Midterm Problem 1: Power of a Multi-Precision Integer

We only consider the worst case, that is each recursive call have k odd.

Notice that in each recursion call with X and k,

- If k = 1, i.e. $k \in O(1)$, then $Power(X, k) \in O(1)$ since directly return X.
- Otherwise

$$T(X,k) = T\left(X, \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + O\left(\max(\lg Y, \lg Y) \min(\lg Y, \lg Y)^{\log_2 3 - 1}\right)$$
$$+ O\left(\max(\lg Y, \lg X) \min(\lg Y, \lg X)^{\log_2 3 - 1}\right)$$

Where
$$Y = Power\left(X, \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) = X^{\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor}$$
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Thus,

$$T(X,k) = T\left(X, \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + O\left(\left(\frac{k}{2} \lg X\right)^{\log_2 3}\right) + O\left(\frac{k}{2} \lg X^{\log_2 3}\right)$$
$$T(X,k) = T\left(X, \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + O\left(\left(\frac{k^{\log_2 3}}{2} + \frac{k}{2}\right) (\lg X)^{\log_2 3}\right)$$

Consider the recursion tree, since only one recursion call occurs, each level of the tree only has one node.

$$T(X, k) \qquad (\frac{k}{2} | g \times)^{\log_{2} 3} + \frac{k}{4} (| g \times)^{\log_{2} 3}$$

$$T(X, \frac{k}{4}) \qquad (\frac{k}{4} | g \times)^{\log_{2} 3} + \frac{k}{4} (| g \times)^{\log_{2} 3}$$

$$T(X, \frac{k}{4}) \qquad (\frac{k}{4} | g \times)^{\log_{2} 3} + \frac{k}{8} (| g \times)^{\log_{2} 3}$$

$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

$$T(X, 2) \qquad (2 | g \times)^{\log_{2} 3} + 2 | g \times^{\log_{2} 3}$$

$$T(X, 1) \qquad 1$$

Also, note that the floor symbol is ignored.

We have the total running time $O\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\log_2 k-1} (\lg X)^{\log_2 3} \left(\frac{k}{i} + \left(\frac{k}{i}\right)^{\log_2 3}\right)\right) = O\left(\log X^{\log_2 3} \sum_{i=1}^{\log_2 k} \left(\frac{k}{i}\right)^{\log_2 3}\right), \text{ since } \frac{k}{i} + \left(\frac{k}{i}\right)^{\log_2 3} < 2\left(\frac{k}{i}\right)^{\log_2 3} = O\left(\left(\frac{k}{i}\right)^{\log_2 3}\right)$ Thus, $T(X,k) \in O\left((K\log X)^{\log_2 3}\right)$