

Lec 22 Dynamic Programming (DP)

Idea: solving subinstances and saving results in useful way

General structure

0. Start with some decision / optimisation / counting problem

is there path with lens dot most... find shortest path how many paths with given property

things like data transformation may not be one of these

1. Develop recursive solution

2. Recognise how to reuse results from subinstances

3. Count num of unique subinstances for analysis

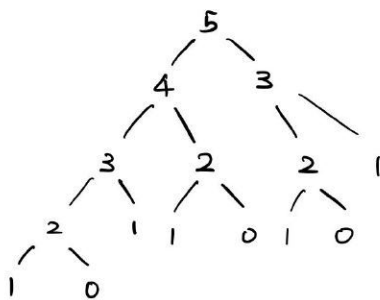
4. Implement

- Memoisation
- Bottom-up

Fibonacci example

$$\text{fib}(n) = \text{if } (n \leq 1) \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } \text{fib}(n-2) + \text{fib}(n-1)$$

Call tree fibb 5

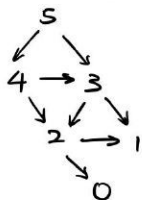


work $O(\phi^n)$
span $O(n)$

$$\phi = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}$$

Bad : C

Result dependency



So we need $6 = n+1$ unique instances

work $O(n)$
span $O(n)$

Bottom-up Impl

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fib n =
  let
    loop a b k =
      if k = n then a
      else loop b (a+b) (k+1)
  in
    loop 1 1 0
  end
  
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Subset sum problem (SS) NP-hard

Given set $S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^+$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, is there $X \subseteq S$, $\sum_{x \in X} x = k$?

→ Actually the base for some crypto system that was broken

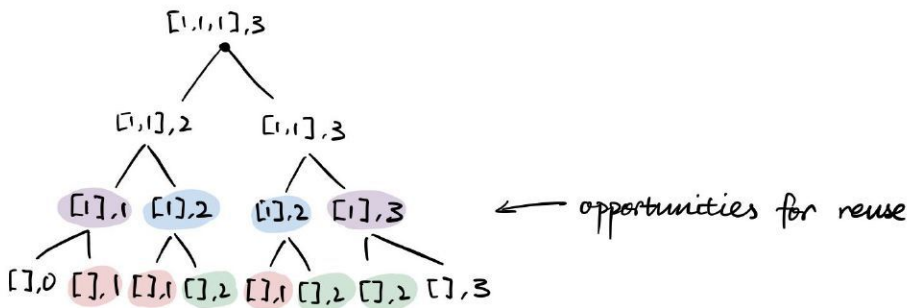
Even though NP-hard it's easy to find sol for some input.
 Pseudopoly — polynomial to k , so if k itself poly to $|S|$ we get poly to $|S|$

Recursive sol

$SS(S, k)$ ← hard to memoise as key = case (S, k) of
 $(-, 0) \Rightarrow \text{true}$
 $([], -) \Rightarrow \text{false}$
 $(x :: xs, k) \Rightarrow$ if $k < x$ then $SS(xs, k)$ else
 $SS(xs, k-x)$ or else $SS(xs, k)$

$W(n) = 2W(n-1) + O(1)$ exponential !

Ex. $S = [1, 1, 1]$ $k = 3$



$k' \in \{0, \dots, k\}$, $|S'| \in \{0, \dots, |S|\}$
 so num unique subinstances is $(|S| + 1)(k + 1)$

If reuse results, work $O(|S|k)$
 span $O(|S| + 1)$

Representing lookup table

Our table wants to have subinstances as key, but if input has list how to hash / compare list? Expensive!

In practice try convert subinstance to integer

$SS(S, k) =$

let

$n = |S|$ use this as key to table, or even 2D array

$SS'(i, k') =$ (case (i, k') of

$(-, 0) \Rightarrow$ true

$!(n, -) \Rightarrow$ false

$!(i, k') \Rightarrow$ if $(k < S[i])$ then $SS'(i+1, k)$ else $SS'(i+1, k' - S[i])$ or else $SS'(i+1, k')$

should look up here

in

$SS'(0, k)$

end

Counting problem example

Count number of rooted binary tree shape with size n

n	shapes	count
0	\emptyset	1
1	\bullet	1
2		2
3		5

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n < 1 \\ \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T(i)T(n-i-1) & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

left subtree
size
left subtree
right subtree

Num unique subinstances = $n + 1$

Work per subinstance — $O(n)$ to do the sum
span — $O(\lg n)$ reduce op+

Overall work $\sum_{i=0}^n O(i) \in O(n^2)$

$\sum_{i=0}^n O(\lg i) \in O(n \lg n)$