

1. This question will give you further practice with the Master Method. Suppose the running time of an algorithm is governed by the recurrence $T(n) = 7 * T(n/3) + n^2$. What's the overall asymptotic running time (i.e., the value of $T(n)$)?

With the Master Method, $a = 7$, $b = 3$, $d = 2$. $a < b^d$ so this is case 2. Root work dominates the run time $\rightarrow \theta(n^d)$

$$\theta(n^2)$$

2. This question will give you further practice with the Master Method. Suppose the running time of an algorithm is governed by the recurrence $T(n) = 9 * T(n/3) + n^2$. What's the overall asymptotic running time (i.e., the value of $T(n)$)?

With the Master Method, $a = 9$, $b = 3$, $d = 2$. $a = b^d$ so this is case 1. Work at every level is the same. $\rightarrow \theta(n^d \log n)$

$$\theta(n^2 \log n)$$

3. This question will give you further practice with the Master Method. Suppose the running time of an algorithm is governed by the recurrence $T(n) = 5 * T(n/3) + 4n$. What's the overall asymptotic running time (i.e., the value of $T(n)$)?

With the Master Method, $a = 5$, $b = 3$, $d = 1$. $a > b^d$ so this is case 3. Work done = number of leaves. $\rightarrow \theta(n^{\log_b a})$

$$\theta(n^{\log_3 5})$$

4. Consider the following pseudocode for calculating a^b (where a and b are positive integers)

FastPower(a, b) :

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if b = 1
    return a
else
    c := a*a
    ans := FastPower(c, [b/2])
    if b is odd
        return a*ans
    else return ans
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end

Here $[x]$ denotes the floor function, that is, the largest integer less than or equal to x .

Now assuming that you use a calculator that supports multiplication and division (i.e., you can do multiplications and divisions in constant time), what would be the overall asymptotic running time of the above algorithm (as a function of b)?

The function work (besides recursion) is constant, so $a = 1$. Each time the input is half of the previous input, so $b = 2$. $d = 0$. $a = b^d$, so this is case 1. Work at every level is the same. \rightarrow

$$\theta(n^d \log n)$$

$\theta(\log b)$ (input size is b)

5. Choose the smallest correct upper bound on the solution to the following recurrence:

$T(1) = 1$ and $T(n) \leq T(\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor) + 1$ for $n > 1$. Here $\lfloor x \rfloor$ denotes the "floor" function, which rounds down to the nearest integer. (Note that the Master Method does not apply.)

Substitute $m = \log n$ to get $n = 2^m$

$$T(2^m) < T(\sqrt{2^m}) + 1 \rightarrow S(m) < S(m/2) + 1$$

$$S(k) = T(2^k) \leq S(m/2) + 1$$

$a = 1, b = 2, d = 0, a = b^d$, so this is case 1. Work at every level is the same. $\rightarrow \theta(n^d \log n)$

$\theta(\log m)$

$\theta(\log \log n)$