

Longest palindrome substring

~~Ex~~ Given a string S , find the longest palindrome substring in S

I/p: Banana

O/p: anana

This solved using DP approach.

Ex: ababa

if bab is already known as palindrome then ababa is a palindrome.

It is not required to find palindrome all the time. Store it and use it. (DP approach)

How to store and use it?

Ans: Base case:

// Every character is a palindrome

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$$P[i, i] = \text{True} \quad S_i = S_i$$

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$$P[i, i+1] = \text{True} \quad \text{if } S_i = S_{i+1}$$

Ex: aa, bb, cc etc

Recursive case:

$$P[i \dots j] = \text{True} \text{ if } P[i+1, j-1] \text{ and } s_i = s_j$$

otherwise false

Ex: a b a b a
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 i j

$$P[i \dots j] = \begin{cases} \text{True} & \text{if } P[i+1, j-1] \text{ and } s_i = s_j \\ \text{False} & \end{cases}$$

$P[i+1, j-1] = \text{bab}$ which is palindrome already found

$s_i = s_j$; $a = a$ so both are true
so

$$P[i \dots j] = \text{True}$$

so a b a b a is palindrome.

Technical approach:

- * First find the palindrome for length 1 and 2.
Store it in the table.
- * Now iterate from length = 3 to n
with the above conditions.

What I've learned?

- * If a string problem is given
create a table 2D array

- * Find base condition and recursive
condition of DP

- * Usually base condition is of for length = 1 or
2 in a string.