CH-231-A Algorithms and Data Structures ADS

Lecture 31

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Strategy

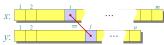
- ▶ Look at length of longest-common subsequence.
- Let |s| denote the length of a sequence s.
- ▶ To find LCS(x, y), consider prefixes of x and y (i.e., we go from right to left)
- ▶ Definition: c[i,j] = |LCS(x[1..i], y[1..j])|. In particular, c[m, n] = |LCS(x, y)|.
- ► Theorem (recursive formulation):

$$c[i,j] = \begin{cases} c[i-1,j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x[i] = y[j], \\ \max\{c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1]\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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Proof (1)

Case
$$x[i] = y[j]$$
:



Let z[1..k] = LCS(x[1..i], y[1..j]) with c[i, j] = k.

Then, z[k] = x[i] = y[j] (else z could be extended).

Thus, z[1..k-1] is CS of x[1..i-1] and y[1..j-1].

Claim: z[1..k-1] = LCS(x[1..i-1], y[1..j-1]).

- Assume w is a longer CS of x[1..i-1] and y[1..j-1], i.e., |w| > k-1.
- ► Then the concatenation w + z[k] is a *CS* of x[1..i] and y[1..j] with length > k.
- ▶ This contradicts |LCS(x[1..i], y[1..j])| = k.
- ▶ Hence, the assumption was wrong and the claim is proven.

Hence,
$$c[i-1,j-1] = k-1$$
, i.e., $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$.

Proof (2)

Case $x[i] \neq y[j]$:

Then, $z[k] \neq x[i]$ or $z[k] \neq y[j]$.

- ▶ $z[k] \neq x[i]$: Then, z[1..k] = LCS(x[1..i-1], y[1..j]). Thus, c[i-1,j] = k = c[i,j].
- ▶ $z[k] \neq y[j]$: Then, z[1..k] = LCS(x[1..i], y[1..j - 1]). Thus, c[i, j - 1] = k = c[i, j].

In summary, $c[i, j] = \max\{c[i-1, j], c[i, j-1]\}.$

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Dynamic Programming Concept (1)

Step 1: Optimal substructure.

An optimal solution to a problem contains optimal solutions to subproblems.

Example:

If z = LCS(x, y), then any prefix of z is an LCS of a prefix of x and a prefix of y.

Recursive Algorithm

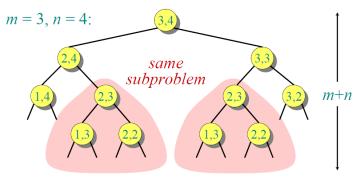
► Computation of the length of *LCS*:

▶ Remark: if $x[i] \neq y[j]$, the algorithm evaluates two subproblems that are very similar.

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Recursive Tree



Height = $m + n \Rightarrow$ work potentially exponential, but we're solving subproblems already solved!

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Dynamic Programming Concept (2)

Step 2: Overlapping subproblems.

A recursive solution contains a "small" number of distinct subproblems repeated many times.

Example:

The number of distinct *LCS* subproblems for two prefixes of lengths m and n is only $m \cdot n$.

Memoization Algorithm

Memoization:

- After computing a solution to a subproblem, store it in a table.
- Subsequent calls check the table to avoid repeating the same computation.

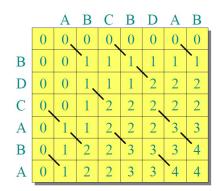
Recursive Algorithm with Memoization

Computation of the length of *LCS*:

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Dynamic Programming (1)

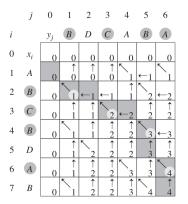
Compute the table bottom-up:



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Dynamic Programming (2)

Compute the table bottom-up:



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LCS-LENGTH(X, Y)
    m = X.length
    n = Y.length
    let b[1..m, 1..n] and c[0..m, 0..n] be new tables
    for i = 1 to m
         c[i, 0] = 0
    for i = 0 to n
         c[0, i] = 0
    for i = 1 to m
         for j = 1 to n
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             if x_i == y_i
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                 c[i, j] = c[i - 1, j - 1] + 1
12
                 b[i, j] = "\\\"
13
             elseif c[i-1, j] > c[i, j-1]
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                 c[i, j] = c[i - 1, j]
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             else c[i, j] = c[i, j - 1]
                 b[i, i] = "\leftarrow"
    return c and b
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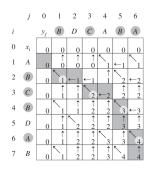
Complexity

- ▶ Time complexity: $T(m, n) = \Theta(m \cdot n)$
- ▶ Space complexity: $S(m, n) = \Theta(m \cdot n)$

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Reconstructing LCS

Trace backwards:



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PRINT-LCS (b, X, i, j)

1 if i = 0 or j = 0

2 return

3 if b[i, j] = \text{```\circ}

4 PRINT-LCS (b, X, i - 1, j - 1)

5 print x_i

6 elseif b[i, j] = \text{``\circ}

7 PRINT-LCS (b, X, i - 1, j)

8 else PRINT-LCS (b, X, i, j - 1)
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▶ Time complexity: O(m + n)

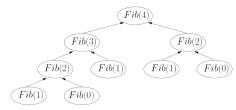
Fibonacci Numbers Revisited (1)

Recall:

Recursive definition:

$$F_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0; \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 1; \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & \text{if } n \ge 2. \end{cases}$$

► Recursion tree of brute-force implementation:



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Fibonacci Numbers Revisited (2)

Dynamic programming solution:

- Avoid re-computations of same terms.
- Store results of subproblems in a table.
- ▶ Thus, Fib(k) is computed exactly once for each k.
- ► This basically leads to the previously discussed bottom-up approach.
- ▶ Computation time is $T(n) = \Theta(n)$.

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