

# **Part IV. Advanced design and analysis techniques**

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## Chapter 15. Dynamic programming

*Optimization problems:* solutions, optimal solutions, optimal cost

*Problems solvable* via divide-and-conquer approaches

*Issues in dynamic programming*

Examples:

- (1) matrix-chain multiplication
- (2) longest common subsequence

### *Overlapping subproblems*

dividing a problem into subproblems, e.g.,

$$F(n) = F(n - 1) + F(n - 2), F(1) = F(2) = 1.$$

A direct implementation of a recursive approach leads to exponential running time.

Instead, a one-dimensional table  $T[1..n]$  to look up would help to reduce running time.

Then it is to compute  $T[n]$ , the last cell of the table.

The computation can be done by scanning/filling the table from left to right.

## Steps for dynamic programming

- (1) the structure of optimal solutions
- (2) defining optimal cost recursively
- (3) computing optimal cost
- (4) constructing optimal solution

## Matrix-chain multiplication

INPUT: given  $n$  matrices  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ , where  $A_i$  has dimension  $p_{i-1} \times p_i$

OUTPUT: a parenthesization by which the product  $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$  uses the minimum number of scalar multiplications.

Note: The number of all possible parenthesizations  $P(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P(k)P(n-k)$ , Catalan number.

A dynamic programming approach:

**step 1:** find the structure of a solution, I.e., Optimal solution in terms of optimal solutions to subproblems: *optimal substructure*.

(1) the the best parenthesization of  $A_i A_{i+1} \cdots A_j$  must be

$$(A_i \cdots A_k)(A_{k+1} \cdots A_j)$$

for some  $k, i \leq k < j$ .

(2) The optimal cost of  $A_i A_{i+1} \cdots A_j$  must be the smallest among optimal costs for

$$(A_i \cdots A_k)(A_{k+1} \cdots A_j)$$

$k = i, i + 1, \cdots, j - 1$ .

(3) For each  $k$ , the optimal cost for the above is the optimal cost for  $A_i \cdots A_k$  plus the optimal cost for  $A_{k+1} \cdots A_j$  plus the cost for multiplying these two terms.

**step 2:** a recursive solution.

Define  $m[i, j]$  to be the minimum number of scalar multiplications needed for  $A_i A_{i+1} \cdots A_j$ .

Then

$$m[i, j] = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{m[i, k] + m[k + 1, j] + p_{i-1} p_k p_j\}$$

$m[i, j] = 0$  when  $i = j$ .

**step 3:** computing the optimal cost:

MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER(p)

```
1. n <-- length[p] -1
2. for i <-- 1 to n
3     do m[i, i] <-- 0
4. for L <-- 2 to n
5.     do for i <-- 1 to n - L + 1
6.         do j <-- i + L -1
7.             m[i, j] <-- infinite
8.             for k <-- i to j - 1
9.                 do q <- m[i,k]+m[k+1,j]+p[i-1]p[k]p[j]
10.                    if q < m[i, j]
11.                        then m[i, j] <-- q
12.                            s[i, j] <-- k
13. return m and s
```

Analysis of time complexity?



## Longest Common Subsequence LCS

ACCGGTCGAGTGCG

GTCGTTCGGAATGC

the longest common subsequence is

CGTCGATGC

formally, let  $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$  be a sequence

another sequence  $Z = \langle z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k \rangle$  is a *subsequence* of  $X$  if there are

$i_1 < i_2 < \dots, < i_k$  indices of  $X$  such that  $x_{i_j} = z_j$  for  $j = 1, \dots, k$ .

$Z$  is a *common subsequence* of  $X$  and  $Y$  if  $Z$  is a subsequence of  $X$  and  $Z$  is a subsequence of  $Y$ .

LCS problem:

Input: two sequences  $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$  and  $Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \rangle$ .

Output: the longest common subsequence of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

algorithms ??

A dynamic programming approach:

**step 1.** optimal substructure

**step 2.** a recursive solution

**step 3.** computing the longest length of an LCS

**step 4.** constructing a longest common subsequence

**step 1.** optimal substructure

$$X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$$

$$Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \rangle$$

(1) If  $x_m = y_n$  then the LCS of  $X$  and  $Y$  is the LCS for  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m-1} \rangle$  and  $\langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n-1} \rangle$  appended with  $x_m$ ;

(2) If  $x_m \neq y_n$ , then the LCS of  $X$  and  $Y$  is either

the LCS for  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m-1} \rangle$  and  $Y$  or the LCS for  $X$  and  $\langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n-1} \rangle$ .

**step 2.** a recursive solution

Define  $m[i, j]$  to be the length of a LCS for  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i \rangle$  and  $\langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_j \rangle$ . Then

$$m[i, 0] = 0 \text{ and } m[0, j] = 0;$$

when  $x_i = y_j$ ,  $m[i, j] = m[i - 1, j - 1] + 1$  and

when  $x_i \neq y_j$ ,  $m[i, j] = \max\{m[i - 1, j], m[i, j - 1]\}$ .

### step 3. computing the longest length of an LCS

LCS-LENGTH(X, Y)

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1. m  $\leftarrow$  length[X]
2. n  $\leftarrow$  length[Y]
3. for i  $\leftarrow$  1 to m
4.   do m[i, 0]  $\leftarrow$  0
5. for j  $\leftarrow$  0 to n
6.   do m[0, j]  $\leftarrow$  0
7. for i  $\leftarrow$  1 to m
8.   do for j  $\leftarrow$  1 to n
9.     do if X[i] = Y[j]
10.      then m[i, j]  $\leftarrow$  m[i-1, j-1] + 1
11.      s[i, j]  $\leftarrow$  "\"
12.     else if m[i-1, j] > m[i, j-1]
13.      then m[i, j]  $\leftarrow$  m[i-1, j]
14.      s[i, j]  $\leftarrow$  "|"
15.     else m[i, j]  $\leftarrow$  m[i, j-1]
16.     s[i, j]  $\leftarrow$  "-"
17. return m and s
```

**step 4.** constructing a longest common subsequence

PRINT-LCS(s, X, i, j)

1. if  $i = 0$  or  $j = 0$
2. then return
3. if  $s[i, j] = '\backslash'$
4.     then PRINT-LCS(s, X,  $i-1$ ,  $j-1$ )
5.         print(X[i])
6.     else if  $s[i, j] = '|'$
7.         then PRINT-LCS(s, X,  $i-1$ ,  $j$ )
8.         else PRINT-LCS(s, X,  $i$ ,  $j-1$ )

Running time?

## Pairwise Sequence alignment

INPUT:  $X, Y \in \{A, C, G, T\}^*$

OUTPUT:  $X', Y'$ , where  $X'$  and  $Y'$  are of the same length  $r$   
obtained from  $X$  and  $Y$  by inserting spaces ' ',  
and the score  $\sum_{i=1}^r d(X'[i], Y'[i])$  is the maximum.

where *scoring matrix*  $d_{5 \times 5}$

$d(a, b) = 1$  if  $a = b$  and neither is a ' '

$d(a, b) = -1$  if  $a \neq b$  and neither is a ' '

$d(a, b) = -2$  if either is a ' '.

The LCS problem is a special case of pairwise sequence alignment  
where  $d(a, b) = 1$  if  $a = b$ ; and 0 otherwise.



## Dynamic programming for pairwise sequence alignment

**step 1:** problem analysis and finding recursive solutions

Consider aligning prefixes

$$x_1, \dots, x_i$$

$$y_1, \dots, y_j$$

(1)  $x_i$  is aligned to  $y_j$ , reducing the problem to aligning

$$x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}$$

$$y_1, \dots, y_{j-1}$$

(2)  $x_i$  is aligned to gap '-', reducing the problem to aligning

$$x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}$$

$$y_1, \dots, y_j$$

(3)  $y_j$  is aligned to gap '-', reducing the problem to

$$x_1, \dots, x_i$$

$$y_1, \dots, y_{j-1}$$

**step 2:** Define optimal cost function recursively

Define  $S(i, j)$  to be the optimal score of the alignment between

$x_1, \dots, x_i$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_j$

Then  $S(i, j)$  has the recurrences:

$$S(i, j) = \max \left\{ \begin{aligned} &S(i-1, j-1) + d(x_i, y_j), \\ &S(i-1, j) + d(x_i, '-'), \\ &S(i, j-1) + d('- ', y_j) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$S(i, 0) = \sum_{k=1}^i d(x_i, '-')$$

$$S(0, j) = \sum_{k=1}^j d('- ', y_j)$$

**steps 3, 4** are similar to those for the LCS problem.

## Multiple sequence alignment

INPUT: sequences  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k$

OUTPUT: an alignment  $A$  for these sequences such that  
the SP score achieves the maximum

where SP, the *sum of pairs*, is  $\sum_{i < j} C_{i,j}$ , in which  $C_{i,j}$  is the alignment  
score between  $s_i$  and  $s_j$  induced by the multiple alignment  $A$ .

Extending the dynamic programming for pairwise alignment to multiple  
alignment

## Chapter 16 Greedy Algorithms

Dynamic programming is to *consider all possible choices and select the best.*

always lead to the optimal solution

A greedy algorithm may *ignore some choices and select one that is locally the best.*

a good greedy strategy may lead to the optimal solution

## Activity-selection problem

INPUT: a set of activities, each with a start time and finish time

OUTPUT: a maximum size subset of mutually compatible activities.

*A dynamic programming solution*

**step 1** analysis of problem

$$S_{ij} = \{a_k \in S : f_i \leq s_k < f_k \leq s_j\}$$

$A_{ij}$  is such that

$$|A_{ij}| = \max_{a_k \in S_{ij}} \{|A_{ik} \cup \{a_k\} \cup A_{kj}|\}$$

**step 2** define  $c[i, j]$  to be the size of  $A_{ij}$ . Then recurrence

$$c[i, j] = \max_{i < k < j} \{c[i, k] + c[k, j] + 1\}.$$

Converting the dynamic programming solution to a greedy solution:

**Theorem 16.1** Let  $S_{ij}$  be a non-empty set and  $a_m \in S_{ij}$  with earliest finish time:

$$f_m = \min\{f_k : a_k \in S_{ij}\}$$

Then

- (1)  $a_m$  is used in some maximum size subset of mutually compatible activities of  $S_{ij}$
- (2) the subproblem  $S_{im}$  is empty, so that choosing  $a_m$  leaves the subproblem  $S_{mj}$  as the only one that may be nonempty.

Significance of the theorem: it helps to reduce the number of subproblems to consider.

RECURSIVE-ACTIVITY-SELECTION( $s, f, i, j$ )

1.  $m \leftarrow i + 1$

2. while  $m < j$  and  $S_m < f_i$

3.      $m \leftarrow m + 1$

4. if  $f_m < s_j$

5. then return  $\{a_m\} \cup \text{RECURSIVE-ACTIVITY-SELECTION}(s, f, m, j)$

6. else return 0

steps for the greedy strategy

1. determine the optimal substructure
2. develop a recursive solution
3. prove that at any stage of the recursion, one of the optimal choice is the greedy choice – it is safe to make that greedy choice
4. show that all but one of the subproblems induced by the greedy choice are empty.

example



## Knapsack problems

input:  $n$  items  $1, 2, \dots, n$ , each with size  $s_i$  and value  $v_i$ , a knapsack with size  $B$ ,

output: a subset of items with total value maximized and total size  $\leq B$ .

### **0-1 Knapsack**

### **fractional Knapsack**

optimal substructure?

recursive solution?

greedy strategy?

- (1) Does dynamic programming approach produce optimal solution for 0-1 Knapsack?
- (2) Does dynamic programming approach runs in polynomial time on 0-1 knapsack?
- (3) Does greedy approach produce optimal solution for 0-1 knapsack?
- (4) Does greedy approach produce optimal solution for fractional knapsack?
- (5) Does greedy approach runs in polynomial time on fractional knapsack?

## Huffman Code

compressing data using binary bits

code: a compressing scheme

fixed-length code

variable-length code

character	a	b	c	d	e	f
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frequency	.45	.13	.12	.16	.09	.05
fixed-length	000	001	010	011	100	101
var-length						

decoding process, code tree, prefix code

Finding an optimal prefix code (Huffman)

code tree

cost:

$$B(T) = \sum_{c \in C} f(c) d_T(c)$$

1. optimal substructure?
2. recursive solution?
3. greedy choice?
4. all but one subproblems induced by the greedy choice are empty?

## 5. development of a greedy algorithm

HUFFMAN(C, f)

1.  $n \leftarrow |C|$
2.  $Q \leftarrow C$
3. for  $i = 1$  to  $n-1$
4.     do newnode( $z$ )
5.         leftchild[ $z$ ]  $\leftarrow x \leftarrow \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$
6.         rightchild[ $z$ ]  $\leftarrow y \leftarrow \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$
7.          $f(z) \leftarrow f(x) + f(y)$
8.         INSERT( $Q, z$ )
9. return  $\text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$

## Correctness of Huffman's algorithm

**Lemma 16.2** (Greedy choice property)

Let  $C$  be an alphabet and  $f$  be the frequency function for characters in  $C$ . Let  $x$  and  $y$  be two characters in  $C$  having the lowest frequencies. Then there exists an optimal prefix code for  $C$  in which the codewords for  $x$  and  $y$  have the same length and differ in the last bit.

Proof:

**Lemma 16.3** (Optimal substructure)

Let  $C$  be an alphabet and  $f$  be the frequency function for characters in  $C$ . Let  $x$  and  $y$  be two characters in  $C$  having the lowest frequencies. Let

$$C' = C - \{x, y\} \cup \{z\}$$

and the frequency function for  $C'$  is the same as  $f$  except that  $f(z) = f(x) + f(y)$ .

Let  $T'$  be any an optimal prefix code tree for  $C'$ . Then the tree  $T$  obtained from  $T'$  by replacing the leaf node  $z$  with an internal node having  $x$  and  $y$  as children, is an optimal prefix code tree for  $C$ .

Proof:

**Theorem 16.4** Huffman's algorithm produces an optimal prefix code.