2.
$$T(n) = 2T\left(\left[\frac{n}{2}\right] + 2\right) + n$$
, show that $T(n) = O(\log_2 n)$.

Let
$$T(n) = an \log_2 n - b \log_2 n - c$$
, $a > 0, b > 0, c > 0$
Induction hypothesis: $m < n$, $T(m) \le am \log_2 m - b \log_2 m - c$;

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\left[\frac{n}{2}\right] + 2\right) + n \le 2T\left(\frac{n}{2} + 3\right) + n \le 2\left(a\left(\frac{n}{2} + 3\right)\log_2\left(\frac{n}{2} + 3\right) - b\log_2\left(\frac{n}{2} + 3\right) - c\right) + n$$

$$\le an\left(\log_2\left(\frac{n}{2} + 3\right) + \frac{1}{a}\right) + (6a - 2b)\log_2\left(\frac{n}{2} + 3\right) - 2c$$

$$\le an\log_2\left(\left(\frac{n}{2} + 3\right) * 2^{\frac{1}{a}}\right) + (6a - 2b)\log_2\left(\frac{n}{2} + 3\right) - 2c\right)$$

$$\le an\log_2 n - b\log_2 n - c$$

(1)
$$n \ge \frac{n}{2} + 3$$
, $n \ge 6$

(2)
$$n \ge \left(\frac{n}{2} + 3\right) * 2^{1/a}$$
, let $a = 2$, $n \ge \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}} + 3\sqrt{2}$, $n\left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \ge 3\sqrt{2}$, $n \ge 6/(\sqrt{2} - 1) \approx 14.49$, $\therefore n \ge 15$.

(3)
$$6a - 2b \le -b$$
, $a \le \frac{1}{6}b$, $b \ge 12$, $a = 2$

(4)
$$-2c \le -c$$
, $c > 0$

3. Use a recursion tree to determine a good upper bound on the recurrence T(n) = 3T(|n/3|) + n.

$$T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/3 \rfloor) + n \le 3T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + n,$$

The recursion tree height $h = \log_3 n$ The number of leaves is $3^h = 3^{\log_3 n} = n$ Total cost is $\approx n \log_3 n$

Prove the bound $O(n \log_3 n)$ by induction.

Induction hypothesis: m < n, $T(m) \le m \log_3 m$

$$T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/3 \rfloor) + n \le T(n) = 3T(\frac{n}{3}) + n \le 3(\frac{n}{3})\log_3\frac{n}{3} + n \le n\log_3 n - n\log_3 3 + n \le n\log_3 n$$

4. Use the master method

(a)
$$T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{2}) + n$$

 $a = 4, b = 2, f(n) = n,$
 $n^{\log_2 4} = n^2, f(n) = O(n^{\log_2 4 - \epsilon}), \epsilon = 1 T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

(b)
$$T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{2}) + n^2$$

 $a = 4, b = 2, f(n) = n^2, n^{\log_2 4} = n^2, f(n) = O(n^{\log_2 4}), T(n) = \Theta(n^2 \log_2 n)$

(c)
$$T(n) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^3$$

$$a = 4, b = 2, f(n) = n^3, \ n^{\log_2 4} = n^2, \ f(n) = O(n^{2+\epsilon}), \ \epsilon = 1, \ af\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) = cf(n), \text{ for some}$$
 constant $c < 1$. $4f\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = 4*\frac{n^3}{8} = \frac{n^3}{2} = cf(n)$. $c = 1/2$.
$$T(n) = \Theta(n^3).$$