

## Module 11 Problems

1. [12 pts] Given input alphabet {A, B, C, D}, construct the DFA for the string

A B C D A B D

NOTE: The spaces in the above string and alphabet are for readability.

The spaces are **not** part of the pattern or alphabet.

Show a trace of the KMP algorithm and your DFA on the target string

A B C A B C D A B C D A B D

NOTE: Again, the spaces are for readability.

2. [12 pts] Regular expressions (or regexs) are often extended with convenience operations.

Assuming the alphabet is the lower case letters a,b,c,d,e; write the regular expression for the following convenience operations:

2.1 [3pts] Wildcard (usually the '.' character): will match any character in the alphabet

2.2 [3pts] Kleene +: Like \*, but the regular expression must have at least 1 instance of the root regex

Example: (ac)+ matches "ac", "acac"

(ac)+ does **not** match "" (the empty string)

2.3 [3pts] bounded closure: Match a finite set of concatenations.

Example: (ab){3,5} matches "ababab" or "ababababab"

(ab){3,5} does **not** match "ab" or "abab" or "abababababab"

2.4 [3pts] character range:

Example: a[b-d] matches ab, ac, or ad

3. [18 pts] Given the regex over the alphabet {A,B,C,D,E,F,G}

$((A \mid B)^* \mid C D^* \mid E F G)^*$

NOTE: The notation for the regex above uses spaces for readability.

The space character is **not** part of the pattern

3.1 [9 pts] Construct the NFA state machine and digraph of e-transitions for the given regex

NOTE: The above regex \*may not be\* fully parenthesized.

If needed, you may add enough parentheses make the regex fully parenthesized.

3.2 [9 pts] Show the full set of state transitions when your NFA recognizer is applied to

A B B A C E F G E F G C A A B

NOTE: The spaces in the above string are for readability.

The space character is **not** part of the source string.

4. [14 pts] A contiguous subsequence of a list S is a subsequence made up of consecutive elements of S.

For instance, if S is

5, 15, -30, 10, -5, 40, 10

then

15, -30, 10

is a contiguous subsequence.

The subsequence

5, 15, 40

is **not** contiguous.

Give a linear-time algorithm for the following task:

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

Output: A contiguous subsequence of maximum sum.

NOTE: A subsequence of length 0- has sum 0.

For the preceding example sequence, the answer would be

10, -5, 40, 10

with a sum of 55.

Hint: For each  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , consider contiguous subsequences ending exactly at position  $j$ .

5. [14 pts] You are given a string of  $n$  characters  $s[1 \dots n]$ , which you believe to be a corrupted text document in which all punctuation and whitespace has vanished. A sample input is:

itwasthebestoftimesitwastheworst

You wish to reconstruct the document using a dictionary. The dictionary is available in the form of a Boolean function

`dict(w) :`  
for any string  $w$ , `dict(w)` = true if  $w$  is a valid word in the dictionary  
`dict(w)` returns false otherwise.

5.1 [9 pts] Give a dynamic programming algorithm that determines whether the

string  $s$  can be reconstituted as a string of valid words.

The running time should be no worse than  $O(|s|^2)$ , assuming a call to the `dict` function takes  $O(1)$ .

5.2 [5 pts] In the event that the string is valid, make your algorithm output the corresponding sequence of words.

6. [16 pts] Best Matrix Multiply Order:

Let

$A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4 \dots A_n$

be a sequence of matrices that must be multiplied together.

Matrix Multiply is associative, so you may parenthesize the multiplication in whatever way works best.

Some reminders: An  $m \times p$  matrix can be multiplied by a  $p \times q$  matrix giving an  $m \times q$  matrix. The cost of multiplying the 2 matrices is  $m * p * q$ .

Example: Given the sequence

$A_1 A_2 A_3$

where  $A_1 = 10 \times 10$ ,  $A_2 = 10 \times 10$ ,  $A_3 = 10 \times 1$ .

Choosing  $(A_1 * A_2) * A_3$  gives:

cost of  $A_1 \times A_2 = 10 \times 10 \times 10 = 1000$

cost of  $(A_1 \times A_2) \times A_3 = 10 \times 10 \times 1$

total cost =  $(1000) + 100 = 1100$

On the other hand, choosing  $A1 \times (A2 \times A3)$

cost of  $A2 \times A3 = 10 \times 10 \times 1 = 100$

cost of  $A1 \times (A2 \times A3) = 10 \times 10 \times 1 = 100$

total cost =  $100 + 100 = 200$

So, 2nd choice is clearly best.

Your problem: Given a sequence of matrices and their dimensions, construct an algorithm that gives the order of matrix multiplies that yields the lowest number of operations.

7. [14 pts] Minimum Edit Distance:

You have at your disposal 3 character editing operations:

1. d: delete a char
2. i: insert a char
3. c: change 1 char into another char

You are given 2 strings s,t.

Your problem is to always find the minimum # of operations to turn string s into string t.

Example:  $s = \text{'cast'}$ ,  $t = \text{'cats'}$

Option 1: c s  $\rightarrow$  t [pos 3]; c t  $\rightarrow$  s [pos 4] has 2 operations

Option 2: d a [pos 2]; c s a [pos 2]; i s at the end. This has 3 operations.

Option 1 is clearly better option 2.