

## CS 170 HW 7

Due **2020-3-9, at 10:00 pm**

### 1 Study Group

List the names and SIDs of the members in your study group. If you have no collaborators, you must explicitly write none.

### DP solution writing guidelines

Try to follow the following 3-part template when writing your solutions.

- Define a function  $f(\cdot)$  in words, including how many parameters are and what they mean, and tell us what inputs you feed into  $f$  to get the answer to your problem.
- Write the “base cases” along with a recurrence relation for  $f$ .
- Prove that the recurrence correctly solves the problem.
- Analyze the runtime and space complexity of your final DP algorithm? Can the bottom-up approach to DP improve the space complexity?

### 2 No Backtracking

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a simple, undirected, and unweighted  $n$ -vertex graph, and let  $A_G$  be its adjacency matrix, defined as follows:

$$A_G[i, j] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if there is an edge between } i \text{ and } j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We call a sequence of vertices  $W = (u_0, u_1, \dots, u_\ell)$  a *walk* if for every  $i < \ell$ ,  $\{u_i, u_{i+1}\}$  is an edge in  $E$ , and we call  $\ell$  the *length* of  $W$ . Call a walk *nonbacktracking* if for every  $i < \ell - 1$ ,  $u_i \neq u_{i+2}$ , i.e., the walk does not traverse the same edge twice in a row. In this problem, we will see a dynamic programming-based algorithm to compute the number of length- $\ell$  nonbacktracking walks in  $G$  between every pair of vertices.

- Prove that  $A_G^\ell[i, j] = \#$  of length- $\ell$  walks from  $i$  to  $j$ .
- Let  $I$  be the identity matrix (diagonal matrix of all-ones),  $D_G$  be the degree matrix of  $G$ , i.e., the matrix defined as follows:

$$D_G[i, j] := \begin{cases} \text{degree}(i) & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and let  $\text{NB}^{(\ell)}$  be the matrix such that  $\text{NB}^{(\ell)}[i, j]$  contains the number of length- $\ell$  non-backtracking walks between  $i$  and  $j$ . Prove that  $\text{NB}^{(\ell)}$  satisfies the following recurrence relationship.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{NB}^{(1)} &= A_G \\ \text{NB}^{(2)} &= A_G^2 - D_G \\ \text{NB}^{(\ell)} &= \text{NB}^{(\ell-1)} \cdot A_G - \text{NB}^{(\ell-2)} \cdot (D_G - I).\end{aligned}$$

- (c) Given  $T$  as input, give an  $O(Tn^\omega)$ -time dynamic programming-based algorithm to output  $\text{NB}^{(T)}$  where  $n^\omega$  is the time it takes to multiply two  $n \times n$  matrices and  $\omega \geq 2$ .
- (d) (Cool problem but worth no points) Given  $T$ , give a  $O(n^3 \log T)$ -time algorithm to output  $\text{NB}^{(T)}$ .

### 3 Walks in an infinite tree

Let  $K_{d+1}$  be the undirected and unweighted complete graph on vertex set  $\{0, \dots, d\}$ . Let  $T_d$  be the undirected infinite tree with vertex and edge set

$$\begin{aligned}V_d &= \{W : W \text{ is a nonbacktracking walk starting at } 0 \text{ in } K_{d+1}\} \\ E_d &= \{\{W, W'\} : W' = (W, u) \text{ for some } u \in K_{d+1}\}.\end{aligned}$$

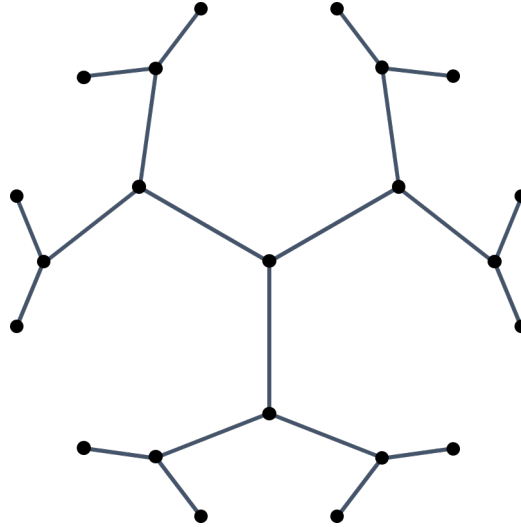


Figure 1: Finite piece of 3-regular infinite tree

Let  $u$  be an arbitrary vertex of  $T_d$ . In this problem, we will see a dynamic programming-based algorithm to compute the number of walks in  $T_d$  from  $u$  to  $u$ .

- (a) Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two vertices in  $T_d$  such that  $\{u, v\}$  is an edge. Call a walk  $u, w_1, \dots, w_t, v$  from  $u$  to  $v$  in  $T_d$  a *first visit walk* if  $v \notin \{w_1, \dots, w_t\}$ , i.e., if  $v$  is visited for the first time

in the last step.

Let  $F(\ell)$  be the number of length- $\ell$  first visit walks from  $u$  to  $v$ . Write a recurrence for  $F(\ell)$  and consequently give a dynamic programming algorithm that takes in  $\ell$  as input and produces  $F(\ell)$  as output. Your algorithm should run in  $O(\ell^2)$  time.

*Hint: Suppose in the first step of a  $u \rightarrow v$  first visit walk,  $u$  steps to  $v' \neq v$ , the walk can be decomposed into 3 parts: (1) a single step from  $u$  to  $v'$ , (2) a first visit walk from  $v'$  to  $u$ , (3) a first visit walk from  $u$  to  $v$ .*

- (b) We call a walk  $u, w_1, \dots, w_t, u$  from  $u$  to  $u$  a *first revisit walk* if  $u \notin \{w_1, \dots, w_t\}$ , i.e., if the only times  $u$  is visited are at the start and the end. Let  $G(\ell)$  be the number of length- $\ell$  first visit walks from  $u$  to  $u$ . Give an  $O(\ell^2)$ -time algorithm that takes in  $\ell$  as input and computes  $G(\ell)$ .

*Hint: You may want to use the algorithm from part (a).*

- (c) Let  $u$  be a vertex in  $T_d$  and let  $H(\ell)$  denote the number of walks from  $u$  to  $u$ . Write a recurrence for  $H(\ell)$  and consequently give a dynamic programming algorithm that takes in  $\ell$  as input and produces  $H(\ell)$  as output. Your algorithm should run in  $O(\ell^2)$  time. Your recurrence may also involve the function  $G$  defined in part (b).

## 4 GCD annihilation

Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  be a list of positive integers given to us as input. We repeat the following procedure until there are only two elements left in the list:

Choose an element  $x_i$  in  $\{x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}\}$  and delete it from the list at a cost equal to the greatest common divisor of the undeleted left and right neighbors of  $x_i$ .

We wish to make our choices in the above procedure so that the total cost incurred is minimized. Give a  $\text{poly}(n)$ -time dynamic programming-based algorithm that takes in the list  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  as input and produces the value of the minimum possible cost as output. You may assume that we are given an  $n \times n$  sized array where the  $i, j$  entry contains the GCD of  $x_i$  and  $x_j$ , i.e., you may assume you have constant time access to the GCDs.

## 5 Counting Targets

We call a sequence of  $n$  integers  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  *valid* if each  $x_i$  is in  $\{1, \dots, m\}$ .

- (a) Give a dynamic programming-based algorithm that takes in  $n, m$  and “target”  $T$  as input and outputs the number of distinct valid sequences such that  $x_1 + \dots + x_n = T$ . Your algorithm should run in time  $O(m^2 n^2)$ .

- (b) Give an algorithm for the problem in part (a) that runs in time  $O(mn^2)$ .

*Hint: let  $f(s, i)$  denotes the number of length- $i$  valid sequences with sum equal to  $s$ . Consider defining the function  $g(s, i) := \sum_{t=1}^s f(t, i)$ .*

## 6 Box Union

There are  $n$  boxes labeled  $1, \dots, n$ , and initially they are each in their own stack. You want to support two operations:

- $\text{put}(a, b)$ : this puts the stack that  $a$  is in on top of the stack that  $b$  is in.
- $\text{under}(a)$ : this returns the number of boxes under  $a$  in its stack.

The amortized time per operation should be the same as the amortized time for  $\text{find}(\cdot)$  and  $\text{union}(\cdot, \cdot)$  operations in the union find data structure.

*Hint: use “disjoint forest” and augment nodes to have an extra field  $z$  stored. Make sure this field is something easily updateable during “union by rank” and “path compression”, yet useful enough to help you answer  $\text{under}(\cdot)$  queries quickly. It may be useful to note that your algorithm for answering under queries gets to see the  $z$  values of all nodes from the query node to its tree's root if you do a find.*