

# Algorithms - Spring '25

Dynamic Programming:  
LIS



## Recap grades

- HWOL is posted

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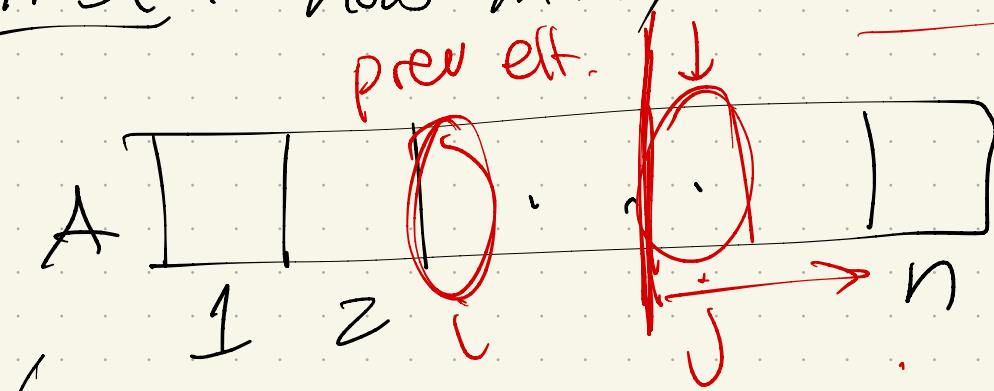
- Next HW due Monday

- Reading on Monday

# Recap: Longest Increasing Subsequence

Why "Jump to the middle"?  
Need a recursion!

First: how many subsequences?

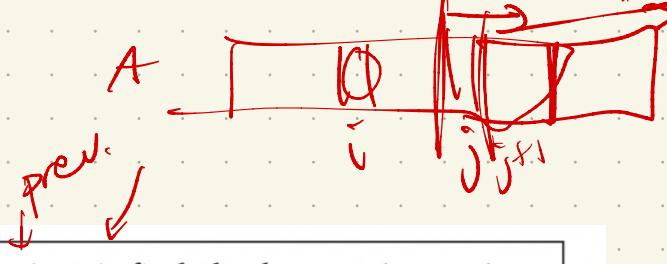


→ Could use or skip each #,  
so  $\leq 2^n$  worst case

Backtracking approach:

At index  $i$ : decide if  
we can include  $i$ .  
If so, try both with & without  $A[i]$

# Result:



Given two indices  $i$  and  $j$ , where  $i < j$ , find the longest increasing subsequence of  $A[j \dots n]$  in which every element is larger than  $A[i]$ .

Store last "taken" index  $i$ .

Consider including  $A[j]$ :

- If  $A[i] \geq A[j]$  ↪ must skip!
- If  $A[i]$  is less: try both options

# Recursion:

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

Include  $A[j]$

skip  $A[j]$

Code version: (helper function)

LISBIGGER( $i, j$ ):

```
if  $j > n$ 
    return 0
else if  $A[i] \geq A[j]$ 
    return LISBIGGER( $i, j + 1$ )
else
    skip  $\leftarrow$  LISBIGGER( $i, j + 1$ )
    take  $\leftarrow$  LISBIGGER( $j, j + 1$ ) + 1
    return max{skip, take}
```

try both

$j$  must skip  
 $A[j]$

Problem - what did we want??

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

So: don't forget our "main":

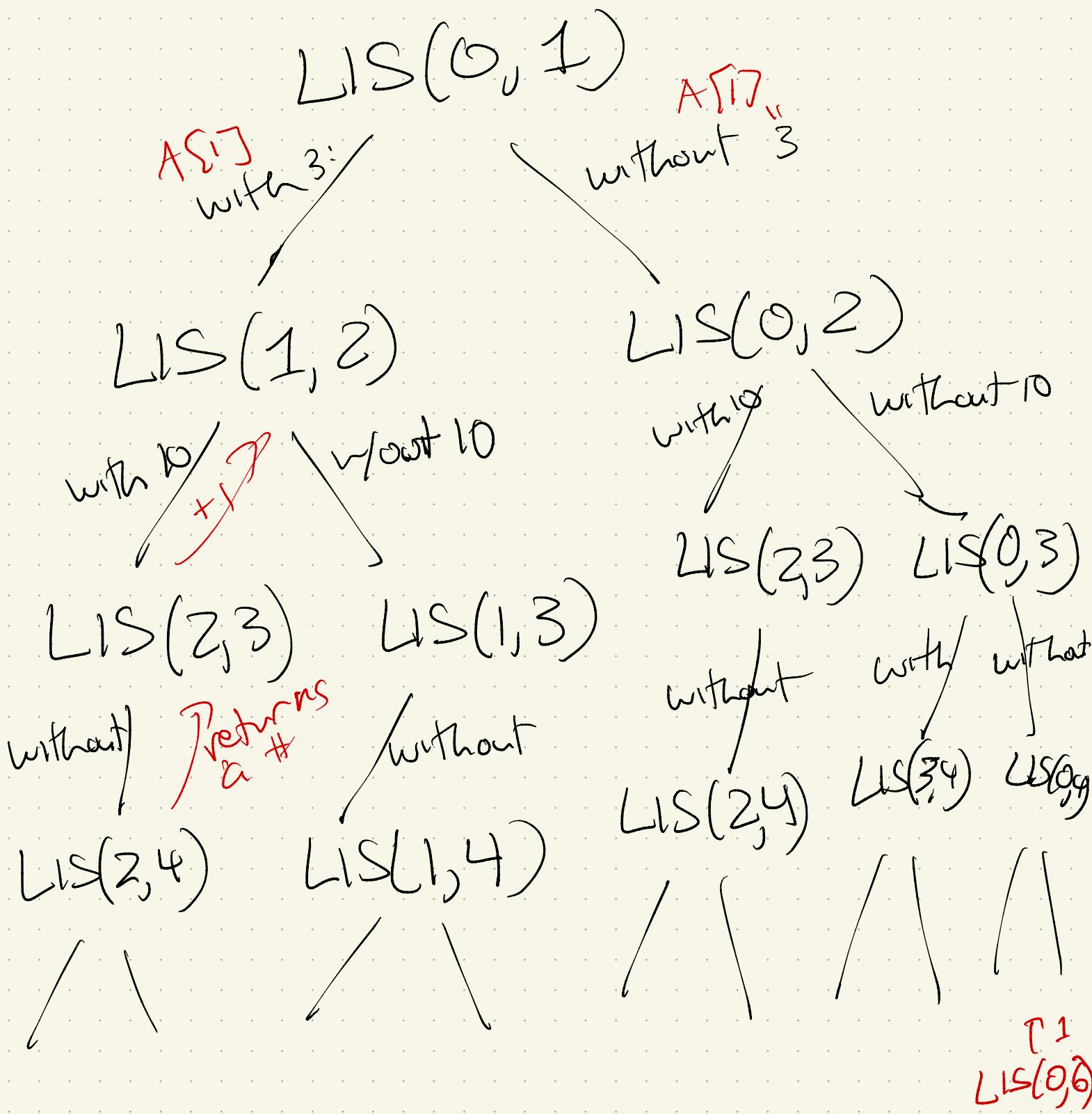
LIS( $A[1..n]$ ):

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 $A[0] \leftarrow -\infty$ 
return LISBIGGER(0, 1)
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Example:  $A = [3, 10, 2, 11, 5, 7]$

$\hookrightarrow \{-\infty, 3, 10, 2, 11, 5, 7\}$



Next? memorize?

What sort of calls are we making often?

Can we save them, & avoid recomputing over and over?

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

LISbigger(i, j)

```
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}
```

→ Store these

Here:

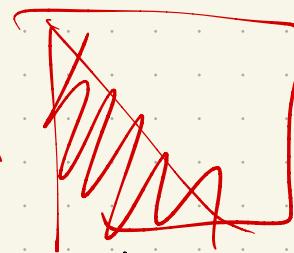
$$\text{LISbigger}(i, j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j > n \\ \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{LISbigger}(i, j+1) \\ 1 + \text{LISbigger}(j, j+1) \end{array} \right\} & \text{if } A[i] \geq A[j] \\ \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

This is a recursion, but think for a moment of it as a function.

After computing, store values!

How many values to store?

$\text{LISbigger}(i, j)$   $n \times n$  array  
for  $i = 0 \dots n-1$  (row),  $j = n$

where  $i < j$   $O(n^2)$  

How long to compute each?

$O(1)$  time

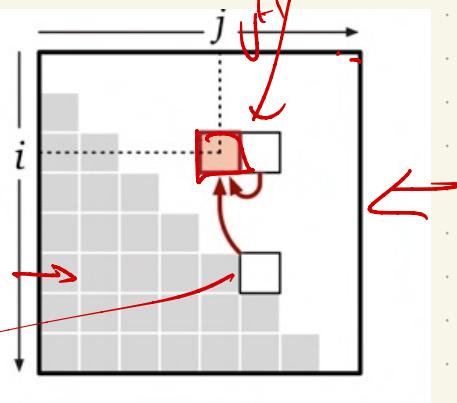
Now, can we do the same trick  
as Fibonacci memoization,  
& convert to something loop-based?

Rethink:

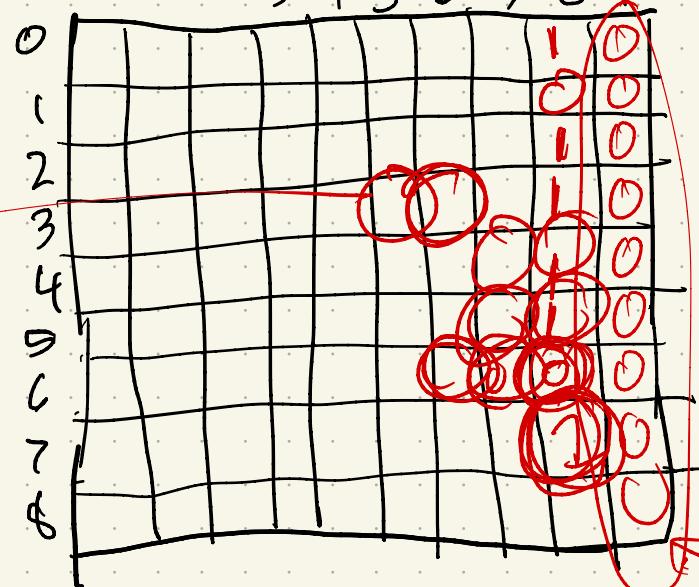
To fill in  $L[i][j]$ ,  
what do I need? without:  
 $L[i+1][j]$

So, go in that order!

with  $j \rightarrow i$   
 $L[i][j]$



Ex:  $A = [10, 2, 4, 1, 6, 11, 7, 9, 6, 7, 8, 9]$



$LIS(3, 5)$

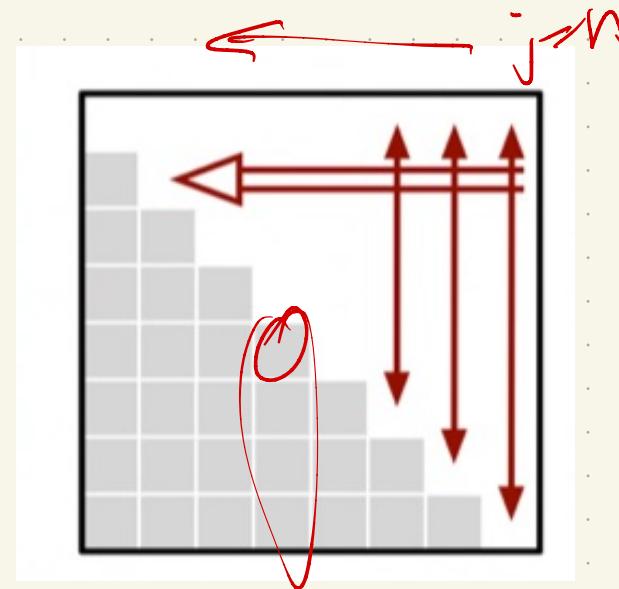
$LIS(6, 7)$

$LIS(8, 9)$

# Result:

```
FASTLIS( $A[1..n]$ ):  
     $A[0] \leftarrow -\infty$             $\langle\langle$  Add a sentinel  $\rangle\rangle$   
    for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $n$            $\langle\langle$  Base cases  $\rangle\rangle$   
         $LISbigger[i, n + 1] \leftarrow 0$   
        for  $j \leftarrow n$  down to 1  
            for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $j - 1$        $\langle\langle \dots \text{ or whatever} \rangle\rangle$   
                 $keep \leftarrow 1 + LISbigger[j, j + 1]$   
                 $skip \leftarrow LISbigger[i, j + 1]$   
                if  $A[i] \geq A[j]$   
                     $LISbigger[i, j] \leftarrow skip$   
                else  
                     $LISbigger[i, j] \leftarrow \max\{keep, skip\}$   
    return  $LISbigger[0, 1]$ 
```

# Picture:



Edit distance:

HUGE in bioinformatics!

One of the basic tools in sequence alignment.

(I have a book with an entire chapter on how to optimize.)

Also: spell checkers, word prediction,

How to begin? (Recursively!)

ALGORITHM  
↓  
ALTRUISTIC  
↓

Start at end, & ask "obvious" question:

Insert, delete, edit

try them all,

~~STOP~~

STOOP

↑  
edit      Insert

(→) Instead;

insert(0)

STOP

STOOP

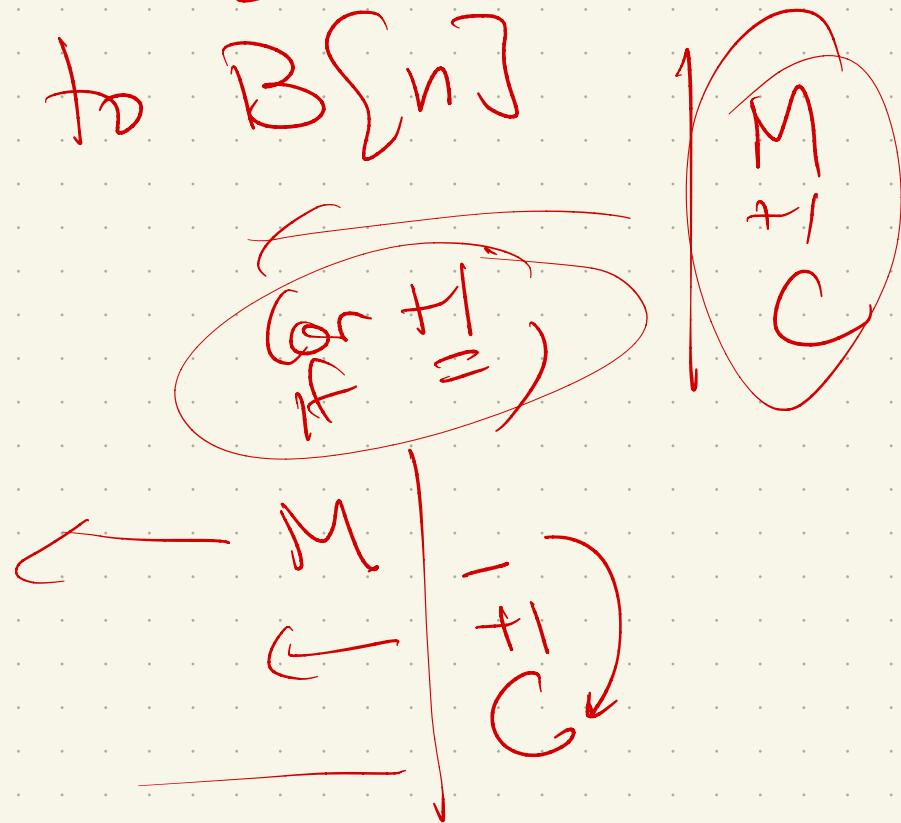
Let's try: A: ALGORITHM

B: ALTRUISTIC

Start at end:

Align: edit  $A[m]$   
to  $B[n]$

Insert



Delete:



Example: TGCATAT  
to ATCCGAT

TGCATAT

delete last T

TGCATA

delete last A

TGCAT

insert A at the front

ATGCAT

substitute C for G in the third position

ATCCAT

insert a G before the last A

ATCCGAT

TGCATAT

insert A at the front

ATGCATAT

delete T in the sixth position

ATGCAAT

substitute G for A in the fifth position

ATGCGAT

substitute C for G in the third position

ATCCGAT

-	T	G	C	-	A	T	A	T	
→	A	T	C	(C)	G	A	T	-	↓
+1	+0	+1	+0	+1	+0	+0	+1	+1	= 5

-	T	G	C	A	T	A	T	
→	A	T	C	C	G	-	A	T
+1	+0	+1	+0	+1	+1	+0	+0	

→ cost 4

Input: A[1..m]  
B[1..n]

Edit( , )

= min {

+ Base cases!

This way:

$$Edit(i, j) = \begin{cases} i & \text{if } j = 0 \\ j & \text{if } i = 0 \\ \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Edit(i, j - 1) + 1 \\ Edit(i - 1, j) + 1 \\ Edit(i - 1, j - 1) + [A[i] \neq B[j]] \end{array} \right\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

So: what's our "memory" data structure?

Then, our algorithm:

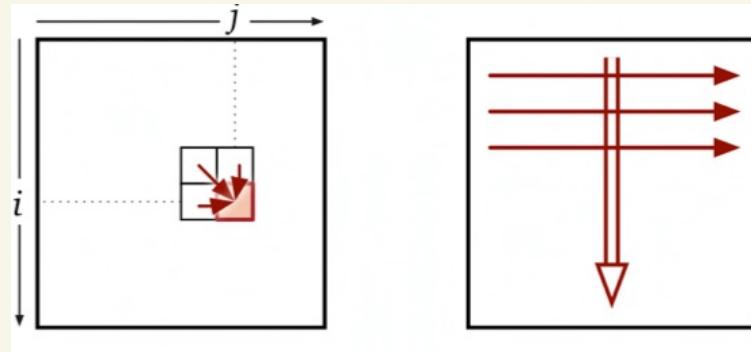
- start w/ base case  
(row + column)
- Fill in :

$$Edit(i, j) = \begin{cases} i & \text{if } j = 0 \\ j & \text{if } i = 0 \\ \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Edit(i, j - 1) + 1 \\ Edit(i - 1, j) + 1 \\ Edit(i - 1, j - 1) + [A[i] \neq B[j]] \end{array} \right\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Result:

```
EDITDISTANCE( $A[1..m], B[1..n]$ ):  
    for  $j \leftarrow 0$  to  $n$   
         $Edit[0,j] \leftarrow j$   
    for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $m$   
         $Edit[i,0] \leftarrow i$   
        for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$   
             $ins \leftarrow Edit[i,j-1] + 1$   
             $del \leftarrow Edit[i-1,j] + 1$   
            if  $A[i] = B[j]$   
                 $rep \leftarrow Edit[i-1,j-1]$   
            else  
                 $rep \leftarrow Edit[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
             $Edit[i,j] \leftarrow \min \{ins, del, rep\}$   
    return  $Edit[m,n]$ 
```

Picture :



Question:

Can we do better?

A really good question!

Lots of attention in  
bioinformatics

Clever divide and conquer  
can reduce space.

↳ but will give #, not  
sequence, w/out some  
nice tricks

## Subset sum (revisited)

Key takeaway (I think):

Sometimes, our backtracking recurrences can be memoized

(Note: Sometimes, they can't!

Think n queens.)

Recall:

Given a set  $X[1..n]$  of numbers + a target  $T$ ,  
find a subset of  $X$  whose sum is  $= T$ .

# Ch2 solution

«Does any subset of  $X$  sum to  $T$ ?»

SUBSETSUM( $X, T$ ):

```
if  $T = 0$ 
    return TRUE
else if  $T < 0$  or  $X = \emptyset$ 
    return FALSE
else
     $x \leftarrow$  any element of  $X$ 
    with  $\leftarrow$  SUBSETSUM( $X \setminus \{x\}, T - x$ )    «Recurse!»
    wout  $\leftarrow$  SUBSETSUM( $X \setminus \{x\}, T$ )    «Recurse!»
    return (with  $\vee$  wout)
```

«Does any subset of  $X[1..i]$  sum to  $T$ ?»

SUBSETSUM( $X, i, T$ ):

```
if  $T = 0$ 
    return TRUE
else if  $T < 0$  or  $i = 0$ 
    return FALSE
else
    with  $\leftarrow$  SUBSETSUM( $X, i - 1, T - X[i]$ )    «Recurse!»
    wout  $\leftarrow$  SUBSETSUM( $X, i - 1, T$ )    «Recurse!»
    return (with  $\vee$  wout)
```

The recursion  
(Note: same thing as code!!)

$$SS(i, t) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE} & \text{if } t = 0 \\ \text{FALSE} & \text{if } t < 0 \text{ or } i > n \\ SS(i + 1, t) \vee SS(i + 1, t - X[i]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$SS(i, t) = T \text{ or } F$$

$0 \leq i \leq n$        $0 \leq t \leq T$

So: another 2-d table!

To decide:

$$SS(i, t) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE} & \text{if } t = 0 \\ \text{FALSE} & \text{if } t < 0 \text{ or } i > n \\ SS(i+1, t) \vee SS(i+1, t-X[i]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

↑      ↑  
 look at these 2  
 cells.

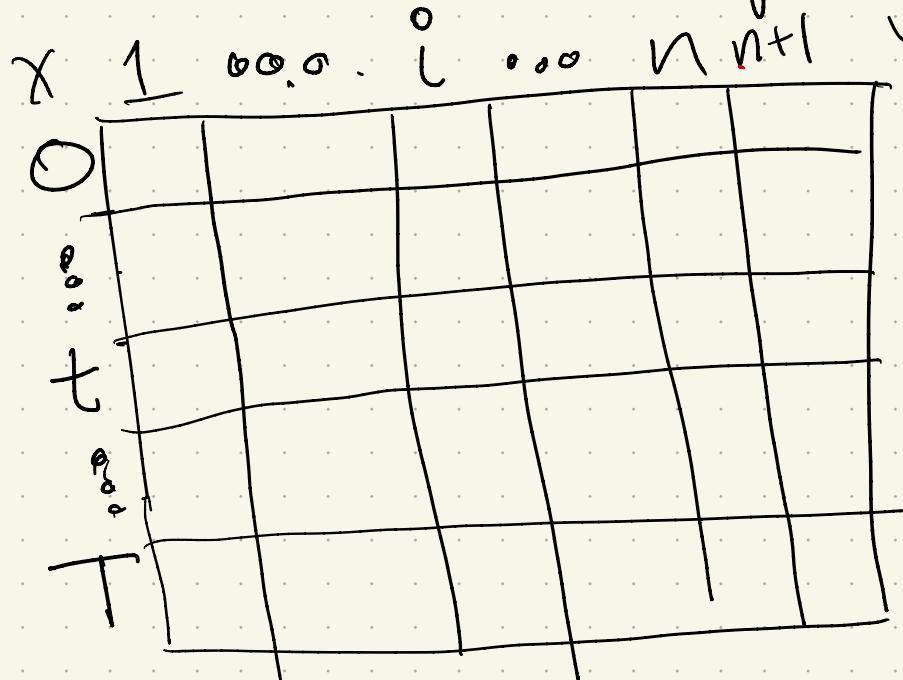
One note: if  $t - X[i] < 0$ , wasting time!  
 Equivalent to:

$$SS(i, t) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE} & \text{if } t = 0 \\ \text{FALSE} & \text{if } i > n \\ SS(i+1, t) & \text{if } t < X[i] \\ SS(i+1, t) \vee SS(i+1, t-X[i]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Now - need to code this:

$$SS(i, t) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE} & \text{if } t = 0 \\ \text{FALSE} & \text{if } i > n \\ SS(i+1, t) & \text{if } t < X[i] \\ SS(i+1, t) \vee SS(i+1, t-X[i]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

How should our loops go?



Fill:

## Hs code :

```
FASTSUBSETSUM( $X[1..n]$ ,  $T$ ):  
     $S[n+1, 0] \leftarrow \text{TRUE}$   
    for  $t \leftarrow 1$  to  $T$   
         $S[n+1, t] \leftarrow \text{FALSE}$   
    for  $i \leftarrow n$  downto 1  
         $S[i, 0] = \text{TRUE}$   
        for  $t \leftarrow 1$  to  $X[i]-1$   
             $S[i, t] \leftarrow S[i+1, t]$       «Avoid the case  $t < 0$ »  
        for  $t \leftarrow X[i]$  to  $T$   
             $S[i, t] \leftarrow S[i+1, t] \vee S[i+1, t-X[i]]$   
    return  $S[1, T]$ 
```

## Correctness :

## Time/Space Analysis :

Note:

How big is this, & is it even a good idea??

Input: number  $T$  and array  $X[1..n]$

table has a column for every number  $1..T$ .

How bad?

Well,  $X$  could be a list of 5000 #s, but  $T$  could be in the millions!  
(lots of empty columns, many of which are impossible to hit!)