

Analysis and Design of Algorithms

UNIT-1

Recurrence Relations

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Recurrence Tree

We can visualize iteration method as a recursion tree in which at each level nodes are expanded.

- RECURSION TREE "Drawing a picture of the back substitution process (iteration method) gives you a idea of what is going on".
- The recursion tree method is good for generating guesses for the substitution method.
- A recursion tree models the costs (time) of a recursive execution of an algorithm.
- The recursion-tree method promotes intuition, however.

Recurrence Tree

Here while solving recurrences, we divide the problem into sub-problems of equal size. For e.g., T(n) = a T(n/b) + f(n)where $a \ge 1$, b > 1 and f(n) is a given function. F(n) is the cost of splitting or combining the sub-problems.



Recurrence Tree

- In a recursion tree,
- each node represents the cost of a single subproblem somewhere in the set of recursive problems invocations.
- we sum the cost within each level of the tree to obtain a set of per level cost and
- then we sum all the per level cost to determine the total cost of all levels of recursion.

Solve $T(n) = T(n/4) + T(n/2) + n^2$

T(*n*)















 Recursion-Tree = Diagrammatic Way of Doing Iterative Expansion

Solve T(n) = 3T(n/4) + cn²

Solution : on next page Diagrammatically.



Figure 4.1 The construction of a recursion tree for the recurrence $T(n) = 3T(n/4) + cn^2$. Part (a) shows T(n), which is progressively expanded in (b)–(d) to form the recursion tree. The fully expanded tree in part (d) has height $\log_4 n$ (it has $\log_4 n + 1$ levels).

- Constructing a recursion tree for the recurrence-T (n)= 3T (n/4) + c n^2
- Part (a) shows T (n), which progressively expands in (b)–
 (d) to form the recursion tree.
- The fully expanded tree in part (d) has heightlog₄ n (it has log_4 n + 1 levels).
- Sub problem size at depth i =n/4ⁱ
- Sub problem size is 1 when $n/4^i=1 => i = \log_4 n$
- So, no. of levels $=1 + \log_4 n$
- Cost of each level = (no. of nodes) x (cost of each node)

No. Of nodes at depth i=3ⁱ

Cost of each node at depth i=c $(n/4^i)^2$

Cost of each level at depth $i=3^{i} c (n/4^{i})^{2} = (3/16)^{i} cn^{2}$

 $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n} cn^2 (3/16)^i$

 $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n - 1} cn^2 (3/16)^i + cost of last level$

Cost of nodes in last level $=3^{i}T(1)$

$$\Rightarrow c3^{\log_4 n} \text{ (at last level } i=\log_4 n)$$

$$\Rightarrow cn^{\log_4 3}$$

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n - 1} cn^2 (3/16)^i + c n^{\log_4 3}$$

$$\leq cn^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (3/16)^{i+} cn^{\log_4 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow <= cn^{2*}(16/13) + cn^{\log_4 3} => T(n) = O(n^2)$$

 Recursion-Tree = Diagrammatic Way of Doing Iterative Expansion

Solve T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n

Solution : on next page Diagrammatically.

1) T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n

The recursion tree for this recurrence is :



When we add the values across the levels of the recursion tree, we get a value of n for every level.

We have
$$-n + n + n + \dots$$
 log n times
= $n (1 + 1 + 1 + \dots \log n \text{ times})$
= $n (\log_2 n)$
= $\Theta (n \log n)$

 $T(n) = \Theta (n \log n)$

Example-3(Second Method)

II. Given : T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 1Solution : The recursion tree for the above recurrence is



Example-3(Second Method)

Now we add up the costs over all levels of the recursion tree, to determine the cost for the entire tree :

We get series like $1 + 2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots$ log n times which is a G.P.

[So, using the formula for sum of terms in a G.P.:

$$a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \underline{a(r^n - 1)}$$

 $r - 1$]
 $= \underline{1(2^{\log n} - 1)}$
 $2 - 1$
 $= n - 1$
 $= \Theta (n - 1)$ (neglecting the lower order terms)
 $= \Theta (n)$

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Solve T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + cn

Solution : on next page Diagrammatically.



Total: $O(n \lg n)$

Figure 4.2 A recursion tree for the recurrence T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + cr