

Some logarithmic properties for $b > 1$, $a > 0$, $c > 0$, where a and c are both real numbers. (There are more in the textbook, as you have seen).

$$\log_b(a * c) = \log_b a + \log_b c$$

$$\log_b\left(\frac{a}{c}\right) = \log_b a - \log_b c$$

$$\log_b a^c = c \log_b a$$

$$\log_b 1 = 0$$

$$\log_b b = 1$$

$$b^{\log_b k} = k$$

$$\log_a b = \frac{1}{\log_b a}$$

Please see Appendix C for more information on Probabilities, Expected Value, Expected Value of Random Variables, Counting, Combinations, etc.

Please see Appendix A for more information on Summations / Geometric series, etc.

Show your work for calculations you perform.

Special for calculating summation solutions: Once you have determined the appropriate summation, you are free to either calculate its solution or to reference a solution. You may reference a book, an online source such as Wikipedia, or to use Wolfram Alpha or some other calculator for this part only. You must cite your source. This is only for **solving** summations, **not** for determining what the summations should be! I would like you to be able to solve summations, but that is not what I am trying to evaluate here.

Example: If you found a complexity to be:

$$T(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n 3^k + \Theta(n^2)$$

Then you could say:

Citing Introduction to Algorithms (Cormen et. al), page 1147, A.5, we have that:

$$\sum_{k=0}^n x^k = \frac{x^{n+1} - 1}{x - 1}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= \sum_{k=0}^n 3^k + \Theta(n^2) = \frac{3^{n+1} - 1}{3 - 1} + \Theta(n^2) \\ &= \Theta(3^n) + \Theta(n^2) = \Theta(3^n) \end{aligned}$$

Homework problems are on the following pages.

Problem 1) (40 points) (Solving Recurrences)

Solve the following recurrences **for positive n values** using the stated method.

1A) $T(n) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n$ using Master Method

$$f(n) \neq \Theta\left(n^{(\log_2 4)}\right) = \Theta(n^2)$$

$$f(n) = O\left(n^{(\log_2(4-2))}\right) = O(n^1)$$

Therefore,

$$T(n) = \Theta\left(n^{(\log_2 4)}\right) = \Theta(n^2)$$

1B) $T(n) = 11T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + n^2$ using Master Method

$$f(n) \neq \Theta\left(n^{(\log_3 11)}\right)$$

$$f(n) = O\left(n^{(\log_3(11-2))}\right) = O(n^2)$$

Therefore,

$$T(n) = \Theta\left(n^{(\log_3 11)}\right) = \Theta(n^{2.182658339})$$

1C) $T(n) = 8T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 2n^3$ using Master Method

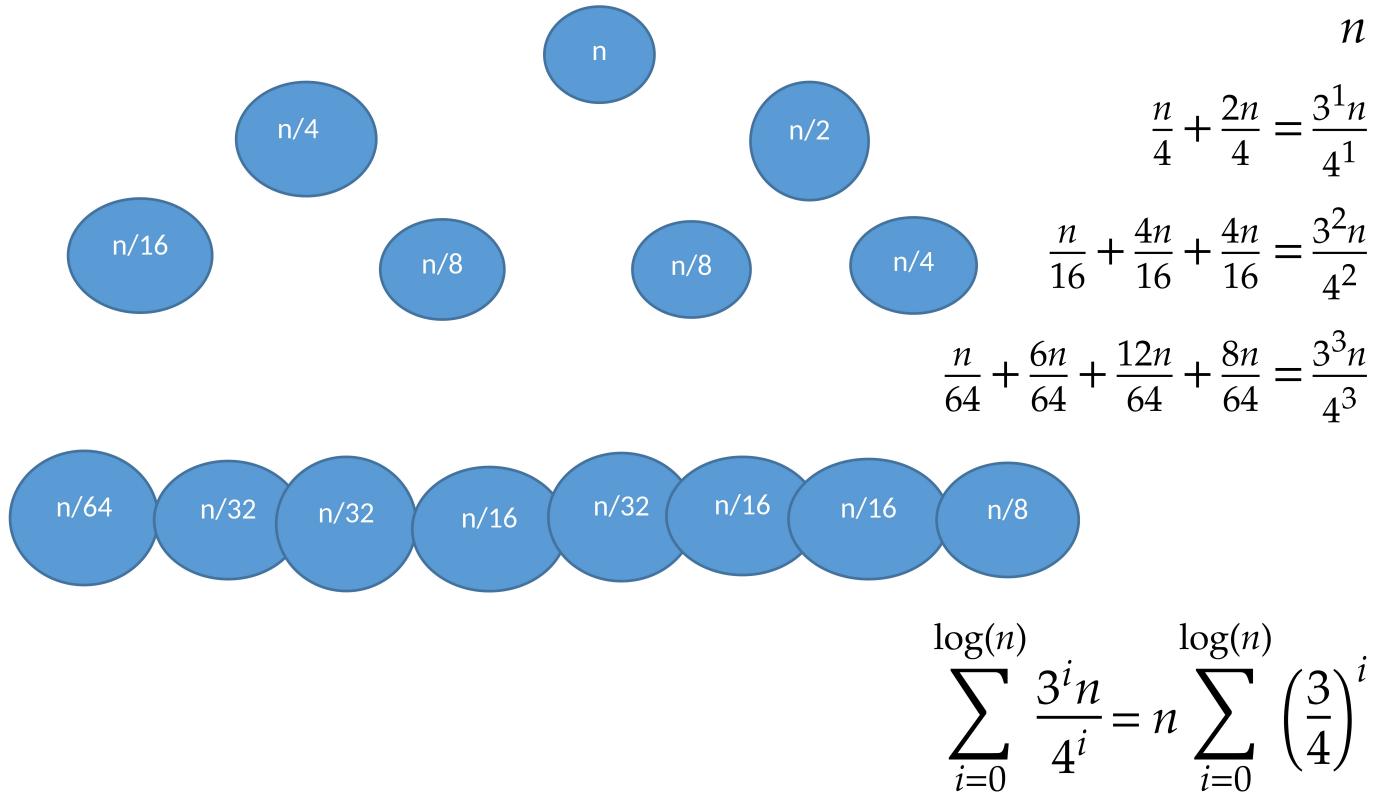
$$f(n) = 2n^3 = \Theta(n^3)$$

$$f(n) = \Theta\left(n^{\log_2 8}\right) = \Theta(n^3)$$

Therefore,

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^3 \lg(n))$$

1D) $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n$ using Recursion Tree Method



The rate of change in the denominator of the summation is higher than the rate of change in the numerator, which will make the summation a constant term. Therefore $T(n) = \Theta(n)$

Problem 2) (30 points)

Given a recurrence of the form:

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$$

Show that the height of the recursion tree is equal to $\log_b(n)$.

The base cases for the recursive function is when $T(1) = 1$.

Therefore, when $(n/b) = 1$ the recursive function has reached its base case and does no further recursion calls.

Now looking at the function the variable a , it only determines the amount of children the per recursion call, it does not denote the height of the tree.

So, the height of the tree is determined by $T(n/b)$. Knowing that the recursion call has reached its base case when $T(n/b) = 1$ we now must figure out how many times do you have to drop down a layer in the tree and multiply b by itself in order to for it to equal n , which will mean that it equal 1 which is the base case for the recursive function. This can be shown as $b^x = n$ were x is the number of layers you have to add and multiple b by itself. And to solve $b^x = n$ you can change the form and use logarithms to get $\log_b n = x$.

Example

Top layer $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right)$, Second Layer $T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) = T\left(\frac{\frac{n}{b}}{b}\right) = T\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right)$...
and so forth until $T\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right) = 1$ were i is the height

Problem 3 (30 points)

Suppose you have a polynomial. This can be represented as a summation

$$zA(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k x^k$$

where $a = [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}]$ is a vector of n coefficients.

We want an efficient function to compute $A(x)$ for any given constant x and a coefficient vector a of size n .

Naïve Approach: Represent as a coefficient function:

$$A(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

Horner's Rule Approach: Re-write the function as:

$$A(x) = a_0 + x(a_1 + x(a_2 + \dots x(a_{n-1}) \dots))$$

Problem: Write pseudocode for a recursive algorithm to compute $A(x)$ for n coefficients in the array a and a given constant x using the Horner's Rule Approach. Evaluate the time complexity as an asymptotic bound.

//Preconditions: n coefficients, a is the array of coefficients, x is the constant, and current is the beginning index (0 to n-1)

//Example: horner(5,a,2,0)

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Float horner(n, a, x, current) {
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    If (n-1 == current) {      Θ(1)
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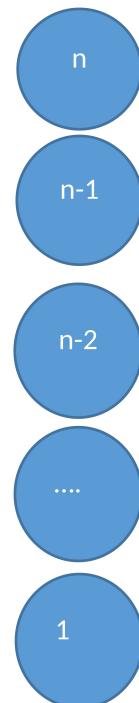
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        Return a[current];  Θ(1)
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}
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    Return a[current] + x * horner(n,a,x,current+1);
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}
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$$T(n) = T(n - 1) + \Theta(1)$$



$$n = \Theta(1)$$

$$n - 1 = \Theta(1)$$

$$n - 2 = \Theta(1)$$

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$$1 = \Theta(1)$$

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^n \Theta(1)$$

$$T(n) = n * \Theta(1) = \Theta(n)$$