

# CS 577: HW 2

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**§1 Given the coordinates of each of the  $n$  events, find a viewable subset of maximum size, subject to the requirement that it should contain event  $n$ . Such a solution will be called optimal.**

**§1.1 Write the iterative version of the algorithm to find the maximal size.**

We will assume that  $|\text{coordinate of } n| \leq n$  and are using zero based numbering for lists.

**Data:**  $\text{crd}$ , a list of coordinates that corresponds to events.

**Result:** Maximal amount of events we can view, given that we must view the last event.

**def** *optimal*( $\text{crd}$ ):

    #dp holds the maximum amount of events you can view given you visit  $\text{crd}[i]$

$\text{dp} \leftarrow$  a list of 0's with the same length of  $\text{crd}$

$\text{dp}[n-1] = 1$

**for**  $\text{int } i = \text{length of event} - 2; i \geq 0; i--$ :

        possibleEvents  $\leftarrow$  a empty list

**for**  $\text{int } j = \text{length of event} - 1; i < j; j--$ :

**if**  $\text{abs}(\text{crd}[j] - \text{crd}[i]) \leq j - i$  **and**  $i + 1 - \text{abs}(\text{crd}[i]) \geq 0$ :

                add  $\text{crd}[j]$  to possibleEvents

**if** possibleEvents is not empty:

$\text{dp}[i] = 1 + \text{max element of possibleEvents}$

**return** max element of  $\text{dp}$

**§1.2 Show the algorithm for tracing the events selected.**

**Data:**  $\text{dp}$ , the list used for memoization

$\text{crd}$ , a list of coordinates that corresponds to events

$\text{max}$ , the maximal amount of events we can view

**Result:** List coordinates of events to view.

**def** *events*( $\text{dp}, \text{crd}, \text{max}$ ):

    view  $\leftarrow$  a empty list

**for** each num in  $\text{dp}$ :

        find the right most max and add its index to view

        decrement max

**return** view

### §1.3 Give a brief argument of correctness.

$$\text{MaxEvent}(i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } i = n - 1 \\ 1 + \max(\text{MaxEvent}[j_1], \text{MaxEvent}[j_2], \dots) & \text{if } \exists j > i \text{ s.t. } |\text{MaxEvent}[i] - \text{MaxEvent}[j]| \leq i - j \\ & \text{and } i + 1 - |\text{MaxEvent}[j]| \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note that  $\text{MaxEvent}[n - 1]$  corresponds to the  $n$ th event because of our zero based numbering for lists. We compute the recurrence relation descending, i.e. from  $i = n - 1$  to  $i = 0$ .

#### Theorem

The recurrence relation,  $\text{MaxEvent}(i)$  is most amount of events you can visit given that the first event you visit is at  $i$  and you end on  $n$ th event.

*Proof.* We show by strong backwards induction that our recurrence relation is correct. Let  $P(i)$  be the predicate, "MaxEvent correctly computes the most amount of events you can visit given that the first event you visit is at  $i$  and you end on  $n$ th event". We define  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Base Case:** When  $i = n - 1$ , MaxEvent returns 1 which is the correct output because if you start at the  $n$ th event, the last event, you can only visit one event. Hence,  $P(n - 1)$  holds.

**Inductive step:** Suppose  $P(\alpha)$  holds for all  $\alpha \leq n - 1$ . We show that  $P(\alpha - 1)$  holds. Our recurrence relation looks for all  $j > i = \alpha - 1$  such that if you start at event  $i$ , you can visit event  $j$ . This part is given by,

$$\exists j > i \text{ s.t. } |\text{MaxEvent}[i] - \text{MaxEvent}[j]| \leq i - j$$

The second condition of the recurrence checks if it is possible to view event  $i$ , given you start at coordinate 0 and can move 1 distance before the first event, i.e the second assumption given in the homework. This part is given by,

$$i + 1 - |\text{MaxEvent}[j]| \geq 0$$

If both conditions hold, the most amount of events you can visit is the event at  $i$ , which is 1 event, plus the biggest MaxEvent from the  $j$ 's. By our strong backwards inductive hypothesis,  $\text{MaxEvent}(j)$  returns the correct amount of events because we defined  $j > i = \alpha - 1 \Leftrightarrow j \geq \alpha$ . This will give us the correct amount of events you can visit in the case where we can visit  $i$  and  $j$ .

In all other cases, we cannot visit  $i$  or  $j$  which means the max amount of events we can visit is 0.

By strong backwards induction, we have proven that  $P(i)$  is true for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, MaxEvent is correct.  $\square$

**Corollary**

The algorithm, *optimal*, returns the maximal amount of events we can view, given that we must view the last event.

*Proof.* Our algorithm evaluates the recurrence  $\text{MaxEvent}(i)$  bottom-up by storing  $\text{MaxEvent}(i)$  in  $\text{dp}[i]$ . All values for subproblems referenced by the recurrence for  $\text{MaxEvent}(i)$  will have already been computed because we evaluate  $\text{dp}[i]$  as  $i$  decreases from  $n-1$  to  $0$ . After all the values in  $\text{dp}$  are computed, the algorithm returns the max element, which corresponds to the most amount of events you can visit somewhere in the list  $\text{crd}$ , which in turn is the most amount of events you can visit in the entire list  $\text{crd}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary**

The algorithm, *events*, correctly traces the events selected.

*Proof.*

**DO THIS PART**

$\square$

**§1.4 Analyze the running time.**

We claim that the running time of *optimal* is  $O(n^2)$ .

*Proof.* We have a nested for loop, which run at most  $n$  times each. In the outer for loop, we search for the max element of an array which at most is size  $n$ . The rest of the computations in the outer for loop take constant time. Additionally, after all the loops have been run, we search for the max element of  $\text{dp}$  which is size  $n$ . This leads to a total time complexity of  $n(2n) + n = 2n^2 + n$ . Thus, our total time complexity of our algorithm is  $O(n^2)$ .  $\square$

## §2 Design an $O(n^3)$ algorithm using dynamic programming methodology to find an optimal (least total testing cost) assembly order.

**§2.1 Use iterative implementation for the algorithm to find the optimal cost**

**Data:** *pieces*, a size  $n$  list containing ordered pairs representing the interval of parts, i.e.  $[a, b]$  where some part begins at  $a$  and ends at  $b$ .

**Result:** Optimal cost to assemble the linear structure.

**def** *assemble(pieces):*

$\text{dp} \leftarrow$  a  $n \times n$  matrix used for memoization, initialized with 0's

**for**  $\alpha$  decreasing from  $n$  to  $1$ :

**for**  $\omega$  increasing from  $\alpha + 1$  to  $n$ :

$\text{dp}[\alpha, \omega] = f(\text{pieces}[\alpha][a], \text{pieces}[\omega][b]) + \min \left( \left\{ \text{dp}[\alpha, \phi] + \text{dp}[\phi + 1, \omega] \mid \alpha \leq \phi < \omega \right\} \right)$

**return**  $\text{dp}[1, n]$

## §2.2 Show the algorithm for finding the optimal order.

## §2.3 Give a brief argument of correctness.

We define  $\alpha, \omega$  to be some piece between  $[1, n]$ . Each piece consists of an interval  $[a, b]$ . For example,  $a_\alpha$  represents where the piece  $\alpha$  begins. Likewise,  $b_\omega$  represents where the piece  $\omega$  ends.

$$\text{MinCost}(\alpha, \omega) = \begin{cases} f(a_\alpha, b_\omega) + \min \left( \left\{ \text{MinCost}(\alpha, \phi) + \text{MinCost}(\phi + 1, \omega) \mid \alpha \leq \phi < \omega \right\} \right) & \text{if } \omega > \alpha \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### Theorem

The recurrence relation,  $\text{MinCost}(\alpha, \omega)$  is the minimum cost to assemble the linear structure from  $\alpha$  to  $\omega$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\psi = \omega - \alpha$ . We show by strong induction that our recurrence relation is correct. Let  $P(\psi)$  be the predicate, "MinCost correctly computes the minimum cost to assemble the linear structure that has  $\psi$  pieces". We define  $\psi \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Base Case:** When  $\psi = 0$ , MinCost correctly returns 0 because there is nothing to join when you have no elements. Hence,  $P(0)$  holds.

**Inductive step:** Suppose  $P(\psi)$  holds for all  $0 \leq \psi \leq k$ . We show that  $P(k+1)$  holds. For all  $\phi$  where  $\alpha \leq \phi \leq \omega$ , we know that  $\phi - \alpha \leq k$  and  $\omega - (\phi + 1) \leq k$ . It follows by our strong inductive hypothesis that all values contained in the set inside the min function will be correct. The min function then returns the minimum cost to assemble two adjacent pieces linear structure of size  $k+1$ . This value is then added to the cost needed to merge remaining two pieces,  $f(a_\alpha, b_\omega)$ .

By strong induction, we have proven that  $P(\psi)$  is true for all  $\psi \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, MinCost is correct.  $\square$

### Theorem

The algorithm, assemble, returns the minimum cost to assemble the linear structure.

*Proof.* Our algorithm evaluates the recurrence  $\text{MaxEvent}(i)$  bottom-up by storing  $\text{MaxEvent}(i)$  in  $\text{dp}[i]$ . All values for subproblems referenced by the recurrence for  $\text{MaxEvent}(i)$  will have already been computed because we evaluate  $\text{dp}[i]$  as  $i$  decreases from  $n-1$  to 0. After all the values in  $\text{dp}$  are computed, the algorithm returns the max element, which corresponds to the most amount of events you can visit somewhere in the list  $\text{crd}$ , which in turn is the most amount of events you can visit in the entire list  $\text{crd}$ .  $\square$

### Corollary

The algorithm, order, correctly traces the events selected.

*Proof.*

**DO THIS PART**

$\square$

**§2.4 Analyze the running time.**

We claim that the running time of *assemble* is  $O(n^3)$ . We assume computing  $f(u, v)$  takes constant time.

*Proof.* We have a nested for loop, which run at most  $n$  times each. In the inner for loop, we calculate  $\text{dp}[\alpha, \omega]$  which requires computing the minimum of at most  $n - 1$  values in  $\text{dp}$ . The rest of the computations take constant time. Thus, our total time complexity of our algorithm is  $O(n^3)$   $\square$