

Exercise 5.1. Below is a series of optimization problems that takes as input an array $A[1..n]$ of integers, and asks for optimal subsequences of A satisfying certain properties. Design and analyze an algorithm for each of these problems, addressing items 1–5 from section 5.2.

Exercise 5.1.2. A sequence of numbers x_1, \dots, x_k is *convex* if $x_{i+1} - x_i \geq x_i - x_{i-1}$ for $i = 2, \dots, k-1$. Compute the length of the longest convex subsequence of A .

Recursive spec. Let $A[1..n]$ be a fixed array, and $cache[1..n][1..n]$ be an $n \times n$ matrix. Define the function $convex(i, j)$ to return the length of the longest convex subsequence ending in $A[j]$ and $A[i]$, with $i > j$. \square

Recursive implementation.

$convex(i, j)$:

1. If $j < 1$ or $i = 1$, then return 2
2. Else, return $\max_{1 \leq k < j} \begin{cases} 1 + convex(j, k) & \text{if } A[i] - A[j] \geq A[j] - A[k] \\ 2 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

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Dynamic Programming. We can utilize dynamic programming to reduce running time by filling an $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ table $cache[1..n][1..n]$, in which the entry $cache[i][j]$ corresponds to $convex(i, j)$. \square

Usage. To use this function, initialize some variable $tmp := 1$. Then iterate through the pairs (i, j) for which $1 \leq j < i < n$, and set $tmp = \max\{tmp, convex(i, j)\}$. Finally, return tmp . \square

Analysis of running time. The function $convex$ fills an $n \times n$ matrix without repeating any computations, which gives us $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ subproblems.

Each subproblem takes $\mathcal{O}(n)$ time to complete in the worst case.

Thus our final time complexity is $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$. \square

Exercise 5.1.4. Compute both

- the length of the longest increasing subsequences of A where the sum of integers is even,
- the length of the longest increasing subsequences of A where the sum of integers is odd.

Note. Based on solution key

Recursive spec. Returns a 2-tuple (a, b) where a and b represent the length of the LIS ending at i with sums of even and odd parity, respectively. \square

Recursive implementation.

LIS-parity(i):

1. If $A[i]$ is even: set $a := 1$ and $b := 0$
2. Else: set $a := 0$ and $b := 1$
3. For $1 \leq j \leq i - 1$:
 - A. If $A[j] < A[i]$:
 1. Set $(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) := \text{LIS-parity}(j)$
 2. If $A[i]$ is even: set $a := \max(a, \hat{a} + 1)$ and $b := \max(b, \hat{b} + 1)$
 3. Else: set $a := \max(a, \hat{b} + 1)$ and $b := \max(b, \hat{a} + 1)$
4. return (a, b)

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Dynamic Programming. We can leverage dynamic programming by caching the result of the $\mathcal{O}(n)$ subcalls. \square

Usage. return $\max_{i \in [n]} \text{LIS-parity}(i)$ \square

Analysis of running time. The $\mathcal{O}(n)$ subcalls each take $\mathcal{O}(n)$ time, giving us a final time complexity of $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$. \square

Exercise 5.1.5. Suppose each entry in A is also colored red, white, or blue. We say that a sequence is *American* if the colors alternate red, white, blue, red, white, blue, \dots . The first number in the sequence can be any color. Compute the length of the longest increasing American subsequence of A . (You can assume that you can look up the color of $A[i]$, for any $i \in [n]$, in constant time.)

Note. Based on solution key

Recursive spec. Returns longest increasing American subsequence of A ending at i . □

Recursive implementation. Assumes usage of subroutine $\text{patriotic}(\alpha, \beta)$ that returns true if color of $A[\alpha]$ follows color of $A[\beta]$ in sequence.

LIS-USA(i):

1. Define $len := 1$
2. For $1 \leq j < i$:
 - A. If $A[j] < A[i]$ and $\text{patriotic}(i, j)$:
 1. Set $len := \max\{len, \text{LIS-USA}(j) + 1\}$
3. return len

□

Dynamic Programming. We leverage dynamic programming by caching the result of the $\mathcal{O}(n)$ subcalls. □

Usage. return $\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{\text{LIS-USA}(i)\}$ □

Analysis of running time. Each subcall takes $\mathcal{O}(n)$ time, so the final complexity is $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$. □

Exercise 5.1.6. A sequence x_1, \dots, x_k is a *palindrome* if the reversed sequence is the same; i.e., $(x_1, \dots, x_k) = (x_k, \dots, x_1)$. For example,

mom, dad, racecar, and gohangasalamiimalasagnahog

are all palindromes. Compute the length of the longest palindrome subsequence of A .

Note. Based on solution key

Recursive spec. Returns the length of the longest palindrome subsequence of A between indices i and j . \square

Recursive implementation.

$\text{pal}(i, j)$:

1. If $i = j$: return 1
2. return $\max\{2 + \text{pal}(i + 1, j - 1), \text{pal}(i + 1, j), \text{pal}(i, j - 1)\}$

\square

Dynamic Programming. We leverage dynamic programming by caching the result of the $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ subcalls. \square

Usage. return $\text{pal}(1, n)$ \square

Analysis of running time. Each subcall takes $\mathcal{O}(1)$ time, giving a final complexity of $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ \square

Exercise 5.2. Let $A[1..m]$ and $B[1..n]$ be two arrays. Each of the following problems asks for some aspect (e.g., the length) of a common subsequence of $A[1..n]$ and $B[1..n]$ satisfying or optimizing certain properties. (A common subsequence of A and B is a sequence that is a subsequence of both A and B .) Design and analyze an algorithm for each of these problems, addressing items 1–5 from section 5.2.

Exercise 5.2.1. Compute the length of the longest common subsequence of A and B .

Note. Based on solution key

Recursive spec. Returns length of longest common subsequence between $A[1..a]$ and $B[1..b]$. □

Recursive implementation.

common(a, b):

1. If $a = 0$ or $b = 0$: return 0
2. If $A[a] = B[b]$: return $1 + \text{common}(a - 1, b - 1)$
3. return $\max\{\text{common}(a - 1, b), \text{common}(a, b - 1)\}$

□

Dynamic Programming. Cache the solution to each of the $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ subproblems □

Usage. return $2n - \text{common}(n, n)$ □

Analysis of running time. Each of the $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ subcalls takes $\mathcal{O}(1)$ time, so the final complexity is $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ □

Exercise 5.2.2. Compute the length of the shortest common supersequence of A and B .

Note. Based on solution key

Recursive spec. Returns the length of the shortest palindrome subsequence between $A[a_1..a_2]$ and $B[b_1..b_2]$ \square

Recursive implementation.

shortest-common-pal(a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2):

1. If $a_1 > a_2$ or $b_1 > b_2$: return 0
2. If $(a_1 = a_2 \text{ or } b_1 = b_2)$ and $A[a_1] = B[b_1]$: return 0
3. If $A[a_1] = A[a_2]$ and $B[b_1] = B[b_2]$ and $A[a_1] = B[b_1]$: return $2 + \text{common-pal}(a_1 + 1, a_2 - 1, b_1 + 1, b_2 - 1)$
4. return $\min \begin{cases} \text{shortest-common-pal}(a_1 + 1, a_2, b_1, b_2) \\ \text{shortest-common-pal}(a_1, a_2 - 1, b_1, b_2) \\ \text{shortest-common-pal}(a_1, a_2, b_1 + 1, b_2) \\ \text{shortest-common-pal}(a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 - 1) \end{cases}$

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Dynamic Programming. Cache the solution to the n^4 subproblems \square

Usage. return shortest-common-pal(1, n , 1, n) \square

Analysis of running time. Each of the n^4 subproblems takes $\mathcal{O}(1)$ time, so our final complexity is $\mathcal{O}(n^4)$ \square

Exercise 5.2.3. Compute the length of the longest common subsequence of A and B that is a palindrome.

Note. Based on solution key

Recursive spec. Returns the length of the longest palindrome subsequence between $A[a_1..a_2]$ and $B[b_1..b_2]$ \square

Recursive implementation.

longest-common-pal(a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2):

1. If $a_1 > a_2$ or $b_1 > b_2$: return 0
2. If $(a_1 = a_2$ or $b_1 = b_2)$ and $A[a_1] = B[b_1]$: return 0
3. If $A[a_1] = A[a_2]$ and $B[b_1] = B[b_2]$ and $A[a_1] = B[b_1]$: return $2 + \text{common-pal}(a_1 + 1, a_2 - 1, b_1 + 1, b_2 - 1)$
4. return $\max \begin{cases} \text{longest-common-pal}(a_1 + 1, a_2, b_1, b_2) \\ \text{longest-common-pal}(a_1, a_2 - 1, b_1, b_2) \\ \text{longest-common-pal}(a_1, a_2, b_1 + 1, b_2) \\ \text{longest-common-pal}(a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 - 1) \end{cases}$

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Dynamic Programming. Cache the solution to the n^4 subproblems \square

Usage. return longest-common-pal($1, n, 1, n$) \square

Analysis of running time. Each of the n^4 subproblems takes $\mathcal{O}(1)$ time, so our final complexity is $\mathcal{O}(n^4)$ \square

Exercise 5.10. ... [C]ompute the maximum number of sets that can be obtained in a game of Solitaire Set over the decks $A[1..m]$, $B[1..n]$, and $C[1..p]$. Design and analyze an algorithm for this problem.

Recursive spec. IDK!!

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Recursive implementation.

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Dynamic Programming.

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Usage.

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Analysis of running time.

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Proof of correctness.

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