

# Saving Space in the LCS Algorithm

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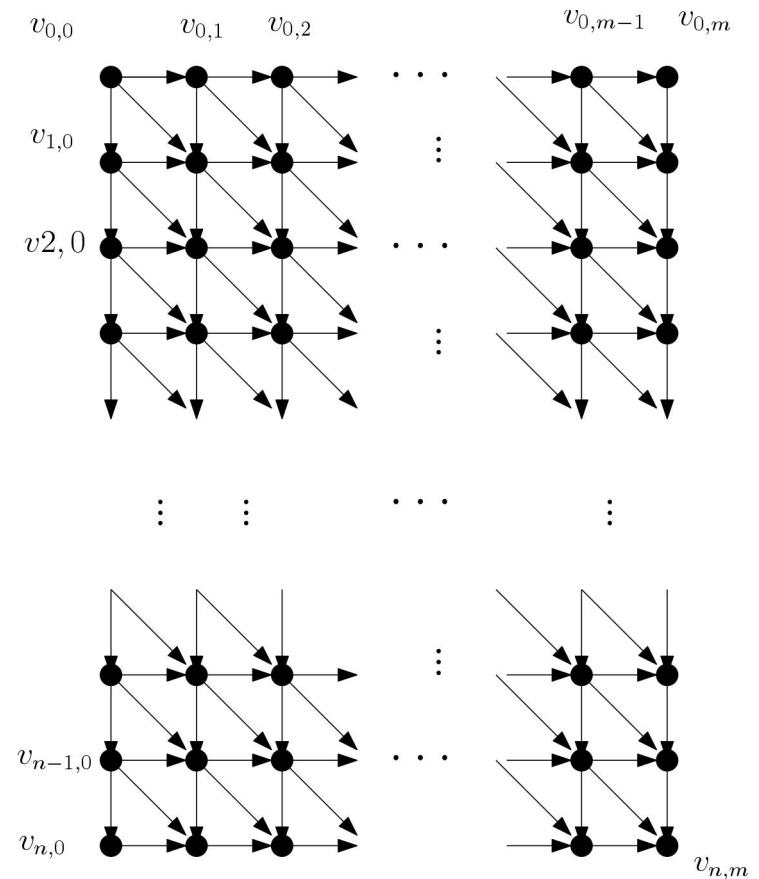
Problem is to calculate value of  $d_{n,m}$  defined by

$$d_{i,j} = \max(d_{i-1,j}, d_{i,j-1}, d_{i,j} + \delta_{i,j})$$

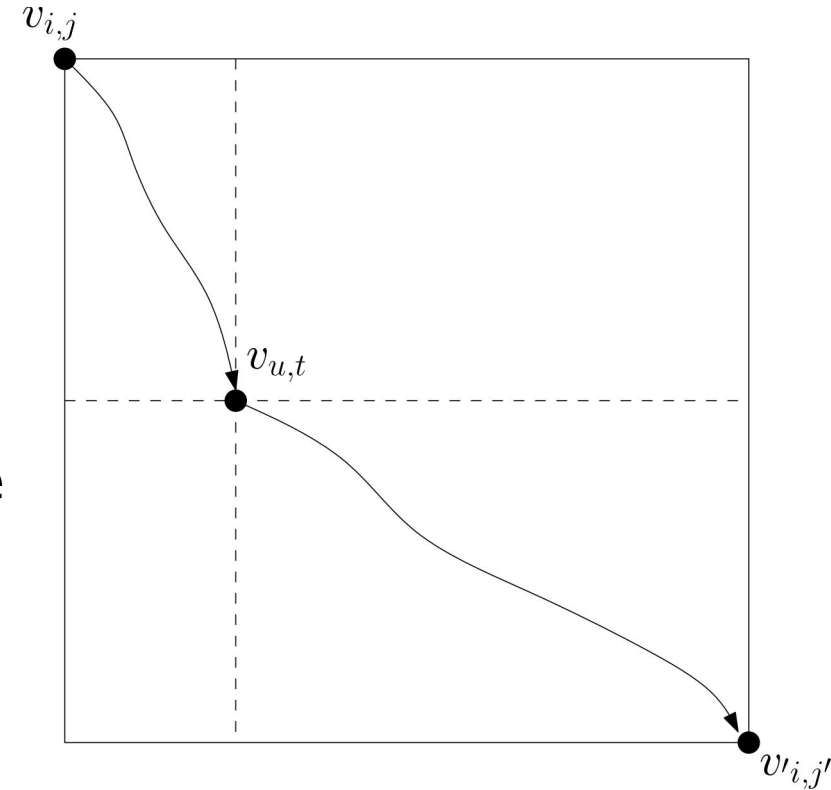
where

$$\delta_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x[i] = y[j] \\ 0 & \text{if } x[i] \neq y[j]. \end{cases}$$

which is same as finding max-cost path from  $v_{0,0}$  to  $v_{n,m}$  in grid graph with left and down edges having cost 0 and diagonal down edges from  $v_{i,j}$  having cost  $\delta_{i,j}$ .



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6. else if  $i' = i + 1$
7.     return  $BP(i, j, i, j')$  by running the DAG algorithm in  $O(j' - j + 1)$  time
8. else
9.     Run  $Mid(i, j, i + 1, j')$  to find  $(u, v)$  with  $u = \lfloor \frac{i+i'}{2} \rfloor$
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Let  $G'$  be the induced subgraph of  $G$  containing all of the

$$\{v_{s,t} \mid i \leq s \leq i', j \leq t \leq j'\}$$

Let  $G_1$  be induced subgraph of  $G'$  containing all  $v_{s,t}$  with  $s \leq u$ .

Let  $d_{s,t}^1$  be the cost of a max cost path from  $v_{i,j}$  to  $v_{s,t}$  in  $G_1$ .

Using the same approach used for the LCS algorithm we can walk down row by row calculating  $d_{s,*}^1$  (i.e., the entire  $s$  row's values) from  $d_{s-1,*}^1$ . This uses  $O(\text{Area}(\text{Box}(i, j, i', j')))$  time and  $O(\text{Perim}(\text{Box}(i, j, i', j')))$  space.

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Let  $G'$  be the induced subgraph of  $G$  containing all of the

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Let  $G'_2$  be induced subgraph of  $G'$  containing all  $v_{s,t}$  with  $s \leq u$  and *all edges reversed*.

Let  $d_{s,t}^2$  be the cost of a max cost path from  $v_{n,m}$  to  $v_{s,t}$  in  $G'_2$ .

Using the same approach used for the LCS algorithm we can walk up row by row calculating  $d_{s,*}^2$  (i.e., the entire  $s$  row's values) from  $d_{s+1,*}^1$ . This uses  $O(\text{Area}(\text{Box}(i, j, i', j')))$  time and  $O(\text{Perim}(\text{Box}(i, j, i', j')))$  space.

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For every  $j \leq t \leq j'$ ,  $d_{u,t}^1 + d_{u,t}^2$  is the cost of max cost path from  $v_{i,j}$  to  $v_{i',j'}$  *passing through*  $v_{u,t}$ . Since a max cost path from  $v_{i,j}$  to  $v_{i',j'}$  must pass through at least one node  $v_{u,t}$  the value

$$\max_t (d_{u,t}^1 + d_{u,t}^2)$$

is the cost of a max-cost path from from  $v_{i,j}$  to  $v_{i',j'}$ . If  $t'$  is the index  $t$  at which the maximum occurs then all our procedure needs to do is return the node  $(u, t')$ .

This last step only used  $O(j' - j + 1)$  time and  $O(j' - j + 1)$  space so the entire procedure for  $Mid(i, j, i', j')$  only used  $O(\text{Area}(\text{Box}(i, j, i', j')))$  time and  $O(\text{Perim}(\text{Box}(i, j, i', j')))$  space and we are done.