

# **Complexity Analysis of Recursive Algorithms: Substitution Method**

**Session No.: 9**

**Course Name: Design and analysis of algorithm**

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# Review of the key concepts

## 1. Review of Master theorem

Q: What are the limitations of Substitution method?

# Learning Outcome

Solve recurrence relations using the  
**Recursive tree method.**

# Session Outline

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1 Complexity Analysis of Recursive Algorithms using recursive tree method

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2 Reflection learning activity

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3 Conclusion and post-session activity

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## Steps to Solve Recurrence Relations Using Recursion Tree Method-

Step-01: Draw a recursion tree based on the given recurrence relation.

Step-02: Determine-

- Cost of each level
- Total number of levels in the recursion tree
- Number of nodes in the last level
- Cost of the last level

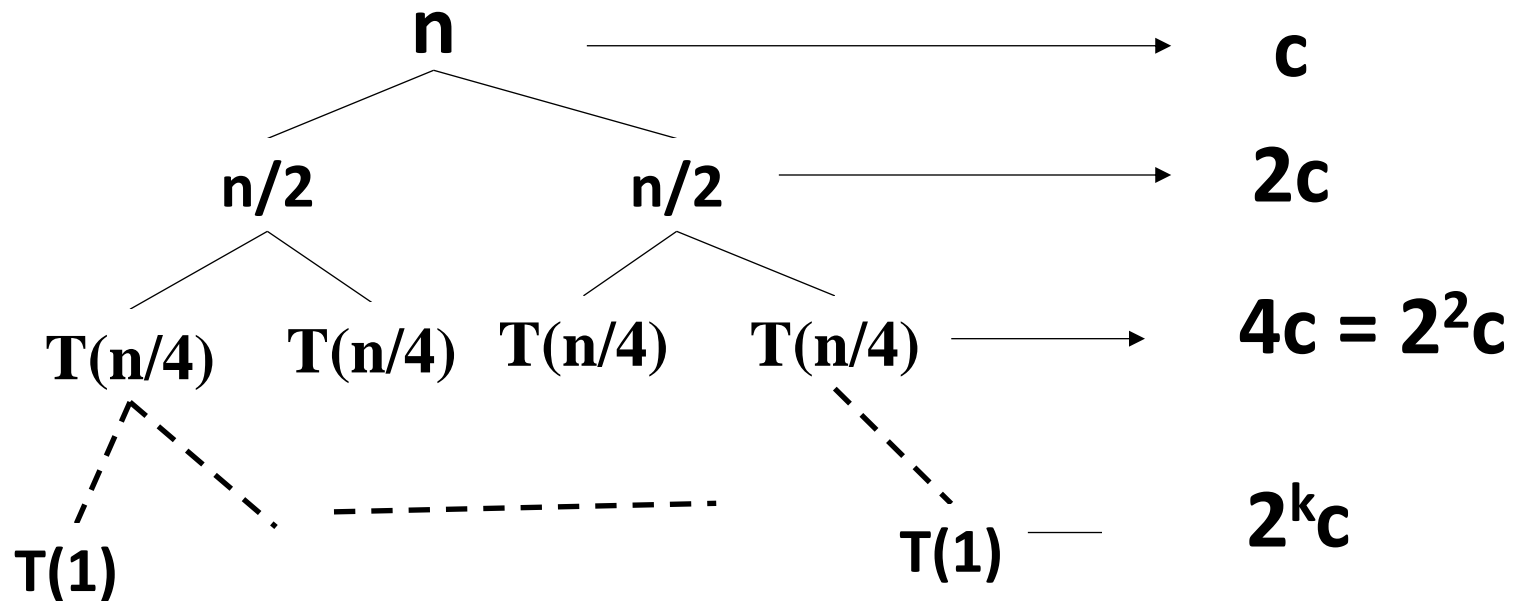
Step-03: Add the cost of all the levels of the recursion tree and simplify the expression so obtained in terms of asymptotic notation.

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

$$= c$$

if  $n > 1$

if  $n = 1$



**Assume,  $n = 2^k$**

Total cost

$$c + 2c + 4c + 8c + \dots + 2^k c$$

$$= c [ 1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + n ]$$

$$= c [ 1(n - 1) / (2 - 1) ]$$

$$= c[n - 1]$$

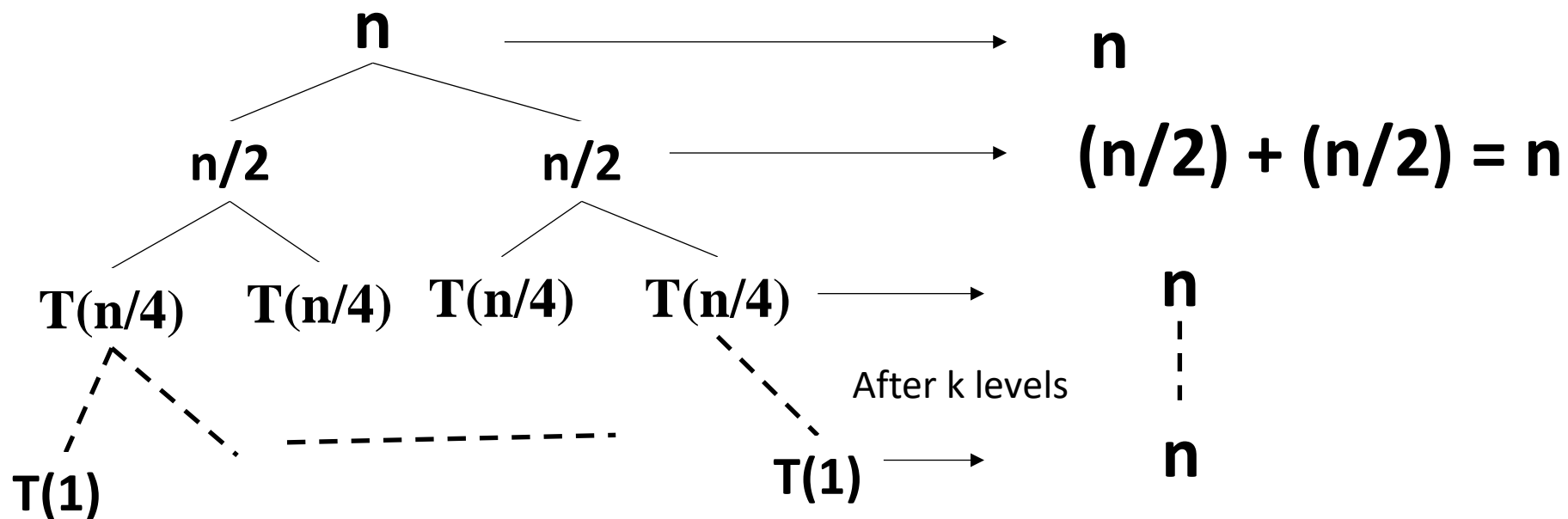
$$= cn - c$$

Time complexity =  $O(n)$



$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n \quad \text{if } n > 1$$

$$= 1 \quad \text{if } n = 1$$



Assume,  $n = 2^k$   
 $\Rightarrow k = \log n$

Total cost

$n + n + n + n + \dots + n$  k times

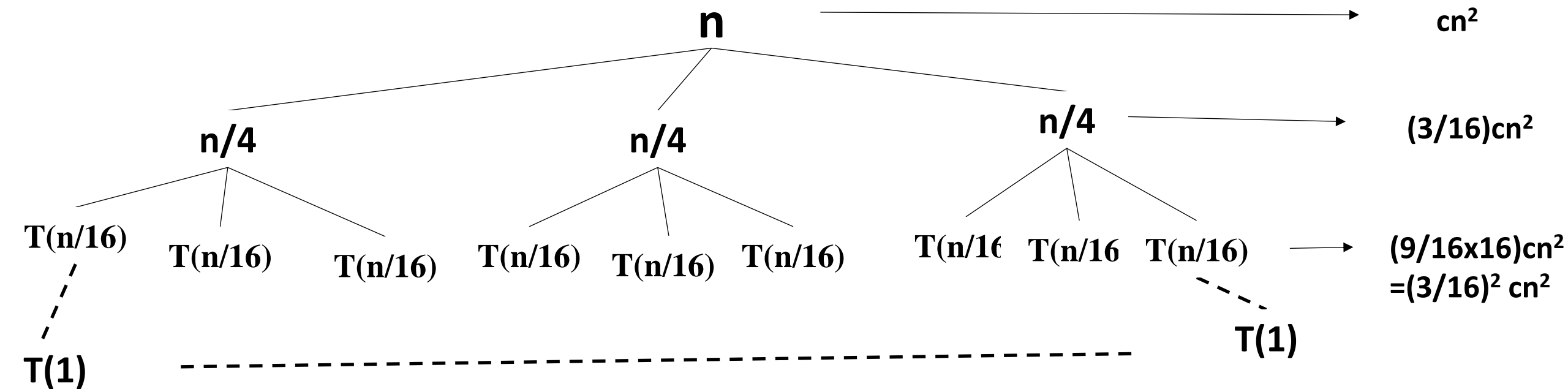
$= kn$

$= n (\log n)$

Time complexity =  $O(n \log n)$

$$T(n) = 3T(n/4) + cn^2 \quad \text{if } n > 1$$

$$= 1 \quad \text{if } n = 1$$



Total cost

$$cn^2 + (3/16)cn^2 + (3/16)^2cn^2 + (3/16)^3cn^2 + \dots$$

$$=cn^2 [1 + (3/16) + (3/16)^2 + (3/16)^3 + \dots]$$

$$=cn^2 [1/(1-(3/16))]$$

$$= cn^2 \times (16/13)$$

$$\text{Time complexity} = O(n^2)$$

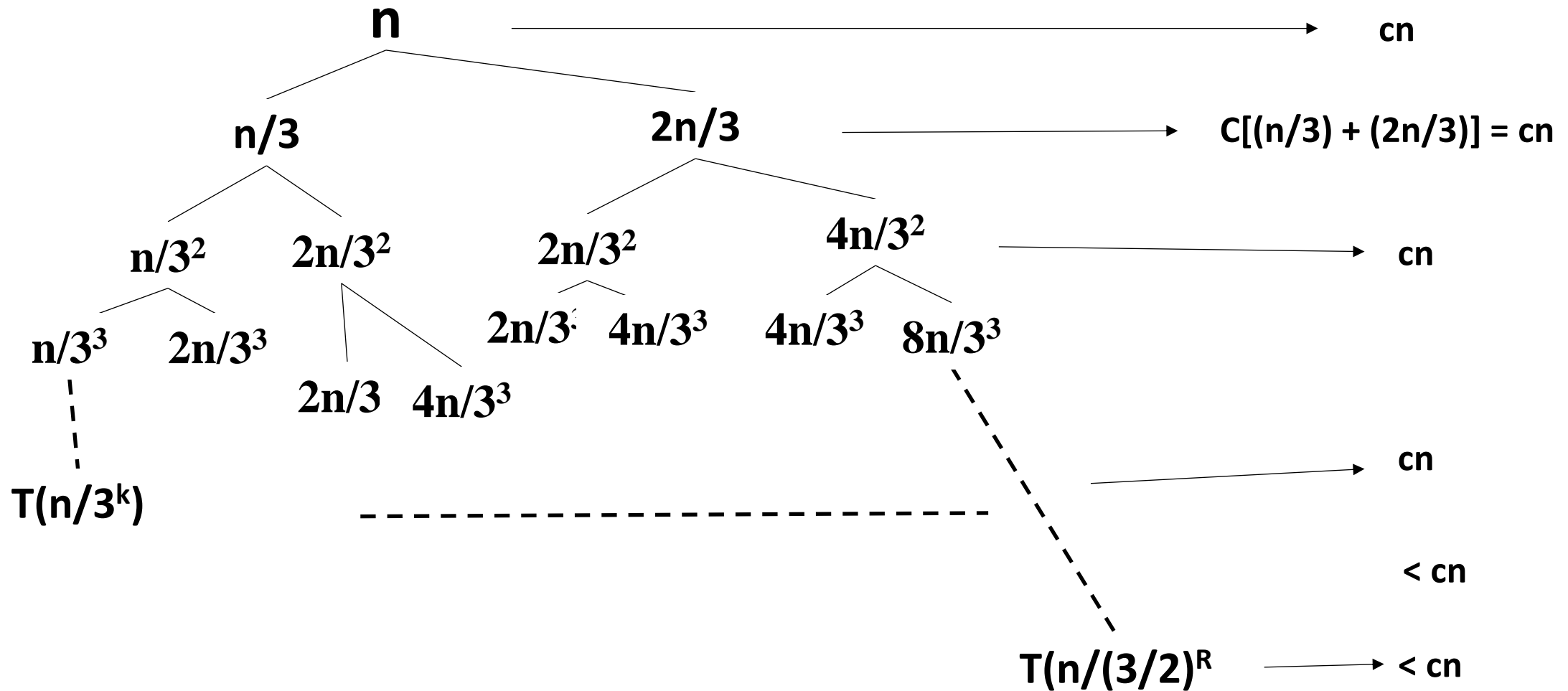
**G.P for infinite series**

$$1 + r + r^2 + r^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1/(1-r) \text{ if } r < 1$$

$$T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + cn \quad \text{if } n > 1$$

$$= 1 \quad \text{if } n = 1$$



Total cost

$$= R(cn)$$

$$= cn \log_{3/2} n$$

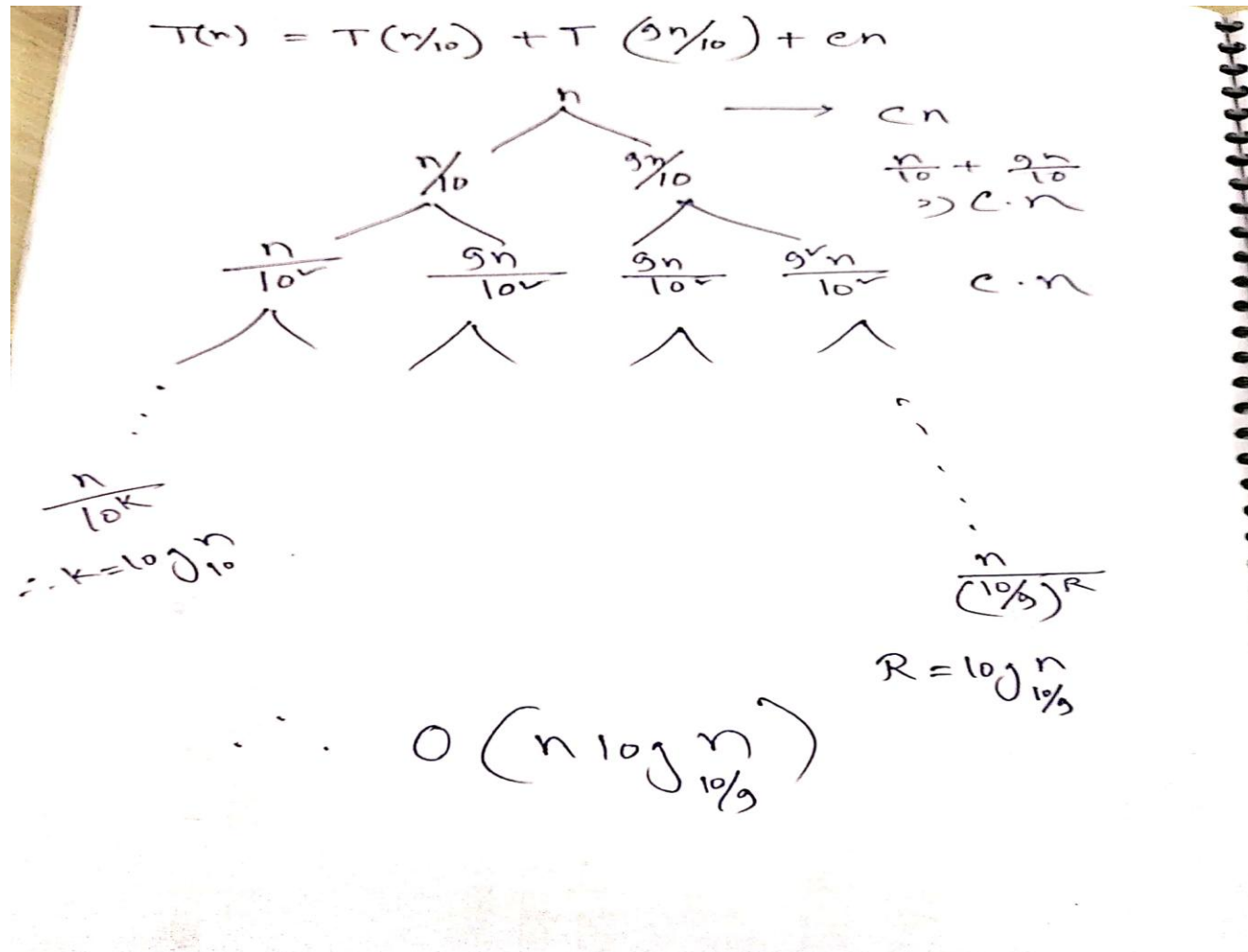
$$\text{Time complexity} = O(n \log_{3/2} n)$$

**Assume,  $n = (3/2)^R$**

$$\rightarrow R = \log_{3/2} n$$

$$T(n) = T(n/10) + T(9n/10) + cn \quad \text{if } n > 1$$

$$= 1 \quad \text{if } n = 1$$



*Post class assessment:*

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



*In the next class we will going through divide and conquer algorithmic approach*



Thank You