

Exercises to the lecture
Complexity Theory
Sheet 10

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Exercise 10.1 (Matrix Decomposition)

Let $M \in \mathbb{N}^{m \times \ell}$ be a matrix with m rows and ℓ columns over the natural numbers. We define the *grand sum* of M , denoted by $\text{gs}(M)$, to be the sum over all entries of M . Let $M_1 \in \mathbb{N}^{r_1 \times \ell}$ and $M_2 \in \mathbb{N}^{r_2 \times \ell}$ be *submatrices* of M . This means that M_1 and M_2 are matrices that are built by putting together r_1 (r_2 respectively) rows of M . The matrices M_1 and M_2 are said to *decompose* M if $r_1 + r_2 = m$. In other words, putting the rows of M_1 and M_2 together in the correct order rebuilds M .

In the following problem we compute the minimal number of submatrices of M that are needed to decompose M in such a way that each of the submatrices M_i satisfies $\text{gs}(M_i) \leq D$ for a given bound $D \in \mathbb{N}$.

Matrix Decomposition

Input: A matrix $M \in \mathbb{N}^{m \times \ell}$ and a bound $D \in \mathbb{N}$.

Parameter: The number of rows m .

Question: Find the minimal $t \in \mathbb{N}$ such that M can be decomposed into submatrices M_1, \dots, M_t with $M_i \in \mathbb{N}^{r_i \times \ell}$ and $\text{gs}(M_i) \leq D$.

Given an algorithm for the problem running in time $2^m \cdot n^{\mathcal{O}(1)}$.

Hint: Use the fast subset convolution.

Exercise 10.2 (Packing Product)

The *packing product* of two functions $f, g : \mathcal{P}(V) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is a function $(f *_p g) : \mathcal{P}(V) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$(f *_p g)(X) = \sum_{\substack{A, B \subseteq X \\ A \cap B = \emptyset}} f(A) \cdot g(B).$$

Show that all the 2^n values of the packing product can be computed in time $2^n \cdot n^{\mathcal{O}(1)}$, where $n = |V|$.

Hint: Represent the packing product in terms of the subset convolution.

Exercise 10.3 (Separators)

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph and $A, B \subseteq V$. Prove that (A, B) is a separation of G if and only if $A \cup B = V$ and $\delta(A) \subseteq A \cap B$.

Exercise 10.4 (Treewidth)

A *forest* is an undirected graph the connected components of which are all trees. Phrased differently, a forest is a disjoint union of trees.

Determine the treewidth of a forest.

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