

Due November 15th (Friday), 11:59 pm

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1. (15 pts.)

Apply the greedy algorithm for Horn formulas (covered in the lecture) to find the variable assignment that solves the following horn formulas:

1. $(w \wedge y \wedge z) \Rightarrow x, (x \wedge z) \Rightarrow w, x \Rightarrow y, \Rightarrow x, (x \wedge y) \Rightarrow w, (\bar{w} \vee \bar{x} \vee \bar{y}), (\bar{z})$
2. $(x \wedge z) \Rightarrow y, z \Rightarrow w, (y \wedge z) \Rightarrow x, \Rightarrow z, (\bar{z} \vee \bar{x}), (\bar{w} \vee \bar{y} \vee \bar{z})$

You need to describe each step of running the algorithm, i.e., the current assignment, which variable will be changed because of what, etc.

Solution:

1.
 - Set everything to false initially.
 - x must be true since we have the statement $\Rightarrow x$.
 - y must be true since $x \Rightarrow y$.
 - w must be true since $(x \wedge y) \Rightarrow w$.
 - Not all negative clauses are satisfied at this point, so there is no satisfying assignment.
2.
 - z must be true since we have the statement $\Rightarrow z$.
 - w must be true since $z \Rightarrow w$.
 - x and y need not be changed, as all our implications are satisfied.
 - All negative clauses are now satisfied, so we have found our satisfying assignment.

2. (15 pts.)

Given two strings $x = x_1x_2x_n$ and $y = y_1y_2y_m$, we wish to find the length of their longest common substring, that is, the largest k for which there are indices i and j with $x_ix_{i+1}\dots x_{i+k-1} = y_jy_{j+1}\dots y_{j+k-1}$. Show how to do this in time $O(mn)$. Write the subproblem definition, recurrence relation, base case with explanation, and analyze the running time.

Solution:

Let $s[i][j]$ be the length of the longest common substring that ends with matching x_i and y_j . This is either 0, or, if $x_i = x_j$, then we can add x_i to the longest common substring that ends with matching x_{i-1} and y_{j-1} . The recurrence is:

$$s[i][j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0, j = 0 \text{ or } x_i \neq y_j; \\ 1 + s[i-1][j-1] & \text{if } x_i = x_j. \end{cases}$$

This can be implemented to run in $O(mn)$ time by filling the table in either row by row or column by column. To recover the longest common substring, we scan the table once to find the maximum value $s[i][j]$. The longest common substring is then $x_{i-s[i][j]-1} \dots x_i$ (equivalently, $y_{j-s[i][j]-1} \dots y_j$) or \emptyset if the maximum is 0. Backtracking also takes $O(mn)$ time.

3. (20 pts.)

A contiguous subsequence of a list S is a subsequence made up of consecutive elements of S . For instance, if S is 1, 5, -10, 11, 20, -5 then 5, -10, is a contiguous subsequence but 5, 11, 20 is not. Give a linear-time algorithm for the following task:

Input: A list of numbers $S = a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$.

Output: The contiguous subsequence of maximum sum (a subsequence of length zero has sum zero). For the preceding example, the answer would be 11, 20 with a sum of 31. Write the subproblem definition, recurrence relation, base case with explanation, and analyze the running time.

Solution:

Let $S[j]$ be the sum of the maximum contiguous sequence that ends at position j . Then for $S[j+1]$ we can either start a new contiguous sequence with score a_{j+1} or continue the contiguous sequence with score $S[j] + a_{j+1}$. The recurrence is:

$$S[j] = \begin{cases} a_j & \text{if } j = 0; \\ \max\{S[j-1] + a_j, a_j\} & \text{if } j > 0. \end{cases}$$

We can implement this recurrence in linear time by computing $S[0], S[1], \dots, S[n]$. To recover the sequence, we first scan through $S[]$ to find the location $S[j]$ which is maximum. We scan backwards from j to find the negative element $s[i]$ at the beginning of the maximum contiguous sequence, or have $i = -1$ (we could also directly store these values during the search). Then the maximum contiguous sequence is $a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots, a_j$ with score $S[j]$. The backtracking takes linear time as well.