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DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF ALGORITHMS

Solving Recurrences

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Solving Recurrences: Example 1



$$T(n) = T(n-1) + 1$$
 $n>0$ $T(0) = 1$
 $T(n) = T(n-1) + 1$
 $= T(n-2) + 1 + 1 = T(n-2) + 2$
 $= T(n-3) + 1 + 2 = T(n-3) + 3$
...

 $= T(n-i) + i$
...

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

Solving Recurrences: Example 2



$$T(n) = T(n-1) + 2n - 1 T(0) = 0$$

$$= [T(n-2) + 2(n-1) - 1] + 2n - 1$$

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

$$= [T(n-3) + 2(n-2) - 1] + 2(n-1) + 2n - 2$$

$$= T(n-3) + 2(n-2) + 2(n-1) + 2n - 3$$
...
$$= T(n-i) + 2(n-i+1) + ... + 2n - i$$
...
$$= T(n-n) + 2(n-n+1) + ... + 2n - n$$

$$= 0 + 2 + 4 + ... + 2n - n$$

$$= 2 + 4 + ... + 2n - n$$

$$= 2 + n * (n+1)/2 - n$$
// arithmetic progression formula $1 + ... + n = n(n+1)/2 / m = O(n^2)$

Solving Recurrences: Example3



$$T(n) = T(n/2) + 1$$
 $n > 1$
 $T(1) = 1$
 $T(n) = T(n/2) + 1$
 $= T(n/2^2) + 1 + 1$
 $= T(n/2^3) + 1 + 1 + 1$
.....
 $= T(n/2^i) + i$
.....
 $= T(n/2^k) + k$ $(k = \log n)$
 $= 1 + \log n$
 $= O(\log n)$

Solving Recurrences: Example4



$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + cn$$
 $n > 1$ $T(1) = c$

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + cn$$

$$= 2(2T(n/2^{2}) + c(n/2)) + cn = 2^{2}T(n/2^{2}) + cn + cn$$

$$= 2^{2}(2T(n/2^{3}) + c(n/2^{2})) + cn + cn = 2^{3}T(n/2^{3}) + 3cn$$
.....
$$= 2^{i}T(n/2^{i}) + icn$$
.....
$$= 2^{k}T(n/2^{k}) + kcn \quad (k = \log n)$$

$$= nT(1) + cn\log n = cn + cn\log n$$

 $= O(n \log n)$



THANK YOU

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