# Divide-and-Conquer

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# **Revisit Merge Sort**

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- $\bullet \rightarrow T(n) = n \cdot T(1) + c \cdot n \cdot \log n.$
- We know that T(1) = O(1).
- Thus,  $T(n) = O(n \cdot \log n)$ .

### More recurrence relations...

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Merge Sort

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What if

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

?

#### **Solution**

Recurrence relation:  $T(n) = 4 \cdot T(n/2) + c \cdot n$ .

$$\frac{T(n)}{n} = 2 \cdot \frac{T(n/2)}{n/2} + c, \qquad \frac{T(n/2)}{n/2} = 2 \cdot \frac{T(n/4)}{n/4} + c,$$

$$\frac{T(n/4)}{n/4} = 2 \cdot \frac{T(n/8)}{n/8} + c, \qquad \frac{T(n/8)}{n/8} = 2 \cdot \frac{T(n/16)}{n/16} + c, \cdots$$

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$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 3})$$

$$\approx O(n^{1.6})$$

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### What is the pattern?

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#### **Case 3:** a > 2

$$T(n) = 3 \cdot T(n/2) + cn$$

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 3}).$$

$$T(n) = 4 \cdot T(n/2) + cn$$

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

$$T(n) = 5 \cdot T(n/2) + cn$$

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 5}).$$

Recurrence relation:  $T(n) = a \cdot T(n/b) + c \cdot n$ .

*a*: number of sub-problems.

**b**: factor by which input size shrinks.

*cn*: cost of creating the sub-problems and combining their solutions.

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- Suppose that  $a \ge 1$ , b > 1, and c > 0 are constants independent of n.
- The master theorem:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n), & \text{if } a < b; \\ O(n \log n), & \text{if } a = b; \\ O(n^{\log_b a}), & \text{if } a > b. \end{cases}$$

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- The master theorem (more general):

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^d), & \text{if } a < b^d; \\ O(n^d \log n), & \text{if } a = b^d; \\ O(n^{\log_b a}), & \text{if } a > b^d. \end{cases}$$

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# Questions

### Use master theorem to find T(n)

- Binary search:  $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + c$ , where c is constant.
- Block matrix multiplication:  $T(n) = 8 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2$ .
- Strassen algorithm:  $T(n) = 7 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 4.5n^2$ .
- Karatsuba algorithm:  $T(n) = 3 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn$ , where c is constant.

## Thank You!