

# A Little Mathematics for Computer Science

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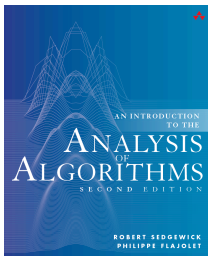




**80% of the  
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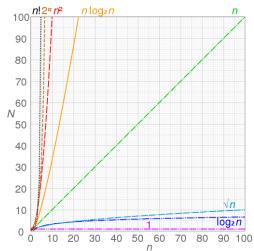
## Only A Little Mathematics



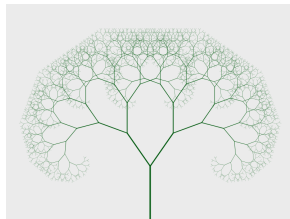
$$A(n)$$



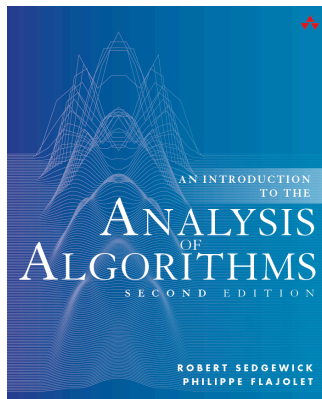
Mathematical Induction



$$\Omega, \Theta, O$$



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



## Problem $P$      Algorithm $A$

Inputs:  $\mathcal{X}_n$  of size  $n$

$$W(n) = \max_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} T(x)$$

$$B(n) = \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} T(x)$$

$$A(n) = \boxed{\sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} T(x) \cdot P(x)} = \mathbb{E}[T] = \boxed{\sum_{t \in T(\mathcal{X}_n)} t \cdot P(T = t)}$$

## Average-case Time Complexity (Problem 1.7)

$$r \in [1, n], r \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$P\{r = i\} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n}, & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{4} \\ \frac{2}{n}, & \frac{n}{4} < i \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2n}, & \frac{n}{2} < i \leq n \end{cases} \quad T(r) = \begin{cases} 10, & r \leq \frac{n}{4} \\ 20, & \frac{n}{4} < r \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ 30, & \frac{n}{2} < r \leq \frac{3n}{4} \\ n, & \frac{3n}{4} < r \leq n \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} T(x) \cdot P(x) = \sum_{t \in T(\mathcal{X}_n)} t \cdot P(T = t) \\ &= T(1)P(1) + T(2)P(2) + \cdots + T(n)P(n) \\ &= 10 \times \frac{n}{4} \times \frac{1}{n} + 20 \times \frac{n}{4} \times \frac{2}{n} + 30 \times \frac{n}{4} \times \frac{1}{2n} + n \times \frac{n}{4} \times \frac{1}{2n} \\ &= \dots \end{aligned}$$

# Mathematical Induction





## Horner's rule (Problem 1.6)

$$P(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + a_nx^n$$

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1: <b>procedure</b> HORNER( $A[0 \dots n], x$ )	$\triangleright A : \{a_0 \dots a_n\}$
2: $p \leftarrow A[n]$	
3: <b>for</b> $i \leftarrow n - 1 \Downarrow 0$ <b>do</b>	
4: $p \leftarrow px + A[i]$	
5: <b>return</b> $p$	

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Loop invariant (after the  $k$ -th loop):

$$\mathcal{I} : p = \sum_{j=n-k}^{j=n} a_j x^{k-(n-j)}$$

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When you are in an exam:

20% : Finding  $\mathcal{I}$

80% : Proving  $\mathcal{I}$  by PMI

Prove by mathematical induction on the number  $k$  of loops.

Base Step:  $k = 0$ .

Inductive Hypothesis:  $\mathcal{I}$  is valid after the  $k$ -th ( $k \geq 0$ ) loop.

Inductive Step:  $\mathcal{I}$  maintains for the  $(k + 1)$ -th loop:

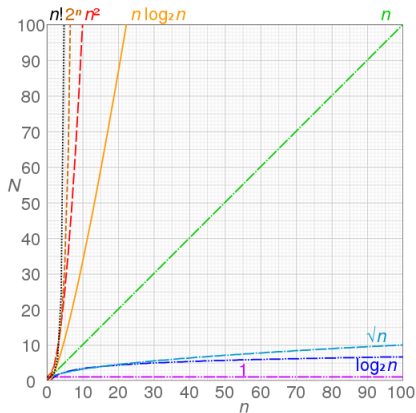
$$\left( \sum_{j=n-k}^{j=n-k} a_j x^{k-(n-j)} \right) \cdot x + A[n-k-1] = \sum_{j=n}^{j=n-(k+1)} a_j x^{(k+1)-(n-j)}$$

Termination

$$(a) \quad i \leftarrow n - 1 \Downarrow 0$$

$$(b) \quad k = n \implies p = \sum_{i=0}^{i=n} a_i x^i$$

# Asymptotics



$Q : \theta(f) ?$

$$O(g(n)) = \left\{ f(n) \mid \exists c > 0, \exists n_0 > 0, \forall n \geq n_0 : 0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n) \right\}$$

$$\{ \quad \}$$

$$\exists n_0 > 0, \forall n \geq n_0$$

$$\exists c > 0$$

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$$\Omega(g(n)) = \left\{ f(n) \mid \exists c > 0, \exists n_0 > 0, \forall n \geq n_0 : 0 \leq \textcolor{red}{c}g(n) \leq f(n) \right\}$$

$$\Theta(g(n)) = \left\{ f(n) \mid \exists c_1 > 0, \exists c_2 > 0, \exists n_0 > 0, \forall n \geq n_0 : \right. \\ \left. 0 \leq c_1g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2g(n) \right\}$$

$$o(g(n)) = \left\{ f(n) \mid \forall \textcolor{red}{c} > 0, \exists n_0 > 0, \forall n \geq n_0 : 0 \leq f(n) < cg(n) \right\}$$

$$\omega(g(n)) = \left\{ f(n) \mid \forall \textcolor{red}{c} > 0, \exists n_0 > 0, \forall n \geq n_0 : 0 \leq cg(n) < f(n) \right\}$$

$$\textcolor{teal}{f(n)} \sim \textcolor{teal}{g(n)} \iff \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\textcolor{teal}{f(n)}}{\textcolor{teal}{g(n)}} = 1$$

## Asymptotics (Problem 2.6 (4))

$$f(n) = \Theta(g(n)) \iff f(n) = O(g(n)) \wedge f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$$

## Asymptotics (Problem 2.6 (6))

$$\Theta(g(n)) \cap o(g(n)) = \emptyset$$

$$Q : f(n) = O(g(n)) \vee g(n) = \Omega(f(n)) ?$$

$$f(n) = n, \quad g(n) = n^{1+\sin n}$$

## Asymptotics (Problem 2.7 (2))

$$(\log n)^2 \text{ vs. } \sqrt{n}$$

$$(\log n)^{c_1} = O(n^{c_2}) \quad c_1, c_2 > 0$$



## Asymptotics (Problem 2.10)

$$\log(n!) = \Theta(n \log n)$$

Stirling Formula (by *James Stirling*):

$$n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$$



$$\log(n!) = \log 1 + \log 2 + \cdots + \log n$$

$$\log(n!) \leq n \log n \qquad \log(n!) \geq \frac{n}{2} \log \frac{n}{2}$$

## Summation (Problem 2.20)

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1: procedure CONUNDRUM( $n$ )
2:    $r \leftarrow 0$ 
3:   for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do
4:     for  $j \leftarrow i + 1$  to  $n$  do
5:       for  $k \leftarrow i + j - 1$  to  $n$  do
6:          $r \leftarrow r + 1$ 
7:   return  $r$ 
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$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=i+j-1}^n 1 = \frac{n^2 - n}{2} = \Theta(n^2)$$



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$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=i+j-1}^n 1 = \frac{1}{48} \left( 3(-1 + (-1)^n) + 2n(n+2)(2n-1) \right) = \Theta(n^3)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=i+j-1}^n 1$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n (n - i - j + 2) \quad [j \leq n - i + 1, i \leq \frac{n}{2}]$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=i+j}^n 1 \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n (n - (i+j-1) + 1) [i+j-1 \leq n] \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n (n - i - j + 2) [j \leq n - i + 1] \quad n - i + 1 \geq i + 1 \Rightarrow i > \frac{n}{2} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n-i+1} (n - i - j + 2) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{j=1}^{n-2i+1} (n - 2i + 2 - j) \\
& \text{当 } n \text{ 为偶数时} \quad = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} (n^2 + 3n + 2) + 4 \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} \left( i^2 - \frac{1}{2} (4n + 6) i \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \times \left( \frac{1}{2} (n^2 + 3n + 2) + \frac{n(\frac{n}{2} + 1)(n + 1)}{3} - \frac{(2n + 3)(\frac{n}{2} + 1)n}{2} \right) \\
&= \frac{2n^3 + 3n^2 - 2n}{24} = \frac{1}{48} (0 + 2n(2+n)(2n-1)) \\
& \text{当 } n \text{ 为奇数时, } \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor = \frac{n-1}{2}, \text{ 代入, 可化得} = \frac{1}{48} (-6 + 2n(2+n)(2n-1)) \\
& \quad (\text{这个我懒得化了, 谁有兴趣化一下, 多个常数项}) \\
& \text{通解} \quad \frac{1}{48} (3(-1 + (-1)^n) + 2n(2+n)(2n-1)) \\
& * \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor = \frac{n + \frac{(-1)^n + 1}{2}}{2}, \text{ 代入理应可直接得结果, 太繁}
\end{aligned}$$

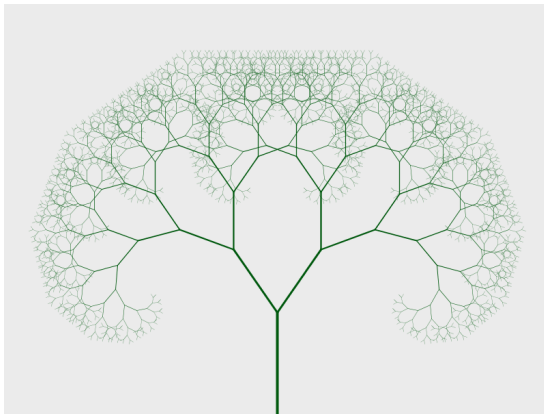
From Zheng (171860658)



Reference:

*“Big Omicron and Big Omega and Big Theta”* by Donald E. Knuth, 1976.

# Recurrences



$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n) \quad (a > 0, b > 1)$$

Assume that  $T(n)$  is constant for sufficiently small  $n$ .

$$\left. \begin{array}{c} f(n) \\ af(\frac{n}{b}) \\ a^2 f(\frac{n}{b^2}) \\ \vdots \\ a^{\log_b n} T(1) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) \end{array} \right\} \sum \quad \begin{array}{c} f(n) \text{ vs. } n^E \\ = \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} n^{\log_b a}, & f(n) = O(n^{E-\epsilon}) \\ n^{\log_b a} \log n, & f(n) = \Theta(n^E) \\ f(n), & f(n) = \Omega(n^{E+\epsilon}) \end{array} \right.$$



## Solving Recurrences (Problem 2.15)

- (1)  $\Theta(n^{\log_3 2})$
- (2)  $\Theta(\log^2 n)$
- (3)  $\Theta(n)$
- (4)  $\Theta(n \log n)$
- (5)  $\Theta(n \log^2 n)$
- (6)  $\Theta(n^2)$
- (7)  $\Theta(n^{\frac{3}{2}} \log n)$
- (8)  $\Theta(n)$
- (9)  $\Theta(n^{c+1})$
- (10)  $\Theta(c^{n+1})$
- (11)  $\dots$

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

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

Reference:

$$f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n) \implies \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{k+1} n)$$

Gaps in Master Theorem (Problem 2.18)

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \frac{n}{\log n} = \Theta(n \log \log n)$$

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$$T(n) = T(n-1) + c^n \quad c > 1$$

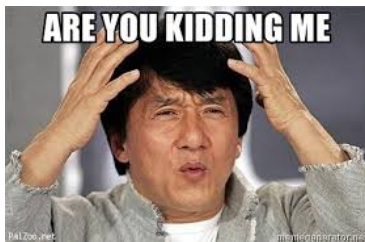
$$T(n) = T(n-1) + n^c \quad c \geq 1$$

$$\int$$

$$\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^c \leq T(n) \leq n \cdot n^c$$

## Solving Recurrences (Problem 2.15 (11))

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + T(n/4) + T(n/8)$$



Where is  $f(n)$ ?

## Solving Recurrences (Problem 2.15 (11))

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + T(n/4) + T(n/8)$$

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{0.879146})$$

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^\alpha)$$

$$2^{-\alpha} + 4^{-\alpha} + 8^{-\alpha} = 1$$

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Solve[2^{-x} + 4^{-x} + 8^{-x} == 1, x] // N
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## Solving Recurrences (Problem 2.15 (11))

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + T(n/4) + T(n/8) + n$$

By recursion-tree.

$$T(n) = \Theta(n)$$

Exercise: Prove it by mathematical induction.

Reference:

“*On the Solution of Linear Recurrence Equations*” by Akra & Bazzi, 1996.

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i T(n/b_i) + f(n)$$

## Solving Recurrences (Problem 2.17)

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= \sqrt{n} \, T(\sqrt{n}) + n \\&= n^{\frac{1}{2}} \, T\left(n^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) + n \\&= n^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( n^{\frac{1}{2^2}} \, T\left(n^{\frac{1}{2^2}}\right) + n^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) + n \\&= n^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2}} \, T\left(n^{\frac{1}{2^2}}\right) + 2n \\&= n^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2}} \left( n^{\frac{1}{2^3}} \, T\left(n^{\frac{1}{2^3}}\right) + n^{\frac{1}{2^2}} \right) + 2n \\&= n^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3}} \, T\left(n^{\frac{1}{2^3}}\right) + 3n \\&= \dots \\&= n^{\sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{2^i}} \, T\left(n^{\frac{1}{2^k}}\right) + kn\end{aligned}$$

$$T(n) = n \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{2^i} T\left(n^{\frac{1}{2^i}}\right) + kn$$



$$n^{\frac{1}{2^k}} = 1$$

$$n^{\frac{1}{2^k}} = 2 \implies k = \log \log n$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= n \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{2^i} T\left(n^{\frac{1}{2^i}}\right) + kn \\ &= n \sum_{i=1}^{\log \log n} \frac{1}{2^i} T(2) + n \log \log n \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\log \log n} \frac{1}{2^i} < 1 \implies T(n) = \Theta(n \log \log n)$$

Exercise: Prove it by mathematical induction.



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

$$\frac{T(n)}{n} = \frac{T(\sqrt{n})}{\sqrt{n}} + 1$$

$$n \leftrightarrow 2^m$$

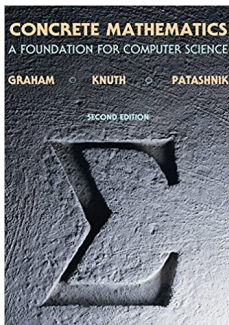
$$\frac{T(2^m)}{2^m} = \frac{T(2^{m/2})}{2^{m/2}} + 1$$

$$S(m) \leftrightarrow \frac{T(2^m)}{2^m}$$

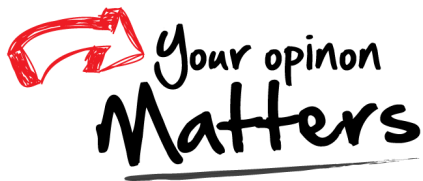
$$S(m) = S(m/2) + 1 = \Theta(\log m)$$

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

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