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Example: Fibonacci recurrence

Initialize a (dynamic) dictionary data structure **D** to empty



A(n) = ? and B(n) = ?

Part I

Checking if string is in Kleene star of a language

Problem

Input A string $w \in \Sigma^*$, and a language $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ via function **IsStrInL**(*string* x) that decides whether x is in L

Goal Decide if $w \in L^*$ using **IsStrInL**(*string* x) as a black box sub-routine

Example

Suppose *L* is *English* and we have a procedure to check whether a string/word is in the *English* dictionary.

- Is the string "isthisanenglishsentence" in *English**?
- Is "stampstamp" in *English**?
- Is "zibzzzad" in English*?

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Caveat: Dynamic programming is not about filling tables. It is about finding a smart recursion. First, find the correct recursion.

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Part II

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Sequences

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Sequence: an ordered list a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n . Length of a sequence is number of elements in the list.

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$$a_{i_1}, \ldots, a_{i_k}$$
 is a **subsequence** of a_1, \ldots, a_n if $1 \le i_1 < i_2 < \ldots < i_k \le n$.

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A sequence is **increasing** if $a_1 < a_2 < \ldots < a_n$. It is **non-decreasing** if $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \ldots \leq a_n$. Similarly **decreasing** and **non-increasing**.

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- Sequence: 6, 3, 5, 2, 7, 8, 1, 9
- **2** Subsequence of above sequence: 5, 2, 1
- Increasing sequence: 3, 5, 9, 17, 54
- Obcreasing sequence: 34, 21, 7, 5, 1
- Increasing subsequence of the first sequence: 2, 7, 9.

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- Increasing subsequences: 6, 7, 8 and 3, 5, 7, 8 and 2, 7 etc
- Longest increasing subsequence: 3, 5, 7, 8

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

- Case 1: Does not contain A[n] in which case LIS(A[1..n]) = LIS(A[1..(n-1)])
- Case 2: contains A[n] in which case LIS(A[1..n]) is not so clear.

Observation

For second case we want to find a subsequence in A[1..(n-1)] that is restricted to numbers less than A[n]. This suggests that a more general problem is LIS_smaller(A[1..n], x) which gives the longest increasing subsequence in A where each number in the sequence is less than x.

LIS(A[1..n]): the length of longest increasing subsequence in A

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Output: LIS(n, n + 1)

Iterative algorithm

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      int LIS[0..n, 1..n + 1]
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- How many distinct sub-problems will LIS_ending_alg(A[1..n]) generate? O(n)
- What is the running time if we memoize recursion? O(n²) since each call takes O(n) time
- How much space for memoization? O(n)

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Compute the values **LIS_ending_alg**(A[1..i]) iteratively in a bottom up fashion.

> LIS(A[1..n]): L = LIS_ending_alg(A[1..n]) return the maximum value in L

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 $O(n \log n)$ run-time achievable via better data structures.

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- L[i] is value of longest increasing subsequence ending in A[i]
- **2** Recursive algorithm computes L[i] from L[1] to L[i-1]
- 3 Iterative algorithm builds up the values from L[1] to L[n]

Dynamic Programming

- Find a "smart" recursion for the problem in which the number of distinct subproblems is small; polynomial in the original problem size.
- Estimate the number of subproblems, the time to evaluate each subproblem and the space needed to store the value. This gives an upper bound on the total running time if we use automatic memoization.
- Eliminate recursion and find an iterative algorithm to compute the problems bottom up by storing the intermediate values in an appropriate data structure; need to find the right way or order the subproblem evaluation. This leads to an explicit algorithm.
- Optimize the resulting algorithm further