

COMP 550 Assignment 1

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3.1.2 Show $(n+a)^b = \Theta(n^b)$

It suffices to show $(n+a)^b = O(n^b)$, and $(n+a)^b = \Omega(n^b)$

Show $(n+a)^b = O(n^b)$:

Let $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$, s.t. $N_1 > |a|$, let $C_1 = 2^{b^+}$, then we have

$n \geq N_1 \Rightarrow (n+a)^b > 0$, since $n > |a|$, and

$$(n+a)^b \leq (n+|a|)^b < 2^{b^+} n^b = C_1 n^b$$

Show $(n+a)^b = \Omega(n^b)$:

Let $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$, s.t. $N_2 > 2|a|$, let $C_2 = 2^{-b^+}$, then we have

$$n \geq N_2 \Rightarrow (n+a)^b \geq (n-|a|)^b \geq \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^b = C_2 n^b > 0 \quad \square.$$

4.3.7.

If we use substitution: $T(n) \geq 4(c(\frac{n}{3})^{\log_3 4}) + n = cn^{\log_3 4} + n \not\geq cn^{\log_3 4}$

We first show $T(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_3 4})$ by assuming

$$T(n) \geq c_1 n^{\log_3 4}, \text{ where } c_1 = \min\{T(1), T(2) 2^{-\log_3 4}\} \quad *$$

Base Case: From the definition of c_1 , already proved.

Inductive Step: For $n \geq 3$, suppose $\forall k < n$, $*$ has been established, then

$$T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{3}) + n \geq 4(c_1 (\frac{n}{3})^{\log_3 4}) + n = c_1 n^{\log_3 4} + n > c_1 n^{\log_3 4}$$

We then show $T(n) = O(n^{\log_3 4})$ by assuming

$$T(n) \leq c_2 n^{\log_3 4} - 3n, \text{ where } c_2 = \max\{T(1)+3, (T(2)+6) 2^{-\log_3 4}\} \quad **$$

Base Case: Proved by definition

Inductive Step: For $n \geq 3$, suppose $\forall k < n$, $**$ has been established, then

$$T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{3}) + n \leq 4(c_2 (\frac{n}{3})^{\log_3 4} - 3(\frac{n}{3})) + n = c_2 n^{\log_3 4} - 3n \quad \square.$$

4.4.7.

$\min(T(1), \frac{c}{2})$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & cn & & cn & & \\ & / & & \backslash & / & & \backslash \\ c(\frac{n}{2}) & c(\frac{n}{2}) & c(\frac{n}{2}) & c(\frac{n}{2}) & 2cn & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & & \\ & & \Theta(n^2) & & & & \end{array}$$

$\Omega(n^2)$: ~~Let $d_1 =$~~ Assume $T(n) \geq d_1 n^2$ where $d_1 = \min(T(1), \frac{c}{2})$

Base Case: Proved by definition of d_1

Inductive Step: $T(n) = 4T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + cn \geq$

$$4(d_1 (\frac{n-1}{2})^2) + cn \geq d_1 n^2 + (c - 2d_1)n + d_1 \geq d_1 n^2$$

$O(n^2)$: Assume $T(n) \leq d_2 n^2 - cn$, where $d_2 = T(1) + c$.

Base Case: Proved by definition of d_2

Inductive Step: $T(n) \leq 4(d_2 (\frac{n}{2})^2 - c(\frac{n}{2})) + cn = d_2 n^2 - cn \quad \square.$