CS 315 Intermediate Algorithms Winter 2024

Assignment 5

Due 11:59 PM Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024

[10 credits]

1 Description

We want to devise a dynamic programming algorithm for the following problem: there is a string of characters which might have been a sequence of English words with all the spaces removed, and we want to find a way, if any, in which to insert spaces that separate English words. For example, theyouthevent could be "the you the vent", "the youth event" or "they out he vent". If the input is theeaglehaslande, then there's no such way; note that "the eagle has lande" does not count, because "lande" is not an English word. Your task is to implement a dynamic programming algorithm (in a bottom-up manner). Assume that the original sequence of characters have no other punctuation such as periods, no capital letters, and no proper names—that is, all the English words will be available in a dictionary file that will be provided to you.

Let the input string be $x = x_1x_2...x_n$. We define the subproblem split(i) as that of determining whether it is possible to correctly add spaces to $x_ix_{i+1}...x_n$. Let dict(w) be the function that will look up a provided word in the dictionary, and return true if and only if the word w is in it. A recurrence relation is given below:

$$split(i) = \begin{cases} \text{true} & \text{if } i = n+1\\ \bigvee_{j=i}^{n} [dict(x_i x_{i+1} ... x_j) \land split(j+1)] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Obviously, split(i) only finds out whether there's a sequence of valid English words or not. Your program must also find and display at least one such sequence.

The program will read a text file from standard input. For example, if you have a Java class named dynProg, the command java dynProg < inSample.txt is what you would use to run your program. The name of the dictionary file should be hardwired in the code. We will be testing your program on a file named "diction10k.txt", and your program will be tested in a directory containing that file. Please make sure to test your codes on your own before submission.

2 Sample Input

The first line of input is an integer C. This is followed by C lines, each containing a single string, representing a phrase to be tested.

theyouthevent
theeaglehaslande
lukelucklikeslakeslukeducklikeslakeslukelucklickslakesluckducklickslakes

3 Sample Output

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phrase 1
theyouthevent

output 1
YES, can split.
the you the vent

phrase 2
theeaglehaslande

output 2
NO, cannot split.

phrase 3
lukelucklikeslakeslukeducklikeslakeslukelucklickslakesluckducklickslakes

output 3
YES, can split.
luke luck likes lakes luke duck likes lakes luke luck licks lakes luck duck licks lakes
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4 Submission

Submit a copy of your Java, Python, C, or C++ program via Canvas. Please submit your work as a *single* source code file (i.e., not as a zipped file or zipped directory). Providing a simple instruction about how to run your code could be helpful, and if you choose to do so, please leave this instruction as a note with your Canvas submission. Note that you will find some test cases on Canvas, but we often do not publish *all* the test cases used for grading before finishing the grading.