# 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

$$\begin{aligned} d &= 1 \colon T(n) = T(n-1) + n \\ d &= 2 \colon T(n) = [T(n-2) + (n-1)] + n = T(n-2) + 2n - 1 \\ d &= 3 \colon T(n) = [T(n-3) + (n-2)] + 2n - 1 = T(n-3) + 3n - 3 \\ d &= 4 \colon T(n) = [T(n-4) + (n-4)] + 3n - 3 = T(n-4) + 4n - 7 \end{aligned}$$

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:  

$$T(n) = T(n - 0)$$

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

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

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

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

### Response 3

### Response 4

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

Apply Master Theorem:

A = 2, B = 4, 
$$f(n) = 1$$
  
 $k = \frac{\log 2}{\log 4} = \frac{1}{2}$ 

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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, 
$$f(n) = \sqrt{n}$$
  
 $k = \frac{\log 2}{\log 4} = \frac{1}{2}$ 

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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:

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

 $\therefore \Theta(nlog(n))$ 

### Response 6

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

Apply Master Theorem:

$$A = 2, B = 4, f(n) = n$$
  
 $k = \frac{\log 2}{\log 4} = \frac{1}{2}$ 

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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

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

Apply Master Theorem:

A = 2, B = 4, 
$$f(n) = n^2$$
  
 $k = \frac{\log 2}{\log 4} = \frac{1}{2}$ 

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Compare  $f(n) = n^2$  and  $n^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Since  $n^{\frac{1}{2}+\epsilon}$  results in  $\epsilon = 1.5$  and  $cf(n) \ge n^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , apply Case 3:

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

$$\Theta(f(n))$$