

Algorithms Worksheet 2

For each part of a question write the answer and include workings. Questions are worth two marks each, there are also two marks for attendance.

1. Solve

$$T(n) = -T(n-1) + 4 \quad (1)$$

with $T(0) = 1$.

Solution:

Substitute in $T(n) = A(-1)^n + B$ to get

$$A(-1)^n + B = -A(-1)^{n-1} - B + 4 \quad (2)$$

so $2B = 4$ or $B = 2$; now $T(n) = A(-1)^n + 2$ so $1 = T(0) = A + 2$ and hence $A = -1$.

2. Solve for $T(n)$ using the ansatz $T(n) = r^n$ for the following two step recursion relations. Solving for r will give two values r_1 and r_2 , this means that the general solution will be $T(n) = Ar_1^n + Br_2^n$. Use the two base values to find A and B .

a) $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 3T(n-2)$ with $T(0) = 0$ and $T(1) = 4$.

b) $T(n) = T(n-2)$ with $T(0) = 0$ and $T(1) = 2$.

Solution:

For (a) we have

$$r^2 = 2r + 3 \quad (3)$$

so $r^2 - 2r - 3 = 0$ or $(r-3)(r+1) = 0$ so

$$T(n) = 3^n A + (-1)^n B \quad (4)$$

and the initial conditions give $A + B = 0$ and $3A - B = 4$ so

$$T(n) = 3^n - (-1)^n \quad (5)$$

For (b) we get $r^2 = 1$ so

$$T(n) = A + (-1)^n B \quad (6)$$

and the initial conditions give $A + B = 0$ and $A - B = 2$ so

$$T(n) = 1 - (-1)^n \quad (7)$$

3. This question is about the master theorem. Use it to calculate big-Theta for $T(n)$ in each case.

a) $T(n) = 25T(n/5) + 4n^2$

b) $T(n) = 20T(n/5) + 4n$

c) $T(n) = 16T(n/2) + 2n^4$

Solution: for the first one $\log_5 25 = 2$ and $c = 2$ so this is the middle case and $T(n) \in \Theta(n^2 \log n)$, for the second $\log_5 20 > 1$ so it is the first case and $T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_5 20})$; the last one is in the middle case as well since $\log_2 16 = 4$ and $T(n) \in \Theta(n^4 \log n)$.

4. Bubble sort (3, 5, 2, 8, 4) showing each step.

Solution:

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3  5  2  8  4
3  2  5  8  4
3  2  5  4  8
2  3  5  4  8
2  3  4  5  8

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Extra question to do at home if you want: write a recursive version of quicksort to show that in the worst case

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + cn \quad (8)$$

Solution:

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1 void swap(int a[], int i, int j)
2 {
3     int temp=a[i];
4     a[i]=a[j];
5     a[j]=temp;
6 }
7
8
9 void bubble(int a[], int n)
10 {
11
12     if n==0 return;
13
14     for (i=0; i<n-1; i++){
15         if (a[i]>a[i+1]){
16             swap(a, i, i+1);
17         }
18     }
19     bubble(a, n-1)
20 }

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