

Dynamic Programming and Greedy: Review

Examples in lectures and labs so far

Dynamic programming:

- Playing a board game
- Rod cutting
- Knapsack
- Pharmacist
- Fibonacci
- Longest TRUE interval
- LCS (longest common subsequence) — skip ?
- Robbing a house
- Optional: Playing a game
- Longest increasing subsequence
- Unbounded knapsack
- (Optional: Skis and skiers)

Greedy:

- Activity selection
- Guarding a museum
- A different pharmacist problem (all bottles have same cost)
- (Optional: Matching points on a line; Greedy skis and skiers)

1 Rod cutting

- The problem: Given a rod of length n and a table of prices $p[i]$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$, determine the maximal revenue obtainable by cutting up the rod and selling the pieces.
- Notation and choice of subproblem: We denote by $maxrev(x)$ the maximal revenue obtainable by cutting up a rod of length x . To solve our problem we call $maxrev(n)$.
- Recursive definition of $maxrev(n)$:

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maxrev( $x$ )
    if ( $x \leq 0$ ): return 0
    For  $i = 1$  to  $n$ : compute  $p[i] + \mathbf{maxrev}(x - i)$  and keep track of max
    RETURN this max

```

- Correctness: see notes.
- Dynamic programming solution, top-down with memoization:
We create a table of size $[0..n]$, where $table[i]$ will store the result of $maxrev(i)$. We initialize all entries in the table as 0. To solve the problem, we call $maxrevDP(n)$.

```

maxrevDP( $x$ )
    if ( $x \leq 0$ ): return 0
    IF  $table[x] \neq 0$ : RETURN  $table[x]$ 
    For  $i = 1$  to  $n$ : compute  $p[i] + \mathbf{maxrevDP}(x - i)$  and keep track of max
     $table[x] = \mathbf{max}$ 
    RETURN  $table[x]$ 

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- Dynamic programming, bottom-up:

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maxrevDP_iterative( $x$ )
    create  $table[0..n]$  and initialize  $table[i] = 0$  for all  $i$ 
    for ( $k = 1; k \leq n; k++$ )
        for ( $i = 1; i \leq k; i++$ )
            set  $table[k] = \mathbf{max}\{table[k], p[i] + table[k - i]\}$ 
    RETURN  $table[n]$ 

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- Analysis: $O(n^2)$
- Computing full solution:

2 0 – 1 Knapsack

- The problem: We are given a knapsack of capacity W and a set of n items; an each item i , with $1 \leq i \leq n$, is worth $v[i]$ and has weight $w[i]$ pounds. Assume that weights $w[i]$ and the total weight W are integers. The goal is to fill the knapsack so that the value of all items in the knapsack is maximized.
- Notation and choice of subproblem: Denote by $optknapsack(k, w)$ the maximal value obtainable when filling a knapsack of capacity w using items among items 1 through k . To solve our problem we call $optknapsack(n, W)$.
- Recursive definition of $optknapsack(k, w)$:

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optknapsack( $k, w$ )
    if ( $w \leq 0$ ) or ( $k \leq 0$ ) : return 0 //basecase
    IF ( $weight[k] \leq w$ ):  $with = value[k] + optknapsack(k - 1, w - weight[k])$ 
    ELSE:  $with = 0$ 
     $without = optknapsack(k - 1, w)$ 
    RETURN max {  $with, without$  }

```

- Correctness: see notes.
- Dynamic programming solution, top-down with memoization: We create a table $table[1..n][1..W]$, where $table[i][w]$ will store the result of $optknapsack(i, w)$. We initialize all entries in the table as 0. To solve the problem, we call $optknapsackDP(n, W)$.

```

optknapsackDP( $k, w$ )
    if ( $w \leq 0$ ) or ( $k \leq 0$ ): return 0
    IF ( $table[k][w] \neq 0$ ): RETURN  $table[k][w]$ 
    IF ( $w[k] \leq w$ ):  $with = v[k] + optknapsackDP(k - 1, w - w[k])$ 
    ELSE:  $with = 0$ 
     $without = optknapsackDP(k - 1, w)$ 
     $table[k][w] = \max \{ with, without \}$ 
    RETURN  $table[k][w]$ 

```

- Dynamic programming, bottom-up:

optknapsackDP_iterative

create $table[0..n][0..W]$ and initialize all entries to 0

for ($k = 1; k < n; k++$)

 for ($w = 1; w < W; w++$)

$with = v[k] + table[k - 1][w - w[k]]$

$without = table[k - 1][w]$

$table[k][w] = \max \{ with, without \}$

RETURN $table[n][W]$

- Analysis: $O(n \cdot W)$
- Computing full solution:

3 Pharmacist

- The problem: A pharmacist has W pills and n empty bottles. Bottle i can hold $p[i]$ pills and has an associated cost $c[i]$. Given W , $p[1..n]$ and $c[1..n]$, find the minimum cost for storing the pills using the bottles.
- Notation and choice of subproblem: Denote by $MinPill(i, j)$ the minimum cost obtainable when storing j pills using bottles among 1 through i . To solve our problem we call $minPill(n, W)$.
- Recursive definition of $minPill(i, j)$:

```

minPill( $i, j$ )
    if ( $j \leq 0$ ): return 0 //no pills left
    IF ( $i == 0$  and  $j > 0$ ): return  $\infty$  //have pills, but no bottles, sol not possible
    with =  $c[i] + \text{minPill}(i - 1, j - p[i])$ 
    without =  $\text{minPill}(i - 1, j)$ 
    RETURN min { with, without }

```

- Correctness:
- Dynamic programming solution, top-down with memoization: We create $table[1..n][1..W]$, where $table[i][j]$ will store the result of $minPill(i, j)$. We initialize all entries in the table as 0. To solve the problem, we call $minPillDP(n, W)$.

```

minPillDP( $i, j$ )
    if ( $j \leq 0$ ): return 0 //no pills left
    IF ( $i == 0$  and  $j > 0$ ): return  $\infty$  //have pills, but no bottles, sol not possible
    IF ( $table[i][j] \neq 0$ ): RETURN  $table[i][j]$ 
    with =  $c[i] + \text{minPillDP}(i - 1, j - p[i])$ 
    without =  $\text{minPillDP}(i - 1, j)$ 
     $table[i][j] = \min \{ \text{with}, \text{without} \}$ 
    RETURN  $table[i][j]$ 

```

- Dynamic programming, bottom-up:

minPill_iterative

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create table[0..n][0..W] and initialize all entries to 0
for (i = 1; i < n; i++)
    for (j = 1; j < W; j++)
        with = c[i] + table[i - 1][j - p[i]]
        without = table[i - 1][j]
        table[i][j] = min { with, without }
RETURN table[n][W]
```

- Analysis: $O(n \cdot W)$
- Computing full solution:

4 Longest True interval

- The problem: Suppose we are given an array $A[1..n]$ of booleans. We want to find the longest interval $A[i..j]$ such that every element in the interval is true – in other words, $A[i], A[i + 1], \dots, A[j]$ are all true.
- Notation and choice of subproblem: Denote by $G(x)$ to be the length of the longest suffix¹ of $A[1..x]$ that is all true. In other words, $G(x)$ is the largest integer l such that $A[x - l + 1], A[x - l + 2], \dots, A[x]$ are all true, or 0 if $A[x]$ is false.
- Recursive definition of $G(x)$:

```

G(x)
  IF (x == 1): return A[1]
  else
    IF A[x] == False: return 0 else return 1 + G(x - 1)

```

- Correctness:
- Dynamic programming solution, top-down with memoization: We create $table[0..n]$, where $table[i]$ will store $G(i)$. We initialize all entries in the table as 0. To solve the problem, we call $GwithDP(0), GwithDP(1), GwithDP(2), \dots$ to fill the table and then return the max element in $table[1..n]$.

```

GwithDP(x)
  IF (x == 1): return A[1]
  else
    IF (table[x] ≠ 0): RETURN table[x]
    IF A[x] == False: answer = 0 else answer = 1 + GwithDP(x - 1)
    table[x] = answer
  return answer

```

- Dynamic programming, bottom-up:
- Analysis: $O(n)$
- Computing full solution:

¹An array $B[1..m]$ is a suffix of an array $A[1..n]$ if $A[n - k] = B[m - k]$ for $0 \leq k < m$

5 Maximum partial sum (or maximum subarray)

- The problem: We are given an array $A[1..n]$. We want to find the interval $i..j$ such that the sum of the elements in the interval $A[i] + A[i+1] + \dots + A[j]$ is maximized. We call this value the maximum subarray sum (or maximum partial sum) of A . We want to find it, along with the indices i, j that achieve it.
- Notation and choice of subproblem: Denote by $G(x)$ the maximum subarray sum that ends at x . So basically its the largest of $\{A[x], A[x-1] + A[x], A[x-2] + A[x-1] + A[x], \dots\}$ and so on.

Claim: The max subarray sum of A is the largest $G(x)$ for $x = 1..n$.

- Correctness: The maximum subarray sum in A must end at some index j . Then $G(j)$ will store that maximum subarray sum.
- Recursive definition of $G(x)$:

```

G(x)
  IF (x == 1): return A[1]
  else: return max{G(x-1) + A[x], A[x]}
  //if G(x) includes elements past x, those must be G(x-1)

```

- Dynamic programming solution, top-down with memoization:
- Dynamic programming, bottom-up:

```

maxsubarray_iterative()
  create table[0..n] and initialize table[i] = 0 for all i
  for  $x = 1; x \leq n; x++$ 
     $table[x] = \max \{A[x] + table[x-1], A[x]\}$ 
  RETURN max entry in table[1..n]

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- Analysis: $O(n)$.
- Computing full solution: The end index of the max subarray is the index x such that $table[x]$ is maximized. Knowing x we can traverse and find the i that maximizes the sum $A[i] + A[i+1] + \dots + A[x]$.

6 LCS

- The problem: Given two arrays $X[1..n]$ and $Y[1..m]$, find their longest common subsequence.
- Notation and choice of subproblem: Denote by $c(i, j)$ the length of the LCS of X_i and Y_j , where X_i is the array consisting of the first i elements of X , and Y_j is the array consisting of the first j elements of Y . To solve the problem, we call $c(n, m)$
- Recursive definition of $c(i, j)$:

```

c( $i, j$ )
  IF ( $i == 0$  or  $j == 0$ ): return 0
  else
    IF  $X[i] == Y[j]$ : return  $1 + c(i - 1, j - 1)$ 
    Else: return  $\max\{c(i - 1, j), c(i, j - 1)\}$ 

```

- Correctness:
- Dynamic programming solution, top-down with memoization: We create $table[0..n][0..m]$, where $table[i][j]$ will store the result of $c(i, j)$. We initialize all entries in the table as 0 and call $cwithDP(n, m)$.

```

cwithDP( $i, j$ )
  IF ( $i == 0$  or  $j == 0$ ): return 0
  else
    IF ( $table[i][j] \neq 0$ ): RETURN  $table[i][j]$ 
    IF  $X[i] == Y[j]$ : answer  $1 + cwithDP(i - 1, j - 1)$ 
    Else: answer =  $\max\{cwithDP(i - 1, j), cwithDP(i, j - 1)\}$ 
     $table[x] = answer$ 
  return answer

```

- Dynamic programming, bottom-up:
- Analysis: $O(m \cdot n)$
- Computing full solution: