

### Problem Set 5 - Solving Recurrences - Substitution methods.

Important: When answering the questions below, make sure you follow the proof-format covered in class. That is, CLEARLY identify each step in the proof, show all algebraic steps, and explain any non-trivial steps.

#### Problems to solve:

1. Solve the following recurrence using the **Substitution method**. Show all steps.

$$\begin{aligned} T(1) &= 1 \\ T(n) &= 2.T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1000n \quad \forall n \geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

#### Answer:

1<sup>st</sup> guess

Base case ->

$O(n)$ ?

$n = 1$

$T(1) = c * n$

$1 = c * (1)$

$c$  can be 1!

Inductive step ->

For some  $k$ ,  $k < n$ ,  $T(k) \leq c * k$

$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1000n$

$\leq 2(c * \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)) + 1000n$

$\leq cn + 1000n$

$cn + 1000n$  is NOT less than  $cn$  ( $1000n$  can never be negative)!

2<sup>nd</sup> guess

Base case ->

$O(n^2)$ ?

$$n = 1$$

$$T(1) = c * n^2$$

$$1 = c * (1)^2$$

$$1 = c * 1$$

c can be 1!

Inductive step ->

For some k,  $k < n$ ,  $T(k) \leq c * k^2$

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1000n$$

$$\leq 2\left(c * \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2\right) + 1000n$$

$$\leq 2\left(c * \left(\frac{n^2}{4}\right)\right) + 1000n$$

$$\leq \left(\frac{cn^2}{2}\right) + 1000n$$

$$\leq cn^2 - \frac{cn^2}{2} + 1000n \leq cn^2$$

If  $c = 2000$ , then

$$2000n^2 - 1000n^2 + 1000n \leq 2000n^2$$

$$1000n^2 + 1000n \leq 2000n^2$$

$$1000n^2 + 1000n \leq 1000n^2 + 1000n^2$$

The inequality is satisfied, so  $T(n)$  is  $O(n^2)$ .

DONE!

2. Solve the following recurrence using the **Substitution method**. Show all steps.

$$T(1) = 1$$

$$T(n) = 7T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 18n^2 \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

**Answer:**

1<sup>st</sup> guess

$O(n^3)$ ?

Base case ->

$$n = 1$$

$$T(1) = c * n^3$$

$$1 = c * (1)^3$$

$$1 = c * (1)$$

c can be 1!

Inductive step ->

For some k,  $k < n$ ,  $T(k) \leq c * k^3$

$$T(n) = 7T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 18n^2$$

$$\leq 7\left(c * \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^3\right) + 18n^2$$

$$\leq \frac{7cn^3}{8} + 18n^2$$

$$\leq cn^3 - \frac{cn^3}{8} + 18n^2 \leq cn^3$$

If  $c = 144$ , then

$$144n^3 - 18n^3 + 18n^2 \leq 144n^3$$

$$126n^3 + 18n^2 \leq 144n^3$$

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$$126n^3 + 18n^2 \leq 126n^3 + 18n^3$$

The inequality is satisfied, so  $T(n)$  is  $O(n^3)$ .

DONE!

3. Calculate the running time of the following recursive functions. Solve any recurrences that arise using the substitution method.

**Answer:**

For any input of  $n$ , the recursive function will call itself  $\log_2 n$  times, and each time it is called it will run through the for loop instructions in, at most,  $n$  steps. With each increasing  $n$ , the recursive function will call another time and run about another  $n$  steps. Thus,  $T(n)$  is approximately  $T(\frac{n}{2}) + n$ , and the algorithm is  $O(n \log_2 n)$ .

Substitution proof:

Base case ->

$$n = 1$$

$$T(1) = c * n \log_2 n$$

$$1 = c * (1) \log_2 1$$

$$1 = c * (0)$$

$c$  can be 1 (or greater)!

Inductive step ->

For some  $k$ ,  $k < n$ ,  $T(k) \leq c * k \log_2 k$

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

$$\leq c * (\frac{n}{2}) \log_2(\frac{n}{2}) + n \leq n \log_2 n$$

$$\leq (\frac{cn}{2})(\log_2(n) - \log_2(2)) + n \leq n \log_2 n$$

$$\leq (\frac{cn}{2})(\log_2(n) - 1) + n \leq n \log_2 n$$

$$\leq (\frac{cn}{2})(\log_2(n)) - (\frac{cn}{2}) + n \leq n \log_2 n$$

$$\leq (\frac{c}{2}) \log_2(n) - (\frac{c}{2}) + 1 \leq \log_2 n$$

If  $c = 2$ , then

$$\log_2(n) - 1 + 1 \leq \log_2 n$$

$$\log_2(n) \leq \log_2 n$$

The inequality is satisfied, so  $T(n)$  is  $O(n \log_2(n))$ .

DONE!

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    public int recursive(int n)
    {
        int sum=0;
        for (int i=1; i<= n; i++){
            sum+=1;
        }
        if (n>1)
        {
            return recursive(n/2);
        }
        else
        {
            return 1;
        }
    }

```

## Deliverable

If you have not already done so, create a GitHub repository that will host all your assignment for this course. In the repository should create a folder titled `cus715_problem_set_05` . Within that folder, add a `pdf` or `markdown` document with your answers to the problem set.