

Solve the following recurrence relation.

a) $x(n) = x(n-1) + 5$ for $n > 1$ with $x(1) = 0$.

1) write down the first two terms to identify the pattern $x(1) = 0$

$$x(2) = x(1) + 5 = 5$$

$$x(3) = x(2) + 5 = 10$$

$$x(4) = x(3) + 5 = 15$$

2) identify the pattern (or) the general term

The first term $x(1) = 0$

The common difference $d = 5$

The general formula for the n^{th} term of an AP is $x(n) = x(1) + d(n-1)$

Substituting the given values

$$x(n) = 0 + (n-1) \cdot 5 = 5(n-1)$$

The solution is $x(n) = 5(n-1)$

b) $x(n) = 3x(n-1)$ for $n > 1$ with $x(1) = 4$

1) write down the first two terms to identify the pattern $x(1) = 4$

$$x(2) = 3x(1) = 3 \cdot 4 = 12$$

$$x(3) = 3x(2) = 36$$

$$x(4) = 3x(3) = 108$$

2) identify the general term.

→ The first term $x(1) = 4$

→ The common ratio $r = 3$

The general formula for the n^{th} term of a GP is $x(n) = x(1) \cdot r^{n-1}$

Substituting the given values

$$x(n) = 4 \cdot 3^{n-1}$$

The solution is $x(n) = 4 \cdot 3^{n-1}$

c) $x(n) = x(n/2) + 1$ for $n > 1$ with $x(1) = 1$ (solve for $n = 2^k$)

For $n = 2^k$ we can write recurrence in terms of k

1) Substitute $n = 2^k$ in the recurrence $x(2^k) = x(2^{k-1}) + 1$

2) write down the first few terms to identify the pattern $x(1)$

$$x(2) = x(2^1) = x(1) + 2 = 3$$

$$x(4) = x(2^2) = x(2) + 4 = 7$$

$$x(8) = x(2^3) = x(4) + 8 = 15$$

3) identify the general term by finding the pattern we observe that

$$x(2^k) = x(2^{k-1}) + 2^k$$

we sum the series: $x(2^k) = 2^k + 2^{k-1} + 2^{k-2} + \dots$

$$\text{since } x(1) = 1$$

$$x(2^k) = 2^k + 2^{k-1} + 2^{k-2} + \dots$$

The geometric series with the term $a=2$ and the last term 2^k except for the additional +1 terms. The sum of a geometric series S with ratio $r=2$ is given by $S = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$ where $a=2$, $r=2$ and $n=k$

$$S = 2 \cdot \frac{2^k - 1}{2 - 1} = 2(2^k - 1) = 2^{k+1} - 2$$

Adding the +1 term

$$x(2^k) = 2^{k+1} - 2 + 1 = 2^{k+1} - 1 \quad \text{Solution is } x(2^k) = 2^{k+1} - 1$$

d) $x(n) = x(n/3) + 1$ for $n > 1$ with $x(1) = 1$ (solve for $n = 3^k$)

1) for $n = 3^k$ we can write the recurrence in terms of k .

1) Substitute $n = 3^k$ in the recurrence $x(3^k) = x(3^{k-1}) + 1$

2) write down the first few terms to identify the pattern $x(1) = 1$

$$x(3) = x(3^1) = x(1) + 1 = 2$$

$$x(9) = x(3^2) = x(3) + 1 = 3$$

$$x(27) = x(3^3) = x(9) + 1 = 4$$

3) identify the general term: we observe that: $x(3^k) = x(3^{k-1}) + 1$

Summing up the series $x(3^k) = 1 + 1 + 1 + \dots + 1$

$$x(3^k) = k + 1$$

The solution is $x(3^k) = k + 1$

2) Evaluate the following recurrence complexity

i) $T(n) = T(n/2) + 1$, where $n = 2^k$ for all $k \geq 0$

The recurrence relation can be solved using iteration method

Let $n = 2^k$ in the recurrence

$$\text{for } k=0: T(2^0) = T(1) = T(1)$$

$$k=1: T(2^1) = T(2) = T(1) + 1$$

$$k=2: T(2^2) = T(4) = T(2) + 1 = (T(1) + 1) + 1 = T(1) + 2$$

$$k=3: T(2^3) = T(8) = T(4) + 1 = (T(1) + 2) + 1 = T(1) + 3$$

3) generalise the pattern $T(2^k) = T(1) + k$

$$\text{Since } n = 2^k, k = \log_2 n$$

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

4) Assume $T(1)$ is a constant c .

$$T(n) = c + \log_2 n$$

The solution is $T(n) = O(\log n)$

ii) $T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + n$ where c is constant and n is input size.

The recurrence can be solved using the master's theorem for divide and conquer recurrence of the form $T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$

where $a=2$, $b=3$ and $f(n) = cn$

Let's determine the value of $\log_b a$: $\log_3 2 = \log_3 2$

using the properties of logarithms

$$\log_3 2 = \frac{\log_2 2}{\log_2 3}$$

Now we compare $f(n) = cn$ with $n \log_3 2$:

$$f(n) = O(n) \\ n = n^1$$

Since $\log_3 2 < 1$ we are in the third case of the master's theorem

$$f(n) = O(n^c) \text{ with } c > \log_3 2$$

The solution is $T(n) = O(f(n)) = O(n) = O(n)$

Consider the following recurrence algorithm.

min [A[0].....A[n-2]]

if $n=1$ return A[0]

Else $kmp = \min([A[0] \dots A[n-2]])$

if $kmp < A[n-1]$ return kmp

else return A[n-1]

a) what does this algorithm, complete?
The given algorithm, $\text{min}[A[0], \dots, A[n-1]]$ computes the minimum value in array A from index '0' for $n-1$. it does this by recursively finding the minimum value in the sub array $A[0, \dots, n-2]$ and then comparing it with the last element $A[n-1]$ to determine the overall minimum value.

b) setup a recurrence relation for the algorithm basic operation count and solve it.

The solution is $T(n) = n$

This means the algorithm performs n basic operations for an input array of size n .

4) Analyse the order of growth

i) $f(n) = 2n^2 + 5$ and $g(n) = 7n$ use the $\Omega(g(n))$ notation.

To analyse the order of growth, and use the Ω notation, we need to compare the given function $f(n)$ and $g(n)$.

Given functions:

$$f(n) = 2n^2 + 5$$

$$g(n) = 7n$$

order of growth using $\Omega(g(n))$ notation.

The notation $\Omega(g(n))$ describes a lower bound on the growth rate that for sufficiently large n , $f(n)$ grows at least as fast as $g(n)$.

$$f(n) \geq c \cdot g(n)$$

Let's analyse $f(n) = 2n^2 + 5$ with respect to $g(n) = 7n$

Identify Dominant terms:

→ The dominant terms in $f(n)$ is $2n^2$ since it grows faster than the constant terms, as n increases. → The dominant term in $g(n)$ is $7n$.

2) Establish the inequality:

→ we want to find constants c and n_0 such that $2n^2 + 5 \geq c \cdot 7n$ for all $n \geq n_0$

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Verify the inequality:

Use the lower order term S for larger $2n^2 \geq 7cn$

Divide both sides by n . $2n \geq 7c$

Solve for n : $n \geq 7c/2$

Choose constants

Let $c=1$

$n \geq \frac{7 \cdot 1}{2} = 3.5$ \therefore for $n \geq n$ the inequality holds:

$$2n^2 + S \geq 7n \text{ for all } n \geq n$$

We have shown that there exist constants $c=1$ and $n_0=n$ such that $\forall n \geq n_0$
 $2n^2 + S \geq 7n$

thus, we can conclude that: $f(n) = 2n^2 + S = \Omega(7n)$

in notation the dominant term $2n^2$ in $f(n)$ clearly grows faster than in
 hence $f(n) = \Omega(n^2)$

However for the specific comparison asked $f(n) = \Omega(7n)$ is also correct.

showing that $f(n)$ grows at least as fast as $7n$.