

## 5.236 longest\_decreasing\_sequence

	DESCRIPTION	LINKS	AUTOMATON
<b>Origin</b>	constraint on sequences		
<b>Constraint</b>	<code>longest_decreasing_sequence(L, VARIABLES)</code>		
<b>Synonym</b>	<code>size_longest_decreasing_sequence.</code>		
<b>Arguments</b>	L : <code>dvar</code> VARIABLES : <code>collection(var-dvar)</code>		
<b>Restrictions</b>	$L \geq 0$ $L < \text{range}(\text{VARIABLES.var})$ <code>required(VARIABLES, var)</code>		
<b>Purpose</b>	<p>L is the largest difference between the first and the last value of the maximum decreasing sequences of the collection VARIABLES.</p> <p>A sequence of consecutive variables <math>X_i, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_j</math> (<math>1 \leq i \leq j \leq  \text{VARIABLES} </math>) of the collection of variables VARIABLES is a <i>maximum decreasing sequence</i> if all the following conditions simultaneously apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>X_i \geq X_{i+1} \geq \dots \geq X_j</math>,</li> <li>• <math>i = 1</math> or <math>X_{i-1} &lt; X_i</math>,</li> <li>• <math>i =  \text{VARIABLES} </math> or <math>X_j &lt; X_{j+1}</math>.</li> </ul>		
<b>Example</b>	<pre>(0, &lt;0, 1, 2, 5&gt;) (0, &lt;8, 8&gt;) (6, &lt;10, 8, 8, 6, 4, 9, 10, 8&gt;)</pre> <p>Figure 5.504 gives a graphical representation of the third example of the <b>Example</b> slot with its two maximum decreasing sequences in red of respective size 6 and 2. The corresponding <code>longest_decreasing_sequence</code> constraint holds since its first argument L is fixed to the maximum size 6.</p>		
<b>Typical</b>	$L > 0$ $ \text{VARIABLES}  > 1$ <code>nval(VARIABLES.var) &gt; 2</code>		
<b>Symmetry</b>	One and the same constant can be <code>added</code> to the <code>var</code> attribute of all items of VARIABLES.		
<b>Arg. properties</b>	<b>Functional dependency:</b> L determined by VARIABLES.		
<b>Counting</b>			

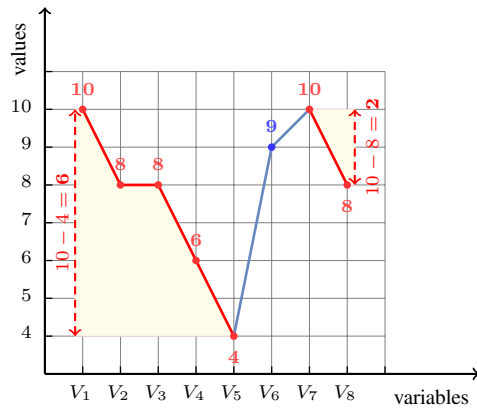
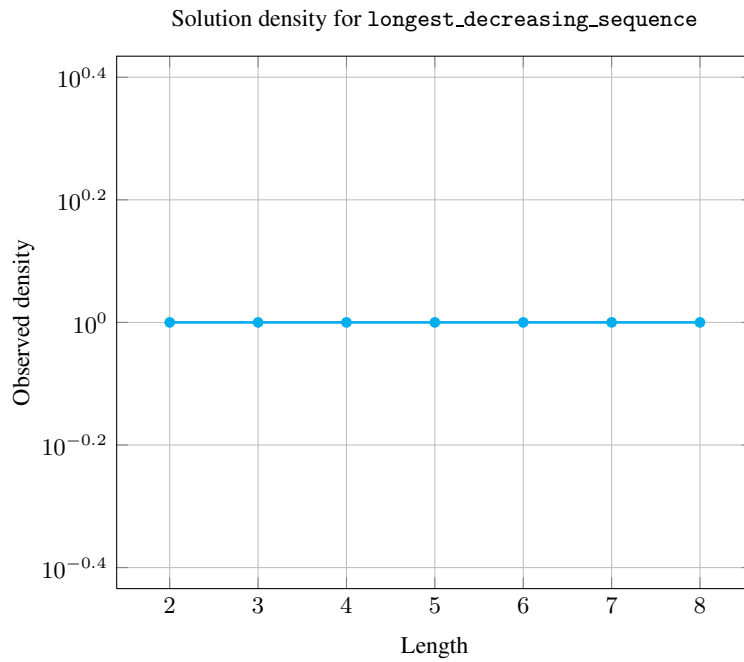
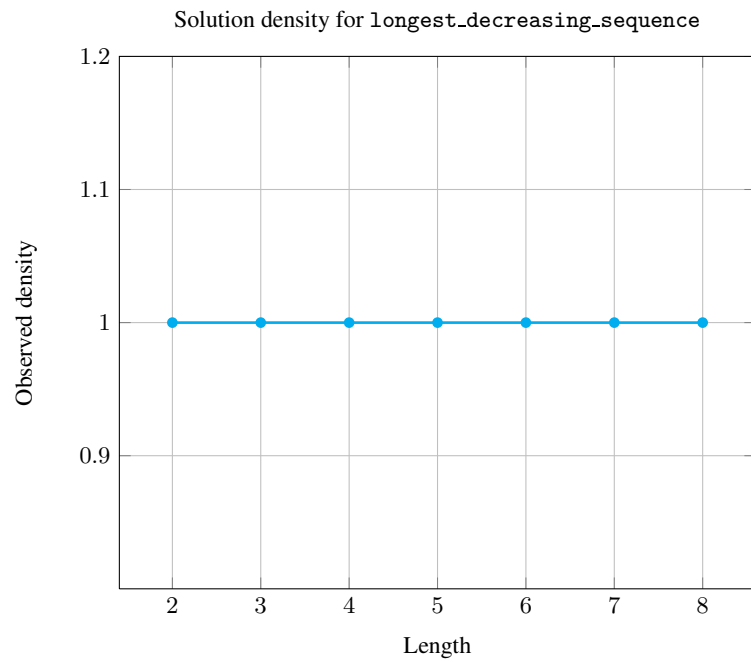


Figure 5.504: Illustration of the third example of the **Example** slot: a sequence of eight variables  $V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4, V_5, V_6, V_7, V_8$  respectively fixed to values 10, 8, 8, 6, 4, 9, 10, 8 and its two maximum decreasing sequences in red of respective size  $10 - 4 = 6$  and  $10 - 8 = 2$ .

Length ( $n$ )	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Solutions	9	64	625	7776	117649	2097152	43046721

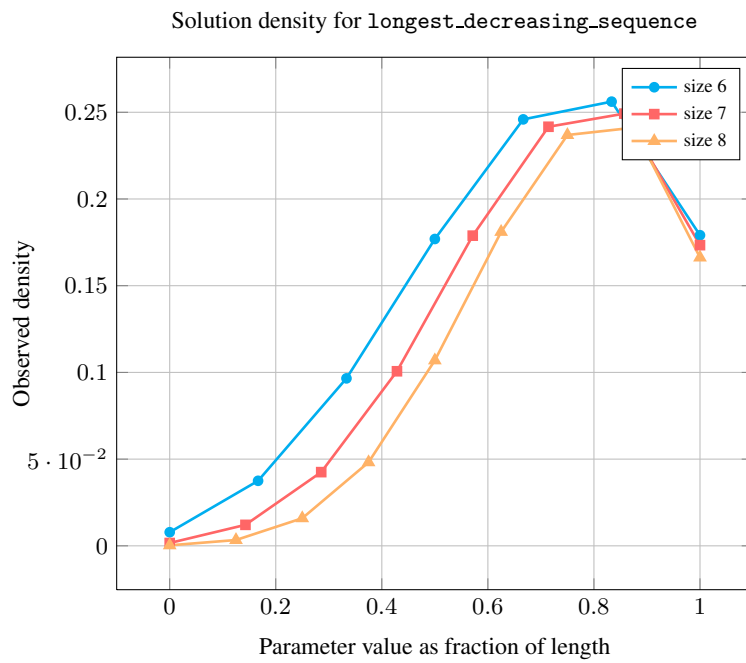
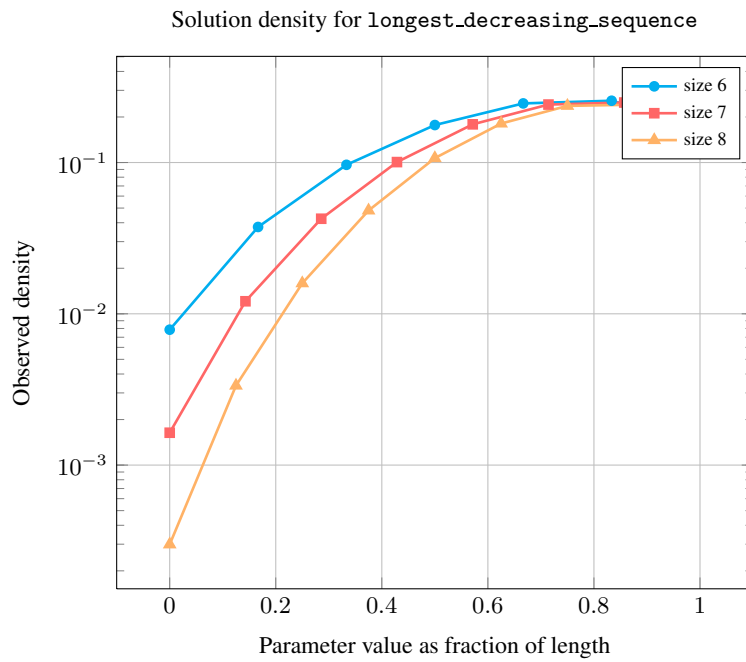
Number of solutions for longest\_decreasing\_sequence: domains 0..n





Length ( $n$ )		2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Total		9	64	625	7776	117649	2097152	43046721
Parameter value	0	6	20	70	252	924	3432	12870
	1	2	18	122	750	4412	25382	144314
	2	1	16	161	1398	11361	89132	685090
	3	-	10	162	1942	20816	211106	2074365
	4	-	-	110	2024	28930	375084	4603682
	5	-	-	-	1410	30134	506766	7792840
	6	-	-	-	-	21072	522648	10197174
	7	-	-	-	-	-	363602	10379696
	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7156690

Solution count for longest\_decreasing\_sequence: domains 0..n



See also

[common keyword:](#)  
[min\\_dist\\_between\\_inflexion\(sequence\)](#).

[longest\\_increasing\\_sequence](#),

**Keywords**

**characteristic of a constraint:** automaton, automaton with counters,  
automaton with same input symbol.

**combinatorial object:** sequence.

**constraint arguments:** reverse of a constraint, pure functional dependency.

**filtering:** glue matrix.

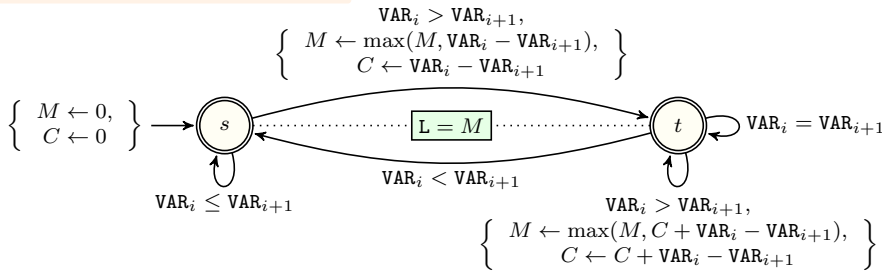
**modelling:** functional dependency.

**Automaton**

Figure 5.505 depicts the automaton associated with the longest\_decreasing\_sequence constraint.

STATES SEMANTICS

$s$  : increasing mode ( $\{< | =\}^*$ )  
 $t$  : decreasing mode ( $\{> | =\}^*$ )



Glue matrix where  $\vec{M}$ ,  $\vec{C}$  and  $\overleftarrow{M}$ ,  $\overleftarrow{C}$  resp. represent the counters values  $M$ ,  $C$  at the end of a prefix and at the end of the corresponding reverse suffix that partitions the sequence VARIABLES.

	$s (\{>   =\}^*)$	$t (< \{<   =\}^*)$
$s (\{<   =\}^*)$	$\max(\vec{M}, \overleftarrow{M})$	$\max(\vec{M}, \overleftarrow{M})$
$t (> \{>   =\}^*)$	$\max(\vec{M}, \overleftarrow{M})$	$\max(\vec{M}, \vec{C} + \overleftarrow{C}, \overleftarrow{M})$

Figure 5.505: Automaton of the longest\_decreasing\_sequence constraint and its glue matrix (note that the reverse of the longest\_decreasing\_sequence constraint is the longest\_increasing\_sequence constraint)

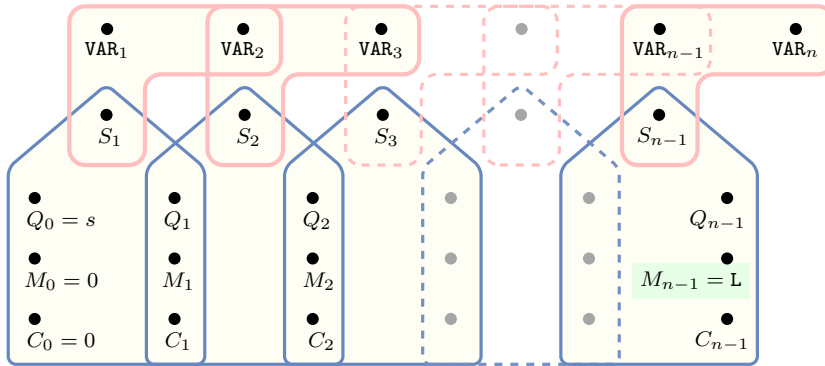


Figure 5.506: Hypergraph of the reformulation corresponding to the automaton of the longest\_decreasing\_sequence constraint