

CSE 421 Section 5

Dynamic Programming

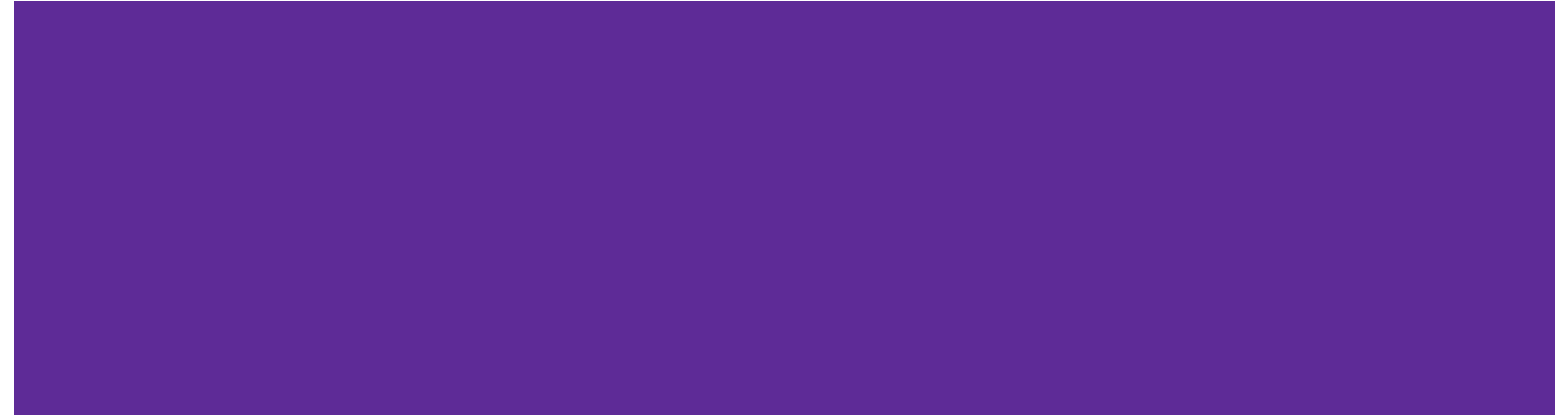
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Announcements & Reminders

- HW3
 - If you think something was graded incorrectly, submit a regrade request!
- HW4
 - Due yesterday, 2/1
- HW5
 - Due Wednesday 2/8 @ 11:59pm
- Midterm Exam: **Monday February 13 in CSE2 G20 @ 6-7:30 pm**
 - Make sure you have it saved on your calendar!
 - If you can't make it, let us know and we will schedule a conflict exam!

Writing a Dynamic Programming Algo



Dynamic Programming

- Take recursive ideas from divide and conquer, but speed up finding the solution by optimizing the work by reordering and saving the results so we don't have to repeat anything!
- **Key idea:**
 - use English words to explain the output of the recursive function
 - write a recurrence for the output of the recursive function
- **Memoization:** save results of intermediate calculations so we don't need to repeat

The Strategy (SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT FOR DP)

1. Read and Understand the Problem
2. Generate Examples
3. Write the Dynamic Program
4. Analyze the Dynamic Program

Dynamic Programming Process (from lecture)

This is what we'll do in parts 3 and 4 of our strategy:

1. Define the object you're looking for.
2. Write a recurrence to say how to find it.
3. Design a memoization structure.
4. Write an iterative algorithm.

Problem 1 – Lots of fun, with a normal sleep schedule

You are planning your social calendar for the month. For each day, you can choose to go to a social event or stay in and catch-up on sleep. If you go to a social event, you will enjoy yourself. But you can only go out for two consecutive days – if you go to a social event three days in a row, you'll fall too far behind on sleep and miss class.

Luckily, you have an excellent social sense, so you know exactly how much you will enjoy any of the social events, and have assigned each day an (integer) numerical happiness score (and you know you get 0 enjoyment from staying in and catching up on sleep). You have an array $H[]$ which gives the happiness you would get by going out each day. Your goal is to maximize the sum of the happinesses for the days you do go out, while not going out for more than two consecutive days.

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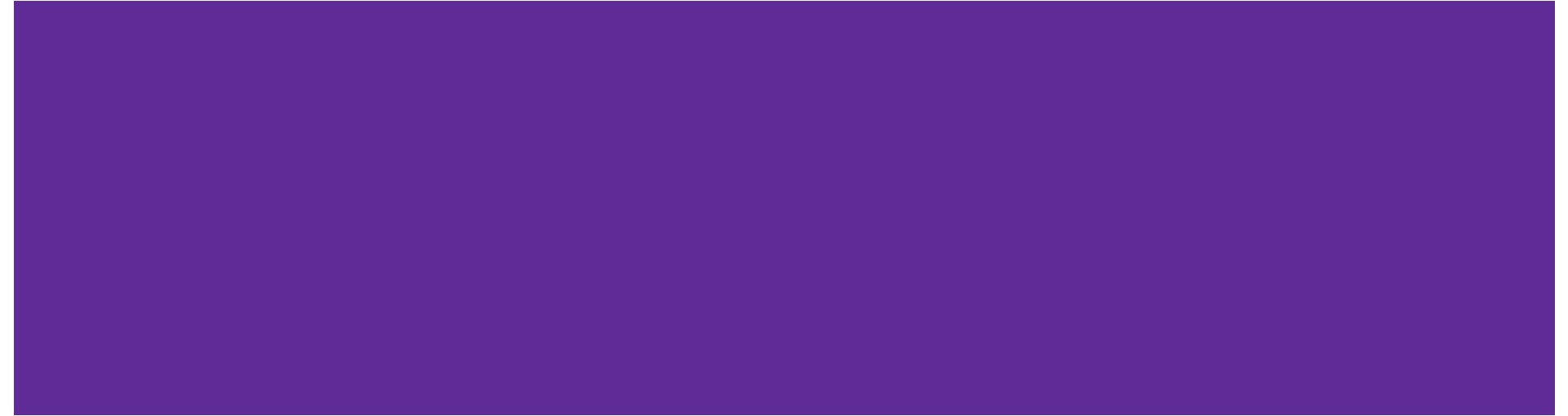
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2. Generate Examples



Good Examples Help!

- You should generate two or three sample instances and the correct associated outputs.
- It's a good idea to have some “abnormal” examples – consecutive negative numbers, very large negative numbers, only positive numbers, etc.
- *Note:* You should not think of these examples as debugging examples – null or the empty list is not a good example for this step. You can worry about edge cases at the end, once you have the main algorithm idea. You should be focused on the “typical” (not edge) case.

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Work through generating some examples, and then we'll go over it together!

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First, let's take some time to brainstorm about what the recurrence could be. What is our OPT finding? How many parameters do we need to calculate it? What are those parameters for?

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Problem 2:

Longest Increasing Subsequence AGAIN



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We've already seen a recurrence for Longest Increasing Subsequence. Let's write another!

As before, $[10, -2, 5, 0, 3, 11, 8]$ has a longest increasing subsequence of 4 elements: $[-2, 0, 3, 8]$

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- a) Formulate the problem recursively – what are you looking for (in English!!), and what parameters will you need as you’re doing the calculation? To make sure you get a different solution than the one from class, you should ask yourself to answer the question “what’s the longest increasing subsequence where the first included element is the one at index i , and how would I find that?”
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That's All, Folks!

Thanks for coming to section this week!
Any questions?