

Dynamic Programming

CSCI 532

Dynamic Programming Process

1. Identify optimal substructure:

If we have an optimal solution of size X , what does that say about a sub-solution of X ?

2. Recursively define value of optimal solution:

$$A_n = \max \text{ or } \min \text{ of something related to } A_{n-i}$$

3. Compute value of optimal solution.

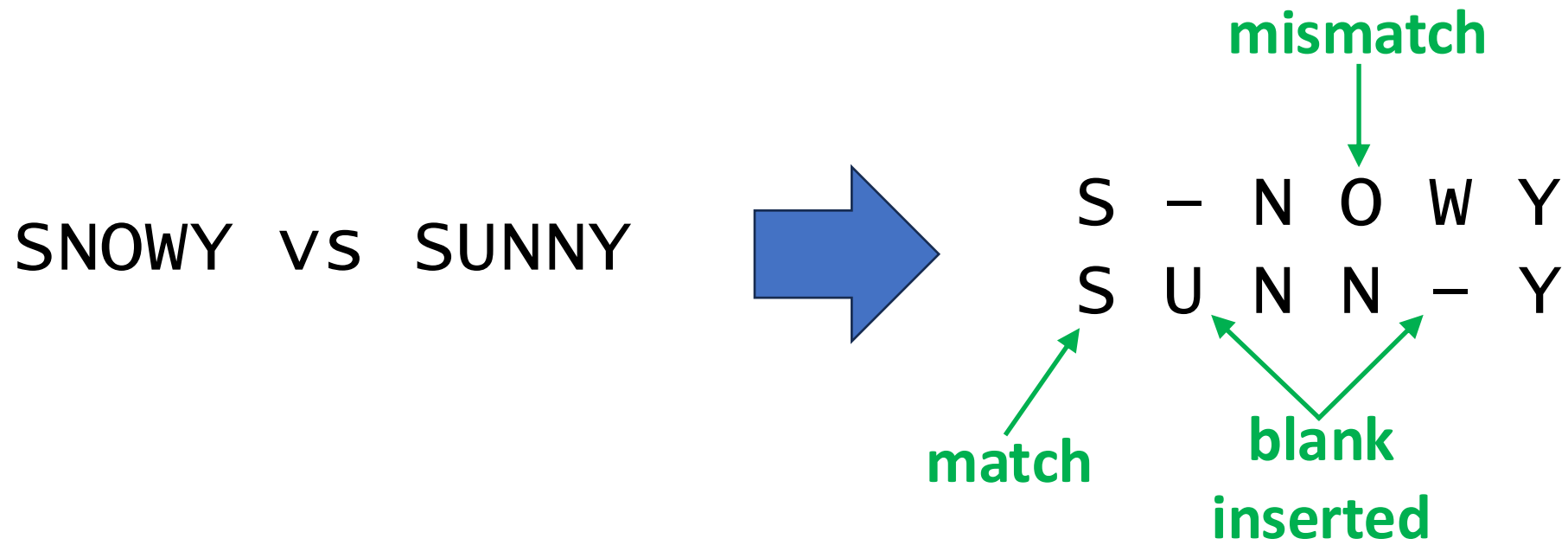
Fill out table for every optimal value $\leq A_n$

4. Construct optimal solution from computed information:

Either backtrack or make a new table.

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Objective:

Find cheapest possible alignment.

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**Specifically, how must the optimal alignment end?
(three possibilities).**

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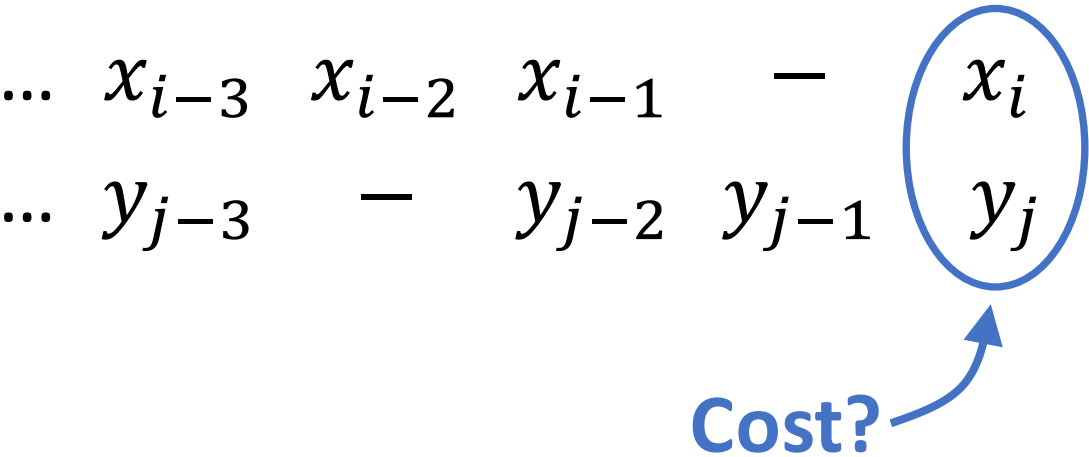
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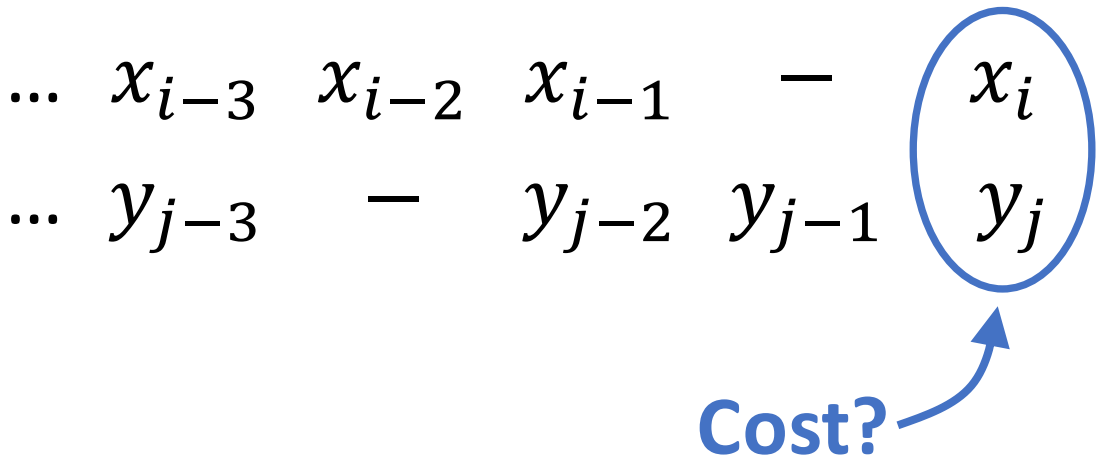
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x_i —	
— y_j	



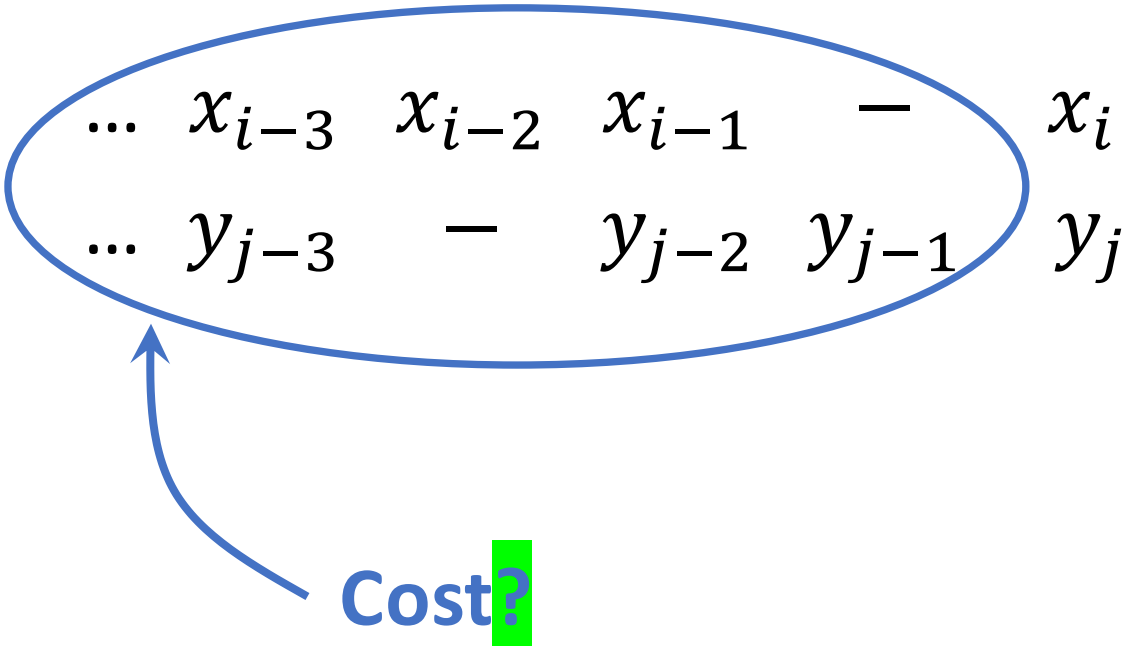
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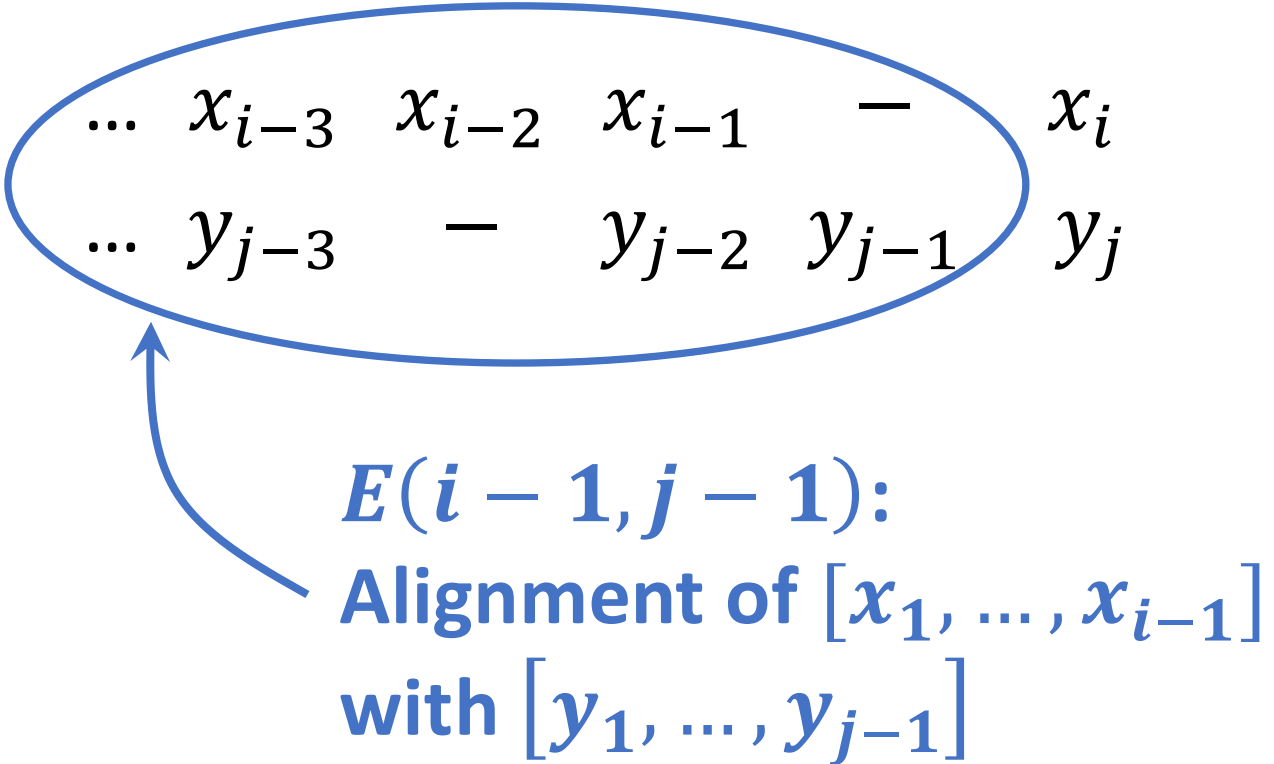
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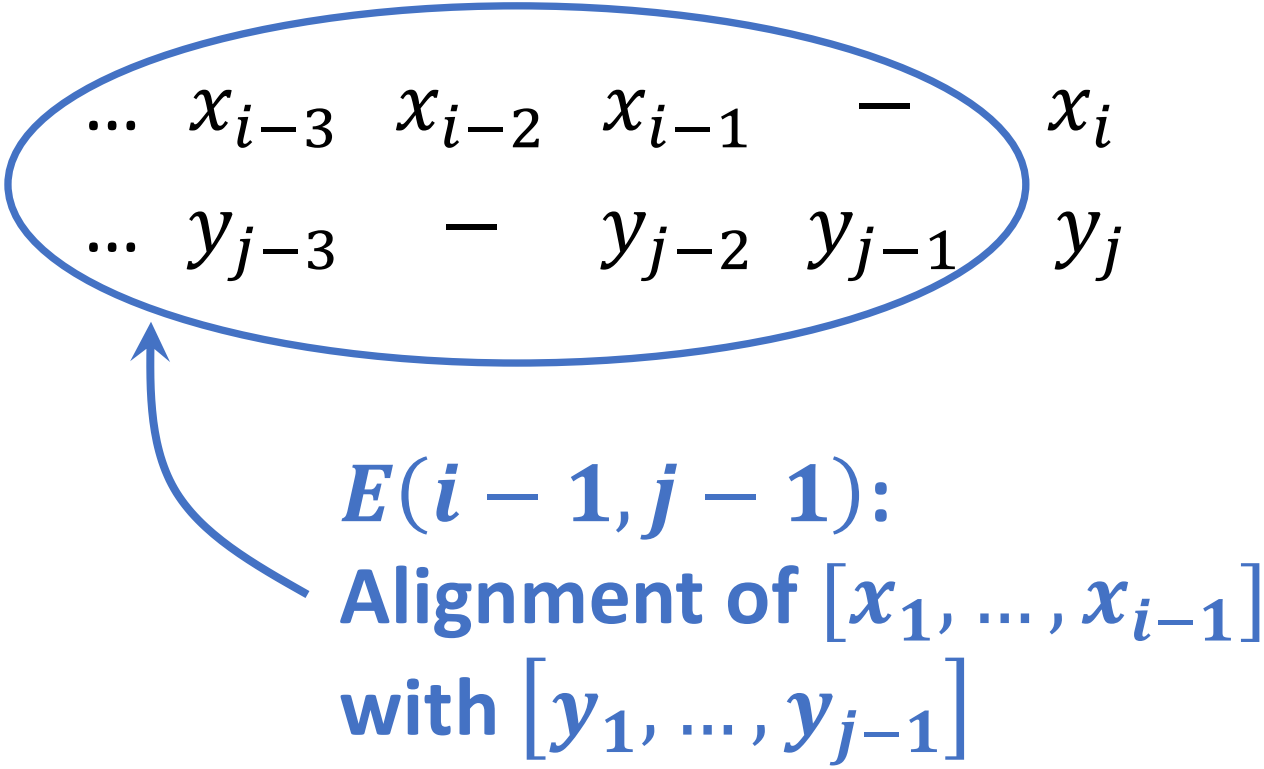
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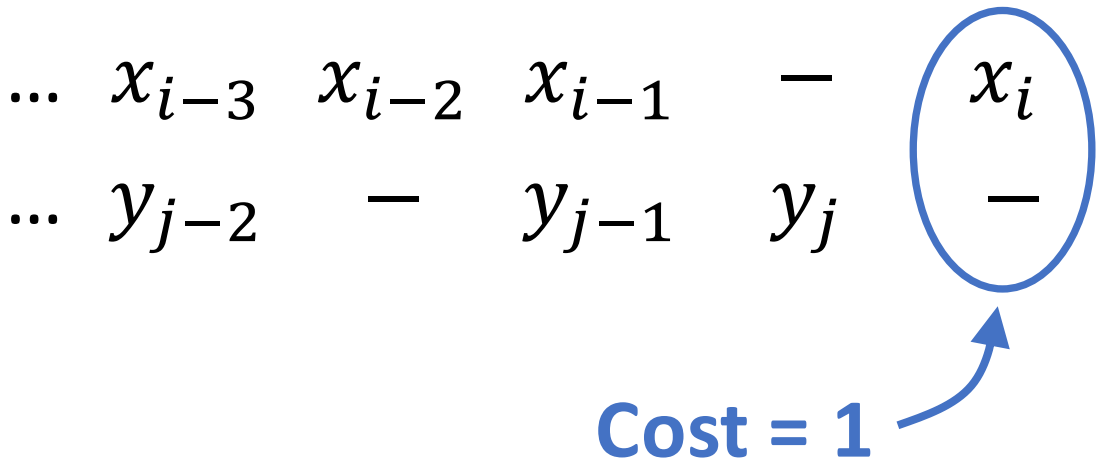
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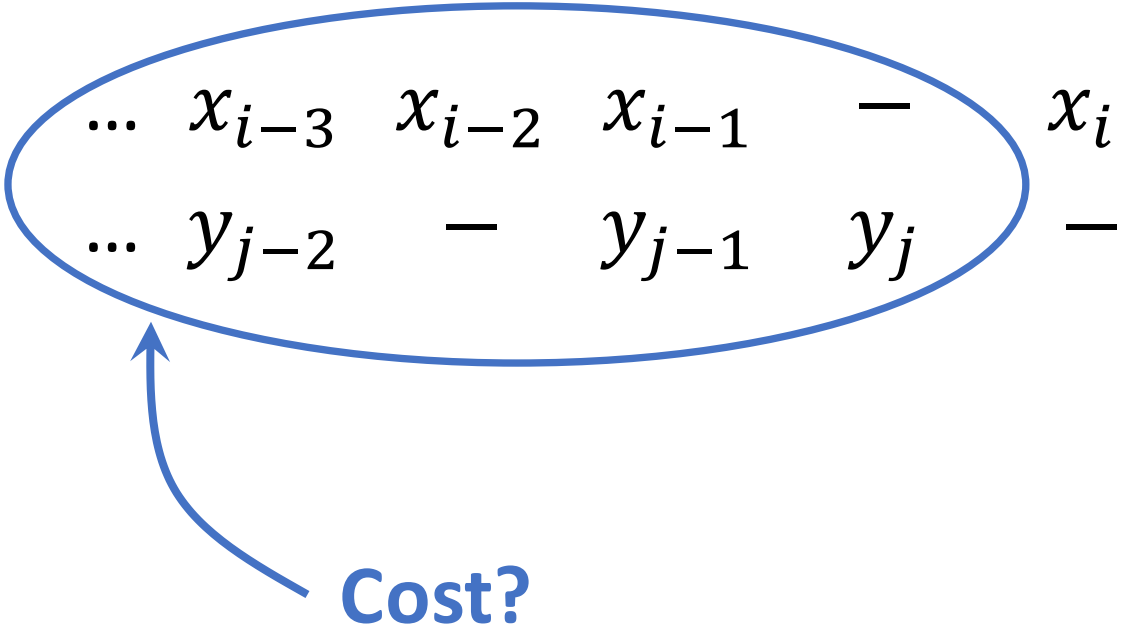
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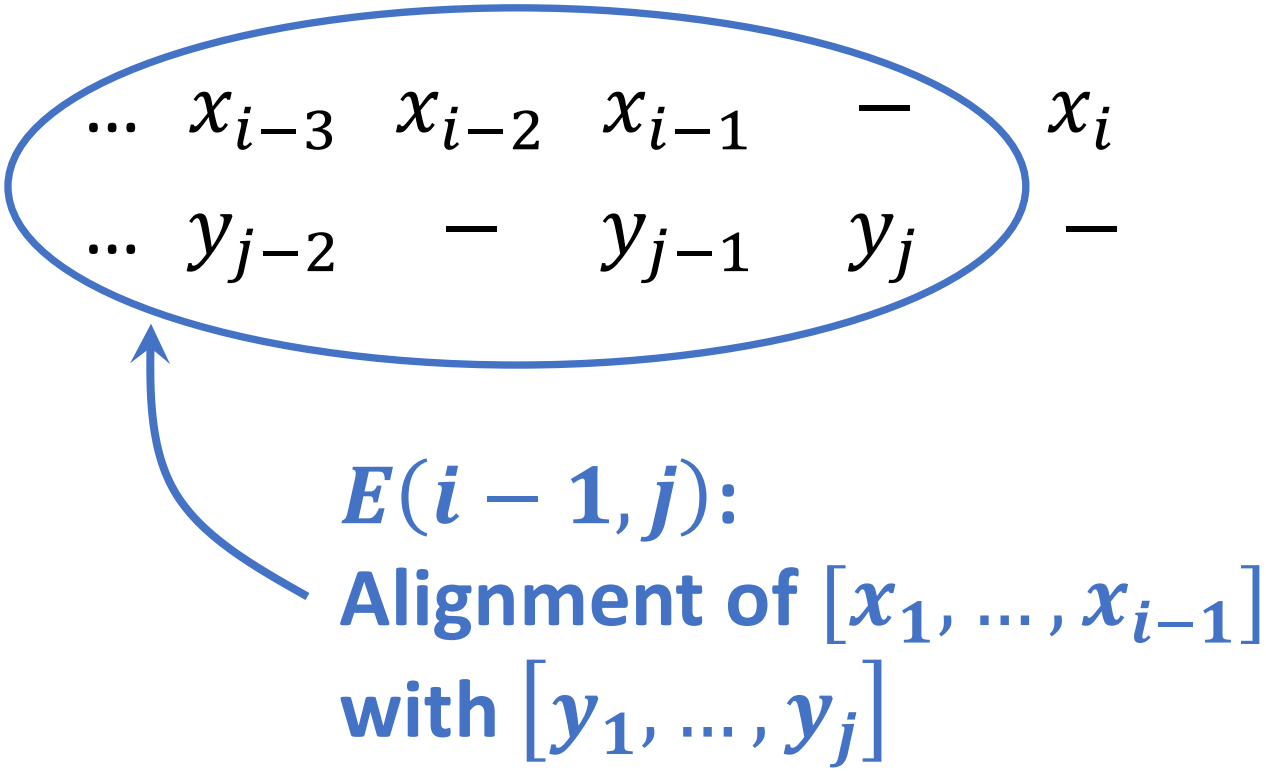
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$$E(i, j) = \min \begin{cases} \text{diff}(i, j) + E(i-1, j-1) \\ 1 + E(i-1, j) \\ 1 + E(i, j-1) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{where } \text{diff}(i, j) = \begin{cases} 0, & x_i = y_j \\ 1, & x_i \neq y_j \end{cases}$$

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- Store intermediate $E(i, j)$ values in a 2d array.

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Where can we start?

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 $E(0, 1)$ or $E(1, 0)$

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3	O							
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Corresponds to aligning S from SUNNY with inserted – from SNOWY.

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Not calculated yet!

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Need upper left-hand corner filled out before we can progress.

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		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
			S U N N Y					
i	0		0	1	2			
	1	S						
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2	N		2	1	1	1	2	3
3	O		3	2	2	2	2	3
4	W		4	3	3	3	3	3
5	Y		5	4	4	4	4	3

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Running Time?

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0			0	1	2	3	4	5
1	S		1	0	1	2	3	4
2	N		2	1	1	1	2	3
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Fill out $n \times m$ table with constant operations: $O(nm)$

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2	N		2	1	1	1	2	3
3	O		3	2	2	2	2	3
4	W		4	3	3	3	3	3
5	Y		5	4	4	4	4	3

Edit distance = 3.

How can we recreate the actual alignment?

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i	0		0	1	2	3	4	5
	1	S	1	0	1	2	3	4
	2	N	2	1	1	1	2	3
	3	O	3	2	2	2	2	3
	4	W	4	3	3	3	3	3
	5	Y	5	4	4	4	4	3

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Backtracking.

Ask the question: “How did we get here?”

Edit Distance

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0			0	1	2	3	4	5
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How did we get to $E(5,5)$?

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i								
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How did we get to $E(5,5)$?
From $E(5,4)$?

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2	N		2	1	1	1	2	3
3	O		3	2	2	2	2	3
4	W		4	3	3	3	3	3
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From $E(5,4)$? – No. Can never go down in cost.

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From $E(4,5)$?

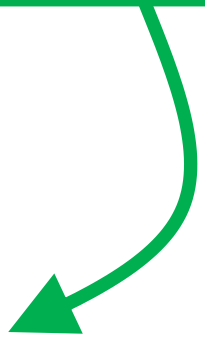
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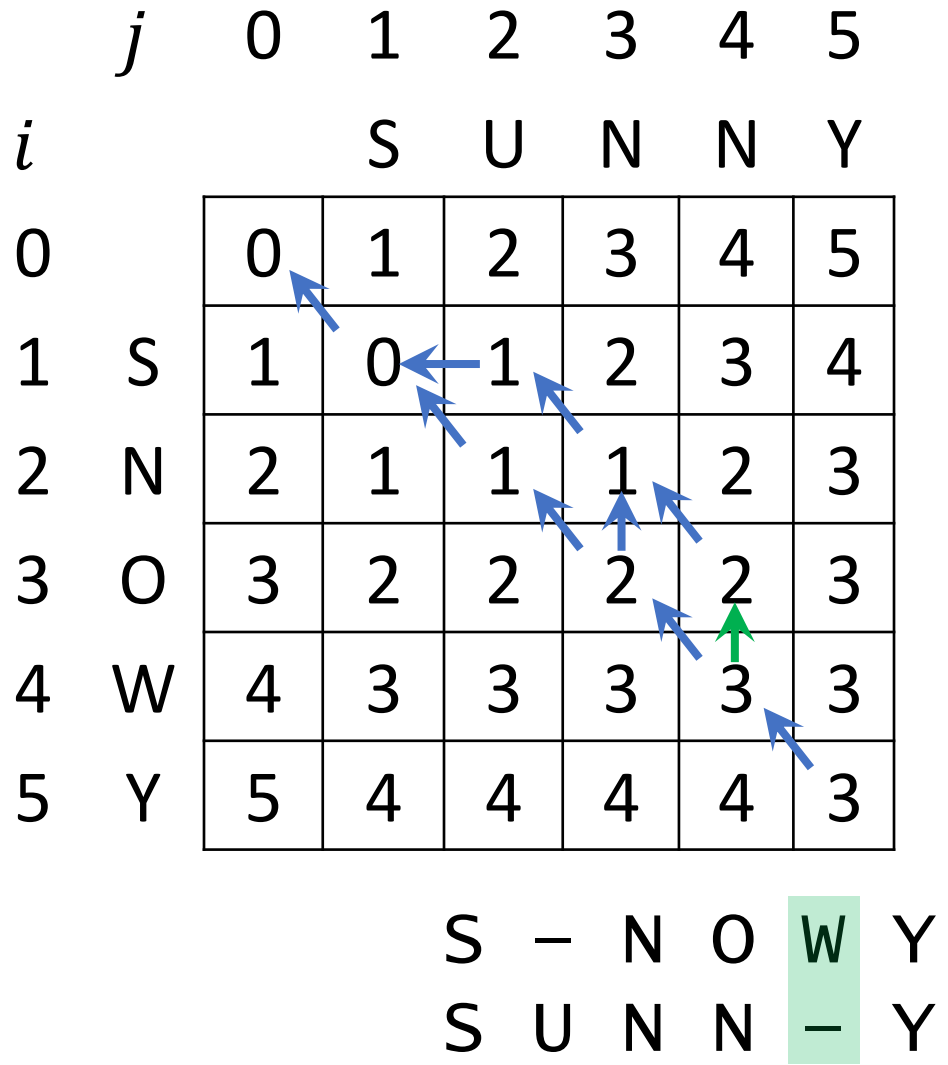
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S U N N - Y

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Alignment?

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	2	N	2	1	1	1	2	3
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S - N O W Y

S U N - N Y

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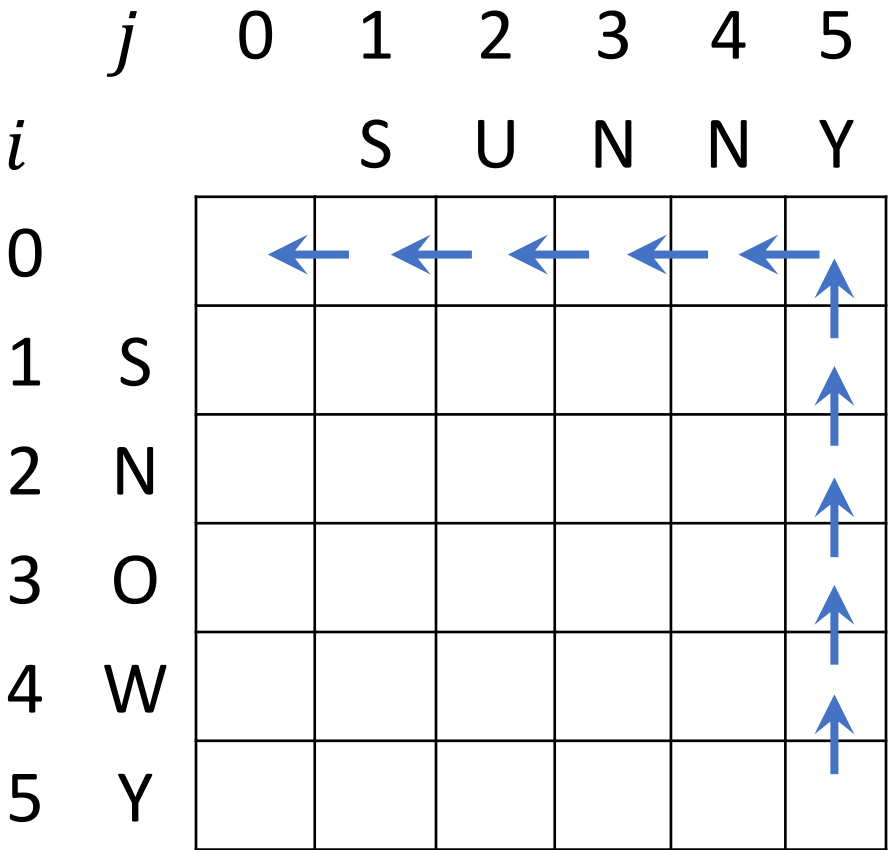
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 $O(2 \max(n, m)) = O(\max(n, m))$

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Ill advised.