
COT 5405 Analysis of Algorithms, Spring 2010.
Midterm 3

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Notes

- This is a closed-book exam. No calculator.
- You have 100 minutes for the exam.
- If the problem necessitates writing an algorithm, you must first informally describe the algorithm, in brief, in a paragraph. You can choose to follow this up with pseudocode that formally describes the algorithm. We will peruse your pseudocode only if your English description is not clear.
- Write your name on the top right hand corner of your exam. Be sure to write your last name as the last word in your name.
- If you are designing an algorithm, you must write a formal proof of correctness.
- Please write legibly.

1. [1 page][33points] The following graph with weights on edges is given. Apply Floyd-Warshall algorithm to compute shortest path between all pairs of vertices (only the distance of the path, not the path itself). Provide a weight matrix at each iteration. Floyd-Warshall recurrence relation is as below.

Let $D^{(k)} = (d_{i,j}^{(k)})$ be the weight matrix after k th iteration,

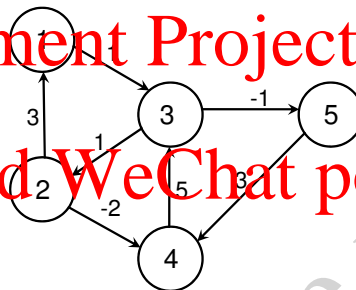
$$d_{i,j}^{(k)} = \min(d_{i,j}^{(k-1)}, d_{i,k}^{(k-1)} + d_{k,j}^{(k-1)}), \quad k \geq 1$$

$$d_{i,j}^{(0)} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = j \\ \text{weight of edge}(i,j) & \text{if } i \neq j \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Solution:

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$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 & -2 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 9 & 6 & 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 12 & 9 & 8 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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2. [1 page][33points] You need to go over a river by canoe and there are n trading posts along the river. We use $f_{i,j}$ to denote the fee from post i to post j . These fees are arbitrary. For example it is possible that $f_{1,3} = 10$ and $f_{1,4} = 5$. You begin at trading post 1 and must end at trading post n (using rented canoes). Your goal is to minimize the rental cost. Design an efficient algorithm for this problem. Be sure to prove that your algorithm yields an optimal solution and analyze the time complexity.

Solution:

Let $m[i]$ be the rental cost for the best solution to go from post i to post n for $1 \leq i \leq n$. The final answer is in $m[1]$. We can recursively, define $m[i]$ as follows:

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$$m[i] = 0 \text{ if } i = n$$

$$m[i] = \min_{i \leq j \leq n} (f_{i,j} + m[j]) \text{ otherwise}$$

We now prove this is correct. The canoe must be rented starting at post i (the starting location) and then returned next at a station among $i + 1, \dots, n$. In the recurrence we try all possibilities (with j being the station where the canoe is next returned). Furthermore, since $f_{i,j}$ is independent from how the subproblem of going from post j to n is solved, we have the optimal substructure property. For the time complexity there are n subproblems to be solved each of which takes $O(n)$ time. These subproblems can be computed in the order $m[n], m[n-1], \dots, m[1]$. Hence the overall time complexity is $O(n^2)$.

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3. [2 page][$(8 + 3) + (8 + 3) + (8 + 3) + 1 = 34$ points] [$(8 + 3) + (8 + 3) + (8 + 3) + 1 = 34$ points] You are given coins of n different integer denominations $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$. Suppose you are asked to determine whether coins of these denominations can be used to make change for an amount of exactly V (where V is an integer). Consider the following different conditions: (A) You are allowed to use at most one coin for each denomination, (B) You are allowed to use as many coins as required for each denomination, (C) You are allowed to use as many coins as required for each denomination but you are allowed to use at the most K coins in total.

Note: When we say ‘as many coins as required’, we include cases where no coins of some denominations are used.

For **each** condition, you must: (1) write a recurrence relation for a dynamic programming algorithm, explain the recurrence clearly and specify the base case, and (2) analyze the time complexity of the algorithm. Which of your algorithms (if any) qualifies as being a polynomial time algorithm? Why or why not?

Examples: Let $x_1 = 9, x_2 = 11$ be the two denominations available to you. (Part A) You can create change for $V = 20$ but not for $V = 29$ as the latter requires two coins of value 9. (Part B) You can create change for $V = 29$ but not for $V = 12$ as the latter amount cannot be broken down as an integer combination of 9 and 11 even if you had an unlimited supply of coins of both values. (Part C) You can create change for $V = 29$ using $K = 3$ coins, but not for $V = 38$ as the latter requires 4 coins.

Solution:

Part (A): You are allowed to use at most one coin for each denomination.

Recurrence: $M(n, V) = M(n-1, V - x_n) \vee M(n-1, V)$ where \vee refers to a logical OR operator.

Let $M(n, v) = 1$ if you can make change for an amount of v using denominations x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n else it is 0. The logic for this recurrence is this: either you can use a coin of value x_n for making the change, or you don't. In the former case, our algorithm should output 1 if you could make change for an amount $v - x_n$ using the first $n-1$ denominations (hence $M(n, V) = M(n-1, V - x_n)$). In the latter case, our algorithm should output 1 if you could make change for an amount v using the first $n-1$ denominations (hence $M(n, V) = M(n-1, V)$). If either of these possibilities is true, our algorithm outputs 1 and hence the logical OR operator in the recurrence. **Complexity:** $O(nV)$ as you have to build a table of n rows and V columns.

Part (B): You are allowed to use as many coins of a given denomination as required.

Recurrence: $M(V) = \max_{\{i: x_i \leq V\}} M(V - x_i)$

(another way of writing: $M(V) = \delta(x_1 \leq V)M(V - x_1) \vee \delta(x_2 \leq V)M(V - x_2) \vee \dots \vee \delta(x_n \leq V)M(V - x_n)$). where $\delta(x_i \leq V) = 1$ if $x_i \leq V$ else $\delta(x_i \leq V) = 0$. Here $M(V) = 1$ if you can use coins of these values to make change for V , else it is 0. **Complexity:** $O(nV)$ as you have to build a 1D array of V entries but the initial recurrence requires you to examine n possibilities.

Part (C): You are allowed to use as many coins of a given denomination as required but you can use at the most K coins.

Recurrence: If $k > 1$, $M(k, V) = \max_{\{i: x_i \leq V\}} M(k-1, V - x_i)$ else $M(k, V) = (x_1 == V) \vee (x_2 == V) \vee \dots \vee (x_n == V)$

where $M(k, v) = 1$ if you can make change of value v using k coins at the most. **Complexity:** $O(nVK)$ as you have to build a table of K rows and V columns, but the initial recurrence requires you to examine n possibilities.

All three algorithms are pseudo-polynomial (not polynomial) because their running time is directly proportional to the value V which requires $O(\log_2 V)$ bits of storage. The value is always exponential in the number of bits for storage. Hence, all three algorithms are exponential time.