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Lecture 23: Recurrences

# Analysis of Merge-Sort

- · Recurrence describing computation time:
  - T(n) = c + d + e + f + 2 T(n/2) + g n + h  $\leftarrow$  recurrence - T(1) = i  $\leftarrow$  base case
- · How do we solve this recurrence?

## Analysis of Merge-Sort

- Recurrence:
  - T(n) = c + d + e + f + 2 T(n/2) + g n + h
  - T(1) = i
- First, simplify by dropping lower-order terms and replacing constants by their max
  - T(n) = 2 T(n/2) + a n
  - T(1) = b
- Simplify even more. Consider only the number of comparisons.
  - T(n) = 2 T(n/2) + n
  - T(1) = 0
- · How do we find the solution?

### **Solving Recurrences**

- Unfortunately, solving recurrences is like solving differential equations
  - No general technique works for all recurrences
- Luckily, can get by with a few common patterns
- You learn some more techniques in CS2800

# Analysis of Merge-Sort

- Recurrence for number of comparisons of MergeSort
  - T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n
  - T(1) = 0
  - T(2) = 2
- To show: T(n) is O(n log(n)) for n  $\in$  {2,4,8,16,32,...}
  - Restrict to powers of two to keep algebra simpler
- Proof: use induction on  $n \in \{2,4,8,16,32,...\}$ 
  - Show P(n) =  $\{T(n) \le c \text{ n log}(n)\}$  for some fixed constant c.
  - Base: P(2)
  - T(2) = 2 ≤ c 2 log(2) using c=1
  - Strong inductive hypothesis: P(m) = {T(m) ≤ c m log(m)} is true for all  $m \in \{2,4,8,16,32,...,k\}$  .
  - Induction step: P(2)  $\wedge$  P(4)  $\wedge$  ...  $\wedge$  P(k) → P(2k)
    - $T(2k) \le 2T(2k/2) + (2k) \le 2(c k log(k)) + (2k) \le c (2k) log(k) + c (2k) = c (2k) (log(k) + 1) = c (2k) log(2k) for <math>c \ge 1$

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# Solving Recurrences

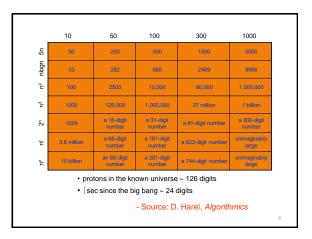
- Recurrences are important when using divide & conquer to design an algorithm
- · Solution techniques:
  - Can sometimes change variables to get a simpler recurrence
  - Make a guess, then prove the guess correct by induction
  - Build a recursion tree and use it to determine solution
  - Can use the Master Method
     A "cookbook" scheme that handles many common recurrences
- Master Method:
- To solve T(n) = a T(n/b) + f(n)compare f(n) with  $n^{\log_b a}$
- Solution is T(n) = O(f(n))

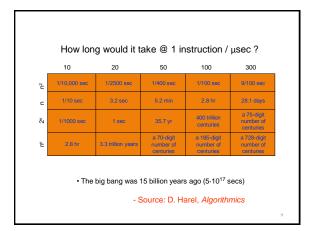
  if f(n) grows more rapidly
- Solution is T(n) = O(n<sup>log</sup><sub>b</sub>a)
   if nlog<sub>b</sub>a grows more rapidly
- Solution is T(n) = O(f(n) log n)
  if both grow at same rate

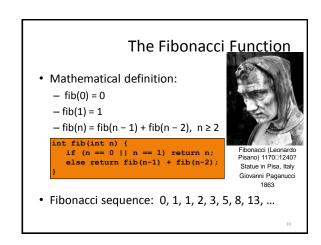
Not an exact statement of the theorem – f(n) must be "well-behaved"

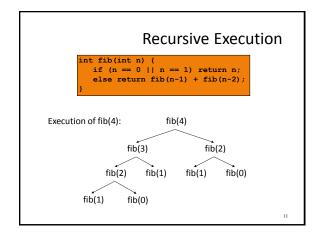
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#### **Recurrence Examples** Some common cases: • T(n) = T(n-1) + 1T(n) = O(n)Linear Search • T(n) = T(n-1) + n $T(n) = O(n^2)$ QuickSort worst-case • T(n) = T(n/2) + 1 $T(n) = O(\log n)$ Binary Search • T(n) = T(n/2) + nT(n) = O(n)T(n) = O(n log n) MergeSort • T(n) = 2 T(n/2) + n• T(n) = 2 T(n - 1) $T(n) = O(2^n)$





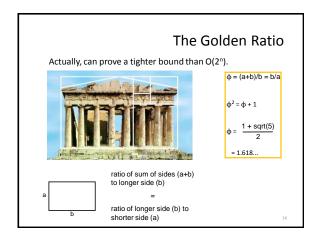




## Analysis of Recursive Fib

- · Recurrence for number of comparisons of MergeSort
  - T(0) = a
  - T(1) = a
  - T(n) = T(n-1) + T(n-2) + a
- To show: T(n) is O(2<sup>n</sup>)
- · Proof: use induction on n
  - Show P(n) = {T(n) ≤ c 2<sup>n</sup>} for some fixed constant c.
  - Basis: P(0)
  - T(0) = a ≤ c 2<sup>0</sup> using c=
  - Basis: P(1)
  - T(1) = a ≤ c 2¹ using c=a
  - Strong inductive hypothesis:  $P(m) = \{T(m) \le c \ 2^{nm}\}$  is true for all  $m \le k$ .
  - Induction step: P(0)  $\land$  ...  $\land$  P(k) → P(k+1)
    - $T(k+1) \le T(k) + T(k-1) + a \le c 2^n + c 2^{n-1} + a = c \% 2^{n+1} + a \le c 2^{n+1}$  for any  $c \ge \frac{1}{4}$  a and any  $n \ge 2$ .

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# Fibonacci Recurrence is O(φ<sup>n</sup>)

- Simplification: Ignore constant effort in recursive case.
  - T(0) = a
  - T(1) = a
  - T(n) = T(n-1) + T(n-2)
- Want to show  $T(n) \le c\phi^n$  for all  $n \ge 0$ .
- have φ<sup>2</sup> = φ + 1
- multiplying by  $c\varphi^n \rightarrow c\varphi^{n+2} = c\varphi^{n+1} + c\varphi^n$
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  - $T(0) = c = c\phi^0$  for c = a
  - T(1) = c  $\leq$  c $\varphi$ <sup>1</sup> for c = a
- · Induction step:
  - $T(n+2) = T(n+1) + T(n) \le c\phi^{n+1} + c\phi^n = c\phi^{n+2}$

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#### Can We Do Better?

if (n <= 1) return n;
int parent = 0;
int current = 1;
for (int i = 2; i ≤ n; i++) {
 int next = current + parent;
 parent = current;
 current = next;
}
return (current);</pre>

#### Time Complexity:

- Number of times loop is executed? n-1
- Number of basic steps per loop? Constant
- → Complexity of iterative algorithm = O(n)

Much, much, much, better than  $O(\Phi^n)$ !

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#### ...But We Can Do Even Better!

- Denote with f, the n-th Fibonacci number
  - $f_0 = 0$
  - $-f_1 = 1$  $-f_{n+2} = f_{n+1} + f_n$
- $\bullet \ \ \text{Note that} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \! \left[ \begin{matrix} f_n \\ f_{n+1} \end{matrix} \right] = \ \left[ \begin{matrix} f_{n+1} \\ f_{n+2} \end{matrix} \right] \text{, thus} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^n \left( \begin{matrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \end{matrix} \right) = \left( \begin{matrix} f_n \\ f_{n+1} \end{matrix} \right)$
- Can compute nth power of matrix by repeated squaring in O(log n) time.
  - Gives complexity O(log n)
  - A little cleverness got us from exponential to logarithmic.

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#### But We Are Not Done Yet...

· Would you believe constant time?

$$f_n = \frac{\varphi^n - \varphi^{n}}{\sqrt{5}}$$

where 
$$\varphi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$
  $\varphi'$ 

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# Matrix Mult in Less Than O(n3)

 Idea (Strassen's Algorithm): naive 2 x 2 matrix multiplication takes 8 scalar multiplications, but we can do it in 7:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} \ = \ \begin{pmatrix} s_1 + s_2 \cdot s_4 + s_6 & s_4 + s_5 \\ s_6 + s_7 & s_2 \cdot s_3 + s_5 \cdot s_7 \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 -s_1 &= (b-d)(g+h) & s_5 &= a(f-h) \\
 -s_2 &= (a+d)(e+h) & s_6 &= d(g-e) \\
 -s_3 &= (a-c)(e+f) & s_7 &= e(c+d) \\
 -s_4 &= h(a+b) & s_7 &= e(c+d) 
\end{aligned}$$

# Now Apply This Recursively – Divide and Conquer!

- Break 2<sup>n+1</sup> x 2<sup>n+1</sup> matrices up into 4 2<sup>n</sup> x 2<sup>n</sup> submatrices
- Multiply them the same way

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E & F \\ G & H \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} S_1 + S_2 - S_4 + S_6 & S_4 + S_5 \\ S_6 + S_7 & S_2 - S_3 + S_5 - S_7 \end{pmatrix}$$

• where

$$\begin{split} S_1 &= (B-D)(G+H) & S_5 &= A(F-H) \\ S_2 &= (A+D)(E+H) & S_6 &= D(G-E) \\ S_3 &= (A-C)(E+F) & S_7 &= E(C+D) \\ S_4 &= H(A+B) & \end{split}$$

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# Now Apply This Recursively – Divide and Conquer!

- · Recurrence for the runtime of Strassen's Alg
  - $-M(n) = 7 M(n/2) + cn^2$
  - Solution is M(n) = O(n<sup>log 7</sup>) = O(n<sup>2.81</sup>)
- · Number of additions
  - Separate proof
  - Number of additions is O(n2)

#### Is That the Best You Can Do?

- How about 3 x 3 for a base case?
  - best known is 23 multiplicationsnot good enough to beat Strassen
- In 1978, Victor Pan discovered how to multiply 70 x 70 matrices with 143640 multiplications, giving O(n<sup>2.795...</sup>)
- Best bound to date (obtained by entirely different methods) is O(n<sup>2.376...</sup>) (Coppersmith & Winograd 1987)
- Best know lower bound is still  $\Omega(n^2)$

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# Moral: Complexity Matters!

 But you are acquiring the best tools to deal with it!

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