

midterm 1 : Thurs 1-28-21

see webpage for details

one more ind. handout example:

Ex. Show that $\forall n \geq 1$:

$P(n)$



if T is a tree with n vertices,
then T has $n-1$ edges.

Proof:

I. $P(1)$ says: "if T is a tree with
1 vertex, then T has 0 edges"

note: only one graph with 1 vertex

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so $P(1)$ is true.

II d. $\forall n \geq 1 : P(1) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n-1) \rightarrow P(n)$

Let $n \geq 1$ be arbitrary. Assume for this n , and for all k in the range $1 \leq k < n$, that:

If T' is a tree with k vertices, then T' has $k-1$ edges.

we must show that:

If T is a tree with n vertices, then T has $n-1$ edges.

Assume T is a tree on n vertices. Let e be any edge in T and remove it. This decomposes T into two subtrees T_1, T_2 , each with fewer than n vertices.

Let k_1, k_2 be # of vertices in T_1 and T_2 , respectively. By the induction hypothesis:

T_1 has $k_1 - 1$ edges, and

T_2 has $k_2 - 1$ edges.

By re-inserting e into T , we see that the # edges in T is

$$(k_1 - 1) + (k_2 - 1) + 1 = (k_1 + k_2) - 1$$

$$= n - 1$$

note: $k_1 + k_2 = n$ since no vertices were removed.

Thus T has $n - 1$ edges, as required. Result follows for all trees by 2nd PMI. 

Handout: Recurrence relations

Ex.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & (n=1) \\ T(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor) + T(\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil) + dn & (n \geq 2) \end{cases}$$

explicit solution: a fcn. that
satisfies recurrence for all
 $n \geq 1$.

asymptotic solution: an asymptotic
(upper, lower, tight) bound on the
explicit solution.

3 methods

- Substitution: start with a guess as to asympt. (upper or lower) bound, then prove the guess by induction.
- Iteration/recursion tree: generate guess for substitution.
- Master: use cookbook method to get a tight asymptotic bound.

Substitution method

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad T(n) = \begin{cases} 2 & 1 \leq n < 3 \\ 3 \cdot T(\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor) + n & n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Guess: $T(n) = O(n \log n)$.

To prove this, we must find Positive c, n_0 such that

$$\forall n \geq n_0 : T(n) \leq c n \log n$$

observe: recurrence has 2 base cases $n=1, n=2$. But base case $n=1$ cannot be true!

$$\underbrace{T(1)}_2 \leq \underbrace{c \cdot 1 \cdot \log(1)}_0$$

also

$$\frac{T(2)}{2} \leq \frac{c \cdot 2 \log(2)}{2}$$

can be made by proper choice of c .

lowest base case: $n_0 = 2$

highest base case: $n_1 = ?$

Let's assume $\log() = \log_2()$.

Sketch of ind. proof.

Let $n > n_1$. assume for $2 \leq k < n$ that $T(k) \leq c k \log(k)$. we must show

$$T(n) \leq c n \log(n).$$

we have

$$T(n) = 3T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor\right) + n$$

$$\leq 3 \cdot c \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor \log \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor \right) + n \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{by ind. hyp.} \\ \text{with } k = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor \end{array} \right.$$

$$\leq \cancel{3} c \left(\frac{n}{3} \right) \log \left(\frac{n}{3} \right) + n$$

$$= cn (\log n - 1) + n$$

$$= cn \log n - cn + n \leq cn \log n$$

$\uparrow$
 want

$$\therefore \text{we want } -cn + n \leq 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } n \leq cn$$

$$\text{i.e. } \boxed{1 \leq c}$$

If this constraint is satisfied, then ind. step will work,

To apply the ind. hyp. we need

$$2 \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor < n$$

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 obviously true

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true only if $n \leq \frac{n}{3}$

i.e. $n \geq 6$ $\therefore$ pick $n_1 = 5$

Base cases: $n = 2, 3, 4, 5$

need

$$T(2) \leq c \cdot 2 \log(2)$$

$$T(3) \leq c \cdot 3 \log(3)$$

$$T(4) \leq c \cdot 4 \log(4)$$

$$T(5) \leq c \cdot 5 \log(5)$$

Pick

$$c = \max \left\{ 1, \frac{T(2)}{2 \log 2}, \frac{T(3)}{3 \log 3}, \frac{T(4)}{4 \log 4}, \frac{T(5)}{5 \log 5} \right\}$$

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largest

Pick $c = \frac{T(3)}{3 \log 3} = \frac{9}{3 \log 3} = 3$

claim: $\forall n \geq 2 : \boxed{T(n) \leq 3n \log_3(n)}$

$\uparrow$
 $P(n)$

Proof:

I. 4 Base cases

$$T(2) \leq 3 \cdot 2 \log 2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$T(3) \leq 3 \cdot 3 \log 3 \quad \checkmark$$

$$T(4) \leq 3 \cdot 4 \log 4 \quad \checkmark$$

$$T(5) \leq 3 \cdot 5 \log 5 \quad \checkmark$$

II. $\forall n \geq 5 : P(2) \vee \dots \vee P(n-1) \rightarrow P(n)$.

Let $n \geq 5$ be arbitrary. assume
for $2 \leq k < n$ that $T(k) \leq 3k \log k$.
In particular, for $k = \lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor$ we have

$$T(\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor) \leq 3 \cdot \lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor \log \lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor.$$

we must show $T(n) \leq 3n \log n$

III

so

$$T(n) = 3T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor\right) + n$$

$$\leq 3 \cdot 3 \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor \log \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor + n$$

$$\leq 9 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{3}\right) \log\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + n$$

$$= 3n(\log n - 1) + n$$

$$= 3n \log n - 3n + n$$

$$= 3n \log n - 2n$$

$$\leq 3n \log n$$

QED