

Quiz 2

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Base case: $n=0$; $T(0) = 0 \leq 0^2$. True

no points

Inductive Hypothesis ; $T(n) \leq n^2$

0 Points

To Prove : $T(n+1) \leq (n+1)^2$

Proof: $T(n+1) = T(n) + (n+1)$

$\leq n^2 + (n+1)$ By inductive Hypothesis 1 Point

$\leq n^2 + 2n + 1$ because $n \leq 2n$ } 1 Point

$= (n+1)^2$ \square

variation: $T(n-1) \leq (n-1)^2$ Inductive Hypothesis is also ok

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

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

$= \dots$

$$= T(n-k) + \underbrace{1+1+\dots+1}_{k \text{ times}}$$

← 1 Point

choose $k=n$
then $= T(0) + n$

$$= 2 + n$$

\square } 1 Point

③

$$T(n) = \sqrt{a} T\left(\frac{n}{a}\right) + \sqrt{n}$$

$$\log_b(a) = \log_a \sqrt{a} = \log_a a^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

1 Point

$$f(n) = \sqrt{n} = \Theta(n^{1/2}) \Rightarrow \text{Case 2} \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(\sqrt{n} \log n)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^n (i a^i) &= a + 2a^2 + 3a^3 + \dots + n a^n \\ &\geq a + 2a + 3a + \dots + n a \quad \text{because } a^n > a \text{ for } a > 1 \\ &= a(1+2+\dots+n) \quad \leftarrow 1 \text{ Point} \\ &= a \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \\ &= a \left(\frac{n^2+n}{2} \right) \\ &\geq a \frac{n^2}{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{c = 1/2}$$

A smaller value of c will also work so long $c > 0$

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$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{j=1}^n (j a^n) &= \left(\sum_{j=1}^n j \right) a^n \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} a^n \\ &= \left(\frac{n^2+n}{2} \right) a^n\end{aligned}$$

Method 1: ignoring lower order terms, $= \frac{n^2 a^n}{2} = \Theta(n^2 a^n) \Rightarrow \boxed{k=2}$

Method 2: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{n^2+n}{2} \right) a^n}{n^k a^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2+n}{2(n^k)} ; \boxed{\text{choose } k=2} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2+n}{2(n^2)} = \frac{1}{2}$

Hence Θ . \square

Any solution that breaks the above series separately in ^{erroneous} examples below earn ZERO credit

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i a^i = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n i \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a^i \right) \quad \leftarrow \text{This is incorrect}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n j a^n = \left(\sum_{j=1}^n j \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n a^n \right) \quad \leftarrow \text{This is incorrect.}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 0 & \text{for } n=0 \\ &= 1 & \text{for } n=1 \\ &= T(n-2) + (n-2) & \text{for } n \geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{a} \quad T(n) &= T(n-2) + (n-2) \\ &= T(n-4) + (n-4) + (n-2) \\ &= \dots \\ &= T(n-2k) + \underbrace{(n-2k) + \dots + (n-2)}_{k \text{ terms}} \end{aligned}$$

1 Point
1 Point

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{b} \quad \text{Let } n &= 2k ; \quad T(n) = T(0) + 0 + 2 + 4 + \dots + (2k-2) \\ &= 0 + 0 + 2(1 + 2 + \dots + (k-1)) \\ &= 2 \cdot \frac{(k-1) \cdot k}{2} \\ &= \frac{(k-1) \cdot k}{1} \\ &= \left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right) \left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

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