

# CSC6013 - Worksheet for Week 5

## 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.

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

$$T(n) = 2^k T(n-k) + (2^k - 1) \quad n-k=0, k=n$$

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

$O(2^n)$

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  $k$ .

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

$$T(n) = T(n-2k) + \sum_{i=1}^k (n-2i+2)^2 \quad n-2k=0, k=n/2$$

$$T(n) = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (n-2i+2)^2 \approx 1 + \frac{n}{2}(n^2) = \frac{n^3}{2}$$

$O(n^3)$

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".

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

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

$O(\ln n)$

Harmonic series  
 $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}$  grows as  $\ln n$   
 natural logarithm

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

a. Be sure to rewrite 1 as  $n^0$ .

$$a=2, b=4, f(n)=1=n^0$$

$$n^{\log_4(2)} = n^{1/2}$$

$n^0 < n^{1/2}$  since  $f(n)$  is slower apply rule #1

$$O(n^{1/2})$$

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_4(2)})$$

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

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

$$a=2, b=4, f(n)=n^{1/2}$$

$$n^{\log_4(2)} = n^{1/2}$$

$n^{1/2} = n^{1/2}$  since  $f(n)$  is the same apply rule #2

$$O(n^{1/2} \log n)$$

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_4(2)} \log(n))$$

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

a. This is similar to the previous one.

$$a=2, b=4, f(n)=n^2$$

$$n^{\log_4(2)} = n^{1/2}$$

$n^2 > n^{1/2}$  since  $f(n)$  is faster apply rule #3

$$O=n^2$$

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

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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  $\log_2(a) / \log_2(b)$ .

$$a = 10, b = 3, f(n) = n^2$$

$$n^{\log_3(10)} = n^{2.10}$$

$n^2 < n^{2.10}$  since  $f(n)$  is slower apply case #1  
 $T(n) = O(n^{\log_b(a)})$

$$O(n^{2.10})$$

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  $n^0$ .

c. Remember that the  $\log_b(a)$  is equal to  $\log_2(a) / \log_2(b)$ .

d. Hint: rewrite  $2n/3$  as  $n/(3/2)$

$$a = 2, b = 3/2, f(n) = 1 = n^0$$

$$n^{\log_{3/2}(2)} = n^{1.71}$$

$n^0 > n^{1.71}$  since  $f(n)$  is slower apply case #1  
 $T(n) = O(n^{\log_b(a)})$

$$O(n^{1.71})$$