# Solution for homework CS112

Analysis of complexity of recursive algorithms.

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#### **Problem**

Calculate the complexity of the following recurrence relations:

a)

$$\begin{cases} T(1) = 4 \\ T(n) = 3T(n-1), \forall x > 1 \end{cases}$$

b)

$$\begin{cases}
T(1) = 1 \\
T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + \frac{n}{2}, \forall x > 1
\end{cases}$$

c)

$$\begin{cases} T(1) = 1 \\ T(n) = 7T(\frac{n}{4}) + n^2, \forall x > 1 \end{cases}$$

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Replace i = n - 1, we have:

$$T(n) = 3^{n-1}T(n-n+1) = 3^{n-1}T(1) = 3^{n-1}4$$

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b)

$$\begin{cases} T(1) = 1 \\ T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + \frac{n}{2}, \forall x > 1 \end{cases}$$

We will find the upper limit of n (Big O) by assuming that  $n = 2^k$ .

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$$T(n) = 2*(2T(\frac{n}{4}) + \frac{n}{4}) + \frac{n}{2}$$

$$T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{4}) + \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{2}$$

$$T(n) = 4*(2T(\frac{n}{8}) + \frac{n}{8}) + n$$

$$T(2) = 2T(1) + 1 = 3$$

$$T(n) = 8T(\frac{n}{8}) + \frac{3n}{2}$$

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$$\begin{cases} T(1) = 1 \\ T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + \frac{n}{2}, \forall x > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) = 2^i T(\frac{n}{2^i}) + \sum_{j=1}^i \frac{n}{2}$$

Replace i = log(n), we have:

$$T(n) = 2^{\log(n)} T(\frac{n}{2^{\log(n)}}) + \sum_{j=1}^{\log(n)} \frac{n}{2}$$
$$T(n) = nT(1) + \frac{n\log(n)}{2}$$
$$T(n) = n + \frac{n\log(n)}{2}$$

According to remove the constant and max rules, we got:

$$T(n) \approx O(n\log(n))$$

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$$\begin{cases} T(1) = 1 \\ T(n) = 7T(\frac{n}{4}) + n^2, \forall x > 1 \end{cases}$$

According to the Master theorem, we got:

$$a = 7, b = 4, d = 2$$
  
 $\Rightarrow a < b^d$   
 $\Rightarrow T(n) = n^d = n^2$ 

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#### **Problem**

Given the Python code as follows:

```
def Search(val, left = 0, right = len(b) - 1):
    if left > right:
        return -1
    mid = (left + right) // 2
    if b[mid] == val:
        return mid
    elif b[mid] > val:
        return Search(val, left, mid - 1)
    else:
        return Search(val, mid + 1, right)
```

Assuming that b[] is a sorted increasing array.

- a) What the code above is doing and what it outputs?
- b) Determine the base case and the recursive case.
- c) Set up the recurrence relations and calculate the complexity.

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a) What the code above is doing and what it outputs? Explain:

The code above is a recursive version of the binary search algorithm. It'll find the index that has a value equal to the val variable and return it.

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b) Determine the base case and the recursive case. The base case:

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if left > right:
    return -1

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    return mid
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The recursive case:

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    return Search(val, left, mid - 1)
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c) Set up the recurrence relations and calculate the complexity.

Each time, the sequence we got splits into 2 subsequences which have approximate length. Depending on the condition, we can follow the right or left subsequence.

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Then we have this recurrence relation:

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Assuming that  $n = 2^k$ , then we have:

$$T(n) = T(\frac{n}{2}) + 1 \Rightarrow T(n) = T(\frac{n}{4}) + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = T(\frac{n}{8}) + 3$$
...
$$T(n) = T(\frac{n}{2\log(n)}) + \log(n)$$

$$T(n) = T(1) + \log(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = 1 + \log(n) \approx O(\log(n))$$

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#### Problem

Calculate the minimum time to print N paper for 2 printers. Supposing each printer costs 1 minute to print one side of a paper. Consider the following recursive algorithm:

- If  $n \le 2$ , print 1 or 2 papers at the same time on 1 or 2 printers.
- If n > 2, print 2 random papers at the same time on 2 printers and continue the process for n 2 remaining papers.
- a) Set up recurrence relations to calculate the complexity of the algorithm above.
- b) Explain why the algorithm above didn't give the best answer to the problem.
- c) Provide a recursive algorithm to give the best answer. Set up the recurrence relations and calculate the complexity.

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a) According to the hypothesis, when we have  $n \le 2$ , then the time it's complete is 2 minutes. If we have more, we just print 2 parallel papers and continue until the base case. Call F(n) as the minimum time to print n paper. we have:

$$\begin{cases} F(1) = F(2) = 2 \\ F(n) = F(n-2) + 2, \forall x > 2 \end{cases}$$

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Based on the formula above, we have the recurrence relations to calculate the complexity:

$$\begin{cases}
T(1) = T(2) = 0 \\
T(n) = T(n-2) + 1, \forall x > 2
\end{cases}$$

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b) We can notice that the amount of time to print all odd number of paper is also equal to an even number.

# Examples

For n = 4, according to the algorithm above, first we print 2 side of 2 paper, which cost 2 minute. Then we continue to print 2 side of the 2 remaining papers. The total cost is 4 minute.

## **Examples**

For n=3, first we print 2 side of 2 paper, which cost 2 minute. After that, we print 2 side of the remaining paper. The total cost is also 4 minute.

In general, for all odd number n ,n>1, we can see that time we need to print n and n+1 paper is the same.

⇒ Is there any way better than this ?

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#### c) Design algorithm:

• If n is an even number, we can process as the algorithm above, just print 2 side of 2 random paper and continue process for n-2 remaining papers.

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  - If n is an even number, we can process as the algorithm above, just print 2 side of 2 random paper and continue process for n-2 remaining papers.
  - If n = 1, the fix time to print is 2 minutes.

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## c) Design algorithm:

- If n is an even number, we can process as the algorithm above, just print 2 side of 2 random paper and continue process for n-2 remaining papers.
- If n = 1, the fix time to print is 2 minutes.
- If n > 1 and n is an odd number, we can print 2 papers. The printer one print one paper with 1 side and the printer two print the other for 2 side. Then, the printer one print the remain side of the paper before, the printer two print the other. Now we have fulfill the timeline by just use 3 paper. The remain n 3 paper can be processed as even case.

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Call G(n) as the minimum time to print n paper, we have:

$$\begin{cases}
G(1) = G(2) = 2 \\
G(3) = 3 \\
G(n) = G(n-2) + 2, \forall x > 3
\end{cases}$$

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Call G(n) as the minimum time to print n paper, we have:

$$\begin{cases}
G(1) = G(2) = 2 \\
G(3) = 3 \\
G(n) = G(n-2) + 2, \forall x > 3
\end{cases}$$

And base on that, we have the following recurrence relations to calculate the complexity:

$$\begin{cases}
T(1) = T(2) = T(3) = 0 \\
T(n) = T(n-2) + 1, \forall x > 3
\end{cases}$$

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# Thank for listening!

Do you have any quesion ?

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