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Dynamic Programming, Binary Tree

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Keywords Filter ☆☆☆☆

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GAS STATIONS

谷歌google跪经

http://www.1point3acres.com/bbs/forum.php?mod=viewthread&tid =212722&extra=page%3D1%26filter%3Dsortid%26sortid%3D311 %26sortid%3D311

印度小哥,全程没有提示。这道题完全不知道怎么写,最后瞎写了一下。。。

题目: 有一条公路,长度是m,中间有k个加油站,由此我们可以得到一个加油站之间的最大距离,然后给你一个数t,这个数代表增加的加油站的数量(往里面插入),求使得加油站之间最大距离变得最小的值,返回这个最小的最大距离



GAS STATIONS

http://hihocoder.com/contest/hihointerview25/problem/1

N Gas stations

- All on Axis-X
- $0 = X_1 \le X_2 \le ... \le X_N = M$

Text

You can build K more stations

- For a construction plan P
- S(P) = maximum distance between two adjacent gas station

Calculate $min{S(P)}$

GAS STATIONS

Input:

- N, M, K
- $X_{1\sim N}$

Output:

• $\min\{S(P)\}$

Text



BASIC THINKING

Only 2 stations

Averagely deploying new stations

Enumerate number of stations between 2 adjacent old stations

- $\frac{X_i X_{i-1}}{1 + K_i}$ for each segment
- $\min \{ \max\{ \frac{X_i X_{i-1}}{1 + K_i} \} \}$
- $O(K^N)$

Total enumeration is in multi-steps

STEPS

After enumerated $X_1 \sim X_i$

- Number of new stations between each adjacent old stations is not important!
- A state can be represented by
 - Number of old stations I already enumerated Process of enumeration
 - Number of new stations used How many I can use now
 - The maximum distance now exists How I calculate the S(P)

F(i,j)

- After enumerated $X_1 \sim X_i$, used j new stations.
- The minimum of maximum distance We can get.

$$F(i,j)$$

$$= min\left\{max\left\{F(i-1,j'),\frac{X_i-X_{i-1}}{1+j-j'}\right\}\right\}$$

DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

Algorithm

- Step 1: Set state F(i,j)
 - After put j new stations between $[X_1, X_i]$, the minimum $\max_i \{X_i' X_{i-1}'\}$
- Step 2: Calculate state from $i = 2 \sim N, j = 0 \sim K$

$$F(i,j) = min\left\{max\left\{F(i-1,j'),\frac{X_i-X_{i-1}}{1+j-j'}\right\}\right\}$$

• Step 3: Output F(N,K) as answer

Time Complexity:

- $O(NK^2)$
- Can't solve all of the data

CODE EXAMPLE

```
 f[1][0]=0; \\ for i=2\sim N \\ for j=0\sim K \\ for j2=0\sim j \\ f[i][j]=min(f[i][j], max(f[i-1][j2], (x[i]-x[i-1])/(1+j-j2))); \\ Output(f[N][K]); \\
```



BETTER DP?

Like O(NK)

It's hard to modify the $O(NK^2)$ Algorithms

- Common way is to make state F(i,j) only calculated by F(i-1,j-1)
- But it's hard to do such thing here
 - Since the calculation of "cost" require (j j2)

We need to change our way of thinking!

STILL STEPS

If we only have 1 new station, where will you put it?

- The maximum distance between 2 adjacent old stations.
- Or the answer won't change.

If we only have 2 new stations, where will you put them?

- The position of 1st new station won't change.
 - $X_i \sim X_{i+1}$
 - At least 1 new stations will be put there, or the answer won't change.
 - Why don't make it the 1st one.
- The position of 2nd new station is similar to the 1st.
 - Only differs when we try to put it at $X_i \sim X_{i+1}$
 - It's not like we put new stations twice.
 - It's we put them together.

What if we only have K new stations?



GREEDY

Algorithm

- Step 1: Use Count(i) to maintains number of new stations between $[X_i, X_{i+1}]$
- Step 2: Enumerate $j = 1 \sim K$ to deal with each new station separately.
 - Step 2.1: Find the maximum $\frac{X_{i+1}-X_i}{Count(i)+1}$ as i', by maintaining a max-heap H.
 - Step 2.2: Count(i') + 1, maintain the max-heap H.
- **Step 3:** Output H's top as answer

Time Complexity:

- $O(\log NK)$
- Solve all of the data

NO MORE STEPS

We try almost all ways from input=>output direction.

Another way is to reverse it.

If we require Answer to be less than Ans

- What's the minimum K?
- Rf(Ans) = K

$$= \sum ceil\left(\frac{X_i - X_{i-1}}{Ans}\right) - 1$$

$$Rf(Ans_1) \ge Rf(Ans_2), for Ans_1 < Ans_2$$

If we find the minimum Ans, that $Rf(Ans) \leq K$

Ans will be our Answer

BINARY SEARCH

Algorithm

- Step 1: Limit range of searching [L, R] to (0, M]
- Step 2: Keep choosing an answer ans from center of the range [L,R]
 - If $Rf(Ans) \leq K$, set R to Ans
 - If Rf(Ans) > K, set L to Ans
 - Until (r-l) is very small
- Step 3: Output l as Answer

Time Complexity:

- $O(N \log K)$
- Solve all of the data



CODE EXAMPLE

```
double I = 0, r = 100000; while (I + 1e-4 < r) { double mid = (I + r) / 2; int sum = 0; for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) sum += ceil(1.0 * (a[i] - a[i - 1]) / mid) - 1; if (sum > k) I = mid; else r = mid; } printf("%.1If\n", I);
```



THINKING PATH

Brute force

Too much complexity

Multi-Step

- Consider by old-stations => Dynamic Programming $O(NK^2)$
- Consider by new-stations => Greedy $O(\log N K)$

Reverse more - Consider by answers

Monotonicity => Binary Search $O(N \log K)$



QUESTION TIME





THANKS FOR LISTENING



