

ALGORITHM ANALYSIS ~ 12

CSE/IT 122 ~ Algorithms & Data Structures

DIVIDE AND CONQUER

→ A lot of algorithms are recursive in nature

- They call themselves one or more times recursively to deal with closely related problems

→ Divide and Conquer

- Break the problem into several subproblems that are similar to the original problem but smaller in size
- Solve the subproblems recursively
- Combine the solutions to come up with a solution for the original problem
- Divide/Conquer/Combine

SOLVING RECURRENCES

→ Solve $f(n) = f(n/2) + 1$; $f(1) = 1$

→ Top Down Approach

- $f(n) = f(n/2) + 1$
- $f(n/2) = f(n/4) + 1$
- Substituting in $f(n)$ gives
 - $f(n) = (f(n/4)+1)+1 = f(n/4) + 2$
- And $f(n/4) = f(n/8) + 1$
- Substituting in $f(n)$ gives
 - $f(n) = (f(n/8)+1)+2 = f(n/8) + 3$
- Thus in general, we begin to see the following pattern
 - $f(n) = f(n/2^k) + k$

SOLVING RECURRENCES

→ $f(n) = f(n/2^k) + k$

- Let's assume that $n = 2^k$, then $n/2^k = 1$
- Thus we can get an explicit formula when $n = 2^k$
- Since $n = 2^k$, $k = \log(n)$
- Substituting, you get $f(n) = 1 + \log(n)$
- How do we know this is correct?
 - You guessed ... INDUCTION
 - $f(1) = 1 + \log(1) = 1$
 - Assume: $f(k) = 1 + \log(k)$
 - Show: $f(2k) = 1 + \log(2k)$
 - $f(2k) = f(k)+1 = 1+(1+\log(k)) = 1+(\log(2)+\log(k)) = 1+\log(2k)$
- Thus $T(n) = f(n) = O(\log(n))$

GENERAL PATTERNS

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doodle(n,m)
  if (n > 0)
    draw_line(n, n, m, m); //cost of c
    draw_line(n, m, n, m); //cost of c
    doodle(n -1, m);
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- When $n > 0$ does nothing, or draws two lines and calls doodle recursively
- Find the running time.
- Assume draw_lines is some constant time
- $T(0) = 0$

DOODLE EXAMPLE:

→ $T(n) = T(n-1) + 2c$

→ Unroll

- $T(n-1) = T(n-2) + 2c$

→ Substitute

- $T(n) = (T(n-2)+2c)+2c = T(n-2) + 4c$

- $T(n-2) = T(n-3)+2c$

- $T(n) = (T(n-3)+2c)+4c = T(n-3)+6c$

→ Generalize

- $T(n) = T(n-k) + 2ck$

- When $n - k = 0$, $T(n-k) = 0$

- So $T(n) = T(0) + 2cn = 2cn$

- $T(n) = O(n)$

FOO EXAMPLE

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foo(n)
    if(n == 0)
        return 1;
    else
        return foo(n - 1) + foo(n - 1)
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- If $n > 0$, calls foo twice recursively; otherwise just a single return
- Find the running time.
- Assume $T(0) = c$

FOO EXAMPLE

→ $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + d$ to be the cost of addition

→ Unroll

- $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + d$
- $T(n-1) = 2T(n-2) + d$
- $T(n) = 2(2T(n-2) + d) + d = 2^2T(n-2) + 2d + d$
- $T(n-2) = 2T(n-3) + d$
- $T(n) = 2^2(2T(n-3) + d) + 2d + d = 2^3T(n-3) + (2^2 + 2^1 + 2^0)d$

→ In general

- $T(n) = 2^k T(n-k) + (2^{k-1} + 2^{k-2} + \dots + 2^1 + 2^0)d$
- $T(n) = 2^k T(n-k) + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} (2^i)d$
- $T(n) = 2^k T(n-k) + 2^k - 1$
- And when $n-k=0$, $n=k$
- So $T(n) = 2^n T(0) + 2^n c + 2^n - 1 = (c+1)2^n - 1$
- $T(n) = O(2^n)$