

Assignment 4

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

recursion tree method

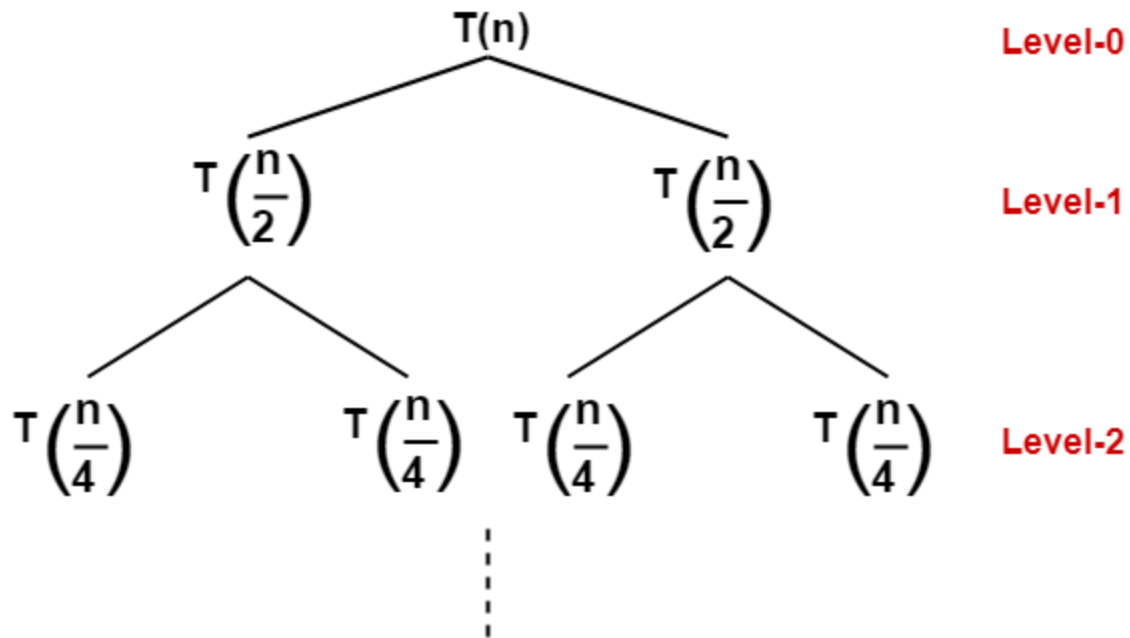
Step-01:

Draw a recursion tree based on the given recurrence relation.

The given recurrence relation shows-

- A problem of size n will get divided into 2 sub-problems of size $n/2$.
- Then, each sub-problem of size $n/2$ will get divided into 2 sub-problems of size $n/4$ and so on.
- At the bottom most layer, the size of sub-problems will reduce to 1.

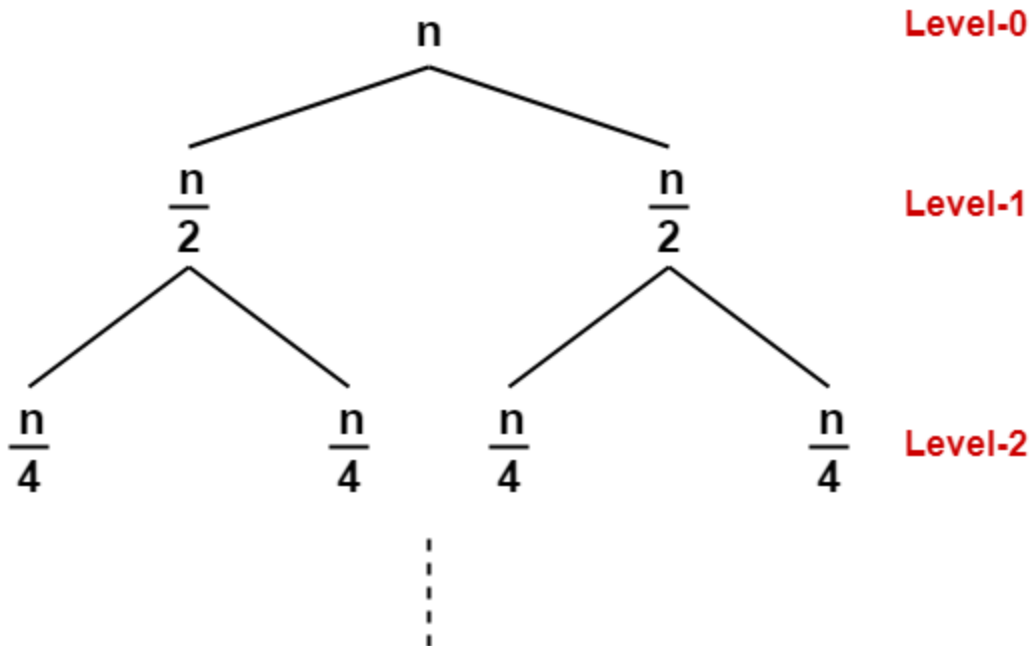
This is illustrated through following recursion tree-



The given recurrence relation shows-

- The cost of dividing a problem of size n into its 2 sub-problems and then combining its solution is n .
- The cost of dividing a problem of size $n/2$ into its 2 sub-problems and then combining its solution is $n/2$ and so on.

This is illustrated through following recursion tree where each node represents the cost of the corresponding sub-problem-



Step-02:

Determine cost of each level-

- Cost of level-0 = n
- Cost of level-1 = $n/2 + n/2 = n$
- Cost of level-2 = $n/4 + n/4 + n/4 + n/4 = n$ and so on.

Step-03:

Determine total number of levels in the recursion tree-

- Size of sub-problem at level-0 = $n/2^0$
- Size of sub-problem at level-1 = $n/2^1$
- Size of sub-problem at level-2 = $n/2^2$

Continuing in similar manner, we have-

$$\text{Size of sub-problem at level-}i = n/2^i$$

Suppose at level- x (last level), size of sub-problem becomes 1. Then-

$$n / 2^x = 1$$

$$2^x = n$$

Taking log on both sides, we get-

$$x \log 2 = \log n$$

$$x = \log_2 n$$

\therefore Total number of levels in the recursion tree = $\log_2 n + 1$

Step-04:

Determine number of nodes in the last level-

- Level-0 has 2^0 nodes i.e. 1 node
- Level-1 has 2^1 nodes i.e. 2 nodes
- Level-2 has 2^2 nodes i.e. 4 nodes

Continuing in similar manner, we have-

Level- $\log_2 n$ has $2^{\log_2 n}$ nodes i.e. n nodes

Step-05:

Determine cost of last level-

$$\text{Cost of last level} = n \times T(1) = \theta(n)$$

Step-06:

Add costs of all the levels of the recursion tree and simplify the expression so obtained in terms of asymptotic notation-

$$T(n) = \underbrace{\{ n + n + n + \dots \}}_{\text{For } \log_2 n \text{ levels}} + \theta(n)$$

$$= n \times \log_2 n + \theta(n)$$

$$= n \log_2 n + \theta(n)$$

$$= \theta(n \log_2 n)$$

Using Master Theorem

$$F(n) = af(n/b) + cn^d \text{ -----general equation}$$

Comparing above equation with general equation, we get

$$a=2, b=2, c=1, d=1$$

$$b^d = 2$$

$$\text{so, } a = b^d$$

From Master theorem we know that time complexity of $f(n)$

$$= O(n^d \cdot \log n) \text{ if } a = b^d.$$

So, the time complexity of the function is $O(n \cdot \log n)$.

Recurrence Relation

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

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

$$= 4(2T(n/8) + n/4) + 2n = 8T(n/8) + n + 2n = 8T(n/8) + 3n$$

$$= 8(2T(n/16) + n/8) + 3n = 16T(n/16) + n + 3n = 16T(n/16) + 4n$$

$$= 32T(n/32) + 5n \dots\dots\dots$$

$$= n * T(1) + \log_2(n) * n$$

$$= O(n * \log_2(n))$$

Substitution Method

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

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$$= 2(2T(n/2^2) + n/2) + n = 2^2 T(n/2^2) + 2n$$

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

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| K times

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$$2^k T(n/2^k) + kn$$

$$T(1)=1$$

$$\Rightarrow n/2^k = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow K = \log_2 n$$

$$2^{\log_2 n} T(n/2^k) + \log_2 n$$

$$T(1)=1$$

$$= n \cdot T(1) + \log_2(n) \cdot n$$

$$= n + \log_2(n) \cdot n$$

$$= O(n \cdot \log_2(n))$$