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**Solution 1.** Given that

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 2 & n = 2 \\ 4 \cdot T(n^{1/2}) + \log^2(n) & n > 2 \end{cases}$$

Consider when  $n > 2$

$$T(n) = 4 \cdot T(n^{1/2}) + \log^2(n)$$

Master theorem cannot be applied on this equation. We need to apply transformation to convert into Master theorem equation.

We can substitute  $n = 2^m$  in the equation.

$$\begin{aligned} T(2^m) &= 4 \cdot T(2^{m/2}) + \log^2(2^m) \\ &= 4 \cdot T(2^{m/2}) + m^2 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting again in this equation by  $T(2^m) = S(m)$ . We get,

$$S(m) = 4 \cdot S(m/2) + m^2$$

Now we can apply Master theorem on the above equation.

**Case 1:**  $f(n) \in O(n^{\log_b a - \varepsilon})$  where  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

$$m^2 \in O(m^{\log_2 4 - \varepsilon}) = O(m^{2 - \varepsilon})$$

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$  this is not possible. So case 1 fails.

**Case 2:**  $f(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \cdot \log^k n)$  where  $k \geq 0$ .

$$m^2 \in \Theta(m^{\log_2 4} \cdot \log^k m) = \Theta(m^2 \cdot \log^k m)$$

$k = 0$  satisfy the equation. So case 2 holds. That's why,

$$\begin{aligned} S(m) &= \Theta(m^{\log_2 4} \cdot \log^{k+1} m) \\ &= \Theta(m^2 \cdot \log m) \end{aligned}$$

By substituting back  $m = \log n$  we get,

$$T(n) = \Theta(\log^2 n \cdot \log \log n).$$

**Solution 2.** Since the wall is stretched infinitely in the both direction i have assumed the starting location as 0. From the starting point we will go  $2^i$  steps first in the right side, come back to starting location and then we will go  $2^i$  steps in the left side and return back to starting location and increase the value of  $i$  by 1 where  $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$  which is nothing but doubling the steps to be taken in the next iteration for either side, we will continue until the door is found. One more assumption i am taking is while going from starting location to the  $2^i$ th location we will check for the doors at each location but skipping the locations which are already checked that is doors between 0 to  $2^{i-1}$ . Psuedo Code to solve this problem is given on page 3.

### Part 1.

The worst case will be when the door is on the left side and let us assume its value  $n = 2^m + d$ , where  $1 \leq d \leq 2^m$  Since we are traversing in both direction the total cost would be:

$$T(n) = 2 \cdot (2 \cdot (1 + 2 + 4 \dots 2^m)) + 2 \cdot 2^{m+1} + 2^m + d$$

Inner bracket cost is because we are going to  $2^i$ th location and coming back and it is multiplied by 2 because we are doing it for both directions i.e Right and Left.  $2 \cdot 2^{m+1}$  because we are going till  $2^{m+1}$  times in the right direction and then coming back to the starting location.  $2^m + d$  is added because we are going till  $2^m$  location in the left direction and next  $d$  steps to find the door location. Therefore,

$$T(n) = 4 \cdot (1 + 2 + 4 \dots 2^m) + 2 \cdot 2^{m+1} + 2^m + d$$

Which is equivalent to the following equation.

$$T(n) = 4 \cdot (2^{m+1} - 1) + 4 \cdot 2^m + 2^m + d$$

After simplifying in  $2^m$  terms.

$$T(n) = 8 \cdot 2^m - 4 + 4 \cdot 2^m + 2^m + d$$

$$T(n) = 13 \cdot 2^m + d - 4$$

And since  $n = 2^m + d, 2^m = n - d$ . By replacing it we can get.

$$T(n) = 13 \cdot (n - d) + d - 4$$

$$T(n) = 13 \cdot n - 12 \cdot d - 4$$

$$T(n) \leq 13 \cdot n$$

$$\therefore T(n) = O(n)$$

### Part 2.

Since we already got  $T(n)$  expression from the Part 1 which is

$$T(n) = 13 \cdot n - 12 \cdot d - 4$$

The worst case will be when  $d = 1$ . Which will the equation as,

$$T(n) = 13 \cdot n - 16$$

We can see the the equation that coefficient of  $n$  is 13. which is the constant multiple in the worst case.

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**procedure** FIND\_DOOR\_LOCATION(*A*)**if** door at  $A[0] = \text{true}$  **then** ▷ Base case     $\text{door\_location} \leftarrow 0$     **return**  $\text{door\_location}$ **end if** $\text{pos} \leftarrow 0$  ▷ starting position $\text{is\_door\_found} \leftarrow \text{false}$  ▷ True if door found $\text{door\_location} \leftarrow 0$  $\text{steps\_to\_take} \leftarrow 1$ ▷ How much step to take**while**  $\text{is\_door\_found} \neq \text{true}$  **do**    Traverse in *Right* Direction    **while**  $\text{pos} \leq \text{steps\_to\_take}/2$  **do** ▷ Skipping previously checked doors         $\text{pos}++$     **end while**    **while**  $\text{pos} \leq \text{steps\_to\_take}$  **do** ▷ Check *Right* Direction         $\text{pos}++$         **if** door at  $A[\text{pos}] = \text{true}$  **then** ▷ Check Each location             $\text{door\_location} \leftarrow \text{pos}$              $\text{is\_door\_found} \leftarrow \text{true}$             **break**        **end if**    **end while**    **if**  $\text{is\_door\_found} \neq \text{true}$  **then** ▷ If door not found in *Right* Side        **while**  $\text{pos} \neq 0$  **do** ▷ Traversing back to starting position             $\text{pos}--$         **end while**        Traverse *Left* Direction        **while**  $\text{pos} \leq \text{steps\_to\_take}/2$  **do** ▷ Skipping previously checked doors             $\text{pos}++$         **end while**        **while**  $\text{pos} \leq \text{steps\_to\_take}$  **do** ▷ Check *Left* Direction             $\text{pos}++$             **if** door at  $A[\text{pos}] = \text{true}$  **then** ▷ Check Each location                 $\text{door\_location} \leftarrow \text{pos}$                  $\text{is\_door\_found} \leftarrow \text{true}$                 **break**            **end if**        **end while**    **end if**    **if**  $\text{is\_door\_found} \neq \text{true}$  **then** ▷ If door also not found *Left* Side        **while**  $\text{pos} \neq 0$  **do** ▷ Traversing back to starting position             $\text{pos}--$         **end while**         $\text{steps\_to\_take} \leftarrow 2 * \text{steps\_to\_take}$  ▷ Increasing steps to be taken by 2    **end if****end while**    **return**  $\text{door\_location}$ **end procedure**

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**Solution 1.** 1. Iterative substitutions

Given that

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= \begin{cases} 1 & n = 1 \\ 4 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2}) + 3 & n > 1 \end{cases} \\
 &= 4 \cdot (4 \cdot T(\frac{n}{4}) + 3) + 3 \\
 &= 16 \cdot T(\frac{n}{4}) + 4 \cdot 3 + 3 \\
 &= 16 \cdot (4 \cdot T(\frac{n}{8}) + 3) + 4 \cdot 3 + 3 \\
 &= 64 \cdot T(\frac{n}{8}) + 16 \cdot 3 + 4 \cdot 3 + 3 \\
 &\vdots \\
 &= 4^i \cdot T(\frac{n}{2^i}) + 4^{i-1} \cdot 3 + 4^{i-2} \cdot 3 + \dots + 4^0 \cdot 3 \\
 &= 4^i \cdot T(\frac{n}{2^i}) + 3 \cdot (4^{i-1} + 4^{i-2} + \dots + 4^0)
 \end{aligned}$$

Geometric series for ratio  $r = 4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 4^i \cdot T(\frac{n}{2^i}) + 3 \cdot (\frac{4^i - 1}{4 - 1}) \\
 &= 4^i \cdot T(\frac{n}{2^i}) + 4^i - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$i = \log_2(n)$  will give us the base case,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 4^{\log_2(n)} \cdot T(1) + 4^{\log_2(n)} - 1 && (\text{since } i = \log_2(n)) \\
 &= 2 \cdot 4^{\log_2(n)} - 1 \\
 &= 2 \cdot 2^{\log_2(n^2)} - 1 && (\text{log manipulation}) \\
 \therefore T(n) &= 2 \cdot n^2 - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

**2. Proof by induction**

Given that

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 1 \\ 4 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2}) + 3 & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

From Iterative Substitution:  $T(n) = 2 \cdot n^2 - 1$

**Proof:** Base case:  $n = 2$

Calculate using given recurrence relation.

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(2) &= 4 \cdot T(\frac{2}{2}) + 3 \\
 T(2) &= 4 \cdot 1 + 3 = 7 && \text{Since, } T(1) = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate using derived asymptotic solution.

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(2) &= 2 \cdot n^2 - 1 \\
 T(2) &= 2 \cdot 2^2 - 1 = 7 && \text{Since, } n = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

Since both result are the same hence derived solution holds.

Induction hypothesis:  $T(\frac{n}{2}) = 2 \cdot (\frac{n}{2})^2 - 1 = \frac{n^2}{2} - 1$

Induction step:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 4 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2}) + 3 \\ &= 4 \cdot (\frac{n^2}{2} - 1) + 3 \quad (\text{Substituting hypothesis}) \\ &= 4 \cdot (\frac{n^2}{2}) - 4 + 3 \\ &= 2 \cdot n^2 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Which is same as our hypothesis.

$$\therefore T(n) = 2 \cdot n^2 - 1.$$