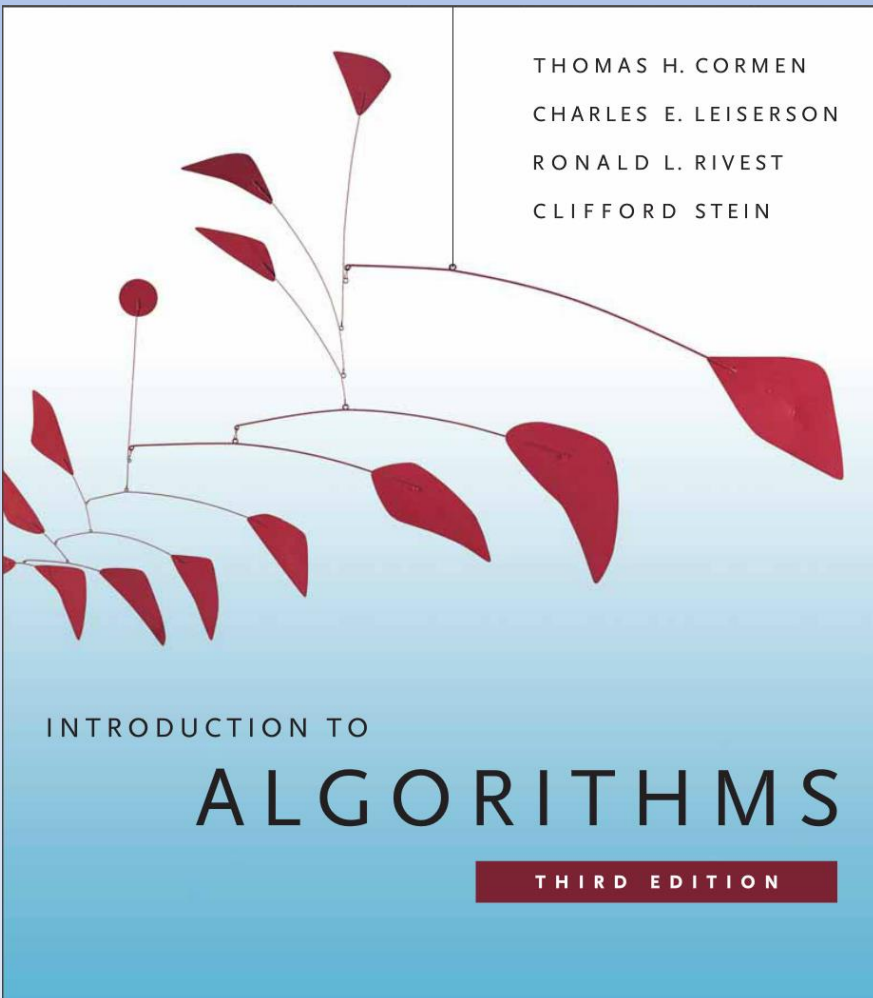


Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Topic: Divide & Conquer



Divide & Conquer w/ Recurrences

- Analysis of Divide & Conquer
 - Problems broken down into some number of smaller problems:
 - Problem of size N broken down into a subproblems
 - Each subproblem is of size N/b
 - Problems then need to be merged doing some of amount of work...

Mergesort

- Each problem broken down into 2 subproblems
- Each subproblem is $\frac{1}{2}$ the size of the original problem
- $O(n)$ work down merging subproblems.
- $T(N) = 2T(N/2) + O(N)$
- Review methods for solving these recurrences!

Guess & Prove

- $T(N) = 2T(N/2) + O(N)$
- GUESS: $O(N \lg N)$
- Prove w/ Induction
 1. Prove a base case
 2. Prove $T(K)$ w/ assuming $T(k-1)$

$$T(N) = 2T(N/2) + n w/$$

Constants Ignored

- Prove $T(N) \leq N \lg N$
- Start w/ Inductive Step:
 - $T(K) = 2T(K/2) + K$
- By our assumption:
 - $T(K/2) = (k/2) \lg(k/2) + k/2$
- SO:
 - $T(K) = 2((k/2) \lg(k/2) + k/2) + K$
 - $= K \lg(K/2) + 2K$
 - $= K \lg K - K \lg 2 + 2K$
 - $\leq K \lg K + cK$
 - $\leq ck \lg K$
 - $= O(K \lg K)$

$$T(N) = 2T(N/2) + n \text{ w/}$$

Base Case

- A little care required w/ Base Case
- $T(2) = 2\lg 2 = 2$
 - correct

Good Guesses

- Unfortunately, Good Guesses are Difficult!
- No general way to guess!
- If recurrence is similar to one seen before, guessing similar solution reasonable!

Quick Question: 4.3-1

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- Guessing $T(N) \leq cn^2$ for some constant $c > 0$

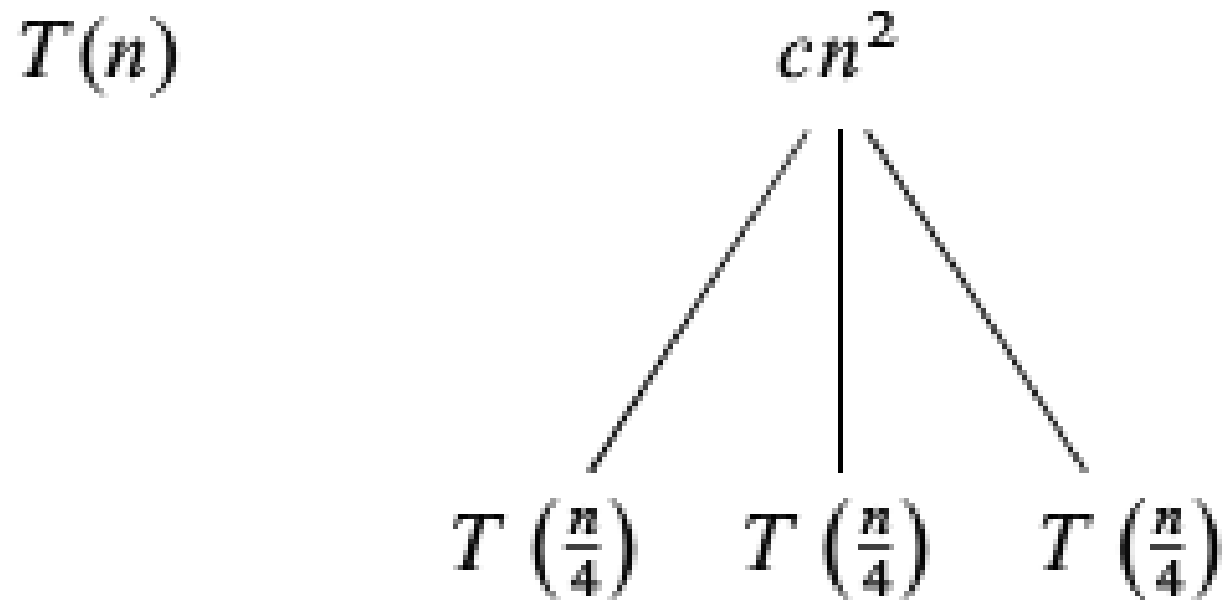
$$\begin{aligned} T(N) &= T(N-1) + N \\ &\leq c(N-1)^2 + N \\ &\leq c(N^2 - 2N + 1) + N \\ &\leq cN^2 - 2cN + c + N \\ &\leq cN^2 - c(1 - 2N) + N \end{aligned}$$

- $cN^2 - c(1 - 2N) + N \leq cN^2$
 - $w/c \geq N/(2N-1)$
- $T(1) = 1 \leq c1^2$
- SO:
 - $n_0 = 1$
 - $c = 1$

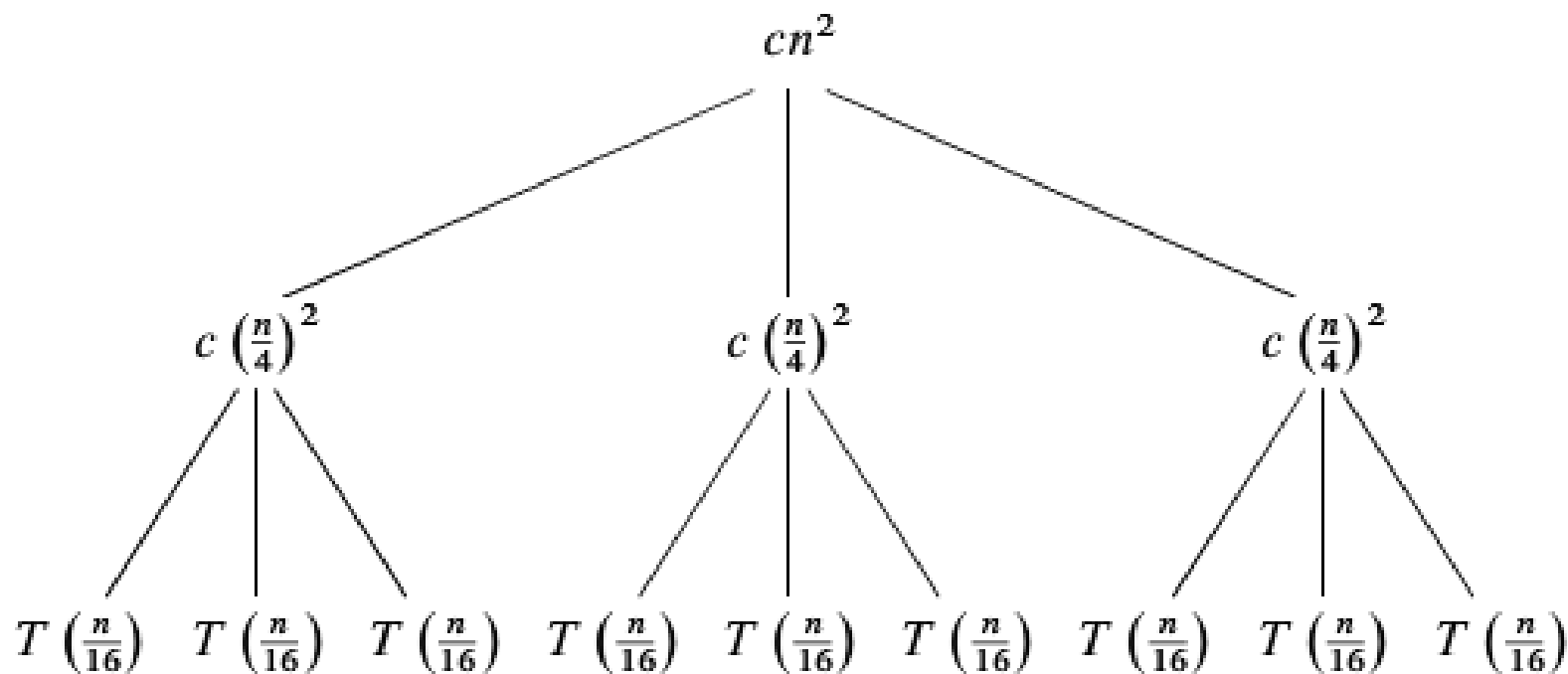
Solving Recurrences w/ Recursion-Tree Method

- Drawing the recursion tree helps to understand the recursive relations
- Recursion tree helps devise a good guess!
- Each node represents the cost of a single subproblem somewhere in the set of recursive invocations.
- Sum costs within each level of tree
- Count the number of levels in tree

$$T(N) = 3T(N/4) + n^2$$



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(c)

Depth of Tree

- N
 - $N/4$
 - $N/4^2$
 - $N/4^3$

Depth = 0

while $N \geq b$:

 Depth += 1

$N = N/b$

print Depth

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- $\text{depth} = \log_4 N$
 - $4^{\text{depth}} = N$

Depth of Tree

- $N=4^k$
 - $N/4 = 4^{k-1}$
 - $N/4^2 = 4^{k-2}$
 - $N/4^3 = 4^{k-3}$

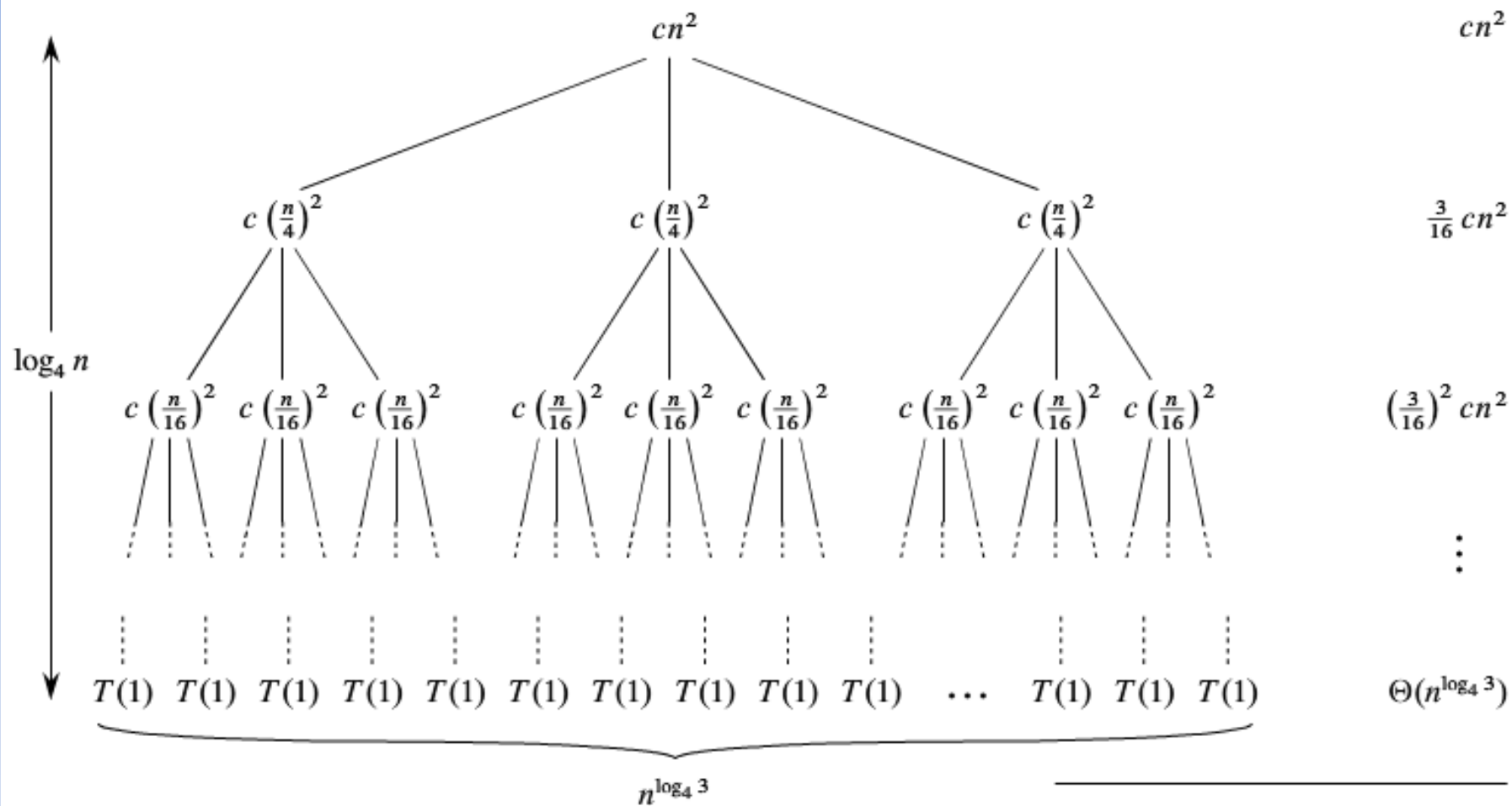
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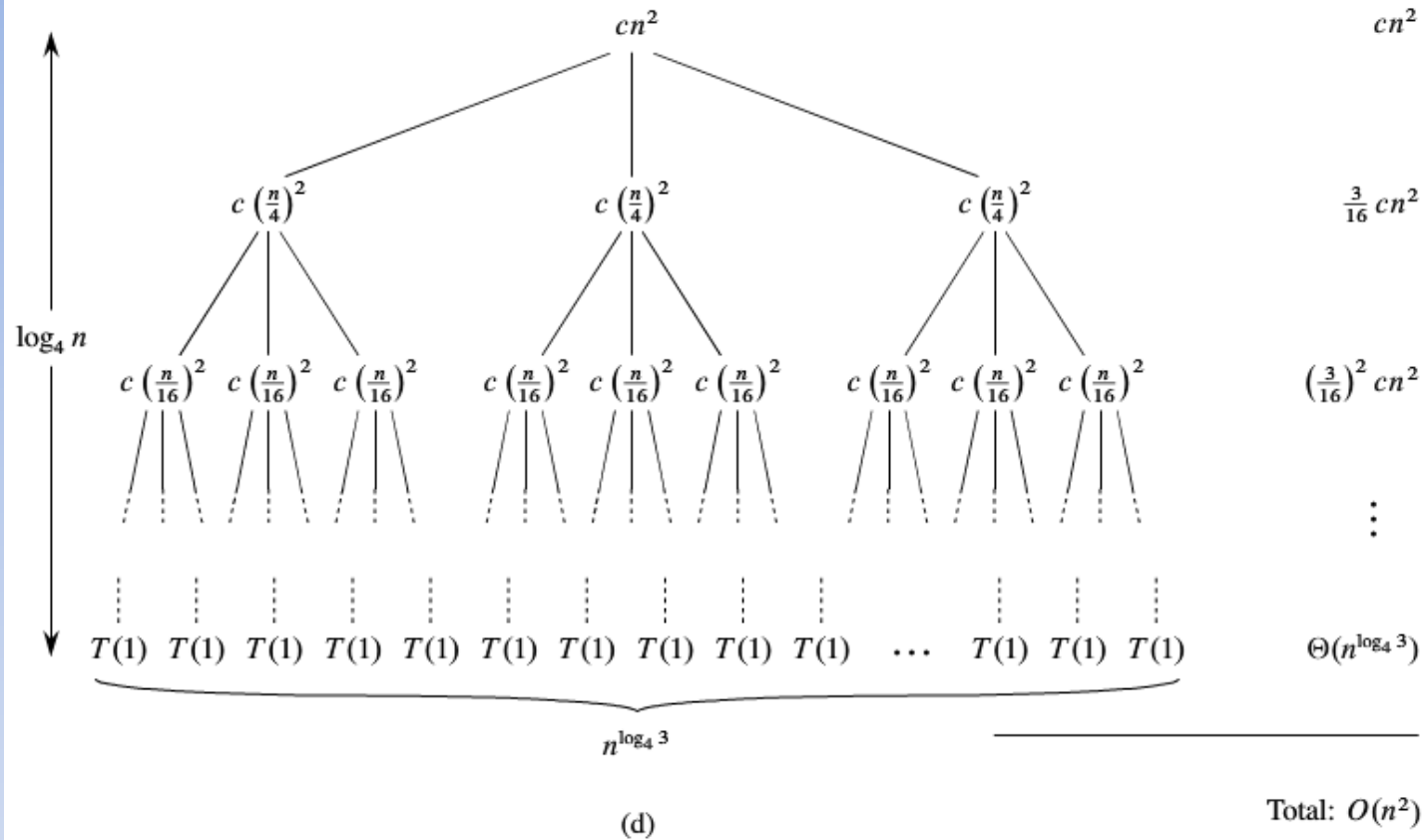
$N = N/b$

- Depth = k



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Total: $O(n^2)$



NOTE: Leaves = $branching^{height} = 3^{\log_4 n}$

$$3^{\log_4 n} = n^{\log_4 3}$$

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Uneven Tree:

$$T(N) = T(N/3) + T(2n/3) + cn$$

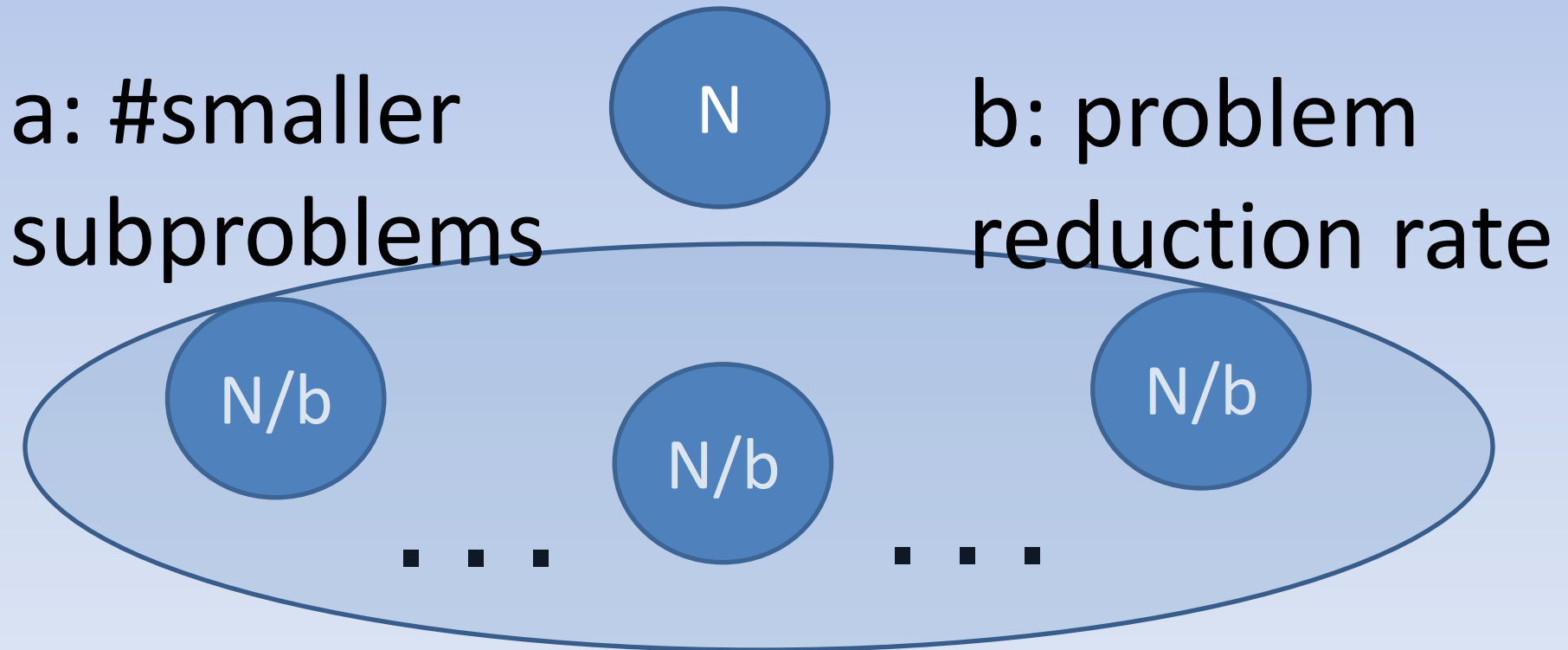
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- Need to look for the longest path
- $n \rightarrow (2/3)n \rightarrow (2/3)^2n \rightarrow (2/3)^3n$
- Since $(2/3)^k n = 1$ when $k = \log_{3/2} n$
 - $\text{Height}(T) = \log_{3/2} n$
- Cost at each level = n
- Total cost = $cn * \log_{3/2} n = O(n \lg n)$

Solving Recurrences w/ Master Method

- Perhaps we can come up with some general formula for recurrences:



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- $T(N) = aT(N/b) + O(N^d)$
 - N^d work down to merge subproblems!
 - Book based around $n^{\log_b a}$
 - Look at relationship between $\log_b a$ and d

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Master Method w/ Case 1

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- Assume $a = b^d$
 - b^d subproblems each level
 - n^d work to merge
- $O(N^d \log N)$
 - Balance between work at each level and depth
- Example:
 - $a = 2, b=2, d=1$
 - $b^d = 2^1 = 2 = a$
 - $N \lg_2 N$

Master Method w/ Case 2

- $T(N) = aT(N/b) + O(N^d)$
 - N^d work down to merge subproblems!
- Assume $a < b^d$
 - Number of subproblems is growing slowly
- $O(N^d)$
 - Total work dominated by the combine step at root!
 - Good (subproblem simplification) is beating evil (subproblem proliferation)!
- $T(N) = 2T(N/2) + O(n^2)$
 - Less work is being done at each level
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 - If 4 problem were being created: $4 = b^d$ so $4(N^2/4) = \mathbf{N^2}$ at each level!
- $a = 2, b=2, d=2$
 - $a = 2 < b^d = 2^2 = 4$
- Work in total is dominated by root!
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Master Method w/ Case 3

- $T(N) = aT(N/b) + O(N^d)$
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 - Next Slide

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 - 4^{depth} number of leaves
- $\text{Depth} = \log_b N$
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- $4^{\log_2 N} = N^{\log_2 4} = N^2$

Solving Recurrences w/ Master Method

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then

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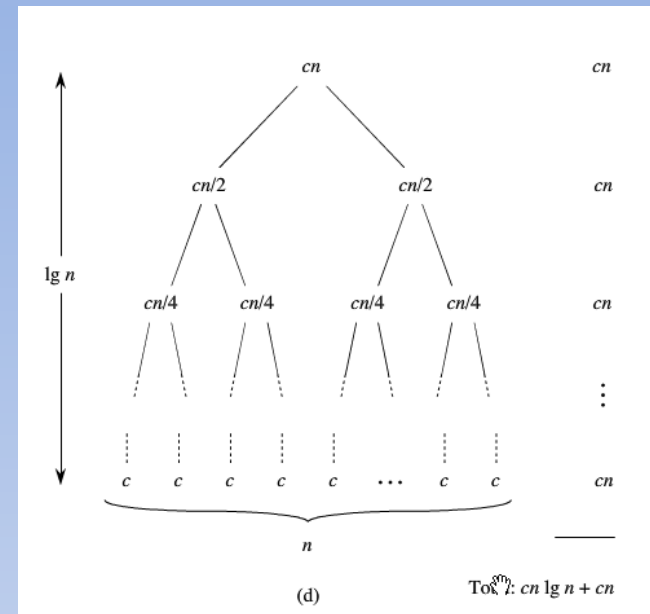
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Case 1

- $T(N) = aT(N/b) + O(N^d)$
 - N^d work down to merge subproblems!
- Assume $a = b^d$
 - a (or equivalently b^d) subproblems each level
 - Each subproblem has size $\frac{N}{b^d}$ and there are b^d of them for a total of N
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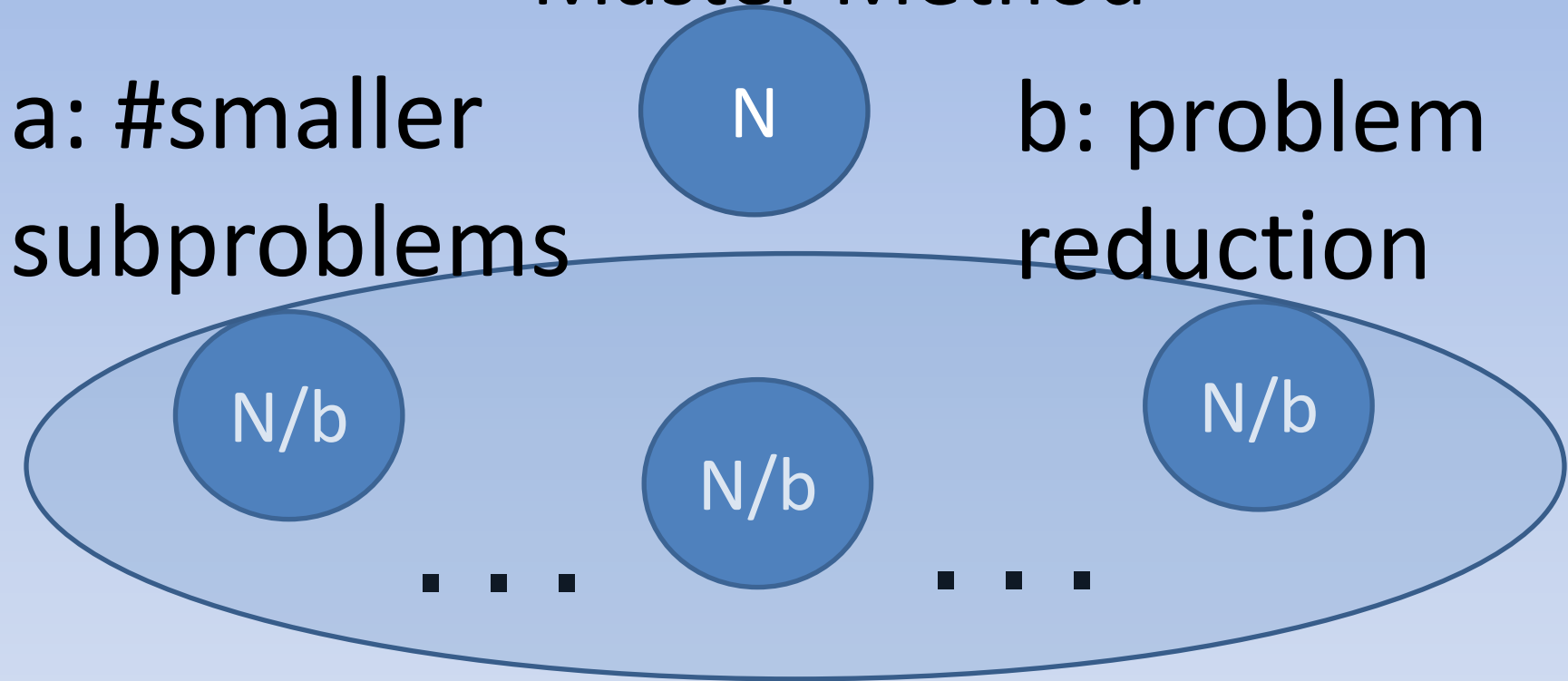
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Master Method w/ Proof!

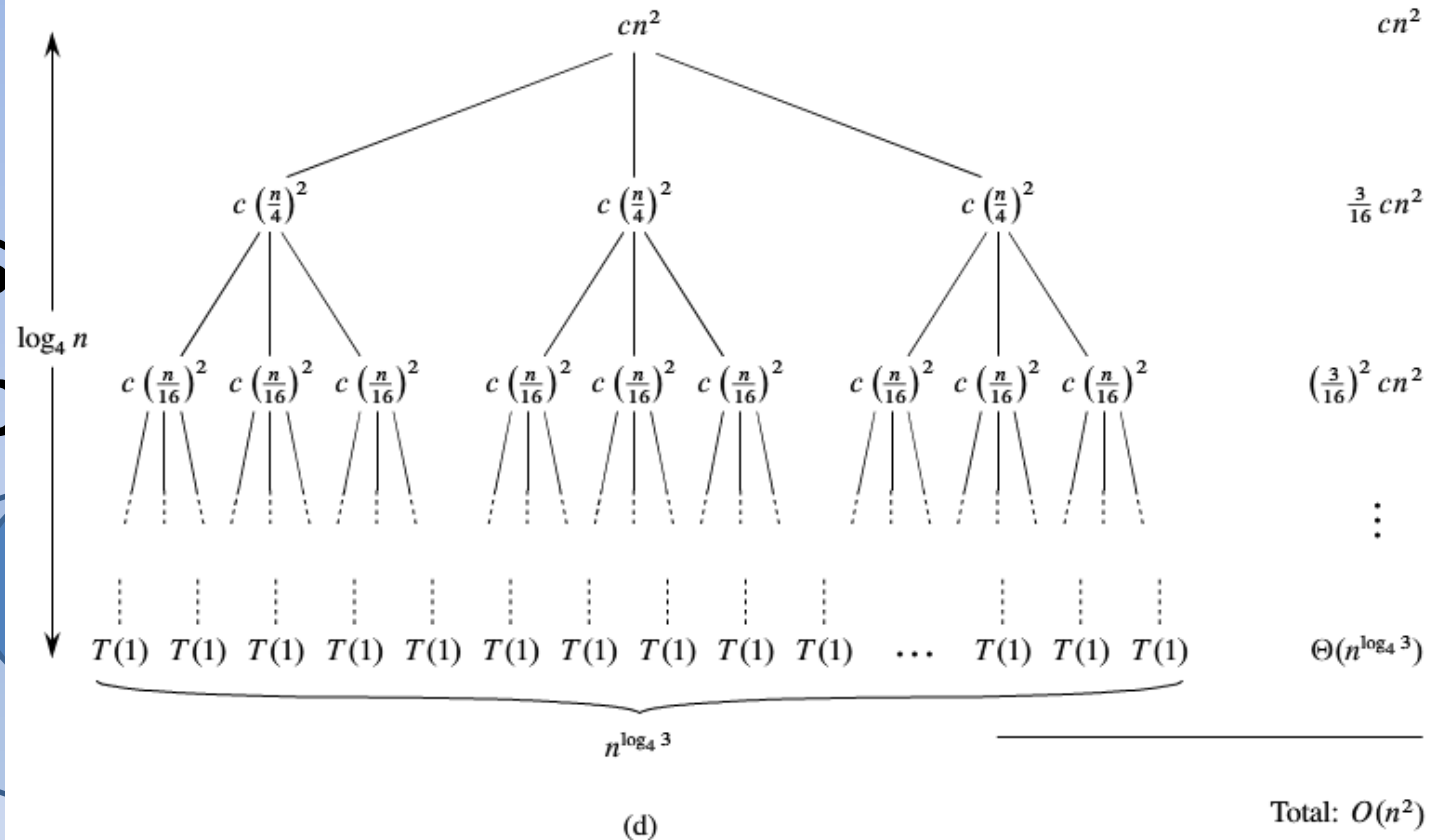
- Simplifying Assumptions
- $T(1) \leq c$
- $T(N) \leq aT(N/b) + cn^d$
 - and n is power of b
 - Otherwise need floor & ceiling

Solving Recurrences w/ Master Method



- $\text{Work}(\text{level}_j) \leq a^j * c(N/b^j)^d$
 - a^j : This is the number of nodes at level j
 - $c(N/b^j)^d$: Each of the nodes do this much work
 - (N^d) where N is reduced to N/b^j

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- Now sum over all the levels!
- Levels = Depth = $\log_b N$

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$$\text{Total Work} = cN^d \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{\log_b N} \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^j$$

- NOTE: $a = b^d$ means $a/b^d = 1$
 - Master Method case 1: $cN^d \cdot \log_b N = O(N^d \log N)$

Solving Recurrences w/ Master Method Case 2

$$Total\ Work = cN^d \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{j=\log_b N} \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^j$$

- IF: $a < b^d$ means $a/b^d < 1$
- SO: $(a/b^d)^j$ is getting smaller
- SO Asymptotically : Total work dominated by root where $j=0$ and $T(N) = cN^d$

Solving Recurrences w/ Master Method Case 3

$$Total\ Work = cN^d \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{j=\log_b N} \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^j$$

- Finally: $a > b^d$ means $a/b^d > 1$
- SO: $(a/b^d)^j$ is growing exponentially!
- Total work is going to be dominated asymptotically by leaves:

$$Total\ Work \leq cN^d \cdot \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{\log_b N}$$

Solving Recurrences w/ Master Method Case 3

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$$cN^d \cdot \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{\log_b N} = cN^d \cdot a^{\log_b N} \cdot b^{-d \log_b N}$$

$$b^{-d \log_b N} = N^{-d}$$

$$cN^d \cdot a^{\log_b N} \cdot b^{-d \log_b N} = c \frac{N^d}{N^d} \cdot a^{\log_b N}$$

$$O(a^{\log_b N})$$

Solving Recurrences w/ Master Method Case 3

$$\textit{Total Work} =$$

$$O(a^{\log_b n}) = O(n^{\log_b a})$$

$$\log_b(a^{\log_b n}) = \log_b(n^{\log_b a})$$

$$\log_b n \cdot \log_b a = \log_b a \cdot \log_b n$$

$$\text{Total Work} = O(n^{\log_b a})$$

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- Consider $f(n) = n^d$
- Case 1: $n^d < cn^{\lg_b a}$
 - $\log_n(n^d) < \log_n(n^{\lg_b a})$
 - $d < \lg_b a$
 - $b^d < b^{\lg_b a}$
 - $b^d < a$
- $\Theta(n^{\log_b a})$
 - Case 3 from earlier!
 - Work dominated by leaves!!

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 - $\log_n(n^d) > \log_n(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon}) \geq \log_n(n^{\log_b a})$
 - $d > \lg_b a$
 - $b^d > b^{\lg_b a}$
 - $b^d > a$
- $\Theta(f(n)) = O(n^d)$

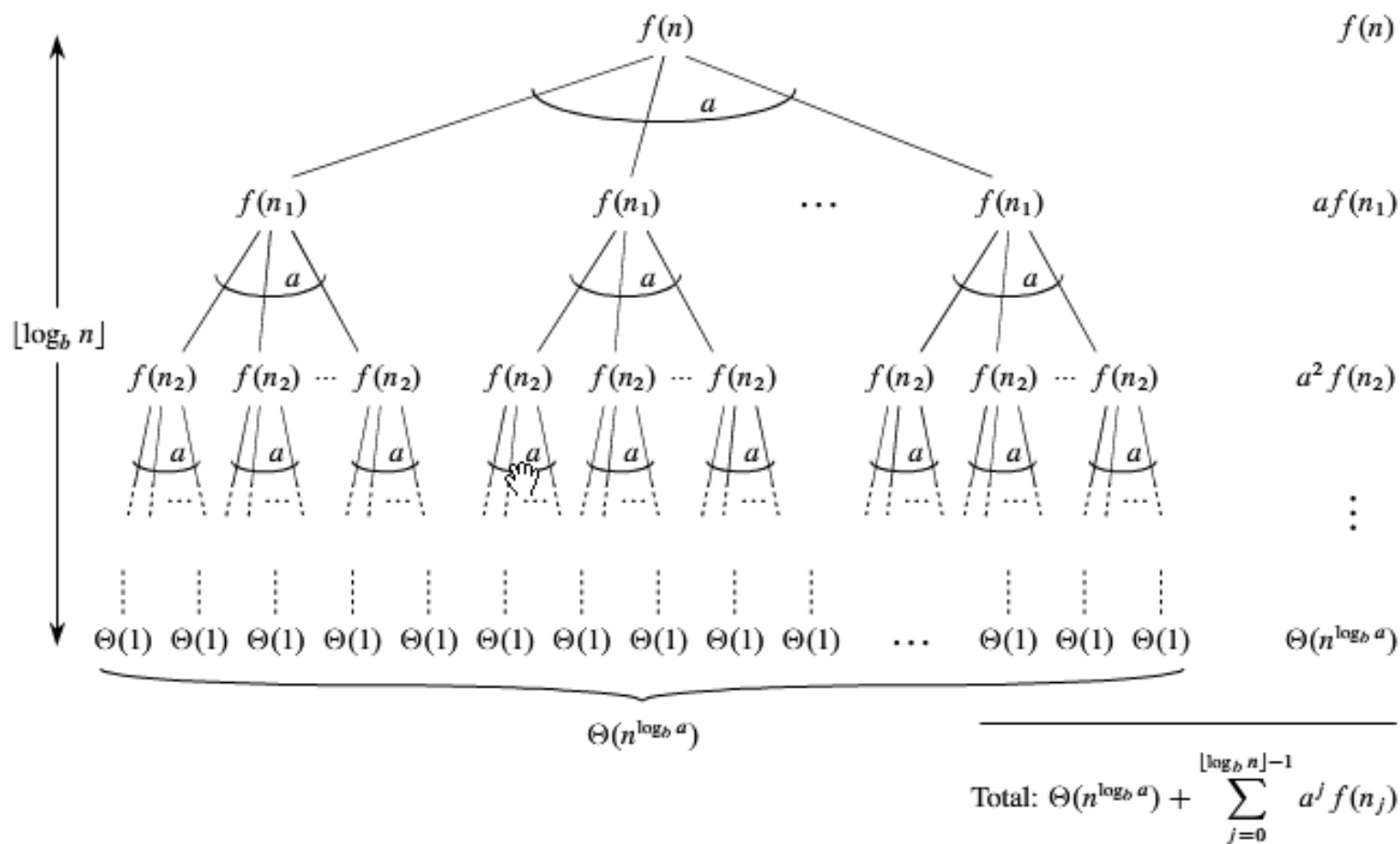


Figure 4.8 The recursion tree generated by $T(n) = aT(\lceil n/b \rceil) + f(n)$. The recursive argument n_j is given by equation (4.27).