

**Problem 1:**

Using master theorem:

$$\begin{aligned}a &= 4 \\b &= 4 \\f(n) &= n \log n\end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\log_b^a &= 1 \\f(n) &= \Omega(n^{\log_b^a - \epsilon})\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$T(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$$

**Problem 2:**

We guess  $\Theta(n)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= T(\lfloor \frac{n}{7} \rfloor) + 5T(\lfloor \frac{n}{6} \rfloor) + cn \\&= \left( \frac{1}{7} + \frac{5}{6} + 1 \right) nc \\&= \frac{83}{42} nc\end{aligned}$$

**Problem 3:**

For the SoSoSplotchy numbers, we know that :

$$\begin{aligned}S(0) &= 1 \\S(1) &= 2 \\S(n) &= 2S(n-1) + S(n-2)\end{aligned}$$

- (a) To prove  $S(n) = S(a+1)S(n-a-1) + S(a)S(n-2-a)$   
Basis:  $(a=0)$  and  $n \geq 2$

$$\begin{aligned}S(n) &= S(a+1)S(n-a-1) + S(a)S(n-2-a) \\&= S(1)S(n-1) + S(0)S(n-2) \\&= 2S(n-1) + S(n-2)\end{aligned}$$

Induction step: ( $a > 0$ )

If we know:

$$\begin{aligned}
S(n) &= S(a+1)S(n-a-1) + S(a)S(n-a-2) \\
&= S(a+1)[2S(n-a-2) + S(n-a-3)] + S(a)S(n-2-a) \\
&= [2S(a+1) + S(a)]S(n-a-2) + S(a+1)S(n-a-3) \\
&= S(a+2)S(n-a-2) + S(a+1)S(n-a-3) \checkmark
\end{aligned}$$

Then for  $a+1$ , we will have

$$\begin{aligned}
S(n) &= S(a+2)S(n-a-2) + S(a+1)S(n-a-3) \\
&= S(a+2)S(n-a-2) + S(a+1)S(n-a-3)
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Assuming the fact from part a, and let  $n = 2k$  and  $a = k-1$ , we will have:

$$\begin{aligned}
S(n) &= S(a+1)S(n-a-1) + S(a)S(n-2-a) \\
S(2k) &= S(k)S(k) + S(k-1)S(k-1)
\end{aligned}$$

If we let  $n = 2k+1$  and  $a+1 = k+1$ , then we will have:

$$\begin{aligned}
S(2k+1) &= S(k+1)S(k) + S(k)S(k-1) \\
&= [2S(k) + S(k-1)]S(k) + S(k)S(k-1) \\
&= 2S(k)S(k) + 2S(k-1)S(k)
\end{aligned}$$

(c) We know  $S(2k+1) = 2S(k)S(k) + 2S(k-1)S(k)$

Replace  $k$  with  $k-1$ , then we will have:

$$\begin{aligned}
S(2k-1) &= 2S(k-1)S(k-1) + 2S(k-1)S(k-2) \\
&= 2S(k-1)S(k-1) + 2S(k-1)[S(k) - 2S(k-1)] \\
&= 2S(k-1)[S(k) - S(k-1)]
\end{aligned}$$

(d) If  $n$  is an odd number, let  $2k+1 = n$  and  $k = \frac{n-1}{2}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
S(n) &= S(2k+1) \\
&= 2S(k)S(k) + 2S(k-1)S(k) \\
&= 2S(\frac{n-1}{2})S(\frac{n-1}{2}) + 2S(\frac{n-3}{2})S(\frac{n-1}{2}) \\
S(n-1) &= S(2k) \\
&= S(k)S(k) + S(k-1)S(k-1) \\
&= S(\frac{n-1}{2})S(\frac{n-1}{2}) + S(\frac{n-3}{2})S(\frac{n-3}{2})
\end{aligned}$$

If  $n$  is an even number, let  $2k = n$  and  $k = \frac{n}{2}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
S(n) &= S(2k) \\
&= S(k)S(k) + S(k-1)S(k-1) \\
&= S(\frac{n}{2})S(\frac{n}{2}) + S(\frac{n-2}{2})S(\frac{n-2}{2}) \\
S(n-1) &= S(2k-1) \\
&= 2S(k-1)S(k) - 2S(k-1)S(k-1) \\
&= 2S(\frac{n-2}{2})S(\frac{n}{2}) - 2S(\frac{n-2}{2})S(\frac{n-2}{2})
\end{aligned}$$

Pseudocode:

Function *SoSoSplotchy*(*n*):

**if** *n* = 1 **then**

  | return (2, 1)

**else**

**if** *n* = odd **then**

$$S(\frac{n-1}{2}), S(\frac{n-3}{2}) = SoSoSplotchy(\frac{n-1}{2})$$

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

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

**if** *n* = even **then**

$$S(\frac{n}{2}), S(\frac{n-2}{2}) = SoSoSplotchy(\frac{n}{2})$$

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

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

**end**

return *S*(*n*), *S*(*n* - 1)

(e)