DP Concepts & Questions

Video 31

"You have two options when 2025 starts :

1. Work Hard → Chase your dream → Enjoy
2. Relax and be lazy.

The decision you take can change your life. Think wisely."

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भाषण (Motivation)

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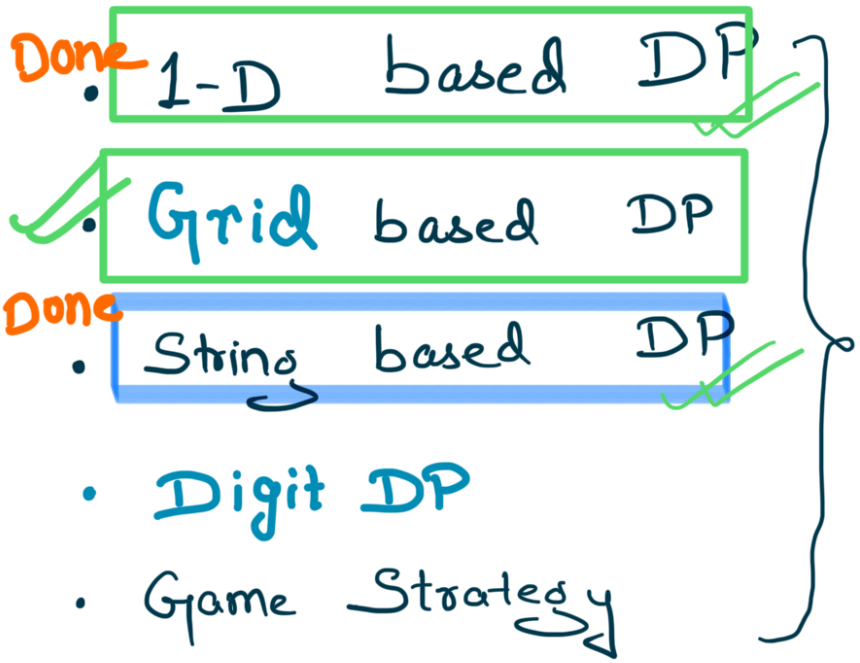


DP on Grids

62. Unique Paths

Solved

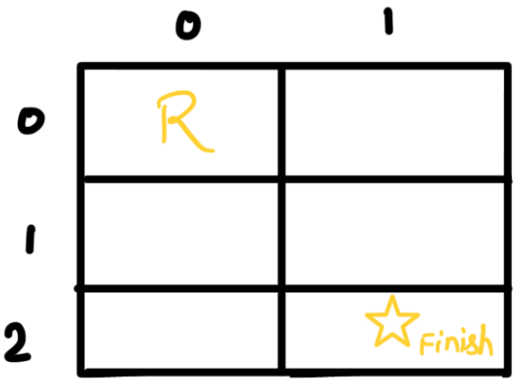
Medium | Topics | Companies

There is a robot on an `m x n` grid. The robot is initially located at the **top-left corner** (i.e., `grid[0][0]`). The robot tries to move to the **bottom-right corner** (i.e., `grid[m - 1][n - 1]`). The robot can only move either down or right at any point in time.

Given the two integers `m` and `n`, return *the number of possible unique paths that the robot can take to reach the bottom-right corner*.

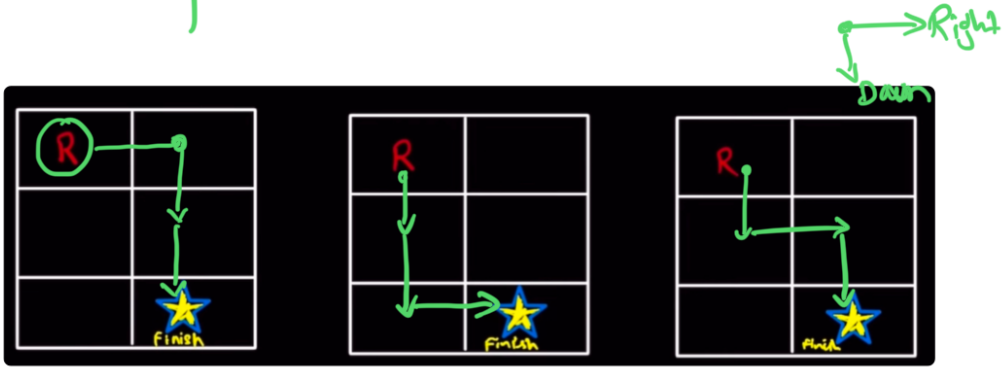
The test cases are generated so that the answer will be less than or equal to `2 * 10^9`.

Example:- m = 3, n = 2

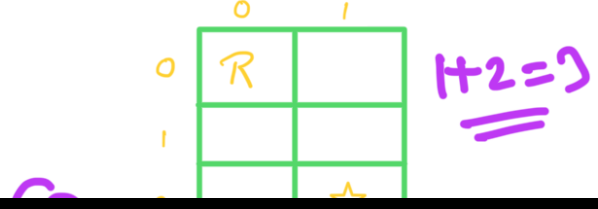


3 * 2

Output:- 3



Thought Process ...

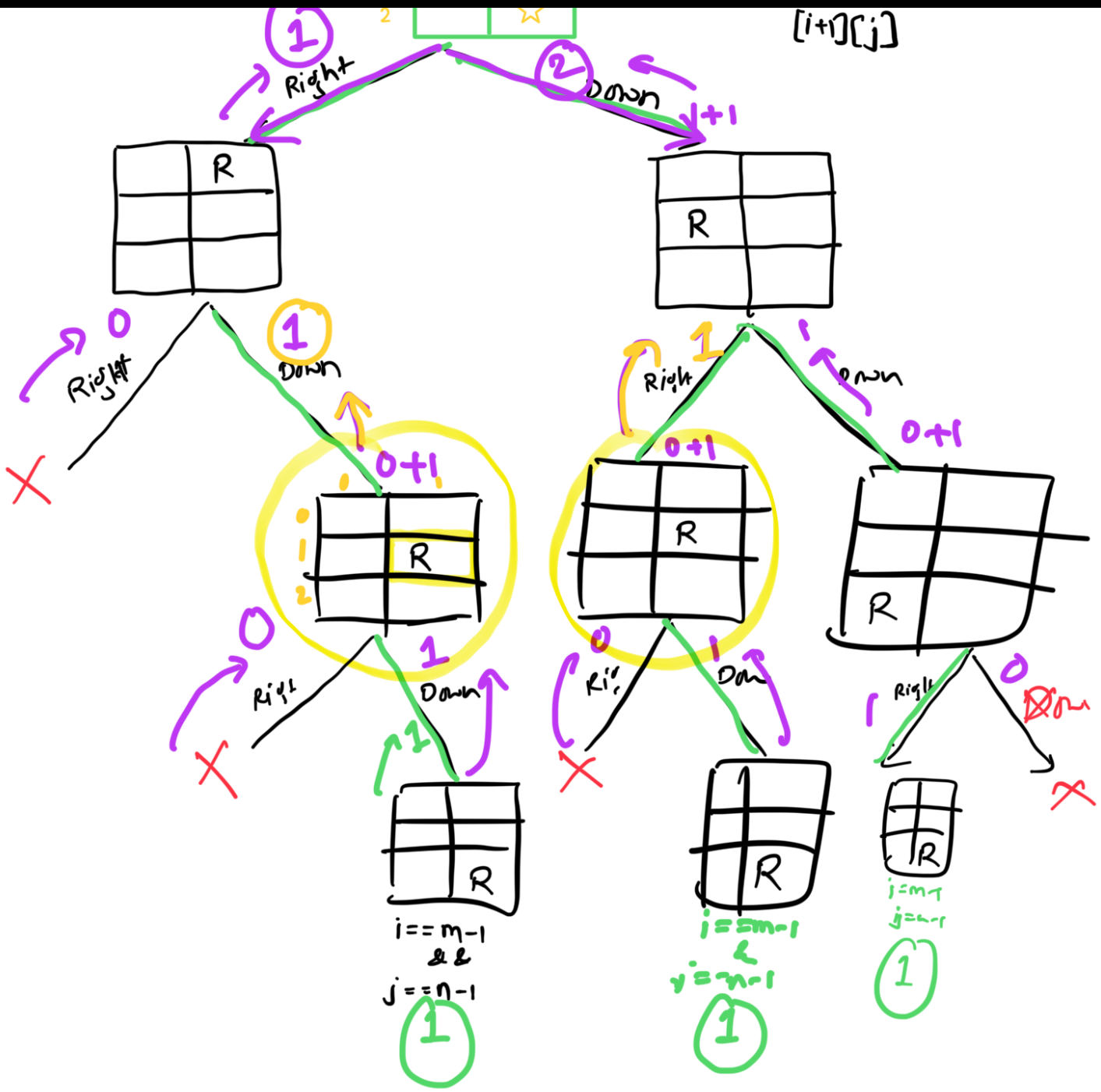


1+2=3

Robot

[i][j] → (Right) [i][j+1]

Down ↓

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Solve ( 0, 0 ) ;

t[m+1][n+1] ; ={-1}

int Solve ( int i, int j ) {

    if ( i==m-1 && j==n-1 ) {
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        return 1;
    }
    if(i<0 || i>=m || j<0 || j>=n){
        return 0;
    }
    if(t[i][j]!=-1) return t[i][j];
    int right = Solve(i,j+1);
    int down = Solve(i+1,j);

    return t[i][j] = right+down ;  //Memoization.
    }
}
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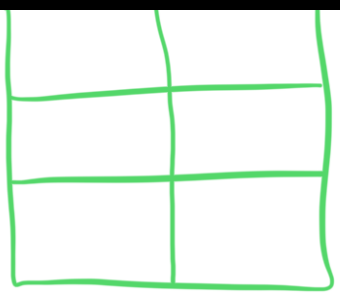
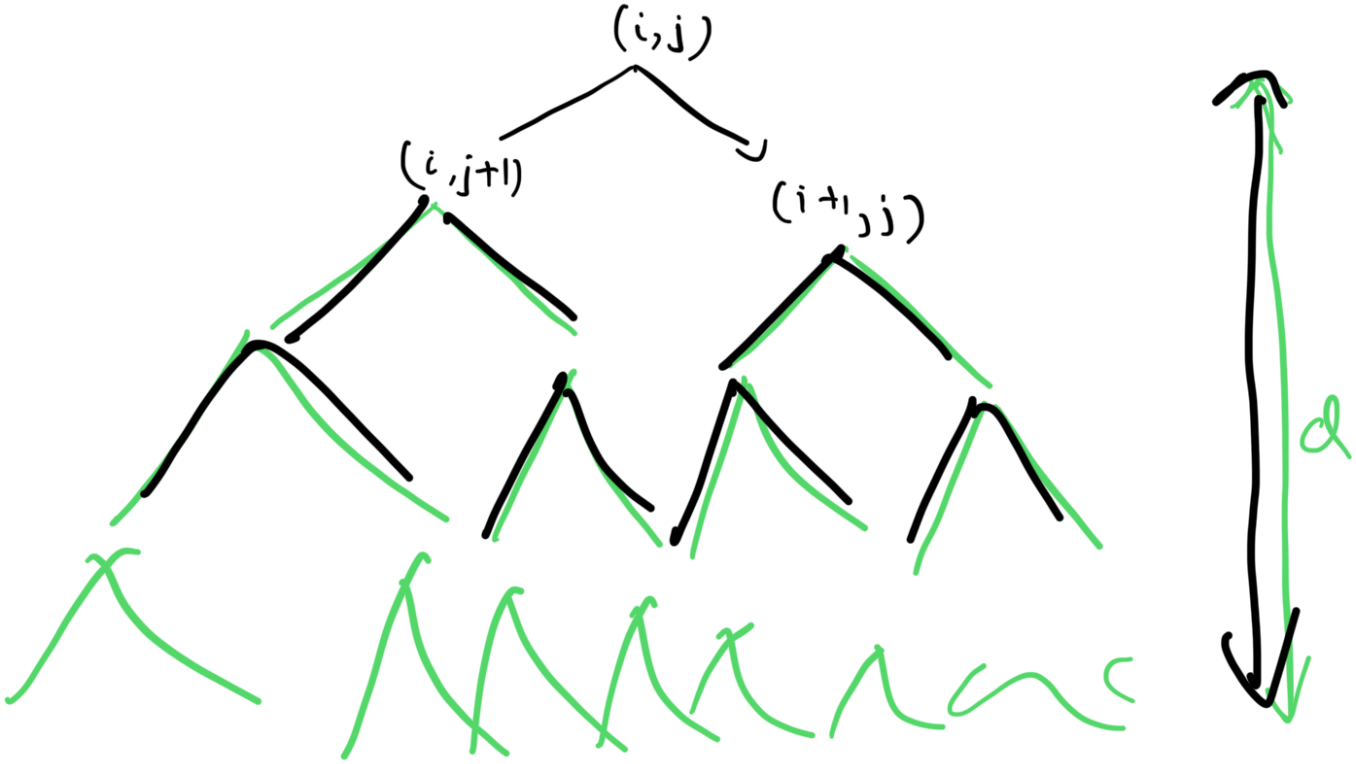
Time Complexity :-

without Memoization :-





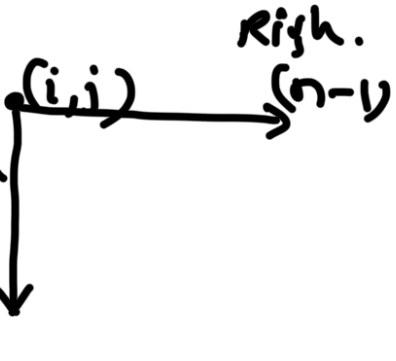
2^d

$\approx 2^d$

$O(2^{m+n})$

Exponential.

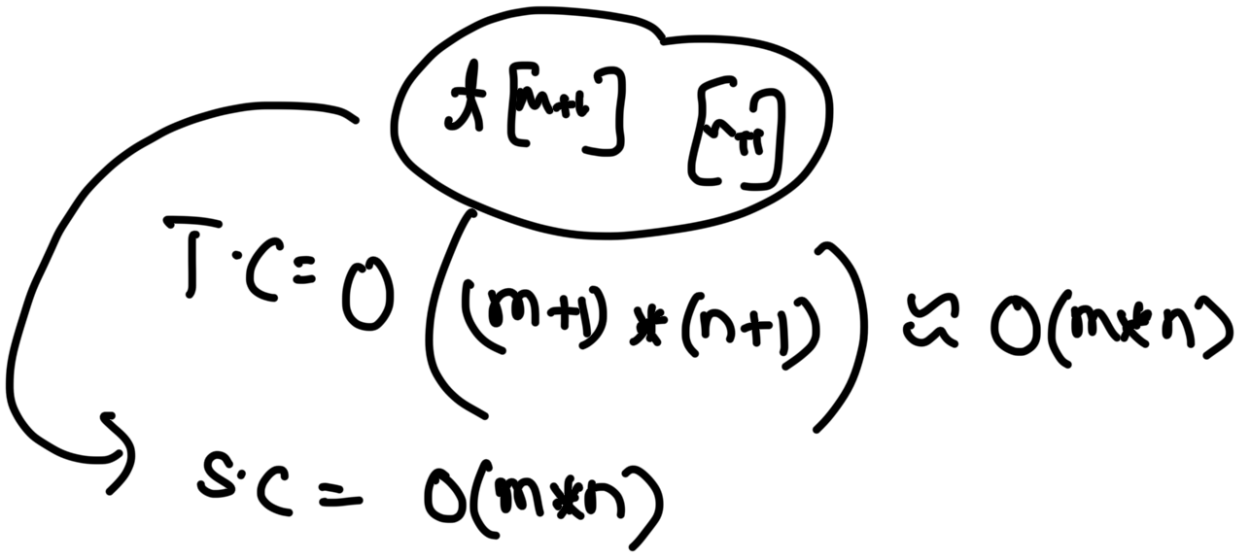
System Stack Space:-



$(m-1) + (n-1)$

Space: $O(m+n-2)$ ~~$(m+n-2)$~~

Memoization:-



Bottom up :-

dp[m+1][n+1]

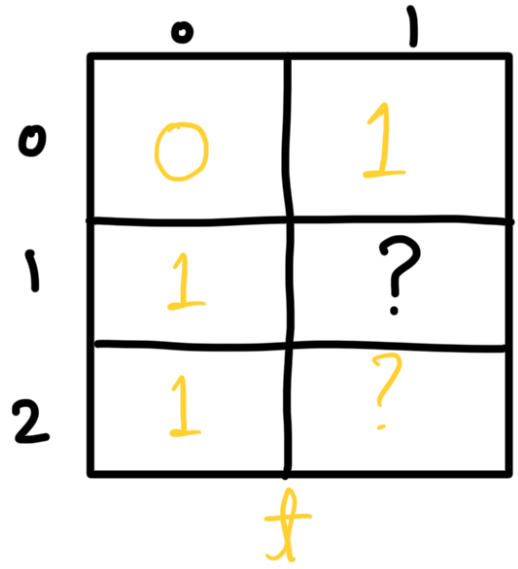
// dp[i][j] = x ⟹ State definition ⇐

# of ways to reach [i][j] from [0][0] ⇐

return t[m-1][n-1];

m = 3

n = 2



t[0][0] = # ways to reach [0][0] from [0][0]

t[0][1] = # ways to reach [0][1] from [0][0]
= 1

t[1][0] = # ways to reach [1][0] from [0][0]
= 1

t[0][0] = 0 ;

// Fill 0th Row with 1

// Fill 0th Col with 1

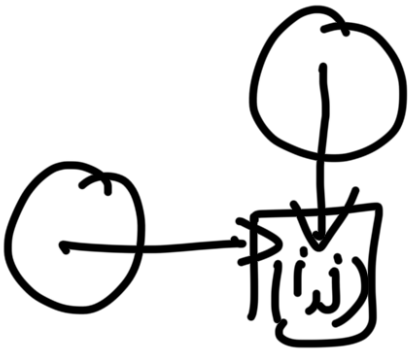
for (i = 1; i<m; i++) {

for(j=1; j<n; j++) {

t[i][j] = t[i-1][j] + t[i][j-1];

}

return t[m-1][n-1];



Movements.

$t[i][j] = x + y$

$T.C = O(m * n)$

$S.C = O(m * n)$.