

Lab 10

- Below, the BinarySearch and Recursive Fibonacci algorithms are shown. In each case, what are the subproblems? Why do we say that the subproblems of BinarySearch *do not overlap* and the subproblems of Recursive Fibonacci *overlap*? Explain.

Algorithm binSearch(A, x, lower, upper)
Input: Already sorted array A of size n, value x to be searched for in array section A[lower]..A[upper]
Output: true or false

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if lower > upper then return false
mid ← (upper + lower)/2
if x = A[mid] then return true
if x < A[mid] then
    return binSearch(A, x, lower, mid - 1)
else
    return binSearch(A, x, mid + 1, upper)

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Algorithm fib(n)
Input: a natural number n
Output: F(n)

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if (n = 0 || n = 1) then return n
return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)

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- Consider the following instance of the Edit Distance problem: EditDistance(“maple”, “kale”). Taking the iterative dynamic programming approach to solve this problem, fill out the values in the table.

D	“”	“k”	“ka”	“kal”	“kale”
“”					
“m”					
“ma”					
“map”					
“mapl”					
“maple”					

- (Interview Question) Devise a dynamic programming solution for the following problem:

Given two strings, find the length of longest subsequence that they share in common.

Different between substring and subsequence:

Substring: the characters in a substring of S must occur contiguously in S.

Subsequence: the characters can be interspersed with gaps.

For example: Given two Strings - “regular” and “ruler”, your algorithm should output 4.

4. *(Optional Interview Question)* Devise a dynamic programming solution for the following problem:

Given a positive integer n , find the least number of perfect square numbers which sum to n .

(Perfect square numbers are 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, ...)

For example, given $n = 12$, return 3; ($12 = 4 + 4 + 4$)

Given $n = 13$, return 2; ($13 = 4 + 9$)

Given $n = 67$ return 3; ($67 = 49 + 9 + 9$)