

Divide and Conquer

What is the solution to the recurrence $T(n) = T(n/2) + \Theta(n)$? (Let $T(1) = b$, where b is a constant)

$O(n)$

Given the following recurrence relation:

$$T(1) = a,$$

$$T(n) = qT(n/2) + bn, \quad q > 2$$

- a. $T(n)$ is $O(qn)$
- b. $T(n)$ is $O(qn^2)$
- c. $T(n)$ is $O(q \log_2(n))$
- d. $T(n)$ is $O(qn \log_2(n))$
- e. $T(n)$ is $O(n \log(q))$
- f. $T(n)$ is $O(q^{\log(n)})$
- g. $T(n)$ is $O(n^{\log(q)})$
- h. None of above

In the recurrence tree for Merge-Sort algorithm, the work done at any level 'k' of the tree is equal to half the amount of work at level k-1.

Do you agree with the above statement? YES / NO _____ **No** _____

If Yes, **prove** it. If No, then explain why.

Same work i.e. $O(n)$ at each level.

Solve the following recurrence relation to determine $T(n)$.

$$T(1) = b_1$$

$$F(1) = b_2$$

$$F(n) = F(n-1) + c$$

$$T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + F(n), \text{ where } b_1, b_2 \text{ and } c \text{ are constants.}$$

Solve $F(n)$ first.
$$\begin{aligned} F(n) &= F(n-1) + c \\ &= F(n-2) + 2c \\ &= F(n-3) + 3c \\ &\vdots \\ F(n) &= F(n-K) + Kc \end{aligned}$$

Let $K = n-1$

$$F(n) = F(1) + (n-1)c = b_2 + (n-1)c$$

Since $F(n)$ is $O(n)$, we can simplify it as $F(n) = c_1 n$, where c_1 is a constant

$$T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + c_1 n$$

$$T(n) = 3\left(3T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + c_1 \frac{n}{2}\right) + c_1 n$$

$$T(n) = 3^2 T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 3c_1 \frac{n}{2} + c_1 n$$

$$T(n) = 3^2 \left(3T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + c_1 \frac{n}{4}\right) + 3c_1 \frac{n}{2} + c_1 n$$

$$T(n) = 3^3 T\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + 3^2 c_1 \frac{n}{2^2} + 3c_1 \frac{n}{2} + c_1 n$$

$$\vdots$$

$$T(n) = 3^K T\left(\frac{n}{2^K}\right) + \left(\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{K-1} + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{K-2} + \dots + \frac{3}{2} + 1\right) c_1 n$$

$$T(n) = 3^{\log_2(n)} T(1) + c_1 n \left(\frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^K - 1}{\frac{3}{2} - 1}\right) \quad \frac{n}{2^K} = 1 \quad K = \log_2 n$$

$$T(n) = 3^{\log_2(n)} \cdot b_1 + 2c_1 n \left(\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{\log_2 n} - 1\right)$$

$$= 3^{\log_2(n)} b_1 + (2c_1)(n) \left(\frac{3^{\log_2(n)}}{n} - 1\right)$$

$$= 3^{\log_2(n)} (b_1 + 2c_1) - 2c_1 n$$

$$3^{\log_2(n)} = n^{\log_2(3)} \quad (\text{Formula was given on the last page})$$

$$T(n) \text{ is } O\left(n^{\log_2(3)}\right)$$

Solve the following recurrence relation. You have to show all steps to get full marks.

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

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

$$= 4\left(2T\left(\frac{n-7}{8}\right) + c\right) + 3c$$

$$T(n) = 8T\left(\frac{n-7}{8}\right) + 7c$$

$$\vdots$$

$$T(n) = 2^k T\left(\frac{n-(2^k-1)}{2^k}\right) + (2^k-1)c$$

let $\frac{n-(2^k-1)}{2^k} = 1 \Rightarrow n+1 = 2^{k+1}$

$$= 2^k T(1) + (2^k-1)c$$

$$= \left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)b + \left(\frac{n+1}{2} - 1\right)c = \frac{n+1}{2}(b+c) - c$$

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