

CS301 Assignment 4 Answers

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Recursive Formulation

Let's say $MaxWeed(i, j)$ is a function that returns the maximum number of weed can be cleared through the path from (0,0) location of the farm to the (i,j) by just moving left or down, and $hasWeed(i, j)$ is a function that returns 1 if there is weed in (i,j) in farm or 0 otherwise. Than the recursive formulation of $MaxWeed(i, j)$ function will be following:

$$MaxWeed(i, j) = \max(MaxWeed(i - 1, j), MaxWeed(i, j - 1)) + hasWeed(i, j)$$

Pseudocode of Naive Algorithm

Inputs:

- $farmMatrix$: matrix of the given farm
- m and n : target locations

function MaxWeed(x, y, farmMatrix):

if m is 0 and n is 0 do:

 return $hasWeed(m, n)$

else if x is 0 do:

 return $maxWeed(m, n-1, farmMatrix) + hasWeed(m, n)$

else if y is 0 do:

 return $maxWeed(m-1, n, farmMatrix) + hasWeed(m, n)$

else do:

 return $\max(maxWeed(m-1, n, farmMatrix), maxWeed(m, n-1, farmMatrix)) + hasWeed(m, n)$

Pseudocode of Dynamic Programming Algorithm

Inputs:

- *farmMatrix* : matrix of the given farm
- *x* and *y* : target locations

function MaxWeed(*m*, *n*, *farmMatrix*):

Create a matrix named *table* with *x* rows and *y* columns

for *i* = 1 to *m* do:

 for *j* = 1 to *n* do:

table[i][j] = *hasWeed(i,j)*

for *i* = 2 to *n* do:

table[1][i] = *table[1][i]* + *table[1][i-1]*

for *i* = 2 to *m* do:

table[i][1] = *table[i][1]* + *table[i-1][1]*

for *i* = 2 to *m* do:

 for *j* = 2 to *n* do:

table[i][j] = *table[i][j]* + *max(table[i-1][j], table[i][j-1])*

return *table[m][n]*

Asymptotic Complexity Analysis of Naive Algorithm

Naive algorithm is recursive and in every step there are at most 2 recursive calls, and this goes until we reach *m* to 0 and *n* to 0. This means total time complexity of algorithm is $O(2^{m*n})$.

Asymptotic Complexity Analysis of Dynamic Programming Algorithm

Creating table = $m * n$

Filling first row = $n - 1$

Filling first column = $m - 1$

Filling rest of the table = $(m - 1) * (n - 1)$

Total = $m * n + n - 1 + m - 1 + m * n - n - m + 1 = 2mn - 1 = O(m * n)$

Time Complexity = $O(m * n)$

Space Complexity: An additional matrix with *m* rows and *n* columns is created, this means space complexity is $O(m * n)$

Experimental Evaluations of Dynamic Programming Algorithm

The algorithm was tested with different sizes and the average running times of the algorithm for each N size was plotted. In this test, at each N size, a random $N \times N$ farm was generated and the size N was increased with step size 10 every time until it reaches size 500, which means a matrix with 500 rows and columns. Also, for each N value the algorithm was tested with randomly generated $N \times N$ matrices that are different from each other 10 times and the average running time of 10 operations was saved for that N value in order to obtain more accurate average time.

Since $m = n = N$ in this test case, asymptotic time complexity of the algorithm is $O(m * n) = O(N^2)$, and it can be said that the graph shows that as the N value increases, running time of the algorithm increases quadratically, as we expected.

