

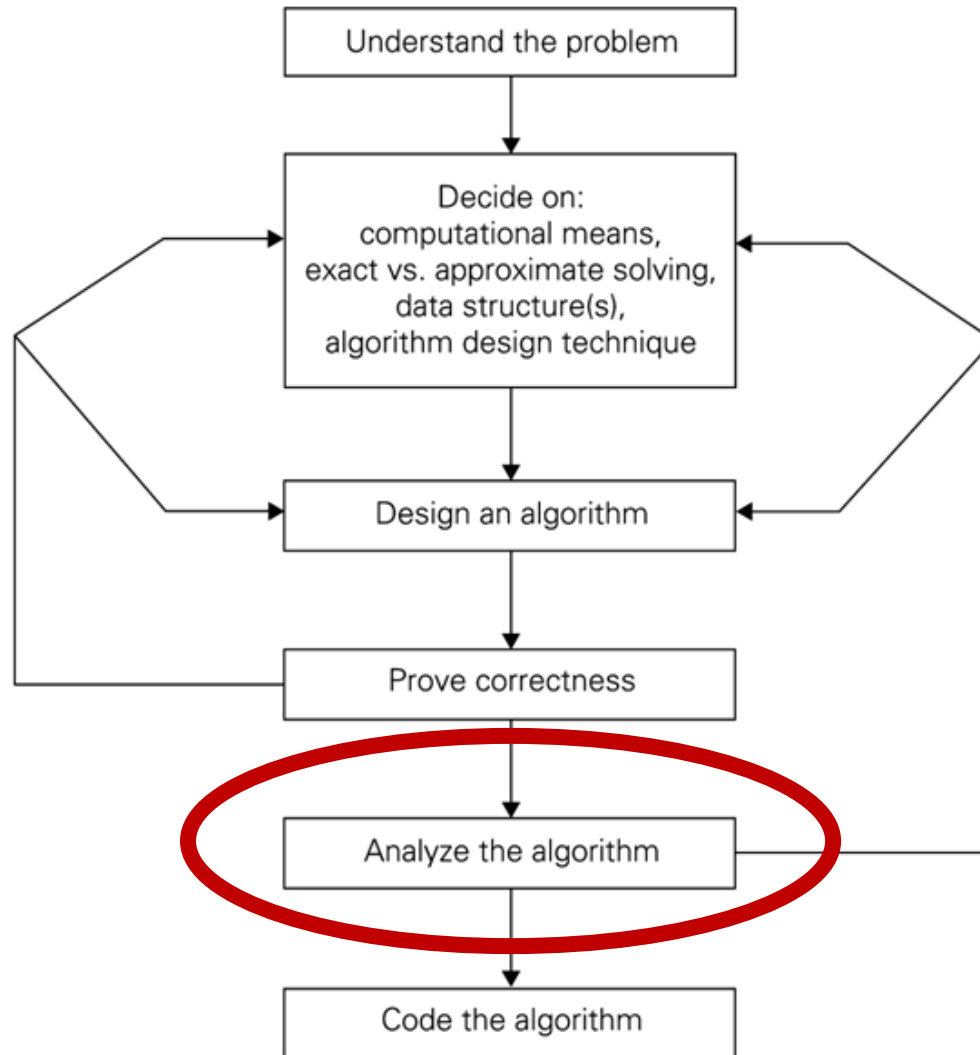
# Growth of Functions

## Chapter 2 & 3

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What is a *good* algorithm?

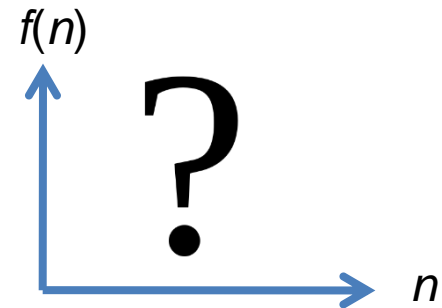
# Algorithm design and analysis process



# Analysis Framework

- Run time vs. input size

**Run time** =  $f(\text{input size})$



- # Basic operations
- Order of growth

$n$     $\log n$     $n \log n$     $2^n$     $n!$     $n^2$     $n^3$

$n$	$\log_2 n$	$n$	$n \log_2 n$	$n^2$	$n^3$	$2^n$	$n!$
10	3.3	$10^1$	$3.3 \cdot 10^1$	$10^2$	$10^3$	$10^3$	$3.6 \cdot 10^6$
$10^2$	6.6	$10^2$	$6.6 \cdot 10^2$	$10^4$	$10^6$	$1.3 \cdot 10^{30}$	$9.3 \cdot 10^{157}$
$10^3$	10	$10^3$	$1.0 \cdot 10^4$	$10^6$	$10^9$		
$10^4$	13	$10^4$	$1.3 \cdot 10^5$	$10^8$	$10^{12}$		
$10^5$	17	$10^5$	$1.7 \cdot 10^6$	$10^{10}$	$10^{15}$		
$10^6$	20	$10^6$	$2.0 \cdot 10^7$	$10^{12}$	$10^{18}$		

# Analysis Framework (cont.)

- Worst-case, best-case, average-case

**ALGORITHM** *Mystery*( $A[0..n-1]$ ,  $K$ )

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 $i \leftarrow 0$   
while  $i < n$  and  $A[i] \neq K$  do  
     $i \leftarrow i + 1$   
if  $i < n$  return  $i$   
else return -1
```

*Pseudo code*

Average-case  
**is or isn't**  
the average of worst and best case?

# Analysis Framework (cont.)

- Time (Space) efficiency is measured as a function of **the algorithm's input size**.
- Time efficiency is measured by counting the number of times the **basic operation** is executed.
- Need to distinguish between the **worst-case**, **average-case**, and **best-case** efficiencies.

$$\text{Run time} = f(\infty)$$

# Asymptotic Notations



$O$  (big oh)



$\Omega$ (big omega)



$\Theta$ (big theta)

Characterize the order of growth of an algorithm's basic operation count

# Asymptotic Notations (cont.)

- $O$ -notation (upper bound)

$O(g(n))$  is the set of functions with a **smaller** or **same** order of growth as  $g(n)$ .

**True** or **false**?       $n \in O(n^2)$

$$100n + 5 \in O(n^2)$$

$$0.5n(n-1) \in O(n^2)$$

$$0.00001 n^3 \in O(n^2)$$



# Asymptotic Notations (cont.)

- Definition:

$O(g(n)) = \{ f(n) : \text{there exist constants } c > 0, n_0 > 0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0 \}$

- Example:  $100n + 5$   $\in$   $O(n^2)$

$$100n + 5 \leq 100n + n \text{ (for all } n \geq \underbrace{5}_{n_0}) = 101n \leq \underbrace{101}_c n^2$$

# Asymptotic Notations (cont.)

- $\Omega$ -notation (lower bound)

$\Omega(g(n))$  is the set of functions with a **larger** or **same** order of growth as  $g(n)$ .

$$n^3 \in \Omega(n^2)$$

$$0.5n(n-1) \in \Omega(n^2)$$

$$100n + 5 \in \Omega(n^2)$$

# Asymptotic Notations (cont.)

- Definition:

$$\Omega(g(n)) = \{ f(n) : \text{there exist constants } c > 0, n_0 > 0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq cg(n) \leq f(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0 \}$$

- Example:  $n^3 \in \Omega(n^2)$

Select  $c = 1$  and  $n_0 = 1$

# Asymptotic Notations (cont.)

- $\Theta$ -notation

$\Theta(g(n))$  is the set of functions that have the **same** order of growth as  $g(n)$ .

$$5n^2 + 2n + 9 \in \Theta(n^2)$$

# Asymptotic Notations (cont.)

- Definition:

$$\Theta(g(n)) = \{ f(n) : \text{there exist constants } c_1 > 0, c_2 > 0, n_0 > 0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0 \}$$

- Example:  $0.5n(n-1) \in \Theta(n^2)$

Select  $c_1 = 0.25$ ,  $c_2 = 0.5$  and  $n_0 = 2$

# o- and $\omega$ - notations

- O-notation and  $\Omega$ -notation are like  $\leq$  and  $\geq$ .
- o-notation and  $\omega$ -notation are like  $<$  and  $>$ .
- Example:

$$2n \in O(n^2), \quad \text{but } 2n^2 \notin o(n^2)$$



If  $f_1(n) \in O(g_1(n))$  and  $f_2(n) \in O(g_2(n))$   
 $f_1(n) + f_2(n) \in O(?)$

(1)  $g_1(n) + g_2(n)$

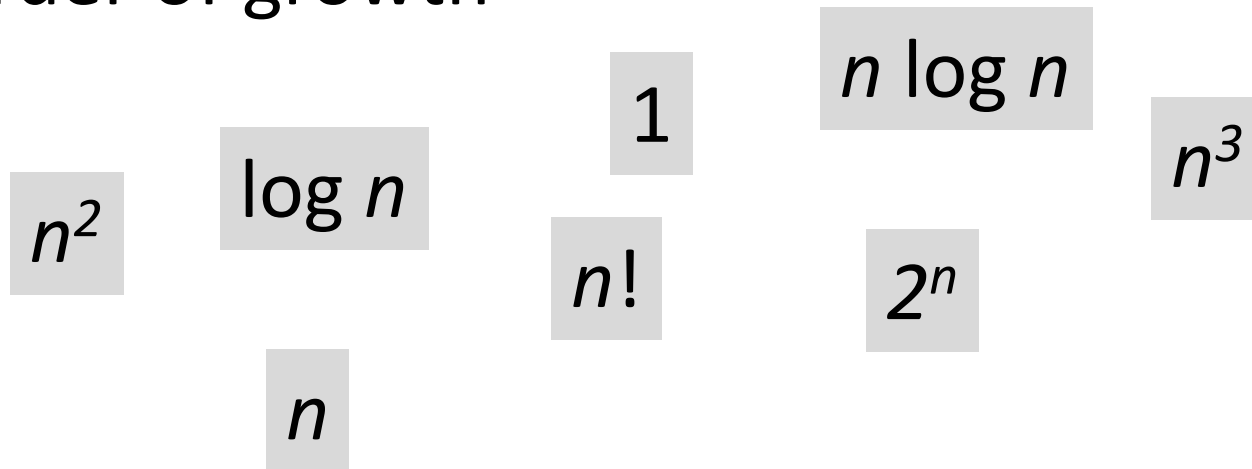
(2)  $\max\{g_1(n), g_2(n)\}$

(3)  $\min\{g_1(n), g_2(n)\}$

(4)  $0.5 (g_1(n) + g_2(n))$



Rank the following functions in terms of their order of growth

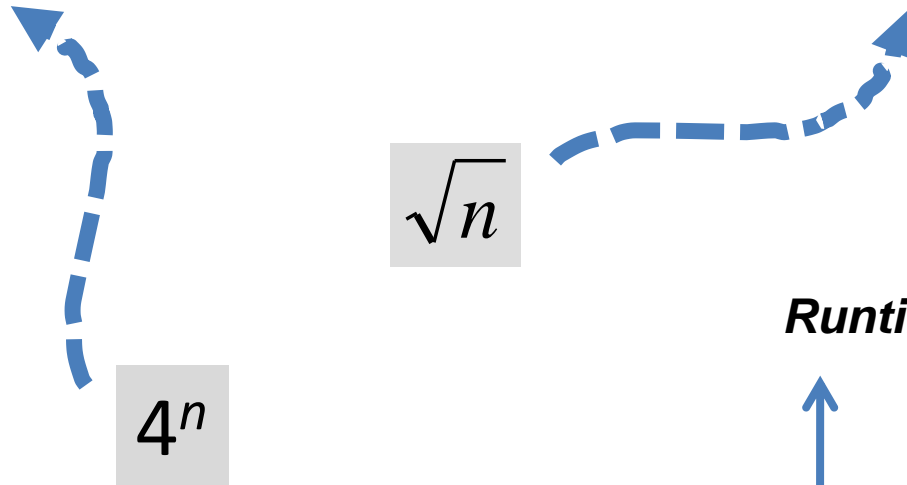




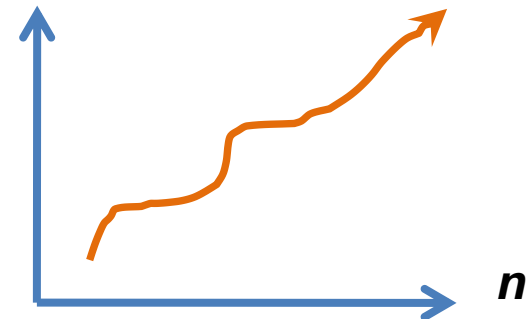
# Practice (1)

- Order of growth:

$$n! > 2^n > n^3 > n^2 > n \log n > n > \log n > 1$$



**Runtime**



## Practice (2)

$$\log_2 n \quad \text{vs.} \quad \log_{100} n \quad ?$$

$$\text{Recall } \log_b a = \frac{\log_c a}{\log_c b}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log_2 n &= \frac{\log_{100} n}{\log_{100} 2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\log_{100} 2} \times \log_{100} n \\ &= 6.643 \times \log_{100} n \\ &\quad \downarrow \\ &\quad \text{a constant!} \end{aligned}$$

# Practice (3)

- Function(s) **not** in  $O(n^2)$ ?

$$n^2$$

$$n^2 + n$$

$$n^2 + 1000n$$

$$1000n^2 + 1000n$$

$$n$$

$$n/1000$$

$$n^{1.99999}$$

$$n^2 / \lg \lg n$$

# What's the message?

- Given  $n$  numbers, the time complexity of my algorithm for sorting them is  $O(n^2)$ .
- Given  $n$  numbers, the time complexity of my algorithm for sorting them is  $\Theta(n^2)$ .
- Given  $n$  numbers, the time complexity of my algorithm for sorting them is  $\Omega(n^2)$ .

- Analysis examples
- Three methods for solving recurrences



# Analysis Examples

# Example (1)

**ALGORITHM** *X-Algorithm*( $A[0..n-1]$ )

$val \leftarrow A[0]$

**for**  $i \leftarrow 1$  **to**  $n-1$  **do**

**if**  $A[i] > val$

$val \leftarrow A[i]$

**return**  $val$

*Basic operation?*

*Complexity?*

# Example (2)

**ALGORITHM** *X-Algorithm*( $n$ )

*count*  $\leftarrow 1$

**while**  $n > 1$  **do**

*count*  $\leftarrow$  *count* + 1

$n \leftarrow \text{floor}(n/2)$

**return** *count*

*Complexity?*



# Example (3)

**ALGORITHM**  $F(n)$

**if**  $n=0$  **return** 1  
**else return**  $F(n-1)*n$

*Complexity?*

The recurrence relation:  $M(n) = M(n-1) + 1$  for  $n > 0$

The initial condition:  $M(0) = 0$  [Backward substitution]

To compute  
 $F(n-1)$

To multiply  
 $F(n-1)$  by  $n$



# Example (3)

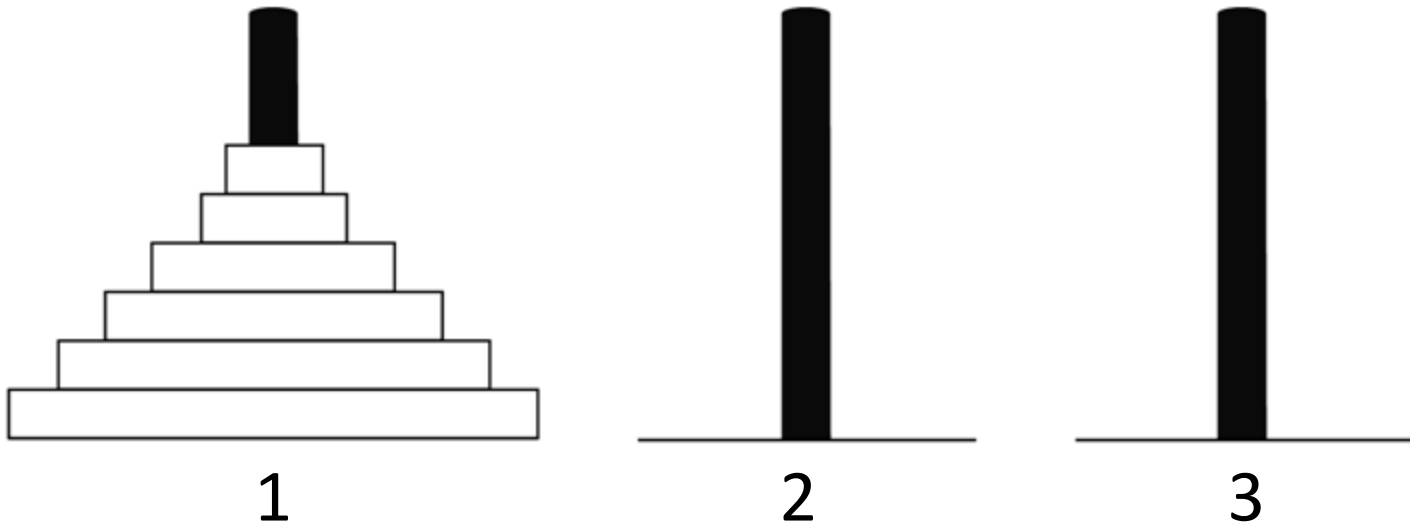
- Backward substitutions

$$\begin{aligned}M(n) &= M(n-1)+1 \\&= [M(n-2)+1] + 1 = M(n-2)+2 \\&= [M(n-3)+1] + 2 = M(n-3)+3 \\&\quad \vdots \\&= ???\end{aligned}$$

# Solving Recurrences

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# Tower of Hanoi



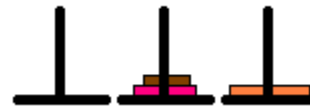
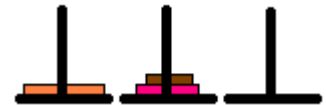
How many moves are required to move disks from  
peg 1 to peg 3?

# Tower of Hanoi

- $n = 2$



- $n = 3$

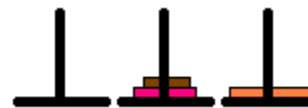
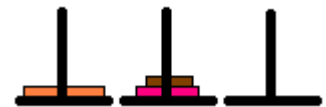


# #moves vs. #disks?

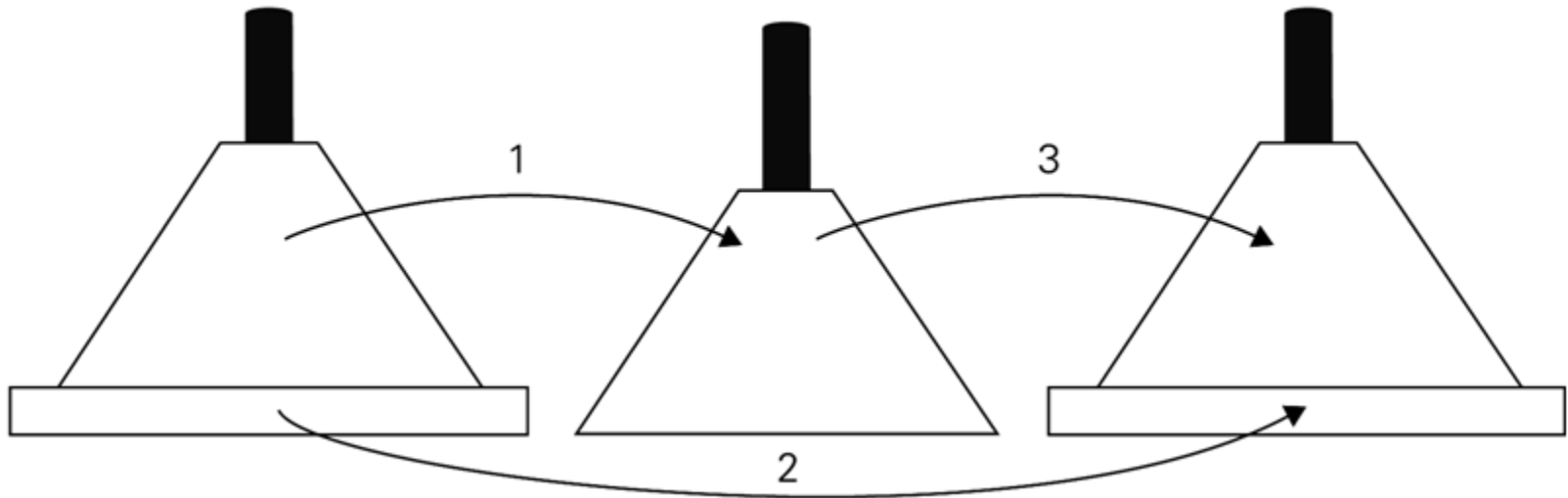
- $n = 2$



- $n = 3$



$M(n)$  = The number of required moves given  $n$  disks



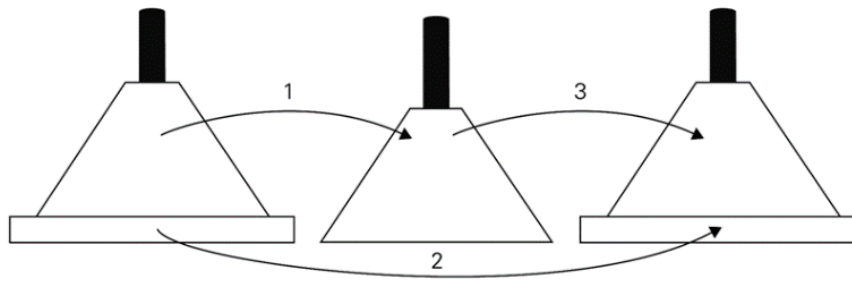
Recurrence:

$$M(n) = M(n-1) + 1 + M(n-1) \text{ for } n > 1$$

$$M(1) = 1$$

$$M(n) = \Theta(?)$$

1.  $n$
2.  $n \log n$
3.  $n^2$
4.  $2^n$



$$M(n) = M(n-1) + 1 + M(n-1) \text{ for } n > 1$$

$$M(1) = 1$$

$$M(n) = 2M(n-1) + 1$$

$$= 2[2M(n-2) + 1] + 1 = 4M(n-2) + 3$$

$$= 4[2M(n-3) + 1] + 3 = 8M(n-3) + 7$$

⋮

$$= 2^i M(n-i) + 2^i - 1$$

**Exponential algorithm!**

$$\# \text{ total moves} = 2^{n-1}M(1) + 2^{n-1} - 1 = 2^n - 1 = \Theta(2^n)$$



# Fibonacci Numbers

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, ...

Recurrence:

$$F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2) \text{ for } n > 1$$

$$F(0) = 0, F(1) = 1$$

$$F(n) = \Theta(?)$$

1. Linear  $n$
2. Polynomial  $n^c$
3. Exponential  $c^n$
4. Factorial  $n!$

- Analysis examples
- Three methods for solving recurrences



# Solving recurrences

- $T(n) = 16T(n/4) + n^2$
- $T(n) = 7T(n/3) + n^2$
- $T(n) = T(n/2) + T(n/4) + T(n/8) + n$
- $T(n) = 2T(n/4) + 1$

# Solving recurrences

- The substitution method
  - Forward substitution
  - Backward substitution
- The recursion tree method
- The master method

# Backward substitution

- Recurrence

$$x(n) = x(n-1) + n$$

$$x(1) = 1$$

- Solution

$$x(n) = x(n-1) + n$$

$$= [x(n-2) + n-1] + n$$

$$= [x(n-3) + n-2] + (n-1) + n$$

$$= x(n-i) + (n-i+1) + (n-i+2) + \dots + n$$

$$x(n) = 1+2+3+\dots+n = n(n+1)/2 = \Theta(n^2)$$

# Forward substitution

- Recurrence

$$x(n) = 2x(n-1) + 1 \text{ for } n > 1$$

$$x(1) = 1$$

- Solution

$$x(1) = 1$$

$$x(2) = 2 * 1 + 1 = 3$$

$$x(3) = 2 * 3 + 1 = 7$$

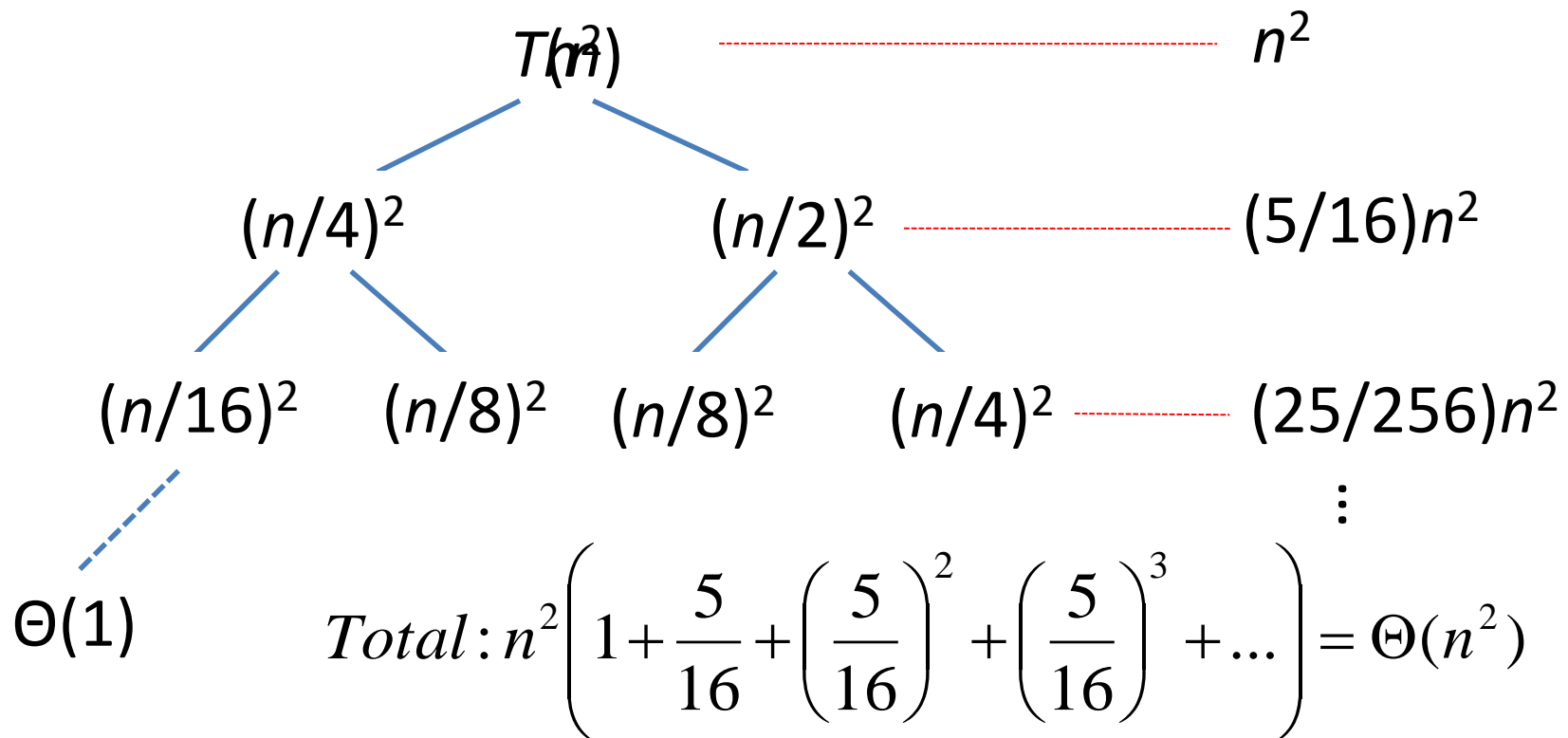
$$x(4) = 2 * 7 + 1 = 15$$

$$x(n) = 2^n - 1 = \Theta(2^n)$$

# Recursion tree

- Recurrence

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



# The master theorem

- The master method applies to recurrences of the form

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n) ,$$

where  $a \geq 1$ ,  $b > 1$ , and  $f$  is asymptotically positive.

(An asymptotically positive function is one that is positive for all sufficiently large  $n$ .)



# Examples

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

- $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n$
- $T(n) = 2T(n/3) + n^3$
- $T(n) = 5T(3n/4) + n^2$
- .....

$$f(n) \text{ vs. } n^{\log_b a}$$

# The master theorem: three cases

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n) \quad f(n) \text{ vs. } n^{\log_b a}$$

– Case 1:  $f(n) < n^{\log_b a}$

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

and **polynomially** smaller!

$$f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \varepsilon}) \text{ for some } \varepsilon > 0$$

– Case 2:  $f(n) = n^{\log_b a}$

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \lg n)$$

– Case 3:  $f(n) > n^{\log_b a}$

$$T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$$

and **polynomially** larger!

$$f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \varepsilon}) \text{ for some } \varepsilon > 0$$

and satisfy the **regularity** condition!

$$af(n/b) \leq cf(n) \text{ for some } c < 1$$

# The master theorem: examples

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

- $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n$ 
  - $a = 4, b = 2 \Rightarrow n^{\log_b a} = n^2$
  - $f(n) = n \Rightarrow f(n) = O(n^{2-\epsilon})$  for  $\epsilon = 1$

***CASE 1!***

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

# The master theorem: examples

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

- $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n^2$ 
  - $a = 4, b = 2 \Rightarrow n^{\log_b a} = n^2$
  - $f(n) = n^2$

**CASE 2!**

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^2 \lg n)$$

# The master theorem: examples

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

- $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n^3$

- $a = 4, b = 2 \Rightarrow n^{\log_b a} = n^2$

- $f(n) = n^3 \Rightarrow f(n) = \Omega(n^{2+\epsilon})$  for  $\epsilon = 1$

- Check the regularity condition:  $4(n/2)^3 \leq cn^3$  for  $c = 1/2$

**CASE 3!**

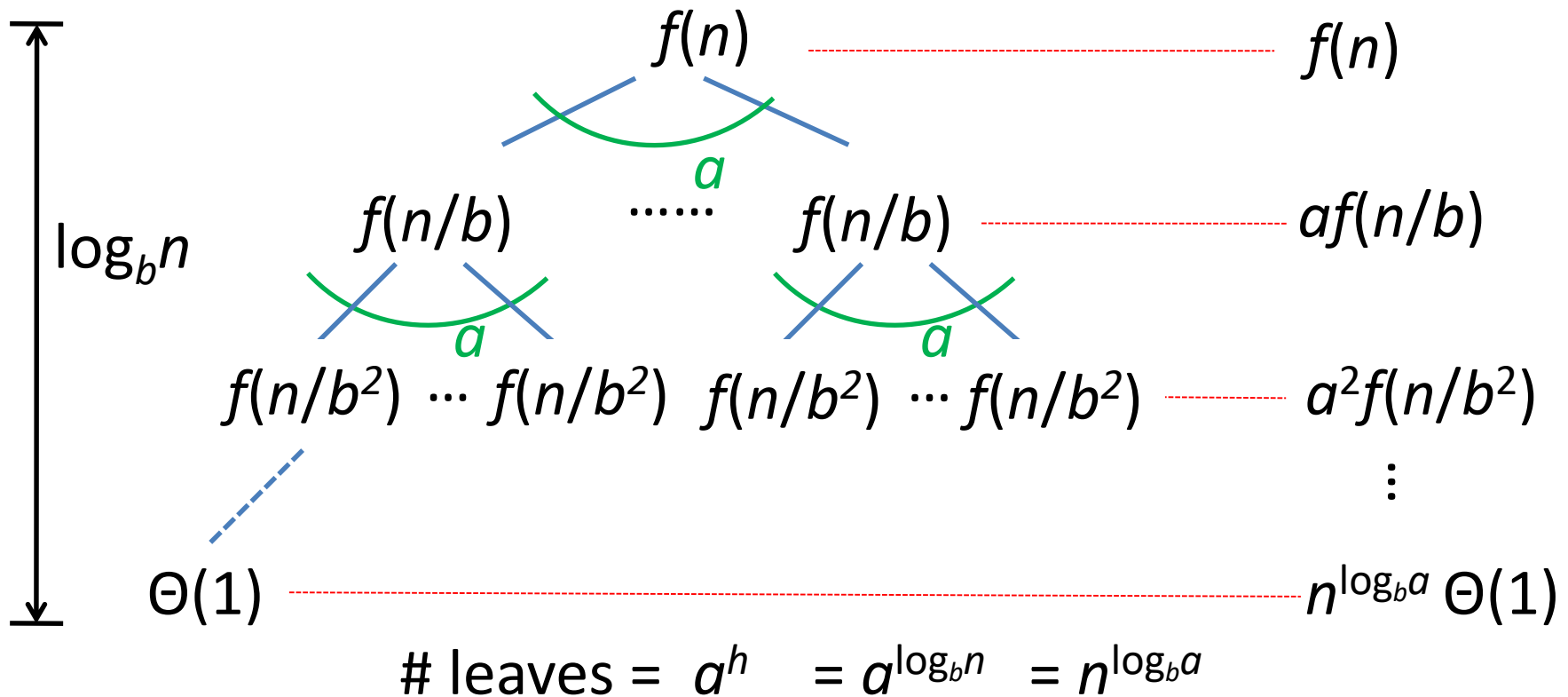
$$T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$$

The regularity condition:

$$af(n/b) \leq cf(n) \quad \text{for some } c < 1$$

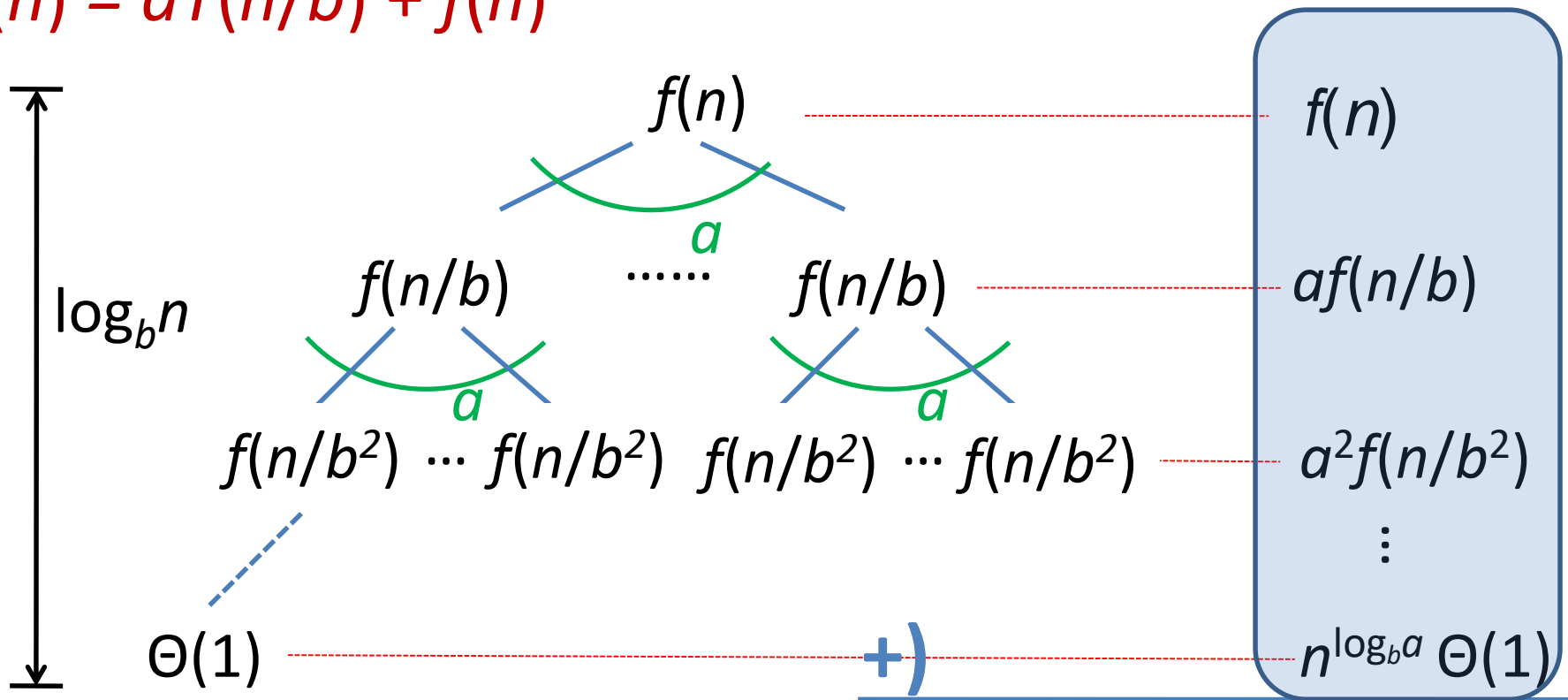
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$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$



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$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$



Case 1 ( $f(n) < n^{\log_b a}$ ): dominated by the cost in the leaves

Case 2 ( $f(n) = n^{\log_b a}$ ): evenly distributed among levels of the tree

Case 3 ( $f(n) > n^{\log_b a}$ ): dominated by the costs of the root

# Idea of the master theorem

- Case 1:  $f(n) < n^{\log_b a} \Rightarrow \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$ 
  - The weight increases geometrically from the root to the leaves.
- Case 2:  $f(n) = n^{\log_b a} \Rightarrow \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \lg n)$  or  $\Theta(f(n) \lg n)$ 
  - The weight is approximately the same on each level.
- Case 3:  $f(n) > n^{\log_b a} \Rightarrow \Theta(f(n))$ 
  - The weight decreases geometrically from the root to the leaves.



# Coming up

- Analysis examples
- Three methods for solving recurrences
- Divide and conquer (Chapter 4.1 – 4.2)

