

# Computer Science 180, Homework 6

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## Chapter 6, Problem 19

First we set  $x' = x^k$  for some  $k$  such that  $x'$  is at least the length of  $s$ . Similarly for  $y$  let  $y' = y^k$  for some  $k$  such that  $y'$  is at least the length of  $s$ . If  $s$  is an interleaving of  $x$  and  $y$ , denote  $s'$  to be the subsequence of  $s$  that is a repetition of  $x$  and denote  $s''$  to be the subsequence of  $s$  that is a repetition of  $y$ . To solve this problem, we consider the subproblems  $\text{OPT}(i, j)$  where

$$\text{OPT}(i, j) = \begin{cases} \text{true} & \text{if } \exists s' \text{ s.t. } |s'| = i \text{ and } \exists s'' \text{ s.t. } |s''| = j \\ \text{false} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for a string  $t$  of length  $|t| = i + j$ . Our base case is  $\text{OPT}(0, 0) = \text{true}$ .

Then for our given string  $s$ , we consider the substring  $s_1$  containing only the first character. This is an interleaving of  $x$  and  $y$  if and only if  $\text{OPT}(1, 0) = \text{true}$  or  $\text{OPT}(0, 1) = \text{true}$ . Let us access the  $i$ th character of a string  $a$  using the zero indexed notation  $a[i - 1]$ .  $\text{OPT}(1, 0)$  and  $\text{OPT}(0, 1)$  are true only if  $s[0] = x'[0]$  or  $s[0] = y'[0]$ , respectively. This tells us whether  $s_1$  is an interleaving of  $x$  and  $y$ .

Then we can consider the substring  $s_2$  containing the first and second characters, and calculate  $\text{OPT}(2, 0)$ ,  $\text{OPT}(1, 1)$ , and  $\text{OPT}(0, 2)$  using the following recurrence

$$\text{OPT}(i, j) = \begin{cases} \text{true} & \text{if } \text{OPT}(i - 1, j) = \text{true} \text{ and } x'[i - 1] = s[i + j - 1] \\ \text{true} & \text{if } \text{OPT}(i, j - 1) = \text{true} \text{ and } y'[j - 1] = s[i + j - 1] \\ \text{false} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

which corresponds to assigning the next character in our string to either  $x'$  or  $y'$ . We can continue to use this recurrence, each time considering a string that increases in length by 1, until we calculate every possible  $\text{OPT}(i, j)$  such that  $i+j$  is equal to the length of our original string  $s$ . If such an  $\text{OPT}(i, j) = \text{true}$ , then it is true that  $s$  is an interleaving of  $x$  and  $y$ . Otherwise  $s$  cannot be an interleaving of  $x$  and  $y$ . In full our algorithm is as follows.

```
boolean checkInterleaving(String s, String x, String y){
    while(x.size()<s.size())
        x=x.concat(x);
    while(y.size()<s.size())
        y=y.concat(y);
    boolean[] [] opt=new boolean[s.size()+1][s.size()+1];
    opt[0][0]=true;
    for(int i=1;i<=s.size();i++){
        for(int j=0;j<=i;j++){
            opt[i-j][j]=false;
            if(i-j-1>0 && opt[i-j-1][j]==true
            && x.charAt(i-j-1)==s.charAt(i-1))
                opt[i-j][j]=true;
            if(j-1>0 && opt[i-j][j-1]==true
            && y.charAt(j-1)==s.charAt(i-1))
                opt[i-j][j]=true;
            if(i==s.size() && opt[i-j][j]==true)
                return true;
        }
    }
    return false;
}
```

This has a runtime of at most  $O(s^2)$ , because we calculate a 2-D array that has a height and width that grows linearly with  $s$ . Its correctness is a result of the recurrence relation given above.

## Chapter 5, Problem 2

We simply modify the inversion algorithm by maintaining another pointer  $p$  that gives us how many significant inversions there are when merging. More explicitly, when we place an element  $r$  from the right half  $R$  before the  $i$ th element of the left half  $L$ , we set  $p = i$  and increment it by one until we get the  $p = j$ th element  $l_j$  such that  $l_j > 2r$ . Then we know there are  $|L| - j + 1$  significant inversions caused by this placement of  $r$  because  $L$  is sorted. For subsequent placements of elements  $r \in R$ , we only change  $p$  by incrementing it or moving forward to match the first unplaced element in  $L$ . Thus  $p$  traverses  $L$  once, which takes linear time. So our merge function still takes linear time, leading to an overall  $O(n \log n)$  runtime for our inversion algorithm. In full this algorithm is as follows.

```
int mergeCountInv(List<Integer> S,int start,int end) {
    if (end-start<=1)
        return 0;
    int mid=(start+end)/2;
    int inversions=0;
    inversions+=mergeCountInv(S,start,mid);
    inversions+=mergeCountInv(S,mid,end);
    inversions+=merge(S,start,mid,end);
    return inversions;
}

int merge(List<Integer> S,int start,int mid,int end) {
    List<Integer> merged=new ArrayList<Integer>();
    int inversions=0;
    int indL=start;
    int indR=mid;
    int indInv=start;
    while (indL<mid || indR<end)
        if (indL==mid)
            merged.add(S.get(indR++));
        else if (indR==end)
            merged.add(S.get(indL++));
        else if (S.get(indL)<=S.get(indR)) {
            merged.add(S.get(indL++));
        }
        else {
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        merged.add(S.get(indR++));
        if(indInv<indL)
            indInv=indL;
        while(S.get(indInv)<=2*S.get(indR) && indInv<mid)
            indInv++;
        inversions+=mid-indInv;
    }
    for (int i=0;i<merged.size();i++)
        S.set(start+i, merged.get(i));
    return inversions;
}

```

Here we merge sort our list  $S$  in place, and use the integer `indInv` as a pointer to track how many significant inversions there are when merging.

## Chapter 5, Problem 3

We divide up the set  $S$  of  $n$  cards into two piles of at most  $\frac{n}{2}$  cards. Continue to do this recursively, returning piles of size 1. We merge piles by noting that if both the left  $L$  and right  $R$  piles of cards do not have a set where more than half of the cards in the pile are all equivalent to one another, then  $L \cup R$  cannot have a set where more than half the cards in  $L \cup R$  are all equivalent to one another.

If  $L$  has a set  $S_l$  where more than half the cards in  $L$  are equivalent, we need to check every element  $e \in R$  to see if  $e$  is equivalent to  $x \in S_l$ . Let  $S_{match}$  be the set of  $e \in R$  that are equivalent to  $x \in S_l$ . Then if  $|S_l \cup S_{match}| > \frac{|L \cup R|}{2}$ , we know that a set exists such that more than half the cards in  $L \cup R$  are all equivalent to one another.

Similarly for  $R$ , if  $R$  has a set  $S_r$  where more than half the cards in  $R$  are equivalent, we need to check every element  $e \in L$  to see if  $e$  is equivalent to  $x \in S_r$ . Let  $S_{match}$  be the set of  $e \in L$  that are equivalent to  $x \in S_r$ . Then if  $|S_r \cup S_{match}| > \frac{|L \cup R|}{2}$ , we know that a set exists such that more than half the cards in  $L \cup R$  are all equivalent to one another.

At most we need to check every element in  $L$  and  $R$  once, so this merge step will take linear time in  $|L \cup R|$ . After each merge return the equivalence set that has a size of at least half of the merged set  $L \cup R$ , if it exists. We merge all the way up until we get a result for our original set  $S$ . In full the algorithm is as follows.

```
(Card, int) checkFraud(List<Card> S) {
    if(S.length==1)
        return (S.get(0),1);
    List<Card> left=S.subList(0,S.size()/2);
    List<Card> right=S.subList(S.size()/2,S.size());
    Card leftCard, int leftSize=checkFraud(left);
    Card rightCard, int rightSize=checkFraud(right);
    if(leftCard==null && rightCard==null)
        return (null,0);
    int size=0;
    Card card=null;
    if(rightCard!=null) {
        int matches=0;
        for(int i=0;i<left.size();i++)
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        if(sameAccount(rightCard,left.get(i)))
            matches++;
        if(matches+rightSize>S.size()/2) {
            size=matches+rightSize;
            card=rightCard;
        }
    }
    if(leftCard!=null) {
        int matches=0;
        for(int i=0;i<right.size();i++)
            if(sameAccount(rightCard,left.get(i)))
                matches++;
        if(matches+leftSize>S.size()/2) {
            size=matches+leftSize;
            card=leftCard;
        }
    }
    return (card, size)
}

```

This code mostly uses Java syntax, except for when it returns a tuple. When there exists a set  $X$  of more than half of the cards in  $S$  that are all equivalent to one another, this function returns the size of this set  $|X|$  and a card  $x \in X$  from this set. Otherwise it returns null. It suffices to keep track of only these because all we need during the merge is  $x$  to check for equivalence and  $|X|$  to determine if there are enough matches  $m$  such that  $|X| + m > \frac{|S|}{2}$ .

The correctness of this algorithm comes from the previous argument. It has a runtime  $T(n)$  equal to

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

which is the same as merge sort. Thus it takes  $O(n \log n)$  time.

## Chapter 5, Problem 5

We can actually find the visible lines in linear time if we first sort the lines by increasing slope  $m$ . Using merge sort takes  $O(n \log n)$  time, which determines the time complexity of our algorithm. Denote a line as  $l = (m, b)$  where  $m$  is the slope and  $b$  is the intercept.

After sorting, we traverse our set  $S$  of lines in linear time and remove any parallel lines that are blocked. This is easy to do because parallel lines will be adjacent to each other in  $S$ , since  $S$  is sorted by slope. We simply remove the line with a smaller  $b$  when we encounter two parallel lines next to each other in  $S$ . If two lines have the same slope  $m$  and intercept  $b$ , remove either because they are the same line.

Now  $S$  contains lines sorted by increasing slope, and no two lines in  $S$  have the same slope. To figure out which lines are visible, we add the first two elements in  $S$  to our set of visible lines  $V$ . If  $|S| \leq 2$ , we can simply return every line in  $S$ , because they all must be visible. This is because every line in  $S$  must intersect, as none are parallel. For two lines, there exists some intersection point  $p$  between the first line  $l_1$  and the second  $l_2$  such that  $l_1$  is visible on the interval  $(-\infty, p)$  and the  $l_2$  is visible on the interval  $(p, \infty)$ .

Then we consider the third line  $l_3 \in S$  and add it to  $V$ . This line must be visible as we move towards  $\infty$ , since it has the greatest slope in  $V$ . Next we must determine if it blocks  $l_2$ . This happens if the  $x$  value of the intercept between  $l_1 = (m_1, b_1)$  and  $l_3 = (m_3, b_3)$  is less than the  $x$  value of the intercept between  $l_1$  and  $l_2 = (m_2, b_2)$ . In other words, we remove  $l_2$  from  $V$  if

$$\frac{b_3 - b_1}{m_3 - m_1} < \frac{b_2 - b_1}{m_2 - m_1}$$

This is true due to the fact that  $m_3 > m_2$ . Note that we do not need to consider the case where  $l_1$ ,  $l_2$ , and  $l_3$  intersect at the same location, as we assume no three lines intersect at the same location.

We continue adding each line  $l_i \in S$  as  $l_j \in V$ , checking to see if  $l_j \in V$  blocks  $l_{j-1}$  by looking at the intercepts of  $l_j$  with  $l_{j-2}$  and  $l_{j-1}$  with  $l_{j-2}$ . If a blocking occurs, we remove  $l_{j-1}$  from  $V$  and check again if  $l_j$  blocks the new  $l_{j-1}$ , removing each blocked line going backwards in  $V$  until either  $|V| = 2$  or  $l_{j-1}$  is not blocked. If  $l_{j-1}$  is not blocked, then every line previous to it must not be blocked either by  $l_j$  and we can stop there. This is because previously  $l_{j-1}$  was visible on an interval  $(p_{j-1}, \infty)$ , but with the addition of

$l_j$  it is visible on the interval  $(p_{j-1}, p_j)$ . Thus  $l_j$  is visible on  $(p_j, \infty)$ , and cannot block any lines visible on the interval  $(-\infty, p_{j-1})$  since  $p_{j-1} \leq p_j$ .

Although this process may seem to have quadratic time complexity, as we need to look backwards in  $V$  and remove blocked lines for every line in  $S$ , it actually is linear. Every line in  $S$  can only be added once to  $V$  and removed once from  $V$ , leading to  $2|S| = 2n$  steps. Thus our entire algorithm scales with the time it takes to merge sort  $S$ , and takes  $O(n \log n)$  time. In full our algorithm is as follows.

```
List<Line> getVisibleLines(List<Line> lines) {
    lines=mergeSortBySlope(lines);
    int i=0;
    while(i<lines.size()-1)
        if(lines.get(i).m()==lines.get(i+1).m())
            if(lines.get(i).b()>=lines.get(i+1).b())
                lines.remove(i+1);
            else
                lines.remove(i);
        else
            i++;
    if(lines.size()<=2)
        return lines;
    List<Line> visible = new ArrayList<Line>();
    visible.add(lines.get(0));
    visible.add(lines.get(1));
    for(i=2;i<lines.size();i++) {
        Line prev=visible.get(visible.size()-1);
        Line secondPrev=visible.get(visible.size()-2);
        visible.add(lines.get(i));
        double prevX = intercept(prev,secondPrev).getX();
        double currX = intercept(lines.get(i),secondPrev).getX();
        while(currX<prevX) {
            visible.remove(prev);
            if(visible.size()==2)
                break;
            prev = visible.get(visible.size()-2);
            secondPrev = visible.get(visible.size()-3);
            prevX = intercept(prev,secondPrev).getX();
        }
    }
}
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```
        currX = intercept(lines.get(i),secondPrev).getX();
    }
}
return visible;
}
```