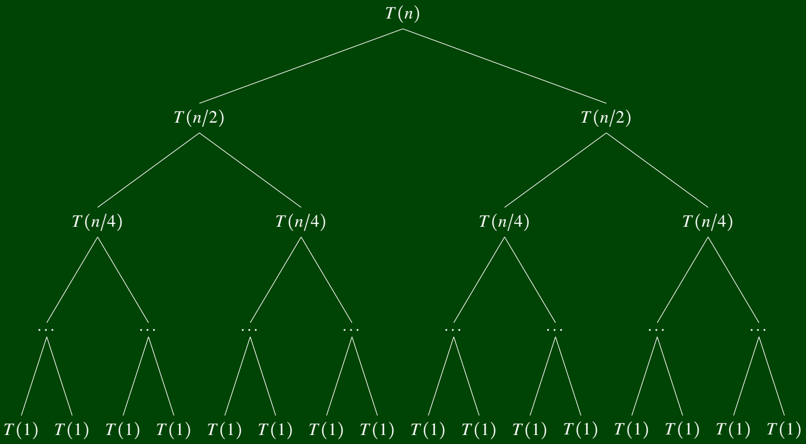
CSE 332

Data Abstractions

Algorithm Analysis 2



Outline

- Gauss' Sum: $\sum_{i=0}^{n} i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

- Infinite Geometric Series: $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^i = \frac{1}{1-x}$, when $|x| < 1$.

- Finite Geometric Series: $\sum_{i=0}^{n} x^i = \frac{1-x^{n+1}}{1-x}$, when $x \neq 1$.

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Since we can **upper** and **lower** bound the time complexity with the same complexity class, we can say `append` runs in $\Theta(n)$.

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  $\mathcal{O}(n)$, because we allocate a constant amount of space per element.

Well, we did `merge`, what did you think was next?

Consider the following code:

Merge Sort

```
sort(L) {
   if (L.size() < 2) {
      return L;
   }
   else {
      int mid = L.size() / 2;
      return merge(
         sort(L.subList(0, mid)),
         sort(L.subList(mid, L.size()))
      );
   }
}
```

What is the worst case/best case # of comparisons of `sort`?

Yeah, yeah, it's $\mathcal{O}(n \lg n)$, but why?

What is a recurrence?

In CSE 311, you saw a bunch of questions like:

Induction Problem

Let $f_0 = 0, f_1 = 1, f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$ for all $n \geq 2$. Prove $f_n < 2^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

(Remember the Fibonacci Numbers? You'd better bet they're going to show up in this course!)

That's a recurrence. That's it.

Definition (Recurrence)

A recurrence is a recursive definition of a function in terms of smaller values.

Merge Sort is hard; so...

Let's start with trying to analyze this code:

LinkedList Reversal

```
reverse(L) {
   if (L == null) {
      return null;
   }
   else {
      Node front = L;
      Node rest = L.next;
      L.next = null;

      Node restReversed = reverse(rest);
      append(front, restReversed);
   }
}
```

Notice that `append` is the same function from the beginning of lecture that had runtime $\mathcal{O}(n)$.

So, what is the time complexity of `reverse`?

We split the work into two pieces:

- Non-Recursive Work
- Recursive Work

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Recursive Work: The work it takes to do reverse **on a list one smaller**.

Putting these together almost gives us the recurrence:

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We're missing the base case!

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Now, we need to **solve** the recurrence.

Solving the `reverse` Recurrence

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} d_0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ c_0 + c_1 n + T(n-1) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &= (c_0 + c_1 n) \quad + \quad T(n-1) \\
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&= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (c_0 + c_1(n-i)) \quad + \quad d_0 \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} c_0 + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} c_1(n-i) \quad + \quad d_0 \\
&= nc_0 + c_1 \sum_{i=1}^{n} i \quad + \quad d_0 \\
&= nc_0 + c_1 \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right) \quad + \quad d_0 \\
&= \mathcal{O}(n^2)
\end{aligned}$$

A recurrence where we solve some constant piece of the problem (e.g. "-1", "-2", etc.) is called a **Linear Recurrence**.

We solve these like we did above by **Unrolling the Recurrence**.

This is a fancy way of saying "plug the definition into itself until a pattern emerges".

Today's Takeaways!

- Understand that Big-Oh is just an "upper bound" and Big-Omega is just a "lower bound"
- Know how to make a recurrence from a recursive program
- Understand what a linear recurrence is
- Be able to find a closed form linear recurrences
- Know the common summations