

Algorithmic techniques

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Freivald's technique for matrix comparison

Given $n \times n$ matrices A, B and C over finite field \mathbb{F}_p

Verify

$$A \cdot B = C$$

for prime p these are
 $\{0, \dots, p-1\}$ with operations
 \times and $+$ mod p

Multiplication of A and B takes $O(n^3)$ $\left[O(n^{2.373}) \right]$

Suppose you want to check if your multiplication algorithm implementation works correctly. With randomized technique we can solve the problem in $O(n^2)$.

Alg.

1.) Choose $\vec{r} \in \{0, 1\}^n$ and calculate

$A \cdot (B \vec{r})$ and $C \cdot \vec{r}$ and compare the results

2.) Alg says no $\Rightarrow A \cdot B \neq C$ w.p. 1

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\rightarrow 3.) $A \cdot B \neq C$ and alg says 'yes' w.p. smaller or equal to $\frac{1}{2}$
Wrong answer

Analysis:

\rightarrow We can reduce the problem to finding out whether

$D = A \cdot B - C$ is identically 0

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$D \cdot \vec{r}$ should be 0 for all strings S

\rightarrow if $D \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ there is a non-element.

$\Pr(\text{Algorithm gives answer 'equal'} \mid D \neq 0)$

WLOG assume that non-zero element of D is in top left corner. (the argument can be done for any position)

denote $\vec{d} = (d_1, \dots, d_n)$ the first row of D .

this is the non-zero element.

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_1 & \dots & d_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

Take a look at the first element of

$$e = D \cdot \vec{r}$$

$$e_1 = d_1 r_1 + d_2 r_2 + \dots + d_n r_n$$

$$0 \stackrel{?}{=} d_1 r_1 + d_2 r_2 + \dots + d_n r_n$$

$$r_1 = \frac{d_2 r_2 + \dots + d_n r_n}{-d_1} \rightarrow d \text{ non-zero}$$

R.H.S is a fixed value.

v_n is chosen randomly from $\{0, 1\}$.

$$\Pr(e_1 = 0 \mid D \neq 0) \leq 1/2 \quad \begin{array}{l} \Pr(\text{algorithm says yes} \mid A \cdot B \neq C) \\ \Pr(A \cdot B \neq C \mid \text{algorithm says yes}) \end{array}$$

Is the choice of $v \in \{0, 1\}^n$ special?

How about $v \in S \subset \mathbb{F}$ $|S| = 2$

How about $v \in S \subseteq \mathbb{F}$ $|S| = k \Rightarrow \Pr$ of incorrect result is $\frac{1}{k}$

$v_1 \in S \subseteq \mathbb{F}$ and $v_2, \dots, v_n \in \{0, 1\}$

Note that this technique can be used for any matrix identity $X \stackrel{?}{=} Y$. If X and Y are given explicitly this takes $O(n^2)$

Polynomials

$P(x) \in \mathbb{F}_p[x]$ (polynomial over a finite field \mathbb{F}_p)

Is a polynomial $P(x)$ identically 0?

Given three polynomials $P_1(x), P_2(x), P_3(x)$

$$P_1(x) \cdot P_2(x) \stackrel{?}{=} P_3(x)$$

choose $v \in S \subseteq \mathbb{F}_p$ and calculate

$P_1(v), P_2(v), P_3(v)$, verify whether $\underline{P_1(v) \cdot P_2(v) = P_3(v)}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \deg(P_1(x)) \leq n \\ \deg(P_2(x)) \leq n \end{array}$$

Can be rephrased

$$P_1(x) \cdot P_2(x) - P_3(x) \text{ identically } 0?$$

Wrong answer if r is a root of $P_1(x) \cdot P_2(x) - P_3(x)$

$$P_r(\text{wrong answer}) = P_r(r \text{ is a root of } P_1(x) \cdot P_2(x) - P_3(x)) \\ \leq \frac{\# \text{ roots}}{|S|} = \frac{\deg(P_1(x) \cdot P_2(x) - P_3(x))}{|S|} \leq \frac{2n}{|S|}$$

Similar argument can be made for multivariable polynomials.

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n]$$

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_n) = c_{000\dots 0} + c_{100\dots 0} x_1 + c_{010\dots 0} x_2 + \dots + c_{100\dots 0} x_1 x_2 \\ + c_{a_1 \dots a_n} x_1^{a_1} \dots x_n^{a_n}$$

$x_1^2 x_2^3 x_3 x_7$ \rightarrow this is called a polynomial term

$$\deg(x_1^2 x_2^3 x_3 x_7) = 7 \quad (\text{sum of all the exponents})$$

Total degree of $P(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ = the largest degree over all terms.

Schwartz-Zippel thm

Let $Q(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ of total degree d

Let $Q(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be a polynomial over a field F .

Fix any $S \subseteq F$ and let v_1, \dots, v_n be chosen independently at random from S . Then:

$$\Pr(Q(v_1, \dots, v_n) = 0 \mid Q(x_1, \dots, x_n) \neq 0) \leq \frac{d}{|S|}$$

Proof: Induction w. respect to the number of variables

I.B. - done above

I.H. - this holds for $n-1$ variables

I.S. - show for n variables.

Let highest degree of x_1 be $k \leq d$

$$Q(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=0}^k x_1^i Q_i(x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

Q_i contains all terms with x_1 with power i

$$Q(x_1, x_2) = x_1 x_2 + 3x_1 x_2^2 + 4x_1 x_2^3 + x_1^2 x_2 + 7x_1^2 x_2^4 + 3x_1^2 x_2^3 + x_2 + x_2^3 = Q_1(x_2)$$

$$Q(x_1) = Q(x_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$$

$$\deg\{q\} = k$$

$$\Pr\{q(v_1) = 0 \mid Q_k(v_2, \dots, v_n) \neq 0\} \leq \frac{k}{|S|}$$

from I.H.

$$\Pr\{Q_k(v_2, \dots, v_n) = 0\} \leq \frac{d-k}{|S|}$$

$$x_1 [x_2 + 3x_2^2 + 4x_2^3] + x_1^2 [x_2 + 7x_2^4 + 3x_2^3] + [x_2 + x_2^3] = Q_0(x_2)$$

implies the result because for 2 events $\mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{E}_2$

$$\Pr[\mathcal{E}_1] \leq \Pr[\mathcal{E}_1 \mid \bar{\mathcal{E}}_2] + \Pr[\mathcal{E}_2]$$



Homework:

if in $Q[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ $\deg[x_i] = d_i$

and $v_i \in S_i \subset F_i$

Probability that $Q[v_1, \dots, v_n] = 0$ given $Q \neq 0$

is upper bounded by $\frac{d_1}{|S_1|} + \frac{d_2}{|S_2|} + \dots + \frac{d_n}{|S_n|}$

for all S_i identical

$$= \frac{\sum d_i}{|S|} > \frac{d}{|S|}$$

$$x_1^2 x_2 + x_1 x_2^2$$

total degree = 3

$$d_1 + d_2 = 4$$

S-2 thm. \Rightarrow Frievald's technique

F.t. = decide whether an $n \times n$ matrix

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} q_{11} & \dots & q_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ q_{n1} & \dots & q_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

is identically 0.

$$Q(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\text{define } Q(x_1, \dots, x_n) = Q \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \\ + a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n$$

for Q is identically 0 matrix $\Leftrightarrow Q(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is a zero polynomial

choose $r \in \{0, 1\}^n \leftarrow$

and from S-Z theorem

$$\Pr \{ Q(v_1, \dots, v_n) = 0 \mid Q(x_1, \dots, x_n) \neq 0 \} \leq \frac{\deg(Q)}{|S|} = \frac{1}{2}$$