

1. (25%) What Asymptotic solution, if any, does the master method give for each of the following recurrences?

(a) $T(n) = 16T(\frac{n}{2}) + 3n^4 \log^2(n) = \Theta(n^4 \log^2(n))$

Proof. Let $a = 16$, $b = 2$, $f(n) = 3n^4 \log^2(n)$. Clearly,

$$\log_2(16) = 4 \text{ and} \\ f(n) = \Theta(n^4 \log_2^2(n)).$$

Therefore, by the Master Method Theorem,

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^4 \log_2^3(n)).$$

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