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If $f(n) \in \Theta(n^d)$ or $f(n) = c \cdot n^d$ where $d \geq 0$ in recurrence $T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$ then

$$T(n) \in \begin{cases} \Theta(n^d) & , \text{ if } (a < b^d) \\ \Theta(n^d \log n) & , \text{ if } (a = b^d) \\ \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) & , \text{ if } (a > b^d) \end{cases}$$

$$(1) \quad T(n) = 8T(n/2) + 1000n^2$$

$$a=8, \quad b=2, \quad f(n) = 1000n^2 = c \cdot n^d$$

$$\therefore d=2$$

$$b^d = 2^2 = 4$$

Hence $a > b^d$

$$\therefore T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

$$\therefore T(n) \in \Theta(n^3)$$

$$\log_b a = \log_2 8$$

$$= 3$$

$$(2) \quad T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^2$$

$$a=2, \quad b=2, \quad d=2$$

$$b^d = 2^2 = 4$$

Hence $a < b^d$

$$\therefore T(n) \in \Theta(n^d)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$$

$$(3) \quad T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 10n$$

$$a=2, \quad b=2, \quad d=1$$

$$b^d = 2^1 = 2$$

Hence $a = b^d$

$$\therefore T(n) = \Theta(n^d \log n)$$

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