

Dynamic Programming

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0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, ...

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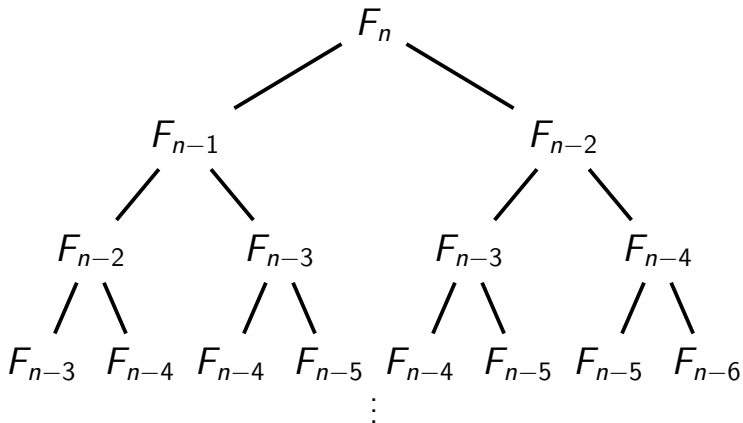
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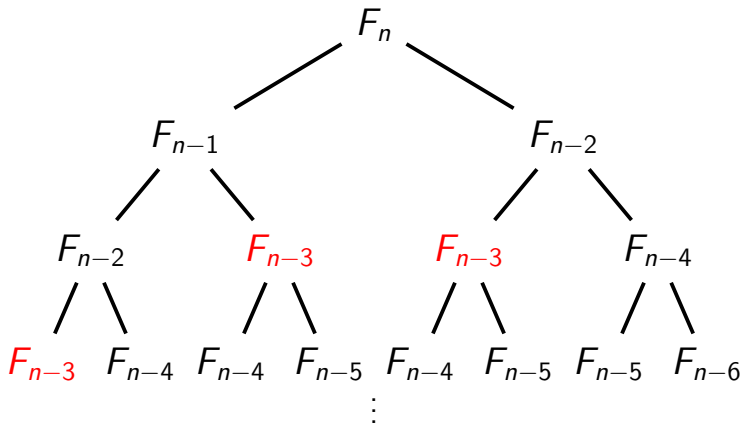
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- In practice: just F_{100} does not fit into a 64-bit integer type anymore, hence we need bignum arithmetic

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- At the same time, the case of Fibonacci numbers is a slightly artificial example of dynamic programming since it is clear from the very beginning what intermediate results we need to compute the final result

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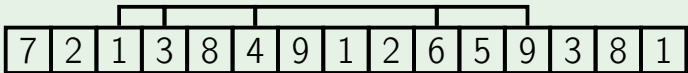
Longest increasing subsequence

Input: An array $A = [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}]$.

Output: A longest increasing subsequence (LIS),
i.e., $a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_k}$ such that
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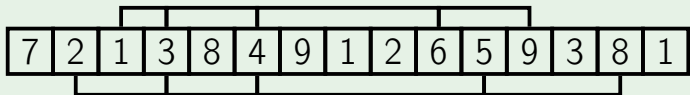
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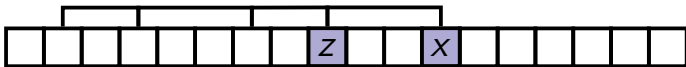
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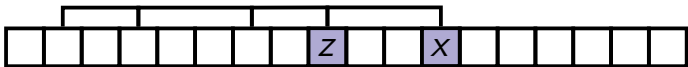
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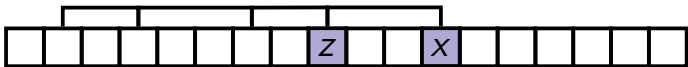
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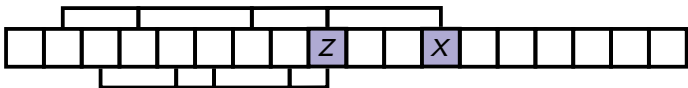
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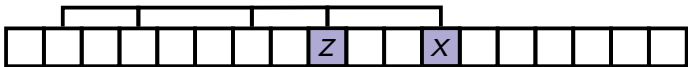


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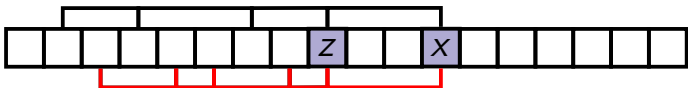


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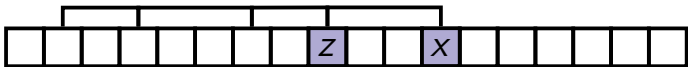


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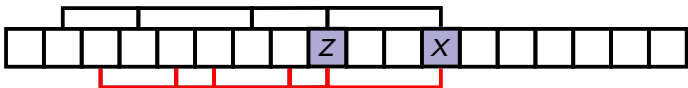


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- Optimal substructure by “cut-and-paste” trick

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14 print(max(lis(A, i) for i in range(len(A))))
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Running Time

The running time is quadratic ($O(n^2)$): there are n “serious” recursive calls (that are not just table look-ups), each of them needs time $O(n)$ (not counting the inner recursive calls)

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Adjusting the Algorithm

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5     for i in range(len(A)):
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prev	-1	-1	-1	1	3	3	4	-1	2	5	5	9	8	9	-1
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Unwinding Solution

```
1  last = 0
2  for i in range(1, len(A)):
3      if T[i] > T[last]:
4          last = i
5
6  lis = []
7  current = last
8  while current >= 0:
9      lis.append(current)
10     current = prev[current]
11     lis.reverse()
12  return [A[i] for i in lis]
```

Reconstructing Again

Reconstructing without prev

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<i>T</i>	1	1	1	2	3	3	4	1	2	4	4	5	3	5	1

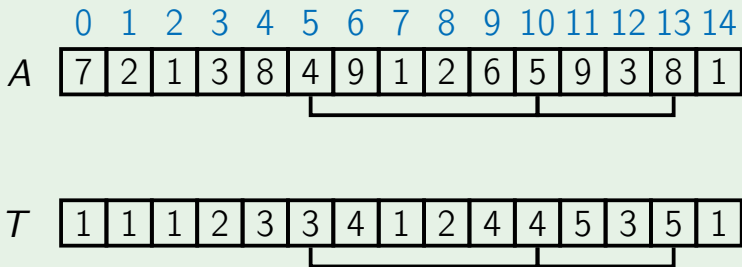
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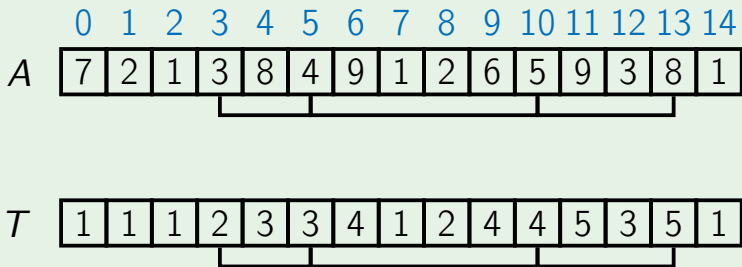
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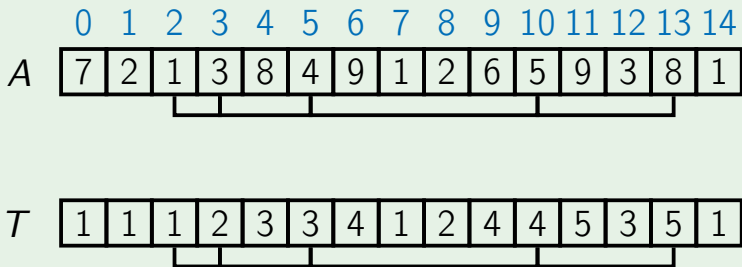
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7     else:
8         last_index = seq[-1]
9         last_element = A[last_index]
10
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14
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12                           lis(A, seq_len + 1, i))
13
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Edit distance

Input: Two strings $A[0 \dots n - 1]$ and $B[0 \dots m - 1]$.

Output: The minimal number of insertions, deletions, and substitutions needed to transform A to B . This number is known as **edit distance** or **Levenshtein distance**.

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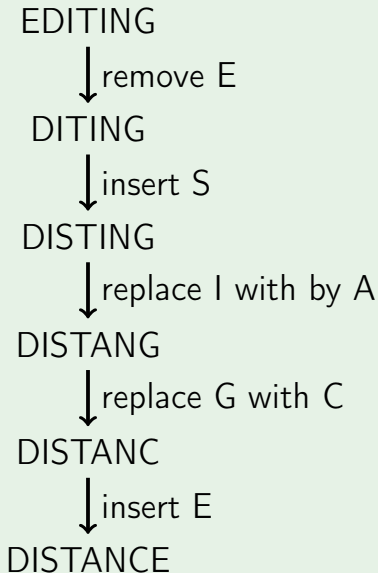
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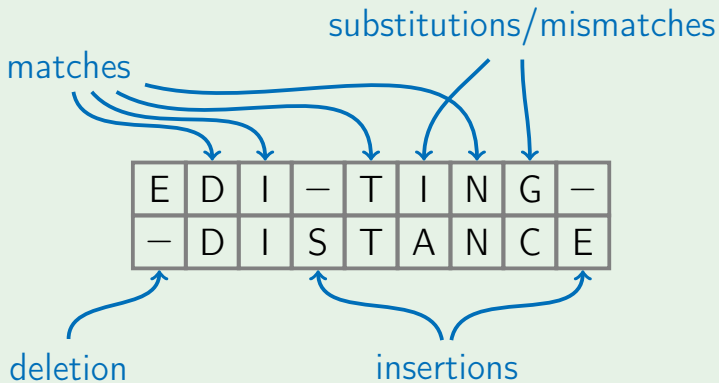


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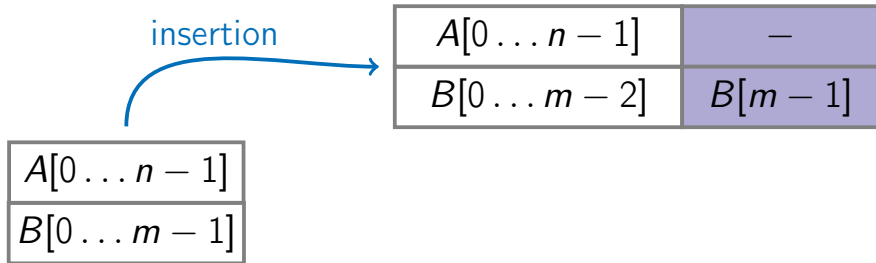


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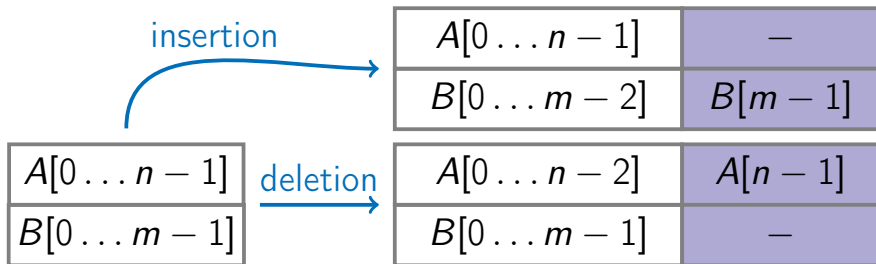
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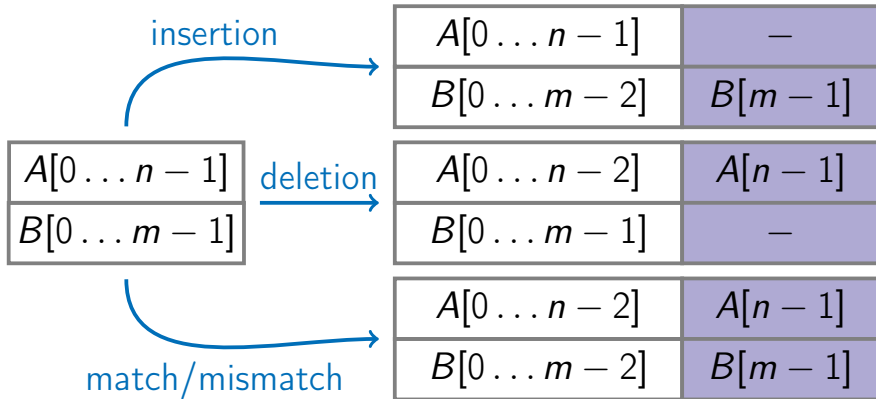
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Base case: $ED(i, 0) = i$, $ED(0, j) = j$

Recursive Algorithm

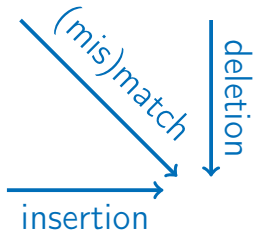
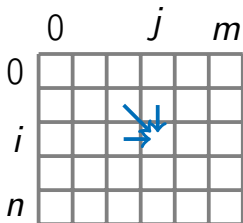
```
1 T = dict()
2
3 def edit_distance(a, b, i, j):
4     if not (i, j) in T:
5         if i == 0: T[i, j] = j
6         elif j == 0: T[i, j] = i
7         else:
8             diff = 0 if a[i - 1] == b[j - 1] else 1
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Filling the Table

Fill in the table row by row or column by column:

	0	j	m
0			
i			
n			

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Iterative Algorithm

```
1 def edit_distance(a, b):
2     T = [[float("inf")] * (len(b) + 1)
3           for _ in range(len(a) + 1)]
4     for i in range(len(a) + 1):
5         T[i][0] = i
6     for j in range(len(b) + 1):
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9     for i in range(1, len(a) + 1):
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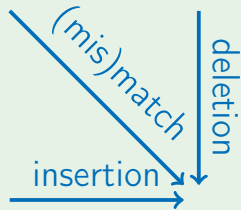
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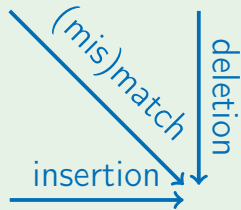
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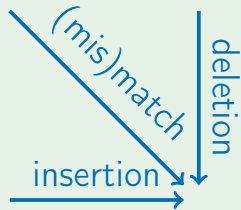
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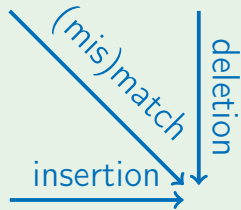
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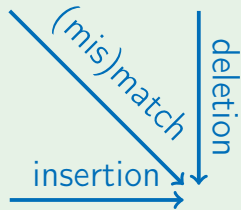
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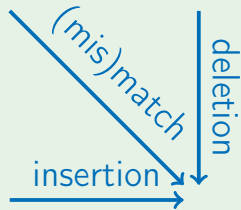
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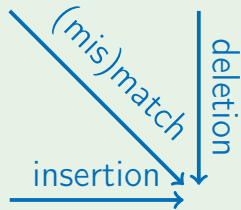
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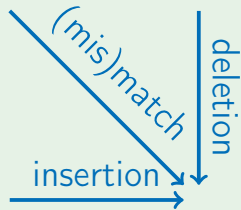
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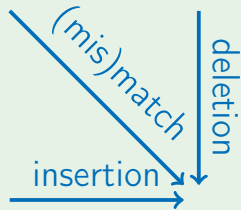
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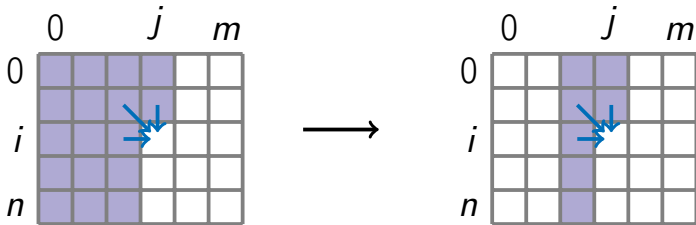
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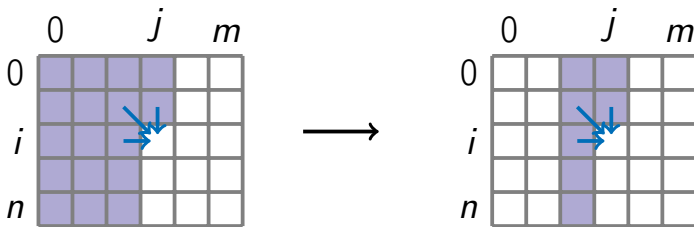
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Weighted Edit Distance

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- Biology: some mutations are more likely than others

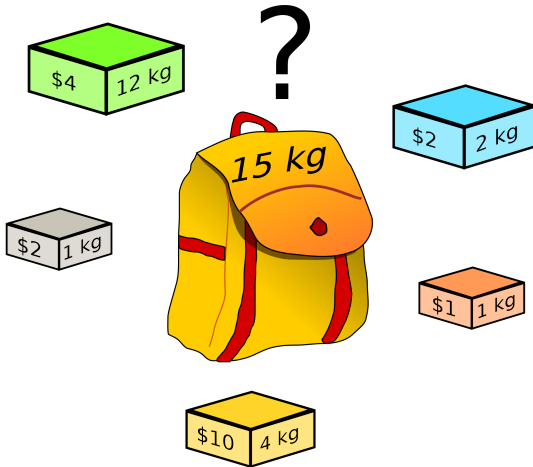
Generalized Recurrence Relation

$$\min \begin{cases} ED(i, j - 1) + \text{inscost}(B[j]), \\ ED(i - 1, j) + \text{delcost}(A[i]), \\ ED(i - 1, j - 1) + \text{substcost}(A[i], B[j]) \end{cases}$$

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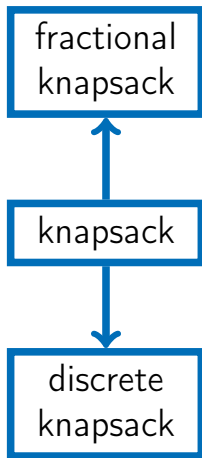
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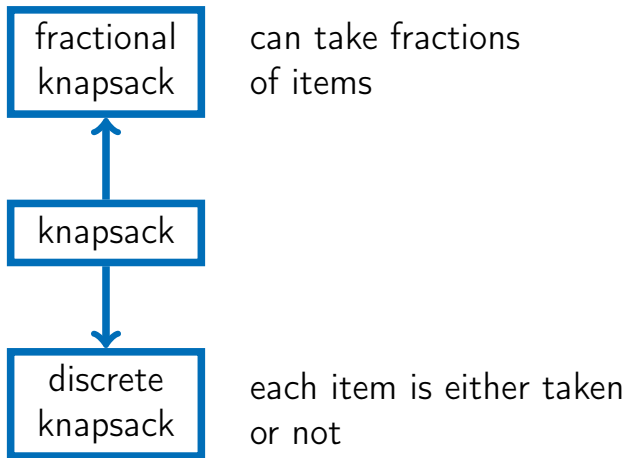
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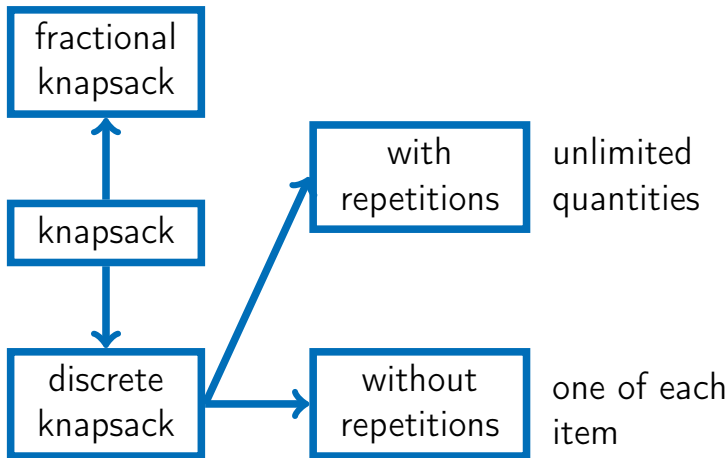
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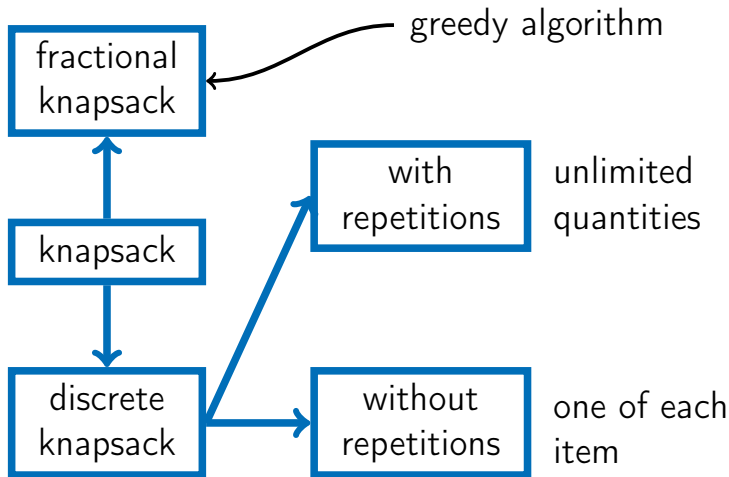
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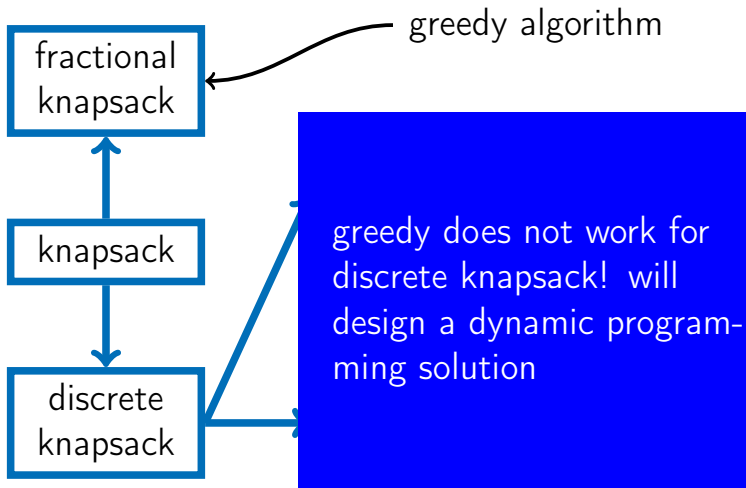
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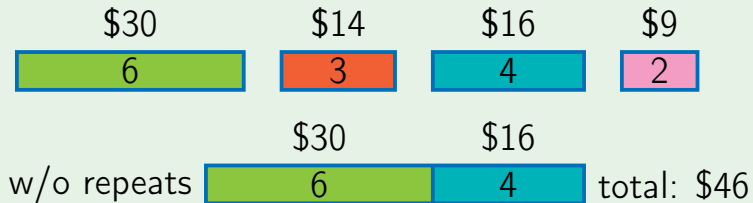
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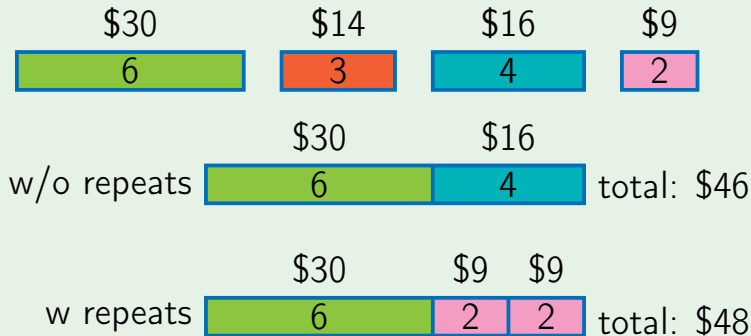
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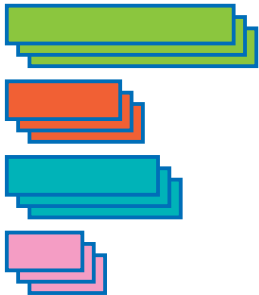
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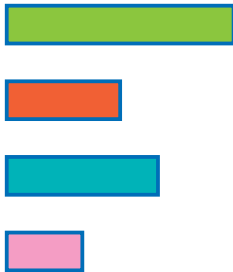
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Knapsack with repetitions problem

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3  
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Brute Force: Knapsack with Repetitions

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2     weight = sum(w[i] for i in items)
3     value = sum(v[i] for i in items)
4
5     for i in range(len(w)):
6         if weight + w[i] <= W:
7             value = max(value,
8                           knapsack(W, w, v, items + [i]))
9
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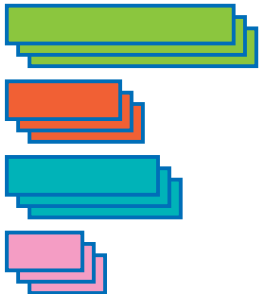
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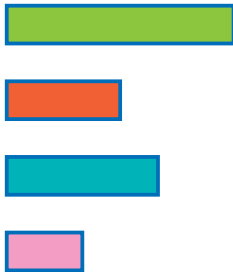
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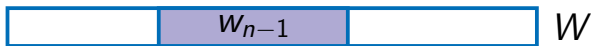


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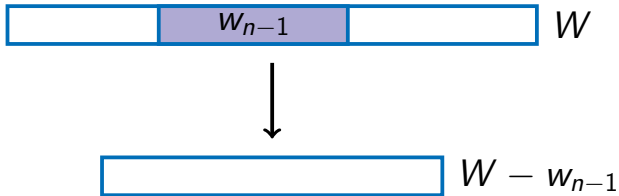
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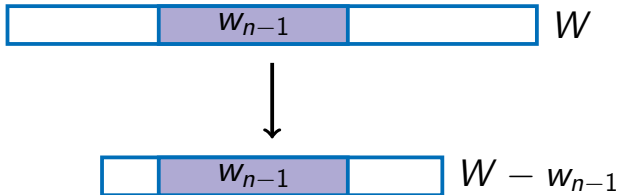
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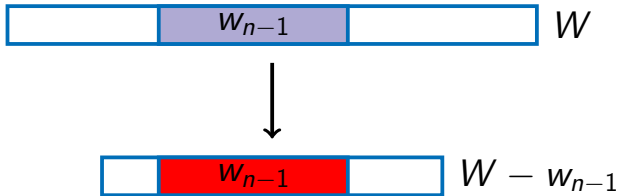
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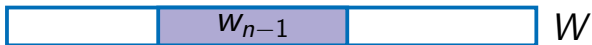


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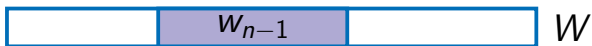
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2     T = [[None] * (len(w) + 1) for _ in range(W + 1)]
3
4     for u in range(W + 1):
5         T[u][0] = 0
6
7     for i in range(1, len(w) + 1):
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1 def knapsack(W, w, v, items, last):
2     weight = sum(w[i] for i in items)
3
4     if last == len(w) - 1:
5         return sum(v[i] for i in items)
6
7     value = knapsack(W, w, v, items, last + 1)
8     if weight + w[last + 1] <= W:
9         items.append(last + 1)
10        value = max(value,
11                    knapsack(W, w, v, items, last + 1))
12        items.pop()
13
14    return value
15
16 print(knapsack(W=10, w=[6, 3, 4, 2],
17               v=[30, 14, 16, 9],
18               items=[], last=-1))
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- There are cases however when one does not need to solve all subproblems and the knapsack problem is a good example: assume that W and all w_i 's are multiples of 100; then $value(w)$ is not needed if w is not divisible by 100

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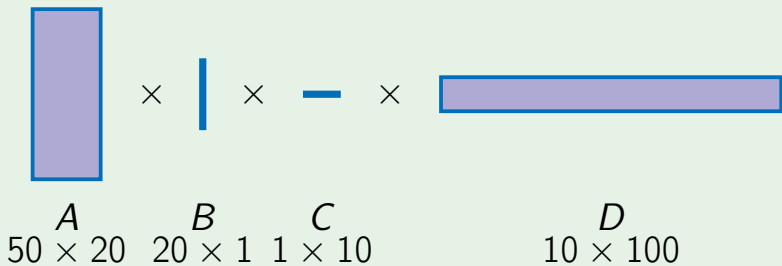
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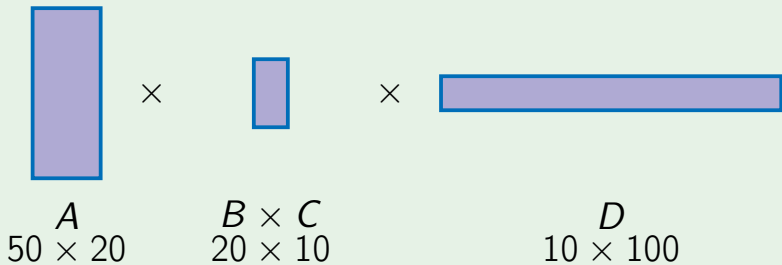
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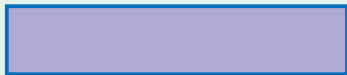


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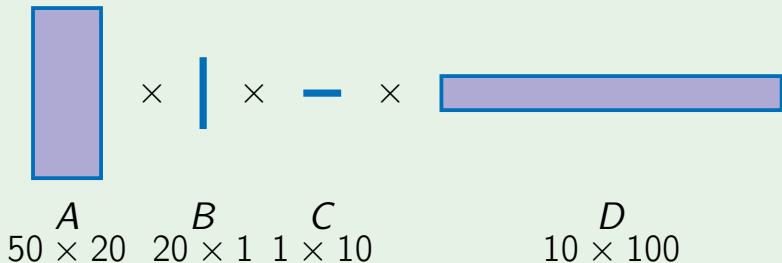
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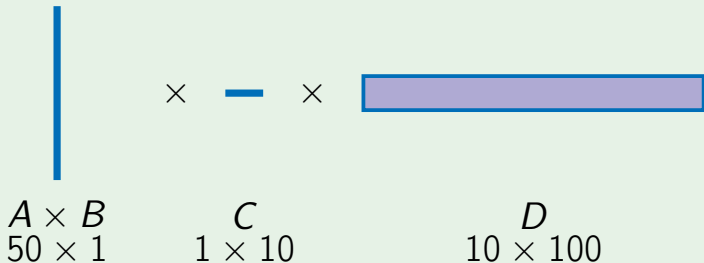
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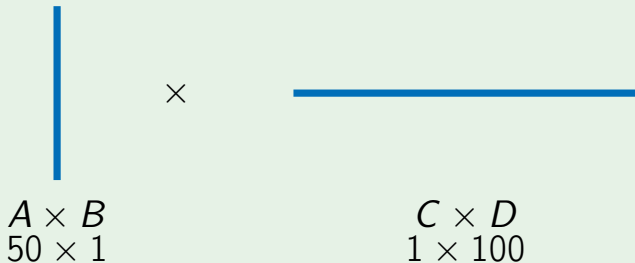
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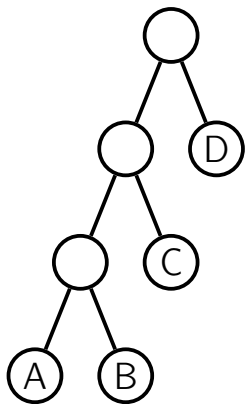
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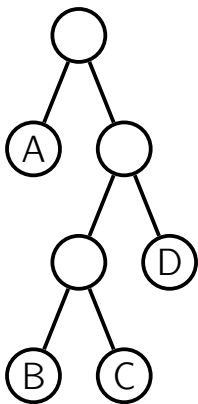
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$$50 \times 100$$

cost: $50 \cdot 20 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 10 \cdot 100 + 50 \cdot 1 \cdot 100 = 7\,000$

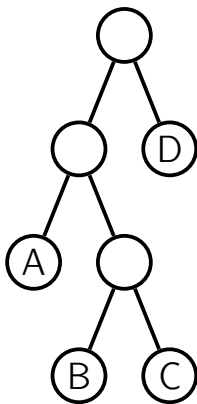
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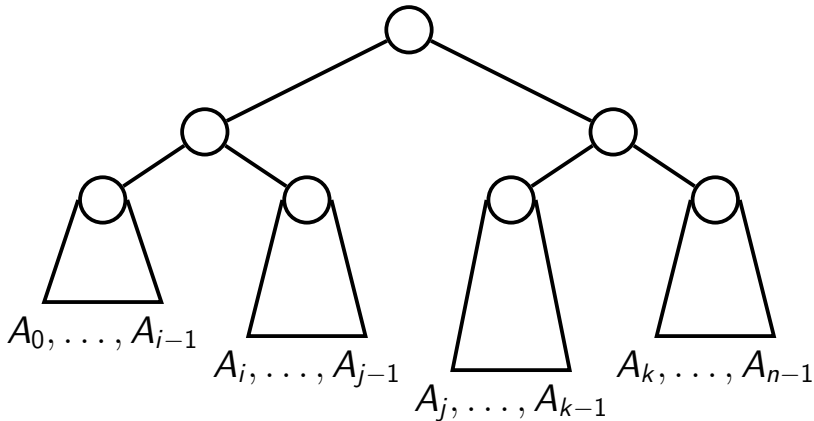


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Analyzing an Optimal Tree



each subtree computes
the product of A_p, \dots, A_q for some $p \leq q$

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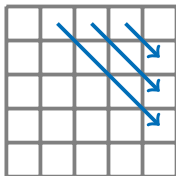
- Base case: $M(i, i + 1) = 0$

Recursive Algorithm

```
1 T = dict()
2
3 def matrix_mult(m, i, j):
4     if (i, j) not in T:
5         if j == i + 1:
6             T[i, j] = 0
7         else:
8             T[i, j] = float("inf")
9             for k in range(i + 1, j):
10                 T[i, j] = min(T[i, j],
11                             matrix_mult(m, i, k) +
12                             matrix_mult(m, k, j) +
13                             m[i] * m[j] * m[k])
14
15     return T[i, j]
16
17 print(matrix_mult(m=[50, 20, 1, 10, 100], i=0, j=4))
```


Converting to an Iterative Algorithm

- We want to solve subproblems going from smaller size subproblems to larger size ones
- The size is the number of matrices needed to be multiplied: $j - i$
- A possible order:



Iterative Algorithm

```
1 def matrix_mult(m):
2     n = len(m) - 1
3     T = [[float("inf")] * (n + 1) for _ in range(n + 1)]
4
5     for i in range(n):
6         T[i][i + 1] = 0
7
8     for s in range(2, n + 1):
9         for i in range(n - s + 1):
10             j = i + s
11             for k in range(i + 1, j):
12                 T[i][j] = min(T[i][j],
13                     T[i][k] + T[k][j] +
14                     m[i] * m[k] * m[j])
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16     return T[0][n]
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Step 1 (the most important step)

Define subproblems and write down a recurrence relation (with a base case)

- either by analyzing the structure of an optimal solution, or
- by optimizing a brute force solution

Subproblems: Review

- 1 Longest increasing subsequence: $LIS(i)$ is the length of longest common subsequence ending at element $A[i]$
- 2 Edit distance: $ED(i, j)$ is the edit distance between prefixes of length i and j
- 3 Knapsack: $K(w)$ is the optimal value of a knapsack of total weight w
- 4 Chain matrix multiplication $M(i, j)$ is the optimal cost of multiplying matrices through i to $j - 1$

Step 2

Convert a recurrence relation into a recursive algorithm:

- store a solution to each subproblem in a table
- before solving a subproblem check whether its solution is already stored in the table

Step 3

Convert a recursive algorithm into an iterative algorithm:

- initialize the table
- go from smaller subproblems to larger ones
- specify an order of subproblems

Step 4

Prove an upper bound on the running time. Usually the product of the number of subproblems and the time needed to solve a subproblem is a reasonable estimate.

Step 5

Uncover a solution

Step 6

Exploit the regular structure of the table to check whether space can be saved

Recursive vs Iterative

- Advantages of iterative approach:
 - No recursion overhead
 - May allow saving space by exploiting a regular structure of the table
- Advantages of recursive approach:
 - May be faster if not all the subproblems need to be solved
 - An order on subproblems is implicit