

Algorithms Midterm Cheat Sheet

Recurrences

Master Theorem

- If $af(n/b) = \kappa f(n)$ for some constant $\kappa < 1$, then $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$.
- If $af(n/b) = Kf(n)$ for some constant $K > 1$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$.
- If $af(n/b) = f(n)$, then $T(n) = \Theta(f(n) \log_b n)$.

Annihilators

Operator	Functions annihilated
$\mathbf{E} - 1$	α
$\mathbf{E} - a$	αa^n
$(\mathbf{E} - a)(\mathbf{E} - b)$	$\alpha a^n + \beta b^n$
$(\mathbf{E} - a_0)(\mathbf{E} - a_1) \cdots (\mathbf{E} - a_k)$	$\sum_{i=0}^k \alpha_i a_i^n$
$(\mathbf{E} - 1)^2$	$\alpha n + \beta$
$(\mathbf{E} - a)^2$	$(\alpha n + \beta)a^n$
$(\mathbf{E} - a)^2(\mathbf{E} - b)$	$(\alpha n + \beta)a^b + \gamma b^n$
$(\mathbf{E} - a)^d$	$(\sum_{i=0}^{d-1} \alpha_i n^i)a^n$

If X annihilates f , then X also annihilates $\mathbf{E}f$.

If X annihilates both f and g , then X also annihilates $f \pm g$.

If X annihilates f , then X also annihilates αf , for any constant α .

If X annihilates f and Y annihilates g , then XY annihilates $f \pm g$.

Tower of Hanoi

Vanilla

```
1: function HANOI( $n, src, dst, tmp$ )
2:   if  $n > 0$  then
3:     HANOI( $n - 1, src, tmp, dst$ )
4:     move disk  $n$  from  $src$  to  $dst$ 
5:     HANOI( $n - 1, tmp, dst, src$ )
6:   end if
7: end function
```

Variant 1

Every move must involve peg 0; that is, we are forbidden from directly moving a disk from the source peg to the destination peg.

```
1: function HANOIVARIANT1( $n, src, dst, tmp$ )
2:   if  $n > 0$  then
3:     HANOIVARIANT1( $n - 1, src, dst, tmp$ )
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4:     move disk  $n$  from  $src$  to  $tmp$ 
5:     HANOIVARIANT1( $n - 1, dst, src, tmp$ )
6:     move disk  $n$  from  $tmp$  to  $dst$ 
7:     HANOIVARIANT1( $n - 1, src, dst, tmp$ )
8:   end if
9: end function
```

Variant 2

We are only allowed to move counterclockwise; we can move from the source peg to the temp peg to the destination peg back to the source peg, but not the reverse order.

```
1: function HANOIVARIANT2( $n, src, dst, tmp$ )
2:   if  $n = 1$  then
3:     move disk  $n$  from  $src$  to  $tmp$ 
4:     move disk  $n$  from  $tmp$  to  $dst$ 
5:   else if  $n > 0$  then
6:     HANOIVARIANT2( $n - 1, src, dst, tmp$ )
7:     move disk  $n$  from  $src$  to  $tmp$ 
8:     HANOIVARIANT2( $n - 2, dst, tmp, src$ )
9:     move disk  $n - 1$  from  $dst$  to  $src$ 
10:    HANOIVARIANT2( $n - 2, tmp, src, dst$ )
11:    move disk  $n$  from  $tmp$  to  $dst$ 
12:    HANOIVARIANT2( $n - 1, src, dst, tmp$ )
13:   end if
14: end function
```

Sorting

Merge Sort

```
1: function MERGESORT( $A[1..n]$ )
2:   if  $n > 1$  then
3:      $m \leftarrow \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ 
4:     MERGESORT( $A[1..m]$ )
5:     MERGESORT( $A[m + 1..n]$ )
6:     MERGE( $A[1..n], m$ )
7:   end if
8: end function
9: function MERGE( $A[1..n], m$ )
10:   $i \leftarrow 1$ 
11:   $j \leftarrow m + 1$ 
12:  for  $k \leftarrow 1, n$  do
13:    if  $j > n$  then
14:       $B[k] \leftarrow A[i]$ 
15:       $i \leftarrow i + 1$ 
16:    else if  $i > m$  then
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17:       $B[k] \leftarrow A[j]$ 
18:       $j \leftarrow j + 1$ 
19:    else if  $A[i] < A[j]$  then
20:       $B[k] \leftarrow A[i]$ 
21:       $i \leftarrow i + 1$ 
22:    else
23:       $B[k] \leftarrow A[j]$ 
24:       $j \leftarrow j + 1$ 
25:    end if
26:  end for
27:  for  $k \leftarrow 1, n$  do
28:     $A[k] \leftarrow B[k]$ 
29:  end for
30: end function
```

Quicksort

```
1: function QUICKSORT( $A[1..n]$ )
2:   if  $n > 1$  then
3:     Choose a pivot element  $A[p]$ 
4:      $r \leftarrow \text{PARTITION}(A, p)$ 
5:     QUICKSORT( $A[1..r - 1]$ )
6:     QUICKSORT( $A[r + 1..n]$ )
7:   end if
8: end function
9: function PARTITION( $A[1..n], p$ )
10:  swap  $A[p] \leftrightarrow A[n]$ 
11:   $i \leftarrow 0$ 
12:   $j \leftarrow n$ 
13:  while  $i < j$  do
14:    repeat  $i \leftarrow i + 1$  until  $i \geq j$  or  $A[i] \geq A[n]$ 
15:    repeat  $j \leftarrow j - 1$  until  $i \geq j$  or  $A[j] \leq A[n]$ 
16:    if  $i < j$  then
17:      swap  $A[i] \leftrightarrow A[j]$ 
18:    end if
19:  end while
20:  swap  $A[i] \leftrightarrow A[n]$ 
21:  return  $i$ 
22: end function
```

Subsequences

Longest Common Subsequence

```
1: function LCS( $A[1..m], B[1..n]$ )
2:   if  $m = 0$  or  $n = 0$  then
3:     return 0
4:   else
5:      $a \leftarrow \text{LCS}(A[2..m], B[1..n])$ 
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6:       $b \leftarrow \text{LCS}(A[1..m], B[2..n])$ 
7:       $c \leftarrow 0$ 
8:      if  $A[1] = B[1]$  then
9:           $c \leftarrow 1 + \text{LCS}(A[2..m], B[2..n])$ 
10:     end if
11:      $r \leftarrow$  the maximum of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ 
12: end if
13: end function

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Longest Oscillating Subsequence

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1: function LOS( $X[1..n]$ )
2:     return LOS2( $X[1..n]$ , null, false)
3: end function
4: function LOS2( $X[1..n]$ , prevValue, isEven)
5:     if  $n = 0$  then
6:         return 0
7:     else
8:         if prevValue = null then
9:              $result \leftarrow true$ 
10:        else if isEven then
11:             $result \leftarrow prevValue > X[1]$ 
12:        else
13:             $result \leftarrow prevValue < X[1]$ 
14:        end if
15:         $a \leftarrow \text{LOS2}(X[2..n], prevValue, isEven)$ 
16:        if result then
17:             $b \leftarrow 1 + \text{LOS2}(X[2..n], X[1], \text{not } isEven)$ 
18:        else
19:             $b \leftarrow 0$ 
20:        end if
21:        return the maximum of  $a$  and  $b$ 
22:    end if
23: end function

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Longest Accelerating Subsequence

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1: function LXS( $X[1..n]$ )
2:     return LXS2( $X[1..n]$ , null, null)
3: end function
4: function LXS2( $X[1..n]$ , prevValue, prevDiff)
5:     if  $n = 0$  then
6:         return 0
7:     else
8:         if prevValue = null or prevDiff = null
          then

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9:              $result \leftarrow true$ 
10:            else
11:                 $result \leftarrow X[1] - prevValue > prevDiff$ 
12:            end if
13:             $a \leftarrow \text{LXS2}(X[2..n], prevValue, prevDiff)$ 
14:            if result then
15:                if prevValue = null then
16:                     $b \leftarrow 1 + \text{LXS2}(X[2..n], X[1], null)$ 
17:                else
18:                     $b \leftarrow 1 +$ 
19:                     $\text{LXS2}(X[2..n], X[1], X[1] - prevValue)$ 
20:                end if
21:                 $b \leftarrow 0$ 
22:            end if
23:            return the maximum of  $a$  and  $b$ 
24:        end if
25:    end function

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Subset Sum

Basic

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1: function SUBSETSUM( $X[1..n]$ ,  $T$ )
2:     if  $T = 0$  then
3:         return True
4:     else if  $T < 0$  or  $n = 0$  then
5:         return False
6:     else
7:         return SUBSETSUM( $X[1..n - 1]$ ,  $T$ )  $\vee$ 
8:         SUBSETSUM( $X[1..n - 1]$ ,  $T - X[n]$ )
9:     end if
10: end function

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Memoized

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1: function SUBSETSUM( $X[1..n]$ ,  $T$ )
2:      $S[n + 1, 0] \leftarrow \text{True}$ 
3:     for  $t \leftarrow 1, T$  do
4:          $S[n + 1, t] \leftarrow \text{False}$ 
5:     end for
6:     for  $i \leftarrow n, 1$  do
7:          $S[i, 0] \leftarrow \text{True}$ 
8:         for  $t \leftarrow 1, X[i] - 1$  do
9:              $S[i, t] \leftarrow S[i + 1, t] \triangleright$  Avoid the case  $t < 0$ 
10:        end for

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11:        for  $t \leftarrow X[i], T$  do
12:             $S[i, t] \leftarrow S[i + 1, t] \vee S[i + 1, t - X[i]]$ 
13:        end for
14:    end for
15:    return  $S[1, T]$ 
16: end function

```

Dynamic Programming

1. Formulate the problem recursively
2. Build solutions to recurrence from the bottom up
 - (a) Identify the subproblems
 - (b) Analyze space and running time
 - (c) Choose a data structure to memoize intermediate results
 - (d) Identify dependencies between subproblems
 - (e) Find a good evaluation order
 - (f) Write down the algorithm

Longest Palindrome Subsequence

```

1: function LPS(text[ $1..n$ ])
2:     memoized  $\leftarrow$  empty hash map
3:     memoized[the empty list]  $\leftarrow 0$ 
4:     for  $i \leftarrow 1, n$  do
5:         for  $j \leftarrow 1, n - i$  do
6:             subproblem  $\leftarrow \text{text}[j..j + i]$ 
7:             if  $i = 1$  then
8:                 memoized[subproblem]  $\leftarrow 1 \triangleright$  A
9:                 single letter is always a palindrome of length one
10:            else
11:                 $r \leftarrow$  the maximum of
12:                memoized[subproblem[ $2..i$ ]] and
13:                memoized[subproblem[ $1..i - 1$ ]]
14:                if subproblem[1] = subproblem[ $i$ ]
15:                    then
16:                         $r \leftarrow$  the maximum of  $r$  and
17:                         $2 + \text{memoized}[\text{subproblem}[2..i - 1]]$ 
18:                    end if
19:                memoized[subproblem]  $\leftarrow r$ 
20:            end if
21:        end for
22:    end for
23:    return memoized[text]
24: end function

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