

CS4311
Design and Analysis of
Algorithms

Lecture 12: Dynamic Programming IV

Subsequence of a String

- Let $S = s_1s_2\dots s_m$ be a string of length m
- Any string of the form

$$s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \dots s_{i_k}$$

with $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k$ is a **subsequence** of S

- E.g., if $S = \text{farmers}$
 - fame, arm, mrs, farmers, are some of the subsequences of S

Longest Common Subsequence

- Let S and T be two strings
- If a string is both
 - a subsequence of S and
 - a subsequence of T ,it is a common subsequence of S and T
- In addition, if it is the longest possible one, it is a longest common subsequence

Longest Common Subsequence

- E.g.,

$S = \text{algorithms}$

$T = \text{logarithms}$

- Then, aim, lots, ohms, grit, are some of the common subsequences of S and T
- Longest common subsequences:
 $\text{lorithms , lgrithms}$

Longest Common Subsequence

- Let $S = s_1s_2\dots s_m$ be a string of length m
- Let $T = t_1t_2\dots t_n$ be a string of length n

Can we quickly find a longest common subsequence (LCS) of S and T ?

Optimal Substructure

Let $X = x_1 x_2 \dots x_k$ be an LCS of
 $S_{1,i} = s_1 s_2 \dots s_i$ and $T_{1,j} = t_1 t_2 \dots t_j$.

Lemma:

- If $s_i = t_j$, then $x_k = s_i = t_j$, and $x_1 x_2 \dots x_{k-1}$ must be the LCS of $S_{1,i-1}$ and $T_{1,j-1}$
- If $s_i \neq t_j$, then X must either be
 - (i) an LCS of $S_{1,i}$ and $T_{1,j-1}$, or
 - (ii) an LCS of $S_{1,i-1}$ and $T_{1,j}$

Optimal Substructure

Let $\text{len}_{i,j}$ denote the length of the LCS of $S_{1,i}$ and $T_{1,j}$

$$\rightarrow \text{len}_{0,j} = \text{len}_{i,0} = 0$$

Lemma: For any $i, j \geq 1$,

- if $s_i = t_j$, $\text{len}_{i,j} = \text{len}_{i-1,j-1} + 1$
- if $s_i \neq t_j$, $\text{len}_{i,j} = \max \{ \text{len}_{i,j-1}, \text{len}_{i-1,j} \}$

Length of LCS

Define a function $\text{Compute_L}(i,j)$ as follows:

$\text{Compute_L}(i, j)$ /* Finding $\text{len}_{i,j}$ */

1. if ($i == 0$ or $j == 0$) return 0;
2. if ($s_i = t_j$)
 return $\text{Compute_L}(i-1, j-1) + 1$;
3. else
 return $\max \{\text{Compute_L}(i-1, j), \text{Compute_L}(i, j-1)\}$;

$\text{Compute_L}(m, n)$ runs in $O(2^{m+n})$ time

Overlapping Subproblems

To speed up, we can see that :

To $\text{Compute_L}(i,j)$ and $\text{Compute_L}(i-1,j+1)$,
has a **common** subproblem:

$\text{Compute_L}(i-1,j)$

In fact, in our recursive algorithm, there are
many **redundant computations** !

Question: Can we avoid it ?

Bottom-Up Approach

- Let us create a 2D table L to store all $\text{len}_{i,j}$ values once they are computed

BottomUp_L() /* Finding min #operations */

- For all i and j , set $L[i,0] = L[0,j] = 0$;
- for ($i = 1,2,\dots, m$)

 Compute $L[i,j]$ for all j ;

 // Based on $L[i-1,j-1]$, $L[i-1,j]$, $L[i,j-1]$

- return $L[m,n]$;

Running Time = $\Theta(mn)$

Remarks

- Again, a slight change in the algorithm allows us to obtain a particular LCS
- Also, we can make minor changes to the recursive algorithm and obtain a memoized version (whose running time is $O(mn)$)

Example Run: After Step 1

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0									
I	0									
R	0									
T	0									
Y	0									
R	0									
O	0									
O	0									
M	0									

Example Run: After Step 2, $i = 1$

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
I	0									
R	0									
T	0									
Y	0									
R	0									
O	0									
O	0									
M	0									

Example Run: After Step 2, i = 2

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
I	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
R	0									
T	0									
Y	0									
R	0									
O	0									
O	0									
M	0									

Example Run: After Step 2, i = 3

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
I	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
R	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
T	0									
Y	0									
R	0									
O	0									
O	0									
M	0									

Example Run: After Step 2, i = 4

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
I	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
R	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
T	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
Y	0									
R	0									
O	0									
O	0									
M	0									

Example Run: After Step 2

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
I	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
R	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
T	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
Y	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	4
R	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	4	4
O	0	1	2	2	2	2	3	4	4	4
O	0	1	2	2	2	2	3	4	4	4
M	0	1	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	4

Extra information to obtain an LCS

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖
I	0									
R	0									
T	0									
Y	0									
R	0									
O	0									
O	0									
M	0									

Extra Info: After Step 2, i = 2

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖
I	0	1↑	1↑	1↑	1↑	2↖	2↖	2↖	2↖	2↖
R	0									
T	0									
Y	0									
R	0									
O	0									
O	0									
M	0									

Extra Info: After Step 2, i = 3

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖
I	0	1↑	1↑	1↑	1↑	2↖	2↖	2↖	2↖	2↖
R	0	1↑	1↑	2↖	2↖	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↖	3↖
T	0									
Y	0									
R	0									
O	0									
O	0									
M	0									

Extra Info: After Step 2

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖
I	0	1↑	1↑	1↑	1↑	2↖	2↖	2↖	2↖	2↖
R	0	1↑	1↑	2↖	2↖	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↖	3↖
T	0	1↑	1↑	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↖	3↖	3↖	3↖
Y	0	1↑	1↑	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↑	3↖	3↖	4↖
R	0	1↑	1↑	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↑	3↑	4↖	4↑
O	0	1↑	2↖	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↑	4↖	4↑	4↑
O	0	1↑	2↖	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↑	4↑	4↑	4↖
M	0	1↑	2↑	2↑	3↖	3↖	3↖	4↑	4↑	4↑

LCS obtained by tracing from L[m,n]

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖	1↖
I	0	1↑	1↑	1↑	1↑	2↖	2↖	2↖	2↖	2↖
R	0	1↑	1↑	2↖	2↖	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↖	3↖
T	0	1↑	1↑	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↖	3↖	3↖	3↖
Y	0	1↑	1↑	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↑	3↖	3↖	4↖
R	0	1↑	1↑	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↑	3↑	4↖	4↑
O	0	1↑	2↖	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↑	4↖	4↑	4↑
O	0	1↑	2↖	2↑	2↑	2↑	3↑	4↑	4↑	4↖
M	0	1↑	2↑	2↑	3↖	3↖	3↖	4↑	4↑	4↑

Reducing Space Usage

- Space usage of table L : $O(mn)$
- Note: To fill L , each row depends only on values of the previous row
- Suppose we only need the length of LCS
We can do so by only keeping current row and previous row → reduce space to $O(n)$
- Note: We can also fill L column by column
Space usage: $O(\min\{m,n\})$

Reducing Space Usage

Question: How about getting the LCS?
Can we do so with $O(n)$ space?

Solution I:

- Use $O(mn)$ time to find the last row
 - Use $O(mn)$ time to find the 2nd last row
 - ...
 - Use $O(mn)$ time to find the first row
- Total time: $O(m^2n)$

Solution II: Hirschberg's Trick

Let $S_{1,m/2}$ and $S_{m/2+1,m}$ denote the first half and the second half of S , respectively

Consider X , which is the LCS of S and T .

Let X' and X'' denote the portion of X which comes from $S_{1,m/2}$ and $S_{m/2+1,m}$

- Here, X' or X'' may be empty, and they may be of unequal length

Solution II: Hirschberg's Trick

Observation:

If X' and X'' come from $T_{1,r}$ and $T_{r+1,n}$ for some r , then

- X' is an LCS of $S_{1,m/2}$ and $T_{1,r}$
- X'' is an LCS of $S_{m/2+1,m}$ and $T_{r+1,n}$

Corollary: The reverse of X'' is LCS of the reverse of $S_{m/2+1,m}$ and reverse of $T_{r+1,n}$

Solution II: Hirschberg's Trick

Let $\text{len}_{i,j}$ = length of the LCS of $S_{1,i}$ and $T_{1,j}$

Let $\text{rev}_{i,j}$ = length of the LCS of $S_{i,m}$ and $T_{j,n}$
= length of the LCS of reverse of
 $S_{i,m}$ and reverse of $T_{j,n}$

Lemma: $\text{len}_{m,n} = \max_r \{ \text{len}_{m/2,r} + \text{rev}_{m/2+1,r+1} \}$

And, if $r = r^*$ achieves the above max,

- X' is an LCS of $S_{1,m/2}$ and T_{1,r^*}
- X'' is an LCS of $S_{m/2+1,m}$ and $T_{r^*+1,n}$

Solution II: Hirschberg's Trick

Based on the previous lemma, we can find r^* as follows:

Step 1: Fill L for row 1 to row $m/2$
(from top-left corner)

Step 2: Fill L for row m to row $m/2 + 1$
(from bottom-right corner)

Step 3: Find r^* from rows $m/2$ and $m/2+1$

Example Run: Step 1

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
T												
Y												
T												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 1

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
T												
Y												
T												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 1

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
T												
Y												
T												
R												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 1

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
T												
Y												
R												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 1

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
R												
T	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	
Y												
R												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 2

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
R												
T	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	
Y												
R												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 2

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
R												
T	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	
Y												
R												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 2

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
R												
T	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	
Y												
R												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 2

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
R												
T	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	
Y												
R												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 2

			D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D												
H												
R												
T	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	
Y		2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
R												
O												
O												
M												

Example Run: Step 3 (Find r^*)

		D	O	R	M	I	T	O	R	Y	
D											
I											
R											
T	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	
Y		2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
R											
O											
O											
M											

Solution II: Hirschberg's Trick

- After finding r^* , we can recursively find
 - (i) LCS of $S_{1,m/2}$ and T_{1,r^*}
 - (ii) LCS of $S_{m/2+1,m}$ and $T_{r^*+1,n}$
- Total Space: $O(n)$ because space can be reused!
- Total Time:
$$T(m,n) = T(m/2,r^*) + T(m/2, n-r^*) + \Theta(mn)$$

→ By recursion-tree, $T(m,n) = \Theta(mn)$