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# Chapter 1

## Greedy algorithm

### 1.1 Problem 5.3

Run DFS on the graph to detect a cycle edge. Return YES as soon as a cycle edge is found. Else, if there is no cycle edge, return NO.

This algorithm has  $O(|V|)$  runtime because we note that  $G$  is either a tree (in which case  $|E| = |V| - 1$ ) or it is not (in which case  $|E| > |V| - 1$ ).

- If  $G$  is a tree then we will not be able to detect any back edge. DFS will traverse the entire graph, which takes  $O(|V| + |E|)$ , but because  $|E| = |V| - 1$ , this is  $O(|V|)$ .
- If  $G$  is not a tree then we can find a back edge after traversing at most  $|V|$  edges because the edges picked by DFS form a tree, and any tree in the original graph can have at most  $|V|$  vertices.

### 1.2 Problem 5.4

We note that a connect component with  $m$  vertices must have at least  $m - 1$  edges<sup>1</sup>.

Let the number of vertices in component  $i$  be  $m_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . We have  $\sum_{i=1}^k m_i = n$ .

The number of edges in the graph is the total number of edges in all components, which is at least

$$\sum_{i=1}^k (m_i - 1) = n - k.$$

### 1.3 Problem 5.5

- (a) We follow Kruskal's algorithm to build the minimum spanning tree: at each step, pick the edge with the least weight that does not create a cycle. Because all edge weights are increased by 1, the weight of any edge relative to all other edges is the same, so Kruskal's will produce the same result.
- (b) The shortest path will change. Consider the quadrilateral  $ABCD$  with

$$AB = BC = CD = 2, AD = 7.$$

Currently the shortest path from  $A$  to  $D$  is  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow D$ . If we increase the weight of all edges by 1 then  $AB = BC = CD = 3, DA = 8$ , so the shortest path from  $A$  to  $D$  is the  $A \rightarrow D$ .

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<sup>1</sup>since the component is connected, we can build a minimum spanning tree in it; this tree has  $m$  vertices and  $m - 1$  edges, so the number of edges in the component must be at least  $m - 1$ .

# Chapter 2

## Dynamic programming

### 2.1 Problem 6.2

Let  $b[i]$  be the minimum total penalty for stopping at hotel  $a_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . We have

$$b[i] = \min_{1 \leq j < i} \{b[j] + (200 - (a[i] - a[j]))^2\}.$$

Also record the value  $j$  which yields  $\min_{1 \leq j < i} \{b[j] + (200 - (a[i] - a[j]))^2\}$  and set  $b[i].prev = b[j]$ . Backtrack from  $b[n]$  to get the sequence of hotels to stop by.

### 2.2 Problem 6.3

Let  $S[i]$  be the maximum total profit we get from building some restaurants in  $\{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_i\}$ . Consider 2 cases:

- (1) If restaurant  $m_i$  should not be built, then  $S[i] = S[i - 1]$ .
- (2) If restaurant  $m_i$  should be built, then let  $c_i$  be the maximum index  $j$  which yields  $m_i - m_j \geq k$ . We then have  $S[i] = p_i + S[c_i]$ .

Therefore in general,

$$S_i = \max\{S[i - 1], p_i + S[c_i]\}.$$

To get the sequence of restaurants, keep an array  $R[n]$  such that  $R[i] = 1$  if restaurant  $i$  is built in the optimal solution, and  $R[i] = 0$  otherwise. When we calculate  $S[i]$ , if the max falls to case (1),  $R[i] = 0$ . Else,  $R[i] = 1$ . Output all the  $R[i]$ s that are 1.

### 2.3 Problem 6.4

Consider an array  $S[n]$  where  $S[i] = \text{true}$  if the substring  $s_1s_2 \dots s_i$  is a valid string, and  $\text{false}$  otherwise. We have  $S[1] = \text{dict}(s[1])$  and

$$\begin{aligned} S[i] = & (S[1] \ \&\& \ \text{dict}(s[2 \dots i]) \\ & || (S[2] \ \&\& \ \text{dict}(s[3 \dots i]) \\ & || \dots \\ & || (S[i - 1] \ \&\& \ \text{dict}(s[i \dots i]))), \end{aligned}$$

where  $s[j \dots i]$  is  $s_js_{j+1} \dots s_i$ .

## 2.4 Problem 6.6

Let the input string be  $x_1x_2 \dots x_n$ .

Let  $Z = \{a, b, c\}$  and let  $T[i, j] \subset Z$  be the set of the possible values that the product  $x_i x_{i+1} \dots x_j$  can yield with all possible parenthesizations.

We see that  $T[i, i] = x_i$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . We need to compute  $T[1, n]$ .

Define  $A \times B$  as  $\{a \cdot b \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$ .

We note that  $T[i, i+1] = T[i, i] \cup T[i+1, i+1]$  and  $T[i, i+2] = (T[i, i] \times T[i+1, i+2]) \cup (T[i, i+1] \times T[i+2, i+2])$  (to put it another way,  $abc$  can be written as  $(a)(bc)$  or  $(ab)(c)$ ).

We therefore see that we already have

$$T[1, 1], T[2, 2], T[3, 3], \dots,$$

from which we can calculate

$$T[1, 2], T[2, 3], T[3, 4], \dots,$$

from which we can calculate

$$T[1, 3], T[2, 4], T[3, 5], \dots$$

and eventually we can expand to  $T[1, n]$ , which is what we need to find.

In other words,

$$T[i, i+s] = \bigcup_{i \leq k < i+s} (T[i, k] \times T[k+1, i+s]).$$

The algorithm is as follows:

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for i = 1 to n: T[i,i] = x[i].
for s = 1 to n-1:
  for i = 1 to n - s:
    T[i, i + s] = empty
    for k = 1 to i + s - 1:
      T[i, i + s] = T[i, i + s] UNION (T[i, k] * T[k+1,s])
If a is in T[1,n] return true. Else, return false.
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## 2.5 Problem 6.7

Let the input string be  $x_1x_2 \dots x_n$ . Let  $T[i, j]$  be the length of the longest palindromic subsequence in  $x[i..j]$ . We have

$$\begin{cases} T[i,i] = 1 \\ T[i, i+1] = 2 \text{ if } x[i] = x[i+1] \text{ and } 0 \text{ if } x[i] \neq x[i+1] \\ T[i, j] = T[i+1, j-1] + 2 \text{ if } x[i] = x[j] \text{ and } \max\{T[i+1, j], T[i, j-1]\} \text{ else} \end{cases}$$

## 2.6 Problem 6.8

Let  $E[i, j]$  be the length of the largest common substring of  $x_1x_2 \dots x_i$  and  $y_1y_2 \dots y_j$  such that  $x_i = y_j$ .

We see that  $E[1, j] = 1$  if  $x_1 = y_j$  and 0 otherwise. Similarly,  $E[j, 1] = 1$  if  $y_1 = x_j$  and 0 otherwise.

In general, we have

$$E[i, j] = \begin{cases} E[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x_i = y_j \\ 0 & \text{if } x_i \neq y_j \end{cases}$$

## 2.7 Problem 6.9

Let the input string be  $x[0..n-1]$  and the input breakpoint array be  $y[1..m]$ . Convert  $y$  to  $y[0..m+1]$  and let  $y[0] = -1, y[m+1] = n-1$ .

Let  $M(i, j)$  be

$$\begin{cases} M(i, i) = 0, \forall i : 0 \leq i \leq m+1 \\ M(i, i+1) = 0, \forall i : 0 \leq i \leq m+1 \\ M(i, j) = (y[j] - y[i]) + \min_{l:i < l < j} \{M(i, l) + M(l, j)\} \end{cases}$$

## 2.8 Problem 6.10

Let  $E[i, j]$  be the probability of obtaining exactly  $i$  heads when  $j$  coins  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_j$  with head-probability  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_j$  are tossed. We have

$$\begin{cases} E[0, 0] = 1 \\ E[0, j] = E[0, j-1] \cdot (1 - p_j) \quad \forall 1 \leq j \leq n \\ E[i, 0] = 0 \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq k \\ E[i, j] = p_j \cdot E[i-1, j-1] + (1 - p_j) \cdot E[i, j-1] \end{cases}$$

## 2.9 Problem 6.11

Let  $E[i, j]$  be the longest common subsequence of  $x_1x_2 \dots x_j$  and  $y_1y_2 \dots y_j$ .

We have  $E[1, j] = 1$  if  $x_1 = y_j$ , for all  $1 \leq j \leq m$ . Similarly,  $E[j, 1] = 1$  if  $x_j = y_1$ , for all  $1 \leq j \leq n$ .

In general we have

$$E[i, j] = \begin{cases} E[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x_i = y_j \\ \max\{E[i-1, j] + E[i, j-1]\} & \text{if } x_i \neq y_j. \end{cases}$$

## 2.10 Problem 6.12

Let  $d[i, j]$  be the distance between point  $i$  and  $j$ . We have

$$\begin{cases} A[i, i] = 0 \\ A[i, i+1] = 0 \\ A[i, i+2] = 0 \\ A[i, j] = \min_{i < k < j} \{A[i, k] + A[k, j] + d[i, k] + d[k, j]\} \end{cases}$$

## 2.11 Problem 6.13

A sequence where a greedy approach would fail is

$$1000 \quad 2000 \quad 1.$$

Let  $E[i, j]$  be the maximum value the first player can have by picking cards from the set of cards  $s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots, s_j$ .

We see that  $E[i, j] = 0$  if  $i \leq j$ . In general,

$$E[i, j] = \max\{v_i + \min\{E[i+2, j] - v_{i+1}, E[i+1, j-1] - v_j\}, \\ v_j + \min\{E[i+1, j-2] - v_{j-1}, E[i+2, j-1] - v_{i+1}\}\}.$$