

Master Theorem

$$T(n) = a T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + O(n^d)$$

$a \geq 1 \rightarrow$ no. of subproblems.

$n/b \rightarrow$ size of each subproblem, ($b > 1$)

$O(n^d) \rightarrow$ cost outside recursive calls (e.g. partitioning/merging)

C-1 $\log_b a > d$

Recursive work dominates

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

C-2 $\log_b a = d$

Recursive & non-recursive are balanced.

$$T(n) = O(n^d \log n)$$

C-3 $\log_b a < d$

Non-recursive dominates

$$T(n) = n^d$$

Ex-1 $T(n) = 5 T(n/2) + O(n)$

$a=5, b=2, d=1$ $\log_2 5 > 1$ [$\log_b a > d$] **Case-1**

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 5}) = O(n^{2.32})$$

Algo-2 $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + O(1)$ [not suitable for master theorem] $\frac{n}{a} = n-1$
 $T(n-1) = 2T(n-2) + O(1)$ $n = \frac{n}{a}$
 (Solve directly) $b = \frac{n}{n-1}$

$$T(n) = 2^2 T(n-2) + O(1)$$

$$T(n) = 2^3 T(n-3) + O(1)$$

$$T(n) = 2^n T(0) + O(1) \Rightarrow T(n) = O(2^n)$$

Algo-3 $T(n) = 9T(n/3) + O(n^2)$

$$a=9, b=3, d=2$$

$$\log_3 9 = 2 \quad [\text{case-2: } \log_a b = d]$$

$$T(n) = O(n^2 \log n)$$

A-1 $\Rightarrow O(n^{2.32})$ (polynomial T.C.)

A-2 $\Rightarrow O(2^n)$ (exponential, grows very fast, worst Algorithm)

A-3 $\Rightarrow O(n^2 \log n)$ (better than ① & significantly better than ②)

As $(n^2 \log n)$ grows slowly than $n^{2.32}$

$$\therefore \textcircled{A-3} > \textcircled{A-1} >> \textcircled{A-2}$$

$$O(n^2 \log n) > O(n^{2.32}) > O(2^n)$$

$$\log T(n) = aT(n/b) + O(n^d)$$

① $\log_a a > d$ ② $\log_a a = d$ ③ $\log_a a < d$

$$O(n^{\log_b a})$$

$$O(n^d \log n)$$

$$O(n^d)$$