

University of Nevada, Las Vegas Computer Science 477/677 Spring 2020

Answers to Assignment 2: Due Tuesday February 11, 2020

1. Work problem 2.5 on page 71 of the text book. Do not replace any transcendental constant with a decimal. For example “ $\log_2 3$ ” should be left as is, but “ $\log_2 4$ ” should be written as 2.

(a) $T(n) = 2T(n/3) + 1$
 $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_3 2})$

(b) $T(n) = 5T(n/4) + n$
 $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_4 5})$

(c) $T(n) = 7T(n/7) + n$
 $T(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$

(d) $T(n) = 9T(n/3) + n^2$
 $T(n) = \Theta(n^2 \log n)$

(e) $T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n^3$
 $T(n) = \Theta(n^3 \log n)$

(f) $T(n) = 49T(n/25) + n^{3/2} \log n$
 $T(n) = \Theta(n^{3/2} \log n)$

(g) $T(n) = T(n - 1) + 2$
 $T(n) = \Theta(n)$

(h) $T(n) = T(n - 1) + n^c$ where $c \geq 1$ is a constant.
 $T(n) = \Theta(n^{c+1})$

(i) $T(n) = T(n - 1) + c^n$ where $c > 1$ is a constant.
 $T(n) = \Theta(c^n)$

(j) $T(n) = 2T(n - 1) + 1$ Work this one by substitution. Let $F(m) = T(\log_2 m) = T(n)$. Then $T(n - 1) = T(\log_2 m - 1) = T(\log_2(m/2)) = F(m/2)$

Substituting, we have $F(m) = 2F(m/2) + 1$. Thus

$$T(n) = F(m) = \Theta(m) = \Theta(2^n)$$

(k) $T(n) = T(\sqrt{n}) + 1$ Use substitution: $m = \log_2 n$,

Substituting $T(n) = F(m) = F(\log n)$ and $F(m) = F(m/2) + 1$ Thus

$$T(n) = F(m) = \Theta(\log m) = \Theta(\log \log n)$$

2. Work problem 2.4 on page 71 of the textbook.

Algorithm C takes $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$ time, which is faster than the others.

3. Problem 2.12 on page 73 of the textbook.

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 1.$$

$$T(n) = \Theta(n)$$