

TCSS 343 - Assignment 3

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1 UNDERSTAND

In this problem use the Master Theorem to find and prove tight bounds for these recurrences (6 points each).

To solve this problem I used the master theorem taken from CLRS. I used a bit of a stronger statement than what was stated in the theorem but they are equivalent mathematically due to the nature of limits. I will include the theorem for the reader's benefit. To check my work I decided to include what I obtained using the Akra-Bazzi method.

Master Theorem

The Master Theorem applies to recurrences of the following form:

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

where $a \geq 1$ and $b > 1$ are constants and $f(n)$ is an asymptotically positive function.

There are 3 cases:

1. If $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$ for some constant $\epsilon > 0$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$.
2. If $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n)$ with $k \geq 0$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{k+1} n)$.
3. If $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$ with $\epsilon > 0$, and $f(n)$ satisfies the regularity condition, then $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$.
Regularity condition: $af(n/b) \leq cf(n)$ for some constant $c < 1$ and all sufficiently large n .

1.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n < 8 \\ 16T(\frac{n}{8}) + n \log n & \text{if } n \geq 8 \end{cases}$$

By Master Method I obtain case 1:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \log n}{n^{\log_8 16 + \epsilon}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \log n}{n^{\frac{4}{3} + \frac{2}{3}}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n}\right) \left(\frac{\log n}{n}\right) \rightarrow 0 \\ T(n) &\in \Theta(n^{\frac{4}{3}}) \end{aligned}$$

By Akra-Bazzi I obtain:

$$16\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^p = 1$$

$$p = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\in \Theta\left(n^p\left(1 + \int_1^n \frac{u \log u}{u^{p+1}} du\right)\right) \\ &\in \Theta\left(-9n + 10n^{\frac{4}{3}} - 3n \log n\right) \\ &\in \Theta\left(n^{\frac{4}{3}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

2.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n < 4 \\ 8T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + n \log n & \text{if } n \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

By Master Method I obtain case 2:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{\frac{1}{3}}}{n^{\log_8 2 + \varepsilon}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{\frac{1}{3}}}{n^{\frac{1}{3}}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 \rightarrow 1 \\ &\in \Theta\left(n^{\frac{1}{3}} \log n\right) \end{aligned}$$

By Akra-Bazzi I obtain:

$$2\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^p = 1$$

$$p = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\in \Theta\left(n^p\left(1 + \int_1^n \frac{u^{\frac{1}{3}}}{u^{p+1}} du\right)\right) \\ &\in \Theta\left(n^{\frac{1}{3}} + n^{\frac{1}{3}} \log n\right) \\ &\in \Theta\left(n^{\frac{1}{3}} \log n\right) \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n < 2 \\ 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 9n & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

By Master Method I obtain case 3:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9^n}{n^{\log_3 2 + \varepsilon}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9^n}{n^{\frac{\log 2}{\log 3} - (\frac{\log 2}{\log 3} + 1)}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n 9^n \rightarrow \infty \\ &\in \Theta(9^n)\end{aligned}$$

This recurrence is not well suited for Akra-Bazzi.

4.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n \leq 1 \\ 3T(\frac{3n}{5}) + n^2 & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

By Master Method I obtain case 1:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^{\log_{\frac{5}{3}} 3 + \varepsilon}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^{\log_{\frac{5}{3}} 3 + (3 - \log_{\frac{5}{3}} 3)}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^3} \rightarrow 0 \\ \log_{\frac{5}{3}} 3 &= 2.15066... \\ &\in \Theta(n^{2.15066...})\end{aligned}$$

By Akra-Bazzi I obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}3\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^p &= 1 \\ p &= \log_{\frac{5}{3}} 3 \\ T(n) &\in \Theta(n^p(1 + \int_1^n \frac{u^2}{u^{p+1}} du)) \\ &\in \Theta(7.63746n^{2.15066...} - 6.63746n^2) \\ &\in \Theta(n^{2.15066...})\end{aligned}$$

5.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n \leq 1 \\ 3T(\frac{3n}{5}) + n^{2.5} & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

By Master Method I obtain case 3:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{2.5}}{n^{\log_{\frac{5}{3}} 3 + \varepsilon}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{2.5}}{n^{\log_{\frac{5}{3}} 3 + 0.1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{2.5}}{n^{2.25}} \rightarrow \infty \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{0.25...} \rightarrow \infty \\ &\in \Theta(n^{2.5})\end{aligned}$$

2 EXPLORE

For the following problems stated as pseudo-code, let $A[\ell \dots r]$ denote the sublist of the integer list A from the ℓ -th to the r -th element inclusive, let $\text{Cubic}(A[1 \dots n])$ denote an algorithm that runs in time $\Theta(n^3)$, and let $\text{Swift}(A[1 \dots n])$ denote an algorithm that runs in time $\Theta(n \log(\log n))$.

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Three( $A[1 \dots n]$ )
  If  $n \leq 1$  Then Return // nothing to do
  Cubic( $A[1 \dots n]$ )
  Three( $A[1 \dots \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor]$ )
  Three( $A[\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor + 1 \dots \lfloor \frac{3n}{4} \rfloor]$ )
  Three( $A[\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1 \dots n]$ )
End Three.

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(6 points) 1. State a recurrence that gives the complexity $T(n)$ for algorithm **Three**.

For this problem I decided to analyze the cost of running each line individually.

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Three( $A[1 \dots n]$ )  $O(1)$ 
  If  $n \leq 1$  Then Return // nothing to do  $O(1)$ 
  Cubic( $A[1 \dots n]$ )  $O(n^3)$ 
  Three( $A[1 \dots \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor]$ )  $T(\frac{n}{2})$ 
  Three( $A[\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor + 1 \dots \lfloor \frac{3n}{4} \rfloor]$ )  $T(\frac{n}{2})$ 
  Three( $A[\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1 \dots n]$ )  $T(\frac{n}{2})$ 
End Three.  $O(1)$ 

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Which gives me the following recurrence relation:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n \leq 1 \\ 3T(\frac{n}{2}) + n^3 & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

(6 points) 2. Find the tight complexity of algorithm **Three**.

By Master Theorem I obtain case 3:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{n^{\log 3 + \epsilon}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{n^{\log 3 + (2 - \log 3)}} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{n^2} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \rightarrow \infty \\
 T(n) &\in \Theta(n^3)
 \end{aligned}$$

By Akra-Bazzi I obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^p &= 1 \\
 p &= \log_2 3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &\in \Theta\left(n^p\left(1 + \int_1^n \frac{u^3}{u^{p+1}} du\right)\right) \\
&\in \Theta(0.293305n^{1.58496} + 0.706695n^3) \\
&\in \Theta(n^3)
\end{aligned}$$