

5.242 max_increasing_slope

	DESCRIPTION	LINKS	AUTOMATON
Origin	Motivated by time series.		
Constraint	max_increasing_slope(MAX, VARIABLES)		
Arguments	MAX : dvar VARIABLES : collection(var-dvar)		
Restrictions	MAX ≥ 0 MAX <range(VARIABLES.var) required(VARIABLES, var) VARIABLES > 0		
Purpose	Given a sequence of variables $VARIABLES = V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n$, sets MAX to 0 if $\nexists i \in [1, n - 1] V_i < V_{i+1}$, otherwise sets MAX to $\max_{i \in [1, n - 1] V_i < V_{i+1}} (V_{i+1} - V_i)$.		
Example	<div>(4, (1, 1, 5, 8, 6, 2, 2, 1, 2)) (0, (9, 8, 6, 4, 1, 0)) (8, (9, 6, 6, 4, 1, 9))</div> <p>The first max_increasing_slope constraint holds since the sequence 1 1 5 8 6 2 2 1 2 contains two increasing subsequences 1 5 8 and 1 2 and the maximum slope is equal to $\max(5 - 1, 8 - 5, 2 - 1) = 4$ as shown on Figure 5.532.</p>		
Typical	MAX > 0 MAX <range(VARIABLES.var) - 1 VARIABLES > 2 range(VARIABLES.var) > 2		
Symmetry	One and the same constant can be added to the var attribute of all items of VARIABLES.		
Arg. properties	Functional dependency: MAX determined by VARIABLES.		
Usage	Getting the maximum slope over the increasing sequences of time series.		
Counting			

Length (n)	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Solutions	9	64	625	7776	117649	2097152	43046721

Number of solutions for max_increasing_slope: domains 0..n

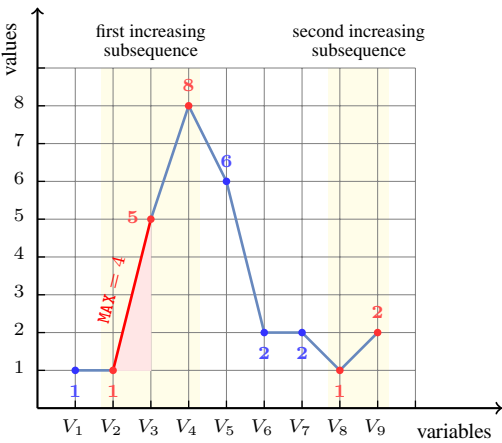
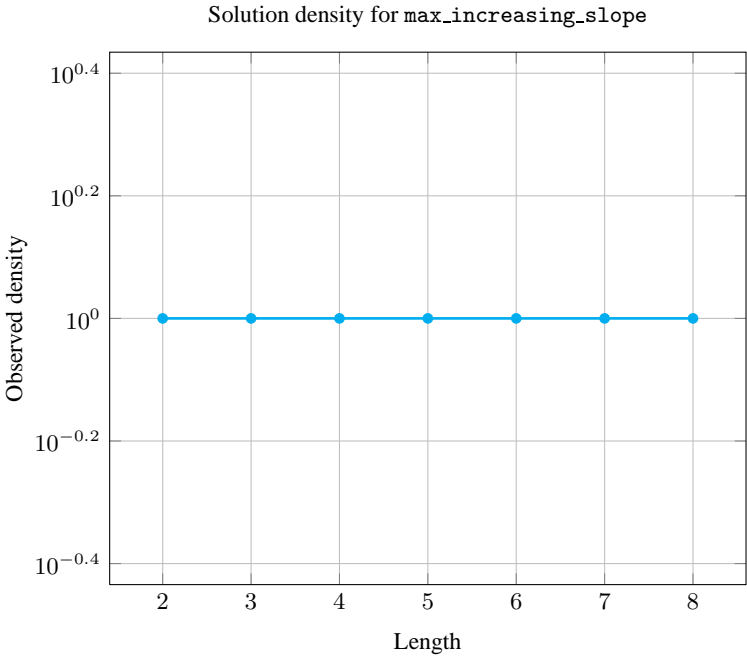
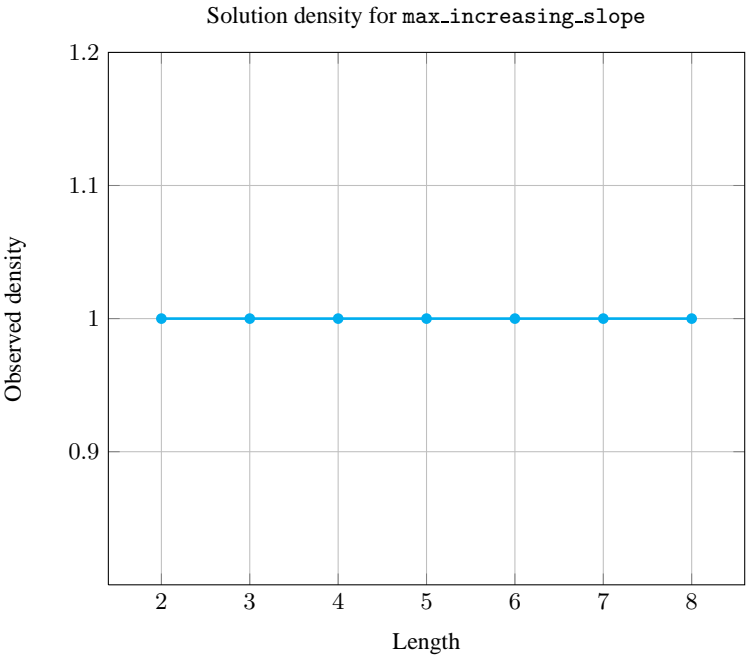


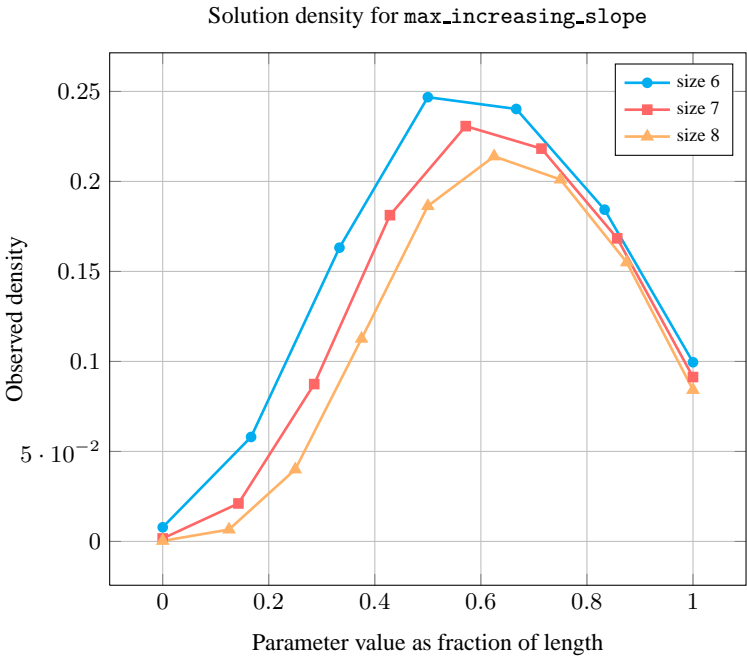
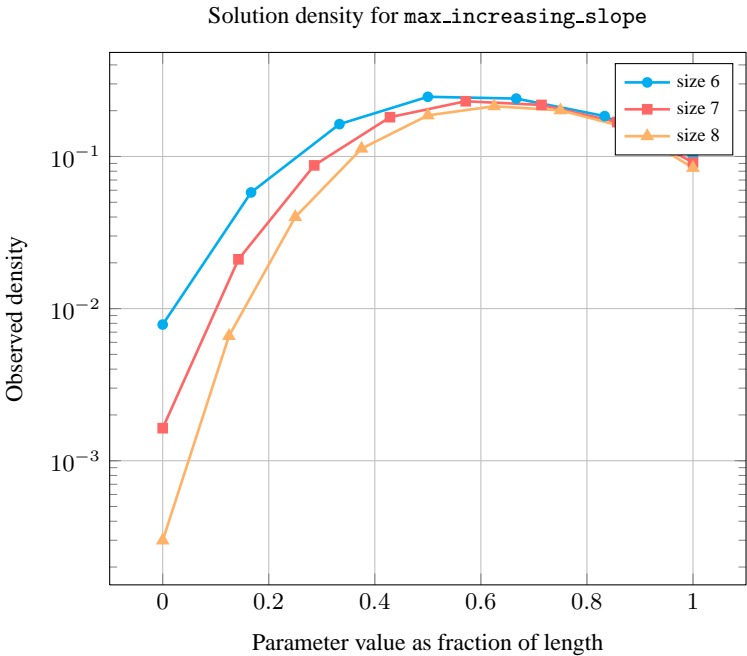
Figure 5.532: Illustration of the first example of the **Example** slot: a sequence of nine variables $V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4, V_5, V_6, V_7, V_8, V_9$ respectively fixed to values 1, 1, 5, 8, 6, 2, 2, 1, 2 and the corresponding maximum slope on the strictly increasing subsequences 1 5 8 and 1 2 ($\text{MAX} = 4$)





Length (<i>n</i>)		2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Total		9	64	625	7776	117649	2097152	43046721
Parameter value	0	6	20	70	252	924	3432	12870
	1	2	20	151	1036	6828	44220	284405
	2	1	16	188	1952	19200	183304	1721425
	3	-	8	142	2106	29035	380116	4847301
	4	-	-	74	1584	28266	483840	8021350
	5	-	-	-	846	21684	457632	9208124
	6	-	-	-	-	11712	353088	8654931
	7	-	-	-	-	-	191520	6673834
	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	3622481

Solution count for max_increasing_slope: domains 0..*n*



Keywords

characteristic of a constraint: automaton, automaton with counters.
combinatorial object: sequence.

constraint arguments: reverse of a constraint, pure functional dependency.

filtering: glue matrix.

modelling: functional dependency.

Cond. implications

- `max_increasing_slope(MAX, VARIABLES)`
 with `range(VARIABLES.var) = MAX + 1`
 implies `longest_increasing_sequence(L, VARIABLES)`
 when `range(VARIABLES.var) = L + 1`.
- `max_increasing_slope(MAX, VARIABLES)`
 with `MAX = 1`
 implies `min_increasing_slope(MIN, VARIABLES)`
 when `MIN = 1`.

Automaton

Figure 5.533 depicts the automaton associated with the `max_increasing_slope` constraint. To each pair of consecutive variables $(\text{VAR}_i, \text{VAR}_{i+1})$ of the collection `VARIABLES` corresponds a signature variable S_i . The following signature constraint links VAR_i , VAR_{i+1} and S_i : $(\text{VAR}_i \geq \text{VAR}_{i+1} \Leftrightarrow S_i = 0) \wedge (\text{VAR}_i < \text{VAR}_{i+1} \Leftrightarrow S_i = 1)$.

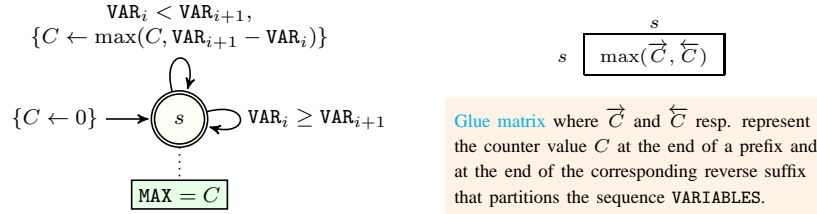


Figure 5.533: Automaton for the `max_increasing_slope` constraint and its glue matrix (note that the reverse of `max_increasing_slope` is `max_decreasing_slope`)