



Problem 3

We need to prove that $f(x) \geq cx^p(1 + \int_1^x \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du)$, for some constant $c \Rightarrow f(x) \in \Omega(x^p(1 + \int_1^x \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du))$.

We define index of x 's number k , such that $\frac{x}{b^k} \leq x_0 < \frac{x}{b^{k+1}}$. Proof is by induction on k .

Base Case: $k = 0 \Rightarrow x \leq x_0$. We have to prove that

$$f(x) = h(x) \geq cx^p(1 + \int_1^x \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du). \text{ Let } M = \max\{\frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} | 1 \leq u \leq x_0\} \Rightarrow \int_1^x \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du \leq M(x-1) \leq$$

$$M(x_0 - 1). \text{ Also, let } M' = \max(1, x_0^p).$$

Then, if we choose constant $c < \frac{d_1}{M'(1+M(x_0-1))}$, we will get that $h(x) \geq d_1 \geq cM'(1 + M(x_0 - 1)) \geq cx^p(1 + \int_1^x \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du)$.

$$\text{Induction Step: } f(x) = af(\frac{x}{b}) + g(x) \geq ac(\frac{x}{b})^p(1 + \int_1^{\frac{x}{b}} \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du) + g(x) = cx^p(1 + \int_1^{\frac{x}{b}} \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du) + g(x) \quad (1)$$

We know that $u^{p+1} \geq \min((\frac{x}{b})^{p+1}, x^{p+1})$, for all $\frac{x}{b} \leq u \leq x$. Also, using the polynomial growth condition and by assuming that constant $c < \frac{\min((\frac{1}{b})^{p+1}, 1)}{c_2(1-\frac{1}{b})}$, we get that $cx^p(\int_{\frac{x}{b}}^x \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du) \leq$

$$cx^p(\int_{\frac{x}{b}}^x \frac{c_2g(x)}{u^{p+1}} du) \leq cx^p(x - \frac{x}{b}) \frac{c_2g(x)}{\min((\frac{x}{b})^{p+1}, x^{p+1})} = c \frac{c_2(1-\frac{1}{b})}{\min((\frac{1}{b})^{p+1}, 1)} g(x) \leq g(x). \text{ If we combine this}$$

inequality with the inequality (1), we get that $f(x) \geq cx^p(1 + \int_1^{\frac{x}{b}} \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du) + cx^p(\int_{\frac{x}{b}}^x \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du) =$

$$cx^p(1 + \int_1^x \frac{g(u)}{u^{p+1}} du).$$

Problem 1

Example Solutions for Assignment 2

Question 1

Akra-Bazzi Method

a) $g(n) = \sqrt{n}$
 $a = 2, b = 4 \Rightarrow p = \frac{\log 2}{\log 4} = \frac{1}{2}.$

By the Akra-Bazzi theorem follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \frac{\sqrt{u}}{u^{\frac{1}{2}+1}} du)) \\ &= \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \frac{u^{\frac{1}{2}}}{u^{\frac{3}{2}}} du)) \\ &= \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (1 + \int_1^n u^{-1} du)) \\ &= \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (1 + [\ln u]_1^n)) \\ &= \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (1 + \ln n - \ln 1)) \\ &= \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{2}} + n^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \ln n) \\ &= \Theta(\sqrt{n} \cdot \ln n) \end{aligned}$$

b) $g(n) = n \cdot \log n$
 $a = 3, b = 2 \Rightarrow p = \frac{\log 3}{\log 2} = \log 3.$

By the Akra-Bazzi theorem follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &= \Theta(n^{\log 3} \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \frac{u \cdot \log u}{u^{\log 3+1}} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3} \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \log u \cdot \frac{u^1}{u^{\log 3+1}} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3} \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \underbrace{\log u}_v \cdot \underbrace{u^{-\log 3}}_{u'} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3} \cdot (1 + \left[\frac{1}{-\log 3 + 1} \underbrace{u^{-\log 3+1}}_u \cdot \underbrace{\log u}_v \right]_1^n - \int_1^n \frac{1}{\underbrace{u \cdot \ln 2}_v} \cdot \frac{1}{-\log 3 + 1} \underbrace{u^{-\log 3+1}}_u du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3} \cdot (1 + \left[\frac{u^{1-\log 3}}{1 - \log 3} \cdot \log u \right]_1^n - \frac{1}{\ln 2 \cdot (1 - \log 3)} \cdot \int_1^n \frac{u^{1-\log 3}}{u} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3} \cdot (1 + \left[\frac{u^{1-\log 3}}{1 - \log 3} \cdot \log u \right]_1^n - \frac{1}{\ln 2 \cdot (1 - \log 3)} \cdot \int_1^n u^{-\log 3} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3} \cdot (1 + \left[\frac{u^{1-\log 3}}{1 - \log 3} \cdot \log u \right]_1^n - \frac{1}{\ln 2 \cdot (1 - \log 3)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{1 - \log 3} u^{1-\log 3} \right]_1^n)) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3} \cdot (1 + \frac{n^{1-\log 3}}{1 - \log 3} \cdot \log n - \frac{1}{\ln 2 \cdot (1 - \log 3)} \cdot (\frac{n^{1-\log 3}}{1 - \log 3} - \frac{1}{1 - \log 3}))) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3} \cdot (1 + \frac{n^{1-\log 3}}{1 - \log 3} \cdot \log n - \frac{n^{1-\log 3}}{\ln 2 \cdot (1 - \log 3)^2} + \frac{1}{\ln 2 \cdot (1 - \log 3)^2})) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3} + \frac{n \log n}{1 - \log 3} - \frac{n}{\ln 2 \cdot (1 - \log 3)^2} + \frac{n^{\log 3}}{\ln 2 \cdot (1 - \log 3)^2}) \\
&= \Theta(n^{\log 3})
\end{aligned}$$

c) $g(n) = \alpha$

$$a = 1, b = 2 \Rightarrow p = \frac{\log 1}{\log 2} = 0.$$

By the Akra-Bazzi theorem follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &= \Theta(n^0 \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \frac{\alpha}{u^{0+1}} du)) \\
&= \Theta(1 + \alpha \cdot \int_1^n \frac{1}{u} du) \\
&= \Theta(\alpha \cdot [\ln u]_1^n) \\
&= \Theta(\ln n)
\end{aligned}$$

d) $g(n) = \frac{n^2}{\log n}$

$$a = 4, b = 2 \Rightarrow p = \frac{\log 4}{\log 2} = 2.$$

By the Akra-Bazzi theorem follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \frac{u^2}{u^{2+1} \log u} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \frac{u^2}{u^3 \cdot \log u} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \frac{1}{u \cdot \log u} du))
\end{aligned}$$

If we take a close look at the integral we got by applying the Akra-Bazzi method, we notice that the integrand goes to ∞ if u approaches the lower limit of 1. The integral doesn't exist! However, we notice that, since $T(n) = c \cdot n$ for $n \leq 4$, we don't alter $T(n)$ if we change the behaviour of $g(n)$ for $n \leq 4$. We choose

$$g(n) = \begin{cases} 8 & n \leq 4 \\ \frac{n^2}{\log n} & n > 4 \end{cases}$$

to get a function which is continuous and defined for all real numbers. Now we can apply Akra-Bazzi successfully:

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \int_1^n \frac{g(u)}{u^{2+1}} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \int_1^4 \frac{g(u)}{u^3} du + \int_4^n \frac{g(u)}{u^3} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \underbrace{\int_1^4 \frac{8}{u^3} du}_{\text{constant}} + \int_4^n \frac{u^2}{u^3 \cdot \log u} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \int_4^n \frac{1}{\underbrace{u \cdot \log u}_{\substack{t:=\log u, \frac{dt}{du} = \frac{1}{\ln 2 \cdot u} \Rightarrow du = \ln 2 \cdot u dt}}} du)) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \int_{\log 4}^{\log n} \frac{\ln 2 \cdot u}{u \cdot t} dt)) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \ln 2 \cdot \int_2^{\log n} \frac{1}{t} dt)) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \ln 2 \cdot [\ln t]_2^{\log n})) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot (1 + \ln 2 \cdot (\ln \log n - \ln 2))) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 + n^2 \cdot \ln 2 \cdot \ln \log n - n^2 \cdot \ln 2 \cdot \ln 2)) \\
&= \Theta(n^2 \cdot \ln \log n)
\end{aligned}$$

If we think a bit more about it, we come to the conclusion that the lower limit of 1 for the integrals is somewhat arbitrary. The Akra-Bazzi theorem allows us to

choose any natural number n_0 as separator between the two parts of the always partially defined function $T(n)$. We then can follow the same argument as shown in this example to change the lower limit of the integral to n_0 .

Exercises for Unit 5

- ② Notice that all conditions of Akra-Bazi, other than the one containing an integral - this we will have to check, are satisfied by the assumptions of the Master Theorem.

$$\boxed{a < b^d} \Rightarrow p = \log_b a < d \cdot \log_b b = d$$

$$\int_1^x \frac{f(u)}{u^{p+1}} du = \int_1^x u^{d-p-1} du = \int_1^x u^{c-1} du = \frac{u^c}{c} \Big|_1^x = \frac{1}{c} x^c - \frac{1}{c}$$

$$= \Theta(x^c) = \Theta(x^{d-p}), \text{ so also finite}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(x) = \Theta(x^p (1 + x^{d-p})) = \Theta(x^d) = \Theta(f(x))$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^d)$$

$$\boxed{a = b^d} \Rightarrow p = d$$

$$\int_1^x \frac{f(u)}{u^{p+1}} du = \int_1^x \frac{1}{u} du = \log x = \Theta(\log x), \text{ so also finite}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(x) = \Theta(x^p (1 + \log x)) = \Theta(x^d \log x)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^d \log n)$$

$$\boxed{a > b^d} \Rightarrow p > d, c := d - p$$

$$\int_1^x \frac{f(u)}{u^{p+1}} du = \int_1^x u^{c-1} du = \frac{u^{+c}}{+c} \Big|_1^x = +\frac{1}{c} (x^{+c} - 1) = \Theta(x^{+c})$$

\hookrightarrow so also finite

$$\Rightarrow T(x) = \Theta(x^p (1 + x^{+c})) = \Theta(x^p) = \Theta(x^{\log_b a})$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$$