

# Maximum contiguous subsequence sum problem — Sol. 1

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**Problem:** Find  $\max \left\{ \sum_{i=\ell}^{h-1} a[i] \mid 0 \leq \ell \leq h \leq n \right\}$

where  $a[0..n-1]$  is an array of integers (possibly negative) and  $n \geq 0$ .

**Solution 1:**

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summax := 0;
for  $\ell$  from 0 to  $n - 1$  :
    for  $h$  from  $\ell + 1$  to  $n$  :
        {
            sum := 0;
            for  $i$  from  $l$  to  $h - 1$  :
                sum := sum +  $a[i]$ ;
            if summax < sum then summax := sum;
        }
```

# Maximum contiguous subsequence sum problem — complexity of Sol. 1

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$$\begin{aligned} & c_1 + \sum_{\ell=0}^{n-1} \left( c_2 + \sum_{h=\ell+1}^n \left( c_3 + \sum_{i=\ell}^{h-1} c_4 \right) \right) = c_1 + \sum_{\ell=0}^{n-1} \left( c_2 + \sum_{h=\ell+1}^n (c_3 + c_4 \cdot (h - \ell)) \right) \\ & = c_1 + \sum_{\ell=0}^{n-1} \left( c_2 + \frac{((c_3 + c_4) + (c_3 + c_4 \cdot (n - \ell))) \cdot (n - \ell)}{2} \right) \\ & = c_1 + c_2 \cdot n + \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{n-1} \frac{(2 \cdot c_3 + c_4) \cdot (n - \ell)}{2} \right) + \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{n-1} \frac{c_4 \cdot (n - \ell)^2}{2} \right) \\ & = c_1 + c_2 \cdot n + \left( \sum_{\ell=1}^n \frac{(2 \cdot c_3 + c_4) \cdot \ell}{2} \right) + \left( \sum_{\ell=1}^n \frac{c_4 \cdot \ell^2}{2} \right) \\ & = c_1 + c_2 \cdot n + \frac{(2 \cdot c_3 + c_4)}{2} \cdot \sum_{\ell=1}^n \ell + \frac{c_4}{2} \cdot \sum_{\ell=1}^n \ell^2 \\ & = c_1 + c_2 \cdot n + \frac{(2 \cdot c_3 + c_4)}{2} \cdot \frac{n \cdot (n + 1)}{2} + \frac{c_4}{2} \cdot \frac{n \cdot (n + 1) \cdot (2 \cdot n + 1)}{6} \\ & \in \Theta(n^3) \end{aligned}$$

# Maximum contiguous subsequence sum problem — Sol. 2

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Problem: Find  $\max \left\{ \sum_{i=\ell}^{h-1} a[i] \mid 0 \leq \ell \leq h \leq n \right\}$

where  $a[0..n-1]$  is an array of integers (possibly negative) and  $n \geq 0$ .

Solution 2:

```
summax := 0;
for ℓ from 0 to n - 1 :
  for h from ℓ + 1 to n :
    sum := 0;
    for i from ℓ to h - 1 :
      sum := sum + a[i];
    if summax < sum then summax := sum;
  }
```

# Maximum contiguous subsequence sum problem — complexity of Sol. 2

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**Problem:** Find  $\max \left\{ \sum_{i=\ell}^{h-1} a[i] \mid 0 \leq \ell \leq h \leq n \right\}$

where  $a[0..n-1]$  is an array of integers (possibly negative) and  $n \geq 0$ .

**Solution 2:**

```
summax := 0;
for  $\ell$  from 0 to  $n - 1$  :
{
    sum := 0;
    for  $h$  from  $\ell + 1$  to  $n$  :
    {
        sum := sum +  $a[h - 1]$ ;
        if summax < sum then summax := sum;
    }
}
```

**Complexity:**

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 + \sum_{\ell=0}^{n-1} \left( c_2 + \sum_{h=\ell+1}^n c_3 \right) &= c_1 + c_2 \cdot n + \sum_{\ell=0}^{n-1} c_3 \cdot (n - \ell) = c_1 + c_2 \cdot n + c_3 \cdot \sum_{\ell=1}^n \ell \\ &\in c_1 + c_2 \cdot n + c_3 \cdot \frac{(n+1) \cdot n}{2} \in \Theta(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

# Maximum contiguous subsequence sum problem — Sol. 3

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**Problem:** Find  $\max \left\{ \sum_{i=\ell}^{h-1} a[i] \mid 0 \leq \ell \leq h \leq n \right\}$

where  $a[0..n-1]$  is an array of integers (possibly negative) and  $n \geq 0$ .

**Solution 3 (divide and conquer):**

*Either* the maximum of the left half,  
*or* the maximum of the right half,  
*or* the max. of the left half touching the center  
+ the max. of the right half touching the center

## **DIVIDE-AND-CONQUER method:**

- split the problem into subproblems of roughly equal sizes,
- solve each subproblem recursively,
- do an extra small amount of work to combine the solutions of the subproblems into a solution of the problem.

$maxsub(p, q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$

if  $p + 1 = q$  then { if  $a[p] < 0$  then 0 else  $a[p]$  }

else {

/\*  $p + 2 \leq q$  \*/

$k := \lfloor (p + q) / 2 \rfloor$ ;  $lmax := maxsub(p, k)$ ;  $rmax := maxsub(k, q)$ ;

$lbdmax := 0$ ;  $lbd := 0$ ; **for**  $i$  **from**  $k - 1$  **to**  $p$  :

{  $lbd := lbd + a[i]$ ; **if**  $lbdmax < lbd$  **then**  $lbdmax := lbd$ ; }

$rbdmax := 0$ ;  $rbd := 0$ ; **for**  $i$  **from**  $k + 1$  **to**  $q$  :

{  $rbd := rbd + a[i]$ ; **if**  $rbdmax < rbd$  **then**  $rbdmax := rbd$ ; }

**return**  $\max(lmax, rmax, lbdmax + rbdmax)$ ;

}

# Maximum contiguous subsequence sum problem — complexity of Sol. 3

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Size of data:  $n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} q - p$

Recurrence:

$$t(n) = \begin{cases} c_1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 2 \cdot t(n/2) + c_2 \cdot n & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

Complexity:

$$t(n) \text{ in } \Theta(n \cdot \log n)$$

**Theorem:** (divide and conquer)

If  $t$  is defined by the recurrence

$$t(n) = a \cdot t(n/b) + c \cdot n^q \cdot (\log n)^k$$

where  $a \geq 1$ ,  $b > 1$ ,  $c > 0$  and  $k, q \geq 0$  then

$$t(n) \in \begin{cases} \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } a > b^q \\ \Theta(n^q \cdot (\log_b n)^{k+1}) & \text{if } a = b^q \\ \Theta(n^q \cdot (\log_b n)^k) & \text{if } a < b^q \end{cases}$$

# Maximum contiguous subsequence sum problem — Sol. 4

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**Problem:** Find  $\max \left\{ \sum_{i=\ell}^{h-1} a[i] \mid 0 \leq \ell \leq h \leq n \right\}$

where  $a[0..n-1]$  is an array of integers (possibly negative) and  $n \geq 0$ .

**Solution 4:**

```
summax := 0; sum := 0;
for j from 0 to n - 1 :
{
    sum := sum + a[j];
    if summax < sum then summax := sum;
    else if sum < 0 then sum := 0;
}
```

**Complexity:**  $\Theta(n)$

# Warnings about constants

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If we are only interested in asymptotic complexity, then:

constants in recurrences do not matter

**WRONG!**

$$\begin{cases} t_1(n) = 1 \cdot t_1(n-1) + 1 & \text{--- linear} \\ t_2(n) = 2 \cdot t_2(n-1) + 1 & \text{--- exponential} \end{cases}$$

$t_2$  grows faster

constants in non-recursive formulas do not matter

**WRONG!**

$$\begin{cases} t_1(n) = 2^n \\ t_2(n) = 3^n \end{cases}$$

$t_2$  grows faster

multiplying anything by a constant does not matter

**WRONG!**

$$\begin{cases} t_1(n) = 2^{1 \cdot n} \\ t_2(n) = 2^{2 \cdot n} \end{cases}$$

$t_2$  grows faster

adding anywhere a constant does not matter

**WRONG!**

$$\begin{cases} t_1(n) = (n+0)! \\ t_2(n) = (n+1)! \end{cases}$$

$t_2$  grows faster

multiplying the final value by a constant or adding a constant to the final value does not matter

**RIGHT!**