

**CSE 417**

**Dynamic Programming (pt 5)**

**Multiple Inputs**

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# **Reminders**

> HW5 due Wednesday


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# Dynamic Programming Review

## > Apply the steps...

1. Describe solution in terms of solution to *any* sub-problems
2. Determine all the sub-problems you'll need to apply this recursively
3. Solve every sub-problem (once only) in an appropriate order

**optimal substructure:** (small) set of solutions, constructed from solutions to sub-problems that is guaranteed to include the optimal one



## > Key question:

1. Can you solve the problem by combining solutions from sub-problems?

## > Count sub-problems to determine running time

- total is number of sub-problems times time per sub-problem



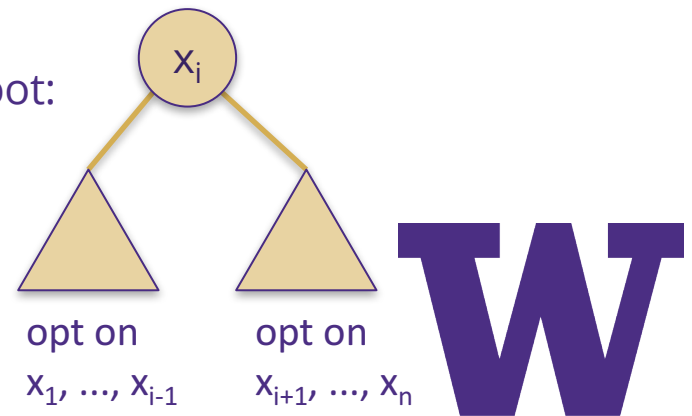
# Review From Previous Lectures

## > Previously:

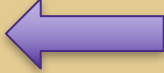
- Find opt substructure by considering how the opt solution could use the last input.
- Given clever choice of sub-problems, find opt substructure by considering new options

## > Tree Structure:

- Sub-problems are left and subtrees
- opt value = min cost of tree over choices of root:
- Problems:
  - > optimal binary search trees
  - > matrix chain multiplication
  - > optimal polygon triangulation (HW5)



## **Outline for Today**

- > **Multiple Inputs Generally** 
- > **Longest Common Subsequence**
- > **Edit Distance**
- > **Pattern Matching**

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# Multiple Inputs

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- > Have mainly looked at problems whose input is a list of items
- > Now, we will look at problems with multiple lists of inputs...
- > Can still use the same heuristic to find optimal sub-substructure: consider how the optimal solution might use the last element



# Multiple Inputs

- > Can still use the same heuristic to find optimal sub-substructure: consider how the optimal solution might use the last element
- > Difference is that there are multiple last elements
  - the last one from each list
- > To use the heuristic, consider how opt uses any of the last elements...
  - could think about just one or all of them simultaneously
  - one approach may work better than the others



# Multiple Inputs: Knapsack

> We have seen a similar example already:  
the Knapsack problem

> Inputs are:

- list of items, 1 .. n
- price limit  $W$

← not a list, but still a separate input

> Solved every sub-problem of the form  
1 .. j and  $V$  with  $j \leq n$  and  $V \leq W$

- total of  $n(W+1)$  sub-problem

← trying to use last pound may not work,  
but trying last item works well

#	value	weight
1	1	1
2	6	2
3	18	5
4	22	6
5	28	7

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# Longest Common Subsequence

- > **Definition:** A subsequence of a list  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  is a list  $c_1, \dots, c_k$ , where each  $c_i$  is from the first list and they appear in the *same order*.
- > Note that the indices need **not** be **contiguous**:
  - sub-sequences not ranges / sub-arrays
- > E.g., if  $A = [3, 8, -5, 0, 23, 4]$ ,  
then  $B = [8, 0, 23]$  is a subsequence (not a subarray)  
 $C = [3, 8, 5]$  is **not** a subsequence (no 5 in A)  
 $D = [3, 4, 8]$  is **not** a subsequence (8 before 4 in A)



# Longest Common Subsequence

- > **Problem:** Given two lists,  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_m$ , find the longest subsequences of the two lists that are identical.
  - subsequence  $a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_k}$  of  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  and subsequence  $b_{i_1}, b_{i_2}, \dots, b_{i_k}$  of  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m$  with  $a_{i_1} = b_{i_1}, a_{i_2} = b_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_k} = b_{i_k}$
- > Example:
  - $A = [1, 2, 1, 5, 4, 3]$
  - $B = [2, 1, 3, 2, 1, 4]$
  - $[1, 2, 1, 4]$  is the longest common subsequence



# Longest Common Subsequence

- > Brute force would take  $\Omega(4^{\min(n,m)})$  time
  - try all  $\geq 2^{\min(n,m)}$  subsets of  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  with length at most  $\min(n,m)$
  - try all  $\geq 2^{\min(n,m)}$  subsets of  $b_1, \dots, b_m$  with length at most  $\min(n,m)$
  - return the longest match found



# Longest Common Subsequence

- > Brute force would take  $O(4^{\min(n,m)})$  time
- > Apply dynamic programming...
- > **Q:** How does the opt solution use the last elements ( $a_n$  and  $b_m$ )?
  - could use just  $a_n$ , just  $b_m$ , both, or neither



# Longest Common Subsequence

> Apply dynamic programming...

> **Q:** How does the opt solution use the last elements ( $a_n$  and  $b_m$ )?

- uses neither: same as opt on  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}$
- uses only  $a_n$ : same as opt on  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}$  ←  $b_m$  not needed
- uses only  $b_m$ : same as opt on  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_m$  ←  $a_n$  not needed
- uses both...

> then we must have  $a_n = b_m$

> rest must be opt on  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}$

> opt value = 1 + opt value on  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}$

- each common subsequence on  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}$  becomes 1 longer by adding  $a_n$  and  $b_m$ , so opt must use longest of those



# Longest common subsequence

- > Apply dynamic programming...
  1. Can find opt value for  $1, \dots, n$  (a) and  $1, \dots, m$  (b) using
    - (i) opt value for  $1, \dots, n-1$  and  $1, \dots, m$
    - (ii) opt value for  $1, \dots, n$  and  $1, \dots, m-1$
    - (iii) opt value for  $1, \dots, n-1$  and  $1, \dots, m-1$
  2. Need opt values sub-problems on  $1, \dots, i$  (a) and  $1, \dots, j$  (b) with  $i \leq n$  and  $j \leq m$
  
- >  $(n+1)(m+1)$  problem to solve
  - let  $i$  or  $j$  be zero (empty prefixes)



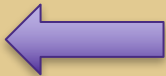
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  3. Solve each of these starting with  $i=0$  or  $j=0$ 
    - > opt value = 0 if  $i = 0$  or  $j = 0$
    - > opt value for  $1, \dots, i$  and  $1, \dots, j$  =  
 $\max(\text{opt value for } 1, \dots, i-1 \text{ and } 1, \dots, j,$   
 $\text{opt value for } 1, \dots, i \text{ and } 1, \dots, j-1,$   
 $(\text{opt value for } 1, \dots, i-1 \text{ and } 1, \dots, j-1) + (1 \text{ if } a_i = b_j \text{ else } 0))$
- >  $O(1)$  per table entry, so  $O(nm)$  time all together





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# Edit Distance

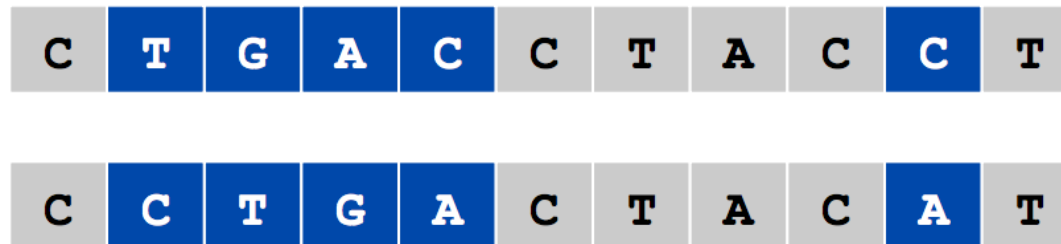
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- > **Problem:** Given two lists,  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_m$ , find the minimum cost way to transform  $a$  into  $b$  using three operations:
1. Change element  $v$  to element  $w$  at cost  $\alpha_{v,w}$
  2. Insert element  $v$  at cost  $\beta_v$
  3. Delete element  $v$  at cost  $\delta_v$

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# Edit Distance Example

Edit distance between these two strings (DNA):

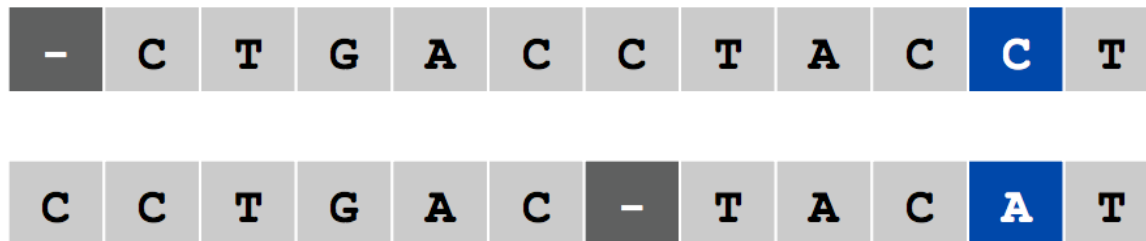


- > Mismatch at all the blue locations
- > Cost of those mismatches is  $\alpha_{C,T} + \alpha_{G,T} + \alpha_{A,G} + 2\alpha_{A,C}$



# Edit Distance Example

Edit distance between these two strings (DNA):



> Alternatively:

- insert "C" at the beginning (top "-")
- delete "C" in the middle (across from bottom "-")
- cost is  $\beta_C + \delta_C + \alpha_{A,C}$



# Edit Distance Applications

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- > Computational biology (“sequence alignment”)
  - measures similarity between DNA (or RNA or proteins)
  - cost of insert / delete / change based on likelihood of mutations
- > Spell checkers
  - cost of insert / delete / change based on likelihood of those mistakes
- > Diff tool
- > Speech recognition



# Edit Distance Applications

- > Longest common subsequence:
  - insertion and deletion cost 1, changes costs  $\infty$
  - for any common subsequence of length  $k$ , can first into second by:
    - > deleting  $n - k$  other elements from  $a$
    - > inserting  $m - k$  other elements into  $b$
- > Example:
  - $A = [1, 2, 1, 5, 4, 3]$
  - $B = [2, 1, 3, 2, 1, 4]$
  - delete 5 & 3 from  $A$  to get  $[1, 2, 1, 4]$  (common subsequence)
  - insert 2 & 3 to this to get  $B$



# Edit Distance Applications

- > Longest common subsequence:
  - insertion and deletion cost 1, changes costs  $\infty$
  - for any common subsequence of length  $k$ , can first into second by:
    - > deleting  $n - k$  other elements from  $a$
    - > inserting  $m - k$  other elements into  $b$
    - > total cost is  $n + m - 2k$
  - since  $n + m$  is constant, minimizing  $n + m - 2k$  is maximizing over  $k$
- > Edit distance generalizes longest common subsequence
  - another example of robustness to problem changes
  - also suggests previous solution will work here too...

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# Edit Distance

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- > Apply dynamic programming...
- > **Q:** How does the opt solution *match* the last elements ( $a_n$  and  $b_m$ )?
  - if  $a_n = b_m$ : opt value = opt on  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}$
  - if change: opt value =  $\alpha_{v,w}$  + opt on  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}$
  - if insert  $b_m$ : opt value =  $\beta_v$  + opt on  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}$
  - if delete  $a_n$ : opt value =  $\delta_v$  + opt on  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_m$





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3. Solve each of these starting with  $i=0$  or  $j=0$

> if  $i = 0$ , then opt value =  $\beta_{b_1} + \dots + \beta_{b_j}$

> if  $j = 0$ , then opt value =  $\delta_{a_1} + \dots + \delta_{a_i}$

> opt value for  $1, \dots, i$  and  $1, \dots, j$  =

$\max(\alpha_{v,w} + \text{opt value for } 1, \dots, i-1 \text{ and } 1, \dots, j-1,$

$\beta_v + \text{opt value for } 1, \dots, i \text{ and } 1, \dots, j-1,$

$\delta_v + \text{opt value for } 1, \dots, i-1 \text{ and } 1, \dots, j),$

where  $v = a_i$  and  $w = b_j$

← set  $\alpha_{v,w} = 0$  when  $v = w$

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# Edit Distance

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- > Running time is  $O(nm)$  as before
- > Very easy to implement
  - about 10 lines of code (see the textbook)
- > Easily implemented in Excel
  - filling in a 2D table
  - each value is a minimum of 4 others



# Foreword: Edit Distance Memory Reqs

- > In computation biology,  $n$  and  $m$  could be very large...
  - with  $n = m = 100k$ ,  $nm = 10b$
  - running time is fine since modern machines perform billions of ops per sec
  - memory use of 10GB (assuming 1B per entry) is (just) possible
- > With  $n = m = 1,000,000$  though:
  - running time is okay: 1000B operations in minutes
  - memory use of 1TB is not reasonable
    - > could use disk space, but time would increase by factor of  $\sim 1k$
- > More on this next time...



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# Pattern Matching

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- > **Problem:** Given a content string  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and a pattern  $p_1, \dots, p_m$ , find the longest substring of the content that matches the pattern according to the following rules:
- '?' in the pattern matches any single character of content
  - '\*' in the pattern matches any substring (including an empty one)
  - any other letter in the pattern matches only the *same* letter of content

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# Pattern Matching Examples

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- > Content "abcba"  
Pattern "a\*b"
  - longest match is prefix "abcb"
- > Content "abcba"  
Pattern "b?b"
  - longest match is "bcb"
- > Content "abcba"
- > Pattern "b??a"
  - longest match is suffix "bcba"



# Pattern Matching Applications

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- > Common feature of editors and IDEs
- > Many also support regular expression matching
  - RE matching is part of most standard libraries
  - more on that later...



# Pattern Matching

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- > Apply dynamic programming...
- > Like max sub-array sum, it will be helpful to change the problem: find the longest match **ending at  $a_n$** 
  - apply DP to the original problem and you will find you need to solve these
  - but these are also sufficient to solve the whole problem
    - > every match ends somewhere
    - > longest over the longest ending at  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  is the longest overall





# Pattern Matching

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- > Apply dynamic programming...
  - can consider how either  $a_n$  or  $p_m$  (or both) is used by the longest match
  - turns out to be easiest to think about how  $p_m$  is used
    - > in practice, just try all and see what works
- > **Q:** How does the longest match use  $p_m$ ?
- > Depends on what  $p_m$  is
  - $p_m$  is a letter
  - $p_m$  is a '?'
  - $p_m$  is a '\*'

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# Pattern Matching

- > **Q:** How does the longest match use  $p_m$ ? Depends on what  $p_m$  is...
  - $p_m$  is a '?'
    - > if '?' matches  $a_m$ , then  $p_1, \dots, p_{m-1}$  matches  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$
    - > longest match is the longest match of  $1 \dots n-1$  with  $1 \dots m-1$

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b?

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  - $p_m$  is a '\*'
    - > if '\*' matches  $a_m$ , then  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  **either** matches  $p_1, \dots, p_{m-1}$  **or**  $p_1, \dots, p_m$

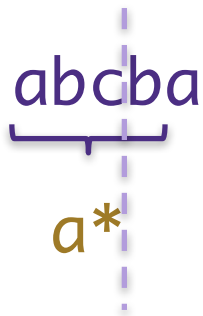
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    - > longest match is the longer of match of  $1 \dots n-1$  with  $1 \dots m-1$  and  $1 \dots n-1$  with  $1 \dots m$

actually, this has a problem...

it does not allow the '\*' to match *nothing*

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# Pattern Matching

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    - > longest match is the longest match of  $1 \dots n-1$  with  $1 \dots m-1$
  - $p_m$  is a '\*'
    - > then **either**  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  matches  $p_1, \dots, p_m$  **or**  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  matches  $p_1, \dots, p_{m-1}$
    - > longest match is the longer of match of  $1 \dots n-1$  with  $1 \dots m$  and  $1 \dots n$  with  $1 \dots m-1$

**either** match  $a_n$  with same pattern  
**or** '\*' matches nothing  
(can still match multiple characters)

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# Pattern Matching

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  - $p_m$  is a letter
    - > if  $p_m$  matches  $a_m$ , then longest match is the longest match of  $1 \dots n-1$  with  $1 \dots m-1$
    - > if  $p_m$  does not match  $a_m$ , then there is no match

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# Pattern Matching

- > Apply dynamic programming...
  1. Can find longest match for  $1 \dots n$  (a) and  $1 \dots m$  (p) using prefixes of each
  2. Need longest match on  $1, \dots, i$  (a) and  $1, \dots, j$  (p) with  $i \leq n$  and  $j \leq m$
  3. Solve each of these starting with  $i=0$ 
    - > longest match starts at  $i+1$  if  $j=0$ 
      - that indicates the range  $i+1 \dots i$ , which is *empty*
    - > longest match starts at infinity if  $i=0$  (and  $j > 0$ )
      - that indicates *no range*
    - > longest match for  $1 \dots i$  and  $1 \dots j$  ( $i > 0$  and  $j > 0$ ) starts at min of four cases on previous slide
      - (if/then's are better written as code... still very short)
      - chose infinity for no range so min will *never* choose it if a match exists





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  3. Solve each of these starting with  $i=0$
- >  $(n+1)(m+1)$  entries in table, and  $O(1)$  time per entry, so total running time is  $O(nm)$ 
  - in practice,  $n \gg m$  (say,  $m \leq 100$ ), so this is  $O(n)$
- > Only needs  $O(m)$  memory
  - only need column for  $i-1$  to compute  $i$ , so just keep prev column
  - this is why we started with  $i=0$  rather than  $j=0$



# Regular Expression Matching (out of scope)

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- > Regular expressions greatly generalize these simple patterns
- > However, the matching algorithm is largely unchanged
  - prefixes of the pattern are replaced with states of the NFSM
  - for our simple patterns, this produces the same result because states of the equivalent NFSM are in 1-to-1 correspondence with prefixes
  - for more general patterns, that is longer the case, so it becomes necessary to determine the NFSM states

