

Search for Indexed Algebraic Dynamic Programming

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Algebraic Dynamic Programming (ADP)

Alternative view on Dynamic Programming (Giegerich et al., 2002)

- Formal grammar defines the search space by **decomposition**
- Separates evaluation from search space declaration
- Separates search from search space declaration
- Works for sequence data (strings)—originally intended for bioinformatics
- Extension for set/general data structures available

Pros/Cons of ADP

Benefits

- Formal framework for expressing (some) DP algorithms
- Specification of modelling languages
- Solver software

Drawbacks

- Frameworks quite restricted
- Tailored for specific domains
- No support for real-valued indices

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Formal Definition

- Terminals \mathcal{A} ... atomic elements of the search space
- Non-Terminals \mathcal{N} ... compositions of atomic elements
- Top-Down Productions (**Decomposition**)

$$(X_{\mathcal{I}} [p_j^{(lhs)}] \rightarrow \gamma_i [p_i^{(rhs)}]), X \in \mathcal{N}, \gamma_i \in (\mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{N})^*$$

- Bottom-Up Productions (**Composition**)

$$\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k, \dots, \alpha_K\} \dashrightarrow \hat{X}_{\mathcal{I}_X} [p_i] \langle c_i \rangle, \alpha_k \in (\mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{N})$$

- p_i ... filter predicate
- c_i ... propagating constraint

$$x_{jk} = v(\mathcal{I}_1, \dots, \mathcal{I}_j \setminus x_{jk}, \dots, \mathcal{I}_K)$$

Search Space, Derivation Trees, and Candidates

Evaluation Algebras

- Used to compute objectives for solution candidates
- Assign values to complete subtrees
- Can only be evaluated bottom-up
- Only evaluated once and stored in the according DP table cell

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(a_{\mathcal{I}}) &= f_a(\mathcal{I}), & a_{\mathcal{I}} &\in \hat{\mathcal{A}} \\ \sigma(A_{\mathcal{I}}) &= \bigcup_{(A_{\mathcal{I}[p_i]}^{(i)} \rightarrow \gamma_i) \in \mathcal{P}(A_{\mathcal{I}})} f_{A^{(i)}} \left[\bigtimes_{x_{\mathcal{V}_j^{(i)}}^{(j)} \in \gamma_i} \sigma \left(x_{\mathcal{V}_j^{(i)}}^{(j)} \right) \right], & A &\in \mathcal{N}\end{aligned}$$

Cost Algebras

- Assign costs to deriving a symbol from the axiom S

State Compatibility & Dominance

- Original ADP uses choice functions for state selection e.g. min, max

Instead define ...

- States: Each indexed symbol represents a state
- Compatibility: Some states represent compatible objects
- Dominance: If state A dominates a compatible state B then A is always preferred to B

State Compatibility

State A is compatible with state B , $A \sqsubseteq B$, given an evaluation algebra σ iff ...

- it exists a (virtual) production $\hat{B}_{I_B}^{(\text{ex.})} \rightarrow \gamma_1 \hat{A}_{I_A} \gamma_2$
- and an extension σ_e to σ
- s.t. $\sigma_e(\hat{B}_{I_B}^{(\text{ex.})}) = f_{B^{(\text{ex.})}}[\sigma_e(\gamma_1), \sigma_e(\hat{A}_{I_A}), \sigma_e(\gamma_2)] \subseteq \sigma(\hat{B}_{I_B})$

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Properties

- **Reflexivity** ... $A \sqsubseteq A$
- **Transitivity** ... $A \sqsubseteq B$ and $B \sqsubseteq C$ implies $A \sqsubseteq C$
- **Simple** ... $A \sqsubseteq_S B$ iff $\hat{B}_{I_B}^{(ex.)} \rightarrow \hat{A}_{I_A}$
- **Implicit** ... productions present in the grammar
- **Explicit** ... productions not present in the grammar

State Dominance

Given two states A and B , $A \sqsubseteq B$

$$p(\mathcal{V}_A(\mathcal{I}_A), \mathcal{V}_B(\mathcal{I}_B), \sigma(\hat{A}_{\mathcal{I}_A}), \sigma(\hat{B}_{\mathcal{I}_B}), \mathcal{C}) = \top$$

Evaluating Indexed Grammars

Top-Down Evaluation

Two datastructures ...

- Q ... *Pending* queue of uncomputed non-terminals
 - \mathcal{H} ... *Hold* set of non-terminals with open dependencies
- 1 $Q = \{\text{axiom } S\}; \mathcal{H} = \emptyset$
 - 2 Until Q is empty
 - 1 Remove symbol A from Q
 - 2 If A is not computed and has not failed
For all productions $A \rightarrow \gamma$
 - 1 Check constraints $[p^{(lhs)}]$ and $[p^{(rhs)}]$
 - 2 Generate all $X \in \gamma \cap \mathcal{N}$ s.t. X is uncomputed
 - 3 Add generated X to Q
 - 4 Mark all rules containing $X \in \gamma$ s.t. X is marked as failed, as failed
 - 5 If all rules failed \Rightarrow mark X as failed; recursive cleanup of Q and H
 - 6 If some X is added to Q add A to \mathcal{H}
 - 7 If no X is added to $Q \Rightarrow$ evaluate X ; update table cell and add all $Y \in \mathcal{H}$ to Q where Y depends on X and all dependencies are satisfied
 - 3 If \mathcal{H} is not empty \Rightarrow fail due to cycle in grammar

Bottom-Up Evaluation

Two datastructures ...

- Q ... *Trigger* set of computed symbols
- ① Initialize Q with all valid terminals t_i
- ② Until Q is empty
 - ① Remove symbol A from Q
 - ② For all productions $\{\gamma\} \dashrightarrow X, A \in \textit{gamma}$
 - ① Propagate constraints $\langle c \rangle$
 - ② For each assignment in the cross-product of the filtered index domains
 - ① If for some element in the indexed γ no value is known continue
 - ② Check constraints $[p]$
 - ③ Evaluate the rule
 - ④ Update the table cell
 - ⑤ If the cell content changed add X to Q

Bi-Directional Evaluation

Simultaneously use ...

- Top-Down Evaluation
- Bottom-Up Evaluation
- May avoid unnecessary productions

Generates two fronts, where each front ...

- is a set of unexpanded symbols $A \in \mathcal{F}$
- is derived from a common origin \mathcal{O}
- forms a sequence $\mathcal{F}^{(0)} = \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{F}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathcal{F}^{(k)}$

Tries to join the fronts ...

- Each element in one front needs at least one *join partner* in the other
- Two elements are join partners iff:
 - There exists a sequence of productions deriving/constructing one from the other
 - Search engine needs hints to decide the existence in form of virtual productions
 - Exact conditions not 100% formalized

Thanks for your attention