

Problem Set 5

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Instructions

- The solutions **must be typed**, using proper mathematical notation. We cannot accept hand-written solutions. Useful links and references on \LaTeX can be found here on Canvas.
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1 Standard 14 - Analyzing Code III: (Writing down recurrences)

Problem 1. Write down the recurrence relation for the runtime complexity of these algorithms. **Don't forget to include the base cases.**

1.1 Problem 1(a)

Algorithm 1 Writing Recurrences 1

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1: procedure Foo(Integer  $n$ )
2:   if  $n \leq 3$  then return
3:
4:   Foo( $n/3$ )
5:   Foo( $n/3$ )
6:   Foo( $n/3$ )
7:
8:   for  $i \leftarrow 1; i \leq 2 * n; i \leftarrow i + 1$  do
9:     print "Hi, Hi"
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Answer. $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & n \leq 3 \\ 3T(n/3) + \Theta(n) & n > 3 \end{cases}$

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1.2 Problem 1(b)

Algorithm 2 Writing Recurrences 2

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1: procedure Foo(Integer  $n$ )
2:   if  $n \leq 4$  then return
3:
4:   Foo( $n/4$ )
5:   Foo( $n/4$ )
6:   Foo( $n/3$ )
7:
8:   for  $i \leftarrow 1; i \leq n; i \leftarrow i * 2$  do
9:     print "Hi, Hi"
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Answer. $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & n \leq 4 \\ 2T(n/4) + T(n/3) + \Theta(n) & n > 4 \end{cases}$

□

2 Standard 15 - Unrolling

Problem 2. Consider the following recurrences and solve them using the unrolling method (i.e. find a suitable function $f(n)$ such that $T(n) \in \Theta(f(n))$).

(a)

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 2 & : n < 3, \\ 2T(n-3) + 2 & : n \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

Answer. First we determine the number of times that we need to unroll. We hit a base case when $n-3k < 3$. Solving for k we get that.

$$n < 3 + 3k$$

$$n - 3 < 3k$$

$$\frac{n-3}{3} < k$$

So we need to unroll until $k = \lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \rceil$

When we unroll $T(n-3i)$, we obtain $2T(n-3(i+1)) + 2$. So

$$T(n-3i) = 2 * [2T(n-3(i+2)) + 2] + 2 = 2^2T(n-3(i+2)) + 2 * 2 + 2^0 * 2.$$

Thus $T(n) = (\text{cost of base case}) * (\text{number of times the base case is reached}) + \sum_{i=0}^{\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \rceil} 2^i * 2$

$$T(n) = 1 * 2^{\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \rceil} + 2 * \sum_{i=0}^{\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \rceil} 2^i$$

$$T(n) = 2^{\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \rceil} + 2 * \frac{2^{\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \rceil + 1} - 1}{2 - 1}$$

$$T(n) = 2^{\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \rceil} + 2 * 2^{\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \rceil + 1}$$

Taking the high-order term, we obtain that $T(n) \in \Theta(2^{\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \rceil}) = \Theta(2^{n/3})$

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(b)

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 3 & : n < 2, \\ T(n-2) + 4n & : n \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

Answer. We hit a base case when $n - 2k < 2$ solving for k we get that $k > (n - 2)/2$ so we have to unroll until $\lceil k = (n - 2)/2 \rceil$.

We will replace $4n$ with cn in this recurrence.

$$T(n) = T(n-2) + cn \tag{1}$$

$$= T(n-2) + c(n-2) + cn \tag{2}$$

$$= T(n-4) + c(n-4) + c(n-2) + cn \tag{3}$$

$$\text{This eventually becomes} \tag{4}$$

$$= T(n - 2 * \lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil) + 2c + 4c + \dots + c(n-4) + c(n-2) + cn \tag{5}$$

$$\text{Thus :} \tag{6}$$

$$= 3 + c * \sum_{i=0}^{\lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil} (n-2i) \tag{7}$$

$$= 3 + c * \sum_{i=0}^{\lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil} (n-2c) \sum_{i=0}^{\lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil} i \tag{8}$$

$$= 3 + nc * \lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil - 2c * \frac{\lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil * (\lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil + 1)}{2} \tag{9}$$

$$= 3 + nc * \lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil - c * [\lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil * (\lceil (n-2)/2 \rceil + 1)] \tag{10}$$

Thus, $T(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$

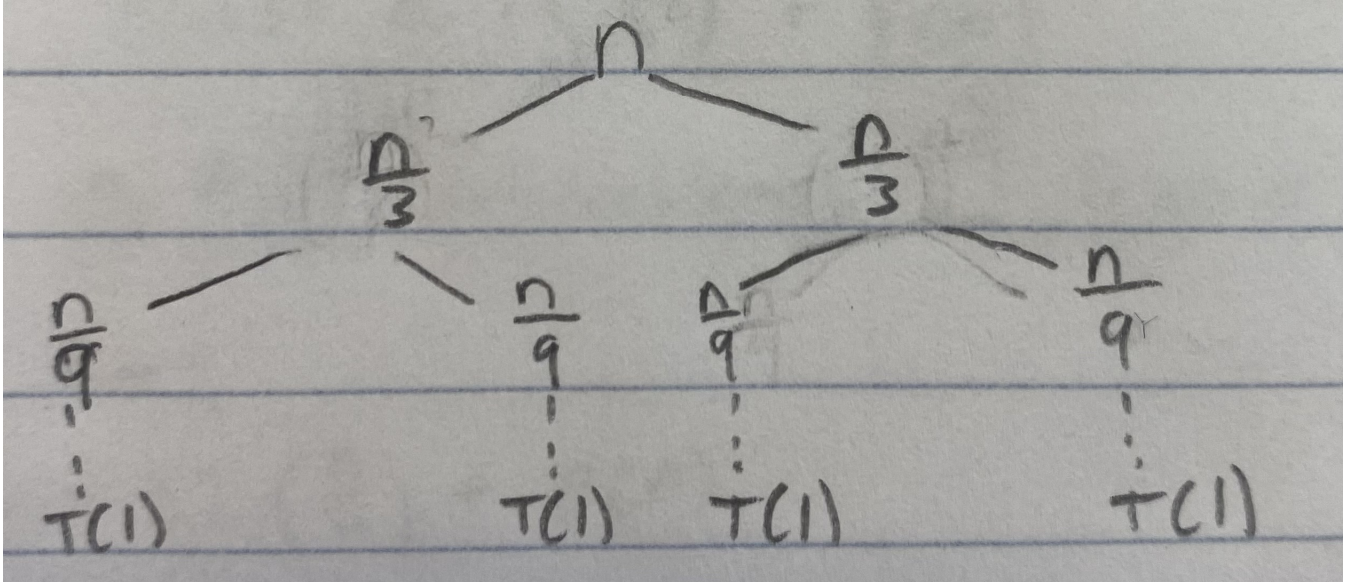
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3 Standard 16 - Tree Method.

Problem 3. Consider the recurrence $T(n)$ below. Using the **tree method**, determine a suitable function $f(n)$ such that $T(n) \in \Theta(f(n))$. Clearly show all steps. Note the following:

- You may assume, without loss of generality, that n is a power of 3 (i.e., $n = 3^k$ for some integer $k \geq 0$).
- You may hand-draw your tree and embed it, provided it is legible and we do not have to rotate our screens to read it. However, **all your calculations must be typed**.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 2, & n < 3 \\ 2T(n/3) + n^2, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



Answer.

First we have to determine the number of level of the tree. Let k denote the number of levels of the tree.

$$\frac{n}{3^k}$$

$$k = \lceil \log_3(n) \rceil$$

Therefore the total work done by the recurrence is.

$$T(n) \leq \sum_{i=0}^{\lceil \log_3(n) \rceil} n^2 \quad (11)$$

$$= n^2 \log_3 n \quad (12)$$

Thus $T(n) \in \Theta(n^2 \log_3 n)$

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