

COT 6405: Analysis of Algorithms

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Room Scheduling Problem

- Given a set of requests to use a room
 - [0,6], [1,4], [2,13], [3,5], [3,8], [5,7], [5,9], [6,10], [8,11], [8,12], [12,14]
- Schedule largest number of above requests in the room
- Different approaches
 - Try by hand, exhaustive search, improve an initial solution, iterative methods, divide and conquer, greedy methods, etc.
- **Simple Greedy Selection**
 - Sort by start time and pick in “greedy” fashion
 - Does not work. WHY?
 - [0,6], [6,10] is the solution you will end up with.
- **Other greedy strategies**
 - Sort by length of interval
 - Does not work. WHY?

Greedy Algorithms

- Given a set of activities (s_i, f_i) , we want to schedule the maximum number of non-overlapping activities.
- **GREEDY-ACTIVITY-SELECTOR** (s, f)
 1. $n = \text{length}[s]$
 2. $S = \{a_1\}$
 3. $i = 1$
 4. for $m = 2$ to n do
 5. if s_m is not before f_i then
 6. $S = S \cup \{a_m\}$
 7. $i = m$
 8. return S

Why does it work?

➤ THEOREM

Let A be a set of activities and let a_1 be the activity with the earliest finish time. Then activity a_1 is in some maximum-sized subset of non-overlapping activities.

➤ PROOF

Let S' be a solution that does not contain a_1 . Let a'_1 be the activity with the earliest finish time in S' . Then replacing a'_1 by a_1 gives a solution S of the same size.

Why are we allowed to replace? Why is it of the same size?

Then apply induction! *How?*

Why does it work? Contd...

- **First choice was a good choice. Why?**
 - **Because it can be extended to an optimal soln.**
- **If our first choice was a good choice, then?**
 - **Then we can recursively apply correctness to the remainder**

Recursive Greedy Activity Selector

- Given a set of activities (s_i, f_i) , we want to schedule the maximum number of non-overlapping activities.
- **GREEDY-ACTIVITY-SELECTOR** (s, f, k) // Find opt sol for $A[k..n]$
 1. If $k > n$ then return empty set
 2. $\text{First} = k+1$
 3. for $m = k+1$ to n do
 4. if s_m is before f_k then discard s_m
 5. if $a_m = a_{\text{First}}$ then $\text{First}++$
 6. return $a_k \cup$ **GREEDY-ACTIVITY-SELECTOR** (s, f, First)

Greedy Algorithms – Huffman Coding

➤ Huffman Coding Problem

Example: Release 29.1 of 15-Feb-2005 of [TrEMBL](#) Protein Database contains 1,614,107 sequence entries, comprising 505,947,503 amino acids. There are 20 possible amino acids. What is the minimum number of bits to store the compressed database?

~2.5 G bits or 300MB.

➤ How to improve this?

➤ Information: Frequencies are not the same.

| | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Ala (A) 7.72 | Gln (Q) 3.91 | Leu (L) 9.56 | Ser (S) 6.98 |
| Arg (R) 5.24 | Glu (E) 6.54 | Lys (K) 5.96 | Thr (T) 5.52 |
| Asn (N) 4.28 | Gly (G) 6.90 | Met (M) 2.36 | Trp (W) 1.18 |
| Asp (D) 5.28 | His (H) 2.26 | Phe (F) 4.06 | Tyr (Y) 3.13 |
| Cys (C) 1.60 | Ile (I) 5.88 | Pro (P) 4.87 | Val (V) 6.66 |

➤ Idea: Use shorter codes for more frequent amino acids and longer codes for less frequent ones.

Huffman Coding

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2 million characters in file.

A, C, G, T, N, Y, R, S, M

IDEA 1: Use ASCII Code

Each need at least 8 bits,

Total = 16 M bits = **2 MB**

IDEA 2: Use 4-bit Codes

Each need at least 4 bits,

Total = 8 M bits = **1 MB**

Percentage
Frequencies

IDEA 3: Use Variable

Length Codes

| | | |
|----|----|-------|
| | | 11 |
| A | 22 | 10 |
| T | 22 | 011 |
| C | 18 | 010 |
| G | 18 | 001 |
| N | 10 | 00011 |
| Y | 5 | 00010 |
| R | 4 | 00001 |
| S | 4 | 00000 |
| .. | ~ | |

How to Decode?

Need Unique decoding!

Easy for Ideas 1 & 2.

What about Idea 3?

110101101110010001100000000110

110101101110010001100000000110

2 million characters in file.

Length = ?

Expected length = ?

Sum up products of frequency times the code length, i.e.,

$(.22 \times 2 + .22 \times 2 + .18 \times 3 + .18 \times 3 + .10 \times 3 + .05 \times 5 + .04 \times 5 + .04 \times 5 + .03 \times 5) \times 2 \text{ M bits} =$

COT 5407 3.24 M bits = **.4 MB**

New Room Scheduling 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

- **Old 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 $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$, we notice that either
 - optimal solution does not include a_n
 - 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. { Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING (s, f, t, n-1),

Rec-ROOM-SCHEDULING (s, f, t, 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 Prog: Room Scheduling

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

An efficient implementation

- Why not solve the subproblems on $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{n-1}, A_n$ in that order?
- Is the problem on A_1 easy?
- Can the optimal solutions to the problems on A_1, \dots, 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 Prog: Room Scheduling

- Solving for A_n solves the original problem.
- Solving for A_1 is easy.
- If you have optimal solutions S_1, \dots, S_{i-1} for subproblems on A_1, \dots, 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

► DP-ROOM-SCHEDULING-W-ATTENDEES (s, f, t)

1. $n = \text{length}[s]$
2. $N[1] = t_1$ // number of attendees in S_1
3. $F[1] = 1$ // last activity in S_1
4. for $i = 2$ to n do
5. let k be the last activity finished before s_i
6. if $(N[i-1] > N[k] + t_i)$ then // **Case 1**
7. $N[i] = N[i-1]$
8. $F[i] = F[i-1]$
9. else // **Case 2**
10. $N[i] = N[k] + t_i$
11. $F[i] = k$
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

$S_1 = \text{CORIANDER}$ **COR**IANDER

$S_2 = \text{CREDITORS}$ **CR**EDITORS

Longest Common Subsequence($S_1[1..9]$, $S_2[1..9]$)
= **CRIR**

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 $1 + \text{LCS}(S_1, S_2, m-1, n-1)$
3. Else return larger of
4. $\text{LCS}(S_1, S_2, m-1, n)$ and $\text{LCS}(S_1, S_2, m, n-1)$

Observation:

All the recursive calls correspond to subproblems to solve and they include $\text{LCS}(S_1, S_2, i, j)$ 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 $S_1[i] = S_2[j]$

$LCS[i,j] = \max \{ LCS[i-1, j], LCS[i, j-1] \}$, otherwise

➤ Table ($m \times n$ table)

➤ Hierarchy of Solutions?

➤ Solve in row major order

LCS Problem

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LCS_Length (X, Y)

1. $m \leftarrow \text{length}[X]$
2. $n \leftarrow \text{Length}[Y]$
3. for $i = 1$ to m
4. do $c[i, 0] \leftarrow 0$
5. for $j = 1$ to n
6. do $c[0, j] \leftarrow 0$
7. for $i = 1$ to m
8. do for $j = 1$ to n
9. do if ($x_i = y_j$)
10. then $c[i, j] \leftarrow c[i-1, j-1] + 1$
11. $b[i, j] \leftarrow \text{“}\nwarrow\text{”}$
12. else if $c[i-1, j] > c[i, j-1]$
13. then $c[i, j] \leftarrow c[i-1, j]$
14. $b[i, j] \leftarrow \text{“}\uparrow\text{”}$
15. else
16. $c[i, j] \leftarrow c[i, j-1]$
17. $b[i, j] \leftarrow \text{“}\leftarrow\text{”}$
18. return $c[m, n]$

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