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Week 7

Dynamic programming (DP)

Break a problem into a series of overlapping subproblems, and use the corresponding recurrence to build up solutions to larger and larger subproblems.

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- Overlapping Subproblems

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- Optimal Substructure (Optimality Conditions)

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An optimal solution to a problem (instance) contains optimal solutions to subproblems.

DP typically solves optimization problems by combining optimum solutions for subproblems.

Steps taken when designing a DP algorithm

1. Characterize the structure of an optimal solution
2. Recursively define the value of an optimal solution in terms of optimum subsolutions
3. Compute the subsolution entries (never re-compute).
4. Construct an optimal solution from the computed entries and other information.

Dynamic Programming Problems

1) Non-Adjacent Selection

2) Rod Cutting

3) Weighted Selection

4) Longest Common Subsequence

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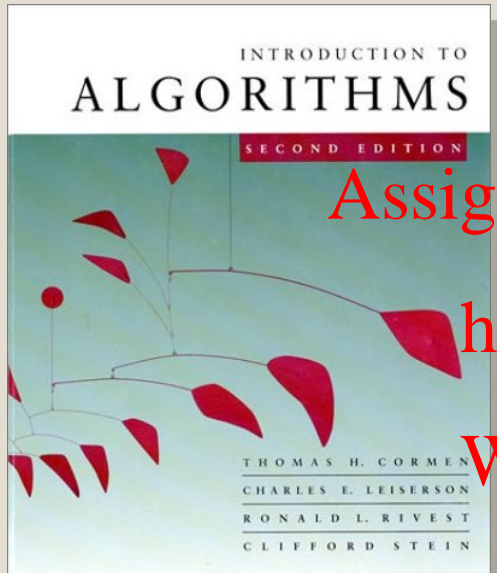
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5) Sequence Alignment

6) Coins in a Line

7) 0/1 Knapsack

8) Matrix Chain Multiplication



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- Longest Common Subsequence
- Optimal substructure
- Overlapping subproblems
- Sequence alignment (Edit Dist.)

Problem 4: *Longest Common Subsequence (LCS)*

Longest Common Subsequence (LCS)

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$x:$ A B C B D A B

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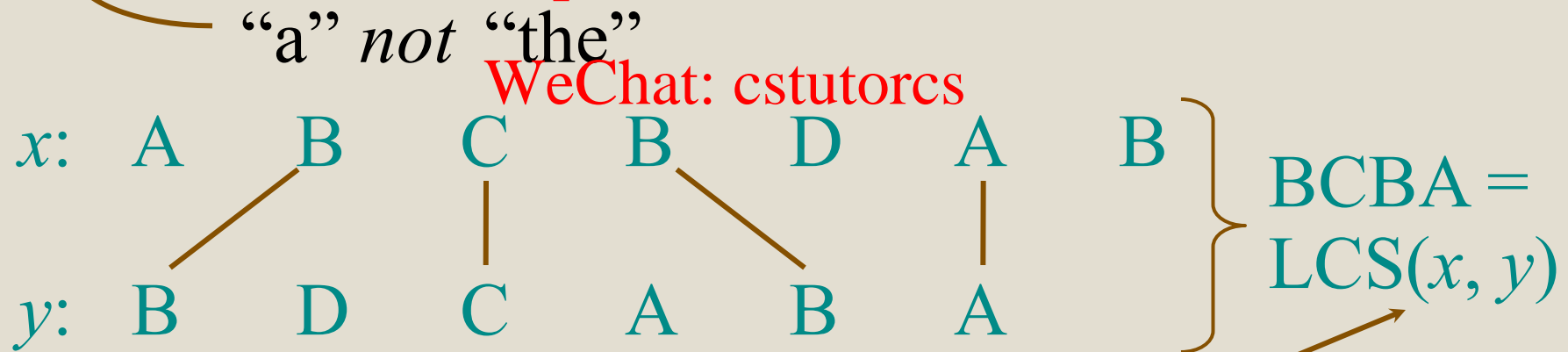
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functional notation,
but not a function

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Analysis

- Checking $= O(n)$ time per subsequence.
- 2^m subsequences of x (each bit-vector of length m determines a distinct subsequence of x).

Worst-case running time $= O(n2^m)$
 $=$ exponential time.

Towards a better algorithm

Simplification:

1. Look at the *length* of a longest-common subsequence.
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Strategy: Consider *prefixes* of x and y .

- Define $c[i, j] = |\text{LCS}(x[1 \dots i], y[1 \dots j])|$.
- Then, $c[m, n] = |\text{LCS}(x, y)|$.

Recursive formulation

Theorem.

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x[i] = y[j], \\ \max \{c[i-1, j], c[i, j-1]\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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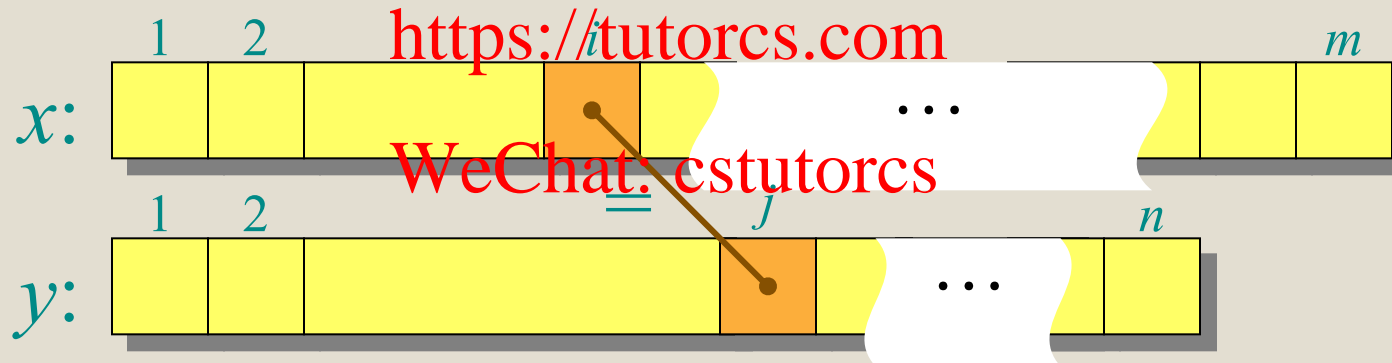
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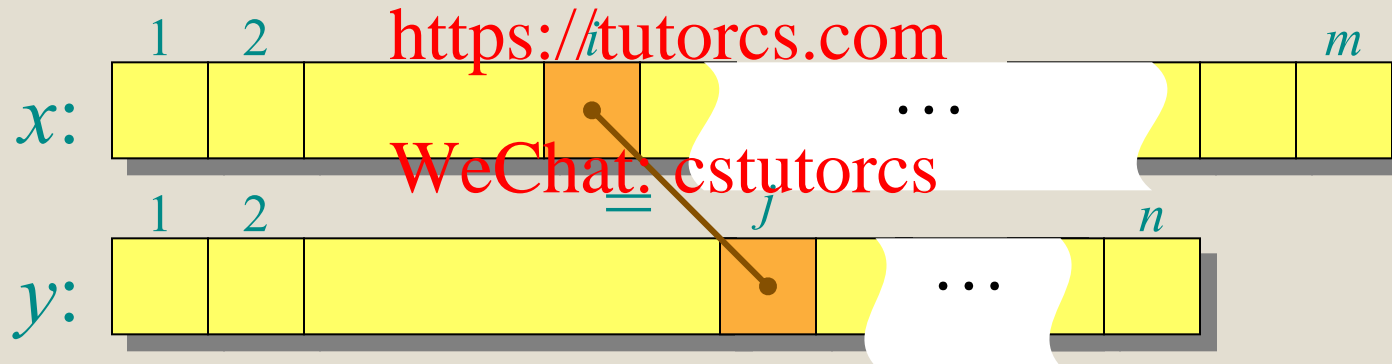


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Let $z[1 \dots k] = \text{LCS}(x[1 \dots i], y[1 \dots j])$, where $c[i, j] = k$. Then, $z[k] = x[i]$, or else z could be extended. Thus, $z[1 \dots k-1]$ is CS of $x[1 \dots i-1]$ and $y[1 \dots j-1]$.

Proof (continued)

Claim: $z[1 \dots k-1] = \text{LCS}(x[1 \dots i-1], y[1 \dots j-1])$.

Suppose w is a longer CS of $x[1 \dots i-1]$ and $y[1 \dots j-1]$, that is, $|w| > k-1$. Then, *cut and paste*: $w \parallel z[k]$ (w concatenated with $z[k]$) is a common subsequence of $x[1 \dots i]$ and $y[1 \dots j]$ with $|w \parallel z[k]| > k$. Contradiction, proving the claim.

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Thus, $c[i-1, j-1] = k-1$, which implies that $c[i, j] = c[i-1, j-1] + 1$.

Other cases are similar. 

Dynamic-programming hallmark #1

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If $z = \text{LCS}(x, y)$, then any prefix of z is an LCS of a prefix of x and a prefix of y .

Recursive algorithm for LCS

LCS(x, y, i, j)

if $x[i] = y[j]$

then return LCS($x, y, i-1, j-1$) + 1

else return $\max \{ \text{LCS}(x, y, i-1, j),$
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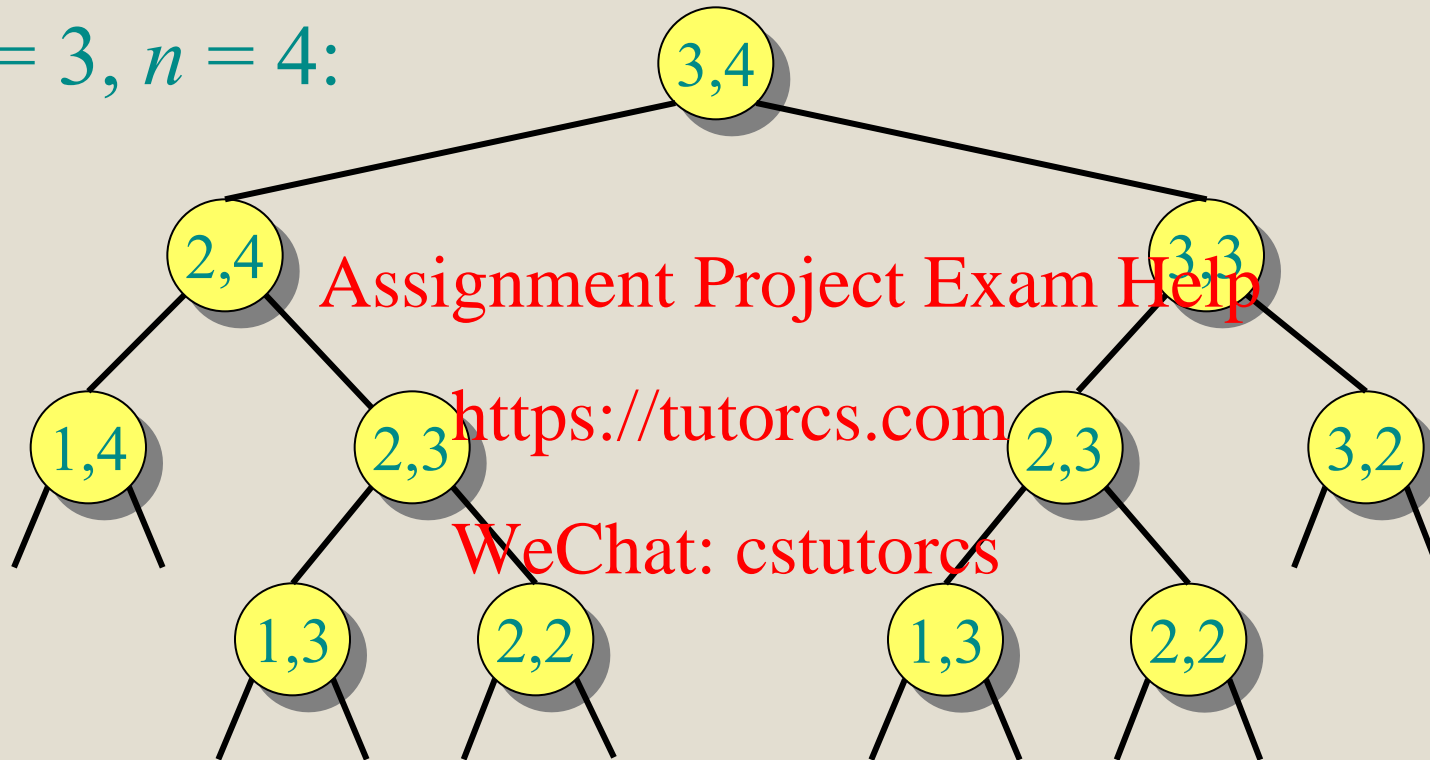
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Worst-case: $x[i] \neq y[j]$, in which case the algorithm evaluates two subproblems, each with only one parameter decremented.

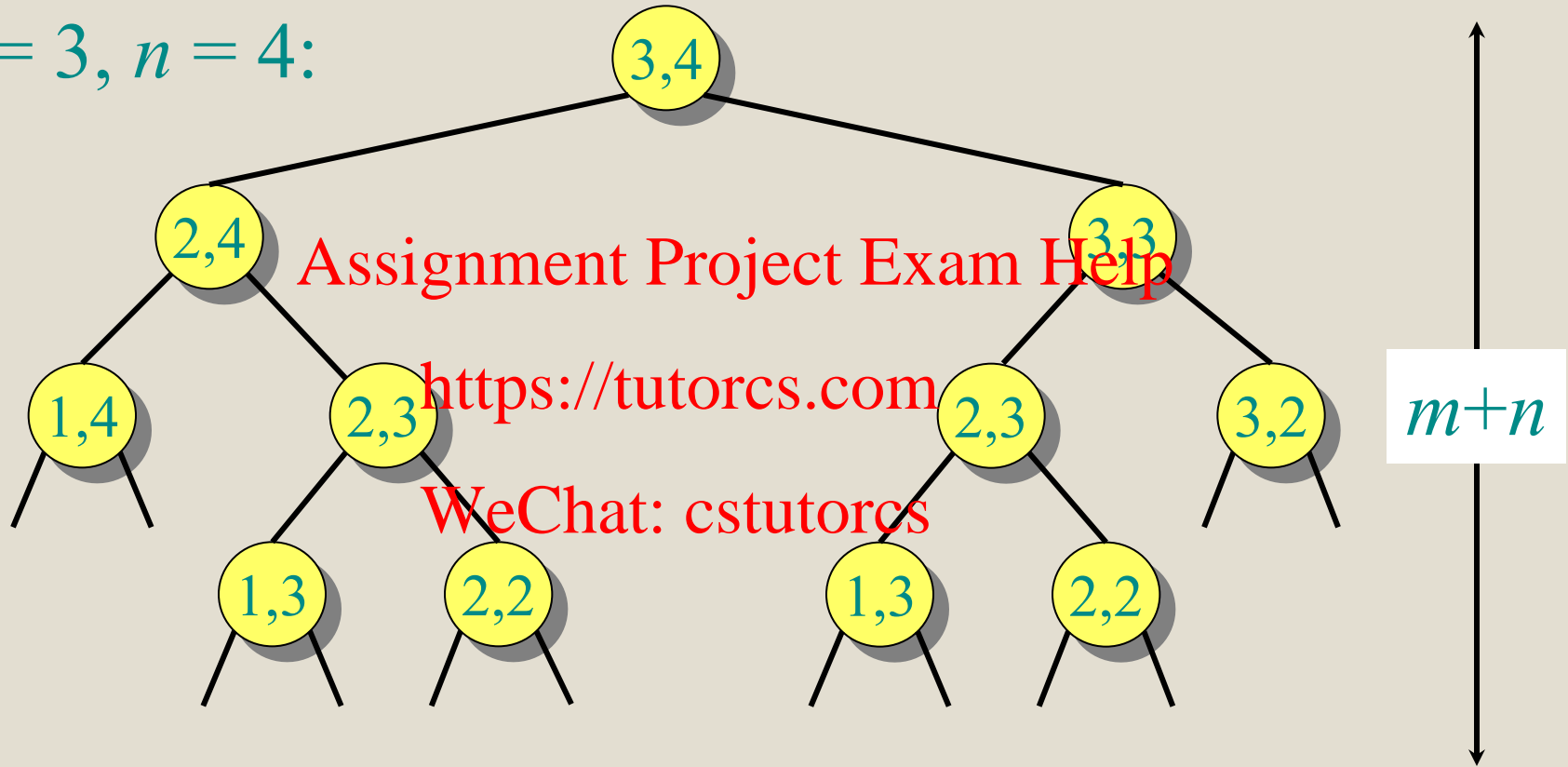
Recursion tree

$m = 3, n = 4$:



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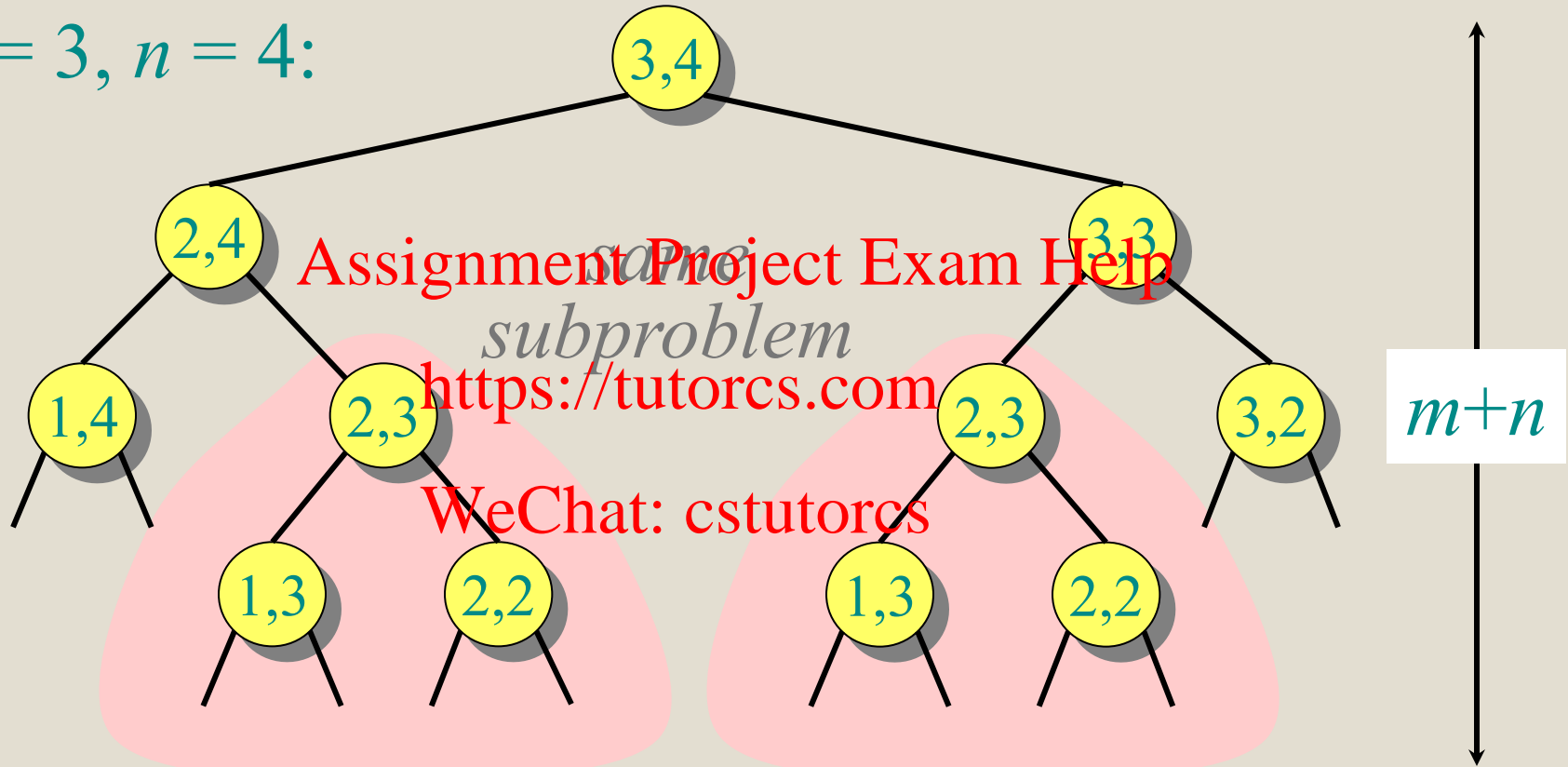
$m = 3, n = 4$:



Height = $m + n \Rightarrow$ potentially work exponential.

Recursion tree

$m = 3, n = 4$:



Height = $m + n \Rightarrow$ potentially exponential work,
but we're solving subproblems already solved!

Dynamic-programming hallmark #2

Overlapping subproblems

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The number of distinct LCS subproblems for two strings of lengths m and n is only mn .

Memoization algorithm (Top-Down DP)

Memoization: After computing a solution to a subproblem, store it in a table. Subsequent calls check the table to avoid redoing work.

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Time = $\Theta(mn)$ = constant work per table entry.

Space = $\Theta(mn)$.

Dynamic-programming algorithm: bottom-up

IDEA:

Compute the
table bottom-up.

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| | | A | B | C | B | D | A | B |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| D | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| C | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| A | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| B | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| A | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 |

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1}

Dynamic-programming algorithm

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Exercise:

$O(\min\{m, n\})$.

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Problem 5: Sequence Alignment (Edit Distance)

(Kleinberg-Tardos 6.6 + Wayne slides)

Similarity of short strings is easy for humans:

occurrence occurrence
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o-currence o-currence

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How to define similarity?

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- Defined in the 1970's by computer scientists (edit distance) and molecular biologists (for DNA sequences)
- Many versions of the problem exist
- Dynamic programming is a common technique

String similarity

Q. How similar are two strings?

Ex. occurrence and occurrence.

o c u r r a n c e -

o c - u r r a n c e

o c c u r r e n c e

o c c u r r e n c e

6 mismatches, 1 gap

1 mismatch, 1 gap

o c - u r r - a n c e

o c c u r r e - n c e

0 mismatches, 3 gaps

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Edit distance

Edit distance. [Levenshtein 1966, Needleman-Wunsch 1970]

- Gap penalty δ ; mismatch penalty α_{pq} .
- Cost = sum of gap and mismatch penalties.

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| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| C | T | - | G | A | C | C | T | A | C | G |
| C | T | G | G | A | C | G | A | A | C | G |

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$$\text{cost} = \delta + \alpha_{CG} + \alpha_{TA}$$

Applications. Unix diff, speech recognition, computational biology, ...

What makes the problem challenging?

- When there is a mismatch, is it better to pay for the mismatch or better to introduce a gap (i.e., leave one character unmatched)?

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- The decision impacts what happens afterwards
- Pursuing both options can lead to exponential time

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Use dynamic programming

- What subsolution is an optimum solution composed of?
- Does the principle of optimality hold?
- Can subsolutions be computed in a systematic and efficient way?

G C A T G C U
G A T T A C A

G C A T G - C U Assignment Project Exam Help

G - A T T A C A <https://tutores.com>

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G C A T - G C U
G - A T T A C A

gaps 2 mismatches

Sequence Alignment

$X = \text{CAGCACTTGGATTCTCCATGG} \quad |X| = m$

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Assume mismatches and gaps have a cost of 1 each

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Sequence alignment/ Edit distance

Given: strings $X = x_1 x_2 \dots x_m$ and $Y = y_1 y_2 \dots y_n$

Find a minimum cost alignment.

Simplified cost structure

- Match: 0

- Mismatch: 1

- Gap: 1

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$X = \text{CAGCACTTGGATTCTCCATGG}$

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G C A T G C U T

C A T G C A T

Gap on upper T

Match T and T

Gap on lower T

G C A T G C U

C A T G C A T

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G C A T G C U

C A T G C A

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Sequence alignment

Goal. Given two strings $x_1 x_2 \dots x_m$ and $y_1 y_2 \dots y_n$ find min cost alignment.

Def. An **alignment** M is a set of ordered pairs $x_i - y_j$ such that each item occurs in at most one pair and no crossings.

Def. The **cost** of an alignment M is:

$$\text{cost}(M) = \underbrace{\sum_{(x_i, y_j) \in M} \delta}_{\text{mismatch}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i: x_i \text{ unmatched}} \delta + \sum_{j: y_j \text{ unmatched}} \delta}_{\text{gap}}$$

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| x_1 | x_2 | x_3 | x_4 | x_5 | | x_6 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| C | T | A | C | C | — | G |
| — | T | A | C | A | T | G |
| | y_1 | y_2 | y_3 | y_4 | y_5 | y_6 |

an alignment of CTACCG and TACATG:

$$M = \{ x_2 - y_1, x_3 - y_2, x_4 - y_3, x_5 - y_4, x_6 - y_6 \}$$

Sequence alignment: problem structure

Def. $OPT(i, j)$ = min cost of aligning prefix strings $x_1 x_2 \dots x_i$ and $y_1 y_2 \dots y_j$.

Case 1. OPT matches $x_i - y_j$.

Pay mismatch for $x_i - y_j$ + min cost of aligning $x_1 x_2 \dots x_{i-1}$ and $y_1 y_2 \dots y_{j-1}$.

Case 2a. OPT leaves x_i unmatched.

Pay gap for x_i + min cost of aligning $x_1 x_2 \dots x_{i-1}$ and $y_1 y_2 \dots y_j$.

Case 2b. OPT leaves y_j unmatched.

Pay gap for y_j + min cost of aligning $x_1 x_2 \dots x_i$ and $y_1 y_2 \dots y_{j-1}$.

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optimal substructure property
(proof via exchange argument)

$$OPT(i, j) = \begin{cases} j\delta & \text{if } i = 0 \\ \min \begin{cases} \alpha_{x_i y_j} + OPT(i-1, j-1) \\ \delta + OPT(i-1, j) \\ \delta + OPT(i, j-1) \end{cases} & \text{otherwise} \\ i\delta & \text{if } j = 0 \end{cases}$$

Sequence alignment: algorithm

SEQUENCE-ALIGNMENT ($m, n, x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n, \delta, \alpha$)

FOR $i = 0$ TO m

$M[i, 0] \leftarrow i\delta.$

FOR $j = 0$ TO n

$M[0, j] \leftarrow j\delta.$

FOR $i = 1$ TO m

FOR $j = 1$ TO n

$$M[i, j] \leftarrow \min \{ \alpha[x_i, y_j] + M[i-1, j-1], \\ \delta + M[i-1, j], \\ \delta + M[i, j-1] \}.$$

RETURN $M[m, n]$.

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Use a matrix S to record
what action gives M -entry

Analysis of the sequence alignment algorithm

- Computes the optimal alignment of a string of length n and a string of length m in $O(nm)$ time using $O(nm)$ space
- Approach can be applied to other edit distance problems
- The solution is generated by recording for every entry the decision creating the minimum and tracing is back
- Can we reduce the space?
 - If we only need the optimal value, we need only $O(n+m)$ space; time remains $O(nm)$
 - A more complex algorithm achieves $O(nm)$ time and $O(n+m)$ space and generates the solution

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CAGCACTTGGATTCTCGG
CAGC-----G-T-----GG
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10 gaps

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CAGCA-CTTGGATTCTCGG
---CAGCGTGG-----
```

11 gaps

1 mismatch

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Variations

- Gaps at the end should not be penalized
- Not all gaps in a continuous sequence of gaps are equal
- Gaps in the longer input string costs more