

1. solve the following recurrence relation

a.  $x(n) = x(n-1) + 5$  for  $n \geq 1$  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 A.P is

$$x(n) = x(1) + (n-1)d$$

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  $n \geq 1$  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 gp is

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

substituting the given values

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

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

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

for  $2^k$ , we can write recurrence terms of  $2^k$

1. Substitute  $n = 2^k$  in the recurrence

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

2. write down the 1st few terms to identify the

pattern.  $x(1) = 1$

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

$$x(3) = x(2^2) = x(2) + 4 = 3 + 4 = 7$$

$$x(8) = x(2^3) = x(4) + 8 = 7 + 8 = 15$$

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

$$x(2^k) - x(1) = 11$$

the geometric series with the term  $a = 2$  and the last term  $2^k$  except for the additional term

The sum of a geometric series  $S$  with ratio

$$r = 2 \text{ is given by } S = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

Here  $a = 2$ ,  $r = 2$  and  $n = k$

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

Adding the +1 term

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

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  $n = 3^k$ )

for  $n = 3^k$ , we can write 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

$$x(1) = 1$$

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

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

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

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

(i) substitute  $n = 2^k$  in the recurrence

(ii) Iterate the recurrence

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

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

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

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

3. Generate 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 method theorem for divide and conquer recurrence of join

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

$$a=2, b=3 \text{ and } f(n)=n$$

lets determine the value of  $\log_b a$

$$\log_3 2$$

using the properties of logarithms

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

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

$$f(n) = O(n)$$

$$n = n^1$$

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

$$f(n) = O(n^c) \text{ with } c < \log_b a$$

$$\text{The solution is } T(n) = O(n) = O(n) = O(n)$$

Consider the following recurrence algorithm

min [A[0], ..., A[n-2]] if  $n=1$  return A[0]

else temp = min [A[0], ..., A[n-2]] if temp < A[n-1]

else return A[n-1]

a. what does this algorithm compute

The given algorithm, min [A[0], ..., A[n-1]] computes minimum value in the array 'A' from index '0' to 'n-1'. It does this by recursively finding the minimum value in the subarray A[0, ..., 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

To determine the recurrence relation for the algorithm basic operation counts let's analyze the steps involved in the algorithm the basic operations are the comparison and function call.

Recurrence relation setup

1. Base case when  $n=1$  the algorithm performs a single operation to return  $A[0]$
2. Recursive case, when  $n>1$  the algorithm makes a recursive call to  $\text{min}(A[0, \dots, n-2])$  perform a comparison b/w temp and  $A[n-1]$

1. Base case:

$$T(1) = 1$$

2. Recursive case:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + 1$$

Here  $T(n-1)$  accounts for the operations performed by the recursive call to  $\text{min}(A[0, \dots, n-2])$  and the  $+1$  account for the comparison b/w temp and  $A[n-1]$

To solve this recurrence relation we can use iteration method.

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + 1$$

$$= T(n-2) + 1 + 1$$

$$= T(n-3) + 1 + 1 + 1$$

$$= T(n-1)$$

$$= n$$



The solution is

$$T(n) = n$$

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

1. Analyse the order of growth

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

To analyse the order of growth and use the  $\Omega$  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  $n$ ,  $f(n) \geq g(n)$

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

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

1. Identify dominant terms

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

→ The dominant term in  $g(n)$  is  $7n$

2. Establish the inequality

→ we want to find constants  $c$  and  $n_0$  such that

$$2n^2 + 5 \geq c \cdot 7n \text{ for all } n > n_0$$

3. Simplify the inequality:

→ Ignore the lower order term 5 for large  $n$

$$2n^2 \geq 7cn$$

→ Divide both sides by  $n$

$$2n \geq 7c$$

→ solve for  $n$

$$n \geq 7c/2$$

4. choose constants

$$c \text{ or } c \geq 1$$

$$n \geq \frac{7 \cdot 1}{2} = 3.5$$

for  $n \geq 4$  the inequality holds

$$2n^2 + 5 \geq 7n \text{ for all } n \geq 4$$

we have shown that there exist constants  $c \geq 1$  and  $n_0$

such that for all  $n \geq n_0$

$$2n^2 + 5 \geq 7n$$

thus, we can conclude that

$$O(n^2) = 2n^2 + 5 = O(7n)$$

However for the specific comparison asked

$f(n) = O(g(n))$  is also correct

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