

Applying the resolution of recurrences: Divide and Conquer

Algorithms

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1 Resolution of recurrences theorem: Divide and Conquer

- Theorem
- O rules

2 Maximum subsequence sum

3 Binary search

- Given the recurrence

$$T(n) = \ell T(n/b) + cn^k, n > n_0 \quad (1)$$

with $\ell \geq 1, b \geq 2, k \geq 0, n_0 \geq 1 \in \mathbb{N}$ y $c > 0 \in \mathbb{R}$,
when n/n_0 is an exact power of b ($n \in \{bn_0, b^2n_0, b^3n_0 \dots\}$).

- Divide and Conquer theorem:**

If a recurrence is of the form (1), we apply:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \theta(n^k) & \text{si } \ell < b^k \\ \theta(n^k \log n) & \text{si } \ell = b^k \\ \theta(n^{\log_b \ell}) & \text{si } \ell > b^k \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

In analysis of algorithms, inequalities are commonly used:

$$T(n) \leq \ell T(n/b) + cn^k, n > n_0 \text{ with } n/n_0 \text{ an exact power of } b$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^k) & \text{si } \ell < b^k \\ O(n^k \log n) & \text{si } \ell = b^k \\ O(n^{\log_b \ell}) & \text{si } \ell > b^k \end{cases}$$

- ① Elemental operation = 1 \leftrightarrow Computational model
- ② **sequence:** $S_1 = O(f_1(n)) \wedge S_2 = O(f_2(n))$
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{S_1; S_2} = O(f_1(n) + f_2(n)) = O(\max(f_1(n), f_2(n)))$
 - With Θ too
- ③ **condition:** $B = O(f_B(n)) \wedge S_1 = O(f_1(n)) \wedge S_2 = O(f_2(n))$
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{if } B \text{ then } S_1 \text{ else } S_2} = O(\max(f_B(n), f_1(n), f_2(n)))$
 - Si $f_1(n) \neq f_2(n)$ y $\max(f_1(n), f_2(n)) > f_B(n) \leftrightarrow$ **Worst case**
 - ¿Middle case? $\rightarrow f(n)$: average of f_1 y f_2 weighted with the frequencies of each branch $\rightarrow O(\max(f_B(n), f(n)))$
- ④ **iteration:** $B; S = O(f_{B,S}(n)) \wedge \text{num. iter} = O(f_{\text{iter}}(n))$
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{while } B \text{ do } S} = O(f_{B,S}(n) * f_{\text{iter}}(n))$
iff each iteration cost does not change, else: \sum individual costs.
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{for } i \leftarrow x \text{ to } y \text{ do } S} = O(f_S(n) * \text{num. iter})$
iff each iteration cost does not change, else: \sum individual costs.
 - B is a two integer comparison = $O(1)$; num. iter $\Rightarrow y - x + 1$

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3 Binary search

- $a_1, \dots, a_n \rightarrow \sum_{k=i}^j a_k$ to be maximum
 - Example: $MSS(-2, 11, -4, 13, -5, -2) = 20[2..4]$
- MSS recursive: Divide and Conquer strategy
 - Divide the input in halves \rightarrow Two recursive solutions
 - Conquer using the two solutions \rightarrow Solution for the original input
 - The MSS can be
 - in the first half
 - in the second half
 - between the two halves
 - The first two solutions are the ones obtained recursively
 - The third solution is obtained summing
 - the MSS of the first half which includes the right end, and
 - the MSS of the second half which includes the left end

MSS recursive

```
function MSS (a[1..n]): value      /* interface function */  
    return MSSRecursive(a,1,n)  
end function  
  
function MSSRecursive(var a[1..n],left ,right ): value  
{1}   if left = right then  
{2}       if a[left] > 0 then  
{3}           return a[left]          /*base case: if >0 is MSS */  
        else  
{4}           return 0  
        end if  
    else  
{5}       middle := (left + right)/2;  
{6}       FirstSolution := MSSRecursive(a, left ,middle);  
{7}       SecondSolution := MSSRecursive(a,middle+1,right );
```

MSS recursive (II)

```
{8}    MaxLeftSum := 0; LeftSum := 0;
{9}    for i := middle to left step -1 do
{10}        LeftSum := LeftSum + a[i];
{11}        if LeftSum > MaxLeftSum then
{12}            MaxLeftSum := LeftSum
        end for;

{13}    MaxSumRight := 0; RightSum := 0;
{14}    for i := middle+1 to right step 1 do
{15}        RightSum := RightSum + a[i];
{16}        if RightSum > MaxRightSum then
{17}            MaxRightSum := RightSum
        end for;

{18}    return max(FirstSolution , SecondSolution ,
                  MaxLeftSum+MaxRightSum)

    end if
end function
```


- Understand and execute the MSS recursive algorithm with an example and write the recursive tree
- Analyse the MSS algorithm setting out the recurrence relation and applying the resolution recurrence theorem divide and conquer

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- Example of a *logarithmic algorithm*
- Given x and an *ordered* array a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n of integer,
 return:
$$\begin{cases} i & \text{if } \exists a_i = x \\ \text{"element not found"} & \end{cases}$$
- Compare x and a_{middle} , with $middle = (i + j) \div 2$,
 being $a_i..a_j$ the *search space*:
 - 1 $x = a_{middle}$: finish (interruption)
 - 2 $x > a_{middle}$: continue searching in $a_{middle+1}..a_j$
 - 3 $x < a_{middle}$: continue searching in $a_i..a_{middle-1}$
- \hookrightarrow number of iterations? \leftrightarrow size d evolution in the search space
Invariant: $d = j - i + 1$
 \hookrightarrow How is d decreasing?
$$\begin{cases} i \leftarrow middle + 1 \\ j \leftarrow middle - 1 \end{cases}$$
- *Worst case*: the normal termination of the loop is reached
 $\equiv i > j$

```
function Binary Search(x, a[1..n]): position  
    {a: ordered array with no decreasing ordered }  
  
{1}    i := 1 ; j := n ;           {search space: i..j}  
{2}    while i <= j do  
{3}        middle := (i + j) div 2 ;  
{4}        if a[middle] < x then  
{5}            i := middle + 1  
{6}        else if a[middle] > x then  
{7}            j := middle - 1  
{8}        else return middle      {the loop stops}  
    end while;  
{9}    return "element not found" {normal loop end}  
end function
```

... worst case

- Being $\langle d, i, j \rangle$ iteration $\langle d', i', j' \rangle$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 \quad i &\leftarrow \text{middle} + 1: \\
 i' &= (i + j) \text{div} 2 + 1 \\
 j' &= j \\
 d' &= j' - i' + 1 &= j - (i + j) \text{div} 2 - 1 + 1 \\
 & &\leq j - (i + j - 1)/2 \\
 & &= (j - i + 1)/2 \\
 & &= d/2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow d' \leq d/2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \quad j &\leftarrow \text{middle} - 1: \\
 i' &= i \\
 j' &= (i + j) \text{div} 2 - 1 \\
 d' &= j' - i' + 1 &= (i + j) \text{div} 2 - i - 1 + 1 \\
 & &\leq (i + j)/2 - i \\
 & &< (j - i + 1)/2 \\
 & &= d/2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow d' < d/2 \quad (\text{decreases faster})$$

... worst case

- $T(n)$? Being d_l : d after the l -th iteration

$$\begin{cases} d_0 = n \\ d_l \leq d_{l-1}/2 \quad \forall l \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad (\text{induction}) \rightarrow d_l \leq n/2^l$$

until $d < 1 \rightarrow l = \lceil \log_2 n \rceil + 1 = O(\log n)$ iterations

Each iteration is $\Theta(1)$ (rules) $\Rightarrow T(n) = O(\log n)$

- **Alternative reasoning:** *thinking in a recursive version*

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0, 1 \\ T(n/2) + 1 & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

Theorem Divide and Conquer: $l = 1, b = 2, c = 1, k = 0, n_0 = 1$

Case $l = b^k \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log n) \rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(\log n)$

- **Conclusions:**

- Think about a recursive version would be useful
- is Divide and Conquer? \rightarrow Reduction algorithms ($l = 1$)
- $T(n) = \Theta(\log n) \leftrightarrow$ data is in memory
 (Computational model)

Exercise:

- Design a recursive version of the binary search algorithm
- Analyse the resulting recursive algorithm applying the recurrence resolution theorem Divide and Conquer

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