

## CSE 310 Recitation 3

## Objectives:

1. Exercise on applying master theorem to give tight asymptotic bounds for recurrences.
2. Apply different techniques to find the upper bound of a given recurrence.

## Instruction

1. For all recitation: the solution should be clearly typed or written and must be saved in .pdf or .jpg format. Note: unreadable answer receives no credits!
2. All recitation must be submitted through the link posted on Blackboard, we do NOT accept any hand-in submissions or submissions sent through emails!

## Question

1. [6 pts] Find the Big-O for the following recurrence relations. State clearly which technique you used to find the solution; i.e. if you get the upper bound by using a recursion tree, draw it, otherwise state which case you applied the master method with.

1)  $T(n) = T(\sqrt{n}) + 1$

Induction  
Method

$$T(n) = T(n^{1/2}) + 1 = T(n^{1/2^2}) + 2 = T(n^{1/2^3}) + 3 = \dots T(n^{1/2^k}) + k$$

$$n^{1/2^k} = 2 \Rightarrow 2^{2^k} = n = \lg \lg n$$

$$T(1) = 1$$

Base case:  $n = 2^{2^k}$

$$T(2^{2^k}) = T([2^{2^k}]^{1/2}) + 1 \Rightarrow T(2^{2^{k-1}}) + 1 = T(2^{2^{k-2}}) + 2 = \dots T(2^0) + k = T(2) + k$$

$$T(2) = T(2^{1/2}) + 1 \Rightarrow T(1) + 1 = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$T(2^{2^k}) = 2 + k$$

k+1 case:

$$T(k+1) = T([k+1]^{1/2}) + 1 \Rightarrow T(n^{1/2^k}) + k$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{O(\lg \lg n)}$$

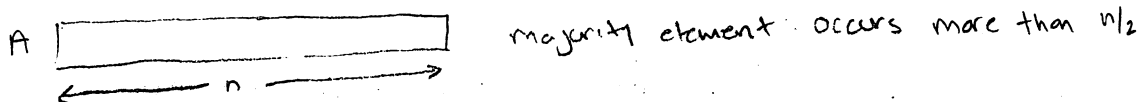
2)  $T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2$

case 3:

$$f(n) = \Theta(n^2) \rightarrow C > \log_b a \Rightarrow 2 > 1.58$$

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

2. [4 pts] Assume you have an array  $A[1..n]$  of  $n$  elements. A majority element of  $A$  is any element occurring in more than  $n/2$  positions (so if  $n = 6$  or  $n = 7$ , any majority element will occur in at least 4 positions). Assume that elements cannot be ordered or sorted, but can be compared for equality. (You might think of the elements as chips, and there is a tester that can be used to determine whether or not two chips are identical.) Design an efficient divide and conquer algorithm to find a majority element in  $A$  (or determine that no majority element exists).



MAJORITY-ELEMENT( $A, a, n$ )

1. IF  $n = 1$
2. return  $A[1]$
3. ElementL = MAJORITY-ELEMENT( $A, a, n/2$ )
4. ElementR = MAJORITY-ELEMENT( $A, n/2 + 1, n$ )
5. IF ElementL = ElementR
6. return ElementL
7. countL = COUNT-ELEMENT( $A, \text{ElementL}$ )
8. countR = COUNT-ELEMENT( $A, \text{ElementR}$ )
9. IF countL  $> n/2 + 1$
10. return elementL
11. ELSE IF countR  $> n/2 + 1$
12. return elementR
13. ELSE
14. return NULL // NO MAJORITY-ELEMENT

COUNT-ELEMENT( $A, \text{element}$ ) // how many times element occurs

1. count = 0;
2. for  $i = 0$  to  $A.length - 1$
3. if  $A[i] = \text{element}$
4. count++
5. return count;