

Wild Card Matching

S1 = " ? ay "
S2 = " ray " } True

? = matches any single character
* = matches any sequence of characters of length 0 or more

S1 = " ~~a~~ ~~b~~ * ~~c~~ ~~d~~ "
S2 = " ~~a~~ ~~b~~ def ~~c~~ ~~d~~ " } True

S1 = " ~~a~~ ~~b~~ * d "
S2 = " ~~a~~ ~~b~~ c " } False.

S1 = " * * abcd "
S2 = " abcd " } True

Problem Statement

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Given a text and a wildcard pattern of size N and M respectively, implement a wildcard pattern matching algorithm that finds if the wildcard pattern is matched with the text. The matching should cover the entire text not partial text.

The wildcard pattern can include the characters '?' and '*'

'?' - matches any single character

'*' - Matches any sequence of characters(sequence can be of length 0 or more)

return false || true.

Approach:

String matching Recursion

a b * c d $f(n-1, m-1)$

a b d e f c d $f(4, 6)$

$s[0 \dots 4] = ~~15~~ [0 \dots 6]$

• $Express(i, j)$

• Try all ways

• True || false

Recursion.

$f(i, j)$

if $(i < 0 \text{ or } j < 0)$ return false.

if $(i < 0 \text{ or } j > 0)$ return false.

if $(j < 0 \text{ or } i > 0)$ for —

if $(s[i] == t[j] \text{ or } s[i] == '?')$ return $f(i-1, j-1)$;

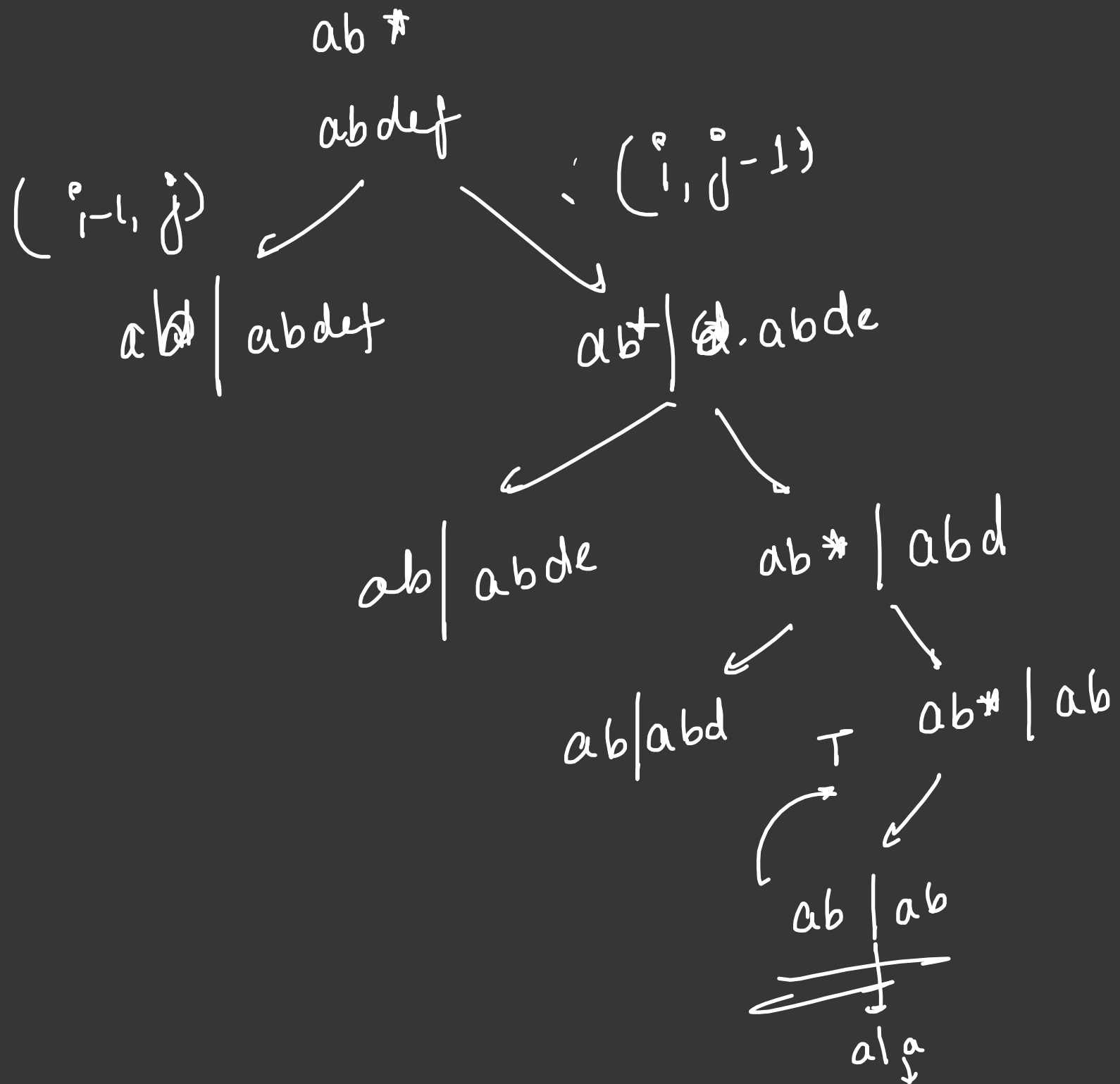
if $(s[i] == z \text{ or } '*')$

$f(i-1, j) \text{ or } f(i, j-1)$

return false

ab * c dⁱ

ab def c d^j



// Base Case:

if s1 get exhausted

$i < 0 \wedge j < 0$

return True

if ($i < 0$)
 ~~return false~~
 $i < 0$
 $j < 0$
 return false

if s2 get exhausted

if ($j < 0$ ~~or~~ $i < 0$)

~~return~~ if ($s[i] == i^*$)

for ($k = 0, k < i$)
 if ($s[i] == i^*$)
 return false

return true

Time Complexity : Exponential

S.C. : $O(N^2)$ Auxiliary Space

Memorization

$dp[n][m]$

$dp[n-1][m-1]$

T.C: $O(N \times M)$

S.C. $O(N \times M) + \underbrace{O(N+M)}_{\text{Auxiliary Space.}}$

Tribulation

if ($i \geq 0$ & $j \geq 0$) true

$i \geq 0, j \geq 0$

Base Case:

if $dp[0][0] = 1,$

$i \geq 0$

for ($i = 1; i < n; i++$)
if ($sl[i-1] \neq 2$)
 $dp[i][0] = 1;$

Space Optimised:

$dp[0][0]$

$prev[0] = 1$
 $i = 1, i \leq m, j++$
 $prev[j] = false$

for cur

