

CS F364: Design & Analysis of Algorithm

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Longest Common Subsequence



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Longest common subsequence

A **subsequence** of a sequence can be obtained by **removing zero or more** elements.

- In the longest-common-subsequence problem, we are given two sequences $X = \langle x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots x_m \rangle$ and $Y = \langle y_1 y_2 y_3 \dots y_n \rangle$ and wish to find a maximum-length common subsequence of X and Y .
- Example: DNA sequence $\{A, T, C, G\}$
- Time? exponential
- Prefix** uses first few items

Components of Dynamic Programming

1) Optimal substructure, 2) Overlapping subproblems

Let

$X_m = \langle x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m \rangle$

$Y_n = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \rangle$

$Z_k = \langle z_1, \dots, z_k \rangle$ LCS

① If $(x_m = y_n)$ then $z_k = x_m$ and

$Z_{k-1} = \text{LCS}(X_{m-1}, Y_{n-1})$

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LCS of two sequences contains within LCS of the prefix of the two sequences

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0 \\ c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x_i = y_j \\ \max(c[i-1, j], c[i, j-1]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Solution Sketch

		B	D	C	A	B	A
A							
B							
C							
B							
D							
A							
B							

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Algorithm 1: LCS-Length(X, Y)

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1 m = length[X]
2 n = length[Y]
3 for i = 1 to m do
4   c[i, 0] = 0
5 for j = 0 to n do
6   c[0, j] = 0
7 for i = 1 to m do
8   for j = 1 to n do
9     if xi = yj then
10      c[i, j] = c[i-1, j-1] + 1
11      b[i, j] = ↖
12     else
13       if c[i-1, j] > c[i, j-1] then
14         c[i, j] = c[i-1, j]
15         b[i, j] = ↑
16       else
17         c[i, j] = c[i, j-1]
18         b[i, j] = ←
19 return c and b

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Complexity? $O(n^2)$

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Algorithm 2: Print-LCS(b, X, i, j)

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1 if i=0 or j=0 then
2   return
3 if b[i, j] = ↖ then
4   Print-LCS( b, X, i-1, j-1)
5   print xi
6 else
7   if b[i, j] = ↑ then
8     Print-LCS( b, X, i-1, j)
9   else
10    Print-LCS( b, X, i, j-1)

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Example

		j						
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6
i	y _j	B	D	C	A	B	A	
	x _i	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A	0	↑	↑	↑	↑	←1	1
2	B	0	↑	←1	←1	↑	2	←2
3	C	0	↑	↑	2	←2	↑	2
4	B	0	↑	↑	2	2	←3	3
5	D	0	↑	2	2	2	↑	3
6	A	0	↑	2	2	3	↑	4
7	B	0	↑	2	2	3	4	4

Thank You!

Thank you very much for your attention! (Reference¹)

Queries ?

¹[1] Book - *Introduction to Algorithms*, By THOMAS H. CORMEN, CHARLES E. LEISERSON, RONALD L. RIVEST, CLIFFORD STEIN