

(1) (a)

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

$$a=1, b=3, f(n)=2 = \Theta(1)$$

$$n^{\log_a b} = n^0 = 1 = \Theta(1)$$

$\therefore$  Using master theorem (case 2),  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_a b} \log n)$   
 $= \Theta(\log n)$

(b) (i)  $T(n) = T(n/3) + 1$

$$a=1, b=3, f(n)=1 = \Theta(1)$$

Same as above  $T(n) = \Theta(\log n)$

(ii)  $T(n) = T(n/3/2) + 1$

$$a=1, b=3/2, f(n)=1 = \Theta(1)$$

Same as before  $T(n) = \Theta(\log n)$

(2) (a)  $T(n) = T(n/\sqrt{n}) + (\sqrt{n}-1)$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = T(\sqrt{n}) + (\sqrt{n}-1)$$

$$\text{Set } n = 2^m \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} = 2^{m/2}$$

$$\therefore T(2^m) = T(2^{m/2}) + (2^{m/2}-1) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{Set } S(m) = T(2^m), \text{ then } S(m/2) = T(2^{m/2})$$

Then  $\therefore$  Eq (1) can be written as

$$S(m) = S(m/2) + (2^{m/2}-1)$$

$$\text{Now, } a=1, b=2, f(m) = 2^{m/2}-1$$

$$n^{\log_a b} = n^0 = 1.$$

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$$\therefore f(m) = 2^{m/2} - 1 = \Omega(n^{\epsilon}) \text{ for say } \epsilon = 1.$$

Checking of regularity condition

$$\begin{aligned} a f(m/b) &= 1 \cdot 2^{(m/2)/2} \\ &= 2^{m/4} \leq 2^{m/2} = f(m) \end{aligned}$$

(here  $c=1$ ).

$\therefore$  Using master theorem (case 3).

$$S(m) = \Theta(f(m)) = \Theta(2^{m/2})$$

$$T(2^m) = \Theta(2^{m/2})$$

$$\therefore T(n) = T(2^m) = \Theta(2^{m/2}) = \Theta(\sqrt{n}).$$

$$(b) \quad T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{\log n}\right) + \log n - 1$$

Here  $a=1$ ,  $b=\log n$ .

Since  $b$  is not constant but depends on  $n$ , we cannot use master theorem.

$$(c) \quad T_1(n) = T_1\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \log n$$

$$a=1, b=2, f(n) = \log n.$$

$$\cancel{O} \quad n^{\log_a b} = n^0 = 1. \text{ However } f(n) \neq \Omega(n^{\log_a b + \epsilon})$$

Thus master theorem does not apply.

One possibility is to use extended master theorem.

$$f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_a b} \log n) = \Theta(\log n)$$

$$\text{Thus } T_1(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_a b} \log^2 n) = \Theta(\log^2 n)$$

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Otherwise do it by change of variable.

$$\text{let } n = 2^m. \text{ then } \frac{n}{2} = 2^{m-1}, \quad m = \log_2 n$$

$$\therefore T_1(2^m) = T_1(2^{m-1}) + m$$

$$\text{let } S_1(m) = T_1(2^m)$$

$$\text{Then } S_1(m) = S_1(m-1) + m$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore S_1(m) &= m + S_1(m-1) \\ &= m + (m-1) + S_1(m-2) \\ &= m + (m-1) + (m-2) + S_1(m-3) \\ &\vdots \\ &= m + (m-1) + \dots + 1 \\ &= \Theta \frac{m(m+1)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore S_1(m) = \Theta(m^2)$$

$$\therefore T_1(2^m) = \Theta(m^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow T_1(n) = \Theta(T_1(2^m)) = \Theta(m^2) = \Theta(\log^2 n)$$

(d)

$$T_2(n) = T_2\left(\frac{n}{\sqrt{n}}\right) + \log n - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow T_2(n) = T_2(\sqrt{n}) + \log n - 1$$

$$\text{Set } n = 2^m, \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} = 2^{m/2} \text{ and } \log n = m.$$

$$\therefore T_2(2^m) = T_2(2^{m/2}) + m - 1 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{Set } S_2(m) = T_2(2^m)$$

$\therefore$  Eq (1) becomes

$$S_2(m) = S_2(m/2) + m - 1$$

$$a=1, b=2, f(m) = m-1$$

$$m \log_b a = m^0 = 1$$

$$\therefore f(m) = m-1 = \Omega\left(m^{\log_b a + \epsilon}\right) \quad \text{where } \epsilon = 0.5$$

∴ Using case 3 for master theorem

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$$S_2(m) = \Theta(m)$$

$$\therefore T_2(2^m) = S_2(m) = \Theta(m)$$

$$\therefore T_2(n) = T_2(2^m) = S_2(m) = \Theta(m) = \Theta(\log n)$$

Thus, <sup>summation of</sup> our original problem  $T(n)$  has the following ~~bound~~ bound.

$$c_2 \log n \leq T(n) \leq c_1 \log^2 n$$

(3) (a) false

$$\text{let } f(n) = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ then } (f(n))^2 = \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \neq O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)$$

(b) false

If  $f(n) = \Theta(f(n/2))$  it must be the case that  $f(n) = O(f(n/2))$ . We show one counter example where that is not the case.

$$\text{let } f(n) = 2^n, \therefore f(n/2) = 2^{n/2}.$$

Clearly  $2^n \leq c 2^{n/2}$  does not hold. because then  $c$  has to be larger than  $2^{n/2}$ .

(c) false

$$\text{let } f(n) = \frac{1}{n^2}, \sqrt{f(n)} = \frac{1}{n}.$$

$$\text{clearly } \frac{1}{n^2} \neq O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

(d) Let  $h(n) = \max\{f(n), g(n)\}$

therefore  $h(n) \leq f(n) + g(n)$

$$\therefore h(n) = O(f(n) + g(n))$$

Now  $h(n) \geq f(n)$  and  $h(n) \geq g(n)$

$$\therefore h(n) + h(n) \geq f(n) + g(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow h(n) \geq \frac{1}{2} (f(n) + g(n))$$

$$\therefore h(n) = \Omega(f(n) + g(n))$$

$$\therefore h(n) = \Theta(f(n) + g(n))$$

4. Need to prove  $T(n) \leq cn^2$

Assume this holds for all subproblem of size  $n/2$

$$n/2 \text{ or smaller, i.e. } T(n/2) \leq c(n/2)^2$$

Plugging in the recurrence relation

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

$$\leq 4 \cdot c(n/2)^2 + n$$

$$= cn^2 + n. \quad \text{This is not what we want!}$$

Instead we will try to prove  $T(n) \leq c(n^2 - n)$ , which will imply  $T(n) \leq cn^2 \Rightarrow T(n) = O(n^2)$

Assume this holds for all subproblem of size  $n/2$  or smaller.

$$\therefore T(n/2) \leq c(n/2)^2 - n/2$$

Plugging back into recurrence relation gives us

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

$$\leq 4c((n/2)^2 - n/2) + n$$

$$= 4c(n^2/4 - n/2) + n$$

$$= cn^2 - 2cn + n$$

$$= cn^2 - cn + cn - 2cn + n$$

$$= cn^2 - cn - cn + n$$

$$= c(n^2 - n) - n(\underbrace{c-1}_{\geq 0})$$

$$\leq c(n^2 - 1)$$

if we choose  $c \geq 1$