

COMP 3711 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Inversion Number

Divide-and-Conquer

Divide-and-conquer.

- Break up problem into several parts.
- Solve each part recursively.
- Combine solutions to sub-problems into overall solution.

Most common pattern.

- Break up problem of size n into **two** equal parts of size $\frac{1}{2}n$.
- Solve two parts recursively.
- Combine two solutions into overall solution.

Techniques needed.

- Algorithm uses **recursion**.
- Analysis uses **recurrences**.

Previous Examples

- Binary Search, **Merge Sort**

Merge Sort Revision

Merge sort.

- Divide array into two halves.
- Recursively sort each half.
- Merge two halves to make sorted whole.

Mergesort (A, p, r) :

if $p = r$ then return

$q \leftarrow \lfloor (p + r) / 2 \rfloor$

Mergesort (A, p, q)

Mergesort ($A, q + 1, r$)

Merge (A, p, q, r)

First call: Mergesort ($A, 1, n$)

5	2	4	7	1	3	2	6
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divide $O(1)$

2	4	5	7	1	2	3	6
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sort $2T(n/2)$

1	2	2	3	4	5	6	7
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merge $O(n)$

Inversion Numbers

Def: Given array $A[1..n]$, two elements $A[i]$ and $A[j]$ are **inverted** if $i < j$ but $A[i] > A[j]$.

- The **inversion number** of A is the number of inverted pairs.

A useful measure for:

- How “sorted” an array is
- The similarity between two rankings

Songs

	A	B	C	D	E
Me	1	2	3	4	5
You	1	3	4	2	5

Inversions
3-2, 4-2

Inversion number = 2

Q: What is the maximum number of inversions if both arrays have size n ?

Inversion Number in a Single Array - Relation to Insertion sort

For a single array, the inversion number indicates how far is the array from being sorted, e.g., for sorted array the inversion number is 0

Theorem: The number of swaps used by Insertion Sort = Inversion Number.

Proof: By induction on the size n of the array

Assume Theorem is correct for an array of size $n - 1$.

This says that the total number of swaps performed when Insertion Sorting $A[1, n - 1]$ is the inversion # of $A[1, n - 1]$.

Let $x = A[n]$. Remaining work by the algorithm is

swaps performed when comparing x to items in $A[1, n - 1]$
= # of items $j < n$ such that $A[j] > A[n]$,
= # of inversions in which x participates.

Adding these new inversions to the ones in $A[1, n - 1]$
gives the full inversion # of $A[1, n]$.

Q: How can we compute the inversion number?

Algorithm 1: Check all $\Theta(n^2)$ pairs.

Algorithm 2: Run Ins sort and count the number of swaps - Also $\Theta(n^2)$ time.

Counting Inversions: Divide-and-Conquer

Divide-and-conquer.

- Divide: divide array into two halves.
- Conquer: recursively count inversions in each half.
- **Combine**: count inversions where a_i and a_j are in different halves, and return sum of three quantities.

1	5	4	8	10	2	6	9	12	11	3	7
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Divide: $\Theta(1)$.

1	5	4	8	10	2
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5 blue-blue inversions

6	9	12	11	3	7
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8 green-green inversions

Conquer: $2T(n/2)$

9 blue-green inversions

5-3, 4-3, 8-6, 8-3, 8-7, 10-6, 10-9, 10-3, 10-7

Combine: ???

Total = $5 + 8 + 9 = 22$.

Counting Inversions: Simple Combine Step

- Assume array is split into left half (blue) and right (green) half and each is already sorted
- How can we count # inversions where a_i and a_j are in different halves?



Count (A, p, q, r) :

$L \leftarrow A[p..q], R \leftarrow A[q + 1..r]$

L, R already sorted

$i \leftarrow 1, j \leftarrow 1$

$c \leftarrow 0$

While ($i \leq q - p + 1$) && ($j \leq r - q$)

(*) **if** $L[i] \leq R[j]$ **then**
 $i \leftarrow i + 1$

(**) **else**

$I[j] = q - p - i + 2$

$c \leftarrow c + I[j]$

$j \leftarrow j + 1$

Let $I[j] = \#$ of inversions of $R[j]$ with blue items

Knowing the $I[j]$ solves the problem

13 blue-green inversions: $6 + 3 + 2 + 2 + 0 + 0$

When $L[i] > R[j]$ and (**) is called,
the blue items $\leq R[j]$ are exactly
the first $i - 1$ blue items

The number of blue items greater than $R[j]$, i.e.,
the # of inversions of $R[j]$ with blue items is

$$I[j] = q - p - i + 2$$

Counting Inversions: Combine

Combine: count blue-green inversions

- Assume each half is already (recursively) **sorted**.
- Count inversions where a_i and a_j are in different halves.
- **Merge** two sorted halves into sorted whole to maintain sortedness invariant.
- **Return** # blue-inversions + # green inversions + # blue-green inversions

3	7	10	14	18	19
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2	11	16	17	23	25
6	3	2	2	0	0

13 blue-green inversions: $6 + 3 + 2 + 2 + 0 + 0$

Count: $\Theta(n)$

2	3	7	10	11	14	16	17	18	19	23	25
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Merge: $\Theta(n)$

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n, \quad n > 1$$

$$T(1) = 1$$

$$\text{So, } T(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$$

Counting Inversions: Implementation

Pre-condition. [Merge-and-Count] $A[p..q]$ and $A[q + 1, r]$ are sorted.

Post-condition. [Merge-and-Count] $A[p..r]$ is sorted.

Post-condition. [Sort-and-Count] $A[p..r]$ is sorted.

Sort-and-Count (A, p, r) :

if $p = r$ then return 0

$q \leftarrow \lfloor (p + r) / 2 \rfloor$

$c_1 \leftarrow \text{Sort-and-Count}(A, p, q)$

$c_2 \leftarrow \text{Sort-and-Count}(A, q + 1, r)$

$c_3 \leftarrow \text{Merge-and-Count}(A, p, q, r)$

return $c_1 + c_2 + c_3$

First call: Sort-and-Count($A, 1, n$)

Merge-and-Count (A, p, q, r) :

create two new arrays L and R

$L \leftarrow A[p..q], R \leftarrow A[q + 1..r]$

append ∞ at the end of L and R

$i \leftarrow 1, j \leftarrow 1$

$c \leftarrow 0$

for $k \leftarrow p$ to r

if $L[i] \leq R[j]$ then

$A[k] \leftarrow L[i]$

$i \leftarrow i + 1$

else

$A[k] \leftarrow R[j]$

$j \leftarrow j + 1$

$c \leftarrow c + q - p - i + 2$

return c

D&C: Observations on Problem Size and Number of Problems

Most common pattern.

- Break up problem of size n into **two** equal parts of size $\frac{1}{2}n$.
- Solve two parts recursively and combine two solutions into overall solution.

Each time we break up a problem in 2 parts of size $n/2$, we double the number of subproblems and we halve the size of each subproblem

- Level 0, we have the original problem of size n
- Level 1, we break 1 time and we have $2 = 2^1$ problems of size $n/2$
- Level 2, we break 2 times and we have $4 = 2^2$ problems of size $n/2^2$
- Level 3, we break 3 times and we have $8 = 2^3$ problems of size $n/2^3$
- Level i , we break i times and we have **2^i** problems of size **$n/2^i$**

When do we stop breaking up?

- When we cannot break up any more; usually when the problem size becomes 1, i.e., when we reach level i , such that:

$$n/2^i = 1 \Rightarrow n = 2^i \Rightarrow i = \log_2 n.$$

- The number of problems at (bottom) level $\log n$ is: **$2^i = 2^{\log_2 n} = n$**

D&C: Observations on Problem Size and Number of Problems 2

Other Patterns.

- Break up problem of size n into p parts of size n/q .
- Solve parts recursively and combine solutions into overall solution.
- Level 0, we have the original problem of size n
- Level 1, we break 1 time and we have p problems of size n/q
- Level 2, we break 2 times and we have p^2 problems of size n/q^2
- Level 3, we break 3 times and we have p^3 problems of size n/q^3
- Level i , we break i times and we have p^i problems of size n/q^i

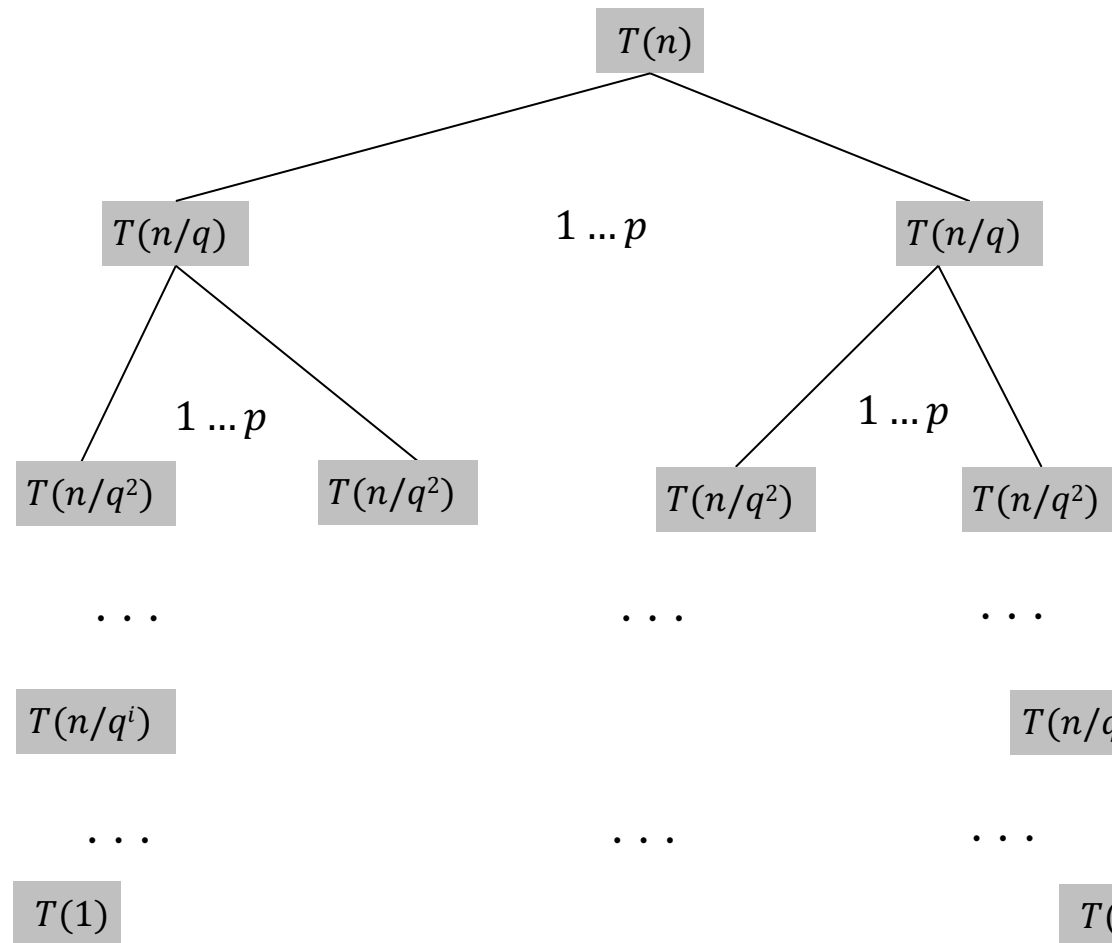
When do we stop breaking up?

- When we cannot break up any more; usually when the problem size becomes 1, i.e., when we reach level i , such that:

$$n/q^i = 1 \Rightarrow n = q^i \Rightarrow i = \log_q n.$$

- The number of problems at (bottom) level $\log n$ is: $p^i = p^{\log_q n} = n^{\log_q p}$

Visualization



Level	#problems	problem size
0	1	n
1	p	n/q
2	p^2	n/q^2
i	p^i	n/q^i
$\log_q n$	$n^{\log_q p}$	1

- Observation: Assuming $T(1)=1$, if $p > q \Rightarrow n^{\log_q p} > n$, which means that the work for the bottom level is superlinear. Therefore the total running time, which includes all levels, cannot be linear.

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More Patterns.

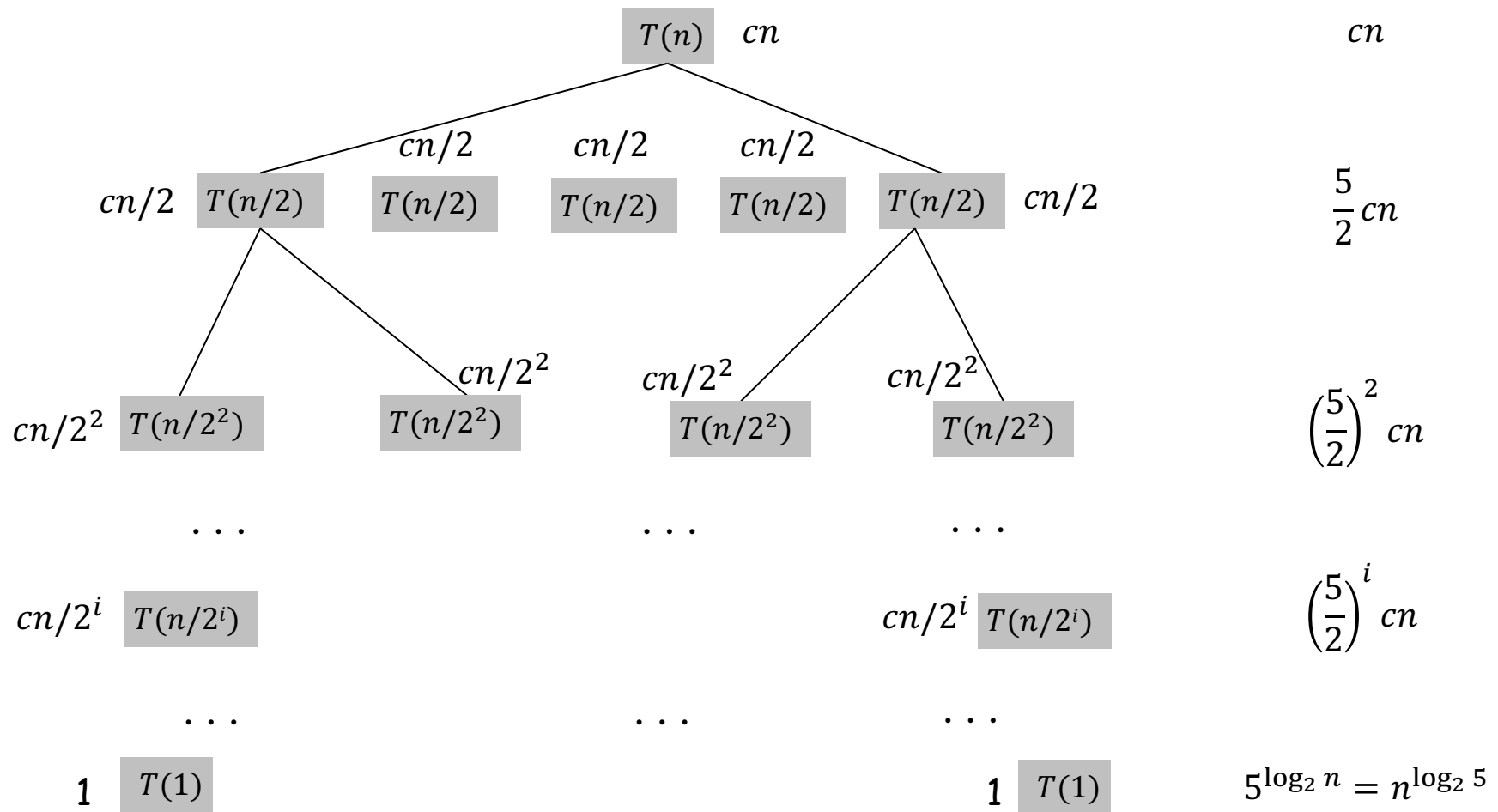
- Break up problem of size n into $p \geq 2$ parts of size $n - q$.
- Example: for the towers of Hanoi problem, $p = 2$, and $q = 1$: i.e., we break the problem in two problems of size $n - 1$.
- Assume that we break the problem in p problems of size $n - 1$
- Level 1, we break 1 time and we have p problems of size $n - 1$
- Level 2, we break 2 times and we have p^2 problems of size $n - 2$
- Level 3, we break 3 times and we have p^3 problems of size $n - 3$
- Level i , we break i times and we have p^i problems of size $n - i$
- If we stop when the problem size becomes 1, then:
$$n - i = 1 \Rightarrow i = n - 1.$$
- The number of problems at (bottom) level $n - 1$ is: $p^i = p^{n-1}$
- Assuming $T(1)=1$, the work p^{n-1} for the bottom level is exponential. Therefore, the total running time, which includes all levels, is also exponential.

Exercise Recursion Tree Method

- Algorithm A solves problems of size n by dividing them into 5 subproblems of size $n/2$, recursively solving each subproblem, and then combining the solutions in $O(n)$ time.
- Algorithm B solves problems of size n by recursively solving 2 subproblems of size $n - 1$ and then combining the solutions in constant time.
- Algorithm C solves problems of size n by dividing them into 9 subproblems of size $n/3$, recursively solving each subproblem, and then combining the solutions in $O(n^2)$ time.

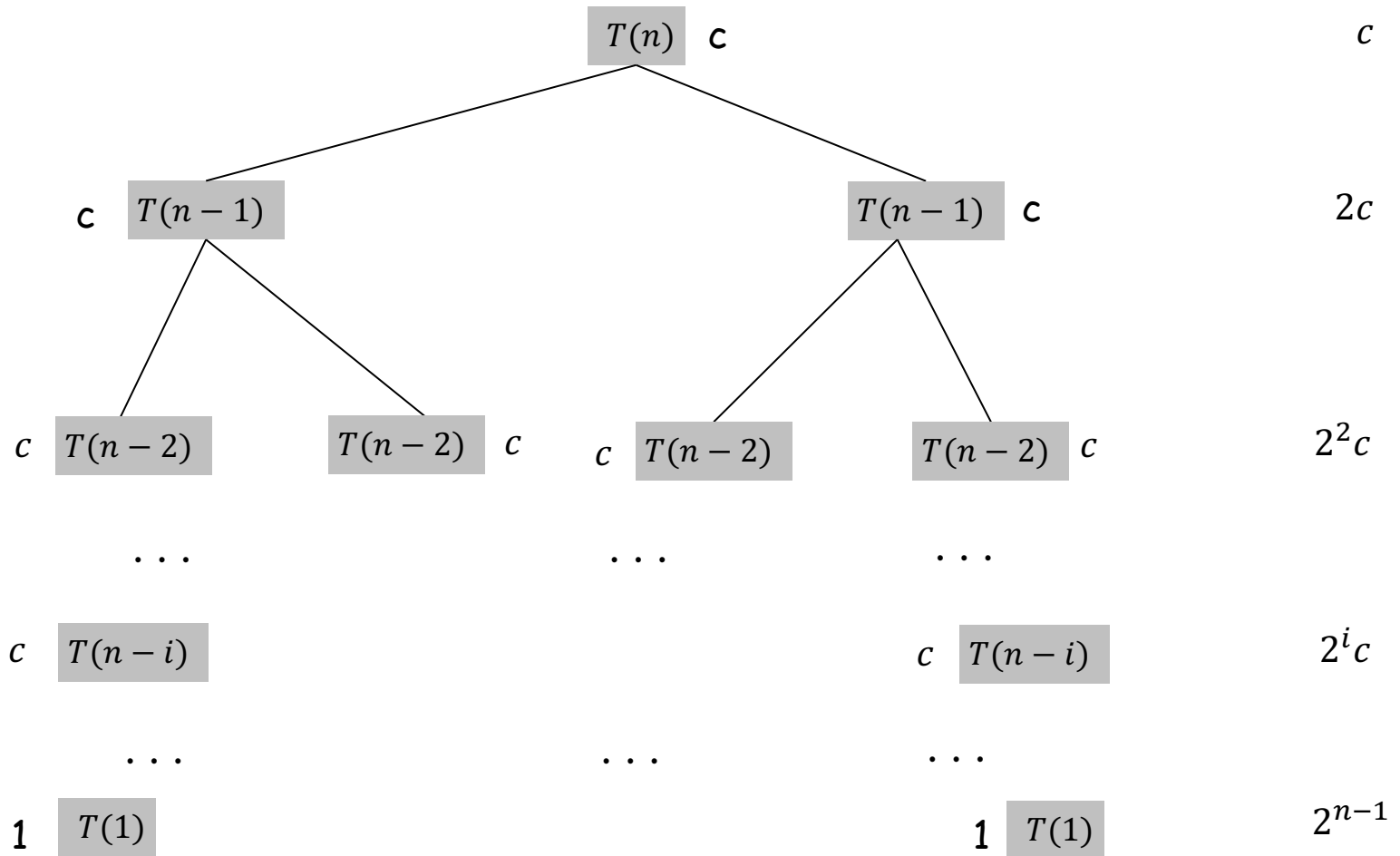
Analyze the running times of these algorithms (in big- O notation) using the recursion tree approach. Determine which is the fastest algorithm asymptotically.

Exercise Algorithm A: $T(n) = 5T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn$



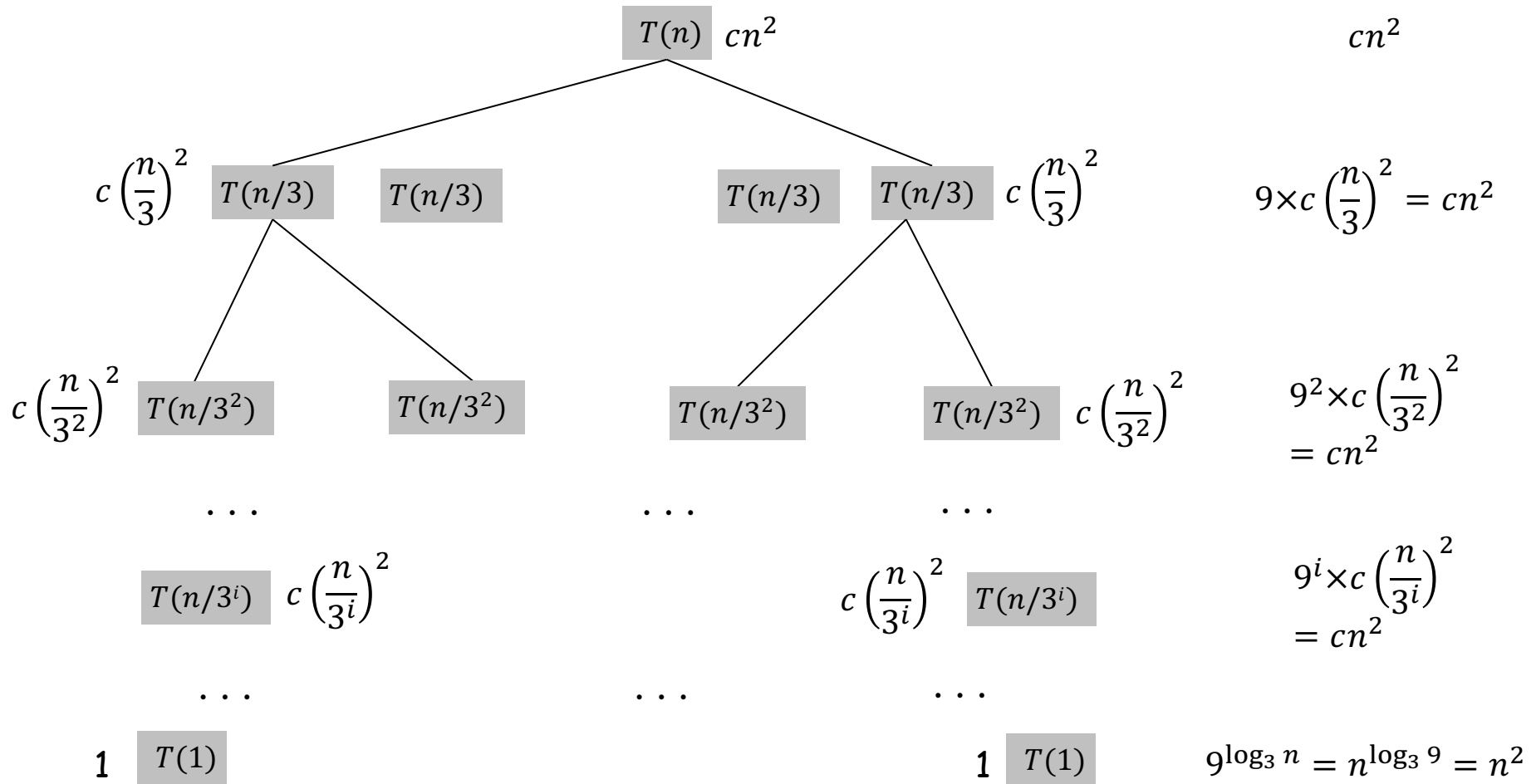
$$T(n) \leq n^{\log_2 5} + cn \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n - 1} \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^i = n^{\log_2 5} + cn \frac{2(n^{\log_2 5 - 1} - 1)}{3} = O(n^{\log_2 5})$$

Exercise Algorithm B: $T(n) = 2T(n - 1) + c$



$$T(n) \leq 2^{n-1} + c \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} 2^i = O(2^n)$$

Exercise Algorithm C: $T(n) = 9T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + cn^2$



$$T(n) \leq n^2 + \sum_{i=0}^{\log_3 n - 1} cn^2 = O(n^2 \log n)$$

Exercise D&C for finding the max and the min in an array

Assume, for simplicity that n is a power of 2: $n = 2^{k+1}$.

Idea: if $n = 2$ ($k = 0$), with one comparison you can return the max and the min

If $n > 2$ ($k > 0$), split the array in two parts L and R. Recursively find maxL, minL, and maxR, minR. Then, return max(maxL, maxR) and min(minL, minR).

DQ-find-max-min($A[p..r]$)

if $r = p + 1$ then

 if $A[p] > A[r]$ RETURN($A[p], A[r]$)

 else RETURN($A[r], A[p]$)

$mid \leftarrow \lfloor (p + r) / 2 \rfloor$

 (maxL, minL) = **DQ-find-max-min**($A[p..mid]$)

 (maxR, minR) = **DQ-find-max-min**($A[mid + 1..r]$)

 if $maxL > maxR$ then $maxA \leftarrow maxL$

 else $maxA \leftarrow maxR$

 if $minL < minR$ then $minA \leftarrow minL$

 else $minA \leftarrow minR$

 RETURN($maxA, minA$)

Exercise (cont) D&C for finding the max and the min in an array - Number of comparisons

If $n = 2$ ($k = 0$), with one comparison, I can return the max and the min. $T(2) = 1$.

If $n > 2$ ($k > 0$), 2 comparisons to return $\max(\maxL, \maxR)$ and $\min(\minL, \minR)$.

Recurrence: $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 2$. Solving the recurrence:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + 2 = 2(2T(n/4) + 2) + 2 = 2^2T(n/2^2) + 2^2 + 2 \\ &= 2^3T(n/2^3) + 2^3 + 2^3 + 2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= 2^iT(n/2^i) + 2^i + 2^{i-1} + \dots + 2$$

for step i .

We continue, like that until the boundary case where the problem size equals 2, i.e., when we reach step k . Recall that $n = 2^{k+1}$. For this step we have: $2^kT(n/2^k) + 2^k + 2^{k-1} + \dots + 2 = (n/2)T(2) + 2^k + 2^{k-1} + \dots + 2$.

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

$$2^k + 2^{k-1} + \dots + 2 = 2(2^k - 1) = 2(n/2 - 1) = n - 2$$

Total number of comparisons: $n/2 + n - 2 = 3n/2 - 2$.