# CSC373 Worksheet 0 Solution

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1. Recurrence: T(n) = T(n-1) + n

Guess:  $T(n) = \mathcal{O}(n^2)$ .

I need to show  $T(n) \leq c \cdot n^2$ .

$$T(n) \le c(n-1)^2 + n \tag{1}$$

$$= c(n^2 - 2n + 1) + n (2)$$

$$=cn^2 - c2n + c + n \tag{3}$$

$$\leq cn^2 - c2n + cn + n \tag{4}$$

$$=cn^2 - cn + n \tag{5}$$

$$\leq cn^2 - cn + cn \tag{6}$$

$$=cn^2\tag{7}$$

 $\underline{\mathbf{Notes:}}$ 

- Substitution method
  - Solves recurrences
    - \* Recurrence characters the running time of divide-and-conquer algorithm
  - How it works:
    - 1. Make a guess for the solution
    - 2. Use mathematical induction to prove the guess is correct or incorrect.

Example:

Recurrence:  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$ 

Guess:  $T(n) = \mathcal{O}(n \log n)$ ,

We need to show  $T(n) \le cn \lg n$ .

- 1. Assume the bound holds for all positive m < n, in particular  $m = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$
- 2. Find the upper bound of T(m)

$$T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) \le c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$$

3. Show  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$  leads to  $T(n) \le cn \lg n$ 

$$T(n) \le 2(c|n/2|\lg(|n/2|)) + n$$
 (8)

$$\leq cn\lg(n/2) + n \tag{9}$$

$$= cn\lg(n) - cn\lg 2 + n \tag{10}$$

$$= cn \lg(n) - cn + n \tag{11}$$

$$\leq cn\lg(n) - cn + cn \tag{12}$$

$$\leq cn \lg(n)$$
(13)

4. Show that the boundary holds using mathematical induction

Doesn't have information in detail. Skipping this for now.

- Making good guess
  - \* Three suggestions
    - 1. Using recursion tree
    - 2. Through practice
    - 3. prove loose upper and lower bounds on the recurrence and then reduce the range of uncertainty
- 2. Recurrence:  $T(n) = T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + 1$

$$\underline{\text{Guess:}}\ T(n) = \mathcal{O}(\lg n).$$

I need to show  $T(n) \leq c \cdot \lg n$ .

$$T(n) \le c \lg(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + 1 \tag{1}$$

$$\leq c\lg(n/2) + 1 

\tag{2}$$

$$=c(\lg n - \lg 2) + 1 \tag{3}$$

$$=c(\lg n-1)+1\tag{4}$$

$$=c\lg n - c + 1\tag{5}$$

$$\leq c \lg n - c + c \tag{6}$$

## **Correct Solution:**

Recurrence:  $T(n) = T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + 1$ 

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$$=c(\lg n-1)+1\tag{4}$$

$$=c\lg n - c + 1\tag{5}$$

$$\leq c \lg n - c + c \tag{6}$$

The solution holds for  $c \geq 1$ .

3. Recurrence:  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$ 

Guess (Upperbound):  $T(n) = \mathcal{O}(n \lg n)$ .

I first need to show  $T(n) \leq c \cdot n \lg n$ .

$$T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n \tag{1}$$

$$= 2c|n/2|\lg|n/2| + n \tag{2}$$

$$\leq 2c \cdot (n/2)\lg(n/2) + n \tag{3}$$

$$= c \cdot n(\lg n - 1) + n \tag{4}$$

$$= cn \lg n - cn + n \tag{5}$$

$$\leq cn \lg n - cn + cn \tag{6}$$

$$\leq cn \lg n$$
(7)

The above inequality holds for  $c \geq 1$ .

Guess (Lowerbound):  $T(n) = \Omega(n \lg n)$ .

I first need to show  $d \cdot (n-2) \lg(n-2) \le T(n)$ .

$$T(n) = 2T(\lfloor (n-2)/2 \rfloor) + n \tag{8}$$

$$\geq 2d|(n-2)/2|\lg|(n-2)/2| + n \tag{9}$$

$$> 2d \cdot ((n-2)/2) \lg((n-2)/2) + n$$
 (10)

$$= d \cdot (n-2)(\lg(n-2)-1) + n \tag{11}$$

$$= d \cdot (n-2) \lg(n-2) - d \cdot (n-2) + n \tag{12}$$

$$\geq d \cdot (n-2)\lg(n-2) - d \cdot (n-2) + (n-2) \tag{13}$$

$$\geq d \cdot (n-2) \lg(n-2) - d \cdot (n-2) + d \cdot (n-2) \tag{14}$$

$$= d \cdot (n-2)\lg(n-2) \tag{15}$$

The above inequality holds for  $0 \le d < 1$ .

#### Notes:

• Both upper bound and lower bound don't need to be the same

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We saw that the solution of  $T(n)=2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)+n$  is  $O(n\lg n)$ . Show that the solution of this recurrence is also  $\Omega(n\lg n)$ . Conclude that the solution is  $\Theta(n\lg n)$ .

First, we guess 
$$T(n) \le cn \lg n$$
, upper bound 
$$T(n) \le 2c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg \lfloor n/2 \rfloor + n$$
 
$$\le cn \lg (n/2) + n$$
 
$$= cn \lg n - cn \lg 2 + n$$
 
$$= cn \lg n + (1-c)n$$
 
$$\le cn \lg n$$
,

where the last step holds for  $c \geq 1$ .

- lower bound

Next, we guess 
$$T(n) \geq c(n+2)\lg(n+2)$$
, 
$$T(n) \geq 2c(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 2)(\lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 2) + n)$$
 
$$\geq 2c(n/2 - 1 + 2)(\lg(n/2 - 1 + 2) + n)$$
 
$$= 2c\frac{n+2}{2}\lg\frac{n+2}{2} + n$$
 
$$= c(n+2)\lg(n+2) - c(n+2)\lg 2 + n$$
 
$$= c(n+2)\lg(n+2) + (1-c)n - 2c$$
 
$$\geq c(n+2)\lg(n+2),$$

where the last step holds for  $n \geq \frac{2c}{1-c}$ ,  $0 \leq c < 1$ .

4. Recurrence (Merge sort):

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & \text{if } n = 1\\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + \Theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

Guess (upper bound):  $T(n) \le c \cdot (n-2) \cdot \lg(n-2)$ 

$$T(n) \le c(\lceil n/2 \rceil - 2)\lg(\lceil n/2 \rceil - 2) + c(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor - 2)\lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor - 2) + dn \tag{1}$$

$$= c(n/2 + 1 - 2)\lg(n/2 + 1 - 2) + c(n/2 + 1 - 2)\lg(n/2 + 1 - 2) + dn$$
 (2)

$$= c((n-2)/2)\lg((n-2)/2) + c((n-2)/2)\lg((n-2)/2) + dn$$
(3)

$$= c(n-2)\lg((n-2)/2) + dn \tag{4}$$

$$= c(n-2)\lg(n-2) - c(n-2) + dn$$
(5)

$$= c(n-2)\lg(n-2) - (d-c)n + 2c \tag{6}$$

$$=c(n-2)\lg(n-2)\tag{7}$$

The bound holds as long as c > d.

Guess (lower bound):  $c \cdot (n-2) \cdot \lg(n-2) \le T(n)$ 

$$T(n) \le c(\lceil n/2 \rceil + 1)\lg(\lceil n/2 \rceil + 1) + c(\lceil n/2 \rceil + 1)\lg(\lceil n/2 \rceil + 1) + dn \tag{8}$$

$$\leq c(n/2 - 1 + 1)\lg(n/2 - 1 + 1) + c(n/2 - 1 + 1)\lg(n/2 - 1 + 1) + dn$$
 (9)

$$= c(n/2)\lg(n/2) + c(n/2)\lg(n/2) + dn$$
(10)

$$= cn\lg(n/2) + dn \tag{11}$$

$$= cn\lg(n) - cn + dn \tag{12}$$

$$= cn \lg(n) + (d-c)n \tag{13}$$

$$\leq c(n-1)\lg(n-1) \tag{14}$$

The bound holds as long as d > c, and  $0 \le c < 1$ 

## Notes:

- $\bullet$  the *n* here is asymptotically large
- 5. Recurrence:  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 17) + n$

Guess (upper bound):  $cn \lg n$ 

$$T(n) \le 2c(|n/2| + 17)\lg(|n/2| + 17) + n \tag{15}$$

$$\leq 2c((n/2) + 17)\lg((n/2) + 17) + n \tag{16}$$

$$= 2c(n/2)\lg(n/2) + n \tag{17}$$

$$= cn(\lg(n) - 1) + n \tag{18}$$

$$= cn\lg(n) - cn + n \tag{19}$$

$$\leq cn \lg(n) - cn + cn \tag{20}$$

$$= cn \lg(n) \tag{21}$$

6.

$$T(n) = 4T(n/3) + n \tag{1}$$

$$\leq 4c(n/3)^{\log_3 4} + n \tag{2}$$

$$\leq 4c(1/3)^{\log_3 4} n^{\log_3 4} + n \tag{3}$$

$$\leq (4/4)cn^{\log_3 4} + n \tag{4}$$

$$\leq c n^{\log_3 4} + n \tag{5}$$

We cannot advance further since n in  $cn^{\log_3 4} + n$  cannot be eliminated.

With the new guess  $T(n) \le c n^{\log_3 4} - dn$ , we have

$$T(n) = 4T(n/3) + n \tag{6}$$

$$\leq 4c(n/3)^{\log_3 4} - d(n/3) + n \tag{7}$$

$$=4c(n/3)^{\log_3 4} - d(n/3) + n \tag{8}$$

$$= (4/3^{\log_3 4})cn^{\log_3 4} - d(n/3) + n \tag{9}$$

$$= (4/4)cn^{\log_3 4} - d(n/3) + n \tag{10}$$

$$= cn^{\log_3 4} - d(n/3) + n \tag{11}$$

$$\leq c n^{\log_3 4} - d(n/3) + n \tag{12}$$

$$\leq c n^{\log_3 4} \tag{13}$$

The bound holds as long as  $d \geq 3$  and  $c \geq 1$ .

#### **Correct Solution:**

Recurrence:  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 17) + n$ 

Guess (upper bound):  $cn \lg n$ 

$$T(n) \le 2c(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 17)\lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 17) + n \tag{14}$$

$$\leq 2c((n/2) + 17)\lg((n/2) + 17) + n \tag{15}$$

$$= 2c(n/2)\lg(n/2) + n \tag{16}$$

$$= cn(\lg(n) - 1) + n \tag{17}$$

$$= cn \lg(n) - cn + n \tag{18}$$

$$\leq cn\lg(n) - cn + cn \tag{19}$$

$$= cn \lg(n) \tag{20}$$

$$T(n) = 4T(n/3) + n \tag{1}$$

$$< 4c(n/3)^{\log_3 4} + n$$
 (2)

$$\leq 4c(1/3)^{\log_3 4} n^{\log_3 4} + n \tag{3}$$

$$\leq (4/4)cn^{\log_3 4} + n \tag{4}$$

$$\leq c n^{\log_3 4} + n \tag{5}$$

We cannot advance further since n in  $cn^{\log_3 4} + n$  cannot be eliminated.

With the new guess  $T(n) \le c n^{\log_3 4} - dn$ , we have

$$T(n) = 4T(n/3) + n \tag{6}$$

$$\leq 4c(n/3)^{\log_3 4} - 4d(n/3)4d(n/3) + n \tag{7}$$

$$=4d(n/3) = 4c(n/3)^{\log_3 4} - 4d(n/3) + n \tag{8}$$

$$=4d(n/3) = (4/3^{\log_3 4})cn^{\log_3 4} - 4d(n/3) + n \tag{9}$$

$$= (4/4)cn^{\log_3 4} - 4d(n/3) + n \tag{10}$$

$$= cn^{\log_3 4} - 4d(n/3) + n \tag{11}$$

$$\leq c n^{\log_3 4} - 4d(n/3) + n \tag{12}$$

$$\leq c n^{\log_3 4} - 4d(n/2) + n \tag{13}$$

$$\leq c n^{\log_3 4} - 2dn + n \tag{14}$$

$$\leq cn^{\log_3 4} - 2dn + dn \tag{15}$$

$$\leq c n^{\log_3 4} - dn \tag{16}$$

## 7. I need to show $T(n) \le cn^2$

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n \tag{17}$$

$$\leq 4c(n/2)^2 + n\tag{18}$$

$$= (4/4)cn^2 + n (19)$$

$$=cn^2 + n \tag{20}$$

We cannot advance further since n in  $cn^2 + n$  cannot be eliminated.

But with the new guess  $T(n) \le cn^2 - dn$ , we have

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n \tag{21}$$

$$\leq 4c(n/2)^2 - 4d(n/2) + n \tag{22}$$

$$= (4/4)cn^2 - 2dn + n (23)$$

$$\leq cn^2 - 2dn + dn \tag{24}$$

$$=cn^2 - dn (25)$$

The bound holds as long as  $d \ge 1$  and  $c \ge 1$ .

## 8. Solution:



## 1. Finding number of levels in recursion tree

$$1 = n/2^i \tag{1}$$

$$2^i = n \tag{2}$$

$$i = \log_2 n \tag{3}$$

2. Finding the total cost of recursion tree

The tree has  $n^{\lg 3}$  leaves. So, we have

$$T(n) = n \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\lg_2(n)-1} (3/2)^i + \Theta(n^{\lg 3})$$
(4)

$$= n \cdot \left(\frac{(3/2)^{\lg_2(n)} - 1}{(3/2) - 1}\right) + \Theta(n^{\lg 3}) \tag{5}$$

$$= 2n \cdot \left( (3/2)^{\lg_2(n)} - 1 \right) + \Theta(n^{\lg 3}) \tag{6}$$

$$= 2n \cdot \left( n^{\lg(3/2)} - 1 \right) + \Theta(n^{\lg 3}) \tag{7}$$

$$= 2n \cdot \left( n^{\lg(3/2)} - 1 \right) + \Theta(n^{\lg 3}) \tag{8}$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left( n^{\lg 3 - 1 + 1} - n \right) + \Theta(n^{\lg 3}) \tag{9}$$

$$=2\cdot\left(n^{\lg 3}-n\right)+\Theta(n^{\lg 3})\tag{10}$$

$$=2\cdot\left(n^{\lg 3}-n\right)+\Theta(n^{\lg 3})\tag{11}$$

Thus, the guess for the upper bound is  $T(n) = \mathcal{O}(n^{\lg 3})$ 

3. Verifying the correct guess using the subtitution method

Guess: 
$$T(n) \le cn^{\lg 3} - dn$$

I need to show the guess holds in the recurrence  $T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$ .

Indeed we have

$$T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n \tag{12}$$

$$\leq 3(c\lfloor n/2\rfloor^{\lg 3}) - d(\lfloor n/2\rfloor) + n \tag{13}$$

$$= 3\left(\frac{cn^{\lg 3}}{3} - d(\frac{n}{2} + 1)\right) + n\tag{14}$$

$$=3\left(\frac{cn^{\lg 3}}{3} - \frac{3dn}{2}\right) + n\tag{15}$$

$$\leq 3\left(\frac{cn^{\lg 3}}{3} - \frac{3dn}{3}\right) + n\tag{16}$$

$$=cn^{\lg 3} - 3dn + n\tag{17}$$

$$\leq cn^{\lg 3} - 3dn + 2dn \tag{18}$$

$$=cn^{\lg 3}-dn\tag{19}$$

And the boundary holds as long as  $c \ge 0$  and  $d \ge 1$ .

#### Notes:

- Recursion Tree
  - Provides a straightforward way to provide a good guess.
  - Is then verified using subtitution method

## Example:

Recurrence: T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 4n, T(1) = 4



1. Finding number of levels in recursion tree

$$1 = n/2^{i}$$

$$2^{i} = n$$

$$(20)$$

$$(21)$$

$$2^i = n (21)$$

$$i = \log_2 n \tag{22}$$

2. Finding the value of guess

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} 4n = 4n \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} 1 \tag{23}$$

$$=4n(\log_2 n + 1)\tag{24}$$

## Example 2:

Recurrence:  $T(n) = 3T(n/4) + cn^2$ 



#### Steps:

1. Finding number of levels in recursion tree

$$1 = n/4^i \tag{25}$$

$$4^i = n \tag{26}$$

$$i = \log_4 n \tag{27}$$

2. Finding the cost of entire tree

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n - 1} c(3/16)^i n^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$$
(28)

$$= cn^{2} \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\log_{4} n-1} (3/16)^{i} + \Theta(n^{\log_{4} 3})$$
 (29)

$$< cn^2 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (3/16)^i + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$$
 [since *n* is asympt. large] (30)

$$= cn^{2} \left( \frac{1}{1 - (3/16)} \right) + \Theta(n^{\log_{4} 3}) \qquad [Since \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} ar^{i} = \frac{a}{1 - r}] \qquad (31)$$

- Note:  $(\log_4(n-1))$  because in  $i=0,...i=\log_4(n-1)$  there are  $\log_4(n)$  elements
- 3. Finding the upper bound of T(n)

Since the total cost is 
$$T(n) = cn^2 \left(\frac{1}{1-(3/16)}\right) + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$$
, we have  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ 

4. Verify the correctness of guess using subtitution method

$$T(n) \le 3T(|n/4|) + cn^2$$
 (32)

$$\leq 3d\lfloor n/4\rfloor^2 + cn^2 \tag{33}$$

$$\leq 3d(n/4)^2 + cn^2 \tag{34}$$

$$= (3/16)dn^2 + cn^2 (35)$$

$$\leq dn^2$$
 (36)

where the last step holds as long as  $d \ge (16/13)c$ .

## 9. Solution:



1. Finding number of levels in recursion tree

$$1 = \frac{n}{2^i} \tag{1}$$

$$2^i = n \tag{2}$$

$$i = \lg n \tag{3}$$

2. Finding the upper bound of T(n)

$$T(n) = n^2 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} \frac{1}{2^{2i}} + \Theta(1)$$
(4)

$$= n^2 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{2i}} + \Theta(1)$$
 [since *n* is asympt. large] (5)

$$= n^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}}\right) + \Theta(1) \tag{6}$$

$$=\frac{4n^2}{3} + \Theta(1) \tag{7}$$

Thus, we we can conclude  $T(n) = \mathcal{O}(n^2)$ 

3. Verify the correctness of guess using subtitution method

$$\underline{\text{Guess:}}\ T(n) \leq cn^2$$

I need to show the guess holds for the recurrence  $T(n) = T(\frac{n}{2}) + n$ .

And, indeed we have

$$T(n) = T(\frac{n}{2}) + n^2 \tag{8}$$

$$\leq \frac{cn^2}{4} + n^2 \tag{9}$$

$$=\left(\frac{\dot{c}}{4}+1\right)\cdot n^2\tag{10}$$

$$\leq cn^2 \tag{11}$$

THe boundary holds when  $c \ge \frac{4}{3}$ .

#### 10. Solution:





• Find the total cost of the recursion tree

$$1 = \frac{n}{2^i} \tag{1}$$

$$2^i = n \tag{2}$$

$$i = \lg n \tag{3}$$

• Finding the upper bound of T(n)

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} (2 \cdot 4^i + n2^i) + \Theta(n^2)$$
(4)

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} 2 \cdot 4^i + \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} n 2^i + \Theta(n^2)$$
 (5)

$$= 2 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} 4^i + n \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} 2^i + \Theta(n^2)$$
 (6)

$$= 2 \cdot \left(\frac{4^{\lg n} - 1}{4 - 1}\right) + n \cdot (n - 1) + \Theta(n^2) \quad [\text{Since } \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} ar^i = a \cdot \frac{r^n - 1}{r - 1}, \text{ where } r \neq 1]$$
(7)

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot (n^2 - 1) + n \cdot (n - 1) + \Theta(n^2) \tag{8}$$

$$= \mathcal{O}(n^2) + \Theta(n^2) \tag{9}$$

(10)

• Verify the correctness of guess using subtitution method

Guess:  $T(n) \le cn^2 - dn$ .

I need to show the guess holds for the recurrence  $T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{2} + 2) + n$ 

$$T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{2} + 2) + n \tag{11}$$

$$\leq 4c(\frac{n}{2}+2)^2 - 4dn + n$$
(12)

$$=4c(\frac{n^2}{4}+2n+4)-4dn+n$$
(13)

$$\leq cn^2 - 4dn + n$$
 [Since  $n^2$  dominates  $n$  asymptotically] (14)

$$\leq cn^2 - 4dn + 3dn \tag{15}$$

$$=cn^2 - dn (16)$$



• Find the total cost of the recursion tree

$$1 = \frac{n}{2^i} \tag{17}$$

$$2^i = n \tag{18}$$

$$i = \lg n \tag{19}$$

• Finding the upper bound of T(n)

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} (2 \cdot 4^i + n2^i) + \Theta(n^2)$$
(20)

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} 2 \cdot 4^i + \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} n 2^i + \Theta(n^2)$$
 (21)

$$= 2 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} 4^i + n \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n-1} 2^i + \Theta(n^2)$$
 (22)

$$= 2 \cdot \left(\frac{4^{\lg n} - 1}{4 - 1}\right) + n \cdot (n - 1) + \Theta(n^2) \quad [\text{Since } \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} ar^i = a \cdot \frac{r^n - 1}{r - 1}, \text{ where } r \neq 1]$$
(23)

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot (n^2 - 1) + n \cdot (n - 1) + \Theta(n^2)$$
 (24)

$$= \Theta(n^2) \tag{25}$$

• Verify the correctness of guess using subtitution method

Guess: 
$$T(n) \le cn^2 - dn$$
.

I need to show the guess holds for the recurrence  $T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{2} + 2) + n$ 

$$T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{2} + 2) + n \tag{26}$$

$$\leq 4c(\frac{n}{2}+2)^2 - 4dn + n \tag{27}$$

$$=4c(\frac{n^2}{4}+2n+4)-4dn+n$$
 (28)

$$\leq cn^2 - 4dn + n$$
 [Since  $n^2$  dominates  $n$  asymptotically] (29)

$$< cn^2 - 4dn + 3dn \tag{30}$$

$$=cn^2 - dn (31)$$

#### Notes:

- The solution has  $4^{\lg n} = n^2$ . I noticed the same for  $3^{\lg n} = n^3$ . I had trouble looking for relevant formulas. Is this true in general? I can I replace variables in powers with the base?
- Noticed that in solution, the total cost is found for each term in  $T(\frac{n}{2}+2)$  (i.e. first for  $\frac{n}{2}$  and second for 2). and then combined together in the end.

## 11. Solution:



• Finding the depth of tree

$$n-1 \tag{1}$$

• Finding the number of leaves in the tree

number of branchings<sup>depth of tree</sup> = 
$$2^{n-1}$$
 (2)

• Finding the upper bound of T(n)

$$T(n) \le \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^i + \Theta(2^n)$$
 (3)

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

$$= (2^n - 1) + \Theta(2^n) \tag{5}$$

$$=\Theta(2^n)\tag{6}$$

• Verify the correctness of guess using subtitution method

 $\underline{\text{Guess:}}\ T(n) \geq c2^n$ 

I need to show the bound holds for T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1.

Indeed we have

$$T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1 (7)$$

$$<2c2^{n-1}+1$$
 (8)

$$=c2^n+1\tag{9}$$

$$= c2^n$$
 [Since *n* is asympt. large] (10)

And the boundary holds when  $c \geq 1$ .

#### Notes:

- If constant term in T exists, but The term after T() is constant, then it's ignored. It is considered when it's in terms of n.
- Calculating the number of leaves

## Example:

 $\overline{2^{n-1}}$  (in above example)

#### 12. Notes:

• Solving recurrence with uneven recursion tree

Example: 
$$T(n) = T(\frac{n}{3}) + T(\frac{2n}{3}) + \mathcal{O}(n)$$

- 1. Find the depth of longest simple path in recursion tree
  - The longest simple path is created in  $T(\frac{2n}{3})$ . With the depth of  $i = \log_{3/2} n$ .
- 2. Find the number of leaves expecting a full binary tree of the same depth Here, the number of leaves is  $\mathcal{O}(n)$ .
- 3. Find the upper bound of T(...) that produces most depth

$$\mathcal{O}(c \cdot \text{total cost} \times \text{depth}) = \mathcal{O}(cn \log_{3/2} n) = \mathcal{O}(n \lg n)$$

 $-\mathcal{O}(cn\log_{3/2}n) \to \mathcal{O}(n\lg n)$  since  $\frac{3}{2} < 2$  (There seems to be a lot of sloppiness)

4. Valiate the upper bound using the subtitution method

$$T(n) \le T(\frac{n}{3}) + T(\frac{2n}{3}) + cn$$
 (12)

$$\leq d(\frac{n}{3}) \cdot \lg(\frac{n}{3}) + d(\frac{2n}{3})\lg(\frac{2n}{3}) + cn \tag{13}$$

$$= (d(\frac{n}{3})\lg n - d(\frac{n}{3}) \cdot \lg 3) + (d(\frac{2n}{3})\lg n - d(\frac{2n}{3})\lg(\frac{3}{2}) + cn)$$
 (14)