

WST540: Quiz 3

Problem 1. Let $s = \text{river}$ and $t = \text{digger}$. Answer the following questions.

(i) Recall that, to compute the edit distance between s and t , we learned a dynamic programming algorithm which works by filling in a 2d array A , such that $A[i, j]$ ($0 \leq i \leq 5, 0 \leq j \leq 6$) equals the edit distance between $s[1..i]$ and $t[1..j]$. Give the entire A in its final form.

(ii) Give a trace for s and t that corresponds to an editing path that changes s to t with the minimum operations. Also explain what are these operations.

Solution. (i)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1	1	2	3	4	5	5
2	2	2	1	2	3	4	5
3	3	3	2	2	3	4	5
4	4	4	3	3	3	3	4
5	5	5	4	4	4	4	3

(ii) Trace: $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 5), (5, 6)\}$. Operations: substitute **r** with **d**, **v** with **g**, and insert **l**.

Problem 2. Let $s = \text{tuesday}$ and $t = \text{thursday}$. The matrix A is provided as follows:

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	5	6	7
2	2	1	1	1	2	3	4	5	6
3	3	2	2	2	2	3	4	5	6
4	4	3	3	3	3	2	3	4	5
5	5	4	4	4	4	3	2	3	4
6	6	5	5	5	5	4	3	2	3
7	7	6	6	6	6	5	4	3	2

Which are the cells that determine $A[4, 5] = 2$ and $A[4, 6] = 3$, respectively?

Solution. $A[4, 5]$ is determined by $A[3, 4]$. $A[4, 6]$ is determined by $A[4, 5]$.