

CSC 206 Algorithms and Paradigms
CSC 140 Advanced Algorithm Design and Analysis
Spring 2022
Assignment 2: Recurrences
Due Monday, February 28, 2022

Solve **all** the following recurrences using the Master Method (if possible) and the **first five** of them using the recursion tree method. Each of the five recursion tree solutions is worth 12 points, and each of the eight Master Theorem solutions is worth 5 points. To get full credit, you must show all steps. You will lose points for any missing steps, especially on the recursion tree problems.

1. $T(n) = T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right) + c$

Recursion Tree Method:

$$a=1$$

$$b=4$$

$$H=\log_4 n$$

$$L=1^{\log_4 n} = n^{\log_4 1} = n^0 = 1$$

$$\text{Base cost} = d$$

$$\# \text{ of operations} = 1c$$

$$\text{Internal cost} = c * \log_4 n = c \log_4 n$$

$$\text{Total cost} = d + c \log_4 n = \theta(\log n)$$

Master's Method:

$$L = n^{\log_4 1} = n^0 = 1$$

$$F(n) = 1$$

L is equal to F(n) so condition 2 holds. Therefore, its runtime is $\theta(\log n)$.

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

Recursion Tree Method:

$$a=1$$

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$$b=4$$

$$H=\log_4 n$$

$$L=1^{\log_4 n} = n^{\log_4 1} = n^0 = 1$$

$$\text{Base cost} = d$$

$$\# \text{ of operations} = 1cn$$

$$\text{Internal cost} = cn * \log_4 n = cn \log_4 n$$

$$\text{Total cost} = d + cn \log_4 n = \theta(\log n)$$

Master's Method:

$$L = n^{\log_4 1} = n^0 = 1$$

$$F(n) = n$$

$1 < n$. So, $L < F(n)$. Now to check the regularity condition which has no value that meets the requirement. Therefore, we cannot use this method.

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

Recursion Tree Method:

$$a=5$$

$$b=2$$

$$H=\log_2 n$$

$$L = 5^{\log_2 n} = n^{\log_2 5}$$

$$\text{Base cost} = dn^{\log_2 5}$$

$$\# \text{ of operations} = (5/4)^i n^2$$

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$$\sum \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^i n^2 \Rightarrow n^2 \sum \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^i$$

$$= n^2 \left[\frac{\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{\log_2 n} - 1}{\frac{5}{4} - 1} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} n^2 \left[1 - \frac{n^{\log_2 5}}{n^{\log_2 4}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} n^2 - \frac{1}{4} n^{\log_2 5}$$

$$\text{total cost} = \frac{1}{4} n^{\log_2 5} + \frac{1}{4} n^2 - \frac{1}{4} n^{\log_2 5}$$

$$= \Theta(n^{\log_2 5})$$

Master's Method:

$$L = n^{\log_2 5}$$

$$F(n) = n^2$$

$L > n$. So, condition 1 is met. Therefore, the solution is $\Theta(n^{\log_2 5})$.

$$4. T(n) = 8T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^3$$

Recursion Tree Method:

$$a=8$$

$$b=2$$

$$H = \log_2 n$$

$$L = 8^{\log_2 n} = n^{\log_2 8} = n^3$$

$$\text{Base cost} = dn^3$$

$$\# \text{ of operations} = (8/8)^i n^2$$

$$\text{Internal cost} = cn^3 \log_2 n$$

$$\text{Total cost} = dn^3 + cn^3 \log_2 n = \Theta(n^3 \log n)$$

Master's Method:

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$$L = n^{\log_2 8} = n^3$$

$$F(n) = n^3$$

$L = F(n)$. So, condition 2 was met. Therefore, the solution is $\theta(n^3 \log n)$.

$$5. T(n) = 8T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + n^2$$

Recursion Tree Method:

$$a=8$$

$$b=3$$

$$H = 8^{\log_3 n} = n^{\log_3 8}$$

$$\text{Base cost} = d n^{\log_3 8}$$

$$\# \text{ of operations} = (8/9)n^2$$

$$\sum \left(\frac{8}{9}\right)^i n^2 = n^2 \sum \left(\frac{8}{9}\right)^i$$

$$= n^2 \left[\frac{\left(\frac{8}{9}\right)^{\log_3 n} - 1}{\frac{8}{9} - 1} \right]$$

$$= 9n^2 \left[1 - \frac{n^{\log_3 8}}{n^{\log_3 9}} \right]$$

$$= 9n^2 - 9n^{\log_3 8}$$

$$\text{total cost} = d n^{\log_3 8} + 9n^2 - 9n^{\log_3 8}$$

$$= \theta(n^2)$$

Master's Method:

$$L = n^{\log_3 8}$$

$$F(n) = n^2$$

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$L < F(n)$. So, now we must check the regularity condition. Where there is a solution for k where $k = (8/9)$. Therefore, we can use case 3 and say the solution is $\theta(n^2)$.

$$6. \quad T(n) = 7T\left(\frac{n}{6}\right) + n \log n$$

Master's Method:

$$L = n^{\log_6 7}$$

$$F(n) = n \log n$$

$L > F(n)$. The thing is L is not greater by a term of a polynomial degree so we cannot use the Master's Method on this problem.

$$7. \quad T(n) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2 \log^3 n$$

Master's Method:

$$L = n^{\log_2 4} = n^2$$

$$F(n) = n^2 \log^3 n$$

$L < F(n)$. The thing is $F(n)$ is not greater by a term of a polynomial degree so we cannot use the Master's Method on this problem.

$$8. \quad T(n) = 5T\left(\frac{n}{6}\right) + n \log n$$

Master's Method:

$$L = n^{\log_6 5}$$

$$F(n) = n \log n$$

$L < F(n)$. So, now we must check the regularity conditions which is satisfied by the value of $k = (5/6)$. Therefore, the solution must be $\theta(n \log n)$.