

Algorithms

Backtracking
Dynamic Programming



Recap:

- Sign up for HW2 grading
(will end 5 min. early...)
- Perusall due Wed. (& likely
Friday)
- Gradebook note:
use blackboard

Longest Increasing Subsequence

or (LIS)

Given: List of integers $A[1..n]$

Goal: Find longest subsequence whose elements are strictly increasing

Formally: $A[1..n]$, Find largest k s.t. $1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n$
s.t. $A[i_j] < A[i_{j+1}]$ for every j

Example:
 $[12, 5, 1, 3, 4, 13, 6, 11, 2, 20]$
IS: $\underline{12}, \underline{13}, \underline{20}$

Best? length 6 $k=6$ in ex

Formalize (a / a backtracking):

The LIS of $A[1..n]$ is either:

- the LIS of $A[2..n]$ (skip #1)
- $A[i]$ followed by LIS of $A[2..n]$ (include #1)
↑ where everything is
(or is it?) > $A[i]$

Go back to that example...

↳ added a param.
to my fn

Let:

$\text{LISBIGGER}(i, j) :=$

Longest subsequence from
 $A[j..n]$

with all elements $> A[i]$

Then: backtracking recursion

$\text{LISBIGGER}(i, j) =$ {
 $(i < j)$
 \max {
 Include $A[j]$:
 if $A[i] < A[j]$,
 could be $\text{LISBIG}(i, j+1)$
 Not include $A[j]$
 $\text{LISBIG}(i, j+1)$
 }
 Base case:
 if $j > n$: return {}
}

$\text{LIS}(A[1..n]):$
adds $-\infty$ at $A[0]$
return $(\text{LISBIGGER}(0, 1)) - 1$

Nicer picture:

must skip $A[j]$

If $A[j] > A[i]$,
could include
or not

$$LISbigger(i, j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j > n \\ LISbigger(i, j + 1) & \text{if } A[i] \geq A[j] \\ \max \left\{ LISbigger(i, j + 1), 1 + LISbigger(j, j + 1) \right\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Alternatively, if you prefer pseudocode:

```
LISBIGGER(i, j):
    if j > n
        return 0
    else if A[i] ≥ A[j]
        return LISBIGGER(i, j + 1)
    else
        skip ← LISBIGGER(i, j + 1)
        take ← LISBIGGER(j, j + 1) + 1
        return max{skip, take}
```

Runtime: Let $L(n)$ = runtime on array of size n

Then: $L(n) \leq 2L(n-1) + 1$
 $= O(2^n)$

Sec. 2.7 : (take 2)

Another approach:

Last version considered the input A one letter at a time.

Alternative: build output one at a time.

Given a position i , construct LIS in $A[i..n]$.
(which includes $A[i..]$).

Then: $LISFIRST(i) :=$

$$1 + \max_{j > i} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } A[j] > A[i]: \\ LISFIRST(j) + 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

Pseudo code : To solve LIS, use our helper function.

LISFIRST(i):

```
best ← 0
for  $j \leftarrow i + 1$  to  $n$ 
    if  $A[j] > A[i]$ 
        best ← max{best, LISFIRST( $j$ )}
return 1 + best
```

(try all $j > i$ +
reuse or any next values
on any variable
 $(A[j] > A[i])$)

LIS($A[1..n]$):

```
best ← 0
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
    best ← max{best, LISFIRST( $i$ )}
return best
```

LIS($A[1..n]$):

```
 $A[0] \leftarrow -\infty$ 
return LISFIRST(0) - 1
```

how to call
helper fun

Pausing for a moment:

- Done with recursion (for now)
(skipping binary tree section)
- Chapter 3: dynamic programming
- Chapter 4: Greedy algorithms

Then graphs after that
(for a while)

Midterm: likely week of
Oct. 14 or Oct 7.

(More to come soon...)

Dynamic Programming

- a fancy term for smarter recursion:

Memoization

- Developed by Richard Bellman
in mid 1950s

("programming" here actually means planning or scheduling)

Key: When recursing, if many recursive calls to overlapping subcases, remember prior results and don't do extra work!

Simple example:

Fibonacci Numbers

$$F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1, F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$$

$$0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, \dots$$

$$\forall n \geq 2$$

Directly get an algorithm:

```
+-----+
| FIB(n): |
| if n < 2: |
|   return n |
| else |
|   return FIB(n-1) + FIB(n-2) |
+-----+
```

Runtime:

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

exponential:

$$O(\phi^n) \text{ exponential}$$

Applying memoization :

MEMFIBO(n):

if ($n < 2$)
 return n

else

 if $F[n]$ is undefined

$F[n] \leftarrow \text{MEMFIBO}(n - 1) + \text{MEMFIBO}(n - 2)$

 return $F[n]$

First time $F[19]$
is called, actually
recurse + store
answer.

All later calls:
look it up.

Better yet:

ITERFIBO(n):

$F[0] \leftarrow 0$

$F[1] \leftarrow 1$

for $i \leftarrow 2$ to n

$O(1)$ [$F[i] \leftarrow F[i - 1] + F[i - 2]$]
return $F[n]$

$O(n)$

Correctness:

Run time or space

$\sim O(n)$
need array of size n

Even better!

ITERFIBO2(n):

```
prev ← 1  
curr ← 0  
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$   
    next ← curr + prev  
    prev ← curr  
    curr ← next  
return curr
```

Run time / space :

$O(n)$ time

$O(1)$ space

Note: We'll skip 3.2, although you're welcome to read!

Next:

- Text Segmentation
- Longest increasing Subsequence

Key: