Back Substitution

Compute the complexity of the recursive algorithms based on the recursive equation and stop condition. Show your work, not just your final answer.

1.
$$T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1$$
 and $T(0) = 1$

a. You can compute this complexity as a tight upper bound.

Substitute $(n-1) \rightarrow k = 2$

$$T(n-1) = 2T((n-1)-1) + 1$$

$$T(n-1) = 2T(n-2) + 1$$

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

$$T(n) = 4T(n-2) + 2 + 1$$

Substitute $(n-2) \rightarrow k = 3$

$$T(n-2) = 2T((n-2)-1) + 1$$

$$T(n-2) = 2T(n-3) + 1$$

$$T(n) = 4[2T(n-3) + 1] + 2 + 1$$

$$T(n) = 8T(n-3) + 4 + 2 + 1$$

General Formula

$$T(n) = 2^{k}T(n-k) + 2^{k-1} + 2^{k-2} + ... + 2^{1} + 2^{0}$$

Stop Condition

$$T(0) = 1 \rightarrow n-k = 0 \rightarrow k = n$$

$$T(n) = 2^{n}T(n-n) + 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-2} + ... + 2^{1} + 2^{0}$$

$$T(n) = 2^{n}T(0) + 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-2} + ... + 2^{1} + 2^{0}$$

$$T(n) = 2^n + 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-2} + ... + 2^1 + 2^0 = 2^{n+1} - 1$$

Big-Oh Complexity

O(2ⁿ)

2.
$$T(n) = T(n-2) + n^2$$
 and $T(0) = 1$

a. Hint: Assume n is even; that is, n = 2k for some integer k.

Substitute (n-2) -> k = 2

$$T(n-2) = T((n-2)-2) + (n-2)^2$$

 $T(n-2) = T(n-4) + (n-2)^2$

$$T(n) = T(n-4) + (n-2)^2 + n^2$$

Substitute (n-4) -> k = 3

$$T(n-4) = T((n-4)-2) + (n-4)^2$$

 $T(n-4) = T(n-6) + (n-4)^2$

$$T(n) = T(n-6) + (n-4)^2 + (n-2)^2 + n^2$$

Substitute (n-6) -> k = 4

$$T(n-6) = T((n-6)-2) + (n-6)^2$$

 $T(n-6) = T(n-8) + (n-6)^2$

$$T(n) = T(n-8) + (n-6)^2 + (n-4)^2 + (n-2)^2 + n^2$$

General Formula

$$\overline{T(n)} = \overline{T(n-2k) + (n-2(k-1))^2 + (n-2(k-2))^2 + (n-2(k-3))^2 + ... + (n-2)^2 + n^2}$$

Stop Condition

$$T(0) = 1 \rightarrow n-2k = 0 \rightarrow k = n/2$$

$$T(n) = T(n-2(\frac{n}{2})) + (n-2((\frac{n}{2})-1))^2 + (n-2((\frac{n}{2})-2))^2 + (n-2((\frac{n}{2})-3))^2 + \dots + (n-2)^2 + n^2$$

$$T(n) = T(n-n) + (n-n+2)^2 + (n-n+4))^2 + (n-n+6))^2 + \dots + (n-2)^2 + n^2$$

$$T(n) = T(0) + (2)^2 + (4)^2 + (6)^2 + \dots + (n-2)^2 + n^2$$

$$T(n) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n} (2k)^2$$

$$\mathsf{T(n)} = \mathsf{1} + \mathsf{4} \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \mathsf{1} + \frac{4 * (\mathsf{n}(\mathsf{n}+1)(2\mathsf{n}+1))}{6} = \mathsf{1} + \frac{2\mathsf{n}(\mathsf{n}+1)(2\mathsf{n}+1))}{3} = \mathsf{1} + \frac{4n^3 + 6n^2 + 2\mathsf{n}}{3} \text{ (sum of squares of parts)}$$

first n even numbers

Big-Oh Complexity

 $O(n^3)$

3.T(n) = T(n-1) + 1/n and T(1) = 1

a. Hint: Go online and find a formula for the sum of the first n terms of the "harmonic series".

Substitute $(n-1) \rightarrow k = 2$

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

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

Substitute $(n-2) \rightarrow k = 3$

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

$$T(n-2) = T(n-3) + \frac{1}{n-2}$$

$$T(n) = T(n-3) + \frac{1}{n-2} + \frac{1}{n-1} + \frac{1}{n}$$

General Formula

T(n) = T(n-k) +
$$\frac{1}{n-k+1}$$
 + $\frac{1}{n-k+2}$ + $\frac{1}{n-k+3}$ + ... + $\frac{1}{n-1}$ + $\frac{1}{n}$

Stop Condition

$$T(1) = 1 \rightarrow n-k = 1 \rightarrow k = n - 1$$

$$T(n) = T(n-(n-1)) + \frac{1}{n-(n-1)+1} + \frac{1}{n-(n-1)+2} + \frac{1}{n-(n-1)+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n-1} + \frac{1}{n}$$

$$T(n) = T(1) + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n-1} + \frac{1}{n}$$

$$T(n) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n-1} + \frac{1}{n} = In(n) + \gamma \text{ (Sum of first n terms of harmonic series)}$$

Big-Oh Complexity

- γ = Euler-Mascheroni constant ≈ 0.58
 - Ignore for Big-Oh complexity

O(ln(n))

Master Method

Compute the complexity of the recursive algorithms based on the recursive equation and stop condition. Show your work, not just your final answer.

4.
$$T(n) = 2T(n/4) + 1$$
 and $T(0) = 1$

a. Be sure to rewrite 1 as no.

Variables

a = 2

b = 4

 $f(n) = n^0$

Compare f(n) to n^d $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_4 2} = n^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$n^{\log_{h^a}} = n^{\log_4 2} = n^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

 $n^0 < n^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Big-Oh Complexity

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_b a}) = O(n^{1/2})$$

5.
$$T(n) = 2T(n/4) + n^{1/2}$$
 and $T(0) = 1$

a. Note that $n^{1/2}$ is the square root of n.

Variables

a = 2

b = 4

 $f(n) = n^{1/2}$

Compare f(n) to nd

$$n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_4 2} = n^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

 $n^{1/2} = n^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Big-Oh Complexity

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_b a} \log(n)) = O(n^{1/2} \log n)$$

$$6.T(n) = 2T(n/4) + n^2$$
 and $T(0) = 1$

a. This is similar to the previous one.

Variables

a = 2

b = 4

 $f(n) = n^2$

Compare f(n) to n^d $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_4 2} = n^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_4 2} = n^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

 $n^2 > n^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Big-Oh Complexity

 $T(n) = O(f(n)) = O(n^2)$

$$7.T(n) = 10T(n/3) + n^2$$
 and $T(0) = 1$

- a. In your answer, round the value of the logarithm to 2 decimal places.
- b. Remember that the $log_b(a)$ is equal to $log_2(a) / log_2(b)$.

Variables

a = 10

b = 3

 $f(n) = n^2$

Compare f(n) to nd

$$n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_3 10} = \log_2(10) / \log_2(3) = n^{2.09}$$

 $n^2 < n^{2.09}$

Big-Oh Complexity

$$\overline{\mathsf{T}(\mathsf{n}) = \mathsf{O}(\mathsf{n}^{\log_{\mathsf{b}} \mathsf{a}}) = \mathsf{O}(\mathsf{n}^{2.09})}$$

$$8.T(n) = 2T(2n/3) + 1$$
 and $T(0) = 1$

- a. In your answer, round the value of the logarithm to 2 decimal places.
- b. Be sure to rewrite 1 as no.
- c. Remember that the $log_b(a)$ is equal to $log_2(a) / log_2(b)$.
- d. Hint: rewrite 2n / 3 as n / (3/2)

Variables

a = 2

b = 3/2

 $f(n) = n^0$

Compare f(n) to nd

$$\overline{n^{\log_b a}} = n^{\log_{1.5} 2} = \log_2(2) / \log_2(1.5) = n^{1.71}$$

 $n^0 < n^{1.71}$

Big-Oh Complexity

$$\overline{\mathsf{T}(\mathsf{n}) = \mathsf{O}(\mathsf{n}^{\mathsf{log}}\mathsf{b}^{\mathsf{a}}) = \mathsf{O}(\mathsf{n}^{1.71})}$$