



# COMP 550

## Algorithm and Analysis

### Dynamic Programming

Based on CLRS Sec. 14

# Coin Change

- You have unlimited quantities of pennies (1 cent), nickels (5 cents), dimes (10 cents), and quarters (25 cents)
- You need to provide change of  $x$  cents. How to determine the minimum number of coins to equal  $x$ ?
- Fill the table for  $x = 61$ .

Coin	Number	Value
Quarters (25¢)	2	50¢
Dimes (10¢)	1	10¢
Nickels (5¢)	0	0¢
Pennies (1¢)	1	1¢

# Coin Change

- You have unlimited quantities of pennies (1 cent), nickels (5 cents), dimes (10 cents), and quarters (25 cents)
  - And there is one new coin denominations: 26 cents
- How to provide change of 61 cents?

Coin	Greedy	Optimal
Fictitious (26¢)	2 (52¢)	1 (26¢)
Quarters (25¢)	0 (0¢)	1 (25¢)
Dimes (10¢)	0 (0¢)	1 (10¢)
Nickels (5¢)	1 (5¢)	0 (0¢)
Pennies (1¢)	4 (4¢)	0 (1¢)

# Coin Change

- Greedy doesn't work here
  - How to solve this problem?
  - We'll return to this problem later.
- Instead, let's consider the problem of calculating Fibonacci number

# Calculate Fibonacci Number

- $i$ -th Fibonacci number is defined as

$$F_i = \begin{cases} 0, & i = 0 \\ 1, & i = 1 \\ F_{i-1} + F_{i-2}, & i > 1 \end{cases}$$

- Fibonacci sequence:

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55

# Calculate Fibonacci Number

- We can compute n-th Fibonacci number recursively

```
Recursive-Fib(n)
1.  if (n = 0)
2.      return 0
3.  if (n = 1)
4.      return 1
5.  return Recursive-Fib(n-1)+ Recursive-Fib(n-2)
```

$$F_i = \begin{cases} 0, & i = 0 \\ 1, & i = 1 \\ F_{i-1} + F_{i-2}, & i > 1 \end{cases}$$

Running Time?

- Assume that the running time is  $T(n)$

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + T(n-2) + \Theta(1)$$

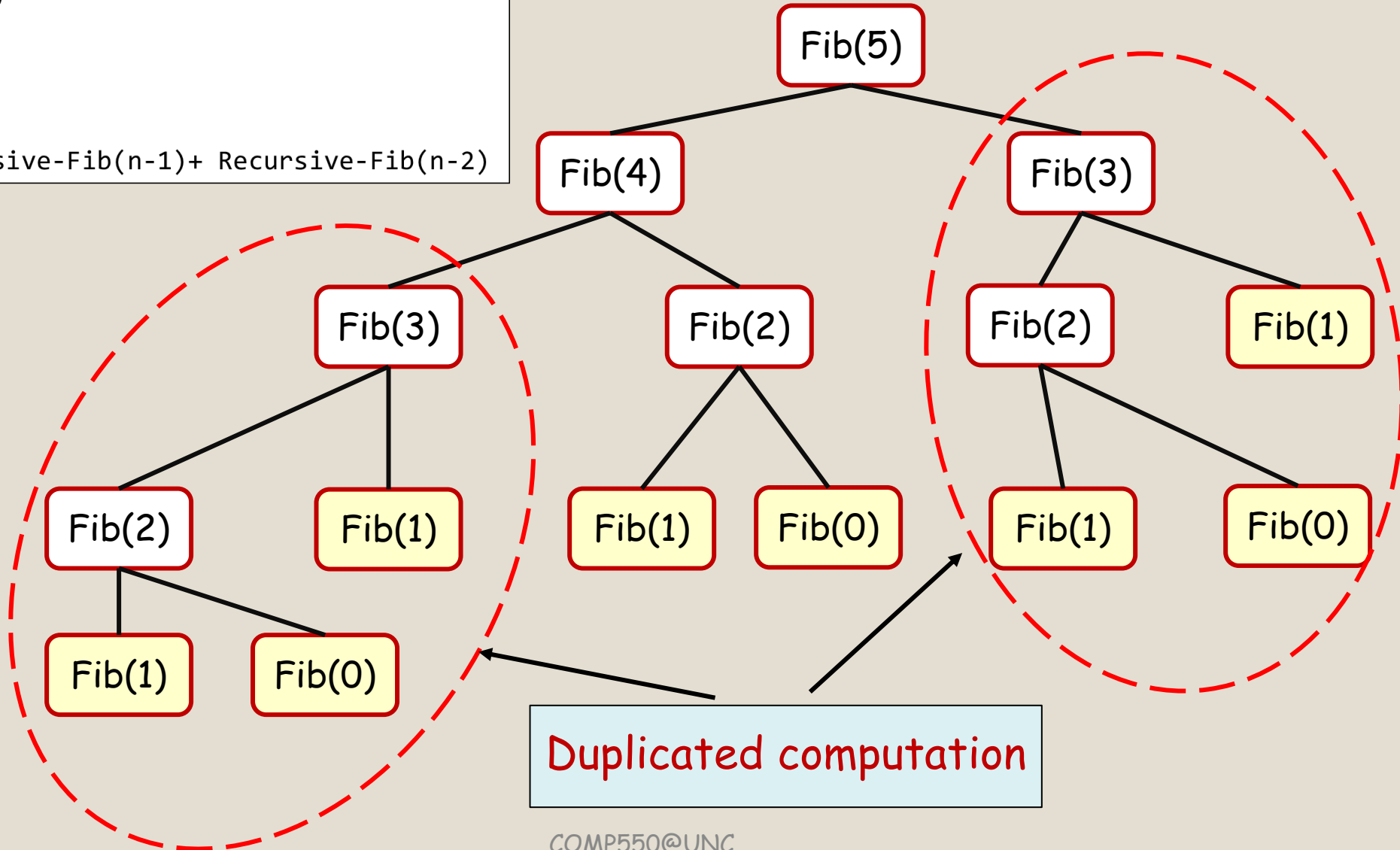
- $T(n)$  is  $O(2^n)$ : This is a loose upper bound
- In fact,  $F_n$  and  $T_n$  has a similar recurrence:

$$T(n) = \Theta(F_n) = \Theta(\phi^n), \phi \text{ is the golden ratio}$$

# Calculate Fibonacci Number

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```



# Calculate Fibonacci Number

- Computing Fibonacci number shouldn't be this inefficient
  - We need to **avoid duplicated calculations!**
- Idea: store the result of  $\text{Fib}(n)$  in a table after its computation and look up later if it is again needed
  - Look in the table first to check whether  $\text{Fib}(n)$  is already calculated



# Top-Down Recursion with Memoization

- We can compute n-th Fibonacci number recursively

Not a typo.

**Memoized-Fib(n)**

1. `Fib[0:n]` = array with elements initialized to NIL
2. `Fib[0]` = 0
3. `Fib[1]` = 1
4. **return** Memoized-Recursive-Fib(n, Fib)

Don't compute  
if already done

**Memoized-Recursive-Fib(n, Fib)**

1. **[** if `Fib[n] ≠ NIL`
2. **[**     **return** `Fib[n]`
3. **[** `Fib[n] = Memoized-Recursive-Fib(n-1, Fib)`  
          + `Memoized-Recursive-Fib(n-2, Fib)`
4. **return** `Fib[n]`

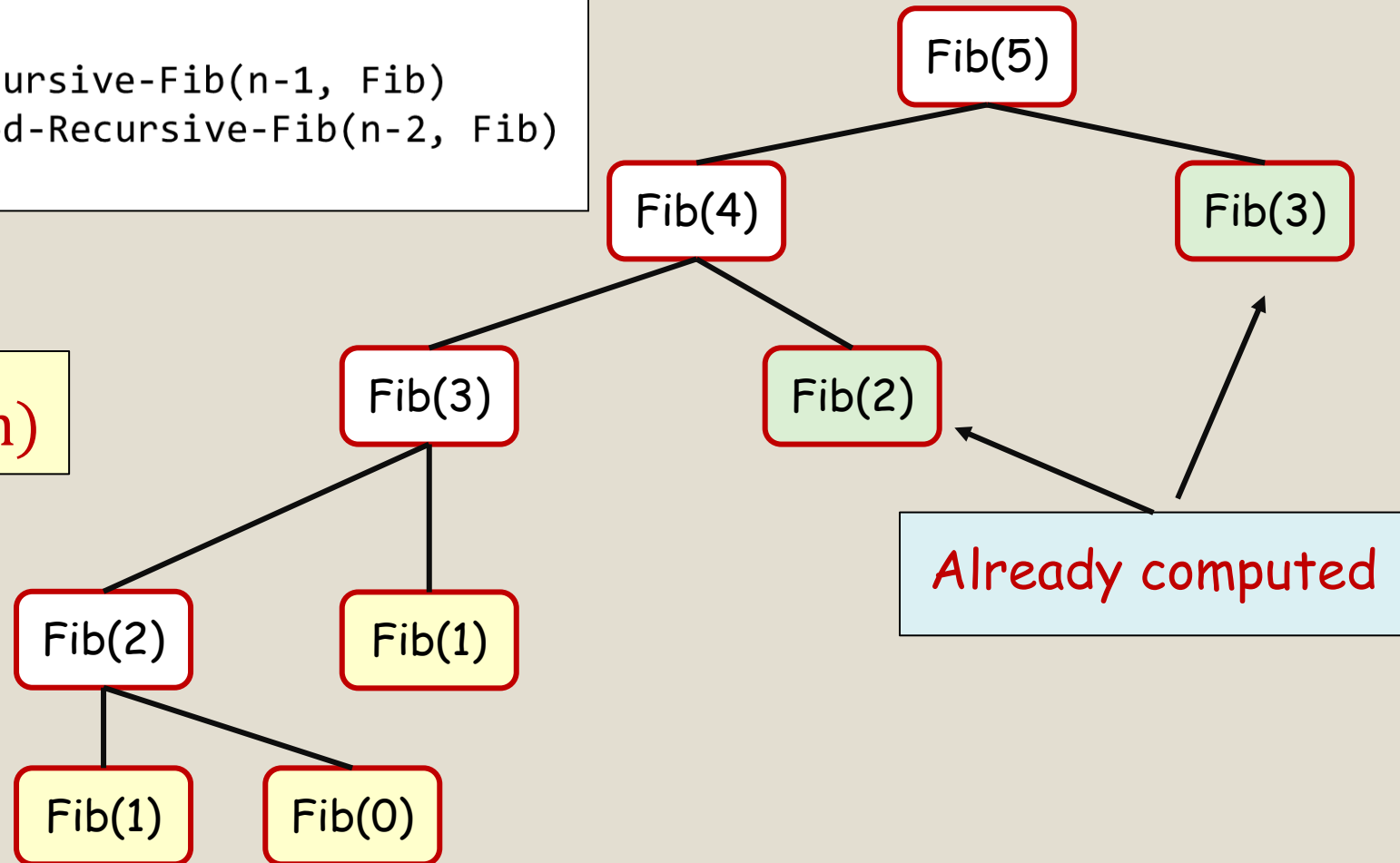
Store after  
computing

# Top-Down Recursion with Memoization

**Memoized-Recursive-Fib(n, Fib)**

1. **if** Fib[n]  $\neq$  NIL
2.     **return** Fib[n]
3.     Fib[n] = Memoized-Recursive-Fib(n-1, Fib)  
              + Memoized-Recursive-Fib(n-2, Fib)
4.     **return** Fib[n]

**Running Time:  $\Theta(n)$**



# Bottom-Up Dynamic Programming

- Start with the base case: the smallest subproblem
  - The answer is easy
- Iteratively compute the larger subproblems (smallest to largest)
  - Fill up a cell of a table after each computation

## Bottom-Up-Fib(n)

```
1.  Fib[0:n] = (n+1)-element array
2.  Fib[0] = 0
3.  Fib[1] = 1
4.  for i = 2 to n
5.      Fib[i] = Fib[i-1] + Fib[i-2]
6.  return Fib[n]
```

Running Time:  $\Theta(n)$

# Dynamic Programming: How

- Identify a recurrence relation for your (optimal) solution
- Top-down recursive approach:
  - Store result in a table
  - Before solving a subproblem recursively, check whether that subproblem is already solved by checking the table entry
  - After solving a subproblem, store its result in the table

# Dynamic Programming: How

- Identify a recurrence relation for your (optimal) solution
- Bottom-up iterative approach:
  - Start with a base case (smallest subproblem)
  - Iteratively solve the next largest subproblem that can be solved using already solved subproblems
    - Need to determine an ordering of subproblems
    - Store results in a table

# Dynamic Programming: When

- The problem has **optimal substructure property**
  - We can solve large problems by solving smaller subproblems
- There are **overlapping subproblems**
  - Recursive algorithm would solve the same subproblem repeatedly (making recursive algorithm inefficient)
- The total number of distinct subproblems are “small” (i.e., polynomial w.r.t. input size)
  - If the number of distinct subproblems are “exponential”, we are out of luck

# Coin Change: Revisited

- You have unlimited quantities of pennies (1 cent), nickels (5 cents), dimes (10 cents), and quarters (25 cents)
  - And there is one new coin denominations: 26 cents
- How to provide change of 61 cents?

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# Coin Change

- Generalized Coin Change:
  - There are  $m$  coin denominations  $C = \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m\}$
  - Make a change of  $n$  cents.
  - Minimize the number of coins to provide  $n$  cents.
- We've seen that greedy doesn't work here
- The optimal solution in previous slide is  $\langle 26\text{¢}, 25\text{¢}, 10\text{¢} \rangle$ 
  - Does this solution still have the optimal substructure property?
  - Optimal solution for change of 35¢:  $\langle 25\text{¢}, 10\text{¢} \rangle$
  - Optimal solution for change of 36¢:  $\langle 26\text{¢}, 10\text{¢} \rangle$
- With optimal substructure, there should be a way to solve recursively



# Coin Change

- You have unlimited quantities of pennies (1 cent), nickels (5 cents), dimes (10 cents), quarters (25 cents), and fictitious (26 cents)
- Provide change of  $n$  cents using the minimum number of coins
- Let  $change(x)$  be the minimum number of coins for  $x$  cents
  - Can we write a recurrence relation for  $change(x)$ ?
  - First, let's consider  $x \geq 26$  for simplicity.

$$change(x) = \min \begin{cases} change(x - 26) + 1 \\ change(x - 25) + 1 \\ change(x - 10) + 1 \\ change(x - 5) + 1 \\ change(x - 1) + 1 \end{cases}$$

# Coin Change

- Let *change*(*x*) be the minimum number of coins for *x* cents

$$\text{change}(x) = \min \begin{cases} \text{change}(x - 26) + 1 \\ \text{change}(x - 25) + 1 \\ \text{change}(x - 10) + 1 \\ \text{change}(x - 5) + 1 \\ \text{change}(x - 1) + 1 \end{cases}$$

- How to handle  $x < 26$  cases?
  - For  $x = 25$ , we don't have  $\text{change}(x - 26)$
  - For  $10 \leq x < 25$ , we don't have  $\text{change}(x - 26)$  and  $\text{change}(x - 25)$
  - ...

# Coin Change

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- How to handle  $x < 26$  cases?
  - Compact way: define base case to allow  $change(x)$  for negative  $x$

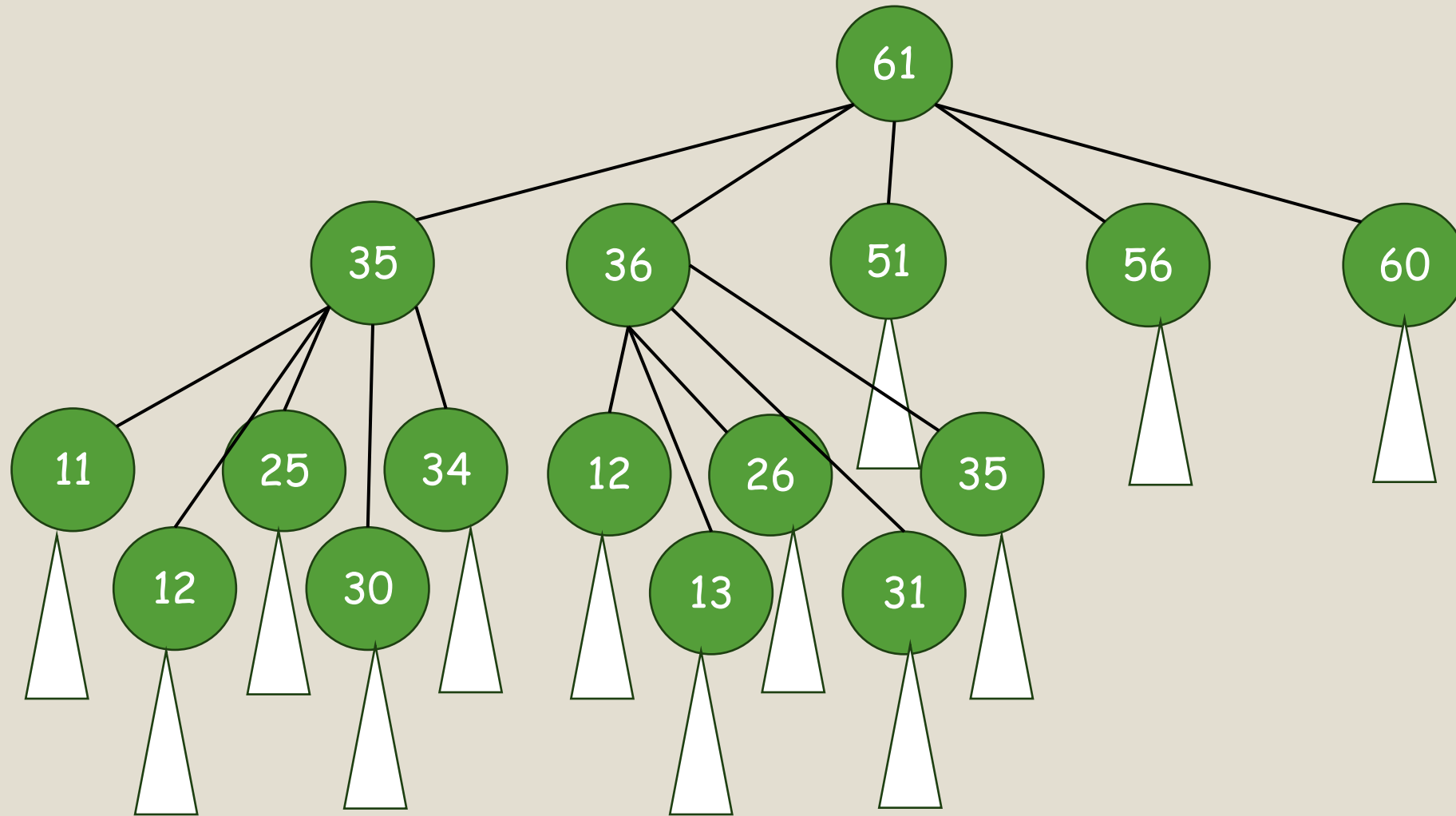
$$change(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x = 0 \\ \infty, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

# Coin Change

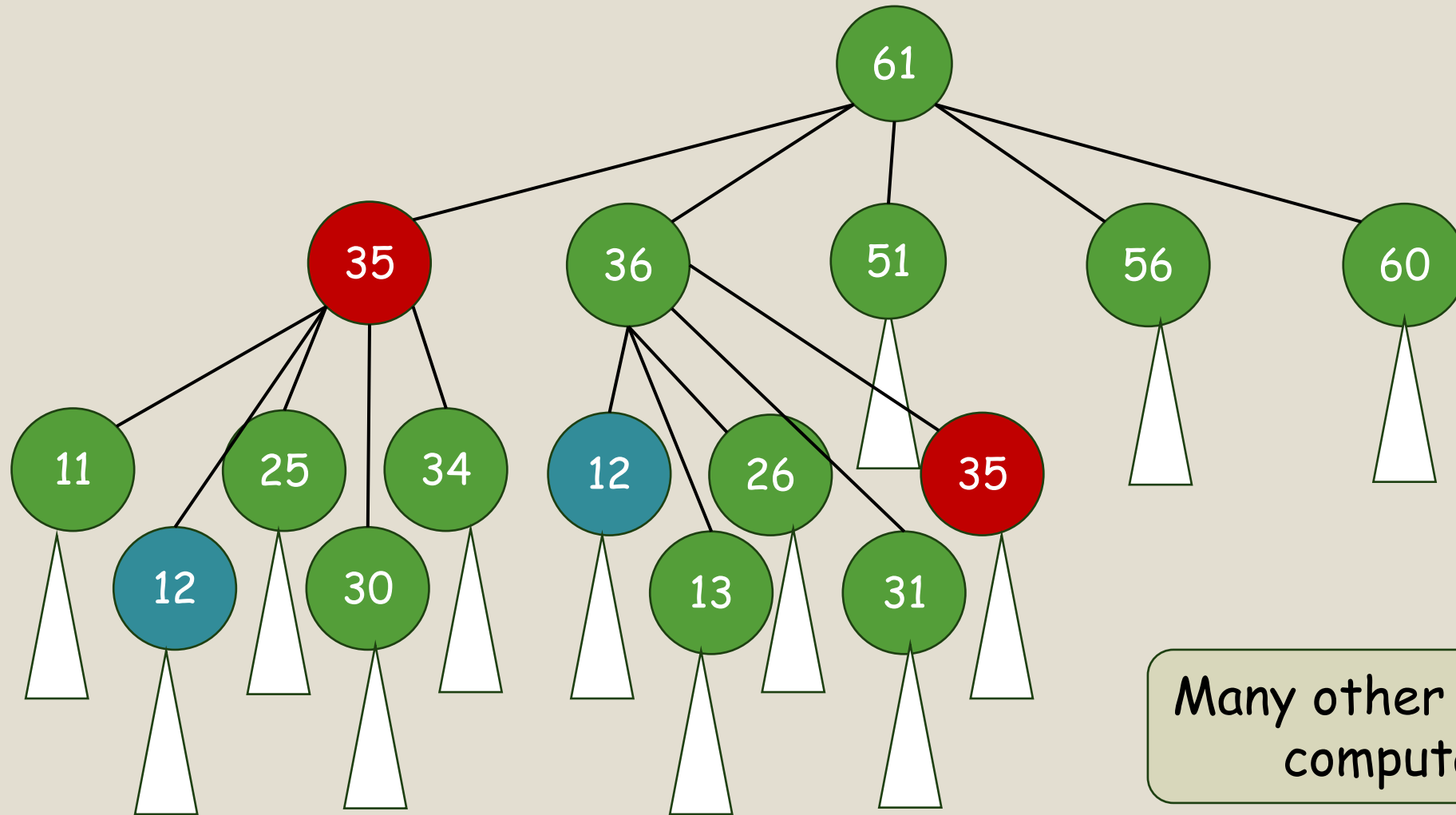
## **Recursive-Coin-Change(C, x)**

```
1.  if (x < 0)
2.      return  $\infty$ 
3.  if (x = 0)
4.      return 0
5.  min_coins =  $\infty$ 
6.  for each c  $\in$  C
7.      num_coins = Recursive-Coin-Change(C, x-c) + 1
8.      min_coins = min(min_coins, num_coins)
9.  return min_coins
```

# Coin Change



# Coin Change



# Top-Down DP

**Memoized-Recursive-Coin-Change(C, x, mem)**

```
1.  if (x < 0)
2.    return ∞
3.  if (x = 0)
4.    return 0
5.  if mem[x] ≠ ∞ //mem[] initialized to ∞
6.    return mem[x]
7.  for each c ∈ C
8.    num_coins = Recursive-Coin-Change(C, x-c, mem) + 1
9.    mem[x] = min(mem[x], num_coins)
10. return mem[x]
```



Array to store results.  
What should be its size?

# Bottom-Up DP

- Create a table  $mem[0:n]$  and iteratively fill up the table from left to right. (Why left to right?)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
0																					

Coins = {1,5,10,25,26}



# Bottom-Up DP

- Create a table  $mem[0:n]$  and iteratively fill up the table from left to right. (Why left to right?)

$change(1) = \min(change(1-1)+1, change(1-5)+1, change(1-10)+1, change(1-25)+1, change(1-26)+1)$   
 $= \min(0 + 1, \infty + 1, \infty + 1, \infty + 1, \infty + 1)$   
 $= 1$



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0	1																				

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

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# Bottom-Up DP

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

## Bottom-Up-Coin-Change( $C$ , $n$ )

1.  $\text{mem}[0:n]$  = an array with elements initialized to  $\infty$
2.  $\text{mem}[0] = 0$  // 0 coins for 0 cents
3. for  $i = 1$  to  $n$
4.     for each  $c \in C$
5.         if  $i \geq c$
6.              $\text{mem}[i] = \min(\text{mem}[i], \text{mem}[i-c] + 1)$
7. return  $\text{mem}[n]$

Running Time:  $\Theta(n \cdot |C|)$

Note: this is **NOT** polynomial running time! It is pseudo-polynomial

# Bottom-Up DP

- Steps:
  1. Determine a recurrence relation to solve the problem
  2. Determine table size and dimension to store the subproblem results
    - The recurrence relation will help
  3. Determine an order to solve the subproblems
    - Again, the recurrence relation will help
  4. Solve base cases first
  5. Iterate the subproblems in the determined ordering and solve each subproblem

# How to Construct Optimal Solution?

- Track back the optimal solution.
- Suppose we want change for 21 cents.
  - We've constructed the table already.
  - Optimal solution for 21 is 3.
  - How was this "3" obtained? From one of  $21 - 1, 21 - 5, 21 - 10, 21 - 25, 21 - 26$ 
    - Check which of the  $21 - 1, 21 - 5, 21 - 10, 21 - 25, 21 - 26$  has " $3 - 1 = 2$ " in its entry
  - Repeat

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
0	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	2	3	4	5	6	2	3

# Coin Change: A Different Recurrence

- Let  $change(i, x)$  be the minimum number of coins for **change of  $x$  cents** using denominations  $C[i], C[i + 1], C[i + 2], \dots, C[m]$

$m$  = number of coin denom.  
 $n$  = target cent value

- The solution of the main problem of changing for 61 cents is  **$change(1, 61)$**

$$change(i, x) = \min \begin{cases} change(i, x - C[i]) + 1 \\ change(i + 1, x) \end{cases}$$

- To make  $x$  cents change from  $C[i], C[i + 1], \dots, C[m]$ :
  - Case 1: We **take** a coin of  $C[i]$  and make change of  $x - C[i]$  using coins of  $C[i], C[i + 1], \dots, C[m]$
  - Case 2: We **do not take** a coin of  $C[i]$  and make change of  $x$  using coins of  $C[i + 1], C[i + 2], \dots, C[m]$

# Coin Change: A Different Recurrence

- Let  $change(i, x)$  be the minimum number of coins for change of  $x$  cents using denominations in  $C[i], C[i + 1], C[i + 2], \dots, C[m]$

- Base cases:

$$change(i, x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x = 0 \\ \infty, & x < 0 \text{ or } i > m \end{cases}$$

$m$  = number of coin denom.  
 $n$  = target cent value

- 0 coins for a change of 0 cents
- No solution for a change of -ve cents
- No solution if no denominations are left to consider



# Coin Change: A Different Recurrence

Determine *change*(*i*, *x*)

*m* = number of coin denom.  
*n* = target cent value

**Another-Recursive-Coin-Change**(*C*, *m*, *n*, *i*, *x*)

```
1.  if (x < 0 or i > m)
2.      return ∞
3.  if (x = 0)
4.      return 0
5.  taken = Another-Recursive-Coin-Change(C, m, n, i, x-C[i]) + 1
6.  not_taken = Another-Recursive-Coin-Change(C, m, n, i+1, x)
7.  min_coins = min(taken, not_taken)
8.  return min_coins
```

# Second Bottom-Up DP

- **Step 1:** Determine a recurrence relation

$$change(i, x) = \min \begin{cases} change(i, x - C[i]) + 1 \\ change(i + 1, x) \end{cases}$$

# Second Bottom-Up DP

- **Step 2:** Determine table size and dimension

$$\text{change}(i, x) = \min \begin{cases} \text{change}(i, x - C[i]) + 1 \\ \text{change}(i + 1, x) \end{cases}$$

- Each subproblem is represented by a pair.
- We can use a 2D table to store the result of  $\text{change}(i, x)$ .
- $i$  (num coins) ranges from 1 to  $m+1$ ,  $x$  (target) ranges from 0 to  $n$

For simplicity

	$x = 0 \quad x = 1 \quad x = 2 \quad x = 3$					$x = n-1 \quad x = n$	
$i = 1$					...		
$i = 2$							
$i = 3$							
$i = 4$							
$i = 5$							
$i = 6$							

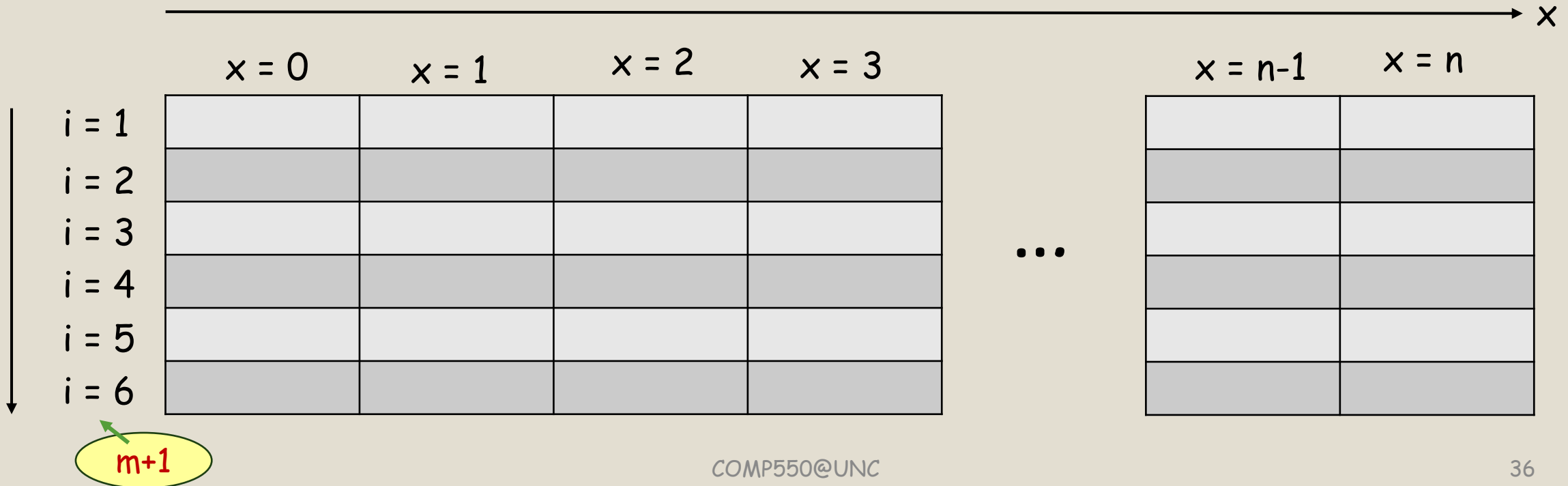
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$m+1$

# Second Bottom-Up DP

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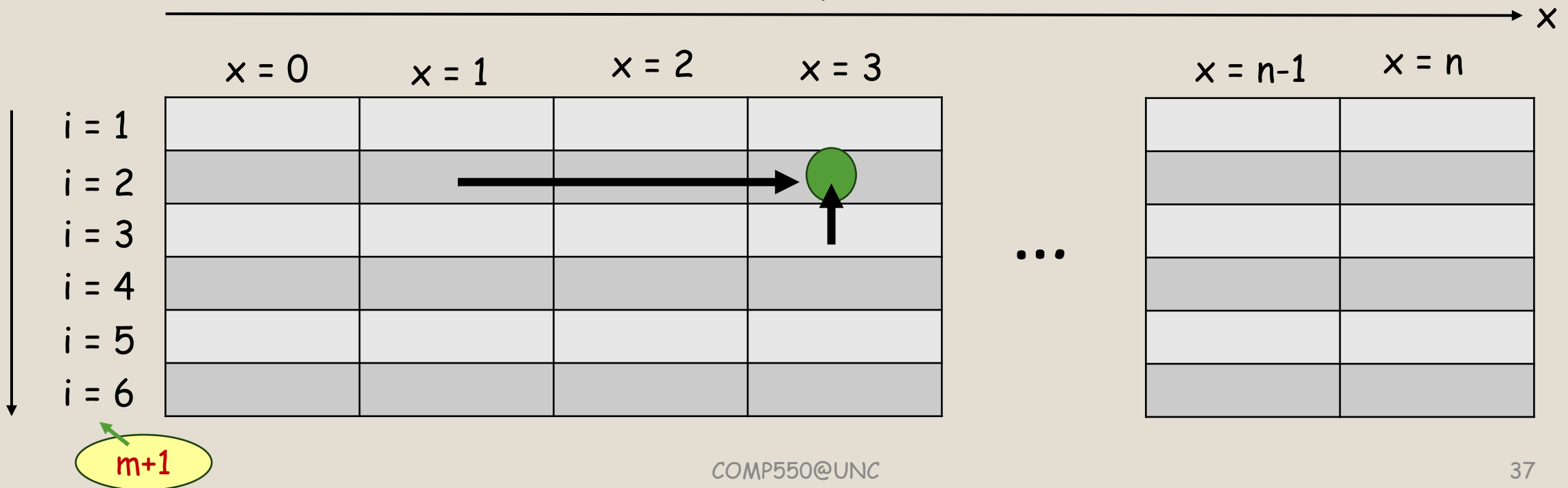
- **Question:**
  - Filling which cell is our main goal if we want to change  $n$  cents?
  - Cell  $(1, n)$



# Second Bottom-Up DP

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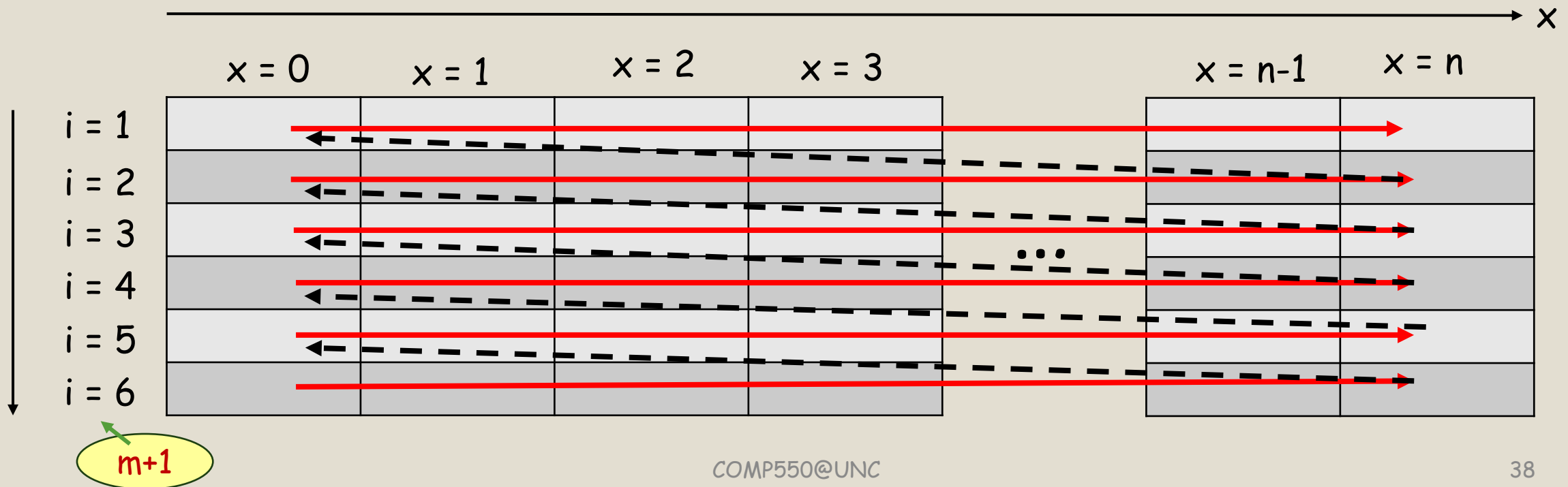
- **Step 3:** Determine an ordering of subproblems
  - Consider the cell  $(i = 2, x = 3)$ . Assume  $C[2]=2$ .
    - From the recurrence  $(2,3)$  depends on  $(2,1)$  and  $(3,3)$



# Second Bottom-Up DP

$$change(i, x) = \min \begin{cases} change(i, x - C[i]) + 1 \\ change(i + 1, x) \end{cases}$$

- **Step 3:** Determine an ordering of subproblems
  - Fill table from **bottom to up and left to right**



# Second Bottom-Up DP

- **Step 4:** Solve base cases
  - 0 coin for 0 cents
  - $\infty$  coins for  $m+1$  cents

$$change(i, x) = \min \begin{cases} change(i, x - C[i]) + 1 \\ change(i + 1, x) \end{cases}$$

	$x = 0$ $x = 1$ $x = 2$ $x = 3$				$x = n-1$ $x = n$	
$i = 1$	0					
$i = 2$	0					
$i = 3$	0					
$i = 4$	0					
$i = 5$	0					
$i = 6$	0	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$

...

$m+1$

# Second Bottom-Up DP

- **Step 5:** Iteratively fill up the table

$$change(i, x) = \min \begin{cases} change(i, x - C[i]) + 1 \\ change(i + 1, x) \end{cases}$$

**Example:**  $C = \{1, 6, 10\}$ ,  $n = 12$  cents

<i>i</i> \ <i>x</i>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	0											
2	0											
3	0											
4	0	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞



# Second Bottom-Up DP

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2	0	∞	∞	∞	∞	1	∞	∞	∞	1	∞	2
3	0	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	1	∞	∞
4	0	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞

# Second Bottom-Up DP

- **Step 5:** Iteratively fill up the table

$$change(i, x) = \min \begin{cases} change(i, x - C[i]) + 1 \\ change(i + 1, x) \end{cases}$$

**Another-DP-Coin-Change(C, m, n)**

```
1.  mem[1:m][0:n] = a new array with each cell initialized to ∞
2.  for i = 1 to m
3.      mem[i][0] = 0 //0 coins to return 0 cents
4.  for x = 2 to n
5.      mem[m+1][x] = ∞
6.  for i = m downto 1
7.      for x = 1 to n
8.          if(x - C[i] < 0)
9.              mem[i][x] = mem[i+1][x]
10.         else
11.             mem[i][x] = min(mem[i][x-C[i]] + 1 , mem[i+1][x])
12.  return mem[1][n]
```

**Running Time:  $\Theta(n \cdot |C|)$**

# Thank You!