
ECS 122A

Algorithm Design and Analysis

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Agenda

- Substitution method
- Master method

Course updates

- Feedback
- About homework
 - Will be posted today
 - Submit 5 separate solutions on gradescope (i.e., one for each problem)
- Prerequisite petition
 - Reply my email

The Master Theorem

- if $T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$ then

$$T(n) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a}\right) & f(n) = O\left(n^{\log_b a - \varepsilon}\right) \\ \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a} \log n\right) & f(n) = \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a}\right) \\ \Theta\left(f(n)\right) & f(n) = \Omega\left(n^{\log_b a + \varepsilon}\right) \text{ AND} \\ & af(n/b) < cf(n) \text{ for large } n \end{array} \right. \left. \begin{array}{l} \varepsilon > 0 \\ c < 1 \end{array} \right.$$

Using The Master Method

- $T(n) = 9T(n/3) + n$
 - $a=9, b=3, f(n) = n$
 - $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_3 9} = \Theta(n^2)$
 - Since $f(n) = O(n^{\log_3 9 - \epsilon})$, where $\epsilon=1$, case 1 applies:

- Thus the solution is $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) \text{ when } f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$$

The End
