

# Project 4

Spring 2023 CPSC 335 - Algorithm Engineering

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## Abstract

In this project, you will develop exhaustive search and approximation algorithms for solving the **Fibonacci problem**. The time complexity of your algorithm will be either exponential, linear or polynomial. The second part of the project involves implementing an exhaustive search algorithm for the **largest sum subarray problem** with polynomial efficiency class.

### Problem 1: The Fibonacci Problem and the Golden Ratio

In the Fibonacci sequence, each member (or the Fibonacci number,  $F_n$ ) is obtained by calculating the sum of two preceding members. Example of a sequence of Fibonacci numbers is shown below:

$$0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, \dots \quad (1)$$

Mathematically, the Fibonacci sequence contains series of  $F_n$  such that

$$F_n = \begin{cases} F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} , & n \geq 2 \\ 0 , & n = 0 \\ 1 , & n = 1 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

There are some efficient algorithms for solving this problem. Some of these approaches will reduce the running time complexity while increasing the space requirement. The dynamic programming approach is one of them.

For this project, you are expected to develop two algorithms to solve the Fibonacci problem.

### A. The Exhaustive Pattern

The first approach will involve recursive calculation of each member of the sequence.

- a. Using the formula above, develop a recursive algorithm to calculate the  $n$ th terms of the sequence. The first term of the sequence is 0, as shown above.

- b. Print out the 15<sup>th</sup> term of the sequence.

## B. The Golden Ratio Approach

The ratio of any two successive members of the Fibonacci sequence i.e.  $\left(\frac{f(n+1)}{f(n)}\right)$  is known as the golden ratio,  $\Phi$ . This ratio approximates to 1.61803.

A Fibonacci number (a member of the sequence) can be calculated using the formula:

$$F_n = \frac{(1 + \sqrt{5})^n - (1 - \sqrt{5})^n}{2^n \sqrt{5}} \quad (3)$$

In relation to a previous member of the sequence, the  $n$ th term of the sequence can be calculated using:

$$F_n \approx F_p \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{n-p} \quad (4)$$

Where  $F_p$  represents any of the preceding terms of  $F_n$ . Recall that  $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$  is equal to 1.61803 and thus may be substituted.

An approximation of the next term of the sequence can also be obtained by multiplying the preceding term by the Golden Ratio

$$F_{n+1} \approx F_n \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) \quad (5)$$

There is a **maxim** that the ratio of two consecutive Fibonacci numbers approaches the Golden Ratio, as  $n$  gets bigger.

- a. Design algorithms to obtain the Fibonacci numbers using equations (4) and (5) above

When implementing equation (4), ask the user to enter '**p**'. You should specify that '**p**' should be a positive integer and non-floating point. If a wrong number is entered, inform the user and request for a new number, until a correct input is received. Use equation (3) to obtain  $f_p$ . Then ask the user to enter '**n**'. Use the calculated  $f_p$  to obtain  $f_n$ .

When implementing equation (5), equation (3) may be used to find  $f_n$

- b. Print the first 20 terms of the sequence, from equations (4) and (5) (ie 40 terms)
- c. Compare your outputs in (b) above, when equation (4) is used against results from equation (5)
- d. Check and confirm or disprove the maxim above using  $F_3/F_2$  and  $F_{30}/F_{29}$  (from equation 5 implementation)

## Part 2: The Largest Sum Subarray Problem

The problem involves finding a contiguous part of an array of numbers that adds up to the maximum possible sum.

<i>largest sum subarray problem</i>
<b>input:</b> a non-empty vector $V$ of $n$ integers <b>output:</b> indices $b, e$ such that $0 \leq b < e \leq n$ , such the slice $V[b: e]$ has maximum sum

Recall that the notation  $V[b: e]$  means the part of  $V$  starting at index  $V[b]$  and up to, but not including,  $V[e]$ . Note that the solution  $V[b: e]$  may not be empty due to the constraint,  $b < e$ .

Sample input = (-3, -5, 5, -1, -3, 1, 5, -6)

Sample output = (5, -1, -3, 1, 5 )

## Exhaustive Search Algorithm

The Largest Sum Subarray Problem may be solved using any of the patterns we discussed in class. The exhaustive search pattern provides a straightforward approach that considers all pairs of indices  $b, e$ .

Design an exhaustive search approach for solving the problem. You may read-in the sample input file above as a .txt file **or** ask user to enter a list. You may not hard-code the list into your algorithm.

## To Do

1. Produce a written project report **in PDF format**. Your report should include:
  - a. Your name(s), CSUF-supplied email address(es), and an indication that the submission is for project 4.
2. Develop the pseudocode for Part 1A, 1B, and Part 2. Implement the **three** algorithms in either Python or C++
3. Your codes should be saved and submitted in the corresponding executable file (.py or .cpp).
4. Mathematically analyze each algorithm and state the big  $O$  efficiency class. Step count may be used.
5. Do not use built-in functions in Python or C++.
6. Using the given sample inputs below, print 4 resulting largest sum sub-arrays. Include them in your PDF report.

Sample inputs =      (10, 2, -5, 1, 9, 0, -4, 2, -2);  
                              (-7, 1, 8, 2, -3, 1);  
                              (9, 7, 2, 16, -22, 11);  
                              (6,1, 9, -33, 7, 2, 9, 1, -3, 8, -2, 9, 12, -4)

## Grading Rubric

The suggested grading rubric is given below:

### Part 1A (35)

- a. Clear and complete Pseudocode = 10 points
- b. Mathematical analysis and correct Big  $O$  efficiency class = 5 points
- c. Successful compilation of codes= 15 points
- d. Produces accurate result (15<sup>th</sup> term) = 5 points

### Part 1B (35)

- a. Clear and complete Pseudocode, using equation 4 and 5 = 10 points
- b. Mathematical analysis and correct Big  $O$  efficiency class = 5 points
- c. Successful compilation of codes= 15 points
- d. Checking if the user input, **p**, is a non-floating point positive integer = 5 points
- e. Printing the first 20 terms of the sequence = 5 points
- f. Comparison of outputs from both equations = 5 points
- g. Confirming or disproving the maxim = 5 points

## Part 2 (30)

- a. Clear and complete Pseudocode = 10 points
- b. Mathematical analysis and correct Big  $O$  efficiency class = 5 points
- c. Successful compilation of codes= 10 points
- d. Printing the 4 resulting largest sum sub arrays = 5 points

Ensure your submissions are your own works. Be advised that your submissions may be checked for plagiarism using automated tools.

## Submitting your code

Submit your files to the Project 4 Assignment on Canvas. It allows for multiple submissions. You can submit your files separately only (do not zip or use .rar)

## Deadline

The project deadline is **Friday, May 12, by 11:59 pm** on Canvas.

Penalty for late submission (within 48 hours) is as stated in the syllabus. Projects submitted more than 48 hours after the deadline will not be accepted.