

CSE 21 HW 7

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1. A slow-growing sequence of length n (with $n \geq 1$) is a non-decreasing sequence of integers that start with 1 and each pair of entries differ by at most 1.

a) (for $n \geq 1$), How many slow-growing sequence of length n are there?

$$A(n) = 2 \cdot A(n-1), A(1) = 1$$

$$1) \quad A(n) = 2 \cdot A(n-1)$$

$$2) \quad A(n) = 2^2 \cdot A(n-1)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$k) \quad A(n) = 2^k \cdot A(n-1)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$n-1) \quad A(n) = 2^{n-1}$$

b) How many bits would the most efficient fixed-length encoding of sequences use?

$$\begin{aligned} n &= \lceil \log_2(2^{n-1}) \rceil \\ &= n-1 \end{aligned}$$

c) Develop your own encoding / decoding algorithm where the code uses this number of bits

Create an encoding such that each bit in the encoded binary string represents whether to add 1 or 0 to the previous number in the string.

d) Use your encoding to encode the follow slow-growing sequences

- $(1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5) = 1100101$
- $(1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4) = 0010110$
- $(1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5, 6) = 1010111$

e) Use your decoding to decode the following strings

- $01010100 = (1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4)$
- $11100011 = (1, 2, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 6)$
- $10111110 = (1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7)$

2. Image files can be encoded using binary strings. In the most simple version, you can encode an $n \times m$ black and white image using nm bits with black corresponding to 0 and white corresponding to 1.

We can use hexadecimal to encode each of the chunks of 4 pixels into a single hexadecimal character.

a) How many bits are required to encode this image by encoding each pixel with 1 bit?

$$nm = (96)(96) = 9216$$

b) How many hexadecimal characters are needed for this image?

$$\left(\frac{96}{4}\right)(96) = 2304$$

- $\frac{96}{4}$: Groups per row
- 96 : Number of Rows

c) Huffman encoding is actually used in image compression. What we can do is compute the frequency table of the hexadecimal characters and build a Huffman code based on that. Then encode the hexadecimal string using the Huffman code. Here is the frequency table for this particular image:

Character	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
Weight	1113	104	63	67	77	49	54	73	103	39	32	70	47	82	83	248

- Draw the Huffman tree for the set of frequencies.



- Calculate the total number of bits needed to encode this particular image of the moon using this coding.

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3. Consider the set of 26 capital letters of the Roman Alphabet

a) Using a fixed length character-by-character encoding, what is the minimum number of bits required to encode each character?

$$n = \lceil \log_2(26) \rceil = 5$$

b) Develop a fixed length character-by-character encoding for this alphabet using the number of bits from the previous part and use it to encode / decode the following strings

- Encode: "MATH" $\Rightarrow (13)(1)(20)(8) \Rightarrow 01101\ 00001\ 10100\ 01000$
- Encode: "BYTE" $\Rightarrow (2)(25)(20)(5) \Rightarrow 00010\ 11001\ 10100\ 00101$
- Decode: 10010 01110 10001 10011 $\Rightarrow (18)(14)(17)(19) \Rightarrow RNQS$
- Decode: 10001 01110 01110 10011 $\Rightarrow (17)(14)(14)(19) \Rightarrow QNNS$

c) Using fixed length encoding. What is the minimum number of bits required to encode each 4 letter string over this alphabet.

$$n = \lceil \log_2 26^4 \rceil = 19$$

d) Develop a fixed length encoding for 4 letter strings using the number of bits from the previous part and use it to encode / decode the following strings:

- Encode: "MATH" $\Rightarrow (13 \cdot 26^3 + 1 \cdot 26^2 + 20 \cdot 26 + 8) \Rightarrow 229692$
 $\Rightarrow 011\ 1000\ 0001\ 0011\ 1100$
- Encode: "BYTE" $\Rightarrow (2 \cdot 26^3 + 25 \cdot 26^2 + 20 \cdot 26 + 5) \Rightarrow 52577$
 $\Rightarrow 000\ 1100\ 1101\ 0110\ 0001$
- Decode: 100 1111 1010 1001 0101 $\Rightarrow 326293 \Rightarrow RNQS$
- Decode: 100 1011 0101 1001 1111 $\Rightarrow 308639 \Rightarrow QNNS$

4. Suppose you are traveling from the bottom left corner of a 9 by 6 grid of city blocks and you wish to get to the top right corner only using up and right movements

a) *What is the minimum number of bits necessary to encode these paths with a fixed length encoding?*

There are $\binom{6+9}{6} = \binom{15}{6} = 5005$ number of paths from the bottom left to the top right, where 1s represent moving to the right.

$$n = \lceil \log_2 5005 \rceil = 13$$

b) *Develop an encoding strategy and encode the path given in the example*

Translate the path to a fixed-density binary string. Specifically, a length 13 binary strings with 6 1s, where 1 represents moving to the right and 0 represent moving up.

$$\text{path} \implies 111100001000100$$

c) *Use your encoding strategy to decode the following string: 0 1010 1100 1100*