

1. Specifically, answer the following under the  $O(NT)$  assumption:

If both  $N$  and  $T$  are doubled, the empirical runtime of BaseMarkov would be around 4 times its original runtime because  $2N(2T) = 4NT$ .

If  $N$  is much larger than  $T$  and  $T$  is doubled, the empirical runtime of BaseMarkov would be around 2 times its original runtime because  $N(2T) = 2NT$ . Similarly, if  $N$  is much larger than  $T$  and  $N$  is doubled,  $2N(T) = 2NT$ .

2. Specifically, answer the following under the  $O(N + T)$  assumption:

If both  $N$  and  $T$  are doubled, the empirical runtime of EfficientMarkov would be around 2 times its original runtime because  $2N + 2T = 2(N + T)$ .

If  $N$  is much larger than  $T$  and  $T$  is doubled, the empirical runtime of EfficientMarkov would not significantly change, as  $N$  is the main determinant of the runtime. Conversely, if  $N$  is much larger than  $T$  and  $N$  is doubled, the empirical runtime would almost double.

3. Explain whether the timings presented in the example provide evidence supporting the characterization of the runtime complexity using BaseMarkov as  $O(NT)$ . Reference the actual timings in the example, as well as the hypotheses you made in questions 1 and 2.

The timings presented in the example indicate that  $O(NT)$  is not completely accurate as a measure of the runtime complexity. When  $N$  is held constant and  $T$  is increased, the runtime doubles each time  $T$  doubles, which is to be expected of a runtime complexity of  $O(NT)$ . However, when  $N$  is increased and  $T$  is held constant, the runtime does not double as  $N$  doubles, rather, it increases at a seemingly constant rate of around 0.4 seconds. If the runtime complexity of BaseMarkov was  $O(NT)$ , we would expect that no matter which variable  $N$  or  $T$  is doubling, the runtime would double because  $2N(T) = N(2T) = 2NT$ .

4. **Report your timings.** Explain whether the timings you report provide evidence supporting the characterization of the runtime complexity using EfficientMarkov as  $O(N+T)$ . Reference the actual timings you report, as well as the hypotheses you made in questions 1 and 2.

time	source	#chars			
0.092	487614	1000	0.078	487614	4096
0.118	487614	2000	0.164	975228	4096
0.125	487614	4000	0.301	1462842	4096
0.125	487614	8000	0.361	1950456	4096
0.084	487614	16000	0.461	2438070	4096
0.085	487614	32000	0.595	2925684	4096
0.098	487614	64000	0.649	3413298	4096
			0.762	3900912	4096
			0.884	4388526	4096
			0.995	4876140	4096

In the first set of timings,  $N$  (source) is much larger than  $T$ , and as  $T$  doubles, the empirical runtime does not seem to be affected by this change. The runtimes for character counts of 16000, 32000, and 64000 are all lower than those of 2000, 4000, and 8000. As  $N$  is doubled and  $T$  is kept constant, the runtime increases at a seemingly constant rate of less than 0.01. Both of these indicate that the runtime of EfficientMarkov is  $O(N + T)$  because we would not expect the runtime to change significantly as  $T$  changes if  $N$  is much larger, and we would expect the runtime to change as  $N$  changes.

5. Do you think new research code in AI/ML should be more open source? Why, or why not?

I believe that AI/ML researchers have a responsibility to share their processes with the public due to the possibility of implicit biases that may affect the way a program functions. For example, transparency in the development process for the Google photos categorization program could have aided in its ability to account for inequities in the training process. Without transparency, instances like this will continue to occur until everyone is adequately represented in an AI's training process.

The obstacle to doing so is financial, as research in AI/ML is extremely costly, and those most able to fund such research generally prioritize profit over making their programs publicly accessible. The power lies in the hands of large tech companies and their willingness to compromise profit margins to benefit a greater total population.