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# Dynamic Programming

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DP - Practice videos Lecture Notes (coding Ninjas)

Recursion (Heart of Dynamic Programming)

Fibonacci series (Recursion & DP way)

Min<sup>m</sup> steps to 1 (DP → Bottom up & Top Down)

Min<sup>m</sup> coin to given sum (DP)

These are all 3 and one dimensional  
DP questions only.

② Some Basic DP Intros & difference b/w DP and Greedy

Only 3 questions  
DP Down approach  
is always readable  
to get substructure  
or get one from its subproblem.

# General Knowledge

#1 Before going to Dynamic Programming Problems  
You should must be aware and muster  
your concept in recursion

# # 1 Introduction to Dynamic Programming

\* This is video lecture seen from 'competitive programming courses' which screen recorded by 'Yashesh friend' saved in 'linuz, harddrive & unshucky gmail'.

## ④ Dynamic Programming :-

→ "Those who can't remember their past are condemned to repeat it."

## ⑤ what?, where?, Examples?

⇒ e.g.

$$1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 5$$

and again

$$\underbrace{1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1}_{\text{subproblem}} \xrightarrow{\text{record it}} 6 \rightarrow O(1)$$
$$\xrightarrow{\quad} O(n)$$

so we took subproblem upto first 5 count and next count we just add to it.

what?

→ So DP is all about remembering the problems that you've already solved.

→ so it's just learning from past.

Q) where?

→ ① Optimal substructure

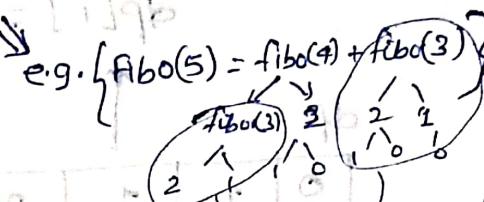
$$\text{sum}(6) = \text{sum}(5) + 1$$

Biggest  
subproblem

This tech  
is called  
optimal  
substruct  
Other e.g.  
Merge sort  
Divide con

→ ② Overlapping subproblems

$$\text{e.g. } \{ \text{fib}(5) = \text{fib}(4) + \text{fib}(3) \}$$

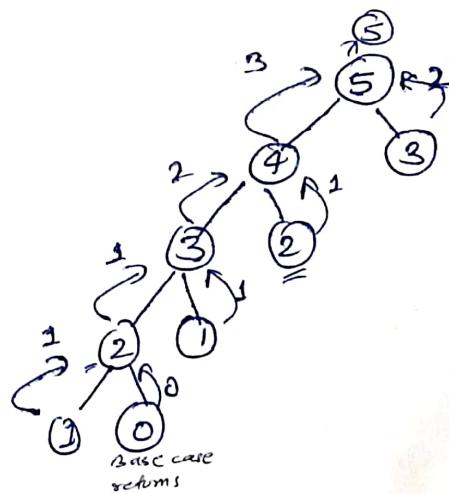


overlapping  
subproblems

→ So DP will be helpful to memoize the subproblem which you've already solved.

→ so do not compute the same subproblems again and again.

Q) e.g. fibonacci tree.



dp	0	1	1	2	3	5
0	0	1	1	2	3	5

Top down approach  
(Recursion + Memoization)

## ⑧ Fibonacci (Bottom-up approach) (smaller to bigger)

$$dp[i] = dp[i-1] + dp[i-2]$$

dp

0	1	1	2	3	5	8	13
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

$$f(n) = f(n-1) + f(n-2)$$

⇒ So this is what top-down dp and bottom-up dp is.

⇒ we will see more in next lecture.

## ② Fibonacci Recursion & Call Stack

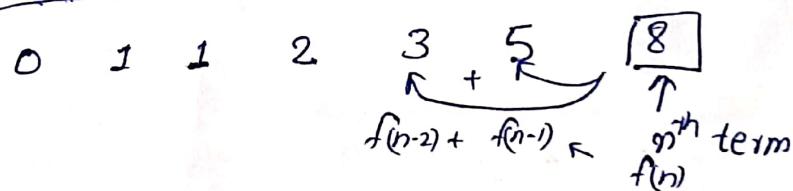
Some course content

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- So as in last lecture video we concluded that we can use DP (where?) in problems where we've
  - overlapping subproblems and
  - optimal substructure (combine subproblems to get bigger problems)

→ we also talked about fibonacci series where when we want to get the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term, then we came out with the very simple recurrence that  $n^{\text{th}}$  term is sum of previous two terms.

$$f(n) = f(n-1) + f(n-2)$$



④ Recursion way of computing fibonacci :-

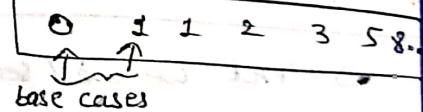
- Complexity  $O(2^n)$  = exponential, which is not a good complexity.
- So we can use DP to optimize the complexity. So while using dp. for this fibonacci the complexity will be  $O(n)$ . We will discuss both top-down and bottom-up approach using dp.

⑤ Let's get into the coding and start implementing the code:-

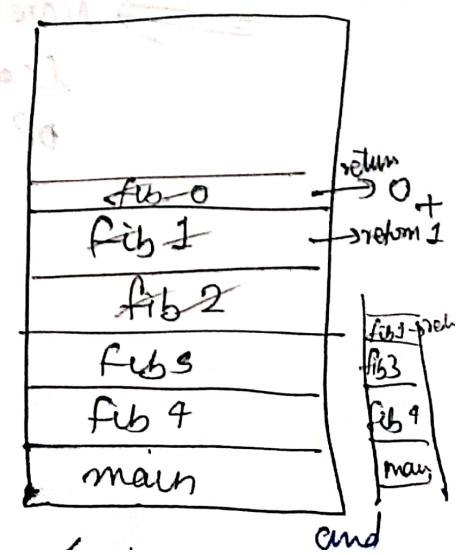
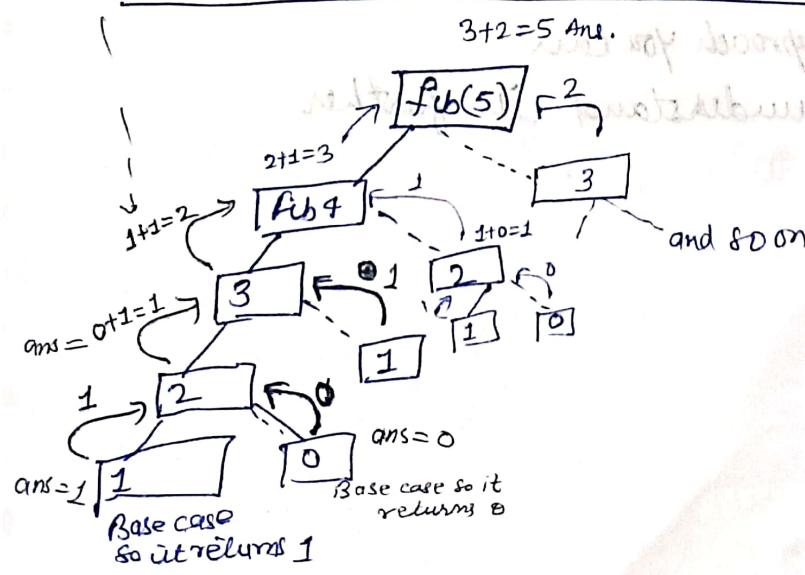
⇒ so the code will be as:- (Recursive way)

```
int fib(int n) {  
    // Base case (every recursive program will have base case) for termination.  
    if (n == 0 || n == 1) {  
        return n;  
    }  
    int ans;  
    ans = fib(n-1) + fib(n-2);  
    return ans;  
}
```

so,  $\text{fib}(6) = 8$  Ans



⑥ More Depth of How Recursion Works in Fibonacci:-



③ So this is how the recursion tree or stack will work. But this is gonna take time.

Time Complexity  $\rightarrow O(2^n)$  (No. of nodes generating in the tree)

Space Complexity  $\rightarrow$  Extra stack space  $\rightarrow \Theta(n)$   
(Max. depth of call stack)



$\Rightarrow$  But this is bad time complexity.

In Recursion,

$\Rightarrow$  so we need DP to bring down this time complexity.

$\Rightarrow$  Next we will see Top Down DP.

~~More Recursive Approach you can learn and understand in further DP questions~~

## #3 Top Down Fibonacci DP & Space Optimization

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- Now let's see how we can make that previous recursive solution into a dp solution.
- This approach will be valid for all problems where you are able to use recursion.  
So if you're overlapping subproblems, then you can convert it into dp solution.
- So the idea is we want to store the overlapping subproblems.
- So we will maintain an array (dp array) to store the overlapping subproblem. So by this recursion we will know what states are already computed.  
so this is 'Recursion + Memoization'.

Let's suppose we've an  $dp[]$  array all initialized to zero and we "pass it" in our function. Code as below:-

```
int main() {  
    int n;  
    cin >> n;  
    int dp[100] = {0};  
    cout << fib(n, dp) << endl;  
}
```

⑤ Our function code now this time will store the value also for calculated fib. This is Top Down Approach of dp

```
int fib(int n, int dp[]) {  
    // Base Case  
    if (n == 0 || n == 1) {  
        return n;  
    }  
  
    // Recursive Look up → This says that if that specific value of n has been computed it's value then we can get that subproblem rather than going calculating again.  
    if (dp[n] != 0) {  
        return dp[n];  
    }  
  
    int ans;  
    ans = fib(n-1, dp) + fib(n-2, dp);  
    return dp[n] = ans;  
}
```

② Whenever you are going to compute some value then store it in  $dp[n]$ .

→ So this above ① & ② are 2 steps which you've to add to convert recursive solution in top down dp solution.

For me bottom-up approach is good



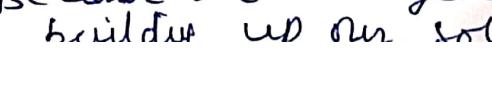
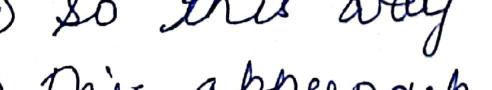
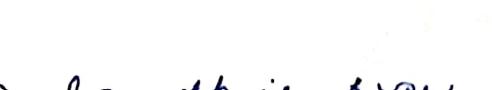
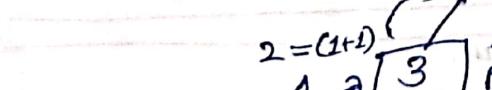
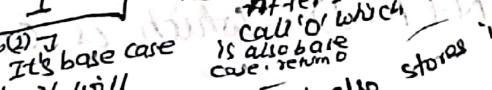
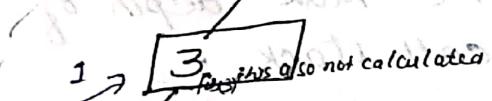
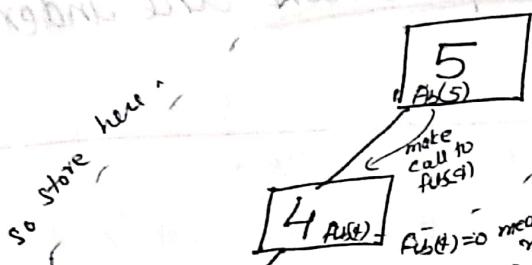
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### ⑤ Working of the function explained here :-

so let's have  $\text{fib}(5, \text{dp}) \rightarrow \text{day run}! -$

dp	0	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	0
1	1	2	2	3	4	5

← At beginning everything is 0.



④ This Top-down DP can be also called as Recursion + Memoization.

→ So the  $d[i]$  array memory we've added to the function.

→ We could also use HashMap when the indexes are very large.

⑤ Complexity:-

→ Space complexity  $\rightarrow O(n)$  → i.e. max<sup>m</sup> depth of call stack.

→ Time complexity  $\rightarrow O(n)$  → We've evaluated  $N$  nodes and looked up for  $(N-1)$  nodes so <sup>in backtracking</sup> it will be  $(N+N-1)$ , which is  $O(N^2)$ .

→ So we've significantly reduced our time complexity from exponential to linear.

→ In the next lecture we will learn the bottom up approach.

# #4 Bottom Up Fibonacci DP & Space Optimizn.

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## ⑤ Bottom up dp solution!-

→ The idea here is we won't be using recursion, instead we will be forming up a solution from the very basic.

### ⑥ In our code:-

→ Here also we will create  $dp[]$  array.

→ And instead of going from top to down, we will be going from bottom to up.

→ So after making  $dp[]$  array, we will initialize the base cases in this array. i.e.  $dp[0]=0$  &  $dp[1]=1$ , and for all indexes starting from 2 to  $n$ , if we want to calculate some  $i^{th}$  index. then we can clearly say, it is sum of previous two values. i.e.  $dp[i] = dp[i-1] + dp[i-2]$ .

And we can repeat this for all states.

→ So we can implement this recurrence using loop. and time complexity will be  $O(n)$ . and since we are using extra array it will take space of  $O(n)$ .

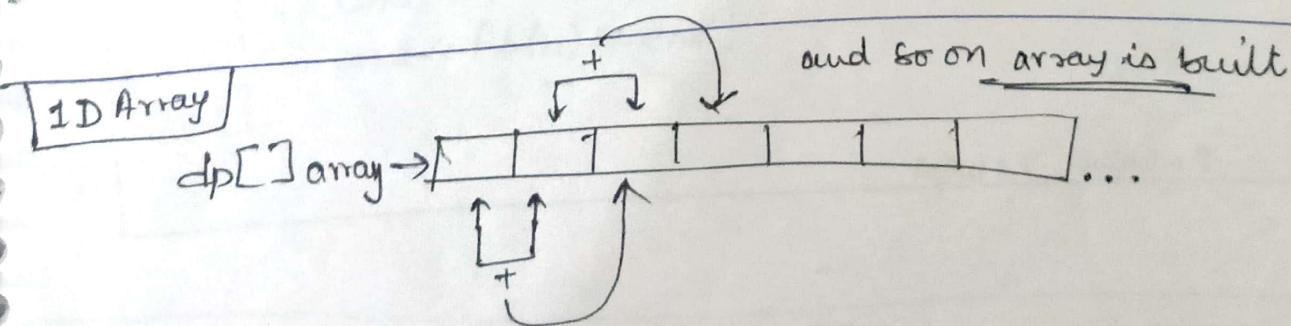
⑤ code :- let's assume max  $n=100$  as constraint taken for large arrays.

```
int fib(int n) {  
    int dp[100] = {0}; // Initializing all values to 0  
    dp[1] = 1; // Base case & O.B.C. (0) is 0, dp[1] = 1.  
    for (int i=2; i<=n; i++) {  
        dp[i] = dp[i-1] + dp[i-2];  
    }  
    return dp[n];  
}
```

We just did  
was find the subproblem  
or substructure  
i.e.

$(dp[n]) = dp[n-1] + dp[n-2]$   
with initial base case  
& termination case  
and memorizing the old  
value.

input  $\Rightarrow 5 \Rightarrow$  output  $\Rightarrow 8$ .



Actual Coding starts from here.

⑤ In this code we can further make space optimization in our approach.

→ Clearly we can see that in order to calculate the current number, we just need to store the last two values.

⇒ e.g. if we want to calculate fib of 5, we just need ans of  $dp[n-1]$  &  $dp[n-2]$ . We don't need to store entire array.

⇒ So what we can do is, we can take two variables let's say, 'a' & 'b' that stores the value of last two fibonacci, and we can eliminate that array.

⇒ so by doing this, our space complexity can reduce from  $O(n)$  to  $O(1)$ .

⇒ so let's write the code ⇒

## 5) Code for space optimized ~~top-down dp~~ Fibonacci:-

```
int fib(int n) {  
    if (n==0 or n==1) {  
        return n;  
    }  
    int a=0; → //as first or (n-2) stores  
    int b=1; → //as second or (n-1) stores  
    int c; → //our ans.  
  
    for (int i=2; i<n; i++) {  
        c = a+b;  
        a = b;  
        b = c;  
    }  
    return c;  
}
```

After every calculation of  $dp[n] = c$  we will update previous two states i.e.  $dp[n-1] = b$  &  $dp[n-2] = a$ .  
Any time we need value of previous states.

```
int main() {  
    int n;  
    cin >> n;  
    cout << fib(n) << endl;  
}
```

Input → 5 Output → 8

So this is all about space optimization.

⇒ There is also one another approach called Matrix exponentiation. It also reduces time complexity. We will cover this later as extra topic.  $O(\log n)$  complexity.

Advanced Topic



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# #5 Min Steps to One (DP Problem explained and solved)

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## Problem statement :-

In this problem you are given a number " $n$ ", and you need to convert this number into 1.

$$n \longrightarrow 1.$$

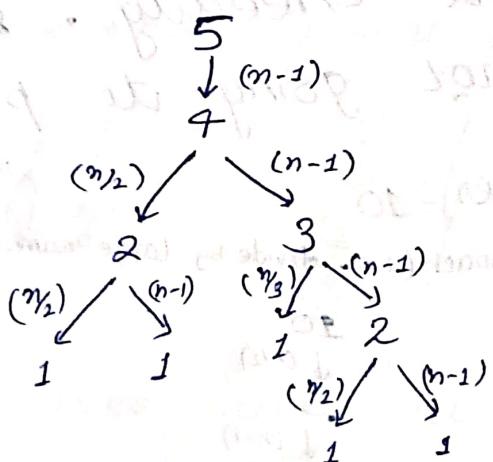
Also you've been given certain conditions that you can reduce

①  $n \Rightarrow n/3$  iff  $n \% 3 = 0$

or  
②  $n \Rightarrow n/2$  iff  $n \% 2 = 0$

③  $n \Rightarrow n-1$

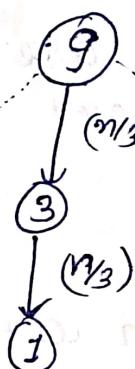
e.g. we've given number "5" and to reduce this to 1 we've following steps:-



So we need to find what is minimum no. of steps we need to make a number to 1.

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e.g. 2:- Let's take a number '9'.  
we will do as following steps:-

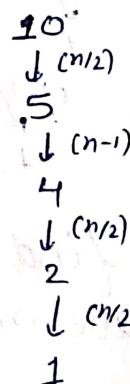


so here we only require two steps.

- ⇒ But do you think that taking a number to be divided by larger number to reach a smaller subproblem is optimal.
- ⇒ So you can think of some testcases and find out the answer.
- \* But this approach is not optimal.
- ⇒ So if we think 'Greedily'. Greedy approach is not going to pass.

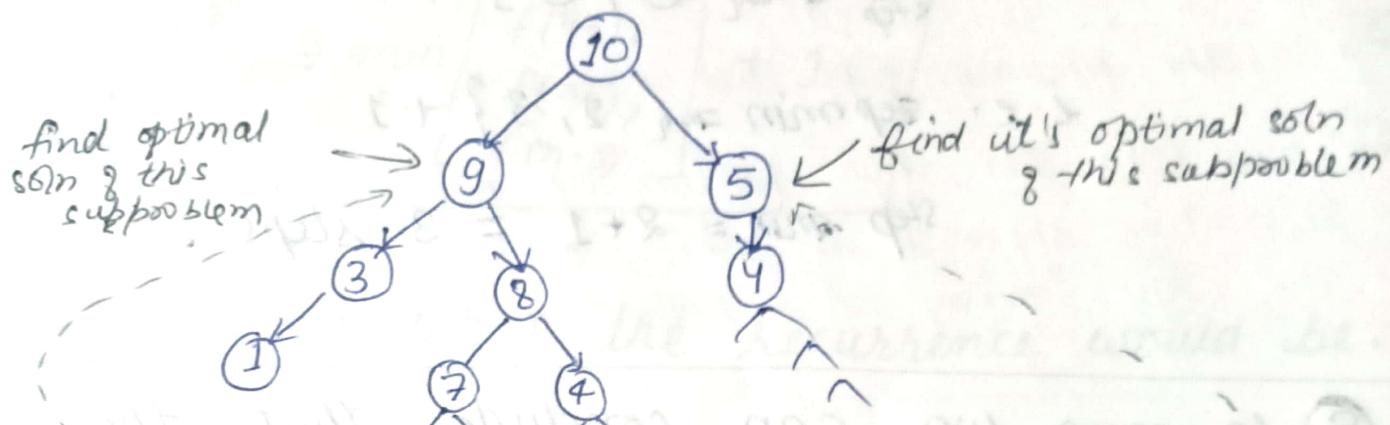
⇒ e.g. Given number = 10

Applying Greedy Approach (i.e. divide by large number to reduce it to 1 if possible)



so Greedy approach says we really min 4 steps.

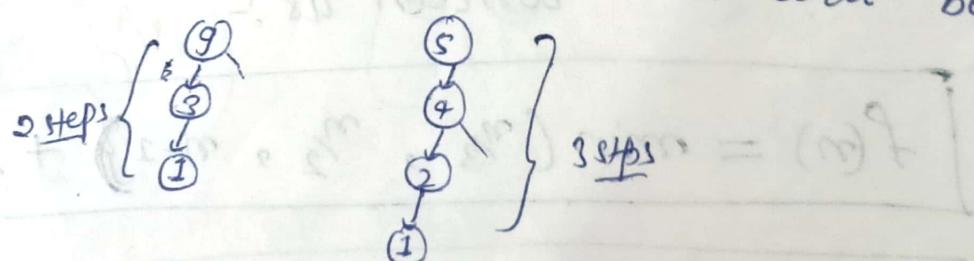
⇒ But in the ideal case :- trying all possibilities



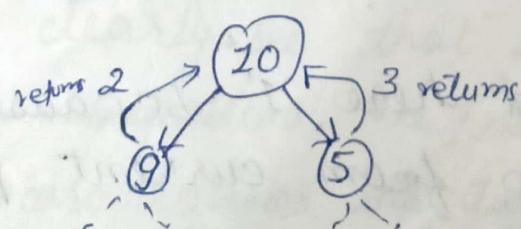
⇒ So in this approach we need to find the shortest path.

⇒ But here, we only need to find out is, what is optimal answer for ⑨ subproblem and for ⑤ subproblem

⇒ For ⑨ we already know that we need 2 steps we computed previous page see. and for ⑤ we know optimal answer will be 3 steps.



⇒ So our tree now will be as

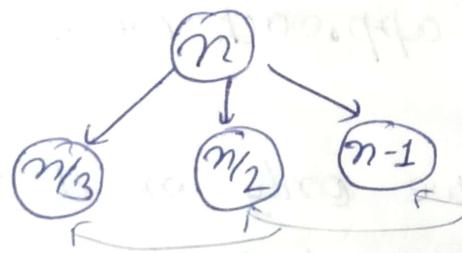


⇒ so now in order to convert 10 into 1  
we need  $\min_{\text{step}} = \min\{9, 5\} + 1$

$$\text{i.e. step min} = \min\{2, 3\} + 1$$

$$\text{step min} = 2 + 1 = 3 \cdot \text{steps}.$$

⑤ so now we can conclude that the minimum number of steps require to go from 1 subproblem to another like below



so we need to compute answer for these subproblems. let's say  $x = n/2$ ,  $y = n/2$  &  $z = n-1$ .

⇒ so let  $f(n) \rightarrow \min^m$  no. of steps to make a number  $n'$  to 1 can be written as:-

$$f(n) = \min(n/3, n/2, n-1) + 1$$

$$f(n) = \min(x, y, z) + 1$$

→ we've added here '1' because we need '1' step to go from current problem to its subproblem.

So this eqn. further can be written as:-

$$P(n) = \min \left[ f(n_3), f(n_2), f(n-1) \right] + 1$$

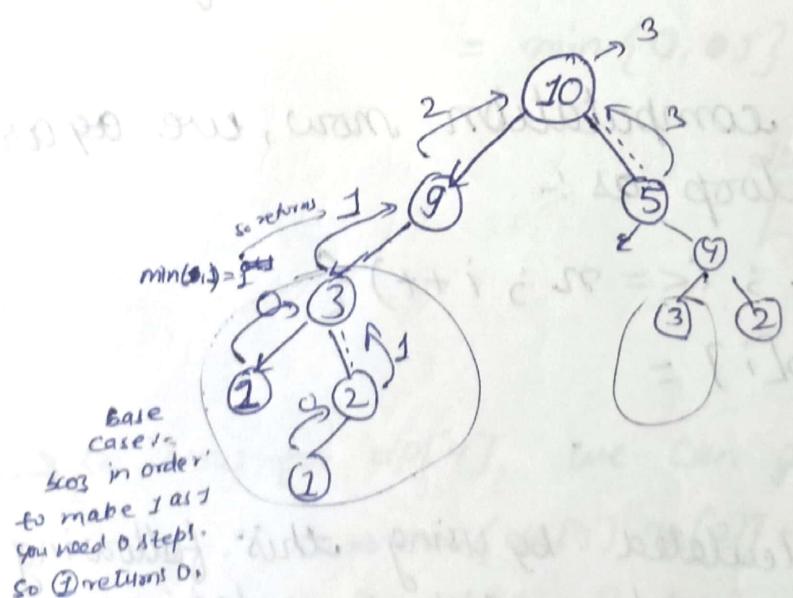
⇒ So this is what the recurrence would be.

And also this is the optimal solution to solve the problem.

So don't pick which is going to reduce your problem immediately,

but pick the one which is globally optimally. which gives the best solution.

⑤ So let's dry run this problem:-



Here we can clearly see that there are many overlapping subproblems. like in ③ & ④ above etc.

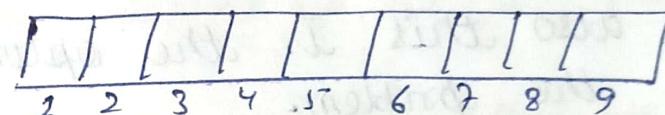
And it also satisfies the two properties that we talked about:- ① Optimal substructure & ② Overlapping subproblems.

⑤ So if we've this two properties then we can solve this problem using DP.

So the previous approach was Top-down approach,  
(recursive + memoisation)

Now let's see for bottom-up approach. (It's just an iterative approach in which we just need to compute the dp[] array in a bottom-up manner)

⑤ Bottom-up:-



→ In this firstly we need to know is what is  $dp[1]$  of 1<sup>st</sup> index for best possible case.

→ we can clearly say that  $dp[1] = 0$ , because in order to <sup>convert</sup> make 1 to 1 we only need zero steps.

→ so for further computation now, we are going to use a loop as:-

```
for (i=2 ; i<=n ; i++) {  
    dp[i] =  
}
```

→  $dp[i]$  or can be calculated by using this following or can be expressed as following relation

$$f(n) = \min[f(n/3), f(n/2), f(n-1)] + 1$$

→ So what we are going to do is for  $dp[2]$ ,  
say what states can we reach '2'. So its either by dividing by 2 or subtracting 1 from.

so you will reach to  $f(\frac{n}{2})$  or  $f(n-1)$  so  
 min of  $\{dp[1], dp[2]\} = 0$  and add 1 to it  
 Therefore our final answer will be 1.  
 so  $dp[2] = 1$ .

0	1	<del>1</del>
1	2	3

→ for  $dp[3]$ , for 3 we can end up at 2 by dividing by 1.  
 or can end up at 1 by dividing it by 3.

so these are the two states that we can reach,  
 so min of 0 & 1 is going to be 0 and  
 if we add 1 it will become 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } dp[3] &= \min\{dp[\frac{2}{3}], dp[3-1]\} + 1 \\ &= \min\{dp[1], dp[2]\} + 1 \\ &= \min\{0, 1\} + 1 = 0 + 1 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

dp	0	1	1	1	1
	1	2	3	4	

→ so now for  $dp[4]$ , we can go either to  $3(4-1)$  or  $2(4/2)$   
 $\therefore$  so  $\Rightarrow \min\{dp[3], dp[2]\} + 1$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 + 1 = 2$  Ans.

dp	0	1	1	1	2
	1	2	3	4	5

→ for  $dp[5]$ , here we can end up in only one state i.e  $5-1=4$   
 $\therefore$  so  $\Rightarrow \min\{dp[4]\} + 1 \Rightarrow 2 + 1 = 3$

and so on this way it continues.

③ So this way you compute upto  $n$ .

⇒ So the overall complexity will be  $O(n)$ .

For both Top-Down and Bottom-up DP.

⇒ In the next part we will see the code implementation.

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Now we can make out that complexity of

Top-down approach is  $O(n^2)$  because of

overlapping subproblems.

Top-down approach =  $O(n^2)$

Bottom-up approach =

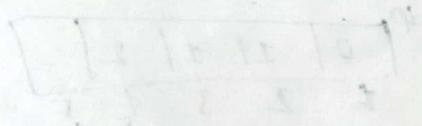
$O(n) = O(n^2/2)$



Time complexity of both the approaches is  $O(n^2)$ .

Top-down approach =

Bottom-up approach =



Bottom-up approach =  $O(n^2)$

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## #6 Minimum Steps to One - Top Down DP

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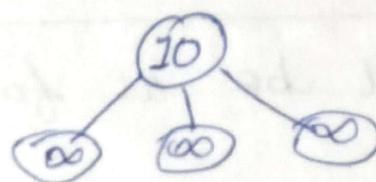
So the code will be as follows:-

```
int main() {  
    dp[100] = 0;  
    ans = minSteps(100, dp);  
}
```

```
int minSteps(int n, int dp[]) {  
    // Base case  
    if (n == 1) {  
        return 0;  
    }  
  
    // Recursive case  
    // Lookup if n is already computed  
    if (dp[n] != 0) {  
        return dp[n];  
    }  
  
    // Compute if dp[n] is not known (for first time it's being computed then)  
    int op1, op2, op3;  
    op1 = op2 = op3 = INT_MAX;  
  
    if (n % 3 == 0) { // we compute option 1 only when it's divisible by 3  
        op1 = minSteps(n/3, dp) + 1; // and then store its value from previous dp[n/3]+1  
    }  
    if (n % 2 == 0) { // we compute option 2 only when it's divisible by 2  
        op2 = minSteps(n/2, dp) + 1; // and then store its value from previous dp[n/2]+1  
    }  
    op3 = minSteps(n-1, dp) + 1; // this is always applicable  
  
    int ans = min(min(op1, op2), op3); // final ans will be min of above 3 options.  
    return dp[n] = ans;  
}
```

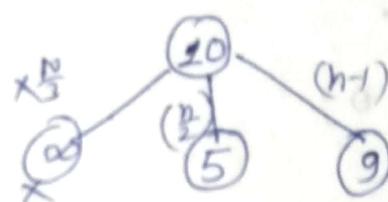
Now let's see dry run of this code.

e.g.  $N = 10$

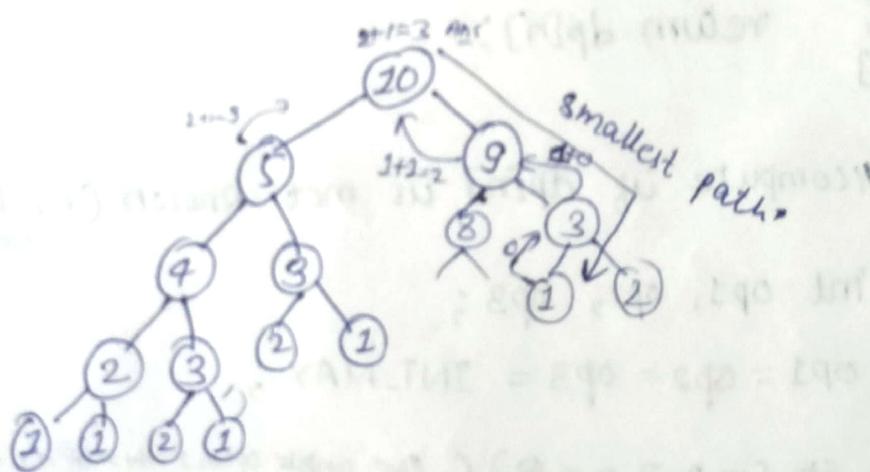


$\leftarrow op_1 = op_2 = op_3 = INT\_MAX$ .

→ But  $N=10$  is divisible by 2 :- but Not by 3 so



→ Now '5' will make call on 4 and then 4 on 2 & 3 as follows. and so on if possible operations are possible then



→ So we've mentioned above the smallest path.

So final answer is going to be 3.

→ And if some states are already computed then you won't be computing that again. So we use memoization thing.

→ Our complexity will be as  $O(n)$ .

## #7 Minimum steps to one - Bottom-up DP

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(S) Codes as will be :-

```
int minSteps(int n) {  
    int dp[100] = {0};  
    dp[1] = 0; // Base case (Initial case since Min steps to '1'
```

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Here also we  
can have created  
true DP[10000] like  
in very last page  
you see for  
understanding  
to get for  
each 'n'

```
    for (int i=2; i<=n; i++) {  
        int op1, op2, op3;  
        op1 = op2 = op3 = INT_MAX;  
        if (n%3 == 0) {  
            op1 = dp[i/3];  
        }  
        if (n%2 == 0) {  
            op2 = dp[i/2];  
        }  
        op3 = dp[i-1];  
        dp[i] = min(min(op1, op2), op3) + 1;  
    }  
    return dp[n];  
}
```

so to reach  
2 from 1  
requires 1 step

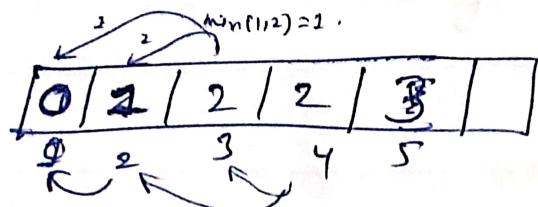
// i is the current n to  
be computed.

rest just  
do +1 for  
each upper  
to lower  
subproblem  
or  
say for  
each step  
count.

understand  
in one go these  
days

0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

⑤ Any rung this code :-



$i=2$  for  $dp[2] \Rightarrow dp[2-1]$  only so  $\Rightarrow dp[2] = 1 + 1 \Rightarrow 2$  Ans.

$i=3$  for  $dp[3] \Rightarrow \min\{dp[2], dp[3-1]\} + 1$

$$\Rightarrow \min(1, 2) + 1 = 1 + 1 = 2 \text{ Ans}$$

$i=4$  for  $dp[4] \Rightarrow \min\{dp[2], dp[3]\} + 1$

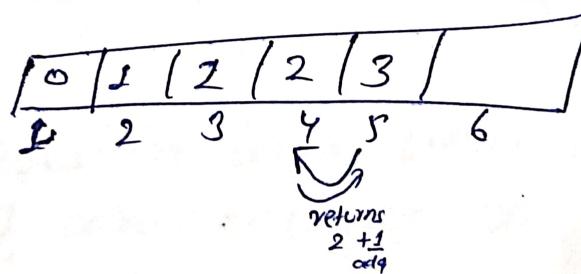
$$\Rightarrow \min\{dp[2], dp[3]\} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \min(2, 2) + 1 = 2 + 1 = 3 \text{ Ans}$$

$i=5$  for  $dp[5] \Rightarrow \min\{dp[4]\} + 1$

$$\Rightarrow \min(dp[4]) + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 + 1 \Rightarrow 3$$



and so on it goes.

⑥ so time complexity  $\Rightarrow O(n)$

space complexity  $\Rightarrow O(n)$  (array of space).

## Q8 Minimum Coin Change :-

### S Problem statement :-

→ You have coins of certain denominations let's say:-

coins = [1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 2000]  
infinite coins of same type.

→ Now you need to make the change for certain sum rupees. let's say I want a change for  $N=137$  rupees.

→ So we need to make  $N=137$  rupees change by using minimum number of coins from the available denomination.

→ For each type of coins/currencies you've infinite coins of same type. which means you can use the same coins multiple times.

→ So our question is : what is the minimum number of coins required to make  $n=137$  rs.

So we will do by asking minm coin sequentially value possible to give your answer. That's low substructure or sub-problem is found.

## Approach:-

The first approach that might come to your mind again would be a greedy approach.

In Greedy approach we will try and pick larger possible currency to get the required sum in few coins only.

so for  $n = 137$

coins = [1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 2000]

let's first pick the largest coin less than 137.

so we pick 100 Rs and now we need

$$137 - 100 = 37 \text{ Rs.}$$

In order to get 37 we pick next largest currency i.e. 20 Rs.

$$\text{so } 37 - 20 = 17 \text{ Rs.}$$

So since this coins array is a sorted array so you can use binary search to find that coin largest coin less than required

so now we are left with 17 Rs.

To get 17 we pick 10  $\Rightarrow 17 - 10 = 7 \text{ Rs.}$

For 7 we pick 5  $\Rightarrow 7 - 5 = 2 \text{ Rs.}$

For 2 Rs we pick 2  $\Rightarrow 2 - 2 = 0$ .

So we've picked [100, 20, 10, 5, 2]. so min<sup>n</sup> number of coins = 5,

5) continue...

→ But now we need to discuss whether this Greedy approach is optimal or not.

→ So you may say that this is the right approach, but actually it is not.

However, this type of approach is true for Indian currency.

But you've do make testcases that it works for all other currency also.

→ So let's check one counter case in which this Greedy approach will not give optimal solution.

→ So let's we go to another country where coins denomination are as follows:-

$$\text{coins} = [1, 7, 10].$$

and we want sum  $N=15$ .

so by Greedy approach  $\Rightarrow 15 - 10 = 5$

$$5 - 1 = 4$$

$$4 - 1 = 3$$

$$3 - 1 = 2$$

$$2 - 1 = 1$$

$$1 - 1 = 0$$

so we got to need  $\Rightarrow [5, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1] \rightarrow 6$  coins which is not correct answer.

so the best answer for above test case would be  $[7, 7, 1] \rightarrow 15$  is only using 3 coins.

So clearly Greedy approach in this case is not applicable

⑤ So other solution approach that we will be using here is dynamic programming approach where we will see all possible options.

⇒ So DP is just optimization of Recursive formulation, so recursive formulation will allow us to consider all possible cases.

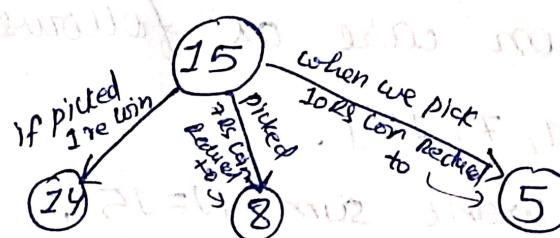
### ⑥ DP approach

→ So taking that same previous test case -

i.e.  $\text{coins} = [1, 7, 10]$  and  $N = 15$ .

so let's start with 15 re. i.e.  $N = 15$ .

now on what other case can we land up.



→ So these ⑯, ⑧ and ⑤ are our subproblems. And if we know solution to these subproblems, we can definitely get the solution for ⑯.

→ So let's say do make sum 8

- ⑯ → we need at no. 8 coins.
- ⑧ → we need at no. 8 coins
- ⑤ → we need 2 no. 8 coins.

Q. continue.... :-

→ So our answer will be as follows

50\*8\*11

$$\Rightarrow \text{ans} = \min(x_1, y_1, z_1) + 1$$

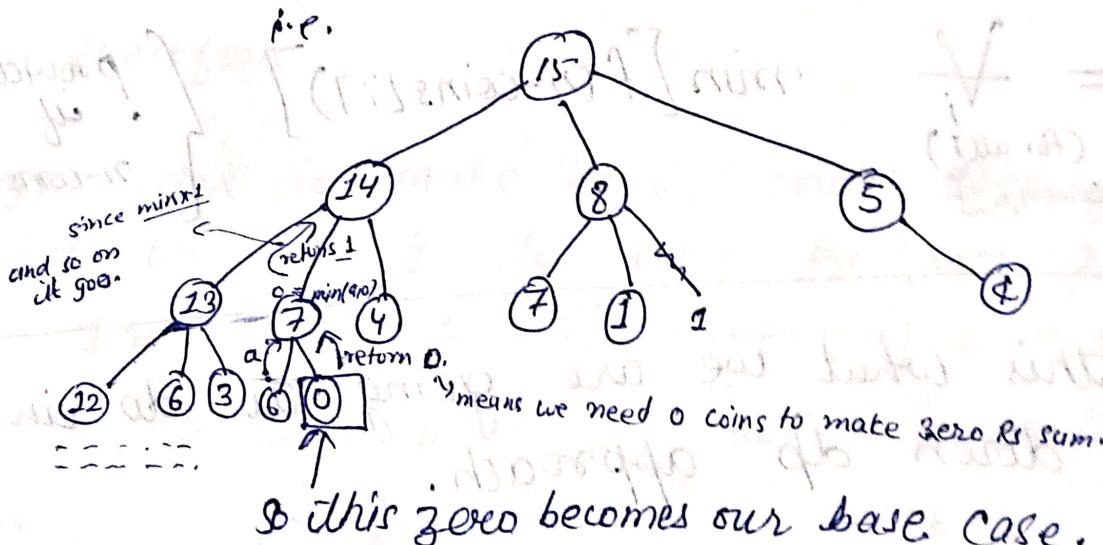
or

$$\text{ans} = \min(n - 0^{\text{th}} \text{ coin}, n - 1^{\text{st}} \text{ coin}, n - 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ coin}, \dots n - (\text{last coin})) + 1$$

$$\text{ans} = \min(n - \text{coins}[i]) + 1$$

→ So it's similar to "minimum steps to 1 problem" that we discussed in last lecture videos.

→ Also since this approach follows optimal substructure, so you can breakdown every problem in a same manner.



→ So this way we compute and return in top-down approach.

→ So here we are trying all possible coins.

④ Therefore we finally concluded :-

$$f(n) = \min [f(n - \text{coins}[i])] ; \forall (\text{for all } i)$$

provided if  $n - \text{coins}[i] \geq 0$ .

so you don't pick a coin whose denomination is greater than the value of  $n$ .

e.g. To get sum = 7 rs. we cannot pick 10 or 20 Rs coin.

⑤ our DP formula is :-

$$f(n) = \min_{\substack{i \\ (\text{for all } i) \\ \text{coins} = f(n-i)}} [f(n - \text{coins}[i])] \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{provided} \\ \text{if} \\ n - \text{coins}[i] \geq 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

⇒ so this what we are going to do in a top down dp approach.

⑤ In case of bottom-up DP we will do as follows

Let's say coins = [1, 3, 5] and N = 8 Rs.

so there are multiple ways to make 8 Rs. But shortest we can see will be 3 85 rs coin.

So let's say we've a dp[] array.

and since this '8' i.e. 'N' is described by one variable, so this would be 1D array.

so  $dp[] = \boxed{0 \quad | \quad 1 \quad | \quad 2 \quad | \quad 3 \quad | \quad 4 \quad | \quad 5 \quad | \quad 6 \quad | \quad 7 \quad | \quad 8}$

so in order to make a change for '0', i.e.  $N=0$ ,  $dp[0]$  we need 0 coins.  
therefore

In order to make 1 Re coins:- Then from 1 we can go to zero by picking a 1 Re coin.  $\therefore dp[1 - 1\text{ rupee coin}] = dp[0] = 0$

so this would be  $dp[1] = \min(dp[0]) + 1$

0	1	2
0	1	2

$$= 0 + 1 = 1 \text{ Ans.}$$

so we need 1 coin to make sum = 1.

Now for making 2 Re coins:- so we can pick 1 Re coin and end up at  $dp[1]$ .

$$\text{i.e. } dp[2] = \min(dp[2 - 1\text{ re coin}]) + 1$$

0	1	2
0	1	2

$$= \min(dp[1]) + 1 = \min(1) + 1 = 2$$

and so on it goes.

so we need two coins to make sum = 2.



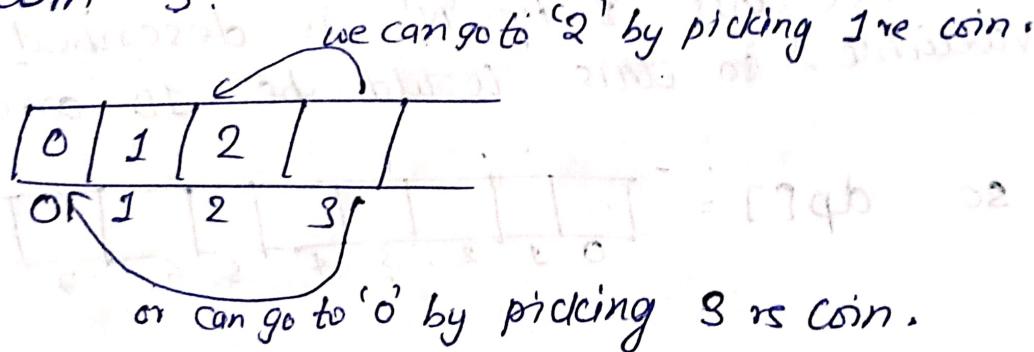
(S) continue... *is it possible to get sum N = 3?*

→ for  $N = 3$  :-  $\text{coins} = \{1, 3, 5\}$

↳ we can either pick one rupee coin  
OR pick three rupees coin.

But can't pick five rupees coin because  
it does not satisfy condition  $\rightarrow (n - \text{coins}) \geq 0$ .

so from 3 :-



so let's check which of these two choices  
which are optimal.

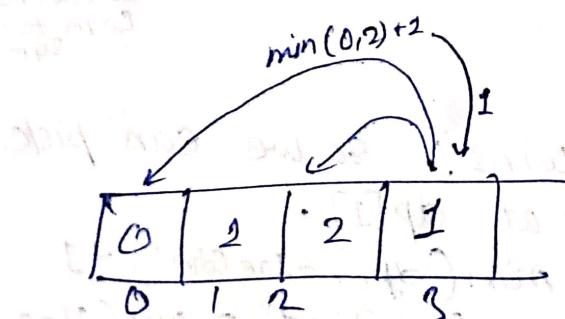
$$dp[3] = \min(dp[3 - 1 \text{ rupee coin}], dp[3 - 3 \text{ rupee coin}]) + 1$$

$$\text{Optimal} = \min(dp[2], dp[0]) + 1$$

$$dp[0] = \min(2, 0) + 1$$

$$= 0 + 1 = 1. \text{ So we require min}$$

$1$  coin to make sum  
of Rs 3 from given  
coin set.  
And also this is optimal  
answer.



5. continue p. 10 - methods. costs is same as

for  $N = 4$  :-

0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	3	4

when picking 1st coin ( $i=1$ )

so  $dp[4] = \min(dp[4-1\text{re} \text{coin}], dp[4-3\text{re} \text{coin}]) + 1$

so  $dp[4] = \min(dp[3], dp[1]) + 1$

$= \min(1, 1) + 1 = 2$  Ans.

so we require 2 coins to make sum = 4Rs.

0	2	2	1	2
0	1	2	3	4

min ( $1, 2$ ) + 1

0	1	2	1	2	1	5
0	1	2	3	4	5	5

min (0, 2, 2) + 1

$0+1=1$  Ans. we require only 1 coin

pick 3 as coin  $\rightarrow dp[5-3\text{re} \text{coin}]$

pick 5 as coin  $\rightarrow dp[5-5\text{re} \text{coin}]$

and so on it goes.

⑤ So this is how bottom-up dp works.

→ About time complexity :-

$$dp[n] = \min [dp[n - \text{coins}[i]]]$$

for all possible  $i$  in coin set.

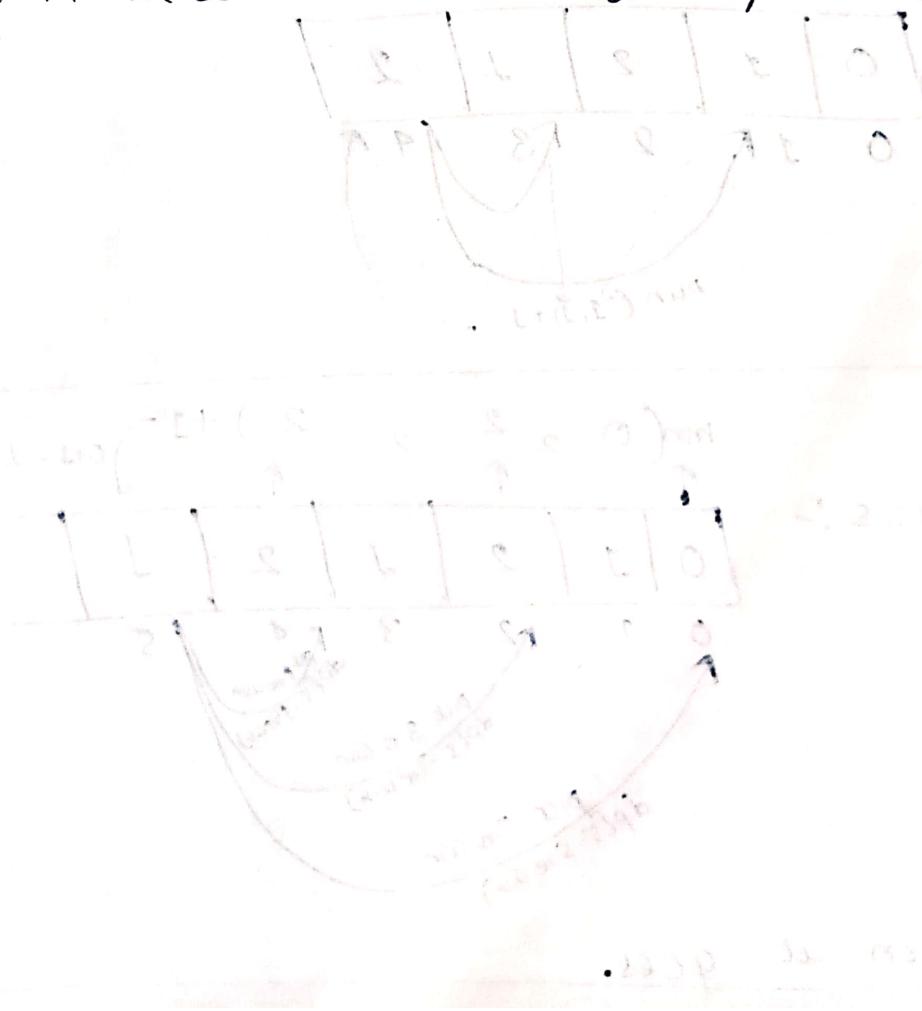
so we make loop for each coin to get upto  $N$  sums.

so let's say we have ' $T$ ' type of coin.  
then the time complexity =  $O(TN)$

$$T = \text{coins.length}$$

$N$  = Required sum we need to make.

→ so now in next lecture we will implement these codes.



# # 9 Minimum Coin Change - Top Down DP

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## Approach :-

As we see in last lecture the formula we depict is :-

$$dp[n] = \min_i (dp[N - coins[i]]) + 1$$

## Top Down DP code :-

```
int main() {  
    int N = 15; // change sum we want to make  
    int coins[] = {1, 7, 10};  
    int dp[100] = {0};  
    int T = sizeof(coins) / sizeof(int);  
    cout << minCoins(N, coins, T, dp) << endl;  
    return 0;  
}
```

## ⑤ minCoins :-

```
int minCoins(int n, int coins[], int T, int dp[]){  
    //Base case  
    if(n==0){  
        return 0;  
    }  
  
    //Look up (If particular state is already computed)  
    if(dp[n]!=0){  
        return dp[n];  
    }  
  
    //Recurrence Case (In case answer is not known, means first time)  
    int ans = INT_MAX;  
    for(int i=0; i<T; i++){  
        if(n-coins[i]>=0){ //means if you want sum(n)=5, then you can't pick coin with denomination greater than 5.  
            int subprob = minCoins(n-coins[i], coins, T, dp);  
            ans = min(ans, subproblem+1);  
        }  
    }  
  
    dp[n] = ans;  
    return dp[n];  
}
```

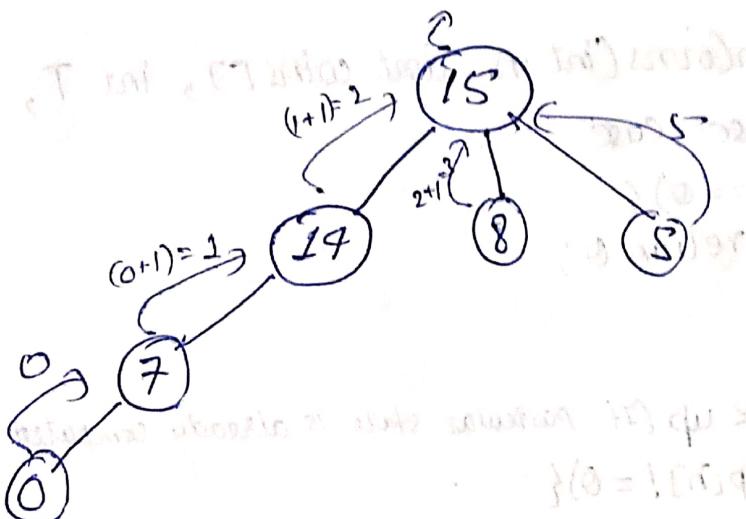
Input :- N=5, coins[] = {1, 7, 10}

Output = 3 (i.e., 7, 7, 1)

⇒ So we've already seen how this works.

⑤  $N=15$

$$\min(2, 3, 5) + 1 = 3 \text{ Ans.}$$



- ⑤ So in the for loop we've just made, the call of on all subproblems, and we are taking  $\min^m$  at every state.
- ⇒ And answer to the current problem will be answer to the subproblem + 1.
- ⇒ So this is Top-Down DP approach.

Next we will see for Bottom-up DP approach.

## # 10 Minimum Coin Change $\Rightarrow$ Bottom-up DP

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### § Bottom-up Approach:-

- In Bottom-up approach we will use similar only as in min steps to 1 in previous lecture.
- So here we will have to find the answer for every value  $m$  of  $n$ . and for every value we've multiple subproblems to which we can break down.
- So we are going to form an array as belows

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	...

and we are going to see what is the number of minimum coins that we are going to make denomination sum as  $N=1, 0r, 2, 0r, 3 \dots$  upto  $N$  and starting from  $N=0$ .

- We also know that for  $N=0$  the answer is going to be '0', so this would form our base case.

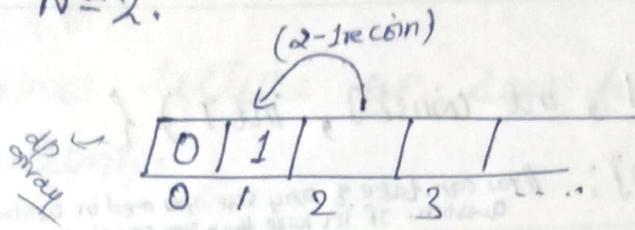
↓ Base case.

0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	...

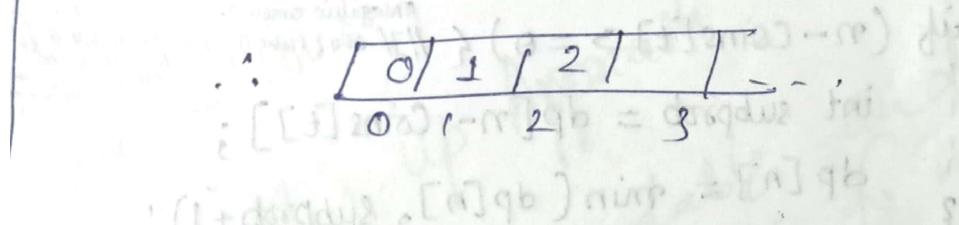
- And for all other values, i.e. for  $N=1$ , we have  $\text{coins}[] = \{1, 7, 15\}$ , so we can pick '1' and not 7 & 15. So we just go do  $dp[1-\text{coins}]$  i.e.  $dp[0] = 0$ , so ans will whatever the minimum + 1. i.e.  $dp[1] = \min(dp[0]) + 1 \Rightarrow dp[1] = 1$ .

5) continue...

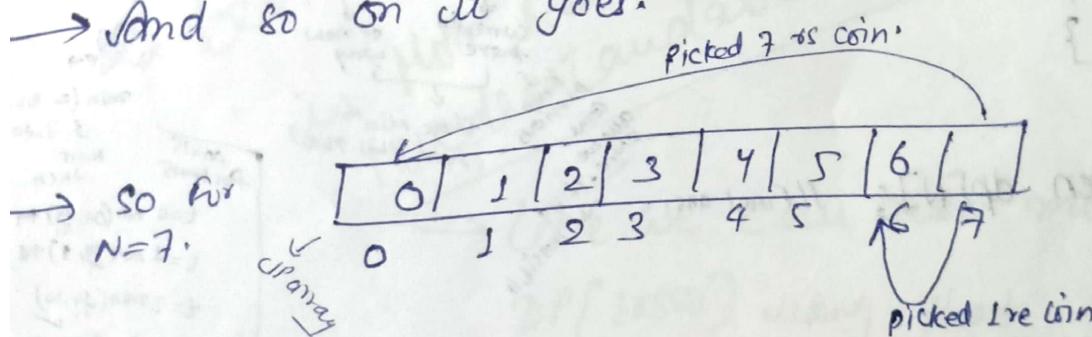
→ For  $N=2$ .



→ So we will iterate over all possible coins where the values i.e. ( $n - \text{coins}[i] \geq 0$ ) is possible so in above case we choose 1re coin.  
so  $\text{dp}[2] = \min(\text{dp}[2 - 1\text{re coin}]) + 1$   
 $= \min(\text{dp}[1]) + 1 \Rightarrow \min(1) + 1 = 2$  coins required



→ And so on it goes.



$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{dp}[7] &= \min(\text{dp}[7 - 1\text{re coin}], \text{dp}[7 - 7\text{re coin}]) + 1 \\ &= \min(\text{dp}[6], \text{dp}[0]) + 1 \\ &= \min(6, 0) + 1 \\ &= 0 + 1 = 1 \text{ coin (i.e. 7 rupees coin) only required to get } N=7 \text{ as sum total is 7 rupees.}\end{aligned}$$

→ And so on it goes.

```
int minCoins(int N, int coins[], int T) {
```

```
    int dp[100] = {0}; // You can take any size you need in constraint given in question. If it's huge then you can choose arraylist.
```

// Iterate over all states of coin sum from 1 to N

```
for (int n=1; n<=N; n++) {
```

// Initialize the current ans as INT-MAX

```
    dp[n] = INT-MAX; // So initially take max coins
```

```
    for (int t=0; t<T; t++) {
```

```
        if (n-coins[t] >= 0) {
```

// If any sum is unreachable then e.g. N=2 then 00 and 11 can not be reached so

```
        int subprob = dp[n-coins[t]];
```

// Negative amount. (5-10s) -> so don't take 10s coin to reach

dp[n] = min(dp[n], subprob+1);

```
return dp[N]; // Final ans.
```

```
int main() {
```

```
    int N = 15;
```

```
    int coins = {1, 7, 10};
```

```
    int T = sizeof(coins) / sizeof(int);
```

```
    cout << minCoins(N, coins, T) << endl;
```

```
    return 0;
```

output = 3

(reached)



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④ So this all about Bottom-up DP approach for minimum coin requirement.

⇒ In next lecture we see furthermore DP related questions.

⑤ Time complexity =  $O(TN)$

Space complexity =  $O(N)$  → Array of dp size.

Minimum Coins  
Bottom-up Approach  
is more readable and  
understandable for me.

→ like we can also make  $DP[10000]$  using that  $T \& N$

loop and then give

the ans directly by  $\boxed{DP[N]}$

↓  
sum value  
required.

## #Overall Understanding :- (Minimum Coin Change)

- We can understand by taking a whole  $dp[]$  array whose each index is the required sum we need to collect with possible minimum use of coin present. With each designated coin is present or can be used infinite or multiple times.
- So we better update of ' $dp[]$ ' array from 0 to  $10^5$  as sum taken, so that for bigger sum we can take it back from previous sum present in  $dp[]$ .
- So it's just bottom-up approach. But in competitive programming taken constraints as :-  $\rightarrow$  collecting subproblems in  $dp$ .

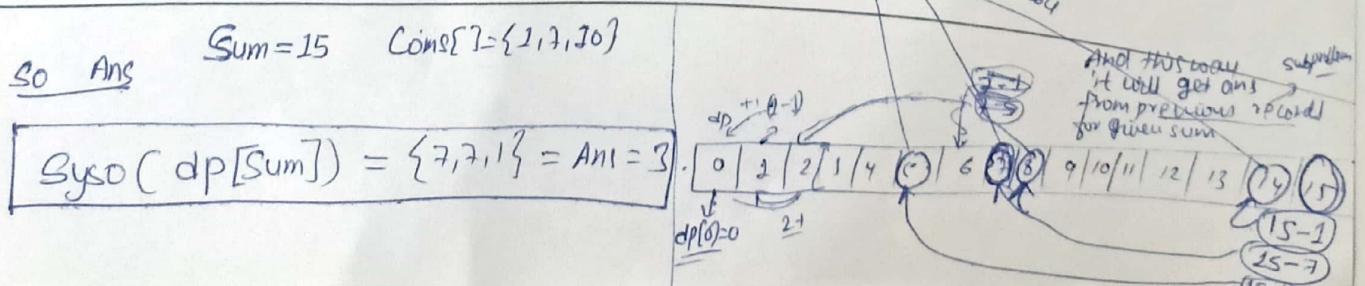
$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{coins[]} = \{1, 7, 5\} \\ \text{Sum} = 15 \text{ (required sum)} \end{array}} \rightarrow \text{Testcase}$$

constraint

$$\boxed{\text{Sum} < 10^5}$$

Solution & code in JAVA :-

```
int[] dp[100000] = new int[];  
dp[0] = 0; // First updated case when sum=0 we need '0' coins only.  
Arrays.fill(1, 100000) = Integer.MAX_VALUE; // Rest of the dp for now fill  
with  $\infty$ .  
  
// We will find minm coin required for each sum (dp[i]), else  $\infty$  (i.e. Integer.MAX  
value means never found.)  
  
for (int sum = 1; sum <= 100000; sum++) {  
    dp[sum] = Integer.MAX_VALUE;  
    for (int c = 0; c < coins.length; c++) {  
        if (sum - coins[c] >= 0) { // coin taken should not exceed  
            // sum required  
            int previousDpValueOrSubproblem = dp[sum - coins[c]];  
            // This is previous update dp value for smaller sum,  
            // which we also call as subproblems.  
            // Finally ans for sum  
            dp[sum] = Math.min(dp[sum], previousDpValueOrSubproblem + 1);  
    }  
}  
}
```



# DSA

(First learning of DP)

## Dynamic Programming

&

## Greedy Algorithm

### related Questions and Approach

#### Pre-requisites

↳ you need to first understand how recursion works till deep end

# # Dynamic Programming :-

⇒ Dynamic Programming has similarities with backtracking and divide-conquer in many respects. Here is how we generally solve a problem using dynamic programming

- ① split the problem into overlapping sub-problems.
- ② solve each ~~sub~~ sub-problem recursively.
- ③ combine the solutions to sub-problems into a solution for the given problem.
- ④ Don't compute the answer to the same problem more than once.

e.g. Normal recursive way of solving fibonacci :-

```
int fibo(int n){  
    if (n<=2) return 1;  
    else  
        return fibo(n-2) + fibo(n-1);  
}
```

The complexity of this program would be exponential,  $O(2^n)$

Now let us solve fibonacci problem dynamically.

linear

```
int memory[500];
memset(memory, -1, 500);

int fibo(int n) {
    if(n<=2) return 1;
    if(memory[n] != -1) {
        return memory[n];
    }

    int s = fibo(n-1) + fibo(n-2);
    memory[n] = s;
    return s;
}
```

Here we have  $n$  possible inputs to the function:  
 $1, 2, \dots, n$ . Each input will either:-

- ① be computed, and the result saved
- ② be returned from the memory.

Each input will be computed at most once

Time complexity is  $O(n \cdot k)$ , where  $k$  is the time complexity of computing an input if we assume that the recursive calls are returned directly from memory.

## ② consider a few examples of Dynamic Programming

$\min^m$

- ① Find the smallest number of coins required to make a specific amount of change.

⇒ look at all combinations of coins that add up to an amount, and count the fewest number.

↓  
Solve

- ② Find the most value of item that can fit in your knapsack.

⇒ find all combinations of items and determine the highest value combination.

- ③ Find the number of different paths to the top of a staircase.

⇒ enumerate all the combinations of steps.

## More about Dynamic Programming:-

→ Dynamic programming is mainly an optimization over plain recursion. (Whenever we see a recursion solution that has repeated calls for same inputs, we can optimize it using Dynamic Programming). The idea is to simply store the results of subproblems, so that we do not have to re-compute them when needed later. This simple optimization reduces time complexities from exponential to polynomial.

For example, if we write a simple recursive solution for Fibonacci Numbers, we get exponential time complexity and if we optimize it by storing solutions of subproblems, time complexity reduces to linear.

```
int fib(int n){  
    if(n<=1) return n;  
    return fib(n-1)+fib(n-2);  
}
```

→ Recursion :- Exponential  
 $O(2^n)$

Here recursively again calling  
(Here repetitions)

```
f[0] = 0;  
f[1] = 1;  
for (i=2; i<=n; i++) {  
    f[i] = f[i-1] + f[i-2];  
}  
return f[n];
```

→ Dynamic Programming :-  
Linear.  
 $O(n)$

Here storing  
repetitive  
calls  
so we need to  
go recursive this...  
↓

## # Difference between Greedy method and Dynamic Programming:-

- ⇒ Greedy method and DP both are used for solving optimization problems. Both are different strategies but the purpose are same.
- ⇒ optimization problems are those which either requires a minimum result or maximum result. The methods are different.
- ⇒ In Greedy method we try to ~~follow predefined procedure to get optimal result~~ <sup>so</sup> ~~optimal~~ to get optimal result. The procedure is known to be optimal. we follow this procedure to get best results.
- e.g. Kruskal's method for finding minimum cost spanning tree always select a minimum cost edge and that gives us best result.
- e.g. or Dijkstra's shortest path method always select a shortest path ~~everytime~~ and continue relaxing the vertices so you get a shortest path.

→ In Dynamic Programming, we will try to find out all possible solutions and then pick up the best solution (optimal solution)

This approach is different and ~~little~~ more time consuming than greedy method. course

→ So here we go as:- for many problems there can be many solutions, so we first get all those solutions and then pick up the best one.

→ Mostly DP problems are solved by using recursive formulas. Though we not use recursion & programming but the formulas are recursive, they are mostly solved using iteration.

⇒ DP follows principle of optimality.

i.e. problem can be solved by taking sequence of decisions to get optimal solution.

⇒ In greedy one procedure but in DP we take decision after every step.

→ ~~Step~~