

**Question** Recall the dynamic program for longest increasing subsequence (LIS) for an input sequence of  $n$  numbers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ . If  $L(i)$  is the length of the LIS that ends in and includes  $a_i$ , then  $L(i) = 1 + \max\{L(j) : j < i \text{ and } a_j < a_i\}$

1. Give pseudocode that turns this formula for  $L(i)$  into an algorithm for finding the length of the LIS of the original sequence. Use the ideas of dynamic programming.

**Solution**

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L(1) = 1
k = 0
for i = 2, ..., n
    a. L(i) = 1
       for j = 1, ..., i-1
           if  $a_j < a_i$ 
                $L(i) = \max\{L(i), 1 + L(j)\}$ 
       k = max{k, L(i)}

return k

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2. What is the running time of your algorithm in terms of  $n$ ?

**solution**  $\Theta(n^2)$ ; being clever, you can implement this algorithm in  $O(n \log n)$  time.

3. Prove that the formula  $L(i) = 1 + \max\{L(j) : j < i \text{ and } a_j < a_i\}$  correctly computes the LIS that ends in and includes  $a_i$
4. What is the longest increasing subsequence of the following input sequence?

0 8 4 12 2 10 6 14 1 9 5 13 3 11 7 15

**Solution** 0, 2, 6, 9, 13, 15 or 0, 4, 6, 9, 11, 15 or ?

## Practice questions

1. Modify the dynamic program for the knapsack problem to find a set of items of maximum value whose total weight is exactly the capacity of the knapsack. Note that for a given set of items, there may not be a subset of items whose total weight is exactly the capacity of the knapsack; in this case, your algorithm should correctly say there is no solution.

You should:

- (a) Define the dynamic programming table.
- (b) Give a recursive formula for an entry in the dynamic programming table.
- (c) Describe in words how to fill the dynamic programming table.
- (d) Give pseudocode for the final algorithm including how to find and return the items in the knapsack.

## Solution

- (a)  $aT(i, w)$  is the highest value knapsack using a subset of the items  $1, 2, 3, \dots, i$  with total weight exactly equal to  $w$ . Let the entry  $-\infty$  denote an infeasible knapsack (ie. there is no subset of the items  $1, 2, 3, \dots, i$  with weight exactly  $w$ ).
- (b)  $T(i, 0) = 0, \forall i = 0, \dots, n$   
 $T(0, w) = -\infty, \forall w = 1, \dots, W$   
 $T(i, w) = \max\{T(i-1, w), T(i-1, w-w_i) + v_i \text{ if } w_i \leq w\}$
- (c) Fill in the table either column-wise or row-wise.
- (d) Input  $n$  items with item  $i$ 's weight  $w_i$  and value  $v_i$  and the capacity of the knapsack  $W$ .  
initialize  $p$  and  $T$  as  $n+1$  by  $W+1$  arrays  
for  $i=0 \dots n$   
     $T(i, 0) = 0$   
for  $w=1 \dots W$   
     $T(0, w) = -\infty$   
for  $i=1 \dots n$   
    for  $w=1 \dots W$   
         $T(i, w) = T(i-1, w)$   
         $p(i, w) = w$  if  $w_i \leq w$   
        if  $T(i-1, w-w_i) + v_i > T(i, w)$   
             $T(i, w) = T(i-1, w-w_i) + v_i$   
             $p(i, w) = w - w_i$

The final value of the knapsack is  $T(n, W)$ . If this is  $-\infty$ , there is no solution. Otherwise, the set of items in the best knapsack can be placed in a linked list  $O$  by:

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i = n, w = W
initialize O as an empty linked list
while i > 0
    if  $p(i, w) = w - w_i$  % take item i add i to O  $w = w - w_i$ 
    i = i - 1
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2. Give an  $O(nK)$  dynamic programming algorithm for the following task:

Input: A list of  $n$  positive integers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  and a positive integer  $K$ . Question: Does some subset of the  $a_i$ 's add up to  $K$ ? (You can use each  $a_i$  at most once.)

You should:

- (a) Define the dynamic programming table.
- (b) Give a recursive formula for an entry in the dynamic programming table.
- (c) Describe in words how to fill the dynamic programming table.
- (d) Give pseudocode for the final algorithm.
- (e) Give the running time of your algorithm.

### Solution

- (a) Let  $T(i, k) = 1$  if there is a subset of the integers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_i$  that adds to  $k$  and 0 otherwise.
- (b)  $T(i, 0) = 1$  for all  $i$   
 $T(0, k) = 0$  for all  $k > 0$   
 $T(i, k) = \max\{T(i-1, k), T(i-1, k-a_i) \text{ (if } a_i \leq k)\}$

- (c) Column-wise or row-wise.

- (d) initialize  $T$  as an  $(n+1) \times (K+1)$  array

for  $i=0 \dots n$

$T(i, 0) = 1$

for  $k=1 \dots K$

$T(0, k) = 0$

for  $i=1 \dots n$

    for  $k=1 \dots K$

$T(i, k) = T(i-1, k)$

        if  $a_i \leq k$

            if  $T(i-1, k-a_i) = 1$ ,  $T(i, k) = 1$

If  $T(n, K) = 0$ , then there is no subset of the  $a_i$ 's that add up to  $K$ . If  $T(n, K) = 1$ , then there is a subset of the  $a_i$ 's that add up to  $K$ .

- (e) The running time is  $O(nK)$ . Note that this is not polynomial time.