

Session 1

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What are we doing here?

- I want to do whatever would be the most helpful for you guys.
- Focusing on W/Th of previous week and M/T content of current week.

Possible thoughts:

- Reinforce lecture content
- You do some problems
- I go through some problems
- Anything else?

I will always have some time at the beginning to answer any questions.

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Theorem

If f is non-negative monotone decreasing, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(i) = \Theta\left(\int_1^n f(x)dx\right)$$

Proof.

Main idea is as follows:

$$\int_1^n f(x)dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f(i) \leq f(1) + \int_1^n f(x)dx$$



On monotone increasing

For monotone increasing we have:

$$\int_1^n f(x)dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f(i) \leq \int_1^n f(x)dx + f(M)$$

So as long as $f(M) \in O(\int_1^n f(x)dx)$, we have

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This covers all non-super exponential functions

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Master's Theorem is Cringe

- I **personally** don't see much value in it
- Pretty limited in its capabilities
- You should be able to calculate these recursions on the spot

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First level of tree has $O(n^3)$ work, second level has 2 calls with $(n/2)^3$ work.¹

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\ll \sum_{i=1}^{\log_2(n)} (1/4)^i n^3 \\ &\ll n^3 \sum_{i=1}^{\log_2(n)} (1/4)^i \\ &\ll n^3 \end{aligned}$$

¹ $f(x) \ll g(x)$ means $f(x) \in O(g(x))$

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First level does c work, second level does $2c$ work, third does $4c$ work and so forth.

Question

How many levels are there in the recursion tree?

The input size at each level decreases by $\sqrt{\bullet}$, let k be the tree depth then:

$$n^{1/2^k} \leq C$$

$$1/2^k \cdot \log(n) \leq \log(C)$$

$$-k + \log \log(n) \leq \log \log(C)$$

$$k \geq \log \log(n) - \log \log(C)$$

Solving $T(n) = 2T(\sqrt{n}) + O(1)$ cont.

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\ll \sum_{i=0}^{\log \log(n)} 2^i \\ &\ll \int_0^{\log \log(n)} 2^x dx \\ &\ll 2^{\log \log(n)} \\ &\ll \log(n) \end{aligned}$$

Thus $T(n) \in O(\log(n))$

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Recursion Practice

- Being able to think recursively is crucial in this class (e.g. D&C and DP)

Problem

Given an array of integers, $A = [1..n]$, with $A[1]$ odd and $A[n]$ even, find an index i such that $A[i]$ is odd and $A[i + 1]$ is even.

Problem

(Subset Sum) Given n integers $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and an integer T , determine if there is a subset of indices $S \subseteq [n]$ such that $\sum_{i \in S} x_i = T$. We don't care about runtime, just want you to solve recursively.