

Recap: Longest Common Subsequence (LCS)

- ① Subproblems: $\text{lcs}[i:j]$ is LCS of $x_{[1:i]}$ and $y_{[1:j]}$
- ② Guess: If $x_i \neq y_j$, guess which one is NOT in LCS?
(can be both)
- ③ Recurrence:
$$\text{lcs}[i:j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i=0 \text{ or } j=0 \\ \text{lcs}[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } i, j > 0 \text{ and } x_i = y_j \\ \max(\text{lcs}[i-1, j], \text{lcs}[i, j-1]) & \text{if } i, j > 0 \text{ and } x_i \neq y_j \end{cases}$$
- ④ Memoization / Bottom-up: $\Rightarrow O(m \cdot n)$ runtime

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1. LCS (Cont'd)

Pseudo-Code for LCS (for giving the actual subsequence)

$\text{LCS}(x[1, \dots, m], y[1, \dots, n])$:

1. For $i=0$ to m :

2. $c[i, 0] = 0; s[i, 0] = ""$

3. For $j=1$ to n :

4. $c[0, j] = 0; s[0, j] = ""$

5. For $i=1$ to m :

6. For $j=1$ to n :

7. If $x[i] == y[j]$:

8. $c[i, j] = c[i-1, j-1] + 1$

9. $s[i, j] = s[i-1, j-1] + x[i]$

10. Else If $c[i-1, j] \geq c[i, j-1]$:

11. $c[i, j] = c[i-1, j]$

12. $s[i, j] = s[i-1, j]$

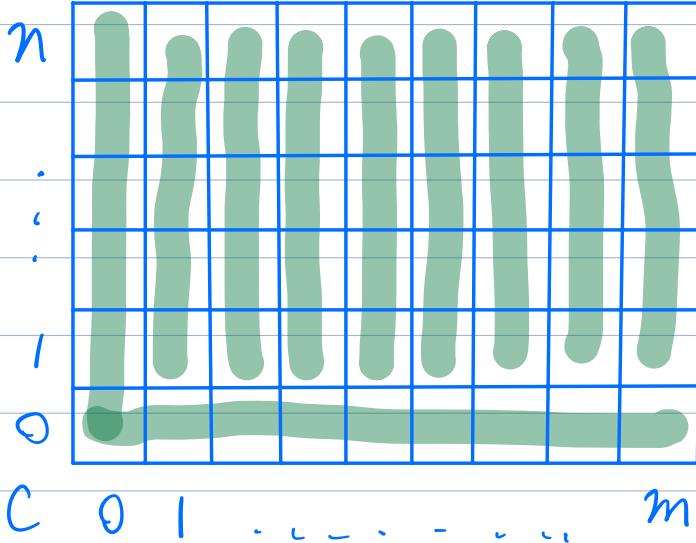
13. Else:

14. $c[i, j] = c[i, j-1]$

15. $s[i, j] = s[i, j-1]$

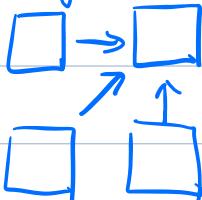
16. Return $c[m, n]$

How do we fill up c to get $c[m, n]$?



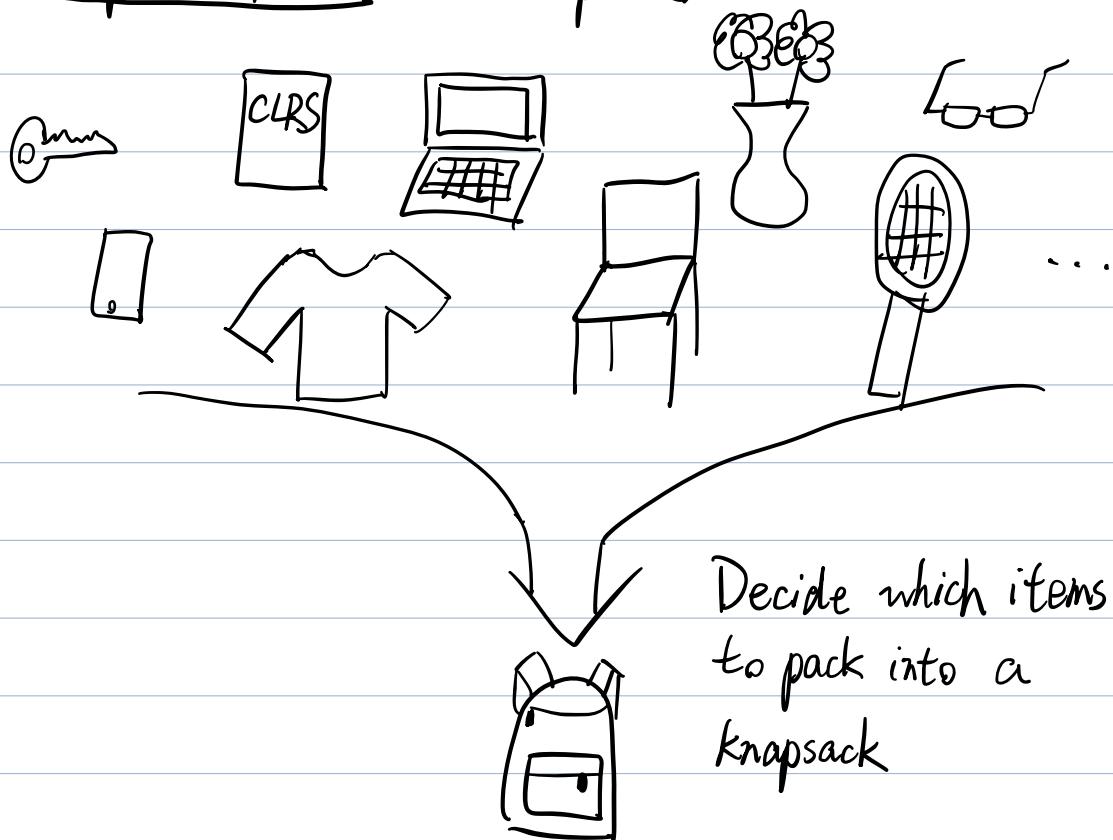
↳ Solution @ $c[m, n]$

$c[i-1, j]$ $c[i, j]$



$c[i-1, j-1]$ $c[i, j-1]$

2. Knapsack Problem (0-1 Knapsack)



- List of n items each with size S_i (integer), and value/utility v_i .
- Knapsack of size S
- What is max total value of items w/ total size $\leq S$?

e.g.	Item	Size	Value
	1	1	1
	2	2	6
	3	5	18
	4	6	22
	5	7	28

$S=11$

Greedy? pick the max $\frac{\text{value}}{\text{size}}$ item.

$\Rightarrow \{5, 2, 1\}$ total value = 35

But if we pick $\{3, 4\}$, we get value 40!

Greedy doesn't work here...

DP to the rescue!

① Subproblems: items $1, \dots, i$ & remaining space $X \leq S$

② Guess: do we bring item i or not?

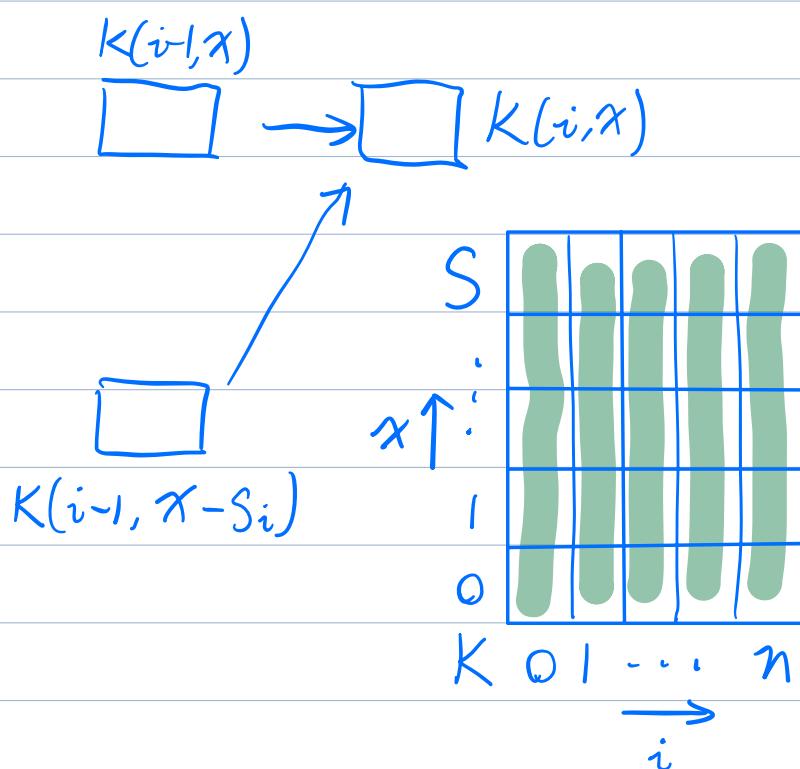
③ Recurrence: $K(i, x) = \max(K(i-1, x), K(i-1, x - s_i) + v_i)$

Base Cases? No items left ($i=0$)

Slight issue here: $x - s_i < 0$ will go out of bounds

Fix:

$$K(i, x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{If } i=0 \\ K(i-1, x) & \text{If } i>0 \text{ and } x < s_i \\ \max(K(i-1, x), K(i-1, x - s_i) + v_i) & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$



④ Memoization / Bottom-up:

subproblems: at most $(n+1) \cdot (S+1) = O(n \cdot S)$

time/subproblem: $O(1)$

⇒ Runtime is $O(n \cdot S)$



(not really polynomial, because
input S only needs $\log S$ bits)
"pseudopolynomial"

Extensions:

- captured by 0-1 knapsack
- Bounded Knapsack Problem:
Each item can have multiple copies
e.g. 2 phones, 4 keys, 5 CLRS textbooks
 - Unbounded Knapsack Problem:
Unlimited # of copies
e.g. ∞ phones, keys, CLRS textbooks
 - Fractional Knapsack Problem:
Can take a fraction of an item w/ proportional value
e.g. candies, bread, pizza, cheese, ham
Greedy actually works here!

Example of MCQ DP Problem:

10. The Levenshtein distance is a metric for measuring the difference between two strings. It is defined as the minimum number of single-character edits (insertions, deletions or substitutions) required to change one string into the other. For instance, the Levenshtein distance between "midterm" and "mayhems" is 5 by making the following edits:

midterm → madterm → mayterm → mayherm → mayhem → mayhems

A DP algorithm for finding the Levenshtein distance between two strings $X = x_1x_2 \dots x_m$ and $Y = y_1y_2 \dots y_n$ uses a 2-dimensional array D , with m rows and n columns. The entry $D[i, j]$ for $0 \leq i \leq m, 0 \leq j \leq n$ is the Levenshtein distance between substrings $x_1x_2 \dots x_i$ and $y_1y_2 \dots y_j$. We compute $D[i, j]$ as

$$D[i, j] = \begin{cases} j & \text{if } i = 0 \\ i & \text{if } j = 0 \\ \hline \textcircled{1} & \text{if } i, j \geq 1 \text{ and } x_i = y_j \\ \textcircled{2} & \text{if } i, j \geq 1 \text{ and } x_i \neq y_j \end{cases}$$

What are the missing terms in the blanks?(A)

- (A) ① : $D[i - 1, j - 1]$ ② : $1 + \min(D[i - 1, j], D[i, j - 1], D[i - 1, j - 1])$
(B) ① : $D[i - 1, j - 1]$ ② : $1 + \min(D[i - 1, j], D[i, j - 1])$
(C) ① : $D[i - 1, j - 1] + 1$ ② : $\min(D[i - 1, j], D[i, j - 1])$
(D) ① : $D[i - 1, j - 1] + 1$ ② : $\min(D[i - 1, j], D[i, j - 1], D[i - 1, j - 1])$

We can easily find the answer for such MCQs!

To check if ① should have "+1" or not, we can

try examples $X = "ac"$ and $Y = "bc"$. That rules out C and D. Then, consider $X = "abc"$ and $Y = "abd"$, that

rules out B. So correct answer is A.

Ex: Why is A the correct optimal substructure?