## NLP Homework 2, Part 1

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## 1 MINIMUM EDIT DISTANCE

According to wikipedia and course slides, we have to implement minimum edit distance algorithm:

$$\operatorname{lev}_{a,b}(i,j) = \begin{cases} \max(i,j) & \text{if } \min(i,j) = 0, \\ \min \begin{cases} \operatorname{lev}_{a,b}(i-1,j) + 1 \\ \operatorname{lev}_{a,b}(i,j-1) + 1 \\ \operatorname{lev}_{a,b}(i-1,j-1) + 1_{(a_i \neq b_j)} \end{cases} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

To set a custom cost to this algorithm, we should change initialize matrix with insertion and deletion cost and change +1 with cost:

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Initialization: D(0,0) = 0
D(i,0) = D(i-1,0) + del[x(i)];  1 < i \le N
D(0,j) = D(0,j-1) + ins[y(j)];  1 < j \le M
Recurrence Relation: D(i,j) = min \begin{cases} D(i-1,j) + del[x(i)] \\ D(i,j-1) + ins[y(j)] \\ D(i-1,j-1) + sub[x(i),y(j)] \end{cases}
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**Test:** There is an example in course slides to compute edit distance between intention and execution. here is my result of this example:

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The first matrix is D, Second matrix is back-track (T = Top, L = Left, D = Diag). Finally you can find the path of minimum edit distance: