

# Introduction to Graphs

Data Structures and Algorithms

### Warm Up

The Merge Sort algorithm has the same runtime for its worst, best and average case. Create a recurrence that represents this runtime:

 $T(n) = -\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n <= 1\\ 2T(n/2) + n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ 





# **Review:** Unfolding Technique

$$T(n) = - \begin{cases} 1 \text{ when } n = 0 \\ 2T(n-1) + 1 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

T(5) = 2T(5-1) + 1

- = 2(2T(4 1) + 1) + 1
- = 2(2(2T(3 1) + 1) + 1) + 1)
- = 2(2(2(2T(2 1) + 1) + 1) + 1) + 1)
- = 2(2(2(2(2T(1 1) + 1) + 1) + 1) + 1) + 1)
- = 2(2(2(2(2(1) + 1) + 1) + 1) + 1) + 1)

 $= 2^5 + 5$ 

 $= 2^{n} + n$ 

The pattern by which we move towards the base case is n - 1We would call this a "**linear recurrence**"

# Unfolding Technique

$$T(n) = -\begin{cases} 1 \text{ when } n \leq 1\\ 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$T(16) = 2T\left(\frac{16}{2}\right) + 16$$

$$= 2(2T\left(\frac{8}{2}\right) + 8) + 16$$

$$= 2(2(2T\left(\frac{4}{2}\right) + 4) + 8) + 16$$
$$= 2(2(2(2T\left(\frac{2}{2}\right) + 2) + 4) + 8) + 16$$

$$= 2(2(2(2(1) + 2) + 4) + 8) + 16$$
  
= 16 + 16 + 16 + 16 = 2<sup>4</sup> +  $\sum_{1}^{4} 16$  = 2 <sup>$\sqrt{n}$</sup>  +  $\sum_{1}^{\sqrt{n}} n$ 

The pattern by which we move towards the base case is **not** linear Multiple recursive calls cause **branching** Is there an easier way to find the closed form?

### Tree Method



- What work to do? 1.
- Replace with definition 2.
- Break apart non recursive and recursive pieces 3.
- Replace with definition 4.
- Break apart non recursive and recursive pieces 5.

...



### Tree Method Formulas

### How much work is done by recursive levels (branch nodes)?

1. How many nodes are on each branch level i? branchNum(i)

- i = 0 is overall root level
- How many recursive calls are in each recursive branch to the power of which branch
- 2. At each level i, how much work does a single node do? branchWork(i)
- 3. How many recursive levels are there? branchCount

branchCount

- Based on the pattern of how we get down to base case

*Recursive work* =

branchNum(i) = 2<sup>i</sup>

branchWork(i) = (n/ 2<sup>i</sup>)

branchCount =  $log_2n - 1$ 

$$T(n > 1) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n - 1} 2^i \left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right)$$

leafCount =  $2^{\log 2n} = n$ 

### How much work is done by the base case level (leaf nodes)?

- 1. How much work does a single leaf node do? leafWork
- 2. How many leaf nodes are there? leafCount
  - How many branch nodes are in the second to last level x recursive calls per node

 $NonRecursive work = leafWork \times leafCount = leafWork \times branchNum^{numLevels}$ 

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n-1} 2^i \left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right) + n = n \log_2 n + n$$

$$T(n) = -\begin{cases} 1 \text{ when } n \le 1\\ 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$T(n \le 1) = n$$

leafWork = 1



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### **Tree Method Practice**

- 1. How many nodes on each branch level?
- 2. How much work for each branch node?
- 3. How much work per branch level?
- $3^{i}c\left(\frac{n}{4^{i}}\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^{i}cn^{2}$

 $3^i$ 

 $c\left(\frac{n}{\Lambda i}\right)^2$ 

- 4. How many branch levels?  $\log_4 n 1$
- 5. How much work for each leaf node? 4

6. How many leaf nodes?  $3^{\log_4 n}$ 

power of a log  $x^{\log_b y} = y^{\log_b x}$ 

$$T(n) = - \begin{cases} 4 \text{ when } n \leq 1\\ 3T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + cn^2 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Level (i)	Number of Nodes	Work per Node	Work per Level
0	1	$cn^2$	$cn^2$
1	3	$c\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)^2$	$\frac{3}{16}cn^2$
2	9	$c\left(\frac{n}{16}\right)^2$	$\frac{9}{256}cn^2$
base	$3^{\log_4 n}$	4	$12^{\log_4 n}$

Combining it all together...

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n - 1} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i cn^2 + 4n^{\log_4 3}$$

$$n^{\log_4 3}$$

### **Tree Method Practice**

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n^{-1}} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i cn^2 + 4n^{\log_4 3}$$

factoring out a  
constant  
$$\sum_{i=a}^{b} cf(i) = c \sum_{i=a}^{b} f(i)$$

$$T(n) = cn^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n - 1} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i + 4n^{\log_4 3}$$

finite geometric series  

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x^{i} = \frac{x^{n} - 1}{x - 1}$$

Closed form:

$$T(n) = cn^2 \left(\frac{\frac{3^{\log_4 n}}{16} - 1}{\frac{3}{16} - 1}\right) + 4n^{\log_4 3}$$

If we're trying to prove upper bound...

$$T(n) = cn^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i + 4n^{\log_4 3}$$

infinite geometric series  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^{i} = \frac{1}{1-x}$ when -1 < x < 1

$$T(n) = cn^2 \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{3}{16}}\right) + 4n^{\log_4 3}$$
$$T(n) \in O(n^2)$$

### Is there an easier way?

What if you don't want an exact closed form?

Sorry, no

If we want to find a big  $\Theta$ 

Yes!

### Master Theorem

Given a recurrence of the following form:

$$T(n) = - \begin{bmatrix} d \text{ when } n = 1 \\ aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + n^{c} \text{ otherwise} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then thanks to magical math brilliance we can assume the following:

If 
$$\log_b a < c$$
 then  $T(n) \in \Theta(n^c)$ 

If  $\log_b a = c$  then  $T(n) \in \Theta(n^c \log_2 n)$ 

If  $\log_b a > c$  then  $T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$ 

### Apply Master Theorem



$$T(n) = -\begin{cases} 1 \text{ when } n \le 1 \\ 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$a = 2 \\ b = 2 \\ c = 1 \\ d = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\log_b a = c \Rightarrow \log_2 2 = 1$$

 $T(n) \in \Theta(n^c \log_2 n) \Rightarrow \Theta(n^1 \log_2 n)$ 

## **Reflecting on Master Theorem**

Given a recurrence of the form:  

$$T(n) = \frac{d \text{ when } n = 1}{aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + n^c \text{ otherwise}}$$
If  $\log_b a < c$  then  $T(n) \in \Theta(n^c)$   
If  $\log_b a = c$  then  $T(n) \in \Theta(n^c \log_2 n)$   
If  $\log_b a > c$  then  $T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$ 

The  $\log_b a < c$  case

- Recursive case conquers work more quickly than it divides work
- Most work happens near "top" of tree
- Non recursive work in recursive case dominates growth, n<sup>c</sup> term

The  $\log_b a = c$  case

- Work is equally distributed across call stack (throughout the "tree")
- Overall work is approximately work at top level x height

 $\begin{aligned} height &\approx \log_{b} a \\ branchWork &\approx n^{c}\log_{b} a \\ leafWork &\approx d(n^{\log_{b} a}) \end{aligned}$ 

The  $\log_b a > c$  case

- Recursive case divides work faster than it conquers work
- Most work happens near "bottom" of tree
- Leaf work dominates branch work



### Inter-data Relationships

### Arrays

Categorically associated

Sometimes ordered

Typically independent

Elements only store pure data, no connection info

0 1 2 A B C

### Trees

**Directional Relationships** 

Ordered for easy access

Limited connections

Elements store data and connection info



# Graphs

Multiple relationship connections

Relationships dictate structure

Connection freedom!

Both elements and connections can store data



# Graph: Formal Definition

A graph is defined by a pair of sets G = (V, E) where...

- V is a set of vertices
  - A vertex or "node" is a data entity

V = { A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H }

- E is a set of edges
  - An edge is a connection between two vertices

E = { (A, B), (A, C), (A, D), (A, H), (C, B), (B, D), (D, E), (D, F), (F, G), (G, H)}



# Applications

#### Physical Maps

- Airline maps
  - Vertices are airports, edges are flight paths
- Traffic
  - Vertices are addresses, edges are streets

#### Relationships

- Social media graphs
  - Vertices are accounts, edges are follower relationships
- Code bases
  - Vertices are classes, edges are usage

#### Influence

- Biology
  - Vertices are cancer cell destinations, edges are migration paths

#### **Related topics**

- Web Page Ranking
  - Vertices are web pages, edges are hyperlinks
- Wikipedia
  - Vertices are articles, edges are links

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# Graph Vocabulary

**Graph Direction** 

- Undirected graph – edges have no direction and are two-way

V = { A, B, C }

- E = { (A, B), (B, C) } *inferred* (B, A) and (C,B)
- **Directed graphs** edges have direction and are thus one-way

V = { A, B, C } E = { (A, B), (B, C), (C, B) }

### **Degree of a Vertex**

- **Degree** – the number of edges containing that vertex

A : 1, B : 1, C : 1

- In-degree the number of directed edges that point to a vertex
   A: 0, B: 2, C: 1
- Out-degree the number of directed edges that start at a vertex
   A: 1, B: 1, C: 1



### Food for thought

Is a graph valid if there exists a vertex with a degree of 0?





A

Yes

A has an "in degree" of 0 B has an Is this a valid graph? Are these valid?

Yes!



C has both an "in degree" and an "out degree" of 0

С



Sure

# Graph Vocabulary

**Self loop** – an edge that starts and ends at the same vertex



**Parallel edges** – two edges with the same start and end vertices



Simple graph – a graph with no self-loops and no parallel edges