

Algorithm Design and Analysis

CSE
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LECTURE 12

Dynamic Programming

- Fibonacci Numbers
- Weighted Interval Scheduling
- Longest Common Subsequence

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Dynamic Programming

"Those who cannot remember the past are doomed to repeat it."

George Santayana, The Life of Reason, Book I: Introduction and Reason in Common Sense

Design Techniques So Far

- **Greedy**. Build up a solution incrementally, myopically optimizing some local criterion.
- **Recursion / divide & conquer**. Break up a problem into subproblems, solve subproblems, and combine solutions.
- **Dynamic programming**. Break problem into *overlapping* subproblems, and build up solutions to larger and larger subproblems.

Dynamic Programming History

- Bellman. [1950s] Pioneered the systematic study of dynamic programming.
- Etymology.
 - Dynamic programming = planning over time.
 - Secretary of Defense was hostile to mathematical research.
 - Bellman sought an impressive name to avoid confrontation.

"it's impossible to use dynamic in a pejorative sense"
"something not even a Congressman could object to"

Reference: Bellman, R. E. *Eye of the Hurricane, An Autobiography*.

Dynamic Programming Applications

- Areas.
 - Bioinformatics.
 - Control theory.
 - Information theory.
 - Operations research.
 - Computer science: theory, graphics, AI, compilers, systems,
- Some famous dynamic programming algorithms.
 - Unix diff for comparing two files.
 - Viterbi for hidden Markov models / decoding convolutional codes
 - Smith-Waterman for genetic sequence alignment.
 - Bellman-Ford for shortest path routing in networks.
 - Cocke-Kasami-Younger for parsing context free grammars.

Fibonacci Sequence

Fibonacci Sequence

- Sequence defined by

- $a_1 = 1$

- $a_2 = 1$

- $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$

1, 1, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, ...

- How should you compute the Fibonacci sequence?
- Recursive algorithm:

```
Fib(n)
1.  If n =1 or n=2, then
2.      return 1
3.  Else
4.      a = Fib(n-1)
5.      b = Fib(n-2)
6.      return a+b
```

- Running Time?

Review Question

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Easy to show: $\Omega\left((\sqrt{2})^n\right)$ by inspecting the recursion tree

Later in the course (if time permits):

$\Theta(\phi^n)$ where $\phi \approx 1.618$ is the golden ratio

Computing Fibonacci Sequence Faster

- **Observation:** Lots of redundancy! The recursive algorithm only solves $n-1$ different subproblems
- “**Memoization**”: Store the values returned by recursive calls in a sub-table
- Resulting Algorithm:

```
Fib(n)
1.  If  $n = 1$  or  $n = 2$ , then
2.      return 1
3.  Else
4.       $f[1] = 1; f[2] = 1$ 
5.      For  $i = 3$  to  $n$ 
6.           $f[i] \leftarrow f[i-1] + f[i-2]$ 
7.      return  $f[n]$ 
```

- Running Time?

$O(n)$ if integer operations take constant time.

Computing Fibonacci Sequence Faster

- Observation: Fibonacci recurrence is linear

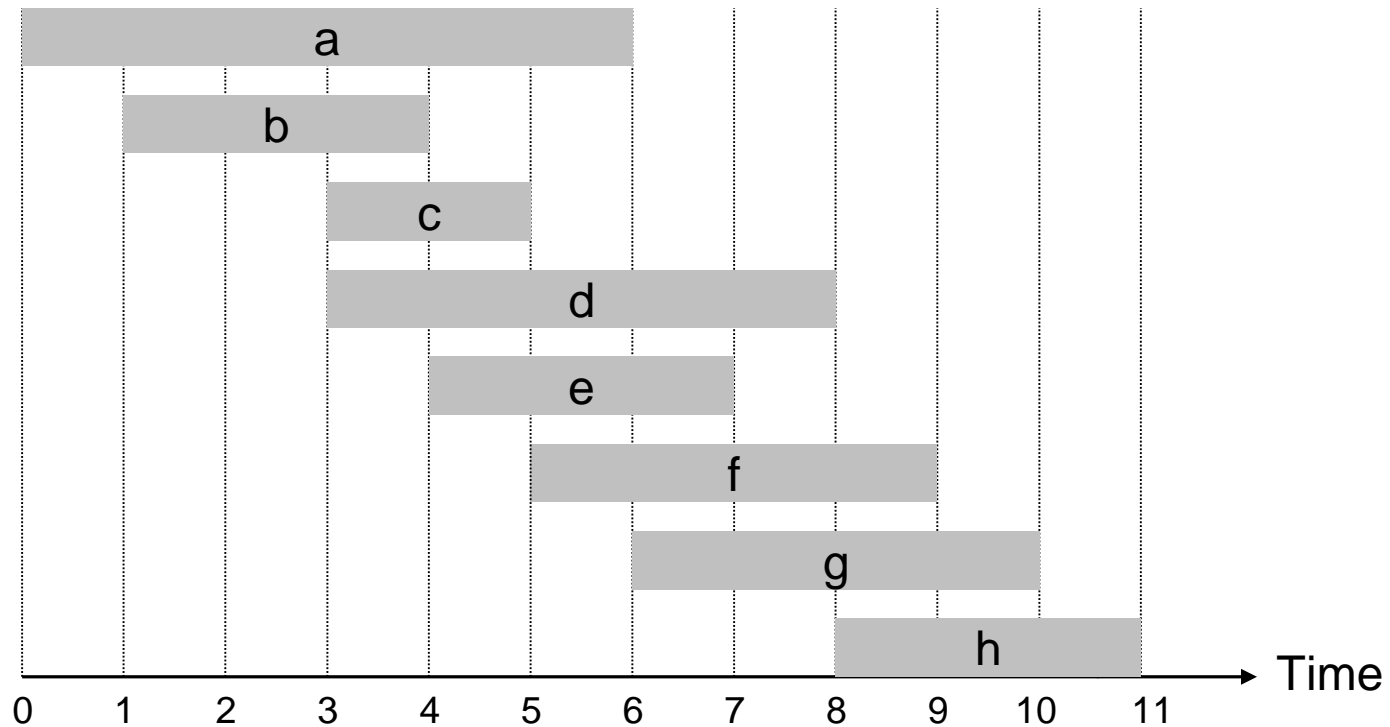
$$\begin{pmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{n-1} \\ a_{n-2} \end{pmatrix} = \dots = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{n-2} \begin{pmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Can compute A^n using only $O(\log n)$ matrix multiplications; each one takes $O(1)$ integer multiplications and additions.
- Total running time?
 $O(\log n)$ integer operations. Exponential improvement!
- **Exercise:** how big an improvement if we count bit operations?
 - Multiplying k -bit numbers takes $O(k \log k)$ time.
- How many bits needed to write down a_n ?

Weighted Interval Scheduling

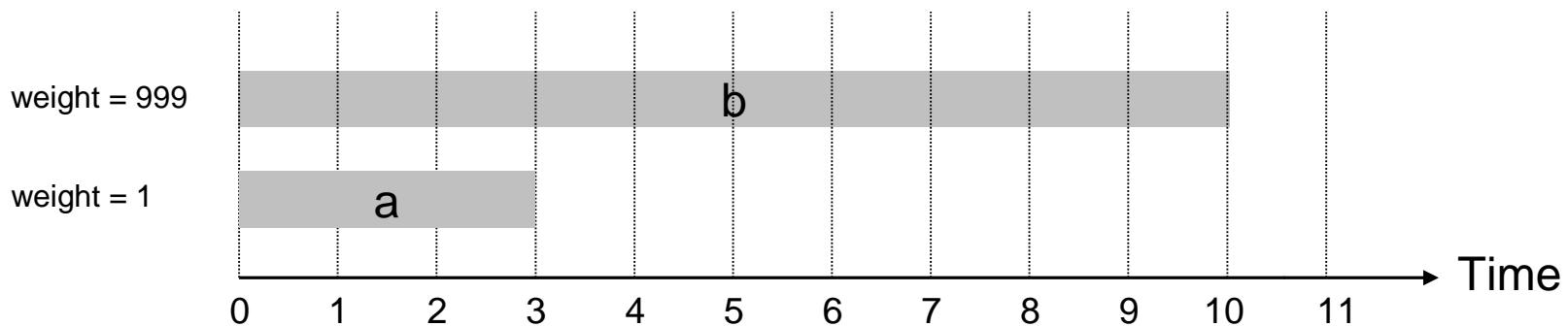
Weighted Interval Scheduling

- Weighted interval scheduling problem.
 - Job j starts at s_j , finishes at f_j , and has weight or value v_j .
 - Two jobs **compatible** if they don't overlap.
 - **Goal:** find maximum **weight** subset of mutually compatible jobs.



Unweighted Interval Scheduling Review

- **Recall.** Greedy algorithm works if all weights are 1.
 - Consider jobs in ascending order of finish time.
 - Add job to subset if it is compatible with previously chosen jobs.
- **Observation.** Greedy algorithm can fail spectacularly with weights.

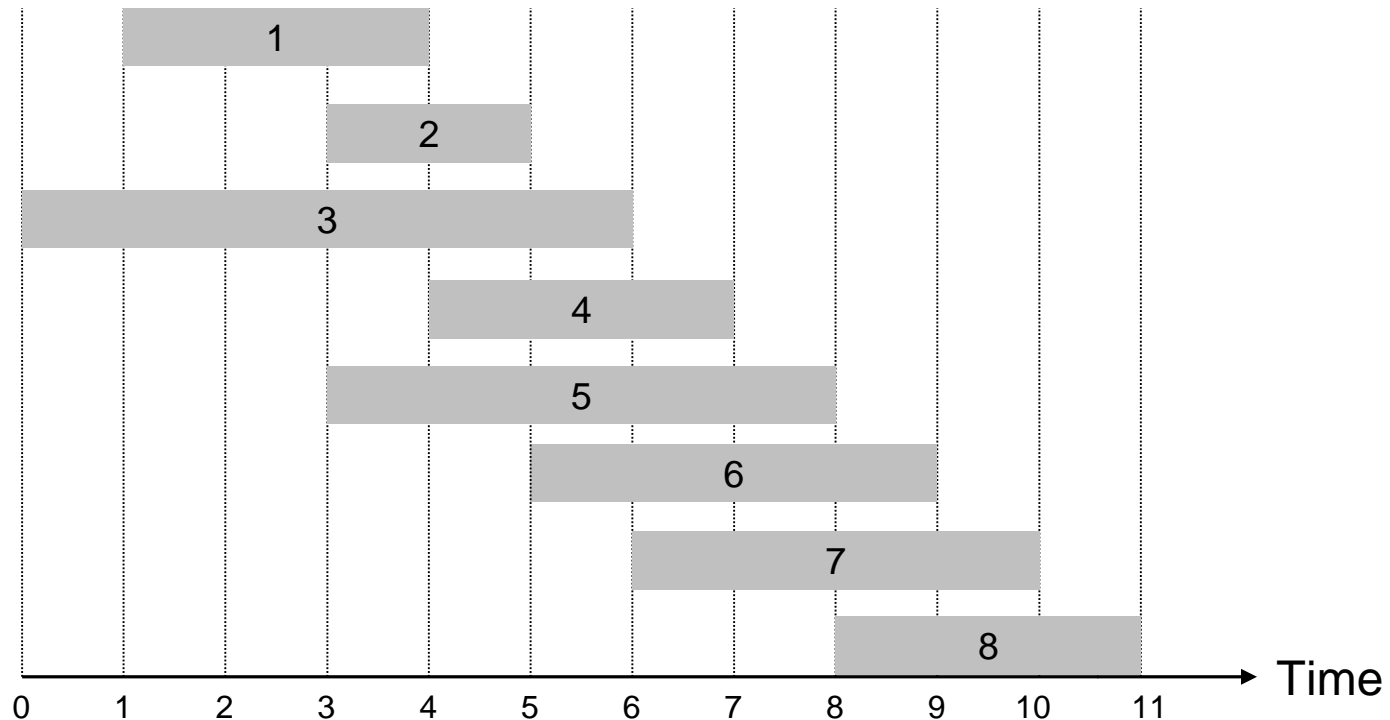


Weighted Interval Scheduling

Notation. Label jobs by finishing time: $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$.

Define: $p(j)$ = largest index $i < j$ such that job i is compatible with j .
= largest i such that $f_i \leq s_j$

Example: $p(8) = 5$, $p(7) = 3$, $p(2) = 0$.



Dynamic Programming: Binary Choice

- **Notation.** $OPT(j)$ = value of optimal solution to the problem consisting of job requests $1, 2, \dots, j$.
 - **Case 1:** OPT selects job j .
 - collect profit v_j
 - can't use incompatible jobs $\{ p(j) + 1, p(j) + 2, \dots, j - 1 \}$
 - must include optimal solution to problem consisting of remaining compatible jobs $1, 2, \dots, p(j)$
 - **Case 2:** OPT does not select job j .
 - must include optimal solution to problem consisting of remaining compatible jobs $1, 2, \dots, j-1$

↘ optimal substructure

$$OPT(j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j = 0 \\ \max \{ v_j + OPT(p(j)), OPT(j-1) \} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Weighted Interval Scheduling: Brute Force

- Brute force algorithm.

```
Input:  $n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$ 
```

```
Sort jobs by finish times so that  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ .
```

```
Compute  $p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$ 
```

```
Compute-Opt( $n$ )
```

```
Compute-Opt( $j$ ) {  
    if ( $j = 0$ )  
        return 0  
    else  
        return  $\max(v_j + \text{Compute-Opt}(p(j)), \text{Compute-Opt}(j-1))$   
}
```

Weighted Interval Scheduling: Memoization

- **Memoization.** Store results of each sub-problem in a table; lookup as needed.

```
Input:  $n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$ 
```

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Compute  $p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$ 
```

```
for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
```

```
     $M[j] = \text{empty}$ 
```

```
 $M[0] = 0$ 
```

← global array

```
Compute-Opt( $n$ )
```

```
M-Compute-Opt( $j$ ) {
```

```
    if ( $M[j]$  is empty)
```

```
         $M[j] = \max(w_j + \text{M-Compute-Opt}(p(j)), \text{M-Compute-Opt}(j-1))$ 
```

```
    return  $M[j]$ 
```

```
}
```

Weighted Interval Scheduling: Run Time

- **Claim.** Memoized version of algorithm takes $O(n \log n)$ time.
 - Sort by finish time: $O(n \log n)$.
 - Computing $p(\cdot)$: $O(n \log n)$ via repeated binary search.
 - $M\text{-Compute-Opt}(j)$: each invocation takes $O(1)$ time and either
 - (i) returns an existing value $M[j]$
 - (ii) fills in one new entry $M[j]$ and makes two recursive calls
 - Case (ii) occurs at most n times \Rightarrow at most $2n$ recursive calls overall
 - Overall running time of $M\text{-Compute-Opt}(n)$ is $O(n)$. ■
- **Remark.** $O(n)$ if jobs are pre-sorted by start and finish times.

Equivalent algorithm: Bottom-Up

- Bottom-up dynamic programming. Unwind recursion.

```
Input:  $n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$ 
```

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```
Iterative-Compute-Opt {  
     $M[0] = 0$   
    for  $j = 1$  to  $n$   
         $M[j] = \max(v_j + M[p(j)], M[j-1])$   
}
```

```
return  $M[n]$ 
```

Total time = (sorting + computing $p(j)$) + $O(n)$ = $O(n \log(n))$

Weighted Interval Scheduling: Finding a Solution

- Q. Dynamic programming algorithms computes optimal value. What if we want the solution itself?
- A. Do some post-processing.

```
Run M-Compute-Opt(n)
Run Find-Solution(n)

Find-Solution(j) {
    if (j = 0)
        output nothing
    else if ( $v_j + M[p(j)] > M[j-1]$ )
        print j
        Find-Solution(p(j))
    else
        Find-Solution(j-1)
}
```

– # of recursive calls $\leq n \Rightarrow O(n)$.

Longest Common Subsequence

A.k.a. “sequence alignment”

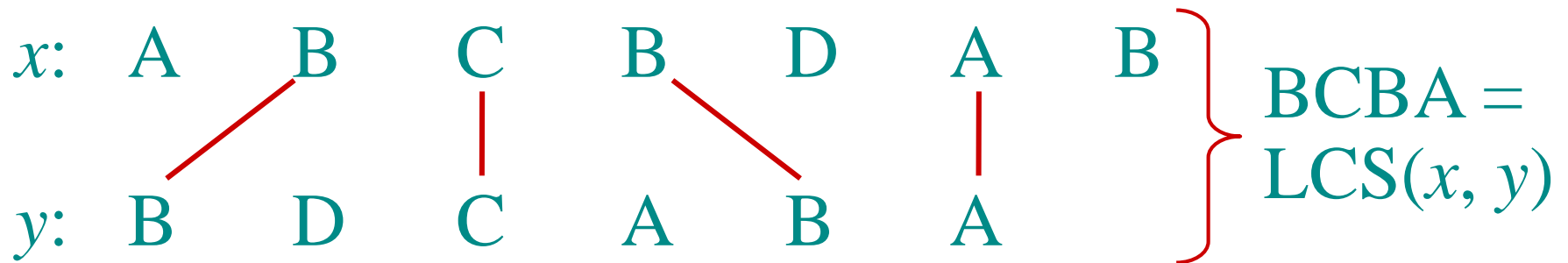
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Longest Common Subsequence (LCS)

- Given two sequences $x[1 \dots m]$ and $y[1 \dots n]$, find a longest subsequence common to them both.

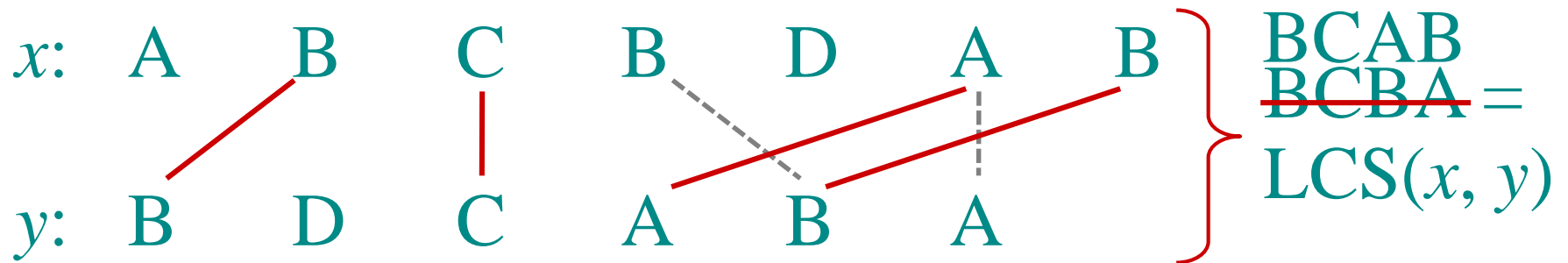
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Motivation

- Approximate string matching [Levenshtein, 1966]
 - Search for “**occurance**”, get results for “**occurrence**”
- Computational biology [Needleman-Wunsch, 1970’s]
 - Simple measure of genome similarity

```
cgtacgtacgtacgtacgtacgtatcgtacgt  
acgtacgtacgtacgtacgtacgtacgtacgt
```

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acgtacgtacgtacgtcgtacgtatcggtacgt
aacgtacgtacgtacgtcgtacgta  cggtacgt
```

- $n - \text{length}(\text{LCS}(x,y))$ is called the “edit distance”

Brute-force LCS algorithm

Check every subsequence of $x[1 \dots m]$ to see if it is also a subsequence of $y[1 \dots n]$.

Analysis

- Checking = $O(n)$ time per subsequence.
- 2^m subsequences of x (each bit-vector of length m determines a distinct subsequence of x).

Worst-case running time = $O(n2^m)$
= exponential time.

Dynamic programming algorithm

Simplification:

1. Look for the *length* of a longest-common subsequence.
2. Extend the algorithm to find the LCS itself.

Notation: Denote the length of a sequence s by $|s|$.

Strategy: Consider *prefixes* of x and y .

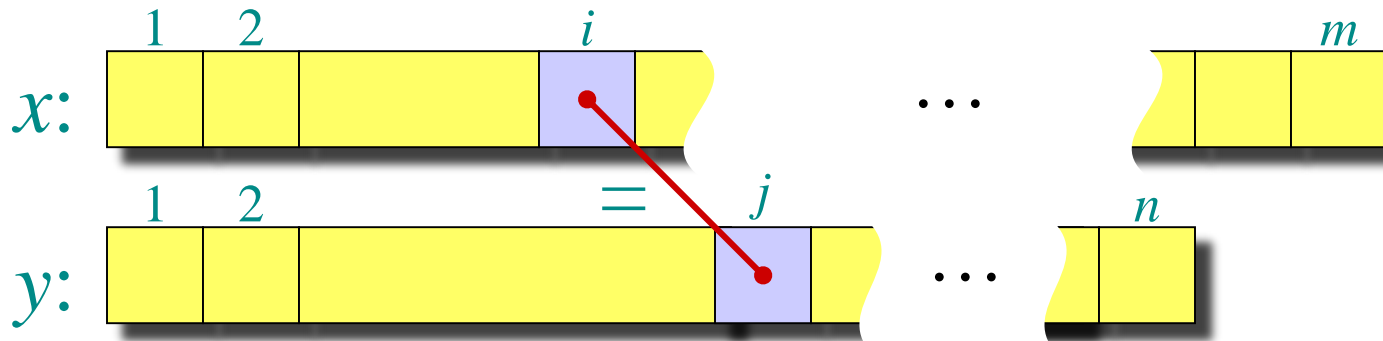
- Define $c[i, j] = |\text{LCS}(x[1 \dots i], y[1 \dots j])|$.
- Then, $c[m, n] = |\text{LCS}(x, y)|$.

Recursive formulation

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x[i] = y[j], \\ \max\{c[i-1, j], c[i, j-1]\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Base case: $c[i, j] = 0$ if $i = 0$ or $j = 0$.

Case $x[i] = y[j]$:

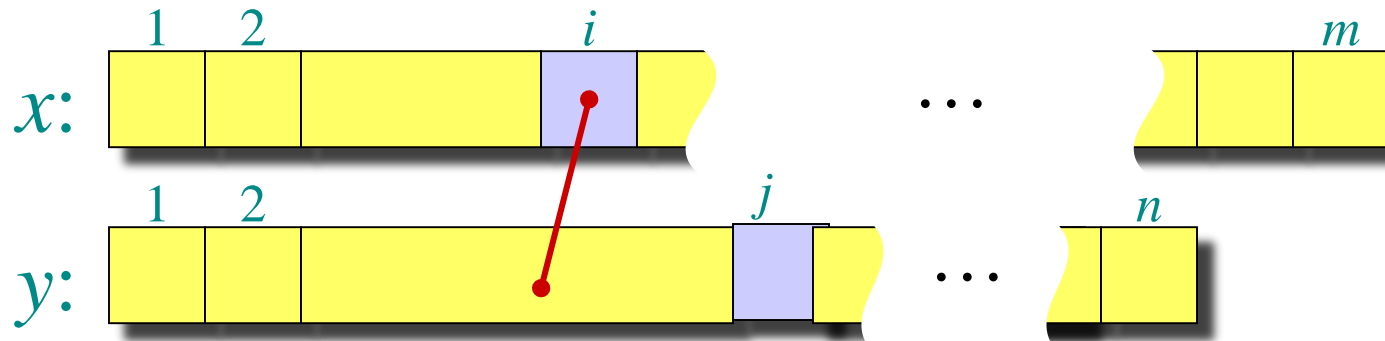


Without loss of generality, optimal solution matches $x[i]$ to $y[j]$

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Case $x[i] \neq y[j]$: best matching might use $x[i]$ or $y[j]$ (or neither) but not both.



Dynamic-programming hallmark #1

Optimal substructure

An optimal solution to a problem (instance) contains optimal solutions to subproblems.

If $z = \text{LCS}(x, y)$, then any prefix of z is an LCS of a prefix of x and a prefix of y .

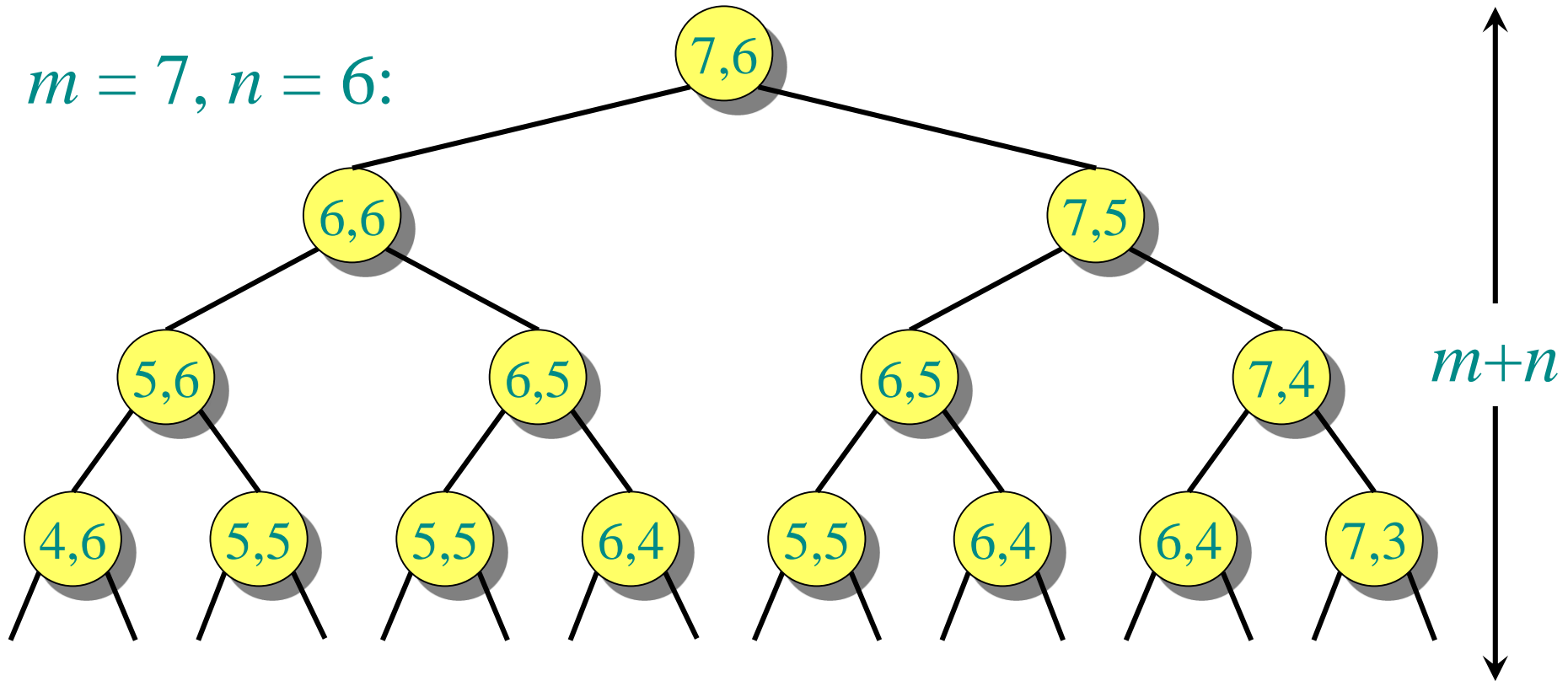
Recursive algorithm for LCS

```
LCS( $x, y, i, j$ ) // base cases omitted
  if  $x[i] = y[j]$ 
    then  $c[i, j] \leftarrow \text{LCS}(x, y, i-1, j-1) + 1$ 
    else  $c[i, j] \leftarrow \max \{ \text{LCS}(x, y, i-1, j),$ 
                                    $\text{LCS}(x, y, i, j-1) \}$ 
  return  $c[i, j]$ 
```

Worse case: $x[i] \neq y[j]$, in which case the algorithm evaluates two subproblems, each with only one parameter decremented.

Recursion tree

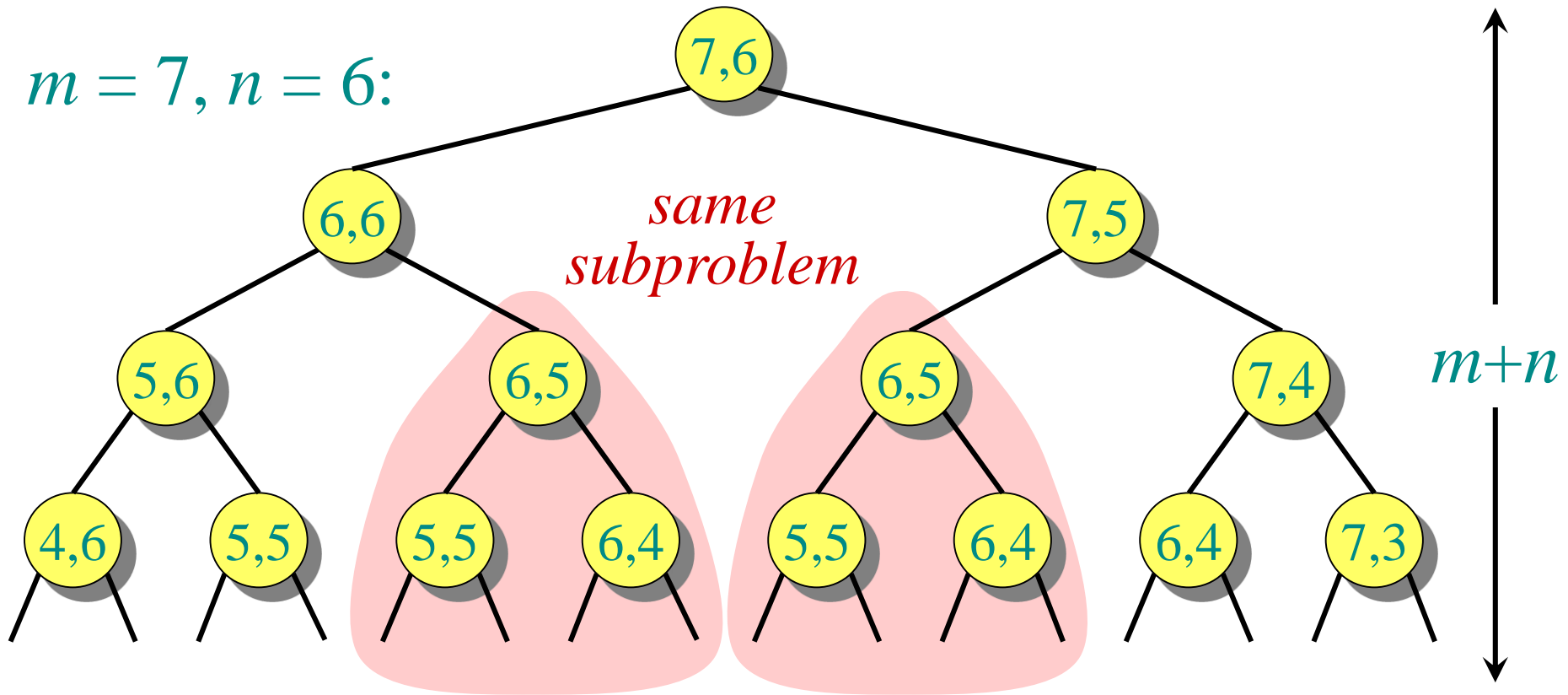
$m = 7, n = 6:$



Height = $m + n \Rightarrow$ work potentially exponential.

Recursion tree

$m = 7, n = 6:$



Height = $m + n \Rightarrow$ work potentially exponential,
but we're solving subproblems already solved!

Dynamic-programming hallmark #2

Overlapping subproblems

A recursive solution contains a “small” number of distinct subproblems repeated many times.

The number of distinct LCS subproblems for two strings of lengths m and n is only mn .

Memoization algorithm

Memoization: After computing a solution to a subproblem, store it in a table. Subsequent calls check the table to avoid redoing work.

```
LCS( $x, y, i, j$ )  
  if  $c[i, j] = \text{NIL}$   
    then if  $x[i] = y[j]$   
      then  $c[i, j] \leftarrow \text{LCS}(x, y, i-1, j-1) + 1$   
      else  $c[i, j] \leftarrow \max \{ \text{LCS}(x, y, i-1, j),$   
                                 $\text{LCS}(x, y, i, j-1) \}$   
    return  $c[i, j]$ 
```

same as before

Time = $\Theta(mn)$ = constant work per table entry.

Space = $\Theta(mn)$.

Dynamic-programming algorithm

IDEA:

Compute the table bottom-up.

		A	B	C	B	D	A	B	
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
B		0	0	1	1	1	1	1	
D		0	0	1	1	1	2	2	
C		0	0	1	2	2	2	2	
A		0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3
B		0	1	2	2	3	3	3	4
A		0	1	2	2	3	3	4	4

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Dynamic-programming algorithm

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Reconstruct LCS by tracing backwards.

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D	0	0	1	1	1	2	2
C	0	0	1	2	2	2	2
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Dynamic-programming algorithm

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Multiple solutions are possible.

	A	B	C	B	D	A	B
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B	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
D	0	0	1	1	1	2	2
C	0	0	1	2	2	2	2
A	0	1	1	2	2	2	3
B	0	1	2	2	3	3	3
A	0	1	2	2	3	3	4

Dynamic-programming algorithm

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Section 6.7:

$O(\min\{m, n\})$

	A	B	C	B	D	A	B
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
D	0	0	1	1	1	2	2
C	0	0	1	2	2	2	2
A	0	1	1	2	2	2	3
B	0	1	2	2	3	3	4
A	0	1	2	2	3	3	4

Saving space

- Why is space important?
 - Cost of storage
 - Cache misses
- To compute the **cost** of the optimal solution
 - Top to bottom
 - Remember only the previous row
 - $O(m)$ space in addition to input

		A	B	C	B	D	A	B
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
D	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
C	0	0	1	2	2	2	2	2
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