

Dynamic Programming | Set 15 (Longest Bitonic Subsequence)

Given an array `arr[0 ... n-1]` containing `n` positive integers, a **subsequence** of `arr[]` is called Bitonic if it is first increasing, then decreasing. Write a function that takes an array as argument and returns the length of the longest bitonic subsequence.

A sequence, sorted in increasing order is considered Bitonic with the decreasing part as empty. Similarly, decreasing order sequence is considered Bitonic with the increasing part as empty.

Examples:

Input `arr[] = {1, 11, 2, 10, 4, 5, 2, 1};`

Output: 6 (A Longest Bitonic Subsequence of length 6 is 1, 2, 10, 4, 2, 1)

Input `arr[] = {12, 11, 40, 5, 3, 1}`

Output: 5 (A Longest Bitonic Subsequence of length 5 is 12, 11, 5, 3, 1)

Input `arr[] = {80, 60, 30, 40, 20, 10}`

Output: 5 (A Longest Bitonic Subsequence of length 5 is 80, 60, 30, 20, 10)

Source: [Microsoft Interview Question](#)

Solution

This problem is a variation of standard **Longest Increasing Subsequence (LIS) problem**. Let the input array be `arr[]` of length `n`. We need to construct two arrays `lis[]` and `lds[]` using Dynamic Programming solution of **LIS problem**. `lis[i]` stores the length of the Longest Increasing subsequence ending with `arr[i]`. `lds[i]` stores the length of the longest Decreasing subsequence starting from `arr[i]`. Finally, we need to return the max value of `lis[i] + lds[i] - 1` where `i` is from 0

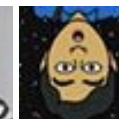
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to n-1.

Following is C++ implementation of the above Dynamic Programming solution.

```
/* Dynamic Programming implementation of longest bitonic subsequence p
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>

/* lbs() returns the length of the Longest Bitonic Subsequence in
arr[] of size n. The function mainly creates two temporary arrays
lis[] and lds[] and returns the maximum lis[i] + lds[i] - 1.

lis[i] ==> Longest Increasing subsequence ending with arr[i]
lds[i] ==> Longest decreasing subsequence starting with arr[i]
*/
int lbs( int arr[], int n )
{
    int i, j;

    /* Allocate memory for LIS[] and initialize LIS values as 1 for
    all indexes */
    int *lis = new int[n];
    for ( i = 0; i < n; i++ )
        lis[i] = 1;

    /* Compute LIS values from left to right */
    for ( i = 1; i < n; i++ )
        for ( j = 0; j < i; j++ )
            if ( arr[i] > arr[j] && lis[i] < lis[j] + 1 )
                lis[i] = lis[j] + 1;

    /* Allocate memory for lds and initialize LDS values for
    all indexes */
    int *lds = new int [n];
    for ( i = 0; i < n; i++ )
        lds[i] = 1;

    /* Compute LDS values from right to left */
    for ( i = n-2; i >= 0; i-- )
        for ( j = n-1; j > i; j-- )
            if ( arr[i] > arr[j] && lds[i] < lds[j] + 1 )
                lds[i] = lds[j] + 1;

    /* Return the maximum value of lis[i] + lds[i] - 1*/
    int max = lis[0] + lds[0] - 1;
    for ( i = 1; i < n; i++ )
```



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```

        if (lis[i] + lds[i] - 1 > max)
            max = lis[i] + lds[i] - 1;
    return max;
}

/* Driver program to test above function */
int main()
{
    int arr[] = {0, 8, 4, 12, 2, 10, 6, 14, 1, 9, 5, 13, 3, 11, 7, 15};
    int n = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);
    printf("Length of LBS is %d\n", lbs( arr, n ) );

    getchar();
    return 0;
}

```

Output:

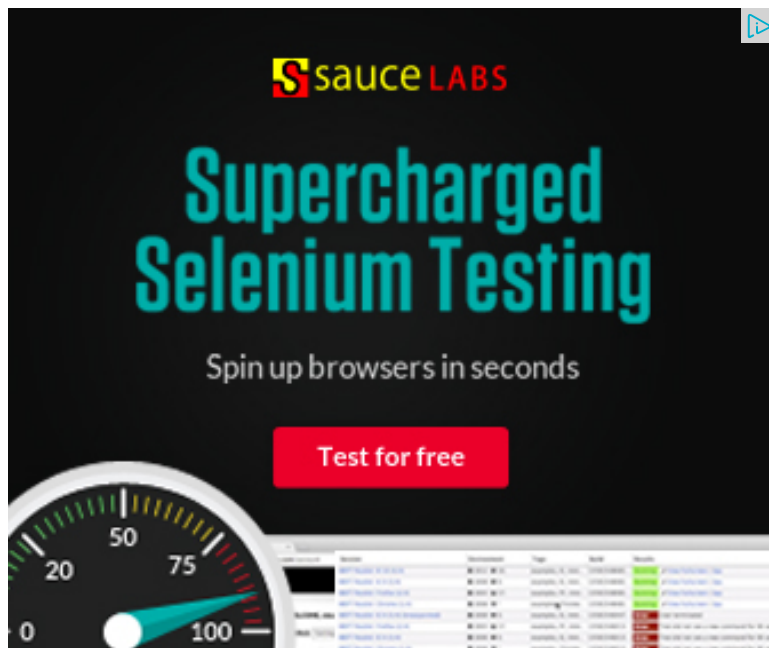
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```

Time Complexity: $O(n^2)$

Auxiliary Space: $O(n)$

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Hello, This is an $O(n)$ solution:

For example we're given an array and we need to find the longest bitonic of $O(n)$:

Array[n] -> original array, Answer[n]-> The bitonic sequence including that element

1. set answer[0]=1; answer[1]=2;.

2. For all elements from $i=2$ to $n-1$ do.

a) if ($\text{array}[i-1] > \text{array}[i-2]$) then $\text{answer}[i] = \text{answer}[i-1] + 1$; (because it is an increasing sequence and it will obviously be a part of that bitonic solution.

b) else if ($\text{array}[i] < \text{array}[i-1]$) then $\text{answer}[i] = \text{answer}[i-1] + 1$; (because it is a decreasing sequence and it will obviously be a part of that bitonic solution if it less than the previous element)

c) else $\text{answer}[i] = 2$; because only the previous element and the current element

Now traverse the answer[] to find the max value and that will be your answer.

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Ujjwal · 10 months ago

For the example :-

arr = { 3, 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 6 }

longest sequence should be 6 (1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 6)

But above algo gives maximum length **as** 5..!!

How did **this** happen.??

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```

public static void main(String args[]){
    int a[] = {0, 8, 4, 12, 2, 10, 6, 14, 1, 9, 5, 13, 3,
    int i,j;
    int max[] = new int[a.length];
    max[0] = 1;

    boolean inc[] = new boolean[a.length];
    inc[0] = true;

    for(i=0;i<a.length;i++){
        for(j=0;j<i;j++){
            if(((inc[j] && a[i]>a[j]))||(!inc[j] &&
                max[i] = max[j]+1;
                inc[i] = inc[j];
            }
            else if(inc[j] && a[i]<a[j] && max[i].
                inc[i] = false;

```

[see more](#)

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Kapil → namit maheshwari · 10 months ago

You can save the $O(n)$ space for array
by using inc and dec

```

/* Paste your code here (You may delete these lines if not wr
*/

#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
#include<iostream>
#include<limits.h>

using namespace std;

```

```
#define n 6
int main(void)
{
    int A[n]={80, 60, 30, 40, 20, 10};
    int i, j, maxi=INT_MIN, dec, inc, L[n];
    for(i=0; i<n; i++)
    {
        L[i]=1;
    }
}
```

see more

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AMIT · 11 months ago

why didn't you use nlogn LIS to make it $O(n \log n)$???

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xxmajia → AMIT · 3 months ago

because the BFS way to archive nlogn may not end with the $A[i]$ element

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GeeksforGeeks · a year ago

A sequence, sorted in increasing order is considered Bitonic with the decreasing part as e
decreasing order sequence is considered Bitonic with the increasing part as e

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Karry Rawani · a year ago

What if all elements of the array are in increasing order only

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Nikhil Gupta · a year ago

In this Method you don't need to traverse the sequence two times

current phase of bitonic sequence i.e. whether it's still increasing or it is now ir

```
/* Paste your code here (You may delete these lines if not writing c
```

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<iostream>
#include<vector>
#define F first
#define S second
using namespace std;

vector<pair<int,int> >dp;
int arr[100];
int main()
{
```

see more

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Nikhil Gupta · a year ago

In this Method you don't need to traverse the sequence two times

We are storing two things in dp... first is the length of the bitonic sequence and the current phase of bitonic sequence i.e. whether it's still increasing or it is now ir

```
#include
#include
#include
#define F first
#define S second
using namespace std;
```



```
vector<pair >dp;
int arr[100];
int main()
{
    int i,j,n;
    int max=0;
    cin>>n;
    dp.resize(n+1);
```

[see more](#)

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rajat rastogi · a year ago

This should be solved in $O(n \log n)$ time now it is question which is combination and longest decreasing subsequence.

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algobard · 2 years ago

Just a minor edit - you guys haven't freed lis and lds before returning max.

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Akash · 2 years ago

No need to allocate separate memory for both lis and lds. We could manage it issues.

```
int longestBitonic(int a[], int size) {
    int dp[size], i, j, max = 1;
    dp[0] = 1;
    for(i=1;i<size;i++) {
        dp[i] = 1;
        for(j=i-1;j>=0;j--) {
            if((dp[i]<dp[j]+1) && a[i]>a[j]) {
                dp[i] = dp[j]+1;
            }
        }
    }
    return max;
```

```

    }
}
if(dp[i]>max) {
    max = dp[i];
}
}
dp[size-1] = 1;

```

see more

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Jagat → Akash · a year ago

On a closer looks, I'm afraid I don't think it works. You'll end up adding 1 which in the following case will fail.

1, 5, 2, 4, 3

You'll end up finding a mountain range when all you need to find is a hill

Expected answer: 3

Your solution: 6 (Erroneous stmt: $LBS[1] = LBS[3] + LIS[1] - 1$)

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Jagat → Akash · a year ago

Brilliant!

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Manish · 2 years ago

I don't think below statements are requirement while computing the LIS and LDS case for any index if we get the number which is increasing (from left) or decreasing the below statements are always true so need to check it again. Am I right?

$lis[i] < lis[j] + 1$

$lds[i] < lds[j] + 1$

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lohith · 2 years ago

```
public class longestBiotonicSubsequence {  
  
    public static void main(String str[]){  
  
        int array[] = {1, 11, 2, 10, 4, 5, 2, 1};  
  
        BiotonicObj b =calculateLongest(array,0,array.length-1);  
        System.out.println(b.length);  
  
    }  
  
    public static BiotonicObj calculateLongest(int[] array,int start,int end){  
  
        if(start<end){  
            int i=start;
```

see more

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The King · 2 years ago

This can also be solved simply by using longest increasing sub sequence and
Store longest_increasing[i] stores values of longest increasing sub sequence
Store longest_decreasing[i] stores values of longest decreasing sub sequence
Longest_bitonic[i]=longest_increasing[i] + longest_decreasing[i]
then find max in Longest_bitonic

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The King → The King · 2 years ago

Longest_bitonic[i]=longest_decreasing[i] + longest_decreasing[i] -1

Looks like the owner has used the same method :(

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Aseem · 2 years ago

The examples are wrong. In 2nd and 3rd example, Outputs shown are strictly

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Aseem → Aseem · 2 years ago

Please take a closer look at the problem statement. Especially the following:
"A sequence, sorted in increasing order is considered Bitonic with the increasing part.
A decreasing order sequence is considered Bitonic with the increasing part."

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Gang · 2 years ago

LIS has an $O(n \cdot \log(n))$ solution. So I think this one should be solvable in $O(n \cdot k)$ as demonstrated in the following code.

```
template<typename citer>
void LIS(citer begin, citer end, function<void (typename citer::value_type, citer)> f)
{
    typedef vector<typename citer::value_type> lut_t;
    lut_t lut;

    for (citer i = begin; i != end; ++i)
    {
        lut_t::iterator p = upper_bound(lut.begin(), lut.end(), *i);
        if (p == lut.end())
        {
```

```
lut.push_back(*i);  
}  
else
```

[see more](#)

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Ratan · 2 years ago

Does the question says that the sequence first need to increase and then decreasing. The sequence presented here does not seem to do so..... correct me if I am wrong.

```
/* Paste your code here (You may delete these lines if not writing code)
```

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kartik → Ratan · 2 years ago

Please take a closer look at the problem statement and solution. It says: increasing, then decreasing. Not vice versa.

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Duke · 2 years ago

simply rocking :)

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Venki · 2 years ago

Second loop should start from (n-2), as it saves one extra iteration.

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GeeksforGeeks → Venki · 2 years ago

Thanks for suggesting the optimization. We have changed it to start from

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learner · 2 years ago

Super!

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/* Paste your code here (You may delete these lines if not writing c
```

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rajeev · 2 years ago

Awesome :)

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