Statistical Properties of Oracles

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- Suffixes/Factor Oracles : Définition and main properties
- External transition probabilities
- Application : memory size of an oracle
- Conclusion

Index structures

- Problem : design a data structure for storing and retrieving efficiently all the factor/suffixes of a given word
- 3 criteria:
 - Small structure (in a classical use)
 - Store all the factors
 - Store only the factors

Example 1 : suffix trie

• baabbabb\$



Example 2 : factor oracle [Allauzen & al., 1999]

baabbabb



- baabbabb

• **b**aabbabb



• baabbabb











baabbabb



Only the factors ?

baabbabb



• No ! babba is not a factor !

An important property



- min(p)=(unique) word recognized in state |p| having minimal length
- There exists an external transition between state i=|p| and j=|q.m| iff p is a prefix of q and the first occurrence of min(p).m ends in state j.

Oracles are useful ?

- as structures indexes ?
- Pattern matching (BOM : if a word is not in the oracle, it is not a factor)
- Musical improvisation (OMAX : by-products are slight variants of factors that can reproduce a musical sequence with errors)

Crucial point : what amount of memory is needed to store an oracle ?

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Average size of an oracle ?

- Average size => which probabilistic model ?
- Each symbols drawn independently with prob. 1/2.
 Hence prob{W}=1/2ⁿ
- if W is a random word of size *n* on {*a*,*b*}, what is the value of *E*[*size*(*oracle*(*W*))] *as a function of n* ?
- Sub problem : What is the probability p(i) that an external transition leaves state i ?
- $E[size(oracle(W))] = \Sigma p(i)$

Simple case n°1 : p(0)

 There exists an external transition leaving state 0 if W is of the form a...abX, where X is any word.

$$p(0) = 2 \sum_{j=2}^{n} \frac{1}{2^{j}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$



Simple case n°2 : p(1)

- If W begins with *aa*, same case as *p*(0)
- If W begins with *ab*, there is a transition between state 1 and the end of the first occurrence of *aa*. *I.e.*, If W is of the form *ab*(*b*+*ab*)**aaX*, *where* X is any word.



(b+ab)* and Fibonacci

- $L_0 = \{ \mathcal{E} \}$
- $L_{I} = \{b\}$
- $L_2 = \{ab, bb\}$
- $L_3 = \{bab, abb, bbb\}$
- *L*₄ = {*abab, bbab, babb, abbb, bbbb*}
- $L_{k} = L_{k-2} ab U L_{k-1} b$ $p(1) = 1 \frac{F_{n-1} + 1}{2^{n-1}}$

General case

Let w be a given word. $S(w) = \{s \in \{a,b\}^*, w \text{ is not a factor of s}\}$ $T(w) = \{s \in \{a,b\}^*, w \text{ occurs once as a suffix of s}\}$ $C(w) = \{s \in \{a,b\}^*, \exists u, v \in \{a,b\}^*, w = s.u = v.s\}$

Related by [Guibas-Odlyzko, 80] $S(w).\Sigma + \{\varepsilon\} = S(w) + T(w)$ S(w).w=T(w).C(w)

Relation with oracles

Main result : There exists an external transition from state |p| to state |p|+j+1 in the oracle associated to W iff W is a word of the set

 $p.m' . [(D(min(p).m) + T(min(p).m)) \cap \Sigma^{J}]. \Sigma^{*},$ where m' is the opposite letter of m and $D(q.m) = \{s \in \{a,b\}^{*}, \exists u, v \in \{a,b\}^{*}, q.m = s.u \text{ and}$ $q.m' = v.s\}$

Computing p(i)

- Easy to compute the probability that a random word is in *S(w)*, *T(w)* or *C(w)* for a given word *w*, [Regnier et al. 95]
- Sum over all words *p* of size *i*
- Group according to the length of the minimal word.
- neglict the possible correlations

$$p(i) = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{i} Prob[Min_{i} = k](1 + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}})^{i-n} + O(2^{i-n+1})$$

Computing Prob[Min_i=k]

- Let short(u) be the shortest non repeated suffix of u.
- Fact 1: min(u) is a non repeated suffix of u, then |min(u)| ≥ |short(u)|
- Construct the short-oracle of W, built by using the rule « There exists an external transition between i=|p| and j=|q.m| iff p is a prefix of q and the first occurrence of short(p).m ends in state j. »

Comparison of oracles

 « short » version of oracles contains more external transitions and recognize more word than the classical version.



Computing Prob[Short_i=k]

- Short(u) is related to the insertion depth in a suffix trie.
- u=baabbababb, mirror(u)=bbababbaab



Computing Prob[Short_i=k]

• [Park et al. 2008]

 $Prob[Short_{i}=k] = (1-2^{-k})^{n-1} - (1-2^{-k+1})^{n-1}$



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Average space occupancy



Conclusion

- Conjecture of n/3 for the number of external transitions of short-oracles (tractable)
- Extension to non binary alphabet (easy)
- Extension to biased probabilistic model of word creation (tractable+boring)
- Study the number of by-products if the short oracle (tractable if better approximations)
- Compute Prob[Min_i=k] (hard)
- Study of compacted versions (~easy)

Thank you !