

Question 1 Let $X, Y, Z \in \{0, 1\}^n$ be three n -length strings. Describe an $O(n^2)$ time algorithm to compute largest k such that there exists a k -length string that is substring of X, Y , and Z .

~~Sol. We have to find LCS of X, Y, Z .~~

Sol. Algorithm:

Pass the string Y over the string X to find the set of all common substrings.

For each configuration, this takes $O(n-k)$ time, & n configurations possible.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \\ y_1 & y_2 & \dots & y_k & \dots & y_n \end{array}$$

So overall it takes $O(n^2)$ time.

Further, for each of the substrings we get, we can treat it as a "pattern" & search for it in the string Z .

$O(n^3)$.

By KMP algorithm, we know we can do this in $O(n+kD(k))$ time, where k is the size of the pattern.

\therefore we get an algorithm which is

$$O(n^2 + p \cdot (n+k))$$

where p is the no. of common strings.

Question 2 Let $G = (V, E)$ be a weighted digraph with no cycle of negative weight, and let $S \subseteq V$ be a set of size k . A path P is said to be an S -path if the internal vertices of P lie in S .

Describe an $O(kn^2)$ time algorithm to compute a binary matrix B such that $B[i, j] = 1$ if and only if there exists an S -path of ~~non~~-negative weight from vertex i to vertex j in G .

Ans. Note that if there \exists a S path of -ve weight, ~~it must also be the~~ shortest S -path must also be of -ve weight.



We modify ~~Bellman-Ford~~ as follows:

$B[n][n] \leftarrow$ Initialize with 0
For each $v \in V$:

$D = (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$

$D[k] = \infty \forall k, D[v] = 0$

For i in $(1, \dots, k)$:

~~if $D[v] < 0$~~ for all $(v, w) \in S$:

~~for $v \in S$~~ if $(D[v] \rightarrow D[w] + wt(v, w)$

and $(v, w) \in S$:

$D[v] = D[w] + wt(v, w)$

After k iterations we will know if ~~there is~~ shortest path exists using only ~~vertices~~ ^{vertices} in S .

Now we can fill up the matrix B .

for all k s.t. ~~$(D[k] < 0)$~~ $(D[k] < 0)$:

$B[v][k] = 1$

Finally, return B

The inner loop runs $O(nk)$ times, and for each vertex we run it, so we get total time (once)

$= O(n^2k)$