

**Problem 2-1.5.**  $T(n) = \sqrt{n}T(\sqrt{n}) + n$ .

**Solution:** We prove  $T(n) \geq c_1 n \log \log n$  for  $c_1 = 1/2$  by substitution. Let  $T(\sqrt{n}) \geq c_1 \sqrt{n} \log \log \sqrt{n}$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\geq \sqrt{n} \cdot c_1 \sqrt{n} \log \log \sqrt{n} + n \\ &= n(c_1 \log \log n - c_1 \log 2 + 1) \\ &\geq n \log \log n \end{aligned}$$

for  $c_1 = 1/2$  assuming  $\log$  is to the base 2.

Similarly, we prove  $T(n) \leq c_2 n \log \log n$  for  $c_2 = 2$  by substitution. Let  $T(\sqrt{n}) \leq c_2 \sqrt{n} \log \log \sqrt{n}$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot c_2 \sqrt{n} \log \log \sqrt{n} + n \\ &= n(c_2 \log \log n - c_2 \log 2 + 1) \\ &\leq n \log \log n \end{aligned}$$

for  $c_2 = 2$  assuming  $\log$  is to the base 2.

Concludingly, since  $c_1 n \log \log n \leq T(n) \leq c_2 n \log \log n$ ,  $T(n) = \Theta(n \log \log n)$ .