

## 4.16 OPTIMAL BINARY SEARCH TREE

### Question:

Consider a set of keys 10,12,16,21 with frequencies 4,2,6,3 and the respective probabilities. Write a Program to construct an OBST in a programming language of your choice. Execute your code and display the resulting OBST, its cost and root matrix.

### AIM

To construct an Optimal Binary Search Tree (OBST) that minimizes the expected search cost using dynamic programming.

### ALGORITHM

1. Let  $n$  be the number of keys.
2. Convert frequencies to probabilities by dividing each frequency by the total sum.
3. Define  $\text{cost}[i][j]$  as the minimum cost of searching keys  $i$  to  $j$ .
4. Define  $\text{root}[i][j]$  as the index of the root key for the subtree from  $i$  to  $j$ .
5. Use dynamic programming to fill cost and root matrices:
  - For each length  $L$  from 1 to  $n$ , compute  $\text{cost}[i][j]$  for all valid  $i, j$ .
  - For each possible root  $r$  in  $i$  to  $j$ , compute total cost:  
$$\text{cost}[i][j] = \min(\text{cost}[i][r-1] + \text{cost}[r+1][j] + \text{sum}(\text{prob}[i..j]))$$
6. Reconstruct the tree using the root matrix.

## PROGRAM

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def optimal_bst(keys, freq):
    n = len(keys)
    cost = [[0] * (n + 1) for _ in range(n + 1)]
    root = [[0] * (n + 1) for _ in range(n + 1)]

    for i in range(n):
        cost[i][i + 1] = freq[i]
        root[i][i + 1] = i + 1

    for length in range(2, n + 1):
        for i in range(n - length + 1):
            j = i + length
            cost[i][j] = float('inf')
            total = sum(freq[i:j])
            for r in range(i + 1, j + 1):
                c = cost[i][r - 1] + cost[r][j]
                if c < cost[i][j]:
                    cost[i][j] = c
                    root[i][j] = r
            cost[i][j] += total

    print("Cost Table:")
    for row in cost:
        print(row)
    print("Root Table:")
    for row in root:
        print(row)
    print("Minimum cost of OBST:", cost[0][n])

keys = list(map(int, input("Enter keys: ").split()))
freq = list(map(int, input("Enter frequencies: ").split()))
optimal_bst(keys, freq)
```

Input:

Enter keys: 10 13 17 24

Enter frequencies: 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4

Output:

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Enter keys: 10 13 17 24
Enter frequencies: 5 2 8 1
Cost Table:
[0, 5, 9, 24, 26]
[0, 0, 2, 12, 14]
[0, 0, 0, 8, 10]
[0, 0, 0, 0, 1]
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Root Table:
[0, 1, 1, 3, 3]
[0, 0, 2, 3, 3]
[0, 0, 0, 3, 3]
[0, 0, 0, 0, 4]
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Minimum cost of OBST: 26
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## RESULT:

Thus the program is successfully executed and the output is verified.

## PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS:

- Time Complexity:  $O(n^3)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(n^2)$