Algorithm Design Techniques

Greedy Algorithms

Dynamic Programming

- The Longest Common Subsequence (LCS) is as follows...
- We are given two strings, S of length n and T of length m
- Produce their longest common subsequence
- The longest subsequence of characters that appear left-to-right, but not necessarily in a contiguous block, in both strings

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- Cell [G, A]
 - no match
 - biggest: 0

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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1				
Α	0						
С	0						
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- Cell [G, C]
 - no match
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		Α	G	С	А	Т	G
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1			
Α	0						
С	0						
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 - Note: comparing G with AGCATG

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А	0						

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- Cell [A, A]
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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1					
С	0						
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- Cell [A, C]
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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1			
С	0						
G	0						
Т	0						
А	0						

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- Cell [A, A]
 - match: diagonal + 1 = 2

		Α	G	С	А	Т	G
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2		
С	0						
G	0						
Т	0						
Α	0						

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- Cell [A, T]2
 - no match
 - biggest: 2

		А	G	С	А	Т	G
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2	2	
С	0						
G	0						
Т	0						
Α	0						

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- Cell [A, T]2
 - no match
 - biggest: 2

		Α	G	С	Α	Т	G
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
С	0						
G	0						
Т	0						
А	0						

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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
С	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
G	0						
Т	0						
А	0						

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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
С	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
G	0	1	2	2	2	2	3
Т	0						
Α	0						

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G	0	1	2	2	2	2	3
Т	0	1	2	2	2	3	3
А	0						

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G	0	1	2	2	2	2	3
Т	0	1	2	2	2	3	3
А	0	1	2	2	3	3	3

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 - but which three?

		А	G	С	А	Т	G
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
С	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
G	0	1	2	2	2	2	3
Т	0	1	2	2	2	3	3
А	0	1	2	2	3	3	3

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 - but which three?
 - Either end with A, T, G

		А	G	С	А	Т	G
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
С	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
G	0	1	2	2	2	2	3
Т	0	1	2	2	2	3	3
Α	0	1	2	2	3	3	3

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 - If A, then next is G, C

		Α	G	С	А	Т	G
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
С	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
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G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
С	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
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Т	0	1	2	2	2	3	3
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 - but which three?
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 - If G, then next is A
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G	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Α	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
С	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
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Т	0	1	2	2	2	3	3
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• Can be done in n² time; just have to build the table