

Don't forget to go through the more recurrence relation examples pdf file to see more examples.

Practice with Recurrence Relations

Solve the following recurrence relations using the iteration technique:

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

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

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

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

$$T(n) = T(n-k) + 2 * k$$

$$k = n-1$$

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

$$O(n)$$

Substituting Equations

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

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

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

$$2) T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n, \quad T(1) = 1$$

$$T(n) = 2 [2T(n/4) + n/2] + n$$

$$= 4T(n/4) + 2n$$

$$T(n) = 4 [2T(n/8) + n/4] + 2n$$

$$= 8T(n/8) + 3n$$

$$= 16T(n/16) + 4n$$

$$T(n) = 2^{\log_2 n} T(1) + (\log_2 n)n$$

$$T(n) = n T(1) + n \log n = n + n \log n$$

Substituting Equations

$$T(n/2) = 2 + (n/4) + n/2$$

$$T(n/4) = 2 + (n/8) + n/4$$

$$T(n/8) = 2 + (n/16) + n/8$$

$$O(n^* \log n)$$

$$3) T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1, T(1) = 1$$

$$2[2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 1] + 1 \quad T(n) = 2^k T(n/2^k) + k$$

$$4T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 2 + 1 \quad k = \log_2 n$$

$$4[2T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 1] + 2 + 1 \quad O(n * \log n)$$

$$8T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 4 + 2 + 1$$

Substituting Equations

$n \rightarrow n/2$

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

$$T(n/4) = 2T(n/8) + 1$$

$$T(n/8) = 2T(n/16) + 1$$

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

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

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

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

$$T(n) = T(n-k) + n \quad O(n)$$

$$k = 2n-1$$

Substituting Equations

$n \rightarrow n-1$

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

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

$$T(n-3) = T(n-4) + n-3$$

5.

Use the iteration technique to find a Big-Oh bound for the recurrence relation below.

Note you may find the following mathematical result helpful: $2^{\log_3 n} = n^{\log_3 2}$,

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (2/3)^i = 3$$

$$T(n) = 2T(n/3) + cn$$

$$T(n) = 2 \left(2T\left(\frac{n}{9}\right) + c\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) \right) + cn$$

$$4T\left(\frac{n}{9}\right) + c\left(\frac{2n}{3}\right) + n$$

$$4 \left(2T\left(\frac{n}{27}\right) + c\left(\frac{n}{9}\right) \right) + c\left(\frac{2n}{3}\right) + n$$

$$8T\left(\frac{n}{27}\right) + c\left(\frac{4n}{9}\right) + \frac{2n}{3} + n$$

$$T(n) = 8T\left(\frac{n}{27}\right) + cn\left(\frac{4}{9}\right) + \frac{2n}{3} + n$$

$$2^{\log_3 n} T(1) + cn$$

$$n^{\log_3 2} + cn = O(n)$$