

Competitive Programming

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Dynamic Programming

1. Write a recursive program to print Fibonacci numbers.

Time complexity?

RECFIBO(n):

if $n = 0$

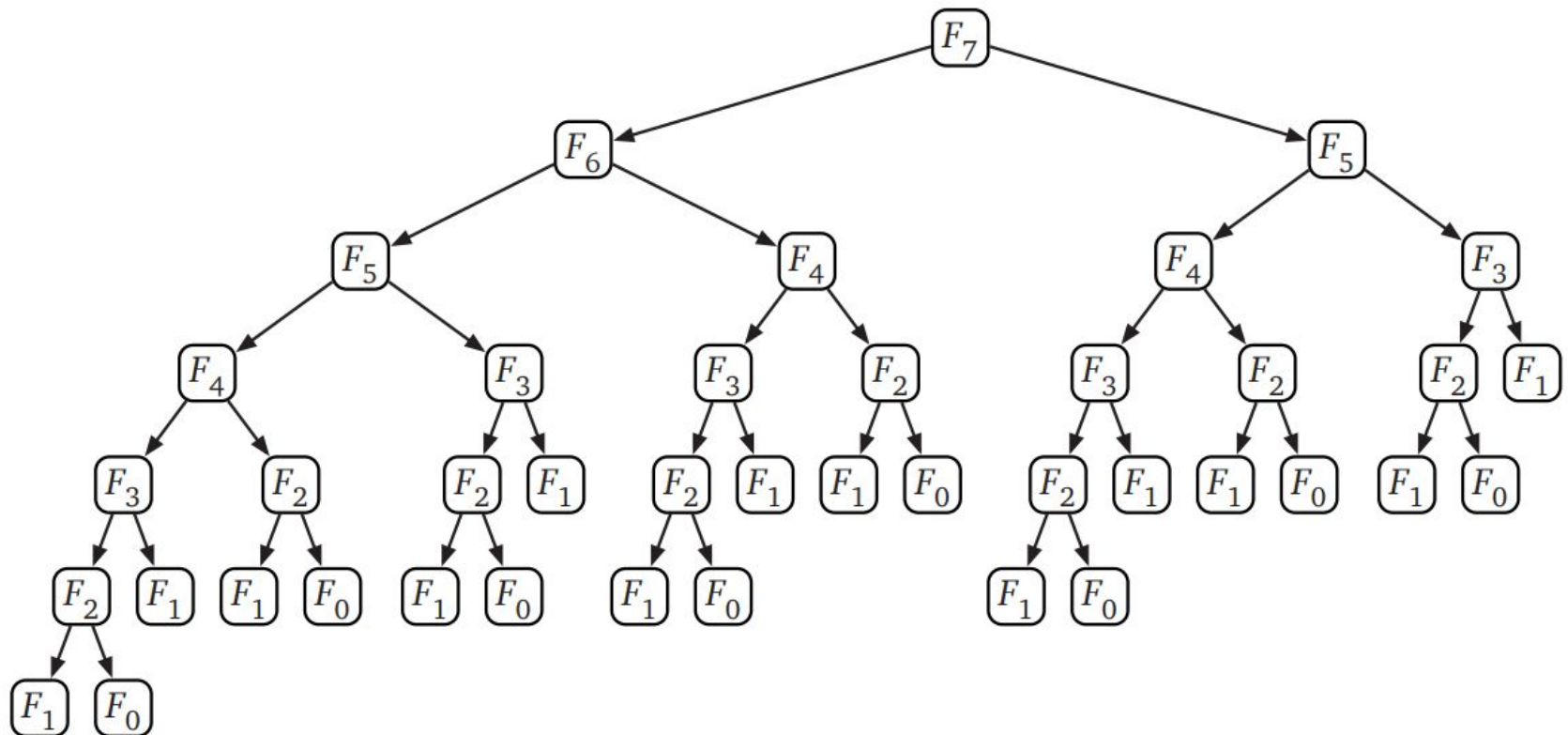
return 0

else if $n = 1$

return 1

else

return RECFIBO($n - 1$) + RECFIBO($n - 2$)



MEMFIBO(n):

if $n = 0$

return 0

else if $n = 1$

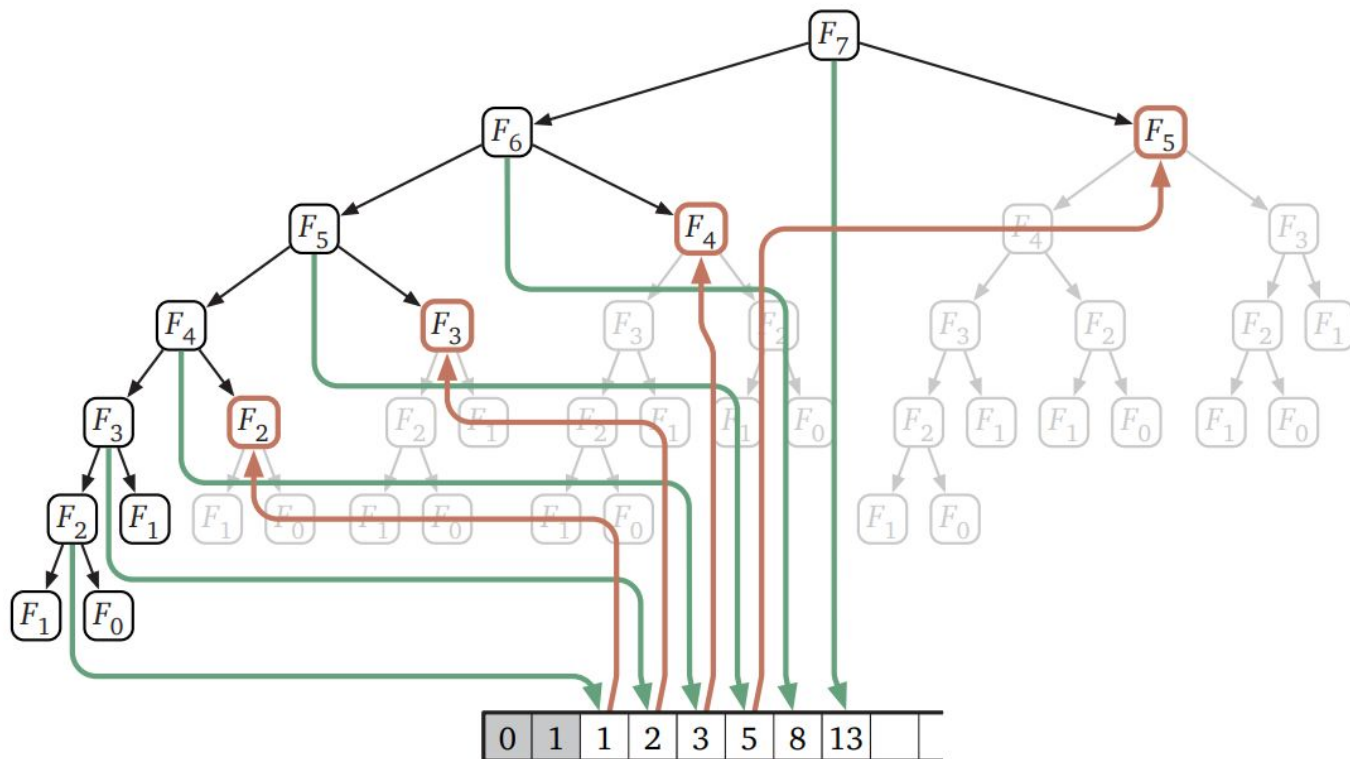
return 1

else

if $F[n]$ is undefined

$F[n] \leftarrow \text{MEMFIBO}(n-1) + \text{MEMFIBO}(n-2)$

return $F[n]$



ITERFIBO(n):

$F[0] \leftarrow 0$

$F[1] \leftarrow 1$

for $i \leftarrow 2$ to n

$F[i] \leftarrow F[i - 1] + F[i - 2]$

return $F[n]$

How to Approach DP problems ?

1. Identify subproblems
2. Identify Base cases (states)
3. Try writing Recursive solution first
4. A. Write memoization of recursive function **OR**
B. Convert Recursive solution

1-dimensional DP Example

Problem:

given n , find the number of different ways to write n as the sum of 1, 3, 4

Example:

for $n = 5$, the answer is 6

$$5 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$$

$$= 1 + 1 + 3$$

$$= 1 + 3 + 1$$

$$= 3 + 1 + 1$$

$$= 1 + 4$$

$$= 4 + 1$$

Draw tree of all possible choices.

1-dimensional DP Example

Recurrence is then

$$D_n = D_{n-1} + D_{n-3} + D_{n-4}$$

Solve the base cases

- $D_0 = 1$
- $D_n = 0$ for all negative n
- Alternatively, can set: $D_0 = D_1 = D_2 = 1$, and $D_3 = 2$

Code:

```
dp[0] = dp[1] = dp[2] = 1; dp[3] = 2;  
for(i = 4; i <= n; i++)  
    dp[i] = dp[i-1] + dp[i-3] + dp[i-4];
```


Stairs

You are climbing a stair case and it takes A steps to reach to the top.

Each time you can either climb 1 or 2 steps. In how many distinct ways can you climb to the top?

A = 2

Output 1:

2

Explanation 1:

[1, 1], [2]

Input 2:

A = 3

Output 2:

3

Explanation 2:

[1 1 1], [1 2], [2 1]

Solution

LCS

Problem:

given two strings x and y , find the longest common subsequence (LCS) and print its length

Example:

- x : **ABCBDAB**
- y : **BDCABC**
- “BCAB” is the longest subsequence found in both sequences, so the answer is 4

Try drawing Tree

LCS

- ▶ Define subproblems
 - Let D_{ij} be the length of the LCS of $x_{1\dots i}$ and $y_{1\dots j}$
- ▶ Find the recurrence
 - If $x_i = y_j$, they both contribute to the LCS
 - ▶ $D_{ij} = D_{i-1,j-1} + 1$
 - Otherwise, either x_i or y_j does not contribute to the LCS, so one can be dropped
 - ▶ $D_{ij} = \max\{D_{i-1,j}, D_{i,j-1}\}$
 - Find and solve the base cases: $D_{i0} = D_{0j} = 0$

LCS

```
for(i = 0; i <= n; i++) dp[i][0] = 0;
for(j = 0; j <= m; j++) dp[0][j] = 0;

for(i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
    for(j = 1; j <= m; j++) {
        if(x[i] == y[j])
            dp[i][j] = dp[i-1][j-1] + 1;
        else
            dp[i][j] = max(dp[i-1][j], dp[i][j-1]);
    }
}
```

Unique Paths in a Grid

Given a grid of size $m * n$, let's assume you are starting at (1,1) and your goal is to reach (m,n). At any instance, if you are on (x,y), you can either go to (x, y + 1) or (x + 1, y).

Now consider if some obstacles are added to the grids. How many unique paths would there be?

An obstacle and empty space is marked as 1 and 0 respectively in the grid.

Example :

There is one obstacle in the middle of a 3x3 grid as illustrated below.

```
[  
  [0,0,0],  
  [0,1,0],  
  [0,0,0]  
]
```

The total number of unique paths is 2.

Solution

Min Sum Path in Triangle

Given a triangle, find the minimum path sum from top to bottom. Each step you may move to adjacent numbers on the row below.

For example, given the following triangle

```
[
  [2],
  [3,4],
  [6,5,7],
  [4,1,8,3]
]
```

The minimum path sum from top to bottom is 11 (i.e., $2 + 3 + 5 + 1 = 11$).

Solution

Homework

<u>Jump Game Array</u>	Easy
<u>Longest Increasing Subsequence</u>	Easy
<u>Maximum path sum I</u>	Easy
<u>Edit Distance</u>	Medium, Classical Problem