COT 5407: Introduction to Algorithms

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Room Scheduling Problem

- Room Scheduling: Given a set of requests to use a room
 - [1,4], [3,5], [0,6], [5,7], [3,8], [5,9], [6,10], [8,11], [8,12], [2,13], [12,14]
 - Schedule largest number of above requests in the room
- Greedy Algorithm worked!
 - Sort by finish time and pick in "greedy" fashion
- Now let's modify the problem
- Room Scheduling with Attendee Numbers: Given a set of requests to use a room (with # of attendees)
 - [1,4] (4), [3,5] (8), [0,6] (5), [5,7] (15), [3,8] (22), [5,9] (6), [6,10] (5), [8,11] (5), [8,12] (14), [2,13] (11), [12,14] (6)
- Schedule requests to maximize the total # of attendees
 - Greedy Solution will be [1,4], [5,7], [8,11], [12,14]
 - And will satisfy 4 + 15 + 5 + 6 = 30 attendees
 - Greed is not good!

Dynamic Programming

- Activity Problem Revisited: Given a set of n activities $a_i = (s_i, f_i)$, we want to schedule the maximum number of non-overlapping activities.
- General Approach: Attempt a recursive solution

Recursive Solution

- Observation: To solve the problem on activities $A = \{a_1, ..., a_n\}$, we notice that either
 - optimal solution does not include an
 - then enough to solve subproblem on $A_{n-1} = \{a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}\}$
 - optimal solution includes a_n
 - Enough to solve subproblem on $A_k = \{a_1, \dots, a_k\}$, the set A without activities that overlap a_n .

Recursive Solution

int Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING (s, f, t, n) // Here n equals length[s]; // Input: first n requests with their s & f times & # attend // It returns optimal number of requests scheduled 1. Let k be index of last request with finish time before s_n 2.Output larger of two values: 3. {<u>Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING</u> (s, f, n-1), <u>Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING</u> (s, f, k) + t[n]}

// t[n] is number of attendees of n-th request

Observations

- If we look at all subproblems generated by the recursive solution, and ignore repeated calls, then we see the following calls:
 - Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING (s, f, n-1)
 - Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING (s, f, n-2)
 - Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING (s, f, n')
 - Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING (s, f, k)
 - Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING (s, f, k-1)
 - Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING (s, f, k')
- Above list includes all subproblems Rec-ROOM SCHEDULING (s, f, i) for all values of i between 1 and n

Dynamic Programming: Room Scheduling

- Let A be the set of n activities $A = \{a_1, ..., a_n\}$ (sorted by finish times).
- The inputs to the subproblems are: $A_1 = \{a_1\}$ $A_2 = \{a_1, a_2\}$ $A_3 = \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}, ...,$ $A_n = A$
- i-th Subproblem: Select the max number of nonoverlapping activities from A_i

An efficient implementation

- Why not solve the subproblems on A_1 , A_2 , ..., A_{n-1} , A_n in that order?
- Is the problem on A_1 easy?
- Can the optimal solutions to the problems on $A_{1,...,A_i}$ help to solve the problem on A_{i+1} ?
 - YES! Either:
 - optimal solution does not include a_{i+1}
 - problem on A_i
 - optimal solution includes a_{i+1}
 - problem on A_k (equal to A_i without activities that overlap a_{i+1})
 - but this has already been solved according to our ordering.

Dynamic Programming: Room Scheduling

- Solving for A_n solves the original problem.
- Solving for A_1 is easy.
- If you have optimal solutions S₁, ..., S_{i-1} for subproblems on A₁, ..., A_{i-1}, how to compute S_i?
- Recurrence Relation:
 - The optimal solution for A_i either
 - Case 1: does not include a_i or
 - Case 2: includes a_i
 - Case 1: S_i = S_{i-1}
 - Case 2: $S_i = S_k \cup \{a_i\}$, for some k < i.
 - How to find such a k? We know that a_k cannot overlap a_i .

DP: Room Scheduling w/ Attendees

<u>DP-ROOM-SCHEDULING-w-ATTENDEES</u> (s, f, t)

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1. n = length[s]

2.N[1] = t_1 // number of attendees in S<sub>1</sub>

3.F[1] = 1 // last activity in S<sub>1</sub>

4. for i = 2 to n do

5. let k be the last activity finished before s<sub>i</sub>

6. if (N[i-1] > N[k] + t_i) then // Case 1

7. N[i] = N[i-1]

8. F[i] = F[i-1]
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- 9. else // Case 2
- 10. $N[i] = N[k] + t_i$
- 11. F[i] = I

12.Output N[n]

How to output S_n? Backtrack! Time Complexity? O(n lg n)

Approach to DP Problems

- Write down a recursive solution
- Use recursive solution to identify list of subproblems to solve (there must be overlapping subproblems for effective DP)
- Decide a data structure to store solutions to subproblems (MEMOIZATION)
- Write down Recurrence relation for solutions of subproblems
- Identify a hierarchy/order for subproblems
- Write down non-recursive solution/algorithm

Longest Common Subsequence

- $S_1 = CORIANDER$ CORIANDER $S_2 = CREDITORS$ CREDITORS
- Longest Common Subsequence($S_1[1..9], S_2[1..9]$) = <u>CRIR</u>

Recursive Solution

- $LCS(S_1, S_2, m, n)$
- // m is length of S_1 and n is length of S_2
- // Returns length of longest common subsequence
- 1. If $(S_1[m] == S_2[n])$, then
- 2. return 1 + $LCS(S_1, S_2, m-1, n-1)$
- 3. Else return larger of
- 4. $LCS(S_1, S_2, m-1, n)$ and $LCS(S_1, S_2, m, n-1)$

Observation:

All the recursive calls correspond to subproblems to solve and they include $LCS(S_1, S_2, i, j)$ for all i between 1 and m, and all j between 1 and n

Recurrence Relation & Memoization

- Recurrence Relation:
 - LCS[i,j] = LCS[i-1, j-1] + 1, if S₁[i] = S₂[j])
 LCS[i,j] = max { LCS[i-1, j], LCS[i, j-1] }, otherwise
- Table (m X n table)
- Hierarchy of Solutions?
 - Solve in row major order

LCS Problem

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LCS_Length (X, Y)
1. m \leftarrow length[X]
2. n \leftarrow Length[Y]
3. for i = 1 to m
4. do c[i, 0] \leftarrow 0
5. for j =1 to n
6. do c[0,j] ←0
7. for i = 1 to m
8.
     do for j = 1 to n
           do if (xi = yj)
9.
                 then c[i, j] \leftarrow c[i-1, j-1] + 1
10.
                    b[i, j] ← " ⊼"
11.
                 else if c[i-1, j] c[i, j-1]
12.
13.
                        then c[i, j] \leftarrow c[i-1, j]
                        b[i, j] ← "↑"
14.
15.
                    else
16.
                        c[i, j] ← c[i, j-1]
17.
                        b[i, j] ← "←"
18. return c[m,n]
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