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Final Standard 25 - Dynamic Programming: Design a Dynamic Programming Algorithm

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1 Instructions

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2.1 Problem 1

Problem 1. Use dynamic programming to solve the Fibonacci numbers where F(0) = 0, F(1) = 1, and F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2) for n > 1. Write down the mathematical recurrence, descibe a bottom-up algorithm to solve the problem, then work throuh and example for the following n = 10.

Answer. Here is the recurrence relation for the Fibonacci sequence:

$$F(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & : n = 0, \\ 1 & : n = 1, \\ F(n-1) + F(n-2) & : n > 1. \end{cases}$$

A bottom up algorithm we can use starts with F(n). We can describe F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2) = F((n-1)-1) + F((n-2)-2) = ... all the way until we reach a base case of F(n-1) = 1 and F(n-2) = 0. This is a basic recursive algorithm that will continue until we hit our base cases.

Here is working through an example for n = 10:

$$F(10) = F(9) + F(8)$$

$$= F(8) + F(7) + F(7) + F(6)$$

$$= F(7) + F(6) + F(6) + F(5) + F(6) + F(5) + F(4)$$

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The recursive structure will provide us with 34 1s that adds all up to 34 or the 10th Fibonacci number. The recurrence will keep going until all the F(n) are either 1 or 0. When they hit that base case, they can add all the 1s and 0s together to get the Fibonacci number.