



Merge Sort

Solving Recurrences

The Master Theorem

Review: Asymptotic Notation

- Upper Bound Notation:
 - $f(n)$ is $O(g(n))$ if there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that $f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$
 - Formally, $O(g(n)) = \{ f(n): \exists \text{ positive constants } c \text{ and } n_0 \text{ such that } f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n) \forall n \geq n_0 \}$
- Big O fact:
 - A polynomial of degree k is $O(n^k)$

Review: Asymptotic Notation

- Asymptotic lower bound:
 - $f(n)$ is $\Omega(g(n))$ if \exists positive constants c and n_0 such that $0 \leq c \cdot g(n) \leq f(n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0$
- Asymptotic tight bound:
 - $f(n)$ is $\Theta(g(n))$ if \exists positive constants c_1 , c_2 , and n_0 such that $c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0$
 - $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ if and only if $f(n) = O(g(n))$ AND $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$

Other Asymptotic Notations

- A function $f(n)$ is $o(g(n))$ if \exists positive constants c and n_0 such that

$$f(n) < c g(n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

- A function $f(n)$ is $\omega(g(n))$ if \exists positive constants c and n_0 such that

$$c g(n) < f(n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

- Intuitively,

□ $o()$ is like $<$

□ $\omega()$ is like $>$

□ $\Theta()$ is like $=$

□ $O()$ is like \leq

□ $\Omega()$ is like \geq

Merge Sort

```
MergeSort(A, left, right) {  
    if (left < right) {  
        mid = floor((left + right) / 2);  
        MergeSort(A, left, mid);  
        MergeSort(A, mid+1, right);  
        Merge(A, left, mid, right);  
    }  
}
```

```
// Merge() takes two sorted subarrays of A and  
// merges them into a single sorted subarray of A  
//      (how long should this take?)
```

Merge Sort: Example

- Show MergeSort() running on the array

A = {10, 5, 7, 6, 1, 4, 8, 3, 2, 9};

Analysis of Merge Sort

Statement	Effort
<code>MergeSort(A, left, right) {</code>	$T(n)$
<code>if (left < right) {</code>	$\Theta(1)$
<code>mid = floor((left + right) / 2);</code>	$\Theta(1)$
<code>MergeSort(A, left, mid);</code>	$T(n/2)$
<code>MergeSort(A, mid+1, right);</code>	$T(n/2)$
<code>Merge(A, left, mid, right);</code>	$\Theta(n)$
<code>}</code>	
<code>}</code>	

□ So $T(n) = \Theta(1)$ when $n = 1$, and
 $2T(n/2) + \Theta(n)$ when $n > 1$

□ So what (more succinctly) is $T(n)$?

Recurrences

- The expression:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & n = 1 \\ 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

is a *recurrence*.

- Recurrence: an equation that describes a function in terms of its value on smaller functions

Recurrence Examples

$$s(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 0 \\ c + s(n-1) & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

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$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & n = 1 \\ 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + c & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & n = 1 \\ aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + cn & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

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- Substitution method
- Iteration method
- Master method

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Solving Recurrences

- Another option is what the book calls the “iteration method”
 - Expand the recurrence
 - Work some algebra to express as a summation
 - Evaluate the summation
- We will show several examples

$$s(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 0 \\ c + s(n-1) & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

□ $s(n) = c + s(n-1)$

$$c + c + s(n-2)$$

$$2c + s(n-2)$$

$$2c + c + s(n-3)$$

$$3c + s(n-3)$$

...

$$kc + s(n-k) = ck + s(n-k)$$

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□ Thus in general

□ $s(n) = cn$

$$s(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 0 \\ n + s(n-1) & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

□ $s(n)$

$$= n + s(n-1)$$

$$= n + n-1 + s(n-2)$$

$$= n + n-1 + n-2 + s(n-3)$$

$$= n + n-1 + n-2 + n-3 + s(n-4)$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= n + n-1 + n-2 + n-3 + \dots + n-(k-1) + s(n-k)$$

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$$\square \quad s(n)$$

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$$= n + n-1 + n-2 + s(n-3)$$

$$= n + n-1 + n-2 + n-3 + s(n-4)$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= n + n-1 + n-2 + n-3 + \dots + n-(k-1) + s(n-k)$$

$$= \sum_{i=n-k+1}^n i + s(n-k)$$

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$$s(n) = n \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & n = 1 \\ 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + c & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

□ $T(n) =$

$$2T(n/2) + c$$

$$2(2T(n/2/2) + c) + c$$

$$2^2T(n/2^2) + 2c + c$$

$$2^2(2T(n/2^2/2) + c) + 3c$$

$$2^3T(n/2^3) + 4c + 3c$$

$$2^3T(n/2^3) + 7c$$

$$2^3(2T(n/2^3/2) + c) + 7c$$

$$2^4T(n/2^4) + 15c$$

...

$$2^kT(n/2^k) + (2^k - 1)c$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & n = 1 \\ 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + c & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

□ So far for $n > 2^k$ we have

□ $T(n) = 2^k T(n/2^k) + (2^k - 1)c$

□ What if $k = \lg n$?

□ $T(n) = 2^{\lg n} T(n/2^{\lg n}) + (2^{\lg n} - 1)c$

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

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

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

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & n = 1 \\ aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + cn & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

□ $T(n) =$

$$aT(n/b) + cn$$

$$a(aT(n/b/b) + cn/b) + cn$$

$$a^2T(n/b^2) + cna/b + cn$$

$$a^2T(n/b^2) + cn(a/b + 1)$$

$$a^2(aT(n/b^2/b) + cn/b^2) + cn(a/b + 1)$$

$$a^3T(n/b^3) + cn(a^2/b^2) + cn(a/b + 1)$$

$$a^3T(n/b^3) + cn(a^2/b^2 + a/b + 1)$$

...

$$a^kT(n/b^k) + cn(a^{k-1}/b^{k-1} + a^{k-2}/b^{k-2} + \dots + a^2/b^2 + a/b + 1)$$

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□ So we have

$$\square T(n) = a^k T(n/b^k) + cn(a^{k-1}/b^{k-1} + \dots + a^2/b^2 + a/b + 1)$$

□ For $k = \log_b n$

$$\square n = b^k$$

$$\begin{aligned} \square T(n) &= a^k T(1) + cn(a^{k-1}/b^{k-1} + \dots + a^2/b^2 + a/b + 1) \\ &= a^k c + cn(a^{k-1}/b^{k-1} + \dots + a^2/b^2 + a/b + 1) \\ &= ca^k + cn(a^{k-1}/b^{k-1} + \dots + a^2/b^2 + a/b + 1) \\ &= cna^k/b^k + cn(a^{k-1}/b^{k-1} + \dots + a^2/b^2 + a/b + 1) \\ &= cn(a^k/b^k + \dots + a^2/b^2 + a/b + 1) \end{aligned}$$

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□ $T(n) = cn(k + 1)$
 $= cn(\log_b n + 1)$
 $= \Theta(n \log n)$

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□ Recall that $\Sigma(x^k + x^{k-1} + \dots + x + 1) = (x^{k+1} - 1)/(x - 1)$

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□ $T(n) = cn \cdot \Theta(a^k / b^k)$

$$= cn \cdot \Theta(a^{\log_b n} / b^{\log_b n}) = cn \cdot \Theta(a^{\log_b n} / n)$$

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□ $T(n) = cn \cdot \Theta(a^k / b^k)$

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recall logarithm fact: $a^{\log n} = n^{\log a}$

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$$= \Theta(n^{\log a})$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & n = 1 \\ aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + cn & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

□ So...

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(n) & a < b \\ \Theta(n \log_b n) & a = b \\ \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) & a > b \end{cases}$$

The Master Theorem

- Given: a *divide and conquer* algorithm
 - An algorithm that divides the problem of size n into a subproblems, each of size n/b
 - Let the cost of each stage (i.e., the work to divide the problem + combine solved subproblems) be described by the function $f(n)$
- Then, the Master Theorem gives us a cookbook for the algorithm's running time:

The Master Theorem

□ if $T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$ then

$$T(n) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a}\right) & f(n) = O\left(n^{\log_b a - \varepsilon}\right) \\ \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a} \log n\right) & f(n) = \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a}\right) \\ \Theta(f(n)) & \begin{array}{l} f(n) = \Omega\left(n^{\log_b a + \varepsilon}\right) \text{ AND} \\ af(n/b) < cf(n) \text{ for large } n \end{array} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \varepsilon > 0 \\ c < 1 \end{array}$$

Using The Master Method

□ $T(n) = 9T(n/3) + n$

□ $a=9, b=3, f(n) = n$

□ $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_3 9} = \Theta(n^2)$

□ Since $f(n) = O(n^{\log_3 9 - \epsilon})$, where $\epsilon=1$, case 1 applies:

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) \text{ when } f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$$

□ Thus the solution is $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

Master Theorem

- Let $T(n)$ be a monotonically increasing function that satisfies

$$T(n) = a T(n/b) + f(n)$$

$$T(1) = c$$

where $a \geq 1$, $b \geq 2$, $c > 0$. If $f(n)$ is $\Theta(n^d)$ where $d \geq 0$ then

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(n^d) & \text{if } a < b^d \\ \Theta(n^d \log n) & \text{If } a = b^d \\ \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } a > b^d \end{cases}$$

Master Theorem: Pitfalls

- You **cannot** use the Master Theorem if
 - $T(n)$ is not monotone, e.g. $T(n) = \sin(x)$
 - $f(n)$ is not a polynomial, e.g., $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 2^n$
 - b cannot be expressed as a constant, e.g.

$$T(n) = T(\sqrt{n})$$

- Note that the Master Theorem does not solve the recurrence equation
- Does the base case remain a concern?

Master Theorem: Example 1

- Let $T(n) = T(n/2) + \frac{1}{2}n^2 + n$. What are the parameters?

$$a = 1$$

$$b = 2$$

$$d = 2$$

Therefore, which condition applies?

$1 < 2^2$, case 1 applies

- We conclude that

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^d) = \Theta(n^2)$$

Master Theorem: Example 2

- Let $T(n) = 2 T(n/4) + \sqrt{n} + 42$. What are the parameters?

$$a = 2$$

$$b = 4$$

$$d = 1/2$$

Therefore, which condition applies?

$$2 = 4^{1/2}, \text{ case 2 applies}$$

- *We conclude that*

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^d \log n) = \Theta(\log n \sqrt{n})$$

Master Theorem: Example 3

- Let $T(n) = 3T(n/2) + 3/4n + 1$. What are the parameters?

$$a = 3$$

$$b = 2$$

$$d = 1$$

Therefore, which condition applies?

$3 > 2^1$, case 3 applies

- We conclude that

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) = \Theta(n^{\log_2 3})$$

- Note that $\log_2 3 \approx 1.584...$, can we say that $T(n) \in \Theta(n^{1.584})$

No, because $\log_2 3 \approx 1.5849...$ and $n^{1.584} \not\in \Theta(n^{1.5849})$

Practice Problems

For each of the following recurrences, give an expression for the runtime $T(n)$ if the recurrence can be solved with the Master Theorem. Otherwise, indicate that the Master Theorem does not apply.

1. $T(n) = 3T(n/2) + n^2$

2. $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n^2$

3. $T(n) = T(n/2) + 2^n$

4. $T(n) = 2^n T(n/2) + n^n$

5. $T(n) = 16T(n/4) + n$

6. $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n \log n$

Solutions

1. $T(n) = 3T(n/2) + n^2 \implies T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ (Case 3)
2. $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n^2 \implies T(n) = \Theta(n^2 \log n)$ (Case 2)
3. $T(n) = T(n/2) + 2^n \implies \Theta(2^n)$ (Case 3)
4. $T(n) = 2^n T(n/2) + n^n \implies$ Does not apply (a is not constant)
5. $T(n) = 16T(n/4) + n \implies T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ (Case 1)
6. $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n \log n \implies T(n) = n \log^2 n$ (Case 2)