +
 merge(A, L, R)
Upon every comparison, increment the count

Question 8:

8. The height of a binary tree can be determined using a divide and conquer strategy. Give a divide and conquer strategy to find the height of a binary tree. Write the recurrence relation of your solution and compute the running time.

Answer to Question 8:

Question 9:

9. The Bellman Ford algorithm solves the shortest path problem with negative weights. It applies dynamic programming. Explain the five steps in dynamic programming as applied in this algorithm with examples.

Answer to Question 9:

⑨ Bellman Ford Algorithm:

Subproblem:

Path from start vertex to some other vertex on graph G .

$D(i, z_G)$ = Length of shortest path from source to destination using at most i edges.

Guess:

Relax on each vertex at most $(n-1)$ times

if $(d[u] + (u, v) < d[v])$
 $d[v] = d[u] + (u, v)$

Relate Subproblems

we need to find smaller subproblems that can be solved and made use of later.

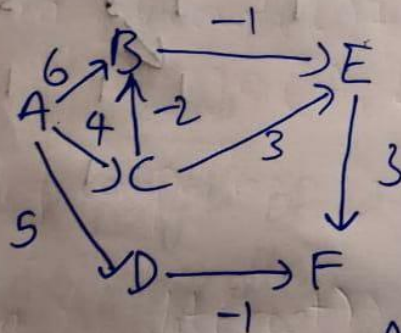
Recursion and Memoize:

Recursion:

$$D(i, s) = \min \{ D(i-1, z), \min \{ D(i-1, y) + w(y, z) \} \}$$

A 2-D DP table could be used to keep track of shortest path

Ex:



A → B, C, D

B → E

C → B, E

D → F

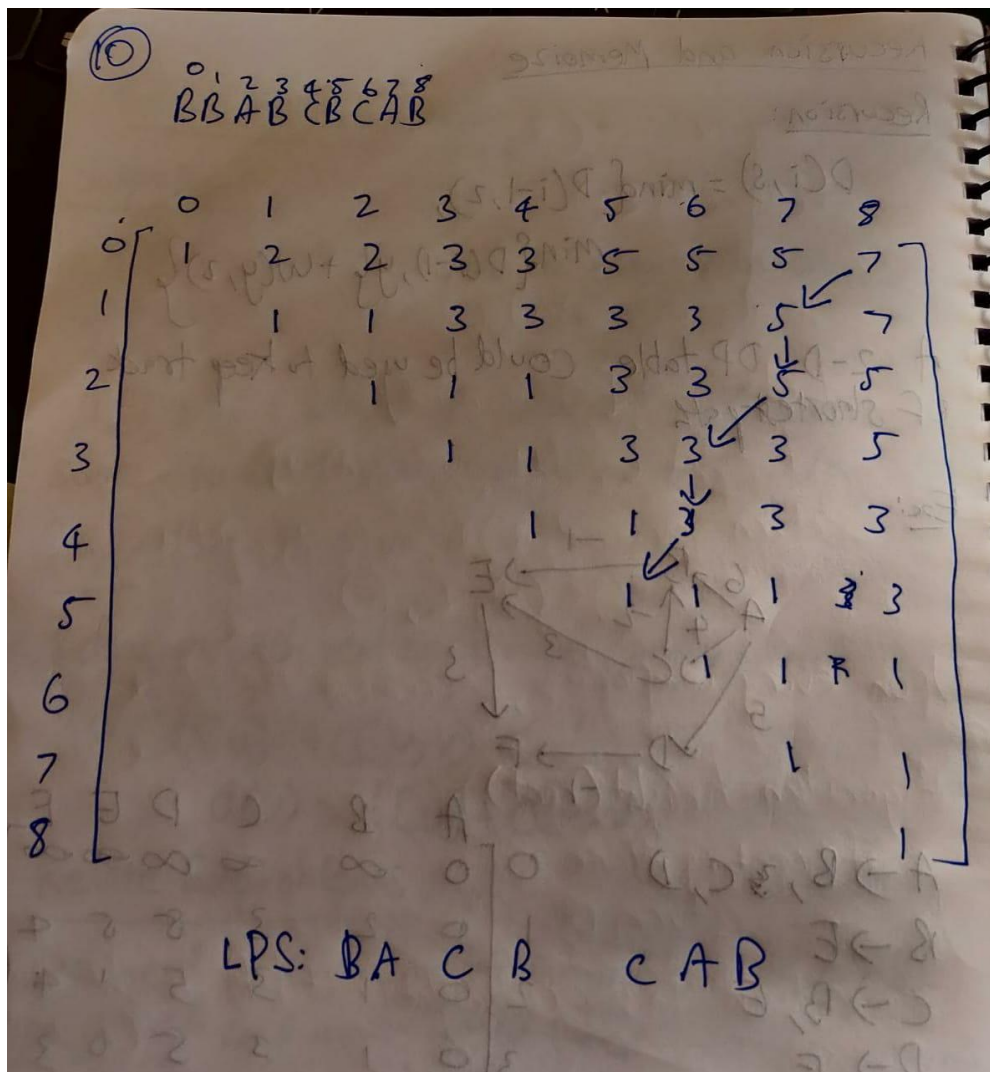
E → F

| | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A | 0 | ∞ | ∞ | ∞ | ∞ | ∞ |
| B | 0 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 4 |
| C | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 4 |
| D | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 3 |
| E | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 3 |
| F | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 3 |

Question 10:

10. Given a sequence, given an efficient algorithm to find the length of the longest palindromic

subsequence in it. For example, if the given sequence is "BBABCBCAB", then the output should be 7, and "BABCBAB" is the longest palindromic subsequence in it.

Answer to Question 10:

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Bottom-up approach:

if (input[i] == input[j])

$$T[i][j] = T[i+1][j-1] + 2$$

else

$$T[i][j] = \max(T[i+1][j], T[i][j-1])$$

Step Subproblem:

Finding max length of palindromic subsequence
at each length upto last character

Relating subproblems:

Taking max length of a palindromic subsequence
of previous subproblem

(or)

if first and last character are equal then
2 + previous subproblem

Solution:

Last element of first row gives length of
LPS.