

# CISC 3220 Homework Master Theorem

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## Problem 1

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$$T(n) = 2T(n/4) + n^{0.58}$$

$$a = 2$$

$$b = 4$$

$$f(n) = n^{0.58}$$

$$n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_4 2} = n^{.5}$$

$$\text{Case 3: } f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$$

$$0 \leq n^{.5+\epsilon} \leq n^{.58}$$

$$\text{Let } \epsilon = .01$$

$$0 \leq n^{.51} \leq n^{.58}$$

Find a  $c < 1$  such that  $a \cdot f(\frac{n}{b}) \leq c \cdot f(n)$  for all sufficiently large  $n$ :

$$2 \cdot n^{\frac{.58}{4}} \leq c \cdot n^{.58}$$

$$\text{Let } c = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2 \cdot n^{.145} \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot n^{.58}$$

Dividing both sides by  $n^{.145}$ :

$$2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot n^{.435}$$

which is true for all sufficiently large  $n \geq 5$

$$\text{So } T(n) = \Theta(n^{.58})$$

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## Problem 2

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$$T(n) = \sqrt{3}T(n/2) + \log_2 n$$

$$a = \sqrt{3}$$

$$b = 2$$

$$f(n) = \log_2 n$$

$$n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_2 \sqrt{3}} = n^{\frac{\log_2 3}{2(\log_2 2)}} \approx n^{\frac{1.585}{2}} \approx n^{.8}$$

$$\text{Case 1: } f(n) = \mathcal{O}(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$$

$$0 \leq \log_2 n \leq c \cdot n^{.8 - \epsilon}$$

$$\text{Let } \epsilon = .1$$

For all asymptotically positive functions, there is a  $c$  such that:  $0 \leq \log_2 n \leq c \cdot n^{.7}$

$$\text{So } T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_2 \sqrt{3}})$$