CS4311 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Lecture 10: Dynamic Programming II

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About this lecture

• We will see more examples today

- Let A be a matrix of dimension $p \times q$ and B be a matrix of dimension $q \times r$
- Then, if we multiply matrices A and B, we obtain a resulting matrix C = ABwhose dimension is $p \times r$
- We can obtain each entry in C using q operations
 in total, pqr operations

- Matrix multiplication can be defined for more than two matrices
- Let A_1 , A_2 , ..., A_n be a sequence of matrices (with #columns of $A_k = \#$ rows of A_{k+1})
- We can define

$$C = A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots A_n = (\dots ((A_1 A_2) A_3) \dots A_n)$$

- In fact, $((A_1A_2)A_3) = (A_1(A_2A_3))$ so that matrix multiplication is associative
- Any way to write down the parentheses gives the same result
- E.g., $(((A_1A_2)A_3)A_4) = ((A_1A_2)(A_3A_4))$
 - $= (A_1((A_2A_3)A_4)) = ((A_1(A_2A_3))A_4)$
 - = $(A_1(A_2(A_3A_4)))$

Question: Why do we bother this?

Because different computation sequence may use different number of operations!
E.g., Let the dimensions of A₁, A₂, A₃ be:
1×100, 100×1, 1×100, respectively
#operations to get ((A₁A₂)A₃) = ??
#operations to get (A₁(A₂A₃)) = ??

Optimal Substructure

Lemma: Suppose that to multiply $B_1, B_2, ..., B_j$, the way with minimum #operations is to:

- (i) first, obtain $B_1B_2 \dots B_x$
- (ii) then, obtain $B_{x+1} \dots B_j$
- (iii) finally, multiply the matrices of part (i) and part (ii)

Then, the matrices in part (i) and part (ii) must be obtained with min #operations

Optimal Substructure

Let $f_{i,j}$ denote the min #operations to obtain the product $A_iA_{i+1} \dots A_j$

 \rightarrow f_{i,i} = 0

Let r_k and c_k denote #rows and #cols of A_k Then, we have:

Lemma: For any j > i, $f_{i,j} = \min_{x} \{ f_{i,x} + f_{x+1,j} + r_{i}c_{x}c_{j} \}$

Matrix-Chain Multiplication

Define a function Compute_F(i,j) as follows:

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Compute_F(i, j) /* Finding f_{i,j} */
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    if (i == j) return 0;
    m = ∞;
    for (x = i, i+1, ..., j-1) {
        g = Compute_F(i,x) + Compute_F(x+1,j) + r<sub>i</sub>c<sub>x</sub>c<sub>j</sub>;
        if (g < m) m = g;
        }
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    return m;
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Matrix-Chain Multiplication

Question: Time to get Compute_F(1,n)?

- By substituion method, we can show that Running time = $\Omega(3^n)$
- On the other hand, #operations for each possible way of writing parentheses are computed at most once
 - \rightarrow Running time = O(C(2n-2,n-1)/n)

Catalan Number

Overlapping Subproblems

Here, we can see that :

To Compute_F(i,j) and Compute_F(i,j+1), both have many COMMON subproblems: Compute_F(i,i+1), ..., Compute_F(i,j-1)

So, in our recursive algorithm, there are many redundant computations ! Question: Can we avoid it ?

Bottom-Up Approach

- We notice that
 - (i) all $\boldsymbol{f}_{i,j}$ are eventually computed at least once, and

(ii) $f_{i,j}$ depends only on $f_{x,y}$ with |x-y| < |i-j|

- By (i), let us create a 2D table F to store all f_{i,j} values once they are computed
- By (ii), let us compute $f_{i,j}$ for j-i = 1,2,...,n-1

Bottom-Up Approach

BottomUp_F() /* Finding min #operations */

- 1. for j = 1, 2, ..., n, set F[j, j] = 0;
- 2. for (length = 1,2,..., n-1) {
 Compute F[i,i+length] for all i;
 - // Based on F[x,y] with |x-y| < length
 }</pre>
- 3. return F[1,n];

Running Time = $\Theta(n^3)$

Remarks

- Again, a slight change in the algorithm allows us to get the exact sequence of steps (or the parentheses) that achieves the minimum number of operations
- Also, we can make minor changes to the recursive algorithm and obtain a memoized version (whose running time is O(n³))