

.1 A useful recurrence

Generalized Algorithm: $T(n) =$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Theta(1), \text{ if } n \leq 1 \\ aT(n/b) + f(n) \text{ otherwise} \end{array} \right\}$$

1. Karatsuba's Algorithm:

$$T(n) = 3T(n/2) + \Theta(n)$$

2. Strassen's Algorithm:

$$T(n) = 7T(n/2) + \Theta(n^2)$$

3. Fast Fourier Transform:

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n)$$

.2 How the recurrence unfolds

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

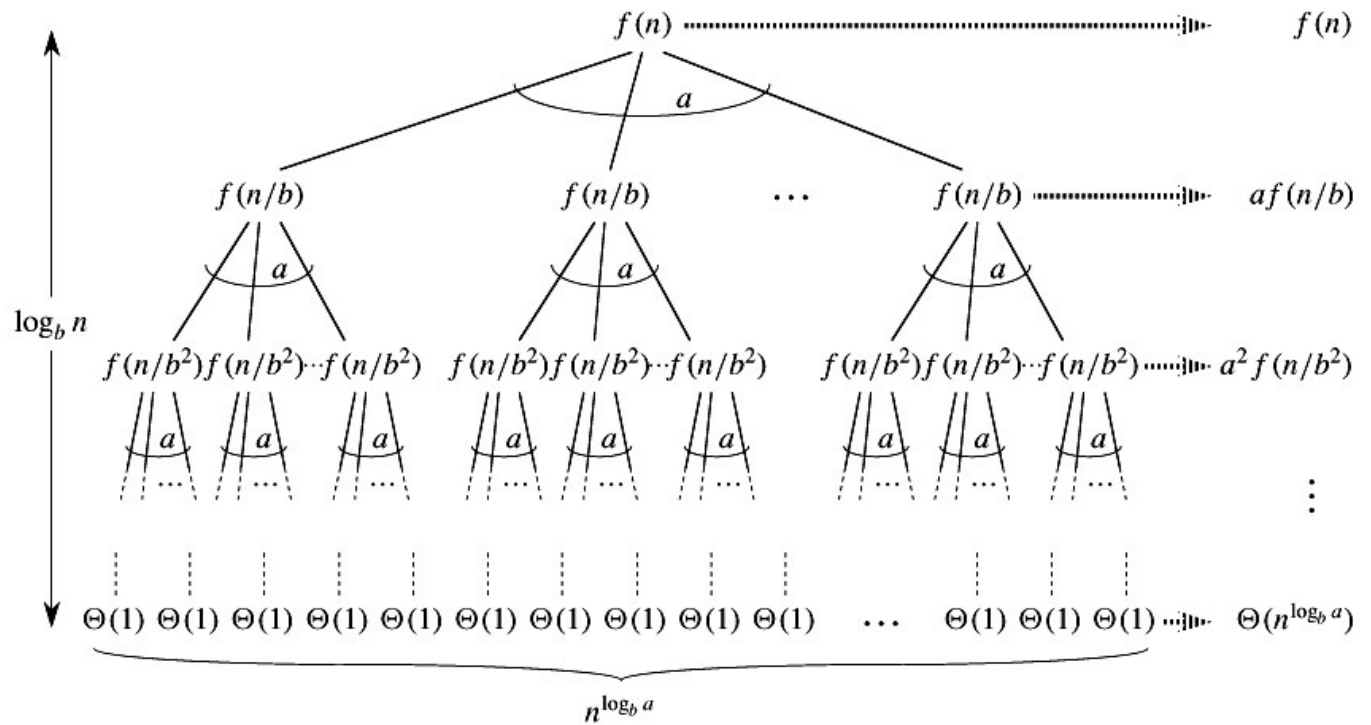


Figure .2.1: Unfolding of a recurrence algorithm

How the recurrence unfolds Case 1:

$$f(n) = \mathcal{O}((n^{\log_b a} - \epsilon))$$

for some constant

$$\epsilon > 0$$

Final answer:

$$T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

Procedure:

Given:

$$T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon}) + \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} a^j f(n/b^j)$$

$$f(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon}), \text{ for } \epsilon > 0$$

Working:

$$g(n) = \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} a^j f(n/b^j)$$

After substituting the value of f(n), in the equation of g(n), we get:

$$g(n) = \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} a^j * \theta((n/b^j)^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$$

We see that,

$$n^{\log_b a - \epsilon} = \text{Constant}$$

Hence, removing the constant outside. We get,

$$n^{\log_b a - \epsilon} * \theta\left(\sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} a^j * 1/(b^j)^{\log_b a - \epsilon}\right)$$

$$n^{\log_b a - \epsilon} * \theta\left(\sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} a^j * (b^{j\epsilon})/(a^j)\right)$$

After applying the infinite series formula. We get,

$$n^{\log_b a - \epsilon} * \theta(((b^\epsilon)^{\log_b a} - 1)/((b^\epsilon) - 1))$$

Here, we can neglect (-1), and after simplifying the equation. We get,

$$n^{\log_b a - \epsilon} * n^\epsilon$$

Hence, we can conclude that:

$$T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

How the recurrence unfolds Case 2:

$$f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} * \log^k n)$$

for k ≥ 0

Final answer:

$$T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a} * \log^{(k+1)} n)$$

Procedure:

Given:

$$T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon}) + \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} a^j f(n/b^j)$$

$$f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} * \log^k n)$$

Working:

$$\theta\left(\sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} a^j * (n/b^j)^{\log_b a} * \log^k(n/b^j)\right)$$

Removing the constants outside, we get:

$$\theta(n^{(\log_b a)} * \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} a^j * (1/a^j) * \log^k(n/b^j))$$

After simplifying, we get:

$$\theta(n^{(\log_b a)} * \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} * (\log n - j(\log b))^k)$$

Sub case 1: Upper bound

$$<= \theta(n^{(\log_b a)} * \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} * (\log^k n))$$

Now, in order to remove the summation. We can write the above equation as:

$$\theta(n^{(\log_b a)} * (\log^k n * \log n))$$

Hence, the upper bound is:

$$\mathcal{O}\left(n^{(\log_b a)} * \log^{(k+1)} n\right)$$

Sub case 2: Lower bound

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{1/2(\log_2 n)} * (\log n - j(\log b))^k$$

Substituting the highest value of j from the summation, we get:

$$\geq (\log n - 1/2(\log n))^k$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{1/2(\log_2 n)} (1/2) * (\log n)^k$$

Hence, we can conclude that:

$$T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a} * \log^{(k+1)} n)$$

How the recurrence unfolds Case 3:

$$f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$$

and

$$a * f(n/b) \leq c * f(n)$$

for constants

$$\epsilon > 0, c < 1$$

Final answer:

$$T(n) = \theta(f(n))$$

Procedure:

Given:

$$f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$$

$$a * f(n/b) \leq c * f(n)$$

Working:

$$a * f(n/b) = a(n/b)^{(\log_b a + \epsilon)}$$

$$= a * (n^{\log_b a + \epsilon} / b^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$$

$$= a * f(n) / a * b^\epsilon$$

$$= f(n) / b^\epsilon$$

Considering:

$$c < b^{(-\epsilon)}$$

We get:

$$< c * f(n)$$

for

$$b^{(-\epsilon)} < c < 1$$

Substituting $n=n/b$, we get:

$$f(n/b^2) <= c/a * f(n/b) <= (c/a)^2 * f(n)$$

$$a^2 * f(n/b^2) <= c^2 * f(n)$$

General problem:

$$a^j * f(n/b^j) < c^j * f(n)$$

$$g(n) = \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} (a^j) * f(n/b^j)$$

$$<= \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} c^j * f(n)$$

$$<= f(n) * \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b a - 1} c^j$$

$$<= f(n) * \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c^j$$

$$\leq f(n) * (1/(1 - c))$$

The above term is a constant

Hence, we can conclude that:

$$g(n) = \mathcal{O}(f(n))$$