

Module 3 Recurrence Relations Assignment

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Response 1

Response 2

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

Unroll the Recurrence

Let d denote level of unrolling

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

$$d = 2: T(n) = [T(n - 2) + (n - 1)] + n = T(n - 2) + 2n - 1$$

$$d = 3: T(n) = [T(n - 3) + (n - 2)] + 2n - 1 = T(n - 3) + 3n - 3$$

$$d = 4: T(n) = [T(n - 4) + (n - 4)] + 3n - 3 = T(n - 4) + 4n - 7$$

$$\text{General Pattern: } T(n) = T(n - d) + dn - (2^{d-1} - 1)$$

The base case when $T(1)$ is reached when $n - d = 1$.

Solve for d :

$$n - d = 1$$

$$-d = 1 - n$$

$$d = n - 1$$

Plug d back in:

$$T(n) = T(n - (n - 1)) + (n - 1)n - (2^{n-1-1} - 1)$$

$$T(n) = T(1) + n^2 - n - 2^{n-1} + 1$$

$$T(n) = n^2 - n - 2^{n-2} + 1 = \Theta(2^n)$$

$$\therefore \Theta(2^n)$$

Response 3

Response 4

Given: $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{4}) + 1$

Apply Master Theorem:

$A = 2, B = 4, f(n) = 1$

$$k = \frac{\log 2}{\log 4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Compare $f(n) = 1$ to $n^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Since $f(n) = O(n^{\frac{1}{2}-\epsilon})$ where $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$, Case 1 applies:

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

The solution must be $T(n) = \Theta(n)$ since $k = \frac{1}{2}$ and rounds up to 1

Response 5

Given: $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{4}) + \sqrt{n}$

Apply Master Theorem:

$A = 2, B = 4, f(n) = \sqrt{n}$

$$k = \frac{\log 2}{\log 4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Compare $f(n) = \sqrt{n}$ to $n^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Since $f(n) = \sqrt{n}$ is equal to $n^k = n^{\frac{1}{2}}$, then we apply Case 2:

$$T(n) = \Theta(f(n) \log(n) = \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{2}} \log(n^{\frac{1}{2}})))$$

$$\therefore \Theta(n \log(n))$$

Response 6

Given: $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + n$

Apply Master Theorem:

$A = 2, B = 2, f(n) = n$

$$k = \frac{\log 2}{\log 2} = 1$$

Compare $f(n) = n$ to $n^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Since $n^{\frac{1}{2}-\epsilon}$ results in $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$, and $cf(n) \geq n^{\frac{1}{2}}$, apply Case 3:

$$T(n) \in \Theta(f(n)).$$

$$\therefore \Theta(n)$$

Response 7