

# **COMP3600/6466 Algorithms**

## Lecture 13

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# LCS continued

## 3. Compute the value of an optimal solution

Use memoization or bottom-up DP!

Let  $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$  and  $Y = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$  be the input sequences.

Let  $c[i, j]$  denote the length of an LCS of the sequences  $X_i$  and  $Y_j$ .

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0, \\ c[i - 1, j - 1] + 1 & \text{if } i, j > 0 \text{ and } x_i = y_j, \\ \max(c[i, j - 1], c[i - 1, j]) & \text{if } i, j > 0 \text{ and } x_i \neq y_j. \end{cases}$$

# Bottom-Up Approach

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What is the bottom(smallest) subproblem?

$$(X_1, Y_1)$$

How many unique subproblems?

Two nested for loops

$$n \times m$$

Number of nodes in the subproblem graph

How many sub-subproblems do I need to consider for a given subproblem?

If, elseif, else

At most 3

Number of edges connecting two nodes

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LCS-LENGTH( $X, Y$ )

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1   $m = X.length$ 
2   $n = Y.length$ 
3  let  $b[1..m, 1..n]$  and  $c[0..m, 0..n]$  be new tables
4  for  $i = 1$  to  $m$ 
5       $c[i, 0] = 0$ 
6  for  $j = 0$  to  $n$ 
7       $c[0, j] = 0$ 
8  for  $i = 1$  to  $m$ 
9      for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
10         if  $x_i == y_j$ 
11              $c[i, j] = c[i - 1, j - 1] + 1$ 
12              $b[i, j] = \nwarrow$ 
13         elseif  $c[i - 1, j] \geq c[i, j - 1]$ 
14              $c[i, j] = c[i - 1, j]$ 
15              $b[i, j] = \uparrow$ 
16         else  $c[i, j] = c[i, j - 1]$ 
17              $b[i, j] = \leftarrow$ 
18  return  $c$  and  $b$ 
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$\Theta(1)$

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$\Theta(nm)$

$\Theta(m)$

$\Theta(n)$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m c = c \times nm = \Theta(nm)$$

$$T(n, m) = \Theta(nm)$$

# Dynamic Programming

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	<b>j</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>i</b>		<b>yj</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>G</b>
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<b>0</b>	<b>xi</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>1</b>	<b>A</b>	0	0-up	1-diag	1-left	1-left	1-left	1-left
<b>2</b>	<b>C</b>	0	1-diag	1-up	2-diag	2-diag	2-left	2-left
<b>3</b>	<b>G</b>	0	1-up	1-up	2-up	2-up	3-diag	3-diag
<b>4</b>	<b>G</b>	0	1-up	1-up	2-up	2-up	3-diag	4-diag

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2	C	0	1-diag	1-up	2-diag	2-diag	2-left	2-left
3	G	0	1-up	1-up	2-up	2-up	3-diag	3-diag
4	G	0	1-up	1-up	2-up	2-up	3-diag	4-diag



# Exercise 12.1

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# Greedy!

## greed

/ɡriːd/

noun

intense and selfish desire for something, especially wealth, power, or food.

"mercenaries who had allowed greed to overtake their principles"

synonyms: [avarice](#), [acquisitiveness](#), [covetousness](#), [rapacity](#), [graspingness](#), [cupidity](#), [avidity](#), [possessiveness](#), [materialism](#); [More](#)



# Greedy Algorithms!

Two key ingredients:

1. Optimal substructure
2. A unique choice per subproblem: The greedy one!

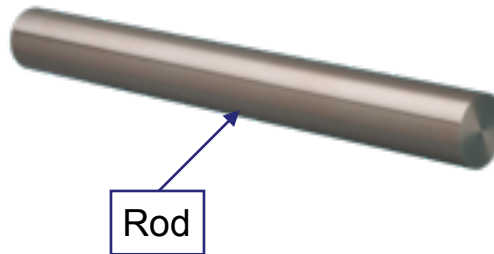
The greedy one:

The one that locally maximises/minimises your objective function

Take a decision that maximises/minimises your objective function NOW,  
ignore what might happen in the future.

Let's go back in time

# Application 1: Rod Cutting Problem



length $i$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
price $p_i$	1	5	8	9	10	17	17	20	24	30

Given a rod of length  $n$  meters and a table of prices  $p_i$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , determine the maximum revenue  $r_n$  obtainable by cutting up the rod and selling the pieces.

# Application 1: Rod Cutting Problem

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The greedy decision:

The one that locally maximises/minimises your objective function

To fairly compare all decisions, you first need to convert them in per unit

length $i$	1	2	3	4	5	6
price $p_i$	1	5	8	9	10	17
per unit price $pu_i$	1	2.5	2.66	2.25	2	2.83

Let  $n = 4$

Greedy solution = cut 3 then cut 1 with total revenue =  $8 + 1 = 9$ .

Optimal solution = cut 2 then cut 2 with total revenue =  $5 + 5 = 10$ .

## Application 2: Matrix Multiplication

Given the chain  $A_1 \cdot A_2 \dots \cdot A_n$ , fully parenthesise/split it in a way that minimises the number of scalar multiplications.

$$((A_1 \cdot A_2) \cdot (A_3 \cdot A_4))$$

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The greedy decision:

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The greedy decision:

Pick the pair that generates the minimal number of operations.

Let  $A_1 = 5 \times 4$ ,  $A_2 = 4 \times 2$  and  $A_3 = 2 \times 4$ .

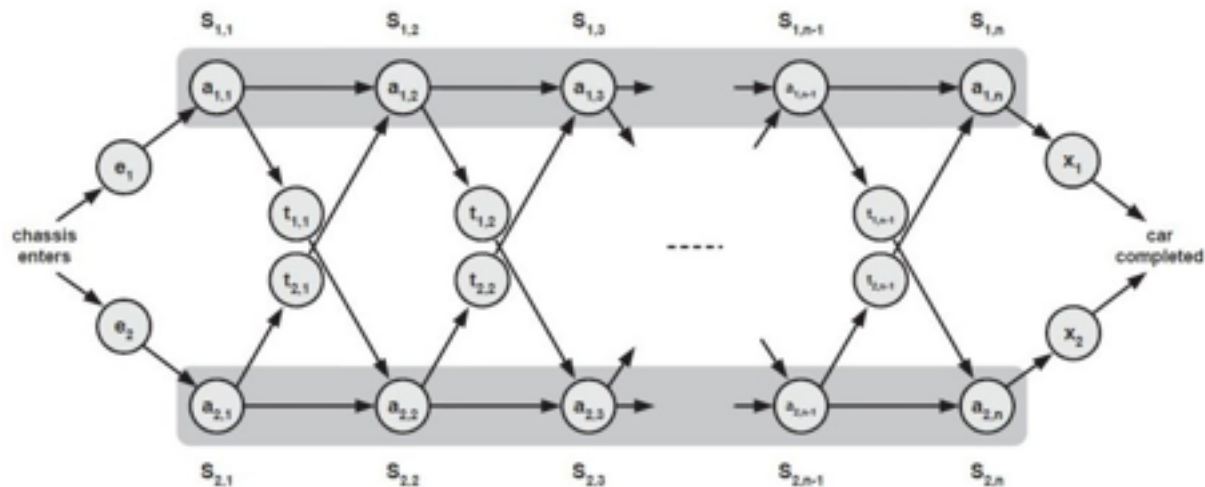
The pair  $(A_2 A_3)$  is locally minimal with  $4 \times 2 \times 4 = 32$  operations.

But the overall solution  $(A_1(A_2 A_3))$  costs  $32 + 5 \times 4 \times 4 = 132$   
which is not better than  $((A_1 A_2) A_3)$  which costs  $5 \times 4 \times 2 + 5 \times 2 \times 4 = 40 + 40 = 80$ .

# Application 3: Car Assembly

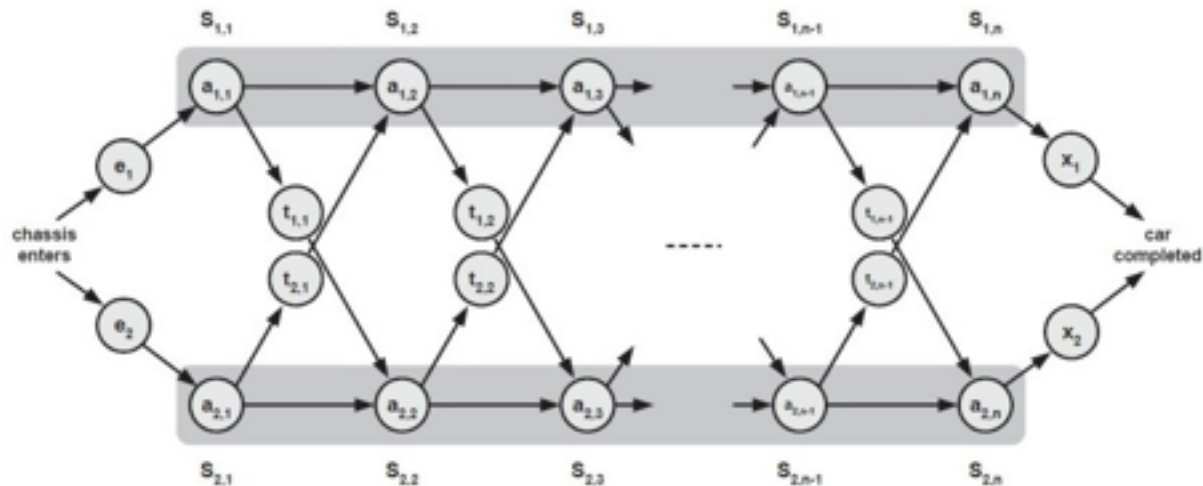
**Problem statement:** Assemble cars in a minimal amount of time

Equivalent to finding a shortest path from the start to the finish





# Application 3: Car Assembly



Consider the case where  $e_1 = 1$ ,  $e_2 = 2$ ,  $a_{1,1} = 999999$  and all other costs are 1.

# Application 4: DNA Similarity or LCS

**Definition:** The similarity score of two sequences is the length of the longest common subsequence

**Problem statement:** Given two DNA strands, compute their similarity score

Example:

$S_1 = \text{ACCGGTAA}$   
                     

$S_2 = \text{GTCGCTTGT}$   
                     

Common subsequence 1 = CC

Common subsequence 2 = CGGT

# Application 4: DNA Similarity or LCS

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$S_2 = \text{GTCGCTTGT}$

The greedy decision:

The one that locally maximises/minimises your objective function

The greedy decision:

Iterate on both sequences, every time we find a common element we add it to the solution.

Greedy solution: CGT

Optimal solution: CGGT

# Application 5: The Activity-Selection

$i$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
$s_i$	1	3	0	5	3	5	6	8	8	2	12
$f_i$	4	5	6	7	9	9	10	11	12	14	16

Activity  $i$  has a **start time**  $s_i$  and a **finish time**  $f_i$

**Problem:** select a maximum-size subset of *mutually compatible* activities.

Activities  $a_i$  and  $a_j$  are **compatible** if  $s_i \geq f_j$  or  $s_j \geq f_i$ .

Example: The subset  $\{a_3, a_9, a_{11}\}$  consists of mutually compatible activities

The subset  $\{a_1, a_4, a_8, a_{11}\}$  is a better solution.

# The Activity-Selection Problem

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Increasing  
finish time

**Problem:** select a maximum-size subset of *mutually compatible* activities.

Optimal substructure?

Introduce activities  $a_0$  with  $s_0 = f_0 = 0$  and  $a_{n+1}$  with  $s_{n+1} = f_{n+1} = f_n$ .

Let  $S_{i,j}$  denote the set of activities that start after the end of activity  $a_i$  and finish before the beginning of activity  $a_j$ .

**Example:**  $S_{0,4} = \{a_1\}$ ,  $S_{0,n+1} = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ ,  $S_{1,11} = \{a_4, a_6, a_7, a_8, a_9\}$ .

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Optimal substructure?

Let  $A_{ij}$  denote the maximum set of mutually compatible activities in  $S_{ij}$ .

Consider  $a_k \in A_{ij}$

It is easy to see that  $A_{ij} = A_{ik} \cup \{a_k\} \cup A_{kj}$ .

$$\implies |A_{ij}| = |A_{ik}| + |A_{kj}| + 1.$$

# The Activity-Selection Problem

$a_k$  is not known in advance!

Let  $c[i, j]$  denote the size of an optimal solution to  $S_{ij}$

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } S_{ij} = \emptyset \\ \max_{a_k \in S_{ij}} \{c[i, k] + c[k, j] + 1\} & \text{if } S_{ij} \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Optimal solution value =  $c[0, n + 1]$