

Practice Questions on Master Theorem and Back Substitution Method

Qus1. The running time of an algorithm is represented by the following recurrence relation:

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if n <= 3 then T(n) = n
else T(n) = T(n/3) + cn
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Which one of the following represents the time complexity of the algorithm?

- (A) (n)
- (B) $(n \log n)$
- (C) (n^2)
- (D) $(n^2 \log n)$

Ans A

Qus.2 The running time of an algorithm $T(n)$, where n is the input size, is given by—

$T(n) = 8T(n/2) + qn$, if $n > 1$ = p , if $n = 1$

where p, q are constants. The order of this algorithm is—

- (a) n^2 (b) n^n
- (c) n^3 (d) n

Solution: Option (c)

Qus.3 The running time of an algorithm $T(n)$, where n is the input size, is given by—

$T(n) = 7T(n/2) + qn$, if $n > 1$ = p , if $n = 1$

where p, q are constants. The order of this algorithm is—

- (a) $n^{2.81}$ (b) n^n
- (c) n^3 (d) n

Solution: Option (a)

Qus.4 The running time of an algorithm $T(n)$, where n is the input size, is given by—

$T(n) = T(n/2) + \log n$, if $n > 1$ = p , if $n = 1$

where p, q are constants. The order of this algorithm is—

- (a) n^2 (b) $\log \log n$
- (c) $\log n$ (d) $(\log n)^2$

Solution: Option (d)

Qus.5 The running time of an algorithm $T(n)$, where n is the input size, is given by—

$T(n) = T(n-1) + 1$, if $n > 1$ = p , if $n = 1$

where p, q are constants. The order of this algorithm is—

- (a) n^2 (b) n^n
- (c) n^3 (d) n

Solution: Option (d)

Qus.6 The running time of an algorithm $T(n)$, where n is the input size, is given by—

$T(n) = 3T(n/3) + n/2$, if $n > 1$

The order of this algorithm is—

- (a) n^2 (b) n^n
- (c) $n \log n$ (d) n

Solution: Option (c)

Qus.7 The running time of an algorithm $T(n)$, where n is the input size, is given by—

$$T(n) = 3T(n/3) + n \log n, \text{ if } n > 1 = p, \text{ if } n = 1$$

where p, q are constants. The order of this algorithm is—

(a) n^2 (b) n^n

(c) n^3 (d) $n(\log n)^2$

Solution: Option (d)