

Chapter 9. Segment Problems

Longest Segment Problems

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  con  $N : int \{N \geq 0\}$ ;  $X : \text{array } [0..N) \text{ of } int$ ;  
  var  $r : int$ ;  
  maxseg  
   $\{r = (\text{max } p, q : 0 \leq p \leq q \leq N \wedge \mathcal{A}.p.q : q - p)\}$   
  ]]
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Examples

- all elements are constant:

$$\mathcal{A}.p.q = (\forall i, j : p \leq i < q \wedge p \leq j < q : X.i = X.j)$$

- the segment is ascending:

$$\mathcal{A}.p.q = (\forall i, j : p \leq i \leq j < q : X.i \leq X.j)$$

- the segment contains at most 60 zeros:

$$\mathcal{A}.p.q = (\#i : p \leq i < q : X.i = 0) \leq 60$$

\mathcal{A} 's Properties

(0) \mathcal{A} holds for the empty segment:

$$\mathcal{A}.p.p$$

(1) \mathcal{A} is prefix-closed:

$$\mathcal{A}.p.q \Rightarrow (\forall s : p \leq s \leq q : \mathcal{A}.p.s)$$

(2) \mathcal{A} is postfix-closed:

$$\mathcal{A}.p.q \Rightarrow (\forall i : p \leq s \leq q : \mathcal{A}.s.q)$$

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Examples

- the segment must contain values 0, 1 and 2:

$$\mathcal{A}.p.q = (\exists i, j, k : p \leq i, j, k < q : X.i = 0 \wedge X.j = 1 \wedge X.k = 2)$$

- the segment contains at least 60 zeros:

$$\mathcal{A}.p.q = (\#i : p \leq i < q : X.i = 0) \geq 60$$

\mathcal{A} 's Properties

(0') $\neg\mathcal{A}$ holds for the empty segment:

$$\neg\mathcal{A}.p.p$$

(1') $\neg\mathcal{A}$ is prefix-closed:

$$\neg\mathcal{A}.p.q \Rightarrow (\forall s : p \leq s \leq q : \neg\mathcal{A}.p.s)$$

(2') $\neg\mathcal{A}$ is postfix-closed:

$$\neg\mathcal{A}.p.q \Rightarrow (\forall i : p \leq s \leq q : \neg\mathcal{A}.s.q)$$

Remarks

- \mathcal{A} satisfies (0), (1) and (2) $\equiv \neg \mathcal{A}$ satisfies (0'), (1') and (2').
- If we find a solution to *maxseg* for predicates that satisfy (0) and (1), then we can obtain a solution for predicates that satisfy (0) and (2).
- If we find a solution to *minseg* for predicates that satisfy (0') and (1'), then we can obtain a solution for predicates that satisfy (0') and (2').

Solving Longest Segment Problems

We derive a program scheme for solving

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var  $r : int;$ 
 $maxseg$ 
 $\{r = (\mathbf{max} \ p, q : 0 \leq p \leq q \leq N \wedge \mathcal{A}.p.q : q - p)\}$ 
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where \mathcal{A} satisfies (0) and (1):

(0) \mathcal{A} holds for the empty segment: $\mathcal{A}.p.p$

(1) \mathcal{A} is prefix-closed: $\mathcal{A}.p.q \Rightarrow (\forall s : p \leq s \leq q : \mathcal{A}.p.s)$

Slope Search

For the post condition:

$$R : r = (\mathbf{max} \ p, q : 0 \leq p \leq q \leq N \wedge \mathcal{A}.p.q : q - p)$$

since $q - p$ is ascending in q and descending in p , we may define

$$G.a.b = (\mathbf{max} \ p, q : a \leq p \leq N \wedge b \leq q \leq N \wedge \mathcal{A}.p.q : q - p)$$

Thus,

$$R : r = G.0.0$$

What are the invariants?

Invariants

$$P_0 : \quad r \text{ **max** } G.a.b = G.0.0$$

$$P_1 : \quad 0 \leq a \leq b \leq N$$

which can be initialized by

$$a, b, r = 0, 0, 0$$

When does the loop terminate?

Deriving the guard

$$\begin{aligned}
 & G.a.N \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{definition of } G \} \\
 & (\mathbf{max} \ p : a \leq p \leq N \wedge \mathcal{A}.p.N : N - p) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{assume } \mathcal{A}.a.N, N - p \text{ is descending in } p \} \\
 & N - a
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$P_0 \wedge \underline{b = N \wedge \mathcal{A}.a.b} \Rightarrow R(r := r \mathbf{max} (N - a))$$

How to determine a condition under which b may be increased?

Calculating a recursive definition for G

$$\begin{aligned} G.a.b &= G.a.(b+1) \mathbf{max} (b-a), & \text{if } \mathcal{A}.a.b \\ &= G.(a+1).b, & \text{if } \neg \mathcal{A}.a.b \end{aligned}$$

Can you derive this definition?

What is the final program?

The final program

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[[  
  var  $a, b : int$ ;  
   $a, b, r := 0, 0, 0$ ;  
  do  $b \neq N \vee \neg \mathcal{A}.a.b \rightarrow$   
    if  $\mathcal{A}.a.b \rightarrow r := r \text{ max } - (b - a); b := b + 1$   
    []  $\neg \mathcal{A}.a.b \rightarrow a := a + 1$   
    fi  
  od;  
   $r := r \text{ max } (N - a)$   
]]
```

Solving Shortest Segment Problems

We derive a program scheme for solving

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con  $N : int \{N \geq 0\}; X : \text{array } [0..N) \text{ of } int;$ 
var  $r : int;$ 
 $minseg$ 
 $\{r = (\text{min } p, q : 0 \leq p \leq q \leq N \wedge \mathcal{A}.p.q : q - p)\}$ 
||

```

where \mathcal{A} satisfies (0') and (2'):

(0') $\neg \mathcal{A}$ holds for the empty segment: $\neg \mathcal{A}.p.p$

(2') $\neg \mathcal{A}$ is postfix-closed: $\neg \mathcal{A}.p.q \Rightarrow (\forall s : p \leq s \leq q : \neg \mathcal{A}.s.q)$

Slope Search

For the post condition:

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$$G.a.b = (\mathbf{min} \ p, q : a \leq p \leq N \wedge b \leq q \leq N \wedge \mathcal{A}.p.q : q - p)$$

Thus,

$$R : r = G.0.0$$

What are the invariants?

Invariants

$$P_0 : \quad r \text{ **min** } G.a.b = G.0.0$$

$$P_1 : \quad 0 \leq a \leq b \leq N$$

which can be initialized by

$$a, b, r = 0, 0, \infty$$

When does the loop terminate?

Deriving the guard

$$\begin{aligned}
 & G.a.N \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{definition of } G \} \\
 & (\mathbf{min} \ p : a \leq p \leq N \wedge \mathcal{A}.p.N : N - p) \\
 = & \quad \{ \text{assume } \neg \mathcal{A}.a.N, \neg \mathcal{A} \text{ is postfix-closed} \} \\
 & \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$P_0 \wedge P_1 \wedge \underline{b = N \wedge \neg \mathcal{A}.a.b} \Rightarrow R$$

How to determine a condition under which b may be increased?

Calculating a recursive definition for G

$$\begin{aligned} G.a.b &= G.a.(b+1) && \text{if } \neg \mathcal{A}.a.b \\ &= G.(a+1).b \text{ min } (b-a), && \text{if } \mathcal{A}.a.b \end{aligned}$$

Can you derive this definition?

What is the final program?

The final program

```
[[  
  var  $a, b : int$ ;  
   $a, b, r := 0, 0, \infty$ ;  
  do  $b \neq N \vee \mathcal{A}.a.b \rightarrow$   
    if  $\neg \mathcal{A}.a.b \rightarrow b := b + 1$   
    []  $\mathcal{A}.a.b \rightarrow r := r \text{ min } (b - a); a := a + 1$   
    fi  
  od;  
  ]]
```

Shortest Segment with at Least Two Zeros

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[[  
  con  $N : int \{N \geq 0\}$ ;  $X : \text{array } [0..N) \text{ of } int$ ;  
  var  $r : int$ ;  
  at-least-two-zeros  
   $\{r = (\min p, q : 0 \leq p \leq q \leq N \wedge \mathcal{A}.p.q : q - p)\}$   
  ]]
```

where

$$\mathcal{A}.a.b = (\#i : a \leq i < b : X.i = 0) \geq 2$$

Refining \mathcal{A}

Since $\neg\mathcal{A}$ hods for the empty segment and $\neg\mathcal{A}$ is postfix-closed, we can use our obtained program scheme. We refine \mathcal{A} by introducing the invariant:

$$Q : c = (\#i : a \leq i < b : X.i = 0)$$

Then

$$\mathcal{A}.a.b \equiv c \geq 2$$

$$\neg\mathcal{A}.a.b \equiv c < 2$$

We obtain the following program:

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var  $a, b, \underline{c} : int$ ;
 $a, b, r := 0, 0, \infty$ ;  $\underline{c} := 0$ ;
do  $b \neq N \vee \underline{c} \geq 2 \rightarrow$ 
    if  $\underline{c} < 2 \rightarrow$  if  $X.b = 0 \rightarrow c := c + 1$  []  $X.b \neq 0 \rightarrow skip$ ;
         $b := b + 1$ 
    []  $\underline{c} \geq 2 \rightarrow$  if  $X.a = 0 \rightarrow c := c - 1$  []  $X.a \neq 0 \rightarrow skip$ ;
         $r := r \text{ min } (b - a); a := a + 1$ 
    fi
od;
||

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Report 2

Solve Problem 5 to Problem 8, and send your report by email to

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no later than

July 31st, 2004.

The subject of your email should be MSP #2.

THANK YOU!