

# CS 473: Algorithms

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## Part I

# Longest Increasing Subsequence

# Sequences

## Definition

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

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

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

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- Subsequence: 5, 2, 1

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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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$2^n$  subsequences of a sequence of length  $n$  and  $O(n)$  time to check if a given sequence is increasing.



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**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  $LIS\text{-smaller}(A[1..n], x)$  which gives the longest increasing subsequence in  $A$  where each number in the sequence is less than  $x$ .

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**Observation:** previous recursion also generates only  $O(n^2)$  subproblems. Slightly harder to see.

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Compute the values LIS-Ending( $A[1..i]$ ) iteratively in a bottom up fashion.

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

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# Dynamic Programming

- Find a “smart” recursion for the problem in which the number of distinct subproblems is small; polynomial in the original problem size.
- 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.
- Estimate the number of subproblems, the time to evaluate each subproblem and the space needed to store the value. Evaluate the total running time.
- Optimize the resulting algorithm further

## Part II

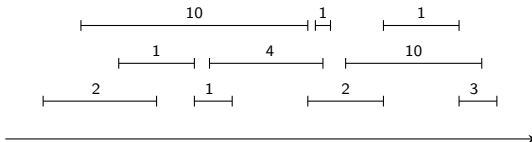
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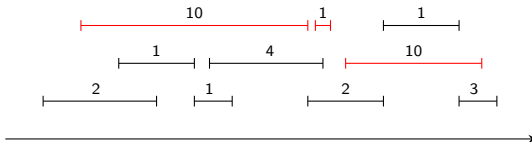


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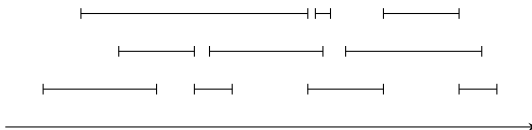
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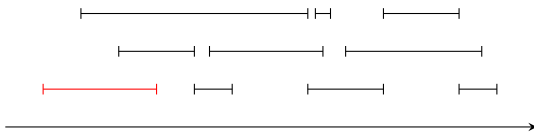


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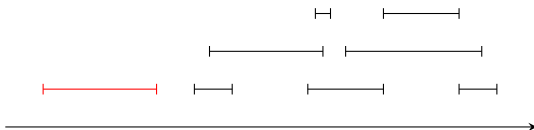


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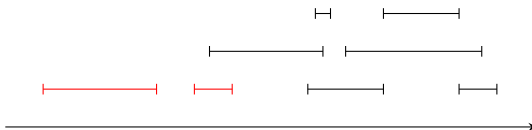


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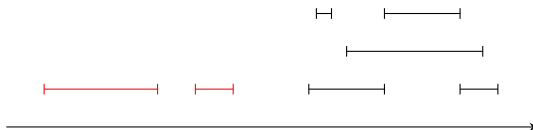


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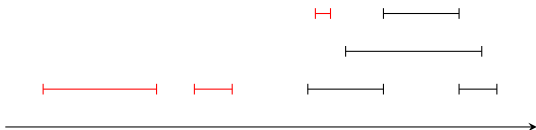


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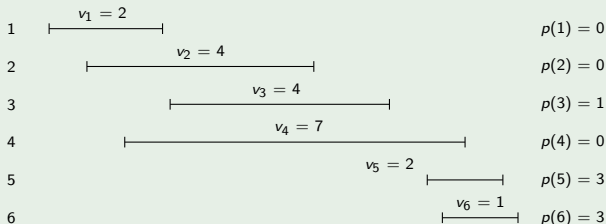
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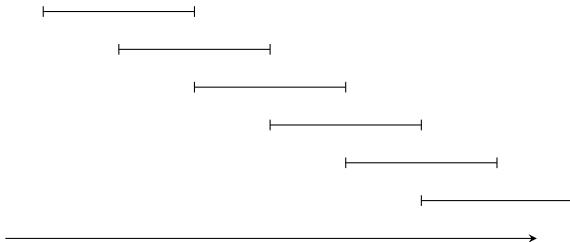


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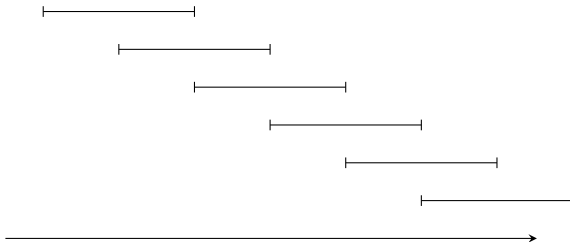


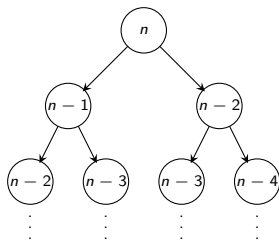
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**Figure:** Label of node indicates size of sub-problem. Tree of sub-problems grows very quickly

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Many functional languages (like LISP) automatically do memoization for recursive function calls!

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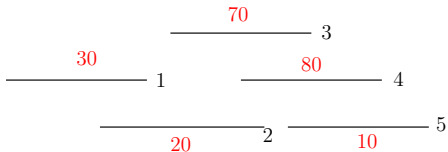
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# Example



$$p(5) = 2, p(4) = 1, p(3) = 1, p(2) = 0, p(1) = 0$$

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*Solution can be obtained from  $M[]$  in  $O(n)$  time, without any additional information*

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        i = p(i)
    else
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Output S