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Lecture 11 Week 8

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For $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, let $M(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n = 1 \\ M(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor) + M(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor) + dn & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$.

For all $i \in \mathbb{N}$, let $Q(i) = "M(2^i) = c2^i + di2^i"$.

Claim 1

$\forall i \in \mathbb{N}. Q(i)$.



Theorem 1

$M(n) \in \Theta(n \log n)$.



Lemma 1

$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+. \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}^+. (m \leq n) \text{ IMPLIES } (M(m) \leq qM(n))$.

That is, M is a non-decreasing function.



Proof of Lemma 1 by induction on n .

For $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. Let $R(n) = "\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}. (m \leq n) \text{ IMPLIES } (M(m) \leq M(n))"$

Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ be arbitrary, suppose $R(n')$ is true for all $n' \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that $n' < n$;

$M(1) \leq M(1)$, $M(2) \leq M(2)$, and $M(1) = c \leq 2c + 2d = M(2)$ since $c, d \geq 0$.

So $R(1)$ and $R(2)$ are true.

Consider $n \geq 2$

Then $1 \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \leq \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \leq n - 1 < n$

So $R(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor)$, $R(\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil)$, and $R(n - 1)$ all hold

Let $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ be arbitrary and suppose $m \leq n$.

Case 1. $m = n$.

$M(m) = M(n)$ by substitution

Case 2. $m = n - 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} M(n-1) &= M\left(\left\lceil \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rceil\right) + M\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rfloor + d(n-1)\right) && \text{since } n-1 > 1 \\ &\leq M\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor\right) && \text{since } \left\lceil \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rceil \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor \leq n \\ &\quad + M\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor\right) && \text{since } \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rfloor \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor \leq n \\ &\quad + dn && \text{since } d \geq 0 \\ &= M(n) \end{aligned}$$

Case 3. $m < n - 1$.

Then $M(m) \leq M(n-1) \leq M(n)$ by induction hypothesis

In all cases $M(m) \leq M(n)$

So $(m \leq n) \text{ IMPLIES } (M(m) \leq M(n))$.

Since m was arbitrary, $R(n)$ holds.

By strong induction, $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+. R(n)$.

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Proof of Theorem 1.

Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ be arbitrary, assume $n \geq 2$.

Let 2^i be the smallest power of 2 that is greater or equal to n

Then, $n \leq 2^i < 2n$ which implies $i < \log_2(2n)$ and so

$$\begin{aligned} M(n) &\leq M(2^i) = c2^i + di2^i \\ &< 2cn + 2dn\log_2(2n) \\ &= 2cn + 2dn(1 + \log_2(n)) \\ &< (2c + 4d)n\log_2 n \end{aligned}$$

By generalization, we have $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}. [(n \geq 2) \text{ IMPLIES } M(n) \leq (2c + 4d)n\log_2 n]$, so $M(n) \in O(n\log n)$.

Let 2^j be the largest power of 2 that is less than or equal to n .

Then, we have $n \geq 2^j > \frac{n}{2}$ and so

$$\begin{aligned} M(n) &\geq M(2^j) \\ &= c2^j + dj2^j \\ &> c\frac{n}{2} + \frac{dn}{2}\log_2(\frac{n}{2}) \\ &\geq \frac{dn}{4}\log_2 n \quad \text{for } n \geq 4 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $M(n) \in \Omega(n\log n)$

Therefore, we conclude $M(n) \in \Theta(n\log n)$.

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Analyzing the Worst Case Time Complexity of Iterative Algorithms

- Code without loops or procedure calls - $O(1)$ step
- Loops: if a loop is executed $O(f(n))$ times and each iteration takes $O(g(n))$ steps, then the entire loop takes $O(f(n) \cdot g(n))$ steps.
- If statements: Suppose A, B, C are blocks of code that take $O(f(n)), O(g(n)), O(h(n))$ steps respectively. Then

A B C

takes $O(f(n) + \max\{g(n), h(n)\})$ steps.

- Procedure + function calls: Suppose that the worst case step complexity of a procedure (or function) \mathcal{P} with input of size r is $T(r) \in O(f(r))$, then a call to \mathcal{P} with an input of size $g(n)$ takes $O(f(g(n)))$ steps.

Consider the following Merge code:

MergeA[1..m], m, B[1..n], n

$i \leftarrow 1$ $j \leftarrow 1$ $h \leftarrow 1$

$i \leq m$ and $j \leq n$ $A[i] < B[j]$ $C[h] \leftarrow A[i]$ $i \leftarrow i + 1$ $C[h] \leftarrow B[j]$ $j \leftarrow j + 1$ $h \leftarrow h + 1$

$i > m$ $j \leq n$ $C[h] \leftarrow B[j]$ $j \leftarrow j + 1$ $h \leftarrow h + 1$ $i \leq m$ $C[h] \leftarrow A[i]$ $i \leftarrow i + 1$ $h \leftarrow h + 1$

Input size: m, n (better than $\max\{m, n\}, m + n$)

Step: “increasement of $i + j$ ” counting steps the exact same way as “assignment to C ($m + n$)”. We can also do “comparison between elements of A and elements of B ” (not as good as the previous 2).

Time Complexity: $m + n - 1$.

Step = “# of iterations of 1st while loop.”

1st while loop terminates as soon as $i > m$ or $j > n$, so either i has been increased m times or j has been increased n times.

Exactly one of i and j is increased each iteration, so both conditions can't be true.

In the first case j is increased at most $n - 1$ times.

In the second case i is increased at most $m - 1$ times.

In both cases $\leq m + n - 1$ comparisions are performed.

If $T_{M \in RUR}(m, n)$ to the worst case number of comparisions between elements of $A[1..m]$ and $B[1..n]$ then $T_{M \in RUR}(m, n) \leq m + n - 1$.

Why is $m + n - 1$ a lower bound?

For each m, n what are the examples of $A[1..m]$ and $B[1..n]$ for which $n + m - 1$ comparisions are performed?

If all elements in A and B are less than $A[m]$ and except for $A[m]$ are less than $B[n]$.

$$A = [0 \underbrace{\cdots 0}_n 2]$$

$$B = [0 \underbrace{\cdots 0}_n 1]$$

$$T_{\text{Merge}}(m, n) \geq m + n - 1.$$

MergeSort $A[1..n], n \in \mathbb{N}$ = input size $n \leq 1$ step = comparision between elements of A return $m \leftarrow \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil A' \leftarrow A[1..m] A'' \leftarrow A[m+1..n] M \in RURSORT(A', m) M \in RURSORT(A'', n-m) A \leftarrow \text{Merge}(A[1..m], m, A[m+1..n], n-m)$

Let $M : \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ denote the worst case time complexity of MergeSort

$$M(n) = 0 \quad \text{if } n \leq 1$$

$$M(n) \leq M(\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil) + M(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor) + n - 1 \quad \text{if } n > 1$$

$$\text{¹Let } M' : \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \text{ be } M'(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \leq 1 \\ M'(\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil) + M'(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor) + n - 1 & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

Then $M'(n) \in O(n \log n)$ as proven at the start.

It is very easy to prove by induction $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+. M(n) \leq M'(n)$.

Hence $M(n) \in O(n \log n)$.

¹Note: We also need to show the linear bound is achievable