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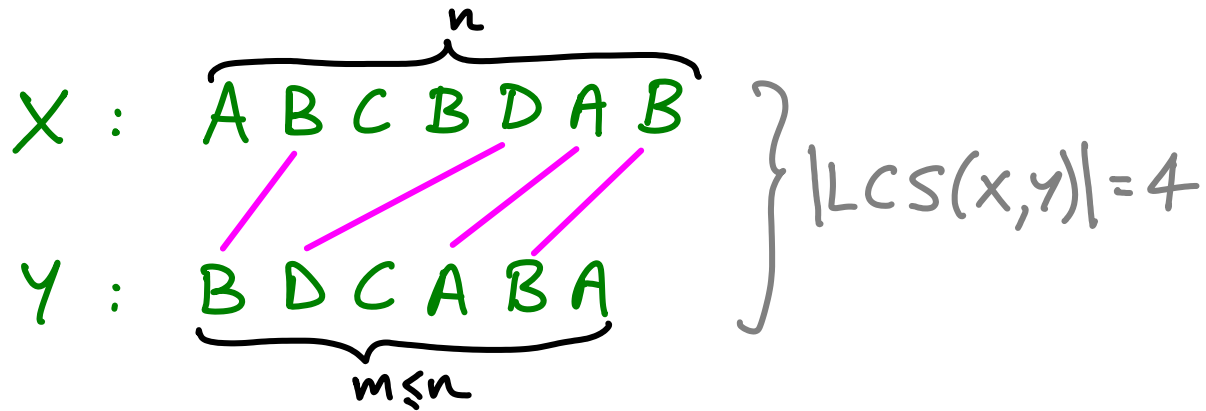
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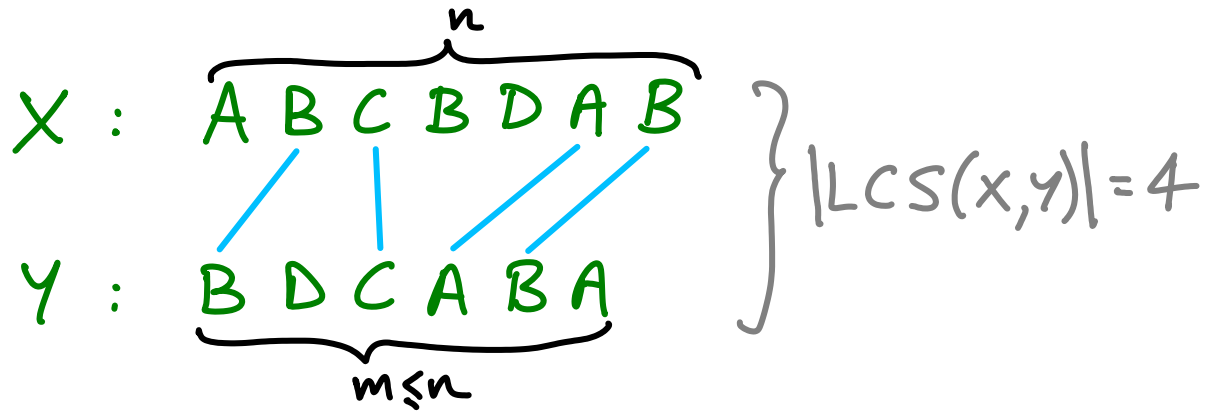
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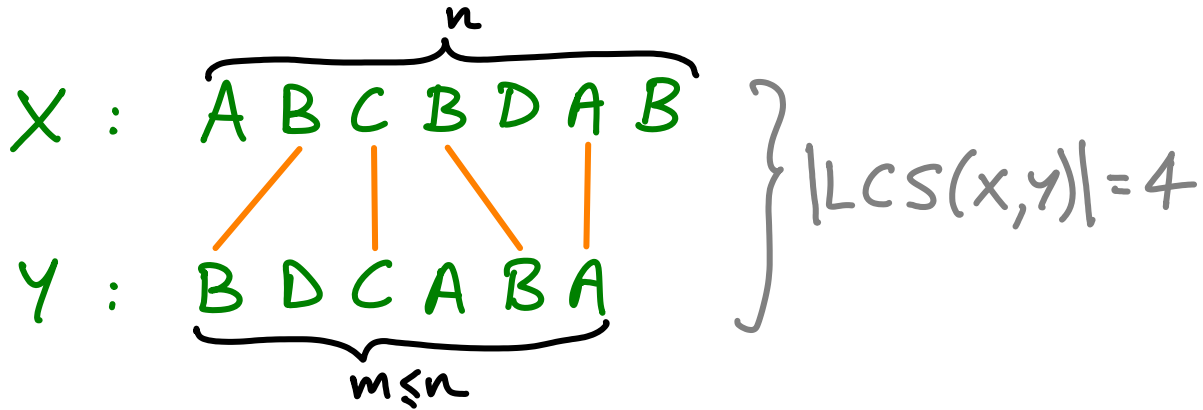
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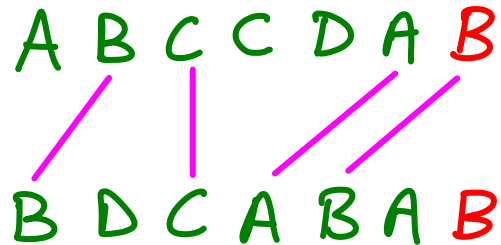
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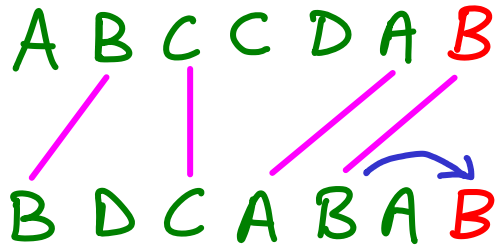
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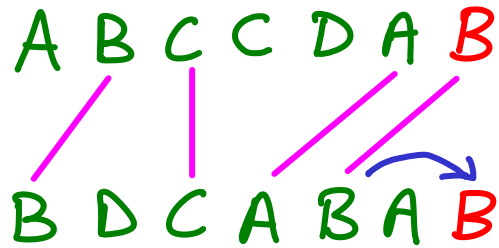
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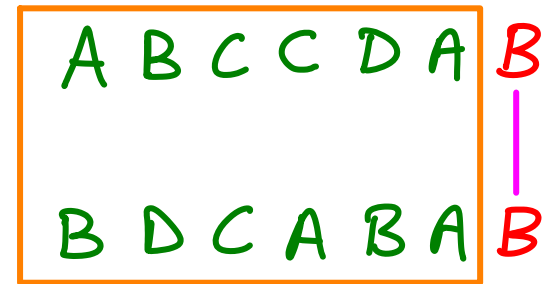
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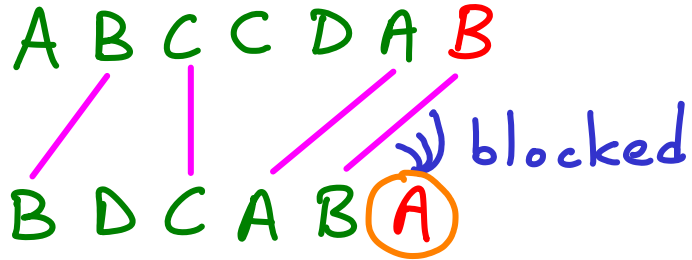
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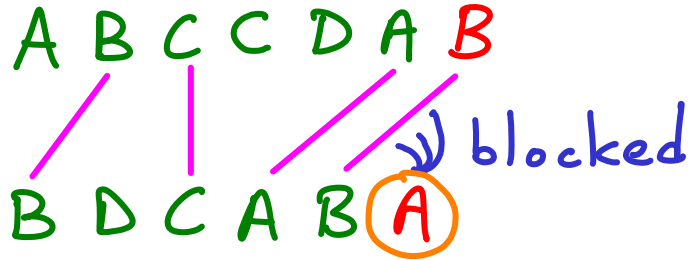


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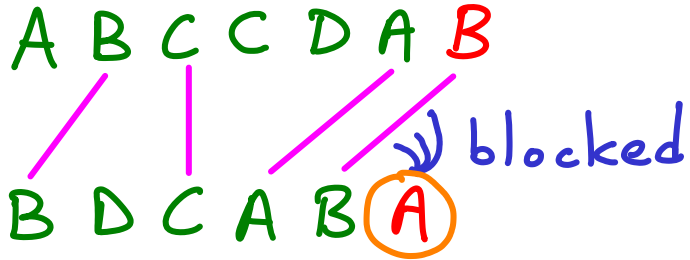
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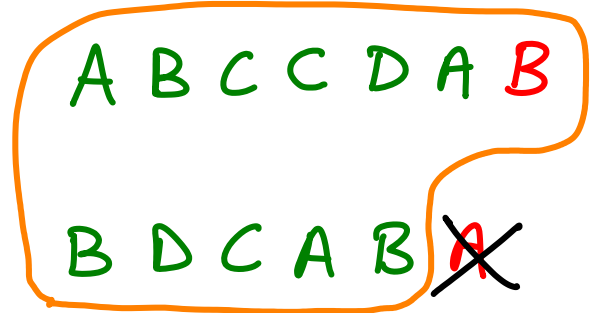
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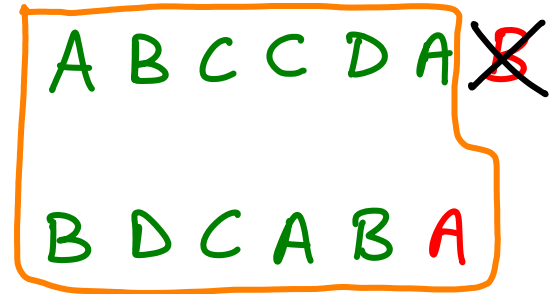


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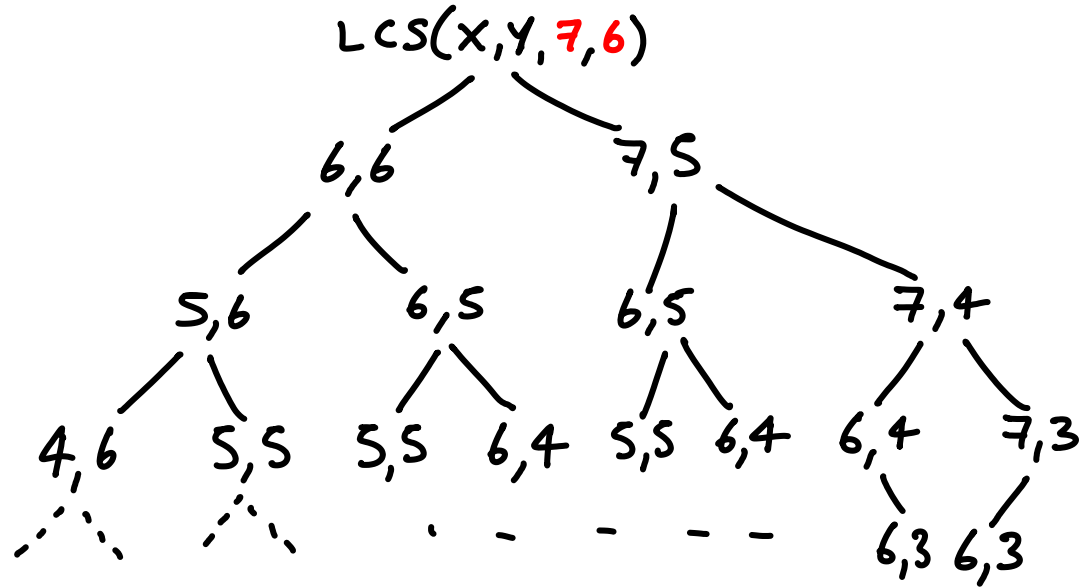
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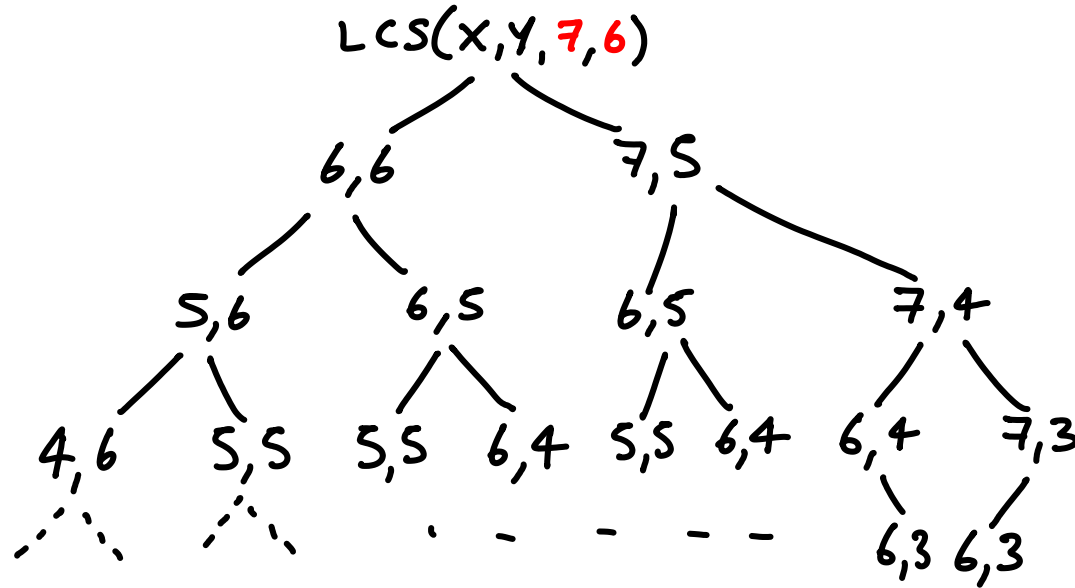
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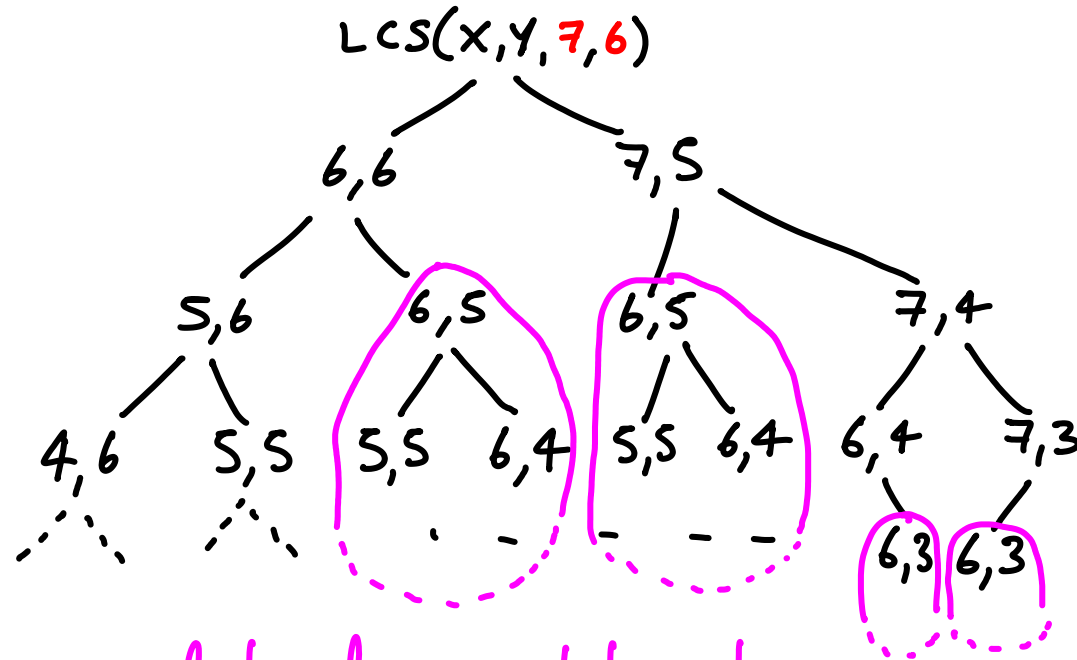
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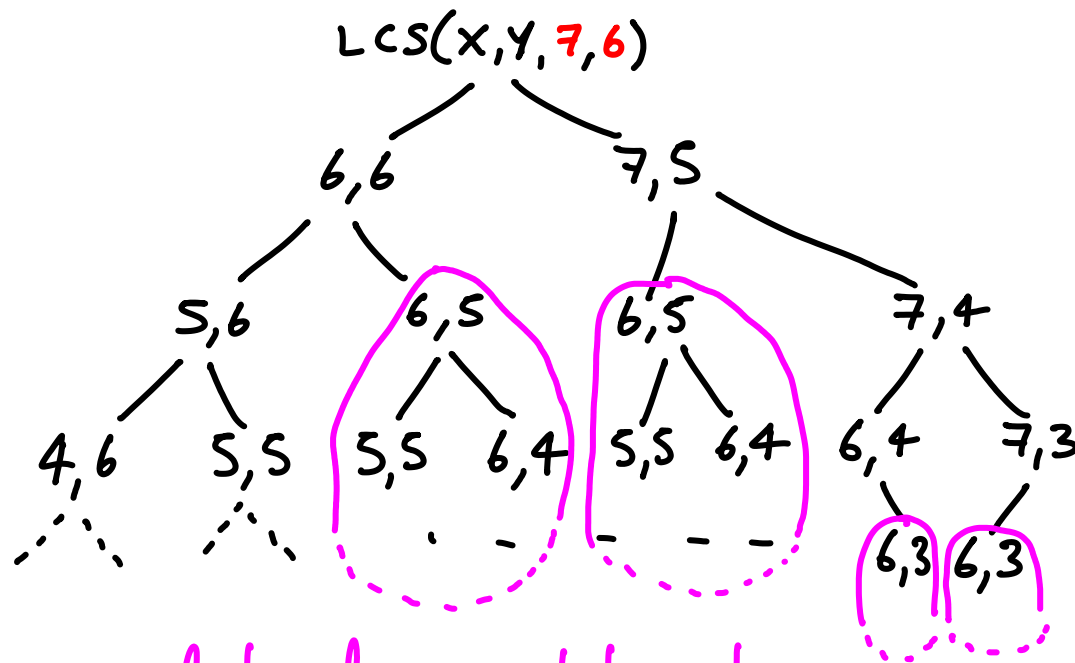
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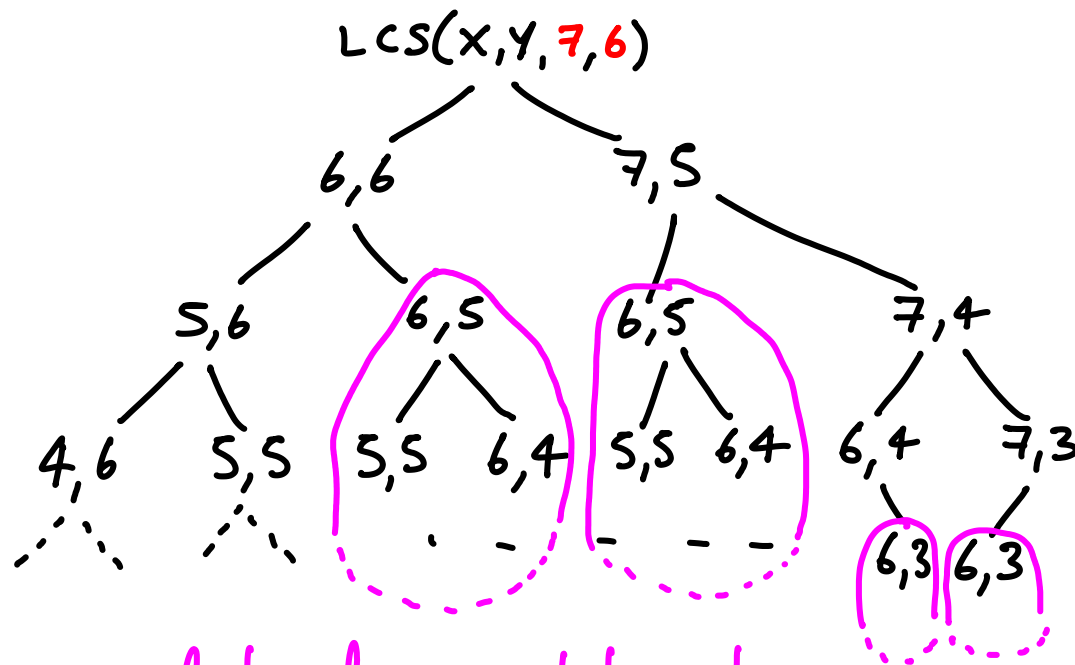
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try dynamic programming



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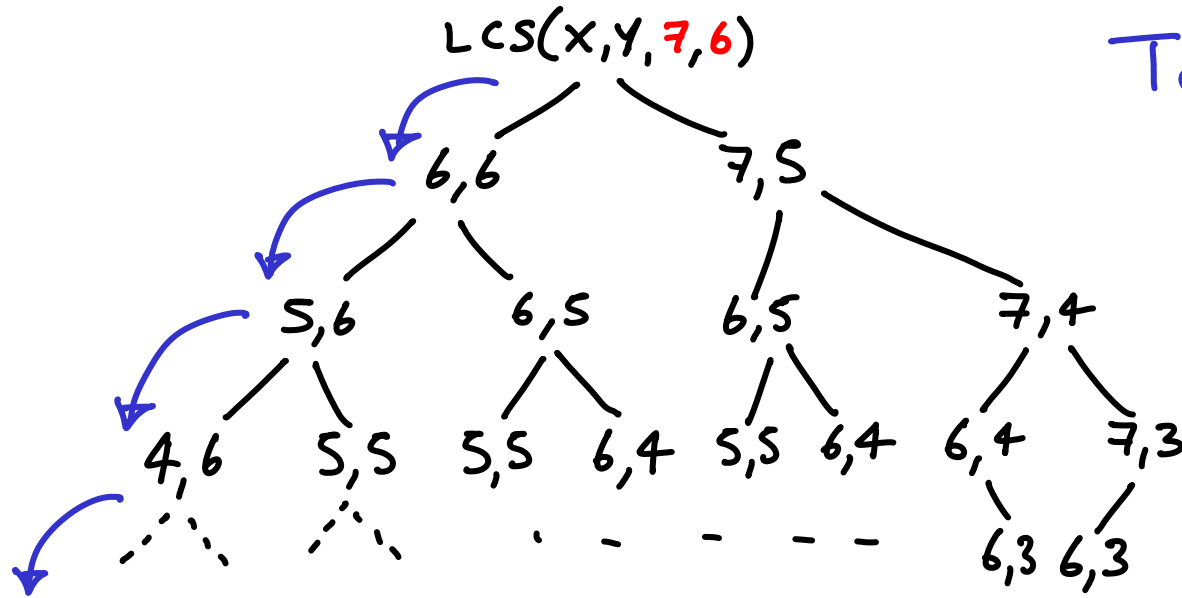
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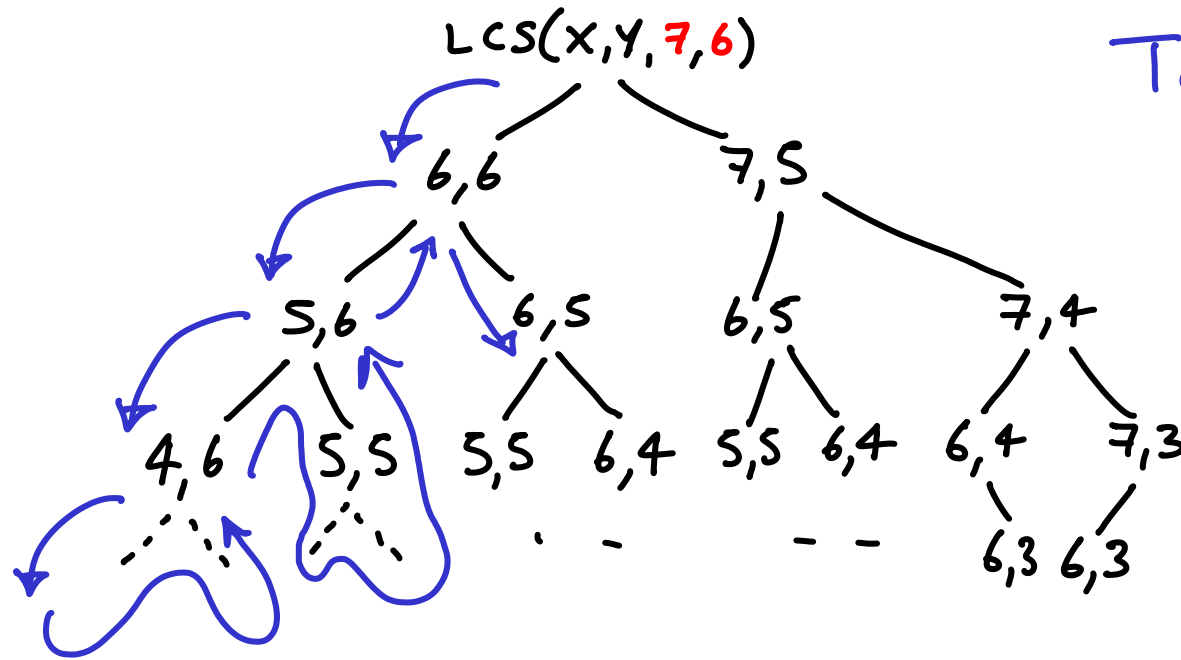
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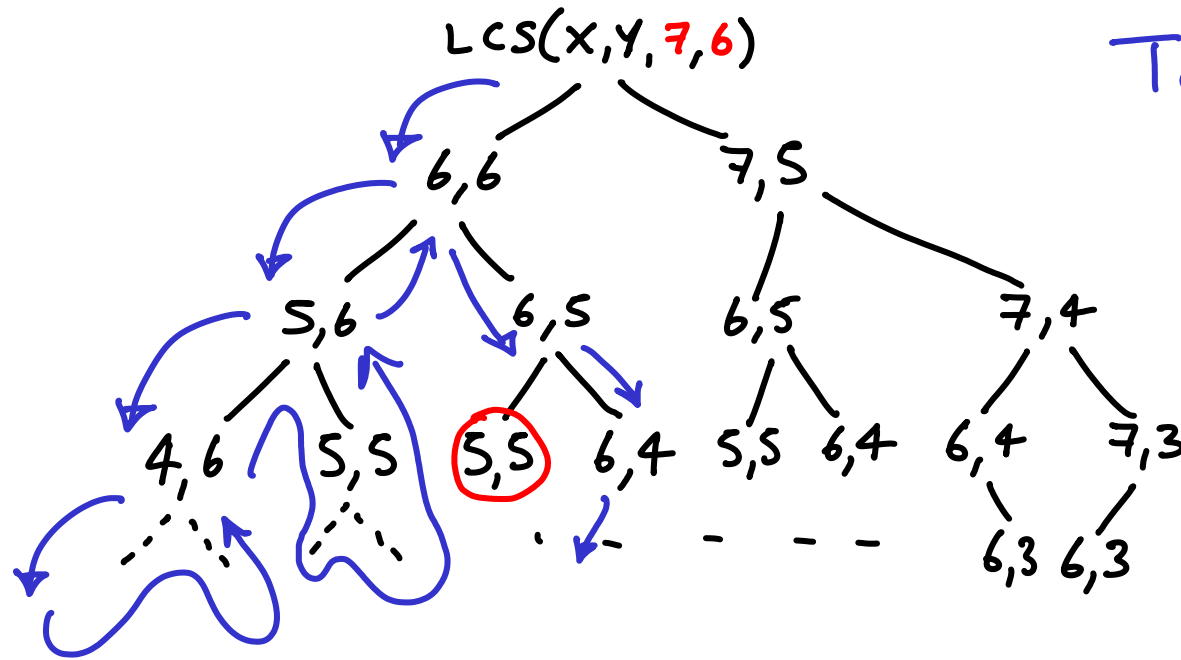
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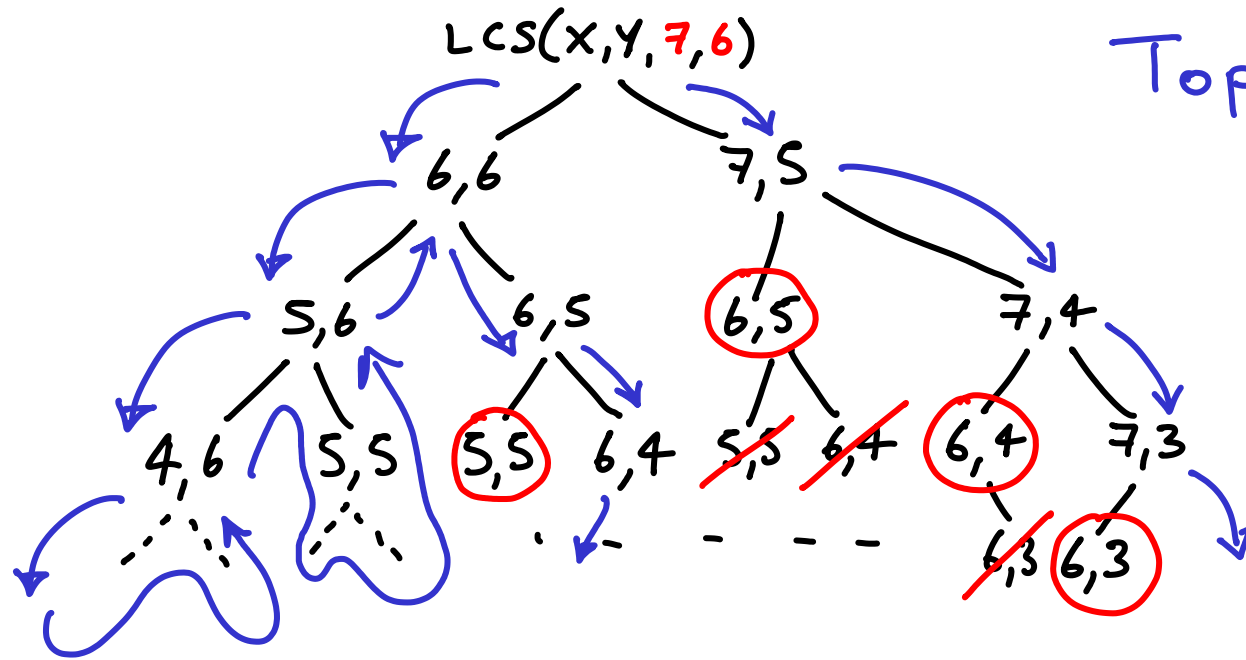
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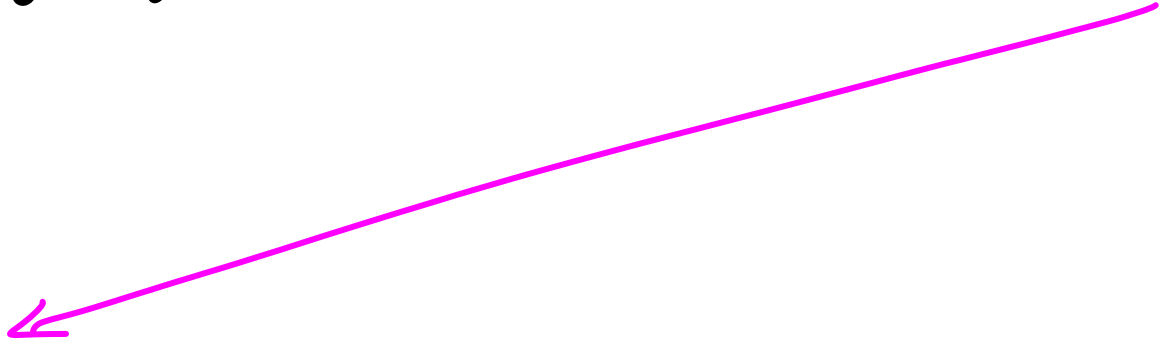
bottom-up

A B C B D A B

← base cases

B
D
C
A
B
A

o
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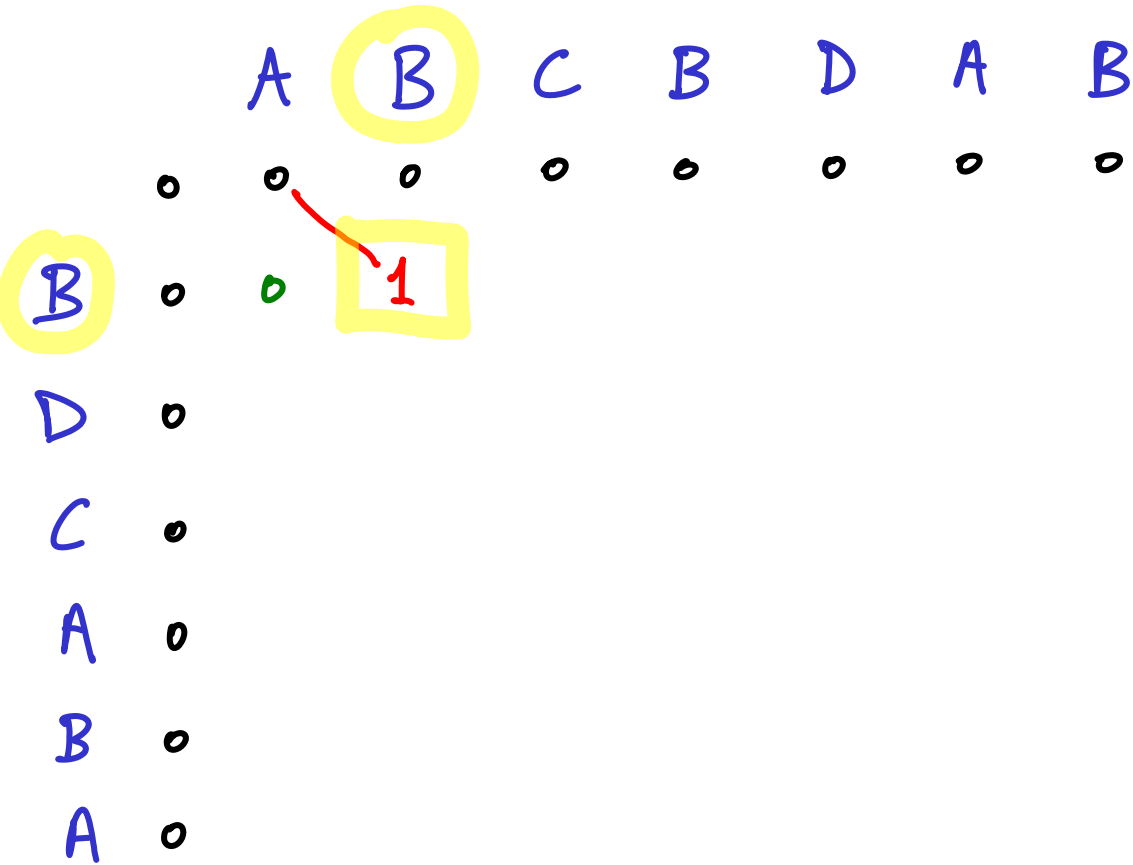


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	A	B	C	B	D	A	B
	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
B	o	o					
D	o						
C	o						
A	o						
B	o						
A	o						

green # : max of {above, left}
when letters in column & row of #
don't match

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red # : $1 + \text{diag}^{\uparrow} \#$

when letters in column & row of #
match

green # : $\max\{\text{above}, \text{left}\}$

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don't match

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	A	B	C	B	D	A	B
	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
B	o	1	1				
D	o						
C	o						
A	o						
B	o						
A	o						

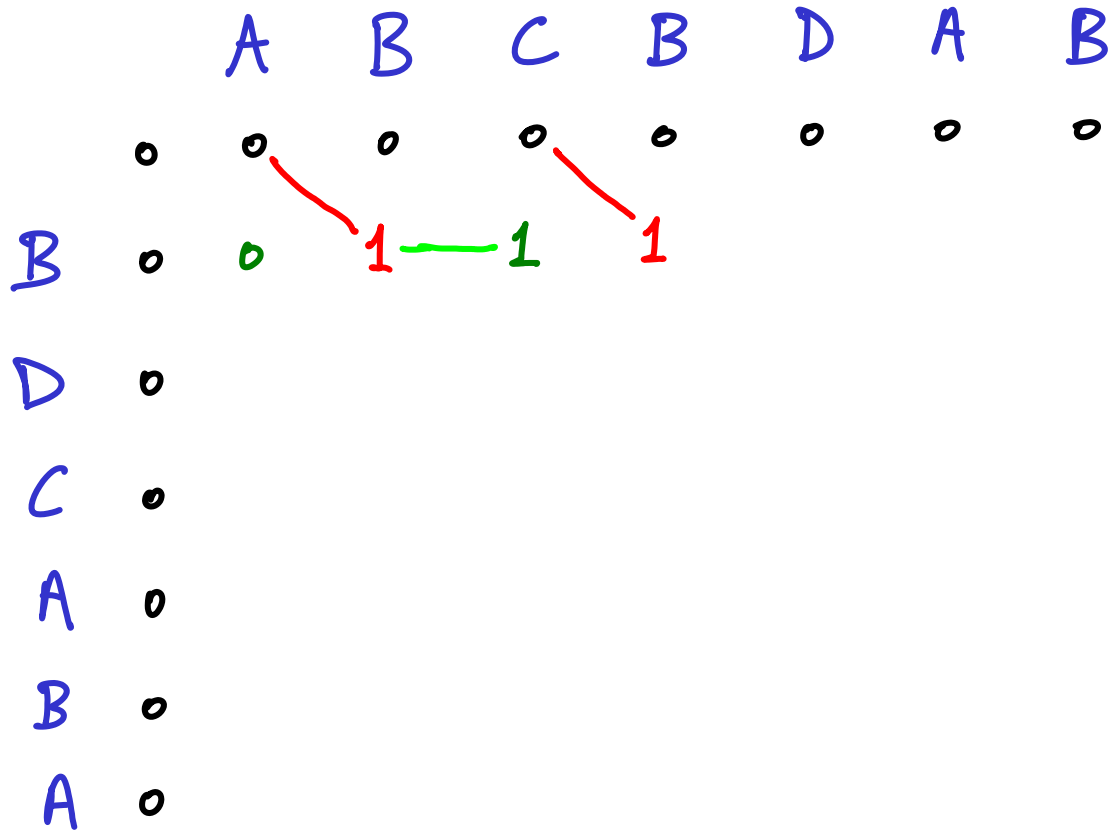
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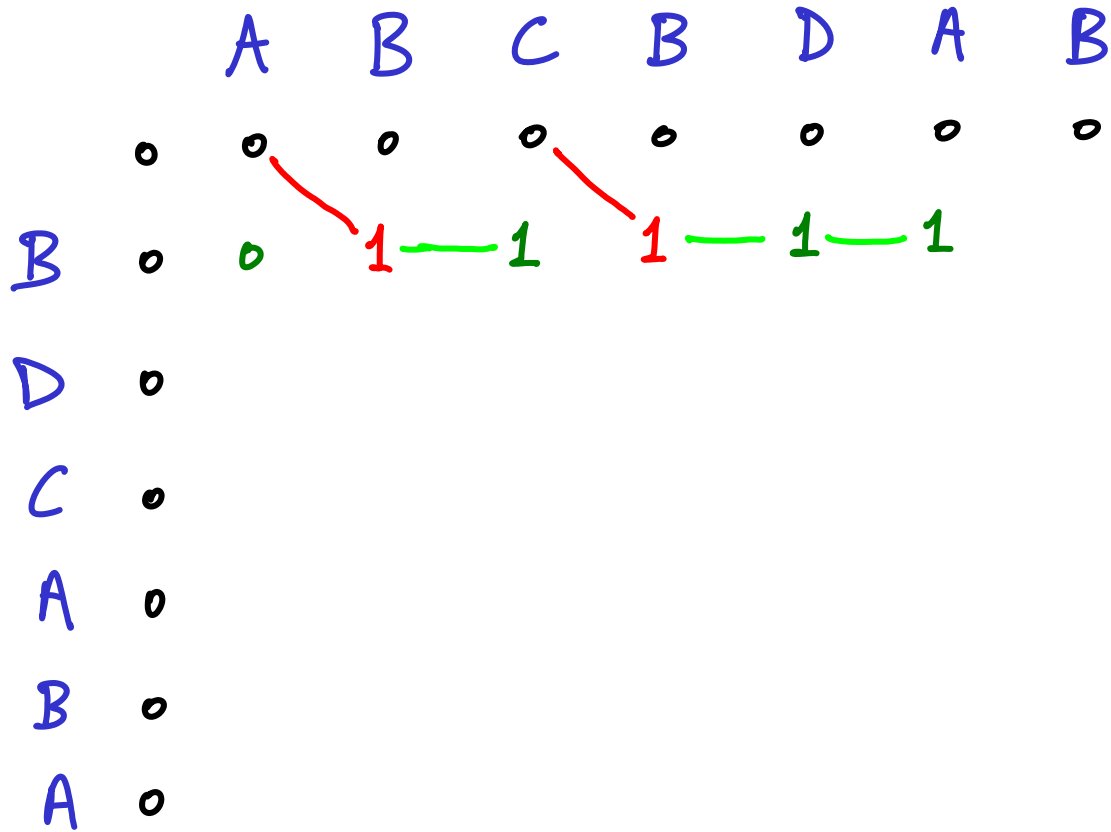
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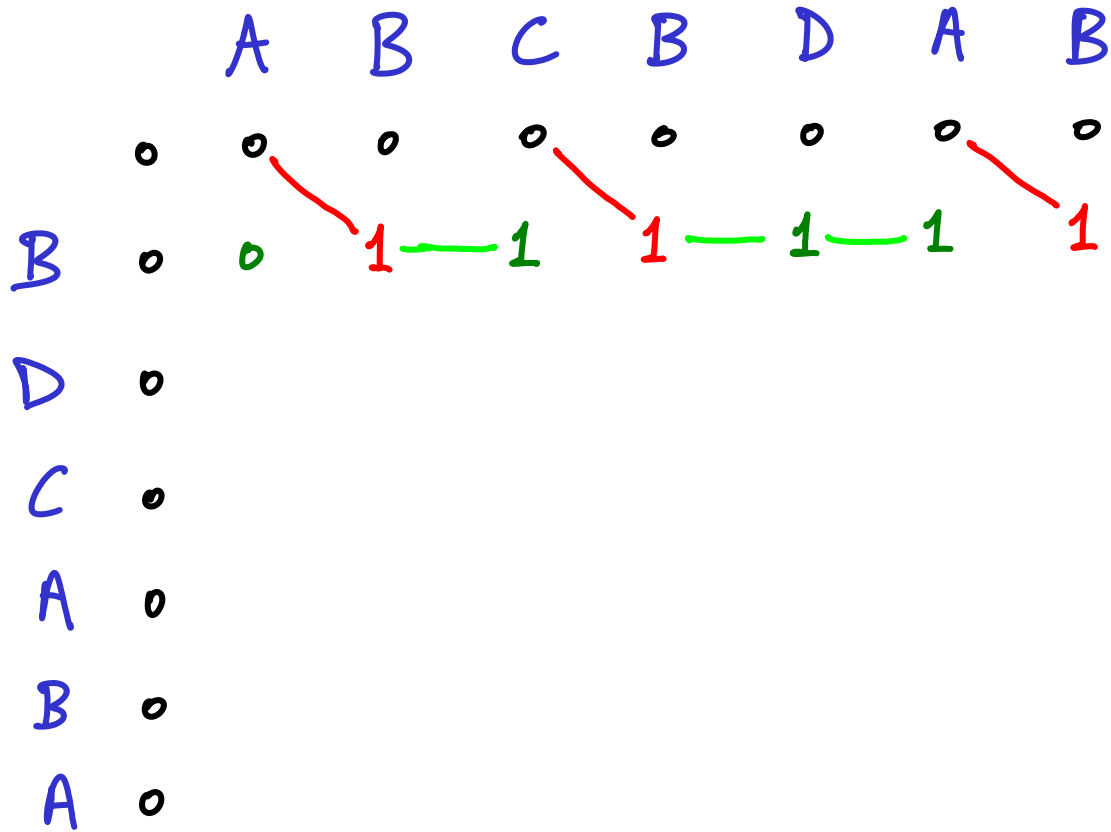
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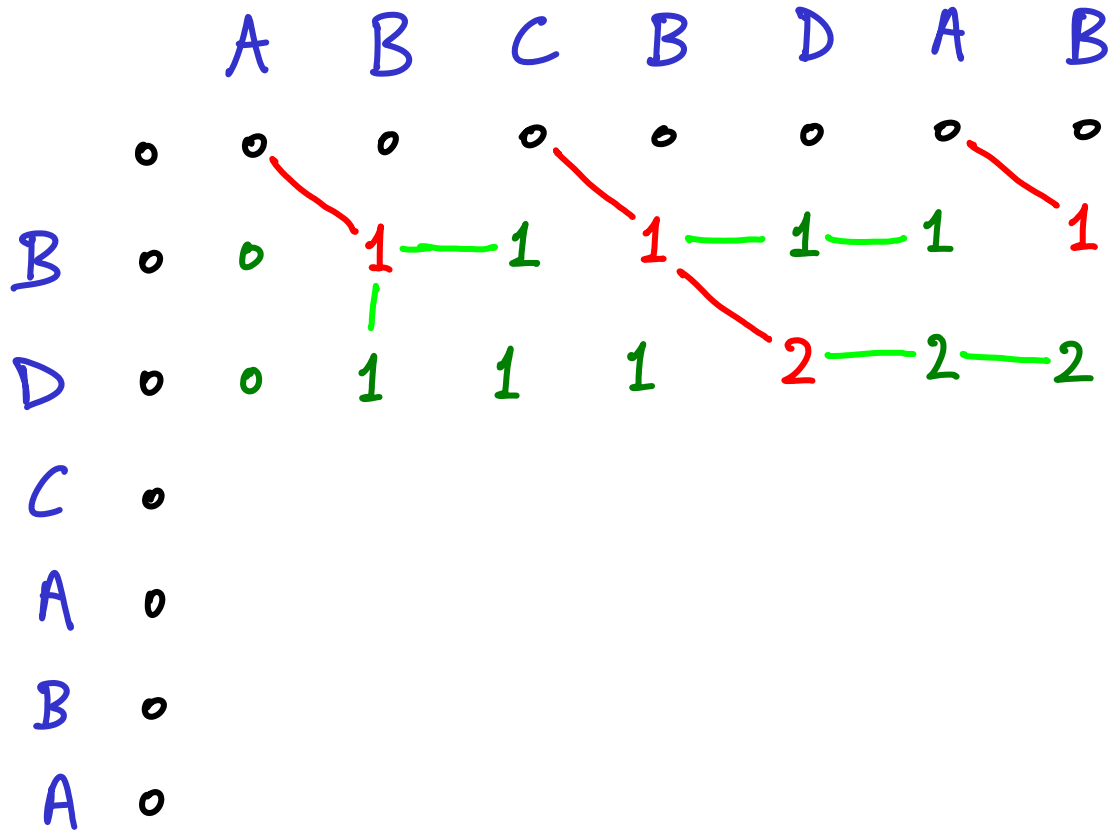
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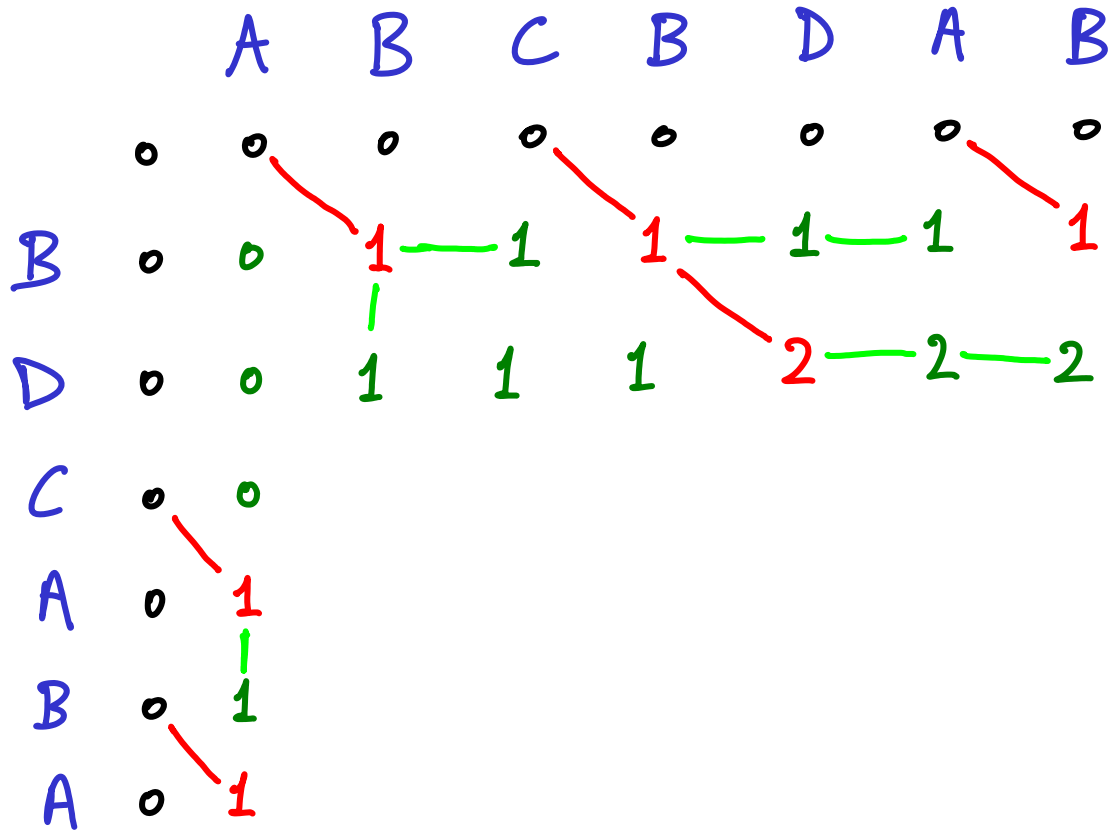
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when letters in column & row of # match

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when letters in column & row of # don't match

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

The table shows the dynamic programming table for the sequence "ABCBA" (rows) and "ABCBA" (columns). Red lines indicate the path for the longest common subsequence (LCS) "ABAB". Green lines indicate the values for the longest common subsequence ending at each cell.

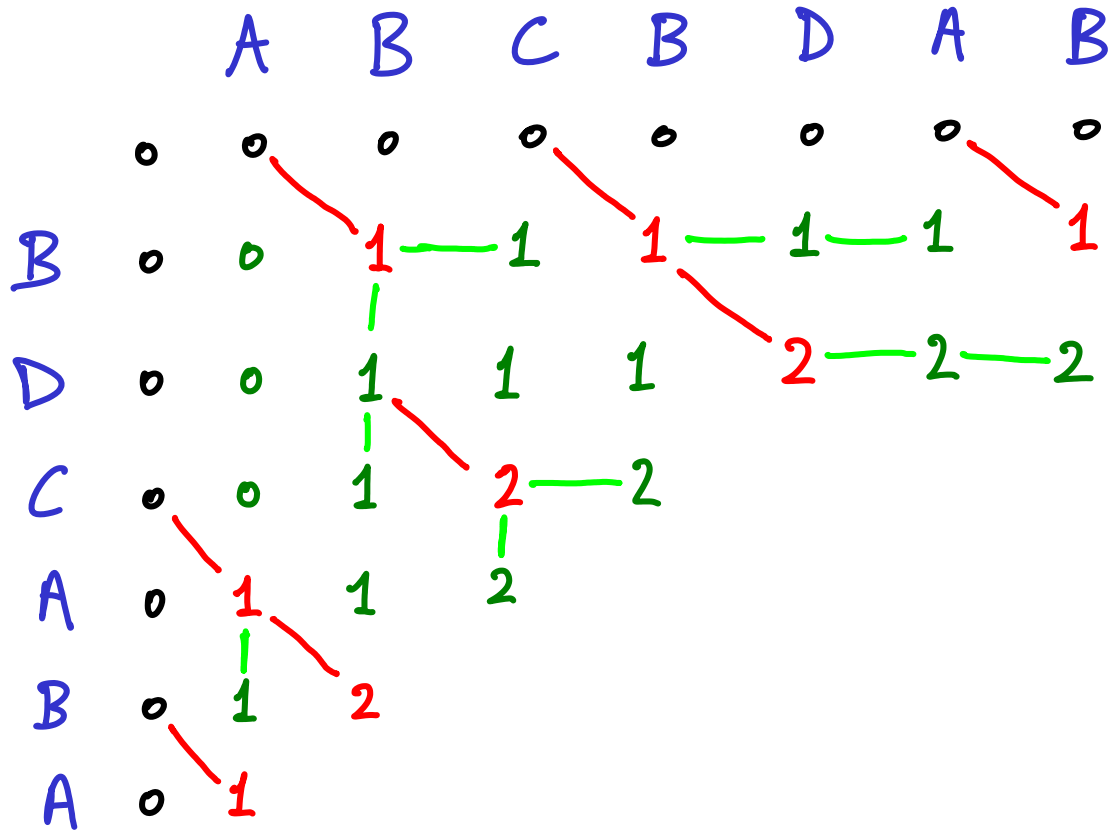
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when letters in column & row of # match

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when letters in column & row of # don't match

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	A	B	C	B	D	A	B
B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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

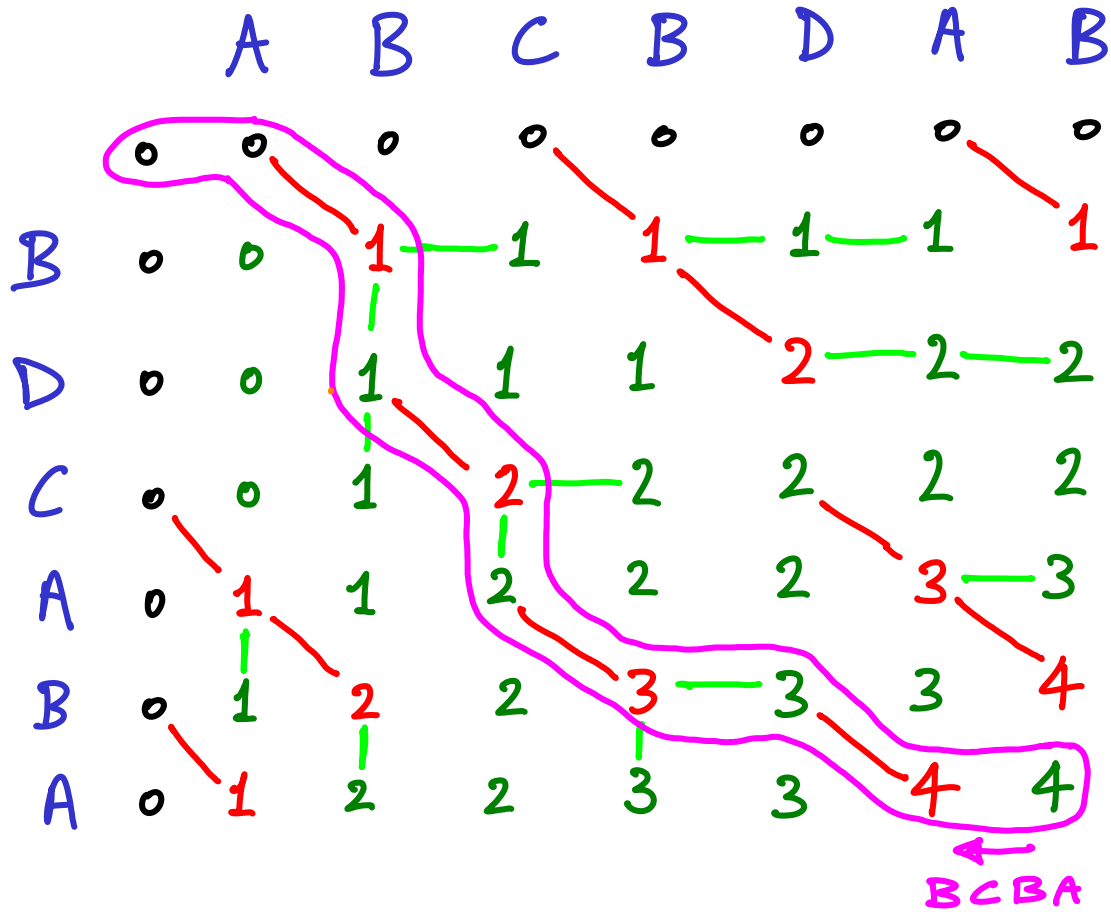
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when letters in column & row of # don't match

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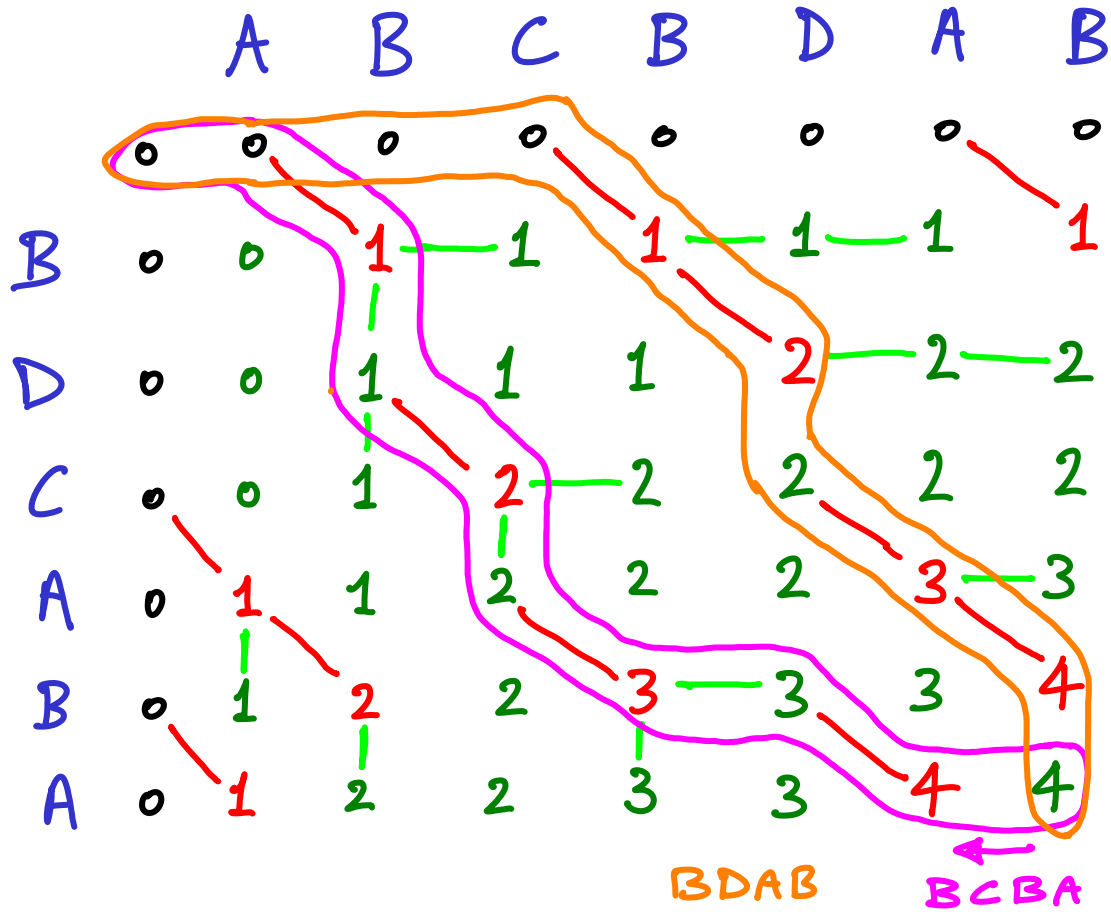
when letters in column & row of # match

green # : $\max\{\text{above}, \text{left}\}$

when letters in column & row of # don't match

Trace from C_{mn} to C_{11} to get LCS

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red # : 1 + diag↑#

when letters in column & row of # match

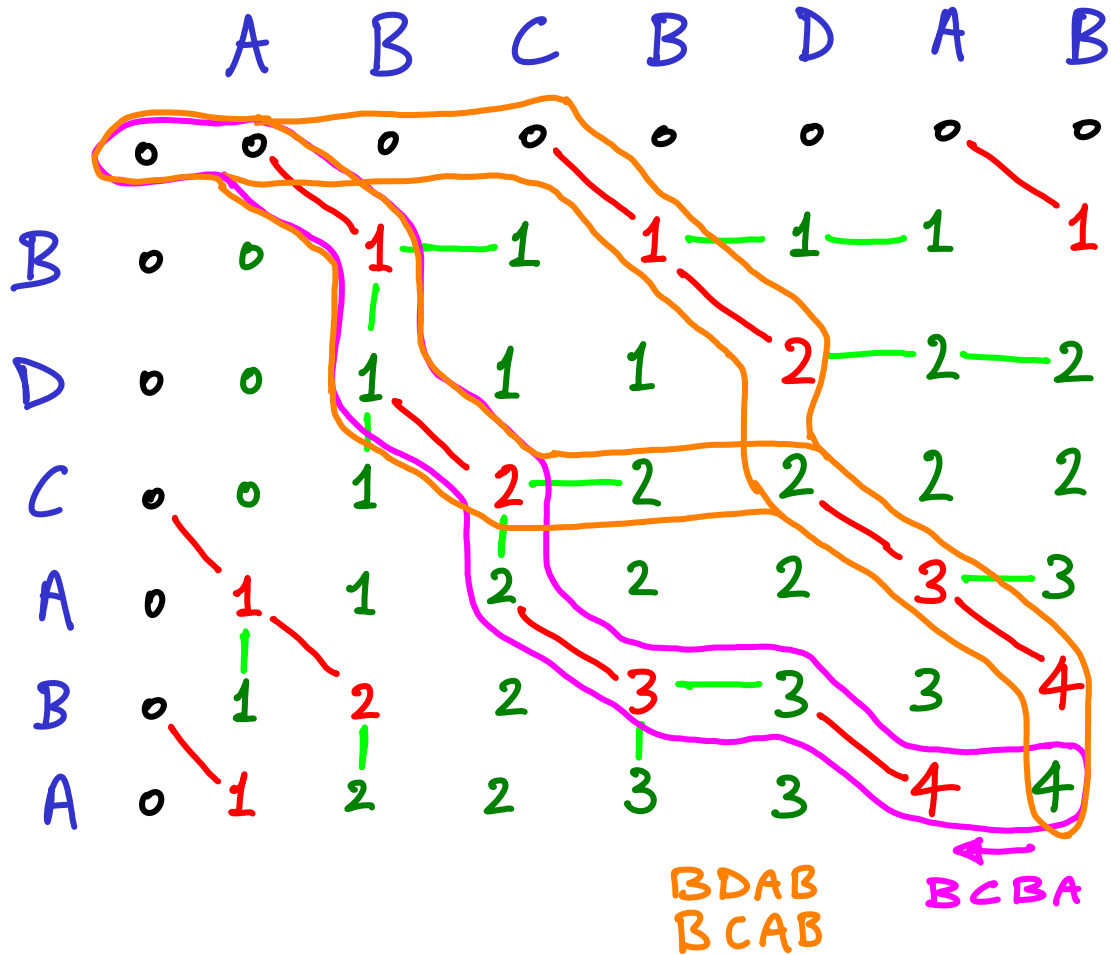
green # : max of {above, left}

when letters in column & row of # don't match

Trace from C_{mn} to C_{11} to get LCS

↳ follow mandatory paths ;
optional branches : multiple solutions

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red # : $1 + \text{diag} \uparrow \#$

when letters in column & row of # match

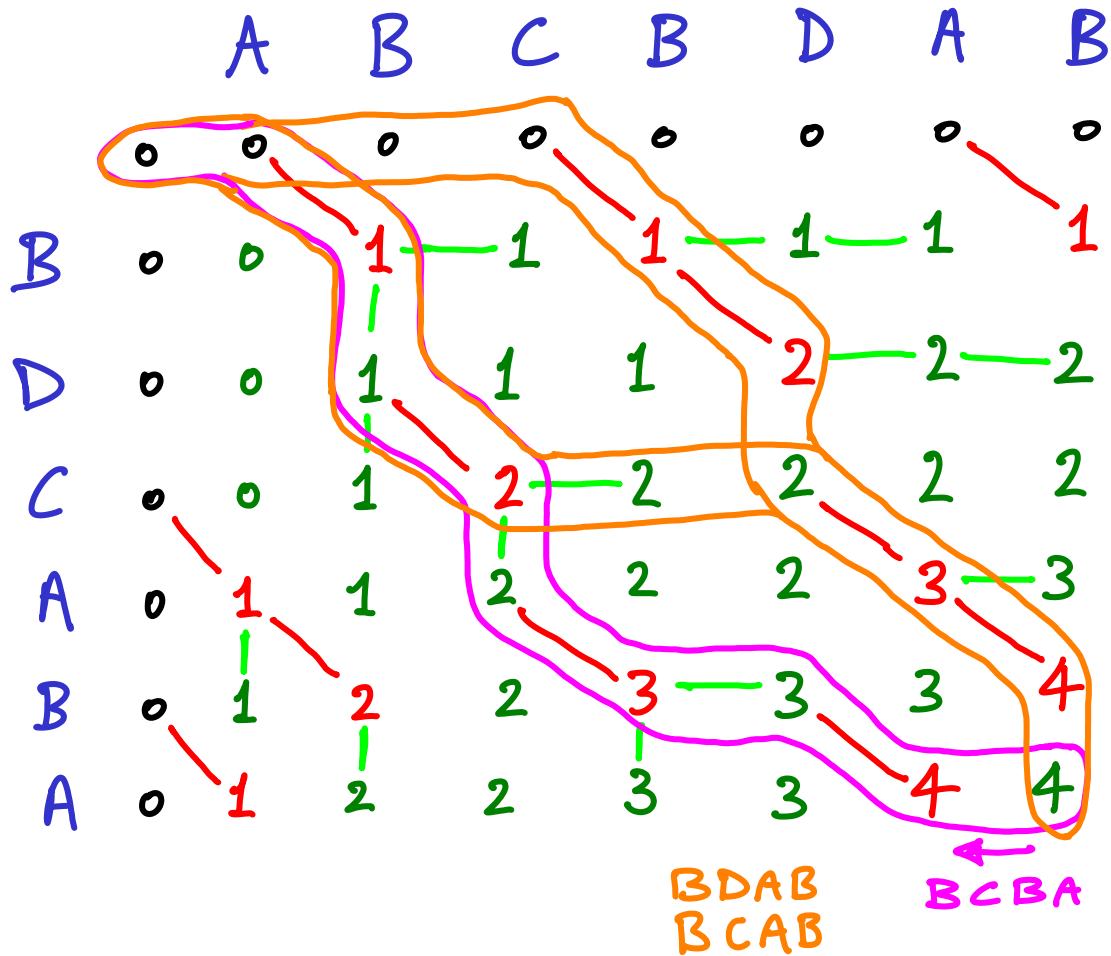
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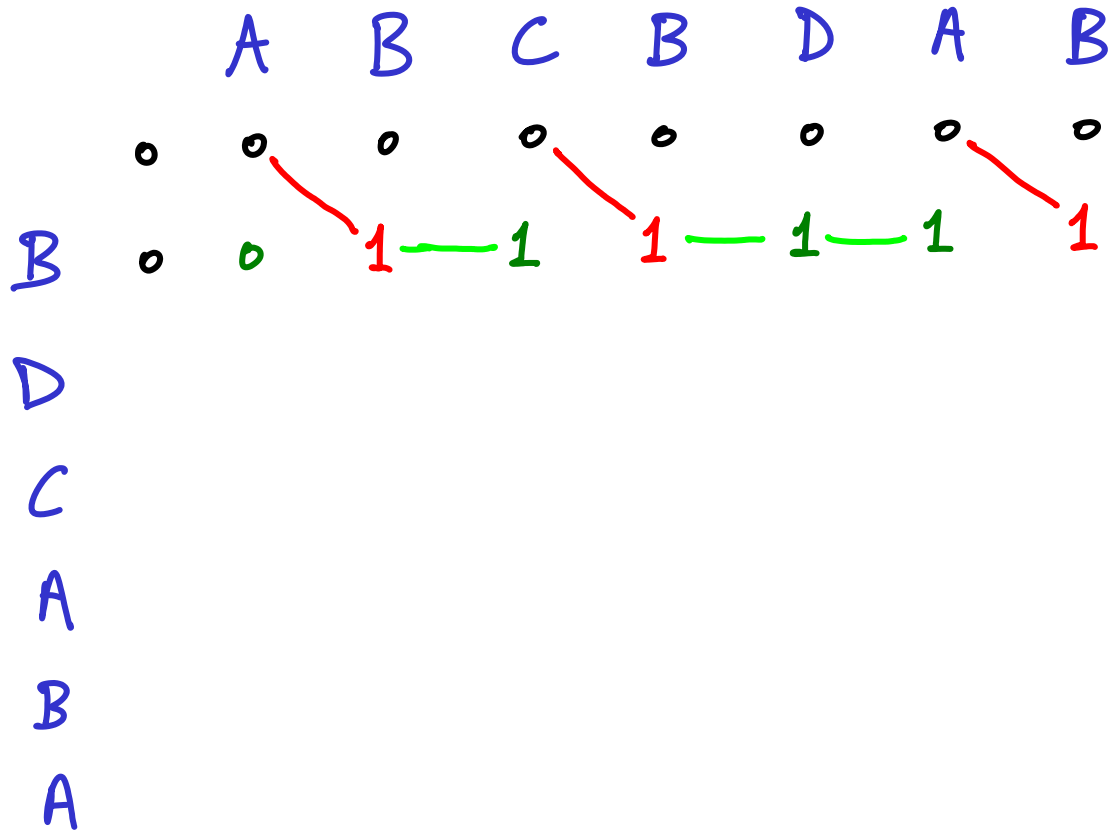
when letters in column & row of # don't match

Trace from C_{mn} to C_{11} to get LCS

↳ follow mandatory paths ;
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$\Theta(mn)$ time & space (+1 trace)

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when letters in column & row of # match

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when letters in column & row of # don't match

Trace from C_{mn} to C_{11} to get LCS

↳ follow mandatory paths ;
optional branches : multiple solutions

$\Theta(mn)$ time & space (+1 trace)

Save space : $\min\{m, n\}$

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A B C B D A B

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

Note: In the original image, green lines connect (B,C)=1 to (B,D)=1, (B,D)=1 to (B,A)=1, (D,C)=1 to (D,D)=2, (D,D)=2 to (D,A)=2, and (D,D)=2 to (D,B)=1. A red line connects (D,C)=1 to (D,D)=2.

red # : $1 + \text{diag} \uparrow \#$

when letters in column & row of # match

green # : $\max\{\text{above, left}\}$

when letters in column & row of # don't match

Trace from C_{mn} to C_{11} to get LCS

↳ follow mandatory paths ;
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Save space : $\min\{m, n\}$ 

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A B C B D A B

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

etc

red # : $1 + \text{diag} \uparrow \#$

when letters in column & row of # match

green # : $\max\{\text{above, left}\}$

when letters in column & row of # don't match

Trace from C_{mn} to C_{11} to get LCS

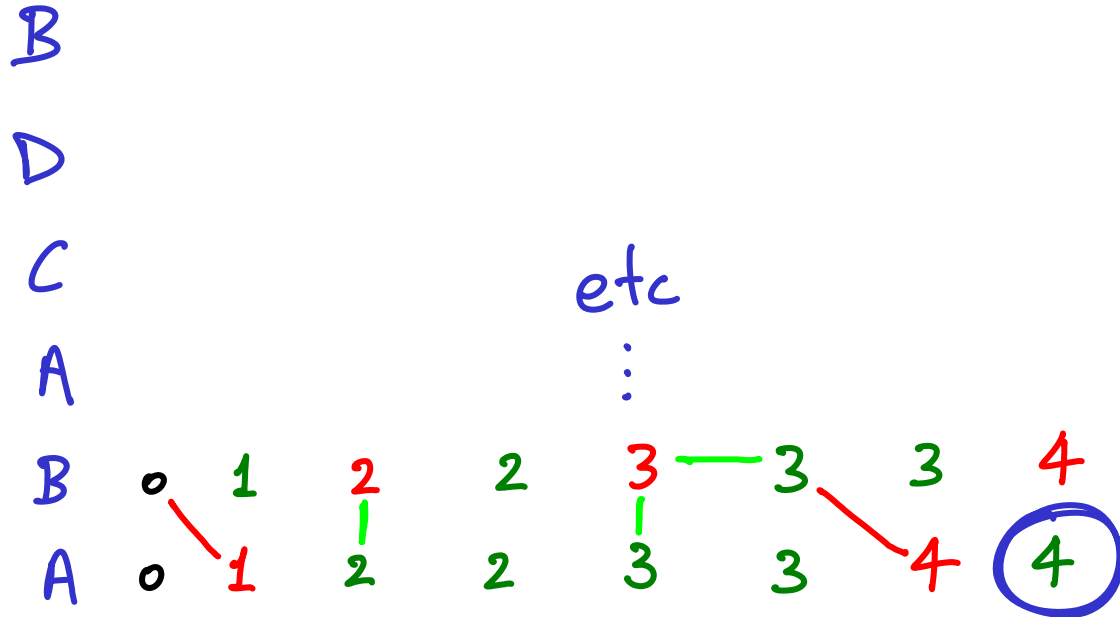
↳ follow mandatory paths ;
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$\Theta(mn)$ time & space (+1 trace)

Save space : $\min\{m, n\}$

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A B C B D A B



get |LCS| but not LCS

red # : 1 + diag↑#

when letters in column & row of # match

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