

CS 473ug: Algorithms

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Part I

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Input A sequence of numbers a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n

Goal Find an *increasing subsequence* $a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_k}$ of maximum length

Example

6 5 3 2 7 8 1 10

Subsequence: 5 2 1

Increasing Subsequence: 5 7 8

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also 5 7 8 10

3 7 8 10 etc

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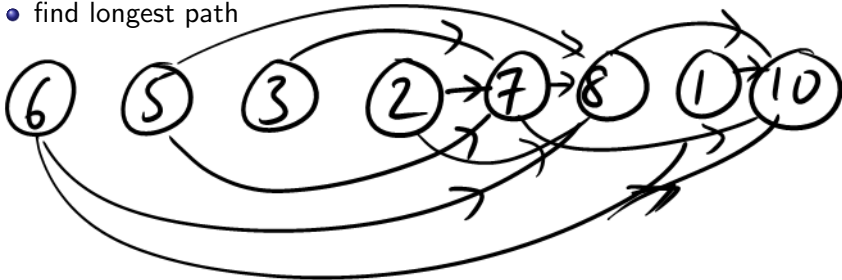
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A DAG Based Approach

Given sequence a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n create DAG as follows:

- for each i there is a node v_i
- if $i < j$ and $a_i < a_j$ add an edge (v_i, v_j)
- find longest path



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Three ways to come up with dynamic programming solutions

- recursion followed by memoization with a polynomial number of subproblems
- bottom up via tables
- identify a DAG followed by a shortest/longest path in DAG

But there is always a recursion+memoization that is implicit in the other methods!

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Dilworth's Theorem Consequence: In any sequence of length n , either the longest increasing sequence or the longest decreasing sequence is of length $\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor + 1$. *at least*

Exercise: give a sequence of length n in which both the longest increasing subsequence and longest decreasing subsequence are no more than $\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor + 1$.

Part II

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Why is substitute not “delete plus add”?

In general different edits can have different *costs* and using substitution as a edit allows a single operation as far as distance is concerned

Example

FOOD

MONEY

FOOD \rightarrow MOOD \rightarrow MOODY
 \rightarrow MONDY \rightarrow MONEY

Edit Distance as Alignment

FOO-D
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$$x_1 - x_2 x_3 - x_4 \dots x_n$$

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Subproblems involve aligning *prefixes* of the two strings.

Find edit distance between prefix $x[1..i]$ of x and prefix $y[1..j]$ of y

$\text{EditDist}(x,y)$ is the distance between $x[1..n]$ and $y[1..m]$

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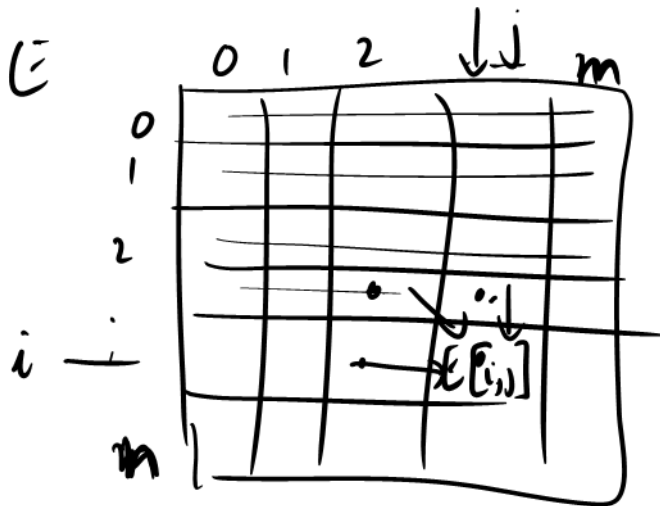
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To compute $E[i, j]$ need to have computed

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Can reduce space to $O(n + m)$ if only distance is needed but not obvious how to actually compute the edits. Can do it with a clever scheme (see Jeff's notes).

Example

Where is the DAG?

- one node for each (i, j) , $1 = 0 \leq i \leq n$, $0 \leq j \leq m$.
- Edges for node (i, j) : from $(i - 1, j - 1)$ of cost $\text{diff}(x_i, y_j)$,
from $(i - 1, j)$ of cost 1, from $(i, j - 1)$ of cost 1
- find *shortest* path from $(0, 0)$ to (n, m)