CS 240 Homework 1

TOTAL POINTS

7/7

QUESTION 1

1 1/1

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QUESTION 4

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- + 0.75 pts Correct main idea with minor mistake
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QUESTION 5

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QUESTION 7

7 1/1

√ + 1 pts Correct

- + **0.5 pts** Get the right DP function: $s[1][j]=max[s[1][j-1], s[1+2^{j-1}][j-1]]$. The preprocess is correct.
- + **0.5 pts** Correctly transfer a query to two access of the table. The query part is correct.
 - 0.2 pts little mistake

+ **0 pts** wrong or empty

Solution

Because:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} (\frac{f_4(n)}{f_2(n)}) = \lim_{x \to \infty} (\frac{10^{10^{10^{10}}}}{n^2 logn}) = 0$$

So, $f_4(n)$ is $O(f_2(n))$.

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$$\begin{split} &\lim_{x\to\infty}(\frac{\log(f_6(n))}{\log(f_1(n))}) = \lim_{x\to\infty}(\frac{\log(2^{\frac{5}{2}\log_2 n})}{\log(n^{\log_2 n})}) \\ &= \lim_{x\to\infty}(\frac{\frac{5}{2}\log_2 n \cdot \log 2}{\log 2n \cdot \log n}) \\ &= \lim_{x\to\infty}(\frac{\frac{5}{2}\log 2}{\log n}) \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

Thus, $f_6(n)$ is $O(f_1(n))$

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For any k > 1, we have

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \left(\frac{\log^k(n)}{\sqrt{n}} \right) = 0$$
So,
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Finally, we prove $f_5(n)$ is $O(f_3(n))$

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \left(\frac{\log(f_5(n))}{\log(f_3(n))}\right) = \lim_{x \to \infty} \left(\frac{\log(2^{\sqrt{n}})}{\log(2^{2^n})}\right)$$
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So, we've proved $f_5(n)$ is $O(f_3(n))$.

By the limits shown above, we have the sequence:

$$f_4(n), f_2(n), f_6(n), f_1(n), f_5(n), f_3(n)$$

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Proof

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2. Proof of the base case

If there are only one bit in a_i 's binary expression(i.e. K=1), then there are 3 possible conditions, $A=\{0\}$, $A=\{1\}$ and $A=\{0,1\}$. For $A=\{0\}$ or $A=\{1\}$, notice that $x\oplus x=0$, , and all other numbers will make the value greater than 0, so the minimum value is 0. If $A=\{0,1\}$, by the lemma, X can only be 0, 1, and the value is 1 for both case. So, the base case of the pesudo code is correct.

3. Proof of transition

In the pesudo code, we divide the array to two parts, one part (B) satisfies $\forall x \in B, bin(x)_{K-1} = 1$, and the other part (C) satisfies $\forall x \in C, bin(x)_{K-1} = 0$. If B is empty, just set $bin(X)_{K-1} = 0$, then $bin(result)_{K-1} = 0$, is minimized. Else if C is empty, just set $bin(X)_{K-1} = 1$, then $bin(result)_{K-1} = 0$, is also minimized. If B and C are all non-empty, then $bin(result)_{K-1}$ can not be 0 at all. The result should plus 2^{K-1} . After determining the $(K-1)^{th}$ of answer, just find $(K-2)^{th}$ recursively. Hence, we proved the transition function.

Thus, we have proved the base case and transition function, by mathmatical induction, the overall result is correct.

• b)

We can find the recursive function of T(k, n), where n is the length of the array K:

$$T(k,n) = n + T(k-1,x) + T(k-1,n-x)$$

where x is the number of items in B (i.e. number of items that greater or equal than 2^{k-1}). Notice that

$$\begin{split} T(k,n) &= n + T(k-1,x) + T(k-1,n-x) \\ &= n + x + T(k-2,x_1) + T(k-2,x-x_1) + n - x + T(k-2,x_2) + T(k-2,n-x-x_2) \\ &= 2n + T(k-2,x_1) + T(k-2,x-x_1) + T(k-2,x_2) + T(k-2,n-x-x_2) \\ &= \dots \\ &= n \cdot k \end{split}$$

Hence, the time complexity T(n) is O(nk)

Problem 6

Algorithm

Use the dynamic programming algorithm.

The base case is, any charater(sequence with length=1) c' and empty sequence c' can only be merged to c'. Then, we use a backtrace DP algorithm to solve the problem recursively. We consider whether the left-most c' charaters in A and left-most c' charaters in B can be merged to the left-most c' charaters in C. The transition function is:

$$OPT(i,j) = \begin{cases} OPT(i,j-1), & if \ (C[i+j] \ == \ B[j] \ \&\& \ C[i+j] \ \neq \ A[i]) \\ OPT(i-1,j), & if \ (C[i+j] \ == \ A[i] \ \&\& \ C[i+j] \ \neq \ B[j]) \\ OPT(i-1,j) \mid OPT(i,j-1), & if \ (C[i+j] \ == \ A[i] \ \&\& \ C[i+j] \ == \ B[j]) \\ False, & Otherwise \end{cases}$$

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If there are only one bit in a_i 's binary expression(i.e. K=1), then there are 3 possible conditions, $A=\{0\}$, $A=\{1\}$ and $A=\{0,1\}$. For $A=\{0\}$ or $A=\{1\}$, notice that $x\oplus x=0$, , and all other numbers will make the value greater than 0, so the minimum value is 0. If $A=\{0,1\}$, by the lemma, X can only be 0, 1, and the value is 1 for both case. So, the base case of the pesudo code is correct.

3. Proof of transition

In the pesudo code, we divide the array to two parts, one part (B) satisfies $\forall x \in B, bin(x)_{K-1} = 1$, and the other part (C) satisfies $\forall x \in C, bin(x)_{K-1} = 0$. If B is empty, just set $bin(X)_{K-1} = 0$, then $bin(result)_{K-1} = 0$, is minimized. Else if C is empty, just set $bin(X)_{K-1} = 1$, then $bin(result)_{K-1} = 0$, is also minimized. If B and C are all non-empty, then $bin(result)_{K-1}$ can not be 0 at all. The result should plus 2^{K-1} . After determining the $(K-1)^{th}$ of answer, just find $(K-2)^{th}$ recursively. Hence, we proved the transition function.

Thus, we have proved the base case and transition function, by mathmatical induction, the overall result is correct.

• b)

We can find the recursive function of T(k, n), where n is the length of the array K:

$$T(k,n) = n + T(k-1,x) + T(k-1,n-x)$$

where x is the number of items in B (i.e. number of items that greater or equal than 2^{k-1}). Notice that

$$\begin{split} T(k,n) &= n + T(k-1,x) + T(k-1,n-x) \\ &= n + x + T(k-2,x_1) + T(k-2,x-x_1) + n - x + T(k-2,x_2) + T(k-2,n-x-x_2) \\ &= 2n + T(k-2,x_1) + T(k-2,x-x_1) + T(k-2,x_2) + T(k-2,n-x-x_2) \\ &= \dots \\ &= n \cdot k \end{split}$$

Hence, the time complexity T(n) is O(nk)

Problem 6

Algorithm

Use the dynamic programming algorithm.

The base case is, any charater(sequence with length=1) c' and empty sequence c' can only be merged to c'. Then, we use a backtrace DP algorithm to solve the problem recursively. We consider whether the left-most c' charaters in A and left-most c' charaters in B can be merged to the left-most c' charaters in C. The transition function is:

$$OPT(i,j) = \begin{cases} OPT(i,j-1), & if \ (C[i+j] \ == \ B[j] \ \&\& \ C[i+j] \ \neq \ A[i]) \\ OPT(i-1,j), & if \ (C[i+j] \ == \ A[i] \ \&\& \ C[i+j] \ \neq \ B[j]) \\ OPT(i-1,j) \mid OPT(i,j-1), & if \ (C[i+j] \ == \ A[i] \ \&\& \ C[i+j] \ == \ B[j]) \\ False, & Otherwise \end{cases}$$

- √ + 1 pts Correct
 - + **0.5 pts** Partial Correct.
 - + 0.5 pts Partial correct recursive formula
 - + **0 pts** Incorrect

Hence, we can find OPT(m,n) by backtrace dynamic programming method in O(mn) time.

Problem 7

Algorithm

This is can be solved by constructing the sparse table (ST algorithm), which is a dynamic programming algorithm that takes O(nlogn) time for pre-processing and O(1) time for each query. To break the ties, the subsricpt of the are start from 1 (i.e. ...)

- a) Pre-processing
 - (1) Construct a 2D table F with size n*log n. Define F(i,j) is the maximum number in $a_i, a_{i+1}, \ldots, a_{i+2^j-1}$
 - (2) Fill the (i,0) entries of table F, the base case is, $F(i,0) = a_i$, because there is only one number a_i here, obviously, the maximum in $\{a_i\}$ is a_i
 - (3) Fill other entries of F. Notice that

$$\max\{a_i, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{i+2^{j-1}}\} = \max\{\max\{a_i, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{i+2^{j-1}-1}\}, \max\{a_{i+2^{j-1}}, a_{i+2^{j-1}+1}, \dots, a_{i+2^{j-1}}\}\}$$

where

$$\max\{a_i, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{i+2^{j-1}-1}\} = F(i, j-1)$$

and

$$\max\{a_{i+2^{j-1}}, a_{i+2^{j-1}+1}, \dots, a_{i+2^{j}-1}\} = F(i+2^{j-1}, j-1)$$

Hence, we get the transition function:

$$F(i,j) = \max\{F(i,j-1), F(i+2^{j-1},j-1)\}$$

The pre-processing process is shown above, which will take O(nlogn) time.

• b) Query

Define the query operation $Q(l,r) = \max_{l < i < r} a_i$, and let l' = l + 1 and r' = r - 1, then $Q(l,r) = \max_{l' \le i \le r'} a_i$.

When querying (1) Compute the maximum k that satisfies $2^k \leq r' - l' + 1$, obviously the answer is $k = (int)log_2(r' - l' + 1)$ (2) Divide $a_{l'}, a_{l'+1}, \ldots, a_{r'}$ to 2 parts (may have overlaps) and find the maximum in each part.

$$\max_{l' \le i \le r'} a_i = \max\{\max\{a_{l'}, \dots, a_{l'+2^k-1}\}, \max\{a_{r'-2^k+1}, \dots, a_{r'}\}\}$$

where

$$\max\{a_{l'}, \dots, a_{l'+2^k-1}\} = F(l', k)$$
$$\max\{a_{r'-2^k+1}, \dots, a_{r'}\} = F(r'-2^k+1, k)$$

are all in our table F.

Hence, we get the overall process of finding Q(l,r):

let
$$i = l + 1$$
;
let $j = r - 1$;
let $k = (int)log_2(j - i + 1)$;
 $Q(l, r) = \max\{F(i, k), F(j - 2^k + 1, k)\}$

This step only takes O(1) time.

Hence, we get the complete algorithm, which takes O(nlog n + q) time.

√ + 1 pts Correct

- + **0.5 pts** Get the right DP function: $s[l][j]=max[s[l][j-1], s[l+2^{j-1}][j-1]]$. The preprocess is correct.
- + **0.5 pts** Correctly transfer a query to two access of the table. The query part is correct.
- 0.2 pts little mistake
- + **0 pts** wrong or empty