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Commonly used DP state domains

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Problem:

The most creative part of inventing dynamic programming solution is defining recurrent relations. The recurrent relations consist of parts: state domain and transitions. State domain is a set of states (subproblems) in dynamic programming. For each state the results are calculated eventually. Transitions are the relations between different states which help calculate the subresults.

This recipe covers frequently used state domain types. The general approaches of dealing with them and real SRM examples and a few optimizations specific to particular domains are mentioned here.

Solution

Code of DP solution usually contains an array representing subresults on the state domain. For example, classic [knapsack problem](#) will be like:

```
int maxcost[items+1][space+1];
memset(maxcost, -63, sizeof(maxcost)); //fill with negative infinity
maxcost[0][0] = 0; //base of DP
for (int i = 0; i<items; i++) //iterations over states in proper order
    for (int j = 0; j<=space; j++) {
        int mc = maxcost[i][j]; //we handle two types forward transitions
        int ni, nj, nmc; //from state (i,j)->mc to state (ni,nj)->nmc

        ni = i + 1; //forward transition: do not add i-th item
        nj = j;
        nmc = mc;
        if (maxcost[ni][nj] < nmc) //relaxing result for new state
            maxcost[ni][nj] = nmc;

        ni = i + 1; //forward transition: add i-th item
        nj = j + size[i];
        nmc = mc + cost[i];
        if (nj <= space && maxcost[ni][nj] < nmc)
            maxcost[ni][nj] = nmc;
    }
int answer = -1000000000; //getting answer from state results
for (j = 0; j<=space; j++)
    if (maxcost[items][j] > answer)
        answer = maxcost[items][j];
return answer;
```

Here (i,j) is state of DP with result equal to $\text{maxcost}[i][j]$. The result here means the maximal cost of items we can get by taking items with overall size of exactly j . So the set of (i,j) pairs and concept of $\text{maxcost}[i][j]$ here comprise a state domain. The forward adding or not adding the i -th item to the set of items we have already chosen.

The order of iterations through all DP states is important. The code above iterates through states with pairs (i,j) sorted lexicographically correct since any transition goes from set $(i,*)$ to set $(i+1,*)$, so we see that i is increasing by one. Speaking in backward (recurrent) result for each state (i,j) directly depends only on the results for the states $(i-1,*)$.

To determine order of iteration through states we have to define order on state domain. We say that state (i_1, j_1) is greater than (i_2, j_2) directly or indirectly (i.e. through several other states) depends on (i_2, j_2) . This is definition of order on the state domain and solution any state must be considered after all the lesser states. Else the solution would give incorrect result.

Multidimensional array

The knapsack DP solution described above is an example of multidimensional array state domain (with 2 dimensions). A lot of problems have similar state domains. Generally speaking, in this category states are represented by k parameters: $(i_1, i_2, i_3, \dots, i_k)$, code we define a multidimensional array for state results like: $\text{int Result}[N_1][N_2][N_3] \dots [N_k]$. Of course there are some transition relations. These rules themselves can be complex, but the order of states is usually simple.

In most cases the states can be iterated through in lexicographical order. To do this you have to ensure that if $I = (i_1, i_2, i_3, \dots, i_k)$ depends on $J = (j_1, j_2, j_3, \dots, j_k)$ then I is lexicographically greater than J . This can be achieved by permuting parameters (like using (i_j)) or reversing them. But it is usually easier to change the order and direction of nested loops. Here is general code of lexicographic traversal:

```
for (int i1 = 0; i1<N1; i1++)
    for (int i2 = 0; i2<N2; i2++)
        ...
        for (int ik = 0; ik<Nk; ik++) {
            //get some states (j1, j2, j3, ..., jk) -> jres by performing transitions
            //and handle them
```

}

Note: changing order of DP parameters in array and order of nested loops can noticeably affect performance on modern computer CPU cache behavior.

This type of state domain is the easiest to understand and implement, that's why most DP tutorials show problems of this type. The most frequently used type of state domain in SRMs. DP over subsets is much more popular.

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Subsets of a given set

The problems of this type have some set X . The number of elements in this set is small: less than 20. The idea of DP solution is to use subsets of X as state domain. Often there are additional parameters. So generally we have state domain in form (s, a) where s is a subset of X and a represents additional parameters.

Consider **TSP problem** as an example. The set of cities $X = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1\}$ is used here. State domain will have two parameters: $s, a \rightarrow R$ means that R is the shortest path from city 0 to city a which goes through all the vertices from subset s exactly once. Simply adding one city v to the end of path: $(s, a) \rightarrow R$ turns into $(s \cup \{v\}, v) \rightarrow R + M[a, v]$. Here $M[i, j]$ is distance between i -th and j -th cities. A hamiltonian cycle is a path which goes through each vertex exactly once plus the edge which closes the cycle, so the answer for TSP can be computed as $\min(R[X, a] + M[a, 0])$ among all vertices a .

It is very convenient to encode subsets with binary numbers. Look recipe "[Representing sets with bitfields](#)" for detailed explanation.

The state domain of DP over subsets is usually ordered by set inclusion. Each forward transition adds some elements to the current subset but does not subtract any. So result for each state (s, a) depends only on the results of states (t, b) where t is a subset of s . If states are ordered like this, then we can iterate through subsets in lexicographical order of binary masks. Since subsets are usually represented by binary integers, we can iterate through all subsets by iterating through all integers from 0 to $2^N - 1$. For example in TSP problem looks like:

```
int res[1<<N][N];
memset(res, 63, sizeof(res)); //filling results with positive infinity
res[1<<0][0] = 0; //DP base

for (int s = 0; s < (1<<N); s++) //iterating through all subsets in lexicographical order
    for (int a = 0; a < N; a++) {
        int r = res[s][a];
        for (int v = 0; v < N; v++) { //looking through all transitions (cities to visit next)
            if (s & (1<<v)) continue; //we cannot visit cities that are already visited
            int ns = s | (1<<v); //perform transition
            int na = v;
            int nr = r + matr[a][v]; //by adding edge (a - v) distance
            if (res[ns][na] > nr) //relax result for state (ns, na) with nr
                res[ns][na] = nr;
        }
    }
int answer = 1000000000; //get TSP answer
for (int a = 0; a < N; a++)
    answer = min(answer, res[(1<<N)-1][a] + matr[a][0]);
```

Often in DP over subsets you have to iterate through all subsets or supersets of a given set s . The brute force implementation takes $O(4^N)$ time for the whole DP, but it can be easily optimized to take $O(3^N)$. Please read recipe "[Iterating Over All Subsets of a Set](#)".

Substrings of a given string

There is a fixed string or a fixed segment. According to the problem definition, it can be broken into two pieces, then each of the pieces is again divided into two pieces and so forth until we get unit-length strings. And by doing this we need to achieve some goal.

Classical example of DP over substrings is **context-free grammar parsing algorithm**. Problems which involve putting parentheses around expressions and problems that ask to optimize the overall cost of recursive breaking are often solved by DP over substrings. In this case there are two special parameters L and R which represent indices of left and right borders of a given substring. The additional parameters, we denote them as a . So each state is defined by (L, R, a) . To calculate answer for each state, all the ways to split the substring into two pieces are considered. Because of it, states must be iterated through in order of non-decreasing length. Here is an example of DP over substrings (without additional parameters):

```
res[N+1][N+1]; //first: L, second: R
for (int s = 0; s <= N; s++) //iterate size(length) of substring
    for (int L = 0; L+s<=N; L++) { //iterate left border index
        int R = L + s; //right border index is clear
        if (s <= 1) {
            res[L][R] = DPBase(L, R); //base of DP - no division
            continue;
        }
        tres = ???;
        for (int M = L+1; M<=R-1; M++) //iterate through all divisions
            tres = DPInduction(tres, res[L][M], res[M][R]);
        res[L][R] = tres;
    }
answer = DPAnswer(res[0][N]);
```

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Subtrees(vertices) of a given rooted tree



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The problem involves a **rooted tree**. Sometimes a graph is given and its DFS search tree is used. Some sort of result can be calculated on a subtree. Since each subtree is uniquely identified by its root, we can treat DP over subtrees as DP over vertices. The result for a vertex is determined by the results of its immediate children.

The DP over subtree has a state domain in form (v, a) where v is a root of subtree and a may be some additional parameters. The order of states should be ordered naturally by tree order on vertices. Therefore the easiest way to iterate through states in correct order is to launch DFS on the tree. When DFS exits from a vertex, its result must be finally computed and stored in global memory. The code generally looks like:

```
bool vis[N];           //visited mark for DFS
res[N];               //DP result array

void DFS(int v) {      //visit v-rooted subtree recursively
    vis[v] = true;     //mark vertex as visited
    res[v] = ???;      //initial result, which is final result in case of leaf
    for (int i = 0; i < nbr[v].size(); i++) { //iterate through all sons s
        int s = nbr[v][i];
        if (!vis[s]) { //if vertex is not visited yet, then it's a son
            DFS(s);    //visit it recursively
            res[v] = DPInduction(res[v], res[s]); //recalculate result for current vertex
        }
    }
}

...
memset(vis, false, sizeof(vis)); //mark all vertices as not visited
DFS(0);                          //run DFS from the root = vertex 0
answer = DPAnswer(res[0]);       //get problem answer from result of root
```

Sometimes the graph of problem is not connected (e.g. a forest). In this case run a series of DFS over the whole graph. The results of individual trees are then combined in some way. Usually simple summation/maximum or a simple formula is enough but in the worst case "merging problem" can turn out to require another DP solution.

The DPInduction is very simple in case when there are no additional parameters. But very often state domain includes the additional parameters and becomes complicated. DPInduction turns out to be another (internal) DP in this case. Its state domain is (k, a) where k is the number of sons of vertex considered so far and a is additional info.

Be careful about the storage of results of this internal DP. If you are solving optimization problem and you are required to recover the solution (not only answer) then you have to save results of this DP for solution recovering. In this case you'll have an array `globalres[v][k][a]` or `internalres[v][k][a]`.

TopCoder problems rarely require solution, so storage of internal DP results is not necessary. It is easier not to store them globally. Below internal results for a vertex are initialized after all the sons are traversed recursively and are discarded after DFS exits at the vertex. This is represented in the code below:

```
bool vis[N];
gres[N][A];
intres[N+1][A];

void DFS(int v) {
    vis[v] = true;

    vector<int> sons;
    for (int i = 0; i < nbr[v].size(); i++) { //first pass: visit all sons and store their results
        int s = nbr[v][i];
        if (!vis[s]) {
            DFS(s);
            sons.push_back(s);
        }
    }

    int SK = sons.size(); //clear the internal results array
    for (int k = 0; k <= SK; k++)
        memset(intres[k], ?, sizeof(intres[k]));

    for (int a = 0; a < A; a++) //second pass: run internal DP over array of sons
        intres[0][a] = InternalDPBase(v, a);
    for (int k = 0; k < SK; k++) //k = number of sons considered so far
        for (int a = 0; a < A; a++) //a = additional parameter for them
            for (int b = 0; b < A; b++) { //b = additional parameter for the son being added
                int na = DPTransition(v, a, b);
                int nres = DPInduction(intres[k][a], gres[sons[k]][b]);
                intres[k+1][na] = DPMerge(intres[k+1][na], nres);
            }
    for (int a = 0; a < A; a++) //copy answer of internal DP to result for vertex v
        gres[v][a] = intres[SK][a];
}

...
memset(vis, false, sizeof(vis)); //series of DFS
for (int v = 0; v < N; v++) if (!vis[v]) {
    DFS(v);
    ??? //handle results for connected component
}
??? //get the answer in some way
```

It is very important to understand how time/space complexity is calculated for DP over subtrees. For example, the code just above has a time complexity of $O(N \cdot A^2)$. Though dumb analysis says it is $O(N \cdot A^2 \cdot A^2)$: $\{N \text{ vertices}\} \times \{SK \leq N \text{ sons for each}\} \times A \times A$.

Let K_i denote number of sons of vertex i . Though each K_i may be as large as $N-1$, their sum is always equal to $N-1$ in a rooted tree. This is the key to further analysis. Suppose that DFS code for i -th vertex runs in not more than $K_i \cdot t$ time. Since DFS is applied only once to each vertex, overall time will be $TC(N) = \sum(K_i \cdot t) \leq N \cdot t$. Consider $t = A^2$ for the case above and you'll get $O(N \cdot A^2)$ time complexity.

To benefit from this acceleration, be sure not to iterate through all vertices of graph in DFS. For example above, running mem-

intres array in DFS will raise the time complexity. Time of individual DFS run will become $O(N \cdot A + K_i \cdot A^2)$ instead of $O(K_i \cdot A^2)$. complexity will become $O(N^2 \cdot A + N \cdot A^2)$ which is great regress in case if A is much smaller than N. Using the same approach you may achieve $O(N \cdot A)$ space complexity in case you are asked to recover solution. We have already recover solution you have to store globally the array internalres[v,k,a]. If you allocate memory for this array dynamically, then completely states with $k > K_i$. Since the sum of all K_i is N, you will get $O(N \cdot A)$ space.

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Layer count + layer profile

This is the toughest type of DP state domain. It is usually used in tiling or covering problems on special graphs. The classic example calculate number of ways to tile the rectangular board with dominoes (certain cells cannot be used); or put as many chess figures on a chessboard as you can so that they do not hit each other (again, some cells may be restricted).

Generally speaking, all these problems can be solved with DP over subsets (use set of all cells of board). DP with profiles is an approach which exploits special structure in this set. The board we have to cover/tiling is represented as an array of layers. We try to consider by one and store partial solutions after each layer. In simple rectangular board case layer is one row of the board. The profile is a set of cells in current row which are already tiled.

The state domain has form (k, p) where k is number of fully processed layers and p is so-called profile of solution. Profile is the information about solution in layers that are not fully processed yet. The transitions go from (k, p) to $(k+1, q)$ where q is some number of transitions for each state is usually large, so they all are iterated through by recursive search, sometimes with pruning to find all the ways to increase the partial solution up to the next layer.

The example code below calculates the number of ways to fully cover empty cells on the given rectangular board with dominoes.

```
int res[M+1][1<<N];

int k, p, q;
bool get(int i) {
    return matr[k][i] == '#' || (p & (1<<i));
}

void Search(int i) {
    if (i == N) {
        add(res[k+1][q], res[k][p]);
        return;
    }

    if (get(i)) {
        Search(i+1);
        return;
    }

    if (i+1<N && !get(i+1))
        Search(i+2);

    if (k+1<M && matr[k+1][i] != '#') {
        q ^= (1<<i);
        Search(i+1);
        q ^= (1<<i);
    }
}

...
res[0][0] = 1;
for (k = 0; k<M; k++)
    for (p = 0; p<(1<<N); p++) {
        q = 0;
        Search(0);
    }
int answer = res[M][0];
```

//k = number of fully tiled rows
//p = profile of k-th row = subset of tiled cells
//q = profile of the next row (in search)
//check whether i-th cell in current row is not free
//i = number of processed cells in current row
//the current row processed, make transition
//if current cell is not free, skip it
//try putting (k,i)-(k,i+1) domino
//try putting (k,i)-(k+1,i) domino
//note that the profile of next row is changed
//base of DP
//iterate over number of processed layers
//iterate over profiles
//initialize the new profile
//start the search for all transitions
//all rows covered with empty profile = answer

The asymptotic time complexity is not easy to calculate exactly. Since search for i performs one call to $i+1$ and one call to $i+2$, time of individual search is not more than N -th Fibonacci number = $\text{fib}(N)$. Moreover, if profile p has only F free cells it will require $O(F)$ to pruning. If we sum $C(N, F) \cdot \text{fib}(F)$ for all F we'll get something like $(1+\phi)^N$, where ϕ is golden ratio. The overall time complexity is $(1+\phi)^N$. Empirically it is even lower.

The code is not optimal. Almost all DP over profiles should use "storing two layers" space optimization. Look "Optimizing DP: More over broken profiles can be used. In this DP state domain (k, p, i) is used, where i is number of processed cells in a recursive search is launched since it is converted to the part of DP. The time complexity is even lower with this solution.

The hard DP over profiles examples can include extensions like:

1. Profile consists of more than one layer.

For example to cover the grid with three-length tiles you need to store two layers in the profile.

2. Profile has complex structure.

For example to find optimal in some sense hamiltonian cycle on the rectangular board you have to use matched parentheses profiles.

3. Distinct profile structure.

Set of profiles may be different for each layer. You can store profiles in map in this case.

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Examples:

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We are asked to find assignment man \rightarrow fact which maximizes the number of facts with constraint that everyone must know all optimal assignment people can be divided into fact-groups. Each fact-group consists of people who are told the same fact. Any group must be able to tell everybody else about the fact.

Let's precalculate for each subset of people whether they can become a fact-group. The subset can be a fact-group if set of all united with them is the whole set. After possible fact-groups are calculated, we have to determine maximal number of non-intrigued groups in the set of people. We can define state domain $(s) \rightarrow R$ where s is subset of people and R is problem answer for them. The answer for state s we have to subtract one of its fact-groups. It is a subset of s and forms a fact-group. So we can iterate through subsets of s and try them as fact-groups.

```
n = matr.size();
int i, j, u;
for (i = 0; i < (1<<n); i++) { //for all subsets i
    int mask = 0;
    for (j = 0; j < n; j++) if (i & (1<<j)) { //iterate through people in it
        mask |= (1<<j);
        for (u = 0; u < n; u++) if (matr[j][u] == 'Y') //accumulate the total set of informed people
            mask |= (1<<u);
    }
    cover[i] = (mask == (1<<n)-1); //if everyone is informed, the subset is fact-group
}

int ans = 0;
for (i = 0; i < (1<<n); i++) { //go through states
    res[i] = 0;
    for (j = i; j > 0; j = (j-1)&i) if (cover[j]) //iterate through all fact-group subsets
        if (res[i] < res[j] + 1)
            res[i] = res[j] + 1; //relax the result for i
    if (ans < res[i]) ans = res[i]; //relax the global answer
}
return ans;
```

Breaking strings (ZOJ 2860)

This problem is solved with DP over substrings. Let's enumerate all required breaks and two ends of string with numbers 0, 1, ..., n-1. $res[L,R]$ will be result for the substring which starts in L -th point and ends in R -th point. To get this result we should look through middle points M and consider $res[L][M] + res[M][R] + (x[R]-x[L])$ as a result. By doing this we get a clear $O(k^3)$ solution (which is not optimal). What makes this problem exceptional is the application of Knuth's optimization. This trick works only for optimization DP over substrings for which optimal middle point depends monotonously on the end points. Let $mid[L,R]$ be the first middle point for (L,R) substring optimal result. It can be proven that $mid[L,R-1] \leq mid[L,R] \leq mid[L+1,R]$ - this means monotonicity of mid by L and R . If you are interested in a proof, read about optimal binary search trees in Knuth's "The Art of Computer Programming" volume 3 binary search trees. Applying this optimization reduces time complexity from $O(k^3)$ to $O(k^2)$ because with fixed s (substring length) we have $m_{right}[L+1][R] = m_{left}[L+1]$. That's why nested L and M loops require not more than $2k$ iterations overall.

```
for (int s = 0; s <= k; s++) //s - length(size) of substring
    for (int L = 0; L + s <= k; L++) { //L - left point
        int R = L + s; //R - right point
        if (s < 2) {
            res[L][R] = 0; //DP base - nothing to break
            mid[L][R] = L; //mid is equal to left border
            continue;
        }
        int mleft = mid[L][R-1]; //Knuth's trick: getting bounds on M
        int mright = mid[L+1][R];
        res[L][R] = 1000000000;
        for (int M = mleft; M <= mright; M++) { //iterating for M in the bounds only
            int64 tres = res[L][M] + res[M][R] + (x[R]-x[L]);
            if (res[L][R] > tres) { //relax current solution
                res[L][R] = tres;
                mid[L][R] = M;
            }
        }
    }
}
int64 answer = res[0][k];
```

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Since tree is given in the problem statement, we should try DP on subtrees first. Given any correct solution for the whole tree it is also correct. So if all pairs of occupied towns are separated, then in each subtree they are also separated. So we can try to define domain $(v) \rightarrow R$ where v represents subtree and R represents minimal effort to solve the problem for this subtree. But we'll discuss connecting subtrees correctly is impossible because we need to know whether there is an occupied town connected with outside subtree. We call such a solution for subtree dangerous. Now we add the boolean parameter (solution is safe/dangerous) in the domain. Let $res[v][t]$ be the minimal effort needed to get a correct solution for v -subtree which is dangerous (if $d=1$) / safe (if $d=0$). Initially we consider edge which is going out of subtree indestructible. We will handle the destruction of outgoing edge later. If solution for leaves is easy to obtain. If v is non-occupied leaf, then it forms a safe solution, and dangerous solution is impossible. If v is occupied, then the solution is dangerous with no effort, and impossible to make safe. Then if the vertex v is not leaf, we add it to the tree. When adding a son s to v -subtree, we have the following merging rules:

1. $v=safe + s=safe \rightarrow v=safe$
2. $v=dangerous + s=safe \rightarrow v=dangerous$

3. $v = \text{safe} + s = \text{dangerous} \rightarrow v = \text{dangerous}$

4. $v = \text{dangerous} + s = \text{dangerous} \rightarrow \text{incorrect solution}$

After merging by these rules, we receive a solution for v-subtree in case of indestructible outgoing edge. Now what changes if t edge is destructible? We can destruct it by paying additional effort. In this case a dangerous solution turns into safe one. The root has no outgoing edge.

The problem answer is minimal effort of safe and dangerous solutions for the root of DFS tree. The time complexity is $O(N^2)$ if adjacency matrix is used, but can be easily reduced to $O(N)$ with neighbors lists.

```
int res[MAXN][2];

void DFS(int v, int f) {
    vis[v] = true; //traverse v-subtree, f is father of v
    res[v][0] = (occ[v] ? 1000000000 : 0); //mark v as visited
    res[v][1] = (occ[v] ? 0 : 1000000000); //result in case of leaf
    for (int s = 0; s < n; s++) if (matr[v][s] < 1000000000) {
        if (vis[s]) continue; //iterate over all sons
        DFS(s, v); //run DFS recursively

        int nres[2];
        nres[0] = res[v][0] + res[s][0]; //safe case requires safe s and safe v
        nres[1] = min(res[v][0] + res[s][1], res[v][1] + res[s][0]);
        res[v][0] = nres[0]; //dangerous case requires dangerous + safe
        res[v][1] = nres[1];
    }
    if (f >= 0 && res[v][0] > res[v][1] + matr[v][f]) //we can destroy upgoing edge (v-f)
        res[v][0] = res[v][1] + matr[v][f];
}

...
DFS(0, -1); //run DFS from 0 (with no father)
return min(res[0][0], res[0][1]); //whether root is dangerous does not matter
}
```

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We need to construct grid from matches obeying certain rules which have local effect. And the grid is $2 \times n$ which is ideal for DP. Of course, it is better to slice the grid to 2-cell layers instead of N -cell ones. The profile consists of thicknesses of the last two vertical sticks. They are required to check sum when filling the next layer. To perform the transition, we have to iterate through all possible vertical sticks thicknesses and choose only variants that satisfy two equations on cell sums. If we perform it brute force, we will get algorithm, that's slow. It can be easily optimized if we calculate thicknesses of two sticks explicitly by using cell sum equations. DP will be $O(N \cdot K^5)$ in time and $O(N \cdot K^2)$ in space. That is more than enough for the problem.

If you want a better solution, you can notice that:

1. You can use "storing two layers" optimization and reduce space complexity to $O(K^2)$.

2. You can transform the solution to DP with broken profiles. To do it you should add intermediate "half" states (i, p, b, v) . $hres[i]$ is minimal cost of full construction of $(2 \cdot i + 1)$ cells - i layers and a top cell in the next layer. The DP with broken profiles will require time and $O(N \cdot K^3)$ space, which can be reduced with technique 1 to $O(K^3)$.

The code for simple solution is given below. Since width of profile is well-known and very small, it is easier to write transition code with loops instead of recursive search.

```
//...?? aa //schema of profile and transition
//... u p //u and v comprise profile
//... u p //a, b, c, p, q are five added sticks
//...?? bb //system of equations is:
//... v q //{u + a + p + b = top[i]
//... v q //{v + b + q + c = bottom[i]
//...?? cc //the depicted transition leads to (i+1,p,q) state

memset(res, 63, sizeof(res)); //DP base
for (int u = 0; u < k; u++) //choose any two sticks
    for (int v = 0; v < k; v++) //put them to leftmost vertical line
        res[0][u][v] = cost[u] + cost[v]; //their cost is clear

for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    for (int u = 0; u < k; u++)
        for (int v = 0; v < k; v++) { //iterate through states
            int cres = res[i][u][v];
            for (int a = 0; a < k; a++) //choose a and p in all possible ways
                for (int p = 0; p < k; p++) {
                    int b = top[i]-4 - (u + a + p); //b is uniquely determined by top equation
                    if (b < 0 || b >= k) continue; //though it can be bad...
                    for (int q = 0; q < k; q++) { //choose all possible q variants
                        int c = bottom[i]-4 - (v + b + q); //c is uniquely determined by bottom equation
                        if (c < 0 || c >= k) continue;

                        int nres = cres + cost[p] + cost[q] //the new solution cost
                        + cost[a] + cost[b] + cost[c];
                        if (res[i+1][p][q] > nres) //relaxing the destination
                            res[i+1][p][q] = nres;
                    }
                }
        }

    }

int answer = 1000000000; //the last two sticks do not matter
for (int u = 0; u < k; u++) //choose the best variant among them
    for (int v = 0; v < k; v++)
        if (answer > res[n][u][v])
```

```

        answer = res[n][u][v];
        if (answer >= 1000000000) answer = -1;           //do not forget "impossible" case

```

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This problem is solved by very tricky DP on the tree and subsets. We are required to find number of mappings of the tree on t choose root of the tree because it is easier to handle rooted tree. Clearly, we should consider all possible submapping of all subsets of the graph. The number of these submapping is huge, so we have to determine which properties of these submapping extending the mapping. It turns out that these properties are:

1. Subtree denoted by its root vertex v . Necessary to check the outgoing edge mapping later.
2. Vertex of graph p which is the image of v . Again: necessary to check the mapping of added edge.
3. The full image of v -subtree in graph - set s of already mapped vertices in graph. Necessary to maintain bijectivity of mapping. Therefore we define state domain $(v, p, s) \rightarrow GR$. GR is number of submappings with the properties we are interested in. To combine tree we need to run another "internal" DP. Remember that internal DP is local for each vertex v of the tree. The first parameter already merged - this is quite standard. Also we'll use additional parameters p and s inside. The state domain is $(k, p, s) \rightarrow IR$ where submappings of partial v -subtree on graph with properties:

1. The vertex v and subtrees corresponding to its first k sons are being mapped (called domain).
2. Image of v is vertex p in graph.
3. The full image of mapping considered is s - subset of already used vertices.

The transition of this internal DP is defined by adding one subtree corresponding to k -th son to the domain of mapping. For every son, then we add global state $GR[w, q, t]$ to internal state $IR[k, p, s]$ and get internal state $IR[k+1, p, s+t]$. Here we must check that t the graph and that sets s and t have no common elements. The combinations considered in $GR[w, q, t]$ and $IR[k, p, s]$ are independent their product to the destination state. The answer of internal DP is $IR[sk, p, s]$ which is stored as a result $GR[k, p, s]$ of global DP. This is correct solution of this problem. Unfortunately, it runs in $O(4^N \cdot N^3)$ if implemented like it is in the code below. Of course to optimize the solution even further to achieve the required performance. The recipe "Optimizing DP solution" describes how accepted.

```

int gres[MAXN][MAXN][SIZE];           //global DP on subtrees: (v,p,s) -> GR
int ires[MAXN][MAXN][SIZE];           //internal DP: (k,p,s) -> IR

void DFS(int v) {                       //solve DP for v subtree
    vis[v] = true;
    vector<int> sons;
    for (int u = 0; u < n; u++) if (tree[v][u] && !vis[u]) { //visit all sons in tree
        DFS(u);
        sons.push_back(u);
    }
    int sk = sons.size();
    memset(ires[0], 0, sizeof(ires[0])); //base of internal DP
    for (int p = 0; p < n; p++) ires[0][p][1<<p] = 1; //one-vertex mappings v -> p
    for (int k = 0; k < sk; k++) { //iterate through k - number of sons
        int w = sons[k];
        memset(ires[k+1], 0, sizeof(ires[k+1])); //remember to clear next layer
        for (int p = 0; p < n; p++) { //iterate through p - image of v
            for (int s = 0; s < (1<<n); s++) //iterate through s - full image of v
                for (int q = 0; q < n; q++) if (graph[p][q]) //consider adding mapping which maps w -> q; w-subtree -> t subset;
                    for (int t = 0; t < (1<<n); t++) { //do not break bijectivity
                        if (s & t) continue;
                        add(ires[k+1][p][s+t], mult(ires[k][p][s], gres[w][q][t])); //add product of numbers to solution
                    }
            }
        }
        memcpy(gres[v], ires[sk], sizeof(ires[sk])); //since partial v-subtree with k=sk
    } //we have GR[v,p,s] = IR[sk,p,s]
    ...
    DFS(0); //launch DFS from root = 0-th vertex
    int answer = 0; //consider all variants for i - image of root
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) add(answer, gres[0][i][(1<<n)-1]);
    return answer; //sum this variants up and return it
}
};

```

END OF RECIPE

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This recipe is great, in my opinion, considering there's a few interesting tutorials about dp in the web (not just knapsack and LCS some more content) if any. Sought for one some time ago (especially wanted to read about dp over subsets) and now I have a it. I mean it's good not only for Cookbook but for me so thank you very much.

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Thank you! This is the most useful recipe I have read so far. Perhaps it will finally help me to understand DP and move to yellow

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For the multidimensional array, I don't understand what does `Result[i1][i2][i3]...[ik]` represent in terms of the Knapsack problem? mean the maximum cost that we can obtain by using `i1` number of items 1, `i2` number of items 2, ..., `ik` number of `k`-th item? If so, longer 0-1 Knapsack, but more like unbounded Knapsack. By the way, it will be great if you can use the Knapsack example for `i` representation types.

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For the subsets of a given set you should mention that `M[x,y]` is the distance between cities `x` and `y`. You should use `M` in the code (matr). You should explain the reasoning behind `R[X,a]+M[a,0]`: `R[x,a]` is the shortest path that visits every node once starting from `x`, `R[X,a]+M[a,0]` is the shortest Hamilton cycle for `X`.

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For substrings of a given string. Can you avoid using `'l'` in the code, because it looks too similar to one. You can use `L` and `R` instead of `"tres=?;"`? What is `a` in this case and is it actually used in the code?

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1. The `Result[i1,i2,...,ik]` has nothing in common with knapsack. It is an array of results for a general problem with multidimensional state. Knapsack was an example of such a problem with `dim=2`.

2. I added an explanation for the `M` matrix and about the way the answer is got. About `M` and `matr` - it is a usual thing. Mathematics is used for variable names (1-2 letters) whereas in programming short names is a bad habit. I have a strong feeling against naming a matrix with a single letter, sorry. By the way, didn't you notice that the state result is denoted as `R` in text but as `res` in code?...

3. Changed `l,m,r` to `L,M,R`. (`l+1` looks really weird) Question mark represents something that depends on the problem. It is an element, i.e. 0 in a combinatoric problem, `+inf` in a minimization problem, `-inf` in a maximization problem. I don't want to explain it here, it may be exceptions. That's why I just put a question mark. Look at one of the examples and you'll see `10^18` in this place.

`a` represents additional parameters. It must be explained somewhere in the recipe. I added a note on this to the first place it is used.

I don't like that additional parameters are represented by the letter `"a"`. Because it is an English article also... I've enclosed the parameter in most places in text so that it does not confuse the reader.

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