

CIS 675 Homework 1

Design and Analysis of Algorithms

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Problem 1: Master Theorem (Point 3)

Consider the following recurrence and prove that master theorem case 3 is not applicable for this recurrence. Give detailed explanation. If the explanation is not detailed, you will not get full point even if the answer is true.

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n(3 - \sin(n))$$

Solution: In Condition 1

$a = 1$, $b = 2$, $f(n) = n(3 - \sin(n))$, First we must prove that $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$

Now checking for $n^{\log_b a}$

$$n^{\log_2 1} = n^0 = 1, \text{ Therefore } f(n) = \Omega(n^\epsilon).$$

Since $f(n) = n(3 - \sin(n))$, the value of \sin always oscillates between 1 and -1. Therefore we can say that $n(3-1) < f(n) < n(3-(-1))$ which is $n(2) < f(n) < n(4)$.

Therefore, first condition is satisfied for $0 < \epsilon < 1$.

In Condition 2,

We need to prove that $a * f\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) < c * f(n)$ where $c < 1$, such that condition holds true for all values of n , where $n > 0$.

Therefore, by further solving it,

$$a * f\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) < c * f(n) = 1 * \frac{n}{2} \left(3 - \sin\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\right) < c * (3n - n \sin(n))$$

$$a * f\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) < c * f(n) = \frac{3n}{2} - \frac{n}{2} \sin\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) < c * (3n - n \sin(n)) \text{ since value of } c < 1$$

$$\text{Therefore } a * f\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) > c * f(n)$$

This contradiction happens since this is a regulatory violation. This happens when the work done on the lower leaf node might be more than the root node.

Thus, Masters Theorem Case 3 does not work in this case.

Problem 2: Master theorem 3, applies or not? (Point 3)

Following recurrence: $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + f(n)$ in which

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} n^3 & \text{if } [\log(n)] \text{ is even} \\ n^2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Show that $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b(a)+\epsilon})$. Explain why the third case of masters theorem stated above does not apply. Prove that $T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$ for your recurrence.

Hint: You can use guess and check method. You can consider the base cases $T(1) = C1$ and $T(2) = C2$.

Solution: Given equation $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + f(n)$, $a=2$, $b=2$, $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_2 2} = n$ Thus $f(n) = \Omega(n^{1+\epsilon})$

Master theorem Case 3 has the following condition for all values of n .

$a * f\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) < c * f(n)$ where $c < 1$. Now let's consider value of n as 8,

$$2 * f\left(\frac{8}{2}\right) \leq c * f(8)$$

$$2 * f(4) \leq c * f(8)$$

$$2 * 4^3 \leq c * 8^2$$

Therefore $128 \leq c * 64$ where $c < 1$.

The condition is no longer applicable. Hence, we can say that Masters theorem cannot be applied to this.

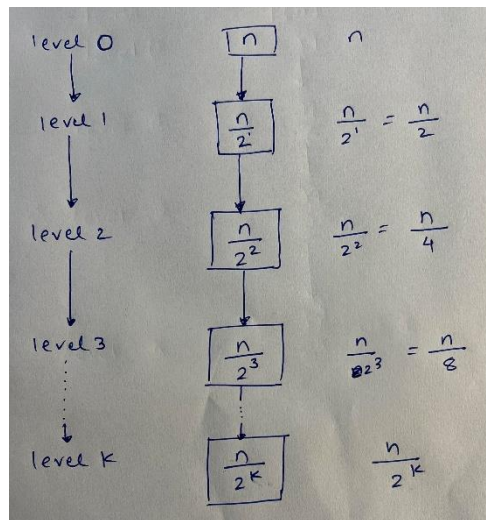
Problem 3: Recurrence: Expansion or Tree approach (Point 4)

Solve the following recurrence and prove that $T(n) = \Theta(n)$. (Need to mathematically explain all the steps)
 $T(n) = T(n/2) + n$, where n is a power of 2. That means, let $n = 2^k$ for integer $k > 0$.

You can only use expansion or tree approach. You cannot use induction or master theorem here.

Solution: $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n$, $a = 1$, $b = 2$, $f(n) = (n)$

Solving the equation by tree method. Since the value of $a = 1$, the tree will be divided similarly.



Now aggregating the terms, we get the equation

$$T(n) = \left[n + \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{2^2} + \frac{n}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{n}{2^k} \right]$$

Therefore, solving further we get

$$T(n) = n + n \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k} \right]$$

The Geometric Progression of finite series formula is,

$$\frac{a(1-r^{n+1})}{(1-r)}, \quad a = \frac{1}{2}, \quad r = \frac{1}{2}, \quad n = k$$

Where, a = first term, r = common ratio.

Solving using the geometric progression, we get

$$T(n) = n + n \left[\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k+1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \right] \right]$$

$$T(n) = n + n \left[\frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k \right] \right]$$

$$T(n) = n + n \left[1 - \frac{1}{2^k} \right]$$

Since $n = 2^k$

$$T(n) = n + (n-1)$$

$$T(n) = 2n - 1$$

Since in asymptotic notations, we only consider the dominant terms for Big-oh Notation and do not consider the constants. Therefore $T(n) = O(n)$.

For Lower bound, we should not consider other terms other than n . Therefore, it is $T(n) = \Omega(n)$.

Thus, it is proved that $T(n) = \Theta(n)$.