

PromptScratchpadOur Solution(s)Video Explanation

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1 // Copyright © 2020 AlgoExpert, LLC. All rights reserved.
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3 import java.util.*;
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5 class Program {
6     // O(nm*min(n, m)) time | O((min(n, m))^2) space
7     public static List<Character> longestCommonSubsequence(String str1, String str2) {
8         String small = str1.length() < str2.length() ? str1 : str2;
9         String big = str1.length() >= str2.length() ? str1 : str2;
10        List<List<Character>> evenLcs = new ArrayList<List<Character>>>();
11        List<List<Character>> oddLcs = new ArrayList<List<Character>>>();
12        for (int i = 0; i < small.length() + 1; i++) {
13            evenLcs.add(new ArrayList<Character>());
14        }
15        for (int i = 0; i < small.length() + 1; i++) {
16            oddLcs.add(new ArrayList<Character>());
17        }
18        for (int i = 1; i < big.length() + 1; i++) {
19            List<List<Character>> currentLcs;
20            List<List<Character>> previousLcs;
21            if (i % 2 == 1) {
22                currentLcs = oddLcs;
23                previousLcs = evenLcs;
24            } else {
25                currentLcs = evenLcs;
26                previousLcs = oddLcs;
27            }
28            for (int j = 1; j < small.length() + 1; j++) {
29                if (big.charAt(i - 1) == small.charAt(j - 1)) {
30                    List<Character> copy = new ArrayList<Character>(previousLcs.get(j - 1));
31                    currentLcs.set(j, copy);
32                    currentLcs.get(j).add(big.charAt(i - 1));
33                } else {
34                    if (previousLcs.get(j).size() > currentLcs.get(j - 1).size()) {
35                        currentLcs.set(j, previousLcs.get(j));
36                    } else {
37                        currentLcs.set(j, currentLcs.get(j - 1));
38                    }
39                }
40            }
41        }
42        return big.length() % 2 == 0 ? evenLcs.get(small.length()) : oddLcs.get(small.length());
43    }
44 }
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