

CSCI 4470 Algorithms

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Recurrence

- A **RECURRENCE** is a function is defined in term of
 - one or more base cases, and itself, with smaller arguments

METHODS FOR SOLVING RECURRENCES

Determine Asymptotic Behavior:

1. Substitution Method:

The **Substitution Method** is a technique employed to solve recurrence relations. The approach involves hypothesizing a closed form solution and subsequently validating its accuracy.

Steps for the Substitution Method

1. **Initial Guess:** Start by making a guess for the solution in the form of a **Closed Form Solution**.

2. **Proof of Correctness:** Prove the correctness of the guess by using mathematical induction or another suitable proof technique.
3. **Substitution:** Substitute the guessed solution into the recurrence equation.
4. **Verification:** Simplify the equation and verify if it matches the guessed solution.
5. **Adjustment:** If the equation matches the guessed solution, the guess is correct and the asymptotic behavior of the recurrence is determined. If not, adjust the guess and repeat the steps.

The substitution method for solving recurrences consists of two steps:

- 1 Guess the form of the solution.
- 2 Use mathematical induction to find constants in the form and show that the solution works.

2. Recursion Tree Method

The Recursion Tree Method: This method involves representing the recurrence as a tree, where each node represents the costs (time) of a subproblem. By summing up the costs at each level of the tree, you can obtain the total cost and determine the asymptotic behavior.

- The detailed steps of the recursion tree method are:
 - i. **Draw the recurrence as a tree** Each node represents the cost of a subproblem.
 - ii. **Calculate the cost of each level** Sum up the costs of all nodes at each level.
 - iii. **Summarize the total cost of the tree** Add up the costs of all levels.
 - iv. **Determine the asymptotic behavior** Based on the total cost of the tree, determine the asymptotic behavior of the recurrence.

3. The Master Method

- **Master Theorem:** a powerful tool for solving recurrences of a specific form. It provides a formula to directly determine the asymptotic behavior based on the coefficients of the recurrence equation.
- Where $a \geq 1$, $b > 1$ are constants, and $f(n) > 0$.
- The Master Method introduces three cases:

Case 1: If $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$ for some constant $\epsilon > 0$, $f(n)$ is polynomially smaller than $n^{\log_b(a)}$ then:

Case 2: If $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n)$ where $k \geq 0$, $f(n)$ is within a polylog factor of $n^{\log_b(a)}$, but not smaller then:

情况 2: 若 $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n)$ 其中 $k \geq 0$,

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{k+1} n)$$

Case 2: If $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$, where $k \geq 0$, $f(n)$ is within a polylog factor of $n^{\log_b(a)}$, but not smaller then:

Case 3: If $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$ for some constant $\epsilon > 0$ and $f(n)$ satisfies the **regularity condition** $af(\frac{n}{b}) \leq cf(n)$ for some constant $c < 1$ and all sufficiently large n , $f(n)$ is polynomially greater than $n^{\log_b(a)}$ then:

3.1 The Simplified Master Method

- Let $T(n)$ be a monotonically increasing function that satisfies
- Assumptions: $T(n) = aT(\frac{n}{b}) + cn^k$, then $T(1) = \text{constant}$
- where $a \geq 1, b \geq 2, c > 0$. if $f(n) \in \Theta(n^k)$ where $k \geq 0$, then

Case 1: if $a > b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)})$

Case 2: if $a = b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log(n))$

Case 3: if $a < b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k)$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)}) & \text{if } a > b^k \\ \Theta(n^k \log(n)) & \text{if } a = b^k \\ \Theta(n^k) & \text{if } a < b^k \end{cases}$$

What is the running time of the merge algorithm?

- Use order of growth rather than exact accounting of each different line's timing
- Find an exact expression
 - i.e., Theta instead of big-O
- problem: How can we analyze this recursive algorithm?
 - Clearly recursive calls cannot count as a single step
- solution: Use recurrence equation
 - Let $T(n)$ be the running time of Merge-Sort for an input of size n

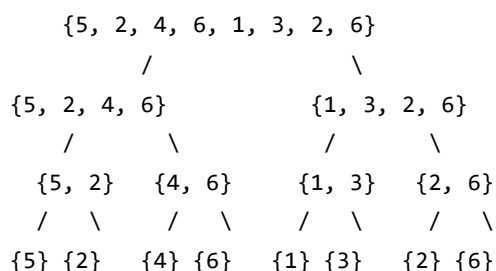
Simplifying assumptions:

- In general, we ignore floors and ceilings
- Also, we ignore the boundary (base case) condition
 - For our purposes, the base case is always a constant
- In most cases, these assumptions do not impact the analysis
 - Master method will clarify when these assumptions matter!

Divide and conquer Algorithms

Use Recursive Reasoning:

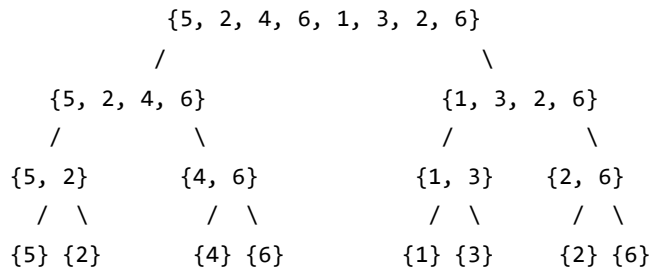
- Divide problem into sub-problems



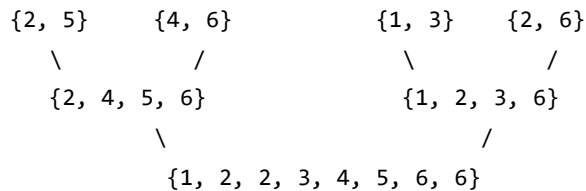
- solve the sub-problems
- combine solutions

Merge Sort: {5, 2, 4, 6, 1, 3, 2, 6}

Divide:



Conquer & Merge:



An Iterative Function Example

- To find the complexity of an iterative function

```

for(j= 0; j < n; j++) // O(n)
{
  i = n;
  temp = n;           // This could be the correct intent
  while(i > 0){
    temp = temp + 10; // Modifying temp instead of n
    i = i / 2;        // O(log(n))
  }
} // for

```

1. The outer loop runs n times.
 2. Inside the loop, the `while` loop performs a halving operation on `i` which makes it run in logarithmic time with respect to n .
 3. The combined complexity of these two loops, given that one is nested inside the other, is: $O(n \log n)$
 4. Thus, the overall complexity of the function is $O(n \log n)$.
- the complexity of the code is $n \log(n)$

Factorial, The Classic Recursive Function Example

```
int fact(int n) // T(n)
{
    if(n == 0) // base case O(1)
    {
        return 1;
    } else {
        return n * fact(n-1); // Recursive case T(n-1) always decrease until 0
    }
}
```

1. The base case runs in constant time. **Complexity: $O(1)$**
2. For every value of n , the function makes one recursive call to itself with $n-1$. **Complexity: $T(n-1)$**

The recurrence relation provided is accurate:

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

Given the recurrence relation, we can unroll it to derive the time complexity:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 1 + T(n-1) \\ &= 1 + 1 + T(n-2) \\ &= 1 + 1 + 1 + T(n-3) \\ &\vdots \\ &= n + T(0) \end{aligned}$$

Since $T(0)$ is $O(1)$ and there are n operations (each taking constant time) leading up to it, the overall complexity is: $T(n) = O(n)$.

Merge-Sort Algorithm Example

- **Divide:** Divide the list into two separate lists. **(hence the $2T(\frac{n}{2})$).**
- **Conquer:** Sort each smaller list.
 - Use Merge-Sort recursively on the smaller lists.
- **Combine:** Combine the solutions to the sub-problems with linear work **(hence the $\Theta(n)$).**

Merge-Sort(A, p, r) // A is an Array, p, r can be index, or sub-array

1. if $p < r$ // Size = 1, get combining and sorting, ensure there is more than one element
2. $q = \lfloor (p+r)/2 \rfloor$ // find the midpoint
3. Merge-Sort(A, p, q) // recursively sort the left half
4. Merge-Sort(A, $q+1$, r) // recursively sort the right half
5. Merge(A, p, q, r) // merge the two sorted halves

Recurrence Relation for Merge-Sort():

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } n \leq 1 \\ 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + \Theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

- The maximum number of comparisons when merging is n , denoted by $O(n)$.
- The minimum number of comparisons when merging is $\frac{n}{2}$, denoted by $\Omega(n)$.
- For The number of comparisons $\geq \frac{n}{2}$, it is in $\in \Omega(n)$

$T(n) = T(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor) + T(\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil) + \Theta(n)$ (This is another representation of the recurrence, taking into account the possible splitting of even and odd-sized arrays).

1. Dividing: We recursively split the array in half until reaching individual elements.
2. Merging: We combine these elements back into sorted arrays.

- $T(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor)$ and $T(\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil)$ represent dividing the array.
- $\Theta(n)$ accounts for merging, as merging two sub-arrays of length n takes linear time.

MERGE SORTED LISTS

Merge (A, p, q, r)

/* merge sorted lists A[p ... q] and A[q+1 ... r] into A[p ... r], where $p \leq q < r$ */

```
1. n1=q-p+1
2. n2=r-q
3. create arrays L[1 ... n1 + 1] and R[1 ... n2 + 1] from A
4. copy A[p ... p+n1-1] to L[1 ... n1]
5. copy A[q+1 ... q+n2] to R[1 ... n2]
6. L[n1 + 1] = R[n2 + 1] =  $\infty$ 
7. i=j=1
8. for k= p to r
9.   do if L[i] <= R[i]
10.    then A[k] = L[i]
11.      i=i+1
12.   else A[k] = R[i]
13.      j=j+1
```

- Why the infinity ∞ ?

$n1+n2$ |___|___|___|___|_ ∞ | 0($n1+n2$)

combine $n1+n2$

$n1$ |___|___|_ ∞ | $n2$ |___|___|_ ∞ |

- “Infinity” (∞) in L and R acts as a sentinel.
- It simplifies merging by preventing array overrun.
- It removes the need to check if an array is empty during merging.

Recurrence Relation for Merge-Sort() The Substitution Method Example

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

Solving The Recurrence Relation by Substitution Method:

For $n > 1$, Guess: $T(n) = O(n \log(n))$

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \dots (1)$$

Find $T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$: substitute n with $\frac{n}{2}$

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

Substituting for $T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$,

Assuming $T(n) \leq cn \log(n)$, then $T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \leq c\frac{n}{2} \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \dots (2)$

Substitute (2) into (1): $T(n) \leq 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n)$

$$T(n) \leq 2\left(c\frac{n}{2} \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\right) + n$$

Distribute the 2:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\leq 2\left(c \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\right) \cdot \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \\ &= c \cdot n \cdot \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Apply log property: } \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) &= \log(n) - \log(2), \log_2(2) = 1 \\ &\leq c \cdot n \cdot (\log(n) - \log(2)) + n \\ &= c \cdot n \cdot \log(n) - c \cdot n \cdot \log(2) + n \end{aligned}$$

Simplify:

$$T(n) = cn \log(n) - cn + n$$

We started with the simplified recurrence:

$$T(n) \leq cn \log(n) - cn + n$$

Step 1) Distribute c on the second term:

$$T(n) \leq cn \log(n) - c(n) + n$$

Step 2) Factor out n:

$$T(n) \leq cn \log(n) - n(c) + n$$

Step 3) Apply the distributive property:

$$T(n) \leq cn \log(n) - n(c - 1)$$

Given conditions: $\log_2(2) = 1$, when $n \geq 2$

$c - 1 > 0$, $c > 1$, $n \geq 2$, the term $cn - n(c - 1)$ is positive for all n . Thus, $T(n) = O(n \log(n))$

From the previous steps, we derived the term $cn - n(c - 1)$. Since $c - 1 > 0$ and $c > 1$, $cn - n(c - 1)$ will be positive for all $n \geq 2$.

The base case is true c is always constant. $c > 1$

$T(n) \leq cn \log(n)$, Which gives us the upper bound:

$$T(n) \in O(n \log(n))$$

For the base case $n = 1$:

$T(1) = 1 \leq c$ is true, because $c > 1$. Therefore, the lower bound is:

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

Combining the upper and lower bounds gives:

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n \log(n))$$

In summary:

Derived $cn - n(c - 1)$ from previous steps, Showed it's positive for $n \geq 2$ based on $c > 1$, Got upper bound $O(n \log(n))$, Showed base case is true giving lower bound $\Omega(n \log(n))$, Combined bounds to get solution $\Theta(n \log(n))$

Recurrence Relation for Merge-Sort()

The Simplified Master Method Example

Case 1: if $a > b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)})$

Case 2: if $a = b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log(n))$

Case 3: if $a < b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k)$

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

$$a = 2, b = 2, k = 1$$

Since $a = b^k$, $2 = 2^1$, Case 2 applies. **Case 2:** if $a = b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log(n))$

Thus we conclude that

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^k \log(n)) = \Theta(n^1 \log(n)) = \Theta(n \log(n))$$

Recurrence Relation for Merge-Sort() Example

The Master Method Example

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

Solving The Recurrence Relation by the Master Method:

1. The recurrence is in the form:

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

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$$

Where:

$$a = 2, b = 2, f(n) = n$$

- $f(n) = n$: This represents the work done outside the recursive calls, which in the case of Merge-Sort is the time taken to merge the two halves.

Identifying the case for our recurrence relation:

$$f(n) = n, \text{ and } n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_2 2} = n.$$

Since $f(n)$ matches with $n^{\log_b a}$, this puts our recurrence in **Case 2** of the Master Method.

According to **Case 2** of the Master Method:

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{k+1} n)$$

Here, $k = 0$. Thus:

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

Conclusion:

The time complexity of the Merge-Sort algorithm, based on the Master Theorem, is:

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

Case 1: if $a > b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)})$

Case 2: if $a = b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log(n))$

Case 3: if $a < b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k)$

Solving Using the Simplified Master Method

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

Find a, b, k : $a = 4, b = 2, k = 1$

Since $a > b^k$, $4 > 2^1$, Case 1 applies, **Case 1:** if $a > b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)})$

Thus we conclude that

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)}) = \Theta(n^{\log_2(4)}) = \Theta(n^2)$$

$$\log_2(4) = \frac{\log(4)}{\log(2)} = \frac{2 \log(2)}{\log(2)} = 2$$

Solving Using the Master Method

Given the recurrence relation:

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

To apply the Master method, we can match the recurrence to the standard format:

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$$

Where:

- $a = 4, b = 2, f(n) = n$

For the Master method, we need to compare $f(n)$ with $n^{\log_b a}$. In this case, $a = 4$ and $b = 2$, so:

$$n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_2 4}$$

1. Express $\log_2(4)$ in terms of natural logarithms:

$$\log_2(4) = \frac{\ln(4)}{\ln(2)}$$

2. Evaluate the logarithm:

$$\log_2(4) = \frac{\ln(2^2)}{\ln(2)} = \frac{2 \ln(2)}{\ln(2)} = 2$$

3. Substitute the value of $\log_2(4)$ into our expression:

$$n^{\log_2 4} = n^2$$

Given that $f(n) = n$ and $n^{\log_b a} = n^2$, and since $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$ for some $\epsilon > 0$, it falls under **Case 1** of the Master method. Therefore, the solution to the recurrence is:

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

The Substitution Method

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

To use the Master method, the recurrence can be matched to the format:

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$$

Assumption:

Assume $T(n) \leq cn^3$, where 'c' is a constant, n is real number, $n \geq 1$

Given:

$$T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \leq c\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^3$$

Expanding:

$$T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \leq \frac{cn^3}{8}$$

Substituting this into our original equation:

$$T(n) \leq 4 \times \frac{cn^3}{8} + n$$

$$= \frac{cn^3}{2} + n$$

To prove the assumption, you want to show:

$$T(n) \leq cn^3$$

Subtracting $\frac{cn^3}{2} + n$ from both sides:

$$0 \leq \frac{cn^3}{2} - n$$

For our assumption to hold, $\frac{cn^3}{2} - n$ should be greater than 0, or equivalently, $\frac{cn^3}{2} > n$.

Conclusion:

The assumption can be supported if $\frac{cn^3}{2} > n$ for a sufficiently large value of n and some constant c . The solution seems to have a few inconsistencies and may need further exploration to be concrete.

Substitution Method Example

Given the recurrence relation:

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

with the base case:

$$T(1) = \Theta(1)$$

Guess: $T(n) = O(n^3)$

Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume $T(k) \leq ck^3$ for all $k < n$.

Proof:

To prove: $T(n) \leq cn^3$

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &\leq 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \\
 &\leq 4c\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^3 + n \\
 &= cn^3 - \left(\frac{c}{2}n^3 - n\right) \quad (\text{desired - residual}) \\
 &\leq cn^3
 \end{aligned}$$

This holds true whenever $\frac{c}{2}n^3 - n \geq 0$, for instance, when $c \geq 2$ and $n \geq 1$.

Base Case:

For $1 \leq n \leq n_0$, $T(n) = \Theta(1)$ which is $\leq cn^3$ if we choose a sufficiently large constant c .

Tighter Upper Bound:

We aim to prove: $T(n) = O(n^2)$

Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume $T(k) \leq ck^2$ for all $k < n$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \\
 &\leq 4c\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + n \\
 &= cn^2 + n \quad (\text{desired - residual}) \\
 &\leq cn^2
 \end{aligned}$$

However, this doesn't hold for any choice of c .

Idea: Strengthen the inductive hypothesis by subtracting a lower-order term.

New Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume $T(k) \leq c_1k^2 - c_2k$ for all $k < n$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \\
 &= 4\left(c_1\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 - c_2\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\right) + n \\
 &= c_1n^2 - 2c_2n + n \\
 &= c_1n^2 - c_2n - (c_2n - n) \\
 &\leq c_1n^2 - c_2n \quad \text{if } c_2 \geq 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Case 1: if $a > b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)})$

Case 2: if $a = b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log(n))$

Case 3: if $a < b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k)$

Example 01

Let $T(n) = 1T(\frac{n}{2}) + \frac{1}{2}n^2 + n$. What are the parameters? a, b, k

$$a = 1, b = 2, k = 2$$

Since $a < b^k, 1 < 2^2$, Case 3 applies. **Case 3:** if $a < b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k)$

Thus we conclude that

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

Example 02

Let $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{4}) + \sqrt{n} + 42$. What are the parameters?

$$a = 2, b = 4, k = \frac{1}{2}$$

Since $a = b^k, 2 = 4^{\frac{1}{2}}$, Case 2 applies. **Case 2:** if $a = b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log(n))$

Thus we conclude that

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^k \log(n)) = \Theta(\sqrt{n} \log(n))$$

Example 03

Let $T(n) = 3T(\frac{n}{2}) + \frac{3}{4}n + 1$. What are the parameters?

$$a = 3, b = 2, k = 1$$

Since $a > b^k, 3 > 2^1$, Case 1 applies. **Case 1:** if $a > b^k$, then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)})$

Thus we conclude that

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)}) = \Theta(n^{\log_2(3)})$$

Note that $\log_2(3) \approx 1.5849$

The Master Method Example 04

Case 3: If $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$ for some constant $\epsilon > 0$ and $f(n)$ satisfies the **regularity condition** $af(\frac{n}{b}) \leq cf(n)$ for some constant $c < 1$ and all sufficiently large n , $f(n)$ is polynomially greater than $n^{\log_b(a)}$ then:

情況 3: 若 $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$ 對於某個 $\epsilon > 0$ 和 $af(n/b) \leq kf(n)$ 對於某個 $k < 1$ 和足夠大的 n ,

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

Give that the Recurrence Relation: $T(n) = 3T(\frac{n}{2}) + n^2$

1. Identify Parameters:

$$a = 3, b = 2, f(n) = n^2$$

2. Calculate Critical Exponent

$$n^{\log_b(a)} = n^{\log_2(3)} = n^{1.58}$$

Applying Case 3 that

- pick a random constant like 0.1

$$f(n) \geq n^{1.58}$$

$$f(n) \in \Omega(n^{\log_2(3)+0.1})$$

$$f(n) \in \Omega(n^{1.6+0.1})$$

For $c \leq 1$, $af(\frac{n}{b}) \leq cf(n)$, and $f(n) = n^2$

$$3(\frac{n}{2})^2 \leq 2n^2$$

$$\frac{3n^2}{4} \leq cn^2, c = \frac{3}{4} < 1$$

Therefore, $T(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$

The Master Method Example 05

Give that the Recurrence Relation $T(n) = T(\frac{2n}{3}) + 1$

$$a = 1, b = \frac{3}{2}, f(n) = 1$$

- The log rule $\log_a(1) = 0$

Applying Case 2 that $n^{\log_{\frac{3}{2}}(1)} = n^0 = 1$

$$f(n) = n^{\log_b(a)}$$

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

$$f(n) = n^k$$

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_{\frac{3}{2}}(1)} \log^0(n))$$

$$T(n) \in \Theta(\log(n))$$

Absolutely, let's break down each step of the solution:

Master Method Example 05

Given the recurrence relation $T(n) = T\left(\frac{2n}{3}\right) + 1$

We have:

- $a = 1$ (the number of subproblems)
- $b = \frac{3}{2}$ (the factor by which subproblem size is reduced)
- $f(n) = 1$ (the cost of dividing the problem and combining the results)

Now, we apply the master theorem to find a tight bound on the recurrence relation.

1. Identify the values of a , b , and $f(n)$:

- $a = 1, b = \frac{3}{2}, f(n) = 1$

2. Find $n^{\log_b(a)}$:

- Using the formula $n^{\log * b(a)}$, we substitute the values of a and b we have:

$$n^{\log_{\frac{3}{2}}(1)} = n^0 = 1$$

3. Apply the Master Theorem Case 2:

- Since $f(n)$ is a constant function and equals $n^{\log_b(a)}$, we apply case 2 of the master theorem, which gives:

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)} \log^k n)$$

where $k = 0$ (because $f(n) = n^{\log_b(a)} \cdot 1$)

4. Find the solution:

- Now we substitute the values of $n^{\log * b(a)}$ and k into the formula to find the solution:

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log * \frac{3}{2}(1)} \log^0 n) = \Theta(\log n)$$

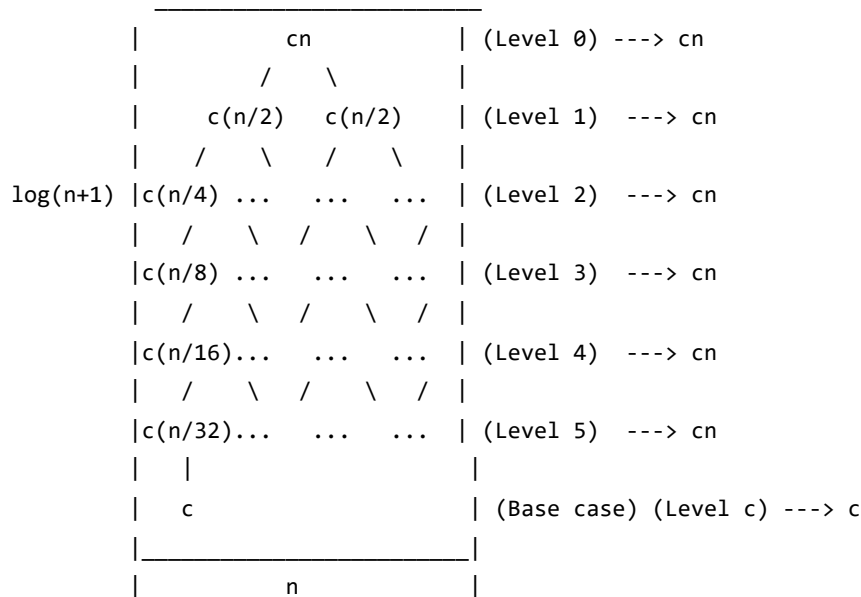
This is how we derive that $T(n)$ is in $\Theta(\log n)$ using the master theorem. Let me know if this helps!

Recursion Tree Example

The recurrence relation for Merge-Sort with the constant c is:

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

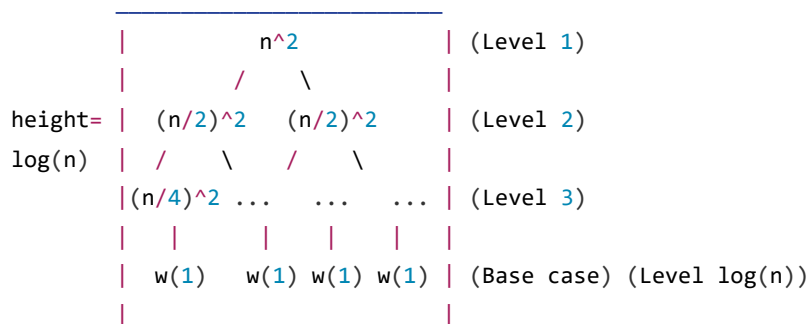
The recurrence relation for Merge-Sort with the constant c is:



- Based on the Recursion Tree, the Running time: $O(n \log(n))$

Recursion Tree Example 02

For the recurrence relation: $w(n) = 2w(\frac{n}{2}) + n^2$, When reached to **LEVEL i**, Get that $\frac{n}{2^i} = 1$, $2^i = n$, $i = \log(n)$



Observations:

- The function decreases as we move down the tree, indicating that the size of the problem is changing.

Analysis:

- Subproblem Size at Level i:** The size of the subproblem at any level i is $\frac{n}{2^i}$.
- Number of Subproblems at Level i:** Since the problem is divided into two at each level, there are 2^i subproblems at level i .

3. **Cost at Level i :** The work done for each subproblem at level i is $\left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right)^2$. Thus, the total cost at level i is $2^i \times \left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right)^2 = \frac{n^2}{2^i}$.

4. **Base Case:** At the last level, where the problem size is 1 (i.e., $\frac{n}{2^i} = 1$), $i = \log(n)$. The cost at this level is $\frac{n^2}{2^{\log(n)}}$.

- **To calculate Cost of Each Level:**

Level	Cost	Term(s)		
L_0	n^2	1 term	$w(n)$	$= \frac{n}{2^0}$
L_1	$2 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2$	2 terms	$w\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$	$= \frac{n}{2^1}$
L_2	$4 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{4}\right)^2$	4 terms	$w\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)$	$= \frac{n}{2^2}$
L_3	$8 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{8}\right)^2$	8 terms	$w\left(\frac{n}{8}\right)$	$= \frac{n}{2^3}$
L_4	$16 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{16}\right)^2$	16 terms	$w\left(\frac{n}{16}\right)$	$= \frac{n}{2^4}$
L_i	$2^{\log(n)}$	i terms	$w(1)$	$= \frac{n}{2^i}$

- The cost of the last level i , find out the size of the problem is at level i .
 - At each level of the recursion, the problem size is halved. So, at level i , the problem size is $\frac{n}{2^i}$.

Now, let's determine how many subproblems of size $\frac{n}{2^i}$ there are at level i . Since the problem is divided into two at each level, there will be 2^i subproblems at level i .

Now, for the cost:

1. The work done for each subproblem at level i is given by the non-recursive term in the recurrence, which is $\left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right)^2$ for each subproblem.
2. Since there are 2^i such subproblems at level i , the total work at this level is $2^i \times \left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right)^2$.

Simplifying:

$$2^i \times \left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right)^2 = 2^i \times \frac{n^2}{2^{2i}} = n^2 \times \frac{2^i}{2^{2i}} = n^2 \times \frac{1}{2^i}$$

So, the cost at level i is $\frac{n^2}{2^i}$.

For the last level, where the problem size is 1 (i.e., $\frac{n}{2^i} = 1$), $i = \log(n)$. Thus, the cost at the last level is $\frac{n^2}{2^{\log(n)}}$.

Total Cost:

The total cost of the recurrence is the sum of the costs at each level:

$$w(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log(n)-1} \frac{n^2}{2^i} + 2^{\log(n)}$$

Using the geometric series sum formula, we can simplify this to:

$$w(n) = n^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\log(n)-1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^i + O(n)$$

Given that the sum of an infinite geometric series with a ratio r where $|r| < 1$ is $\frac{1}{1-r}$, the sum becomes:

$$w(n) = n^2 \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \right) + O(n) = 2n^2 + O(n)$$

- apply the fraction rule $\frac{1}{\frac{1}{c}} = \frac{c}{1}$
- $\left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}}\right) = \frac{2}{1} = 2$

Thus, the solution to the recurrence is:

$$w(n) = O(n^2)$$

Break down the recurrence relation $w(n) = 2w\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2$ using a recursive tree.

Step 1: Understand the Recurrence.

The recurrence relation $w(n) = 2w\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2$ can be understood as:

- We divide the problem into 2 subproblems of size $\frac{n}{2}$.
- The cost of dividing and combining the solutions of the subproblems is n^2 .

Step 2: Draw the First Level.

At the top level (level 1), the cost is n^2 .

Step 3: Draw the Second Level.

The problem is divided into 2 subproblems of size $\frac{n}{2}$. Each subproblem has a cost of $\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2$.

Step 4: Draw the Third Level.

Each subproblem from the second level is further divided into 2 subproblems of size $\frac{n}{4}$. Each of these has a cost of $\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)^2$.

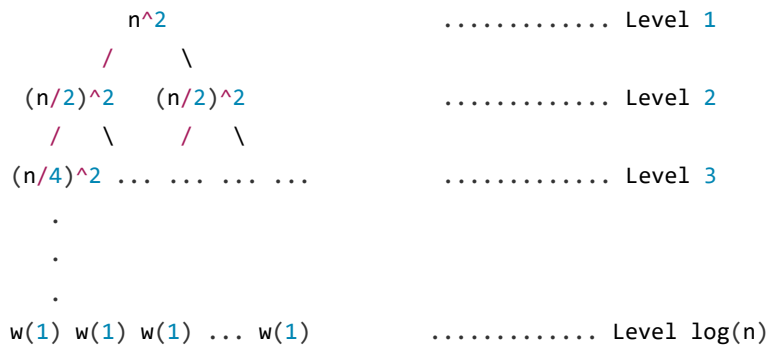
Step 5: Continue the Pattern.

Continue this pattern until you reach the base case. The base case is typically when $n = 1$, but it's not explicitly given in this recurrence. For simplicity, we'll assume $w(1) = 1$.

Step 6: Sum the Costs at Each Level.

To find the total cost, sum the costs at each level of the tree.

Recursive Tree:



Step 7: Calculate the Total Cost.

- Level 1: n^2
- Level 2: $2 \times \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 = n^2$
- Level 3: $4 \times \left(\frac{n}{4}\right)^2 = n^2$
- ...
- Level $\log(n)$: $n \times 1 = n$

The cost at each level is n^2 , and there are $\log(n)$ levels. So, the total cost is $n^2 \times \log(n)$.

Conclusion:

The time complexity of $w(n) = 2w\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2$ is $O(n^2 \log n)$.

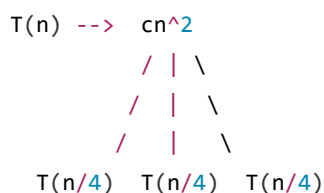
More Challenging Recursion Tree Example:

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right) + cn$$

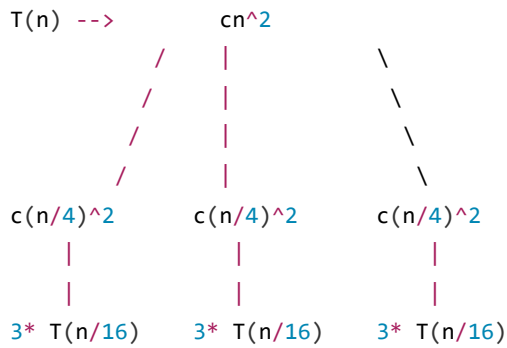
Recursive Tree Example 03

Consider the recurrence relation $T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + cn^2$ for some *constant* c . We assume that n is an exact power of 4.

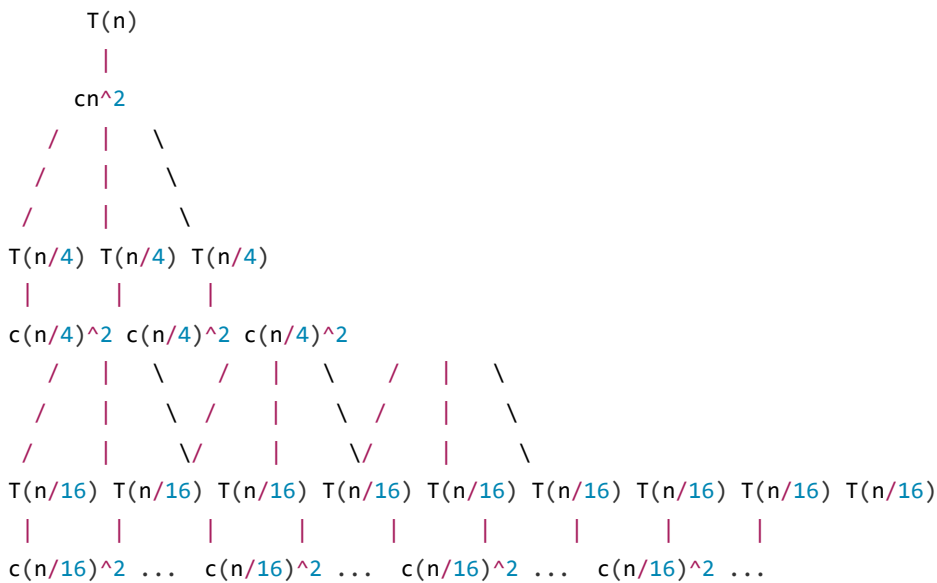
- In the recursion-tree method we expand $T(n)$ into a tree:



- Applying $T(n) = 3T(\frac{n}{4}) + cn^2$ to $T(n/4)$ leads to $T(\frac{n}{4}) = 3T(\frac{n}{16}) + c(\frac{n}{4})^2$, expanding the leaves:

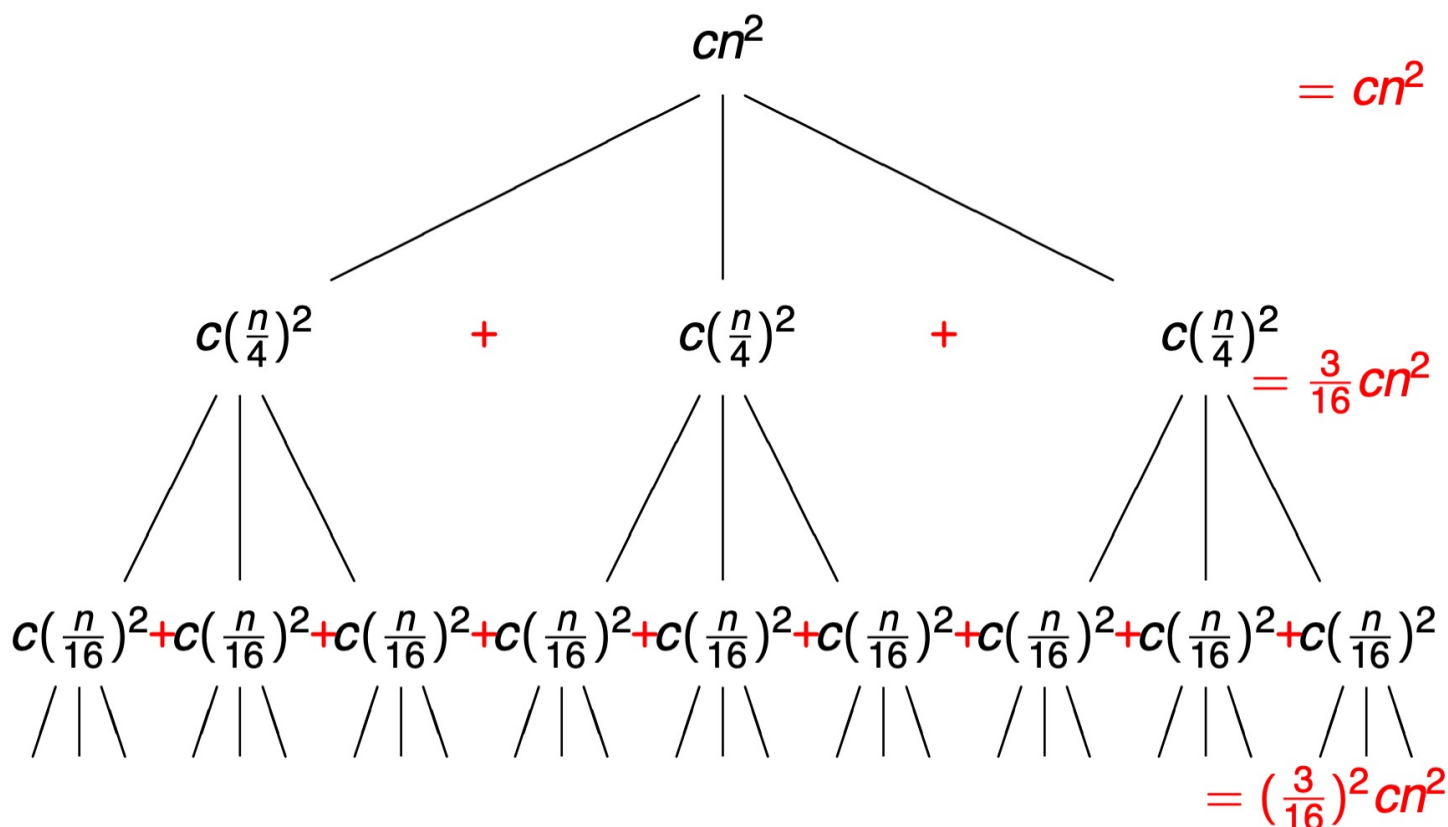


- Applying $T(n) = 3T(\frac{n}{4}) + cn^2$ to $T(\frac{n}{16})$ leads to $T(\frac{n}{16}) = 3T(\frac{n}{64}) + c(\frac{n}{16})^2$, expanding the leaves:



the cost at each level, We sum the cost at each level of the tree:

Level	Terms	Cost
L_0	cn^2	cn^2
L_1	$c(\frac{n}{4})^2$	$c(\frac{n}{4})^2$
L_2	$c(\frac{n}{4})^2$	$c(\frac{n}{4})^2$



Adding up the costs:

$$T(n) = cn^2 + \frac{3}{16}cn^2 + (\frac{3}{16})^2cn^2 + \dots$$

$$cn^2(1 + \frac{3}{16} + (\frac{3}{16})^2) + \dots$$

The ... disappear if $n = 16$ or the tree has depth at least 2 if $n \geq 16 = 4^2$.

For $n = 4^k$, $k = \log_4(n)$, we have:

$$T(n) = cn^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4(n)} (\frac{3}{16})^i$$

Geometric Series, Consider a finite sum first:

$$S_n = 1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^n = \sum_{i=0}^n r^i$$

Applying the Geometric Sum, Applying

$$S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n r^i = \frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1}$$

$$T(n) = cn^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4(n)} (\frac{3}{16})^i$$

with $r = \frac{3}{16}$ leads to

$$T(n) = cn^2 \frac{\left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^{\log_4(n)+1} - 1}{\frac{3}{16} - 1}$$

Polishing the result, Instead of $T(n) \leq dn^2$ for some constant d , we have

$$T(n) = cn^2 \frac{\left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^{\log_4(n)+1} - 1}{\frac{3}{16} - 1}$$

recall

$$T(n) = cn^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4(n)} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i$$

to remove the $\log_4(n)$ factor, we Consider

$$T(n) \leq cn^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i$$

$$= cn^2 \frac{-1}{\frac{3}{16} - 1} \leq dn^2$$

, for some constant d

Using The Substitution Method

Verifying The Guess, Assuming a bound for T in the form $T(n) \leq dn^2$, is good for $T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + cn^2$.

Applying the substitution method:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 3T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + cn^2 \\ &\leq 3d\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)^2 + cn^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{16}d + c\right)n^2 \\ &= \frac{3}{16}\left(d + \frac{16}{3}c\right)n^2 \\ &= \frac{3}{16}\left(d + \frac{16}{3}c\right)n^2 \leq dn^2 \\ &= \frac{3}{16}(2d)n^2, \text{ if } d \geq \frac{16}{3}c \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the bound for $T(n)$ is:

$$T(n) \leq dn^2$$