

CS 580 HW 1

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Q1

$T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_5 7} \lg n)$. Using the notation of the master method, $a = 7$, $b = 5$ so $f(n) = \theta(n^{\log_5 7})$ putting us in case 2 of the master method.

Thus, $n^{\log_5 7} \lg n$ is an asymptotic upper and lower bound on $T(n)$ (i.e. $c_1 n^{\log_5 7} \lg n \leq T(n) \leq c_2 n^{\log_5 7} \lg n$ for $n > n_0$, it's trivial to see $c_1 = 1/2$, $c_2 = 2$ and $n_0 = 5$ suffice as constants)

Q2

Claim: $T(n) \leq 45/8 \, cn$

Proof: By induction on n

Base case:

$T(n) = c \leq 45/8 \, cn$ for $n < 5$

Induction Step: Assume the statement is true for $n' < n$.

We must show the statement is true for n .

$T(n) =$

$$\begin{aligned} & T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{2n}{9} \right\rfloor\right) + 3T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \right\rfloor\right) + cn \\ & \leq a \left\lfloor \frac{2n}{9} \right\rfloor + 3a \left\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \right\rfloor + cn \\ & \leq a2n/9 + 3an/5 + cn \\ & = an(2/9 + 3/5) + cn \\ & = an(37/45) + cn = \\ & \quad 37/8cn + cn \\ & = 45/8cn \\ & = an \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where the second step follows by the induction hypothesis. Thus, by the property of mathematical induction, the statement holds.

Q3

(a) Base case: $a = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} H(3)H(n-1) - H(1)H(n-2) - H(2)H(n-3) \\ = 2H(n-1) - H(n-3) \\ = H(n) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

so the base case holds.

Induction step: Suppose true for $a' < a < n - 2$

We want to show the claim holds for a :

$$\begin{aligned} H(n) &= H(a+2)H(n-a) - H(a)H(n-a-1) - H(a+1)H(n-a-2) \\ &= [2H(a+1) - H(a-1)]H(n-a) - H(a)H(n-a-1) - H(a+1)H(n-a-2) \\ &= H(a+1)[2H(n-a) - H(n-a-2)] - H(a-1)H(n-a) - H(a)H(n-a-1) \\ &= H(a+1)H(n-a) - H(a-1)H(n-a) - H(a)H(n-a-1) \\ &= H(n) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where the last step follows with the induction hypothesis applied with $a - 1$.

Thus, by the principle of mathematical induction the claim holds.

(b) Using $a = k-1$:

$$\begin{aligned} H(2k) &= H(k+1)H(2k-(k-1)) - H(k-1)H(2k-(k-1)-1) - H(k)H(2k-(k-1)-2) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k+1) - H(k-1)H(k) - H(k)H(k-1) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k+1) - 2H(k)H(k-1) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k) - H(k-1)H(k-1) - H(k)H(k-2) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k) - H(k-1)H(k-1) - H(k)[2H(k) - H(k+1)] \\ &= 2H(k+1)H(k) - 2H(k)H(k) - H(k-1)H(k-1) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k) - H(k-1)H(k-1) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(2k-1) &= H(k+1)H(2k-1-(k-1)) - H(k-1)H(2k-1-(k-1)-1) \\ &\quad - H(k-1+1)H(2k-1-(k-1)-2) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k) - H(k-1)H(k-1) - H(k)H(k-2) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k) - H(k-1)H(k-1) - H(k)[2H(k) - H(k+1)] \\ &= 2H(k+1)H(k) - 2H(k)H(k) - H(k-1)H(k-1) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k) - H(k-1)H(k-1) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

(c) Using $a = k-1$:

$$\begin{aligned} H(2k+1) &= H(k-1+2)H(2k+1-(k-1)) - H(k-1)H(2k+1-(k-1)-1) \\ &\quad - H(k-1+1)H(2k+1-(k-1)-2) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k+2) - H(k-1)H(k+1) - H(k)H(k) \\ &= H(k+1)[2H(k+1) - H(k-1)] - H(k-1)H(k+1) - H(k)H(k) \\ &= 2H(k+1)H(k+1) - 2H(k+1)H(k-1) - H(k)H(k) \\ &= H(k+1)H(k+1) - H(k-1)H(k-1) \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
H(2k-2) &= H(k-1+2)H(2k-2-(k-1)) - H(k-1)H(2k-2-(k-1)-1) \\
&\quad - H(k-1+1)H(2k-2-(k-1)-2) \\
&= H(k+1)H(k-1) - H(k-1)H(k-2) - H(k)H(k-3) \\
&= H(k+1)H(k-1) - H(k-1)[2H(k) - H(k+1)] - H(k)[2H(k-1) - H(k)] \\
&= 2H(k+1)H(k-1) - 4H(k)H(k-1) + H(k)H(k)
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

(d) The algorithm is fairly straightforward given the recurrence relations in parts (b) and (c). If n is even, we use the recurrence relation for $H(n) = H(2k)$ and call Hopskotchy on k . Else, n is odd, and we use the recurrence relation for $H(n) = H(2k-1)$ and call Hopskotchy on k . Either call will return $H(k+1)$, $H(k)$, $H(k-1)$. We then use the values returned to compute $H(n+1)$, $H(n)$, $H(n-1)$ using the relations in (b) and (c).

Algorithm 1 Solving Hopskotchy quickly

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1: function HOPSKOTCHY( $n$ )
2:   if  $n = 1$  then
3:     return (1, 0, 0)
4:   end if
5:   if  $n = 2$  then
6:     return (2, 1, 0)
7:   end if
8:   if  $n$  is even then
9:      $a, b, c = \text{Hopskotchy}(n/2)$ 
10:     $H(n-1) = H(2k-1) = 2 * a * b - 2 * b * b$ 
11:     $H(n) = H(2k) = a * a - 2 * b * c$ 
12:     $H(n+1) = H(2k+1) = 2 * a * a - 2 * a * c - b * b$ 
13:   else
14:      $a, b, c = \text{Hopskotchy}((n+1)/2)$ 
15:     $H(n-1) = H(2k-2) = 2 * a * c - 4 * b * c + b * b$ 
16:     $H(n) = H(2k-1) = 2 * a * b - 2 * b * b$ 
17:     $H(n+1) = H(2k) = a * a - 2 * b * c$ 
18:   end if
19:   return ( $H(n+1)$ ,  $H(n)$ ,  $H(n-1)$ )
20: end function

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(e) It's clear that for a given value of n , we call Hopskotchy on an argument of at most $\lceil n/2 \rceil$. After getting the return value we do a constant amount of multiplications and additions and then return the three values. Thus, the recurrence is

$$T(n) \leq T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + c$$

which makes $T(n) = O(\log n)$ under the uniform cost criterion by the master method.

If we were to use the obvious method, the recurrence would be $T(n) = T(n-1) + c$ which gives us an $O(n)$ bound under the uniform cost criterion. Thus, the smart method is significantly faster (logarithmic vs linear).

We can bound the size of the n th Hopskotchy number by 2^n (Note that this isn't necessarily a tight bound, but the point is that the size is exponential).

Proof: By induction on n

Base case: $H(n) < 2^n$ for $n \leq 3$

Induction Step: Suppose true for all $n' < n$

$$H(n) = 2H(n-1) - H(n-3) \leq 2H(n-1) \leq 2 * 2^{n-1} = 2^n$$

where the second to last step follows by the induction hypothesis.

Since $\log(2^n) = n$, we find that the number of bits required to represent the n th Hopskotchy number is $O(n)$. Since we need the $n/2$ th Hopskotchy numbers to compute the n th Hopskotchy number, we get that the cost for fast algorithm under the logarithmic cost criterion is $c(n/2 + n/4 + n/8 + \dots) \leq 2cn = O(n)$. If we were to use the obvious method, we use the $n-1$ and $n-3$ rd number to compute the n th, meaning the cost under the logarithmic cost criterion is $c(n-1 + n-2 + n-3 + \dots) = O(n^2)$. Thus, the fast method is significantly better under the logarithmic cost criterion as well (linear vs quadratic).