

Also: (See posted Mergesort induction example)

5 Using a Loop Invariant to Prove Stability

HW 3
Stability of Merge Sort

Definition A sorting algorithm is **stable** if objects with equal keys appear in the same order in the sorted output as in the unsorted input.

Example



in the sorted output of a stable sorting algorithm
3 of diamonds would appear before 3 of clubs.

Note $i_1=2, j_1=4$
 $i_2=1, j_2=4$
 $i_3=2, j_3=4$

5.1 Stability Proof for Insertion Sort

Let i and j be ^{initial} indices with $i < j$ such that $A[i].key = A[j].key$. We will show that their final positions i' and j' at the end of insertion sort satisfy $i' < j'$.

Loop invariant: Let i_k and j_k be the positions at the start of the k th iteration. Then $i_k < j_k$.

Initialization: Before the first iteration,

Maintenance:

Suppose for the inductive hypothesis that $i_k < j_k$. We will show that $i_{k+1} < j_{k+1}$.

① If neither $A[i_k]$ or $A[j_k]$ are being inserted into the sorted portion in the k th iteration (either both already in sorted portion, or neither)

either $i_{k+1} = i_k$ and $j_{k+1} = j_k$

OR $i_{k+1} = (i_k) + 1$ and $j_{k+1} = (j_k) + 1$ (both shifted down 1 spot)

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1. for j = 2 to n:
2.   Key ← A[j]
3.   i ← j - 1
4.   while i > 0 and A[i] > Key:
5.     A[i+1] ← A[i]
6.     i ← i - 1
7.   A[i+1] ← Key
  
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i & j here are different from i & j

(use inductive hypothesis to say $i_k < j_k$)

— (neither moves)

② If $A[i_k]$ is in the sorted portion and $A[j_k]$ is NOT being inserted in the k th iteration then:

$i_{k+1} = \begin{cases} (i_k) + 1 & \text{or} \\ i_k \end{cases}$ $j_{k+1} = j_k$

(Termination):

either shifted down by 1 or stays

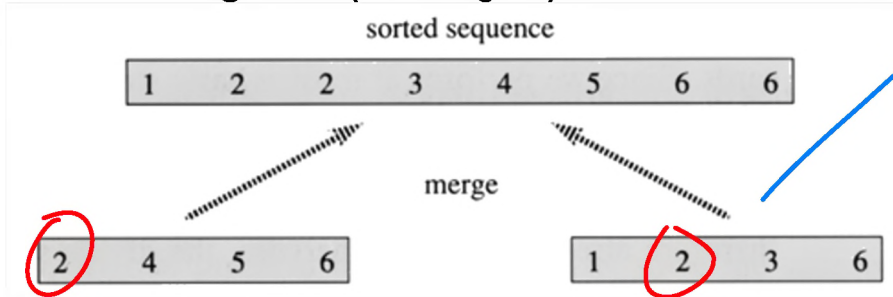
stays

③ If $A[j_k]$ is being inserted, then by the while loop condition on line 4,

$j_{k+1} > i_{k+1}$

Note: by the inductive hypothesis, couldn't have $A[j_k]$ inserted and not $A[i_k]$.

6.1 Mergesort (CLRS §2.3)



repeated
elements &
stability-
you'll prove in
HW 2.

MERGESORT($A[1 \dots n]$)

MERGESORT($A[1 \dots \frac{n}{2}]$)

MERGESORT($A[\frac{n}{2} + 1 \dots n]$)

MERGE $A[1 \dots \frac{n}{2}]$ and $A[\frac{n}{2} + 1 \dots n]$

6.1.1 The Merge Subroutine

Description of the algorithm, or more English version of pseudocode:

To merge sorted arrays $L[1 \dots m]$ and $R[1 \dots p]$ into array $C[1 \dots m+p]$

Maintain a current index for each list, each initialized to 1

While both lists have not been completely traversed:

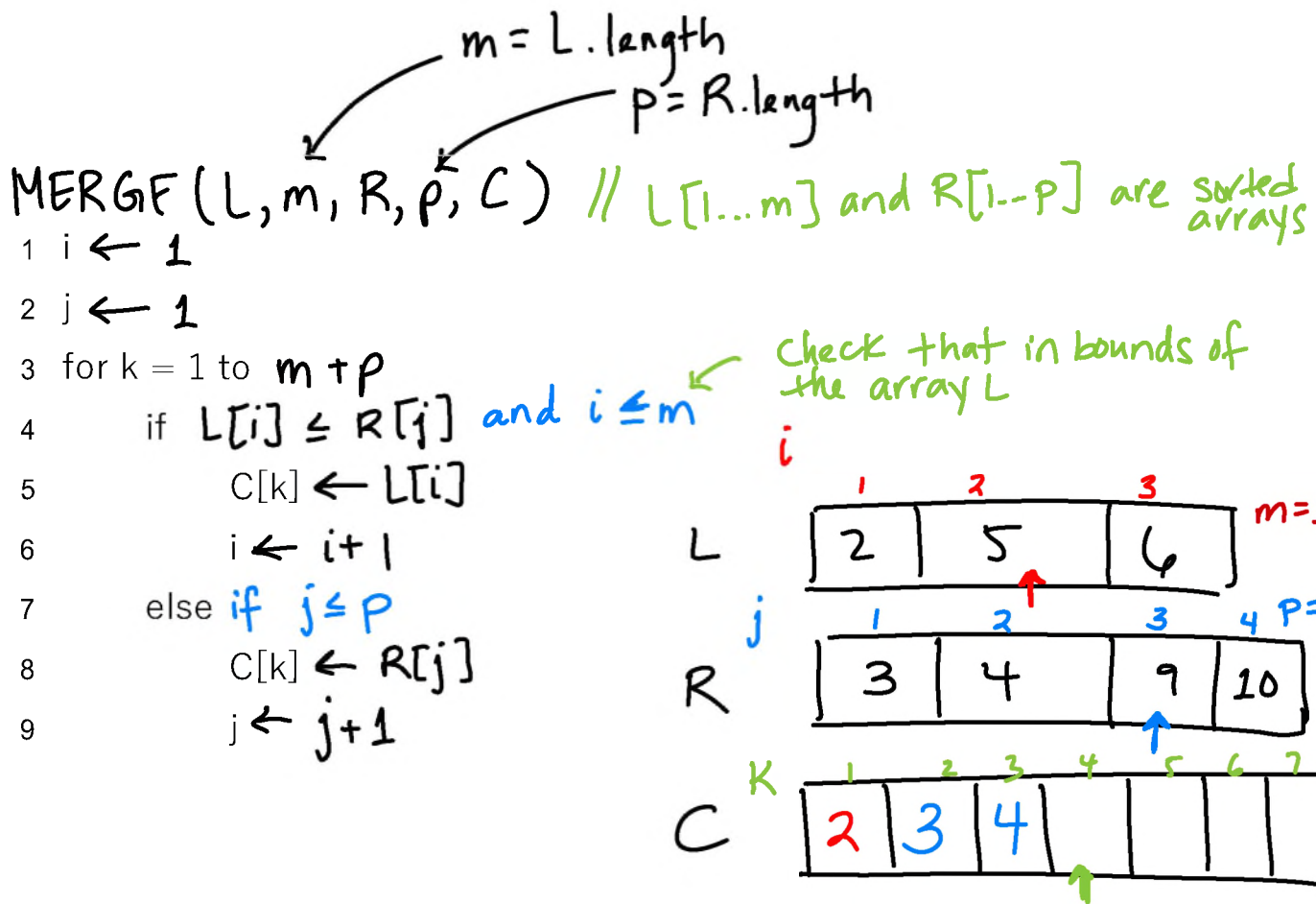
Let $L[i]$ and $R[j]$ be the current elements

Copy the smaller of $L[i]$ and $R[j]$ to C

Advance the current index for the array from which the smaller element was selected

EndWhile

Once one array has been completely traversed, copy the remainder of the other array to C



6.1.2 Proof of Correctness of Merge

Loop invariant:

At the start of the k th iteration $C[1..k-1]$ contains the $k-1$ smallest elements of L and R in sorted order

These elements are from $L[1..i-1]$ and $R[1..j-1]$

• Initialization: (Base case)

$i = j = k = 1 \Rightarrow C$ is empty so C contains the 0 smallest elements of L and R in sorted order.

So the invariant holds.

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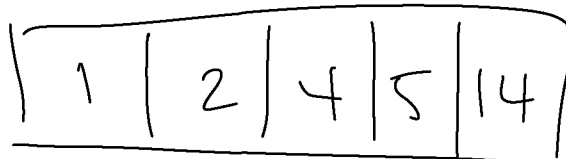
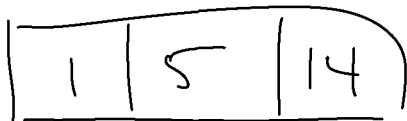
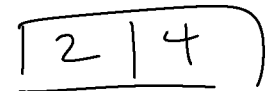
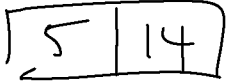
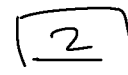
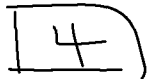
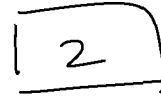
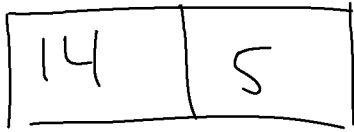
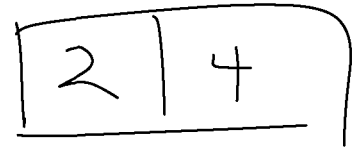
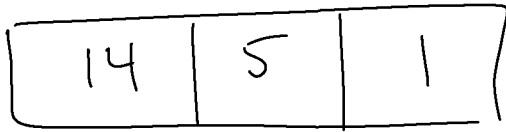
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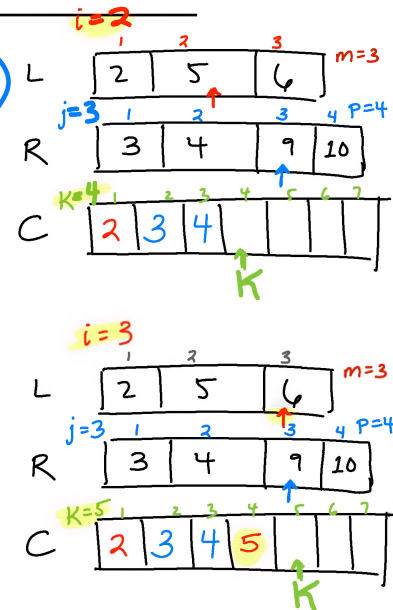
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- Maintenance:

Assume the invariant holds for the k th iteration and (without loss of generality) $L[i] \leq R[j]$. Then $L[i]$ is the smallest among elements from L and R not copied yet into C .

Therefore since i and K are incremented, the invariant holds in the next iteration.



- Termination:

After the last iteration $K = m + p + 1$ and $i = m + 1$, $j = p + 1$, so C contains all $(K - 1 = m + p)$ elements of L and R in sorted order.

At the start of the k th iteration $C[1 \dots k-1]$ contains the $k-1$ smallest elements of L and R in sorted order.

These elements are from $L[1 \dots i-1]$ and $R[1 \dots j-1]$.

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MERGE( $L, m, R, p, C$ ) /
1  $i \leftarrow 1$ 
2  $j \leftarrow 1$ 
3 for  $k = 1$  to  $m + p$ 
4   if  $L[i] \leq R[j]$  and  $i \leq m$ 
5      $C[k] \leftarrow L[i]$ 
6      $i \leftarrow i + 1$ 
7   else if  $j \leq p$ 
8      $C[k] \leftarrow R[j]$ 
9      $j \leftarrow j + 1$ 

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6.1.3 Running Time of Merge (worst case)

$\Theta(m + p)$ m, p - sizes of subarrays of $A[1 \dots n]$

$\Theta(n)$ complexity for $A[1 \dots n]$



so far just did merge

6.1.4 Back to Mergesort: Correctness, Running Time, Recursion Tree

correctness follows from correctness of Merge and using induction on the size of the array.
(in general use induction to prove correctness of a recursive algorithm)

Running time: use recurrence describe running time in terms of running time on smaller inputs.

let $T(n)$ be the running time on a problem of size n .

$$T(n) = \underbrace{2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)}_{\text{recursion}} + \underbrace{cn}_{\text{merge}} + \underbrace{c_1}_{\text{divide}}$$

(really $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ and $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$)
 floor ceiling

OR for simplicity

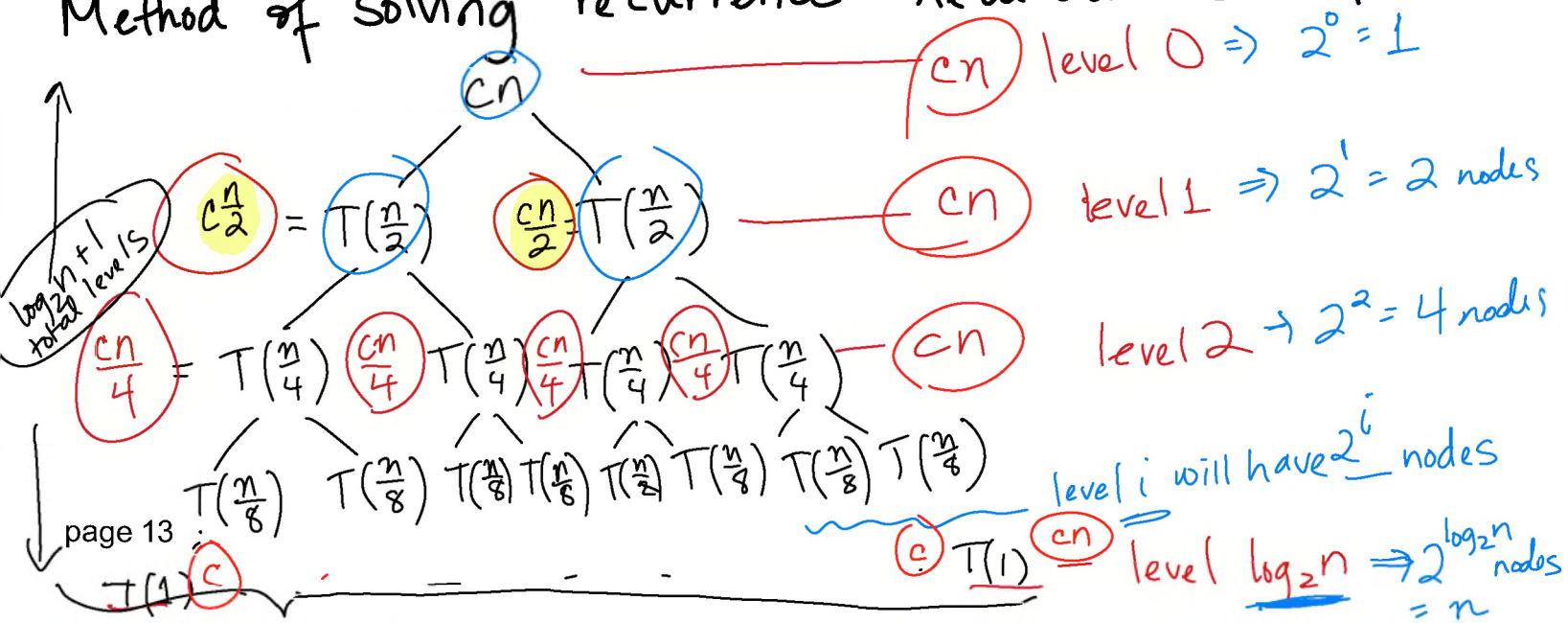
$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n=1 \\ 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn & \text{if } n>1 \end{cases}$$

number of subproblems size of subproblem $\theta(n)$

$T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + c \cdot \frac{n}{2}$

(informal but helpful)

Method of solving recurrence: Recursion tree expansion.



$$n \text{ leaves } (= 2^{\log_2(n)})$$

Note the depth is $\boxed{\log_2 n + 1}$ since we start at
level 0 and go up to level $\log_2(n)$

[For $\log_2(n)$ we also use $\lg(n)$]

Merge Sort is better than insertion Sort.

$$\log(n) \leq n \text{ for large enough } n$$

$$n \log(n) \leq n^2$$

So overall runtime is: $T(n) = (\log_2(n) + 1) * cn = cn \log_2 n + cn$

$$= \Theta(n \log_2 n)$$

Proof of time complexity

Claim. For large enough $c_1 > 0$, and for all $n \geq 2$ $T(n) \leq c_1 n \log n$ (*) (worst case and average case)

Proof sketch.

Base case: $n=2$

$$T(2) = 2T\left(\frac{2}{2}\right) + c \cdot 2 = 2T(1) + c \cdot 2$$

$$= 2c + c \cdot 2$$

$$= 4c.$$

$n=2$ in the right hand side of (*)

$$c_1 n \log n = c_1 \cdot 2 \log_2 2$$

$$= c_1 \cdot 2 = 2c_1$$

$$4c \leq 2c_1 \quad (\text{Take } c_1 \geq 2c)$$

Assume by induction that (*) holds for $n < k$.

Then for $n=k$:

$$T(k) = 2T\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) + c \cdot k$$

$$\leq 2 \left[c_1 \frac{k}{2} \log_2\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) \right] + ck$$

$$= c_1 k \log_2\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) + ck$$

$$= c_1 k (\log_2 k - \log_2 2) + ck$$

$$= c_1 k (\log_2 k - 1) + ck$$

$$= c_1 k \log_2 k - c_1 k + ck$$

$$= c_1 k \log_2 k - k(c_1 - c)$$

$$\leq c_1 k \log_2 k$$

using the inductive hypothesis on

$$T\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) \leq c_1 \frac{k}{2} \log_2\left(\frac{k}{2}\right)$$

$$c_1 \geq 2c$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 - 2c \geq 0$$

$$c_1 - c - c \geq 0$$

$\therefore T(k) = O(k \log k)$ (Similarly prove lower bound to show Θ)

Show

$$T(n) = \Omega(n \log n)$$

i.e. $T(n) \geq d n \log n$ for n suff large
 $d > 0$

$$T(K) = 2T\left(\frac{K}{2}\right) + cn$$

\geq

7 Solving Recurrences

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Running time analysis of such algorithms naturally involves *recurrences* since we may state the running time in terms of the running time on smaller inputs. Let's think more about solving recurrences to help us determine the running time of such algorithms!

[HW2 Q4]

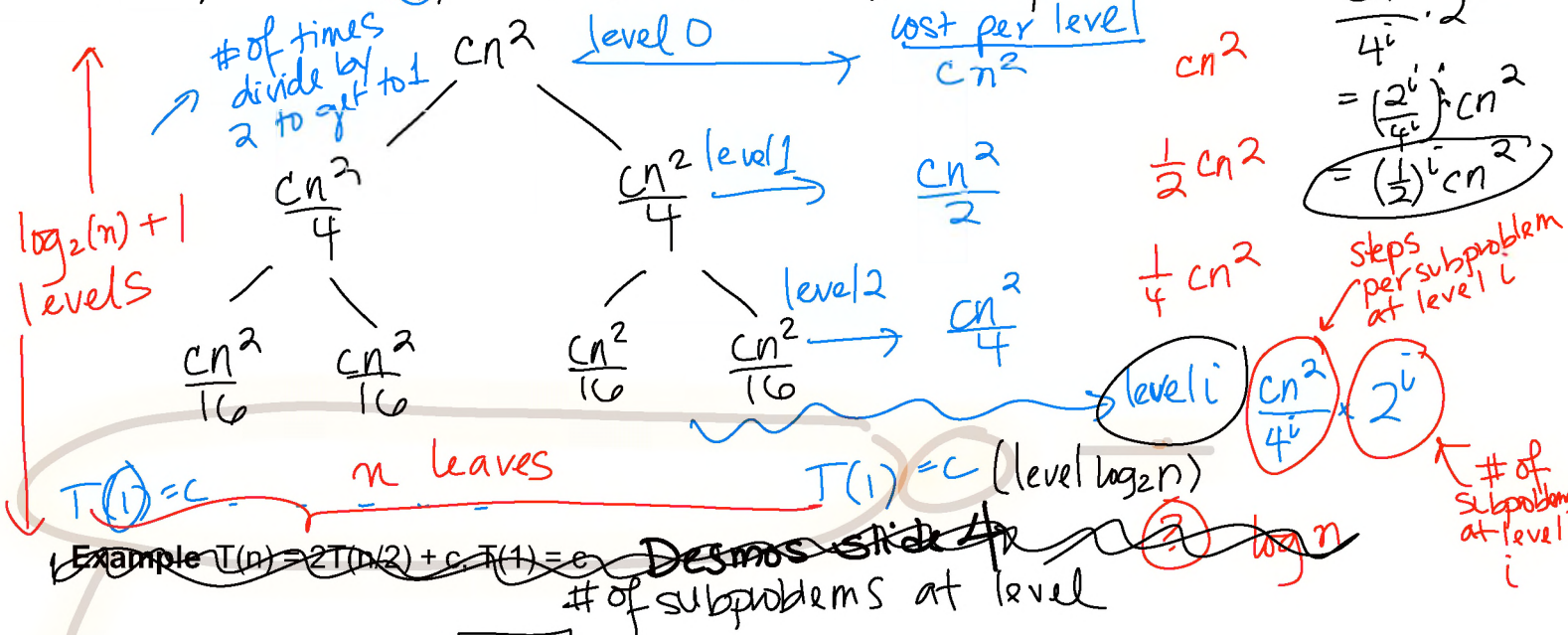
7.1 Using the Recursion Tree Method (CLRS §4.4)

Example $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + cn^2$, $T(1) = c$

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(?) $n^2 \log n$

$$T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + c\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 = 2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + c\frac{n^2}{4}$$



Example $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + c$, $T(1) = c$

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(?) $\log n$

$$\frac{cn^2}{4^i} \times 2^i = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^i cn^2 \Rightarrow \text{Total steps across all levels}$$

Steps per subproblem at level i

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

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

Sum of Geometric sequence $\frac{1}{1-r}$ $r = 1/2$

$$= cn^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots\right) = cn^2 \frac{1}{1-1/2} = 2cn^2 = \Theta(n^2)$$

work at the leaves:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^i cn^2 \text{ when } i = \log_2(n)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\log_2(n)} cn^2 = n^{-1} \cdot cn^2 = cn$$

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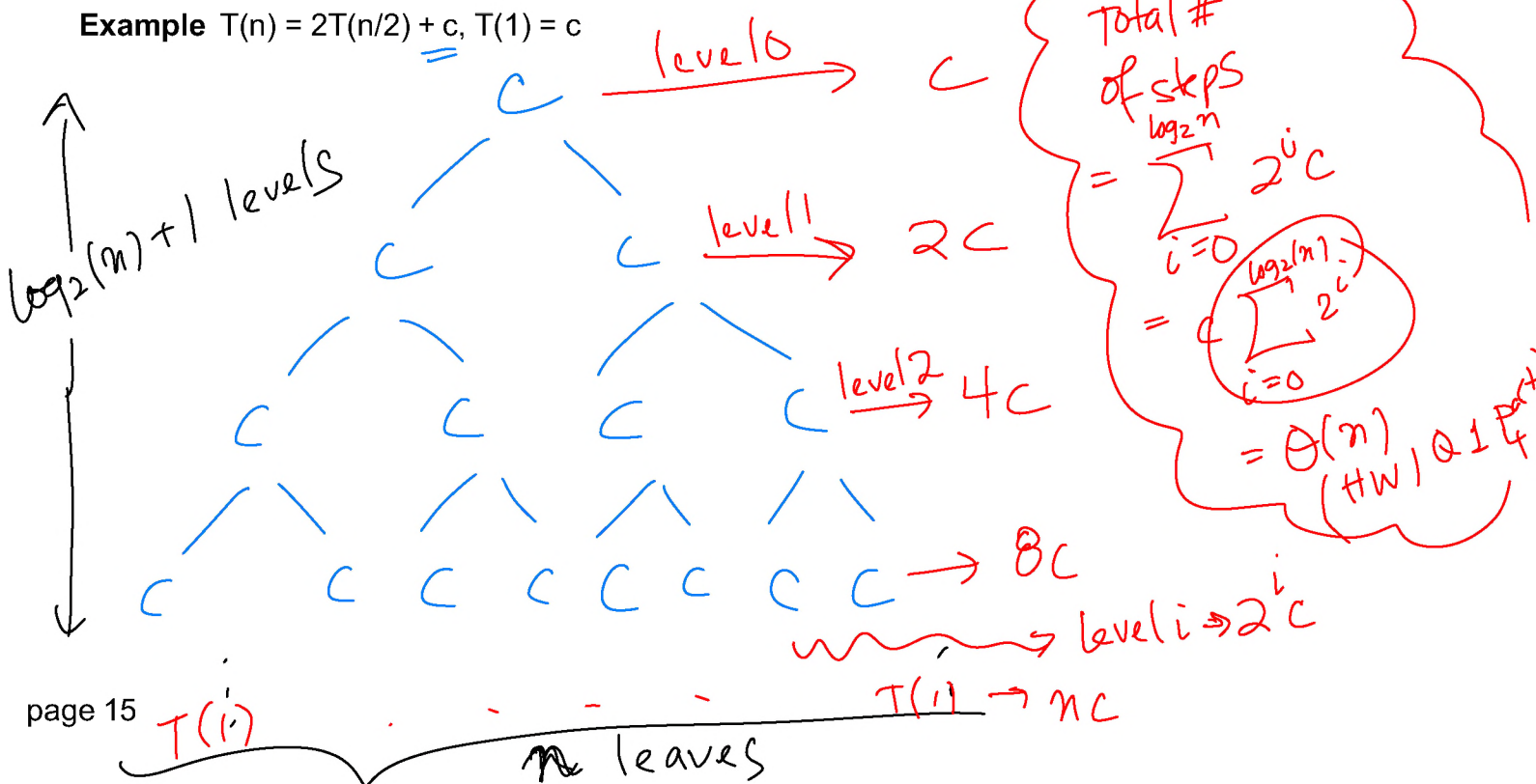
Example $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + cn^2, T(1) = c \rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

$$\underline{c} \rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n)$$

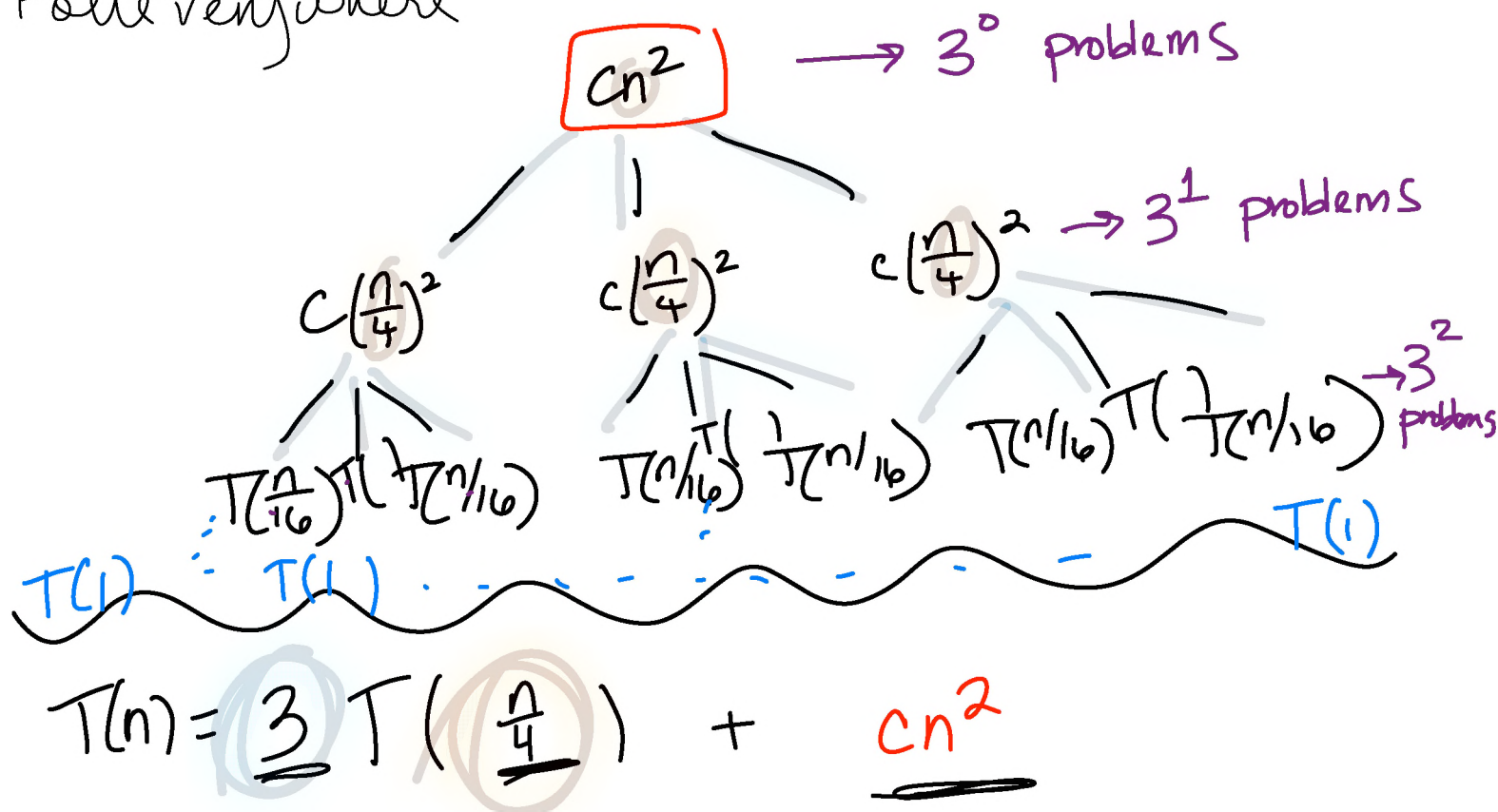
$$\underline{cn} \rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n \log(n))$$

$$r \neq 1 \quad \sum_{k=0}^n r^k = \left(\frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r} \right)$$

Example $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + c, T(1) = c$



Polle everywhere



How many leaves do we end up with?

① What is the last level?

$$\log_4 n$$

$\frac{n}{4^i}$ is the size of the subproblem at level i

$$\frac{n}{4^d} = 1$$

$$n = 4^d \Rightarrow d = \log_4 n$$

$d = \text{last level}$

② At level i , we have 3^i problems

so at level $\log_4 n$, we have

equal to n $\leftarrow 3^{\log_4 n}$ problems (how many leaves we have)

$$a^{\log_b n} = n^{\log_b a}$$

↑ helpful for
analyzing
 Θ bounds
(big-oh)

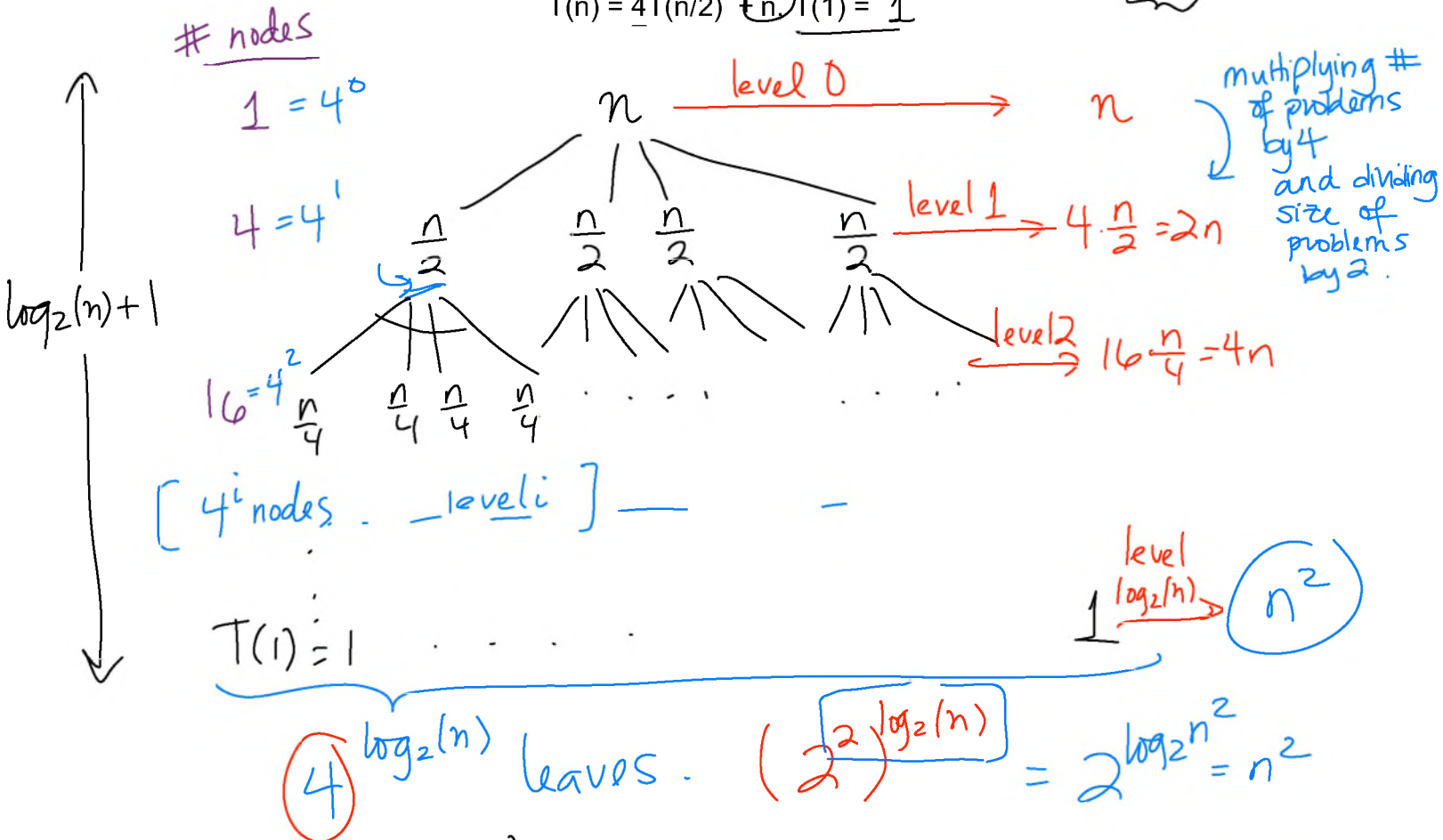
7.2 The substitution method (CLRS §4.3)

Example

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) \quad T(1) = 1$$

$$T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + \frac{n}{2}$$

$$T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{16}\right) + \frac{n}{4}$$

Guess $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ Attempt 1: $T(n) \leq cn^2$ for $c > 0$, $n \geq 2$ Base case: $n=2$. using the recurrence, $T(2) = 4T(1) + 2 = 4 + 2 = 6$ $T(n) \leq cn^2 \rightarrow$ for $n=2$ $6 \leq 4c$, so pick $c \geq 3/2$ Inductive step: Suppose $T(n) \leq cn^2$ for $2 \leq n < k$

Consider

$$T(k) = 4T\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) + k$$

$$\leq 4c\left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^2 + k$$

$$= ck^2 + k$$

by the inductive hypothesis

$$= \Theta(k^2)$$


WRONG!

We needed to show

$$T(k) \leq ck^2$$

Note: We need the exact form of the inequality to complete the induction, because C cannot depend on k . ☹️

7.2.1 Careful with asymptotic notation and bogus proofs! [HW 3]

① $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + n$  Mergesort Runtime
 $T(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$

"Claim" $T(n) = O(n)$

"proof" $T(k) = 2T(\frac{k}{2}) + k$ (Assume true for $n \leq k$)
 (inductive step) $= 2 O(k) + k = O(k)$ **WRONG!!**