

1 Problem 3

Let slack $S_{j,k}$ be the difference

$$S_{j,k} = L - \left[\sum_{i=j}^{k-1} (c_i + 1) \right] + c_k \quad (1)$$

where if $S_{j,k} < 0$, $S_{j,k} = \text{Integer.MAX_VALUE}$.

1.1 Algorithm

Segmented-slack(n)

1. Array $M[0..n]$
2. Set $M[0] = 0$
3. For all pairs $i \leq j$
 - Compute the slack $S_{i,j}$ for the line of words w_i, \dots, w_j
4. Endfor
5. For $j = 1, \dots, n$
 - Use the recurrence relation to compute $M[j]$
6. Endfor
7. Return $M[n]$

Find-lines(j)

1. If $j = 0$ then return
2. Else
 - Find an i that minimizes $S_{i,j}^2 + M[i - 1]$
 - Output the line w_i, \dots, w_j and the result of Find-lines($i - 1$)
3. Endif

Recurrence Relation For the subproblem on the words w_i, \dots, w_j ,

$$OPT(j) = \min_{1 \leq i \leq j} (S_{i,j}^2 + OPT(i - 1)),$$

and the line w_i, \dots, w_j is used in an optimum partitioning for the subproblem if and only if the minimum is obtained using index i .

1.2 Runtime

To compute all the values of the slacks $S_{i,j}$, there are $O(n^2)$ pairs (i, j) for which this computation is needed. For each pair (i, j) , we can use equation (1) to compute $S_{i,j}$ in $O(1)$ time. Thus, the total running time to compute all $S_{i,j}$ values is $O(n^2)$. Iterating through array M to find the optimal sequence of partitions to get value $M[n]$ takes $O(n)$ time. Thus, the total running time to compute the partitions is bounded by $O(n^2)$.

1.3 Correctness

Lemma 1. *Segmented-slack(j) writes $OPT(j)$ into the array entry $M[j]$*

Proof of Lemma 1. By definition $OPT(0) = 0$. Now, for some $j > 0$, assume that Segmented-slack(i) correctly computes $OPT(i)$ for all $i < j$. By the induction hypothesis,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Segmented-slack}(j) &= \min_{1 \leq i \leq j} (S_{i,j}^2 + \text{Segmented-slack}(i-1)) \\ &= \min_{1 \leq i \leq j} (S_{i,j}^2 + OPT(i-1)) \\ &= OPT(j).\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have proved Lemma 1 as needed.