## **Masters theorem**

## Masters theorem for decreasing function: -

Recurrence relation form: T(n) = a \* T(n-1) + f(n), assume that a > 0 and b > 0 and  $f(n) = O(N^k)$  and  $k \ge 0$ 

we have three cases:-

- Case1: if a < 1  $\rightarrow$  O(f(n))
- Case2: if a = 1  $\rightarrow O(n * f(n))$
- Case3: if a > 1  $\rightarrow O(n^k a^{\frac{n}{b}})$

Examples: -

1. 
$$T(n) = 1$$

$$F(n) = O(1) = O(n^0), k = 0$$

a = 0, b = 1, since a = 0 then order of recurrence realtion = O(f(n))= O(1)

2. 
$$T(n) = T(n-1) + n$$

$$f(n) = O(n) = O(n^1), k = 1$$

a = 1, b = 1, since a = 1 then order of the recurrence raltion = O(n \* n)

$$3. T(n) = 2T(n-2) + 1$$

$$f(n) = O(1) = O(n^0), k = 0$$

 $a=2, b=2, since \ a>1 \ then \ order \ of \ the \ recurrence \ relation$   $=O\left(n^0*2^{\frac{n}{2}}\right)=O(2^{\frac{n}{2}})$ 

## Masters theorem for dividing function: -

Recurrence relation form:  $T(n) = a * T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$  assume that  $a \ge 1$  and b > 1 and  $f(n) = O(n^k \log^p n)$ 

We have three cases: -

- Case1: if  $\log_b a > k$  then order of recurrence relation =  $O(n^{\log_b a})$
- Case2: if  $\log_b a = k$  and p > -1 then order of recurrence relation  $= O(n^k \log^{p+1} n)$  p = -1 then order of recurrence relation  $= O(n^k \log(\log(n)))$  p < -1 then order of recurrence relation  $= O(n^k)$
- Case3: if  $\log_b a < k$  and  $p \ge 0$  then order of recurrence relation =  $O(n^k \log^p n)$  p < 0 then order of recurrence relation =  $O(n^k)$

Examples: -

1. 
$$T(n) = 2 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1$$
  
 $a = 2, b = 2, \log_b a = 1$   
 $f(n) = O(1) = O(n^0 \log^0 n), k = 0, p = 0$   
since  $\log_b a > k$  then order of recurrence relation =  $O(n^{\log_b a}) = O(n^2)$   
2.  $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1$   
 $a = 1, b = 2, \log_b a = 0$   
 $f(n) = O(1) = O(n^0 \log^0 n), k = 0, p = 0$ 

since 
$$\log_b a = k$$
 and  $p > -1$  then order of recurrence relation  
=  $O(n^k \log^{p+1} n) = O(\log n)$ 

$$3. T(n) = 2 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{n}{\log n}$$

$$a = 2, b = 2, \log_b a = 1$$

$$f(n) = O(n \log^{-1} n), k = 1, p = -1$$

since  $\log_b a = k$  and p = -1 then order of recurrence relation =  $O(n \log(\log(n)))$ 

4. 
$$T(n) = 2 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{n}{\log^2 n}$$

$$a = 2, b = 2, \log_b a = 1$$

$$f(n) = O(n \log^{-2} n), k = 1, p = -2$$

since  $\log_b a = k$  and p < -1 then order of recurrence relation = O(n)

$$5. T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^3$$

$$a = 1$$
,  $b = 2$ ,  $\log_b a = 0$ 

$$f(n) = O(n^3 \log^0 n), k = 3, p = 0$$

since  $\log_b a < k$  and  $p \ge 0$  then order of recurrence relation =  $O(n^3)$ 

6. 
$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^3 \log n$$

$$a = 2$$
,  $b = 2$ ,  $\log_b a = 1$ 

$$f(n) = O(n^3 \log^1 n), k = 3, p = 1$$

since  $\log_b a < k$  and  $p \ge 1$  then order of recurrence relation  $= O(n^3 \log n)$ 

7. 
$$T(n) = 2 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{n^3}{\log^2 n}$$

$$a = 2, b = 2, \log_b a = 1$$

$$f(n) = O(n^3 \log^{-2} n), k = 3, p = -2$$

since  $\log_b a < k$  and p < 0 then order of recurrence relation =  $O(n^3)$