

64. Minimum Path Sum

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Given a $m \times n$ grid filled with non-negative numbers, find a path from top left to bottom right, which minimizes the sum of all numbers along its path.

Note: You can only move either down or right at any point in time.

Example 1:

1	3	1
1	5	1
4	2	1

Input: grid = [[1,3,1],[1,5,1],[4,2,1]]

Output: 7

Explanation: Because the path 1 → 3 → 1 → 1 → 1 minimizes the sum.

Example 2:

Input: grid = [[1,2,3],[4,5,6]]

Output: 12

Constraints:

- $m == \text{grid.length}$
- $n == \text{grid}[i].\text{length}$
- $1 \leq m, n \leq 200$
- $0 \leq \text{grid}[i][j] \leq 200$

$dp[i][j]$ represents min path sum from i, j to $m-1, n-1$.

$$dp[i][j] = a_{ij} + \min \left\{ dp[i+1][j], dp[i][j+1] \right\}$$

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

$dp[m+1][n+1] = \infty$

for ($i: m-1$ to 0)

for ($j: n-1$ to 0)

$dp[i][j] = a_{ij} + \min \left\{ dp[i+1][j], dp[i][j+1] \right\}$

Same as Unique Paths

Approach 1: Recursion

Approach 2: Memoization

Approach 3: Tabulation

$dp[i][j]$ represents the minimum path sum from cell $[0][0]$ to cell $[i][j]$

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class Solution {
public:
    int minPathSum(vector<vector<int>>& grid) {
        int m = grid.size();
        int n = grid[0].size();

        vector<vector<int>> dp(m, vector<int>(n, 0));

        for(int i = 0; i < m; i++){
            for(int j = 0; j < n; j++){
                if(i == 0 && j == 0)
                    dp[i][j] = grid[i][j]; } 1st cell in path
                else if(i == 0)
                    dp[i][j] = dp[i][j-1] + grid[i][j]; } only one way
                                                         i.e. from left
                else if(j == 0)
                    dp[i][j] = dp[i-1][j] + grid[i][j]; } i.e. from Top
                else
                    dp[i][j] = grid[i][j] + min(dp[i-1][j] , dp[i][j-1]);
                                                         ↓           ↓
                                                         Top       left
            }
        }

        return dp[m-1][n-1];    }
};

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$T(n) = O(m \times n)$
 $S(n) = O(m \times n)$

Approach 4: Space Optimization on Tabulation

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class Solution {
public:
    int minPathSum(vector<vector<int>>& grid) {
        int m = grid.size();
        int n = grid[0].size();

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vector<int> prevRow(n,0);
int prevCol = 0;
for(int i =0;i<m;i++){
    for(int j=0;j<n;j++){
        if(i==0 && j==0)
            prevCol = grid[i][j];
        else if(i==0)
            prevCol = prevCol + grid[i][j];
        else if(j==0)
            prevCol = prevRow[j] + grid[i][j];
        else
            prevCol = grid[i][j] + min(prevRow[j] , prevCol);
        prevRow[j] = prevCol;
    }
}

return prevRow[n-1] ;
};

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1st cell in path
executed for 1st row
executed for 1st column

$T(n) : O(m \times n)$
 $S(n) : O(n)$