CSC 411 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Chapter 8 - Part 2

Dynamic Programming

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Dynamic Programming

- Dynamic Programming is a general algorithm design technique for solving problems defined by recurrences with overlapping subproblems
- Invented by American mathematician Richard Bellman in the 1950s to solve optimization problems and later assimilated by CS
- "Programming" here means "planning"
- Main idea:
 - set up a recurrence relating a solution to a larger instance to solutions of some smaller instances
 - solve smaller instances once
 - record solutions in a table
 - extract solution to the initial instance from that table

Examples of DP algorithms

- Fibonaccl numbers problem
- Computing a binary coefficient
- Three basic examples
 - Coin row problem
 - Change-Making problem
 - Coin-collecting problem
- Knapsack problem & memory functions
- Optimal binary search tree
- Warshall's and Floyd's Algorithms

The Knapsack Problem

- Given n items of known weights w_1, w_2, \cdots, w_n and values v_1, v_2, \cdots, v_n , and a knapsack of capacity W, find the most valuable subset of the items that fit into the knapsack
 - Let's consider an instance defined by the first i items, and knapsack capacity j.
 - F(i, j): the value of an optimal solution to this instance.
 i.e. the value of the most valuable subset of the first i items that fit into the knapsack of capacity j.

$$F(i, j) = \begin{cases} \max\{F(i-1, j), v_i + F(i-1, j-w_i)\} & \text{if } j-w_i \ge 0, \\ F(i-1, j) & \text{if } j-w_i < 0. \end{cases}$$

$$F(0, j) = 0$$
 for $j \ge 0$ and $F(i, 0) = 0$ for $i \ge 0$.

The Knapsack Problem

- Among the subsets that do not include the ith item, the value of an optimal subset is F(i-1, j)
- Among the subsets that do include the *i*th item, the value of an optimal subset is $v_i + F(i-1,j-w_i)$

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The Knapsack Problem

item	weight	value
1	2	\$12
2	1	\$10
3	3	\$20
4	2	\$15

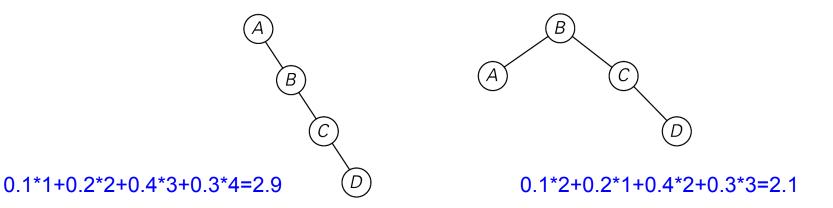
capacity
$$W = 5$$
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		capacity j					
	i	0	1	2	3	4	5
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$w_1 = 2, v_1 = 12$	1	0	0	12	12	12	12
$w_2 = 1, v_2 = 10$	2	0	10	12	22	22	22
$w_3 = 3, v_3 = 20$	3	0	10	12	22	30	32
$w_4 = 2, v_4 = 15$	4	0	10	15	25	30	37

6. Optimal Binary Search Trees

- A binary search tree is on e of the most important data structure in computer science.
 - An optimal binary search tree: the average # comparisons in a search is the smallest possible
 - For a given n keys $a_1 < a_2 < \cdots < a_n$ and probabilities p_1, p_2, \cdots, p_n , searching for them, find a BST with a minimum average # comparisons in successful search
 - For example, four keys A, B, C, and D to be searched for with probabilities 0.1, 0.2, 0.4, and 0.3, respectively



Brute Force Approach to Find Optimal Binary Search Trees

- What is the total number of BSTs with n nodes $(a_1 < a_2 < \cdots < a_n)$?
 - Example: for 4 nodes with keys A<B<C<D,
 we could find the optimal tree by generating all 14 BST.
 - With exhaustive-search approach,
 the total # BSTs with n keys is the nth Catalan number,

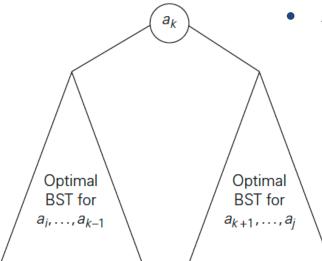
Catalan number:
$$C(n) = {2n \choose n} \frac{1}{n+1} = \frac{2n!}{(n+1)!n!}$$

Is brute force approach is good solution?

This grows exponentially, so brute force is hopeless.

Optimal Binary Search Trees - DP

- C(i,j): the smallest average # comparisons made in a successful search in a BST T_i^j , made up of keys $a_i,\ a_{i+1},\cdots,\ a_j\ (1\leq i\leq j\leq n)$.
- We are just interested in C(1,n)
 - We will find values of C(i, j) for all smaller instances of the problem
 - Consider all possible ways to choose a root a_k among the keys a_i, \cdots, a_j of a BST T_i^j



A root a_k and two optimal binary search subtrees T_i^{k-1} and T_{k+1}^j

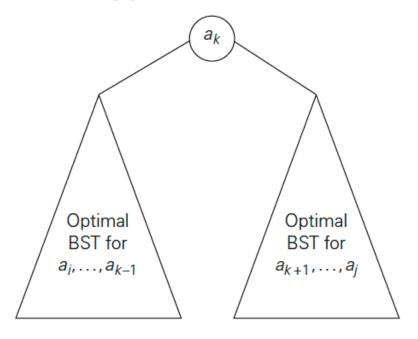
Optimal Binary Search Trees - DP

$$C(i,j) = \min_{i \le k \le j} \{ p_k \cdot 1 + \sum_{s=i}^{k-1} p_s \cdot (\text{level of } a_s \text{ in } T_i^{k-1} + 1) + \sum_{s=k+1}^{j} p_s \cdot (\text{level of } a_s \text{ in } T_{k+1}^j + 1) \}$$

$$= \min_{i \le k \le j} \{ \sum_{s=i}^{k-1} p_s \cdot (\text{level of } a_s \text{ in } T_i^{k-1}) + \sum_{s=k+1}^{j} p_s \cdot (\text{level of } a_s \text{ in } T_{k+1}^j) + \sum_{s=i}^{j} p_s \}$$

$$= \min_{i \le k \le j} \{ C(i, k-1) + C(k+1, j) \} + \sum_{s=i}^{j} p_s$$

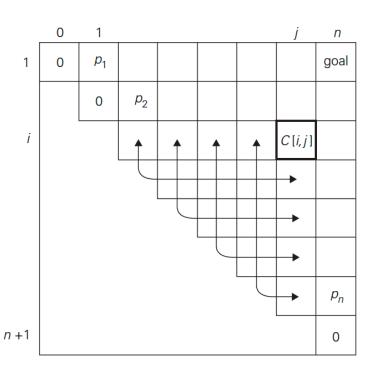
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Optimal Binary Search Trees - DP

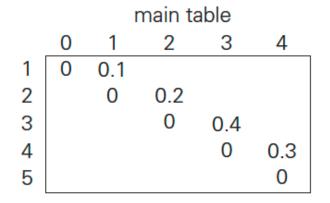
$$C(i,j) = \min_{i \le k \le j} \{C(i,k-1) + C(k+1,j)\} + \sum_{s=i}^{J} p_s$$

• $C(i,i) = p_i$ for $1 \le i \le n$.



Optimal Binary Search Trees: Example

key A B C D probability 0.1 0.2 0.4 0.3



$$C(i,j) = \min_{i \le k \le j} \{C(i,k-1) + C(k+1,j)\} + \sum_{s=i}^{j} p_s \qquad C(i,i) = p_i \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n.$$

$$C(1, 2) = \min \begin{cases} k = 1: & C(1, 0) + C(2, 2) + \sum_{s=1}^{2} p_s = 0 + 0.2 + 0.3 = 0.5 \\ k = 2: & C(1, 1) + C(3, 2) + \sum_{s=1}^{2} p_s = 0.1 + 0 + 0.3 = 0.4 \end{cases}$$

$$= 0.4.$$

Optimal Binary Search Trees: Example

		main table					
	0	1	2	3	4		
1	0	0.1					
2		0	0.2				
3			0	0.4			
4				0	0.3		
5					0		

	root table				
	0	1	2	3	4
1		1			
2			2		
3				3	
4					4
5					

$$C(i,j) = \min_{i \le k \le j} \{C(i,k-1) + C(k+1,j)\} + \sum_{s=i}^{j} p_s$$

	0	1	2	3	4
1	0	0.1	0.4	1.1	1.7
2		0	0.2	8.0	1.4 1.0
3			0	0.4	1.0
2 3 4 5				0	0.3
5					0

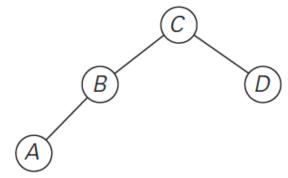
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	0	1	2	3	4
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2			2	3	3
3				3	3
4					4
5					

- The root of the optimal tree: the third key, i.e., C
 - R(1, 4) = 3
- The root of the optimal tree containing A and B: B
 - R(1,2) = 2



Optimal Binary Search Trees: Pseudocode

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ALGORITHM OptimalBST(P[1..n])
    //Finds an optimal binary search tree by dynamic programming
    //Input: An array P[1..n] of search probabilities for a sorted list of n keys
    //Output: Average number of comparisons in successful searches in the
              optimal BST and table R of subtrees' roots in the optimal BST
    for i \leftarrow 1 to n do
         C[i, i-1] \leftarrow 0
         C[i, i] \leftarrow P[i]
         R[i,i] \leftarrow i
    C[n+1, n] \leftarrow 0
    for d \leftarrow 1 to n-1 do //diagonal count
                                                                       Time efficiency: \Theta(n^2)
         for i \leftarrow 1 to n - d do
              i \leftarrow i + d
              minval \leftarrow \infty
              for k \leftarrow i to j do
                   if C[i, k-1] + C[k+1, j] < minval
                        minval \leftarrow C[i, k-1] + C[k+1, j]; kmin \leftarrow k
              R[i, j] \leftarrow kmin
              sum \leftarrow P[i]; for s \leftarrow i + 1 to j do sum \leftarrow sum + P[s]
              C[i, j] \leftarrow minval + sum
    return C[1, n], R
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