

**Problem 1:** Solve a problem using top-down and bottom-up approaches of Dynamic Programming technique

1. Explain how your top-down approach different from the bottom-up approach?

The top-down approach breaks down the larger problem and solves the subproblems recursively; a memoization table is used to store the results of subproblems. The bottom-up approach breaks down the problem but solves each subproblem iteratively; it starts with the smallest subproblem and builds up the solution for the larger problem. A table ('cache') is filled up in a bottom-up manner.

2. What is the time complexity and Space complexity using Top-down Approach

**Time complexity:**  $O(m*n)$

**Space complexity:**  $O(m*n)$

3. What is the time complexity and Space complexity using Bottom-up Approach

**Time complexity:**  $O(m*n)$

**Space complexity:**  $O(m*n)$

4. Write the subproblem and recurrence formula for your approach. If the top down and bottom-up approaches have the subproblem recurrence formula you may write it only once, if not write for each one separately.

**Subproblem:** The length of the longest common subsequence (LCS) of the prefixes of the DNA strings, DNA1[0, i] and DNA2[0, j].

**Top-down recurrence formula:**

- if  $i < 0$  or  $j < 0$ : return 0
- if  $(i, j)$  in memo: return memo  $[(i, j)]$
- if  $\text{DNA1}[i] == \text{DNA2}[j]$ : memo $[(i, j)] = 1 + \text{lcs}(i - 1, j - 1)$
- Else: memo $[(i, j)] = \max(\text{lcs}(i - 1, j), \text{lcs}(i, j - 1))$

**Bottom-up recurrence formula:**

- If  $i==0$  or  $j==0$ : cache $[i][j] = 0$
- If  $\text{DNA1}[i-1] == \text{DNA2}[j-1]$ : cache $[i][j] = \text{cache}[i-1][j-1] + 1$
- Else: cache $[i][j] = \max(\text{cache}[i-1][j], \text{cache}[i][j-1])$

**Problem 2:** Solve Dynamic Programming Problem and Compare with Naïve approach

You are playing a puzzle. A random number N is given, you have blocks of length 1 unit and 2 units. You need to arrange the blocks back to back such that you get a total length of N units. In how many distinct ways can you arrange the blocks for given N.

- a. Write a description/pseudocode of approach to solve it using Dynamic Programming paradigm (either top-down or bottom-up approach)

**Bottom-up approach:**

```
def bottomup_count(n):  
    cache = 0 for x in range(n + 1)  
  
    For i from 0 to n:  
        If i == 0 or i == 1:  
            Cache[i] = 1  
        Else:  
            cache[i] = cache[i-1] + cache[i-2]
```

- b. Write pseudocode/description for the brute force approach

**Brute approach:**

```
def brute_count(n):  
    If n < 0:  
        Return 0  
    If n == 0:  
        Return 1  
    Else:  
        Return brute_count(n-1) + brute_count(n-2)
```

- c. Compare the time complexity of both the approaches

**Bottom-up approach:  $O(n)$**

**Brute approach:  $O(2^n)$**

- d. Write the recurrence formula for the problem

- If  $n = 0$ ,  $f(n) = 1$
- Else:  $f(n) = f(n - 1) + f(n - 2)$