



# Data Structure and Algorithms

Session-17

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# Theorem (Master Theorem)

*Let  $T(n)$  be a monotonically increasing function that satisfies*

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$$

where,

$n$  = size of input

$a$  = number of subproblems in the recursion

$n/b$  = size of each subproblem. All subproblems are assumed to have the same size.

$f(n)$  = cost of the work done outside the recursive call, which includes the cost of dividing the problem and cost of merging the solutions

Here,  $a \geq 1$  and  $b > 1$  are constants, and  $f(n)$  is an asymptotically positive function.

## Recurrence

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + O(n^k \log^p n)$$

$$a > 1, b > 1, k \geq 0$$

$p$  : Real number.

- 1) If  $a > b^k$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$
- 2) If  $a = b^k$ 
  - a. If  $p > -1$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{p+1} n)$
  - b. If  $p = -1$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log \log n)$
  - c. If  $p < -1$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$
- 3) If  $a < b^k$ 
  - a. If  $p \geq 0$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log^p n)$
  - b. If  $p < 0$ , then  $T(n) = O(n^k)$



You *cannot* use the Master Theorem if

- $T(n)$  is not monotone, ex:  $T(n) = \sin n$
- $f(n)$  is not a polynomial, ex:  $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + 2^n$
- $b$  cannot be expressed as a constant

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

$$a = 4, b = 2, k = 1, p = 0$$

$$4 > 2^1$$

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 4})$$

$$= O(n^2)$$

$$T(n) = 16T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{n}$$

$$a = 16, b = 3, k = -1$$

1) If  $a > b^k$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$

2) If  $a = b^k$

a. If  $p > -1$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{p+1} n)$

b. If  $p = -1$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log \log n)$

c. If  $p < -1$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$

3) If  $a < b^k$

a. If  $p \geq 0$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log^p n)$

b. If  $p < 0$ , then  $T(n) = O(n^k)$

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \log n$$

$$a = 2, b = 2, k = 1, p = 1$$

$$2 = 2^1$$

$$O(n^{\log_2 2} \log^2 n)$$

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

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{n}{\log n}$$

$$= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \log^{-1} n$$

$$a = 2, b = 2, k = 1, p = -1$$

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

$$O(n \log \log n)$$

$$1) \text{ If } a > b^k, \text{ then } T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

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$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{n}{\log^2 n}$$

$$= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \log^{-2} n$$

$$a=2 \quad b=2 \quad k=1, \quad p=-2$$

$$O(n^{\log_2 2^2})$$

$$= O(n)$$

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n$$

$$a=2, \quad b=2 \quad k=1 \quad p=0$$

$$O(n \log n)$$

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$$T(n) = 2 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2$$

$$a=2, b=2, k=2, p=0$$

$$2 < 4$$

$$O(n^2 \log^0 n) \\ = O(n^2)$$

$$T(n) = 3 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{n^2}{\log n}$$

$$3 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2 \log^{-1} n$$

$$a=3, b=2, k=2, p=-1$$

$$3 < 4$$

$$O(n^2)$$

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Let  $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}n^2 + n$ . What are the parameters?

Let  $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + \sqrt{n} + 42$ . What are the parameters?

Let  $T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{4}n + 1$ . What are the parameters?

Find the time complexity of the above recurrence functions



Thank  
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