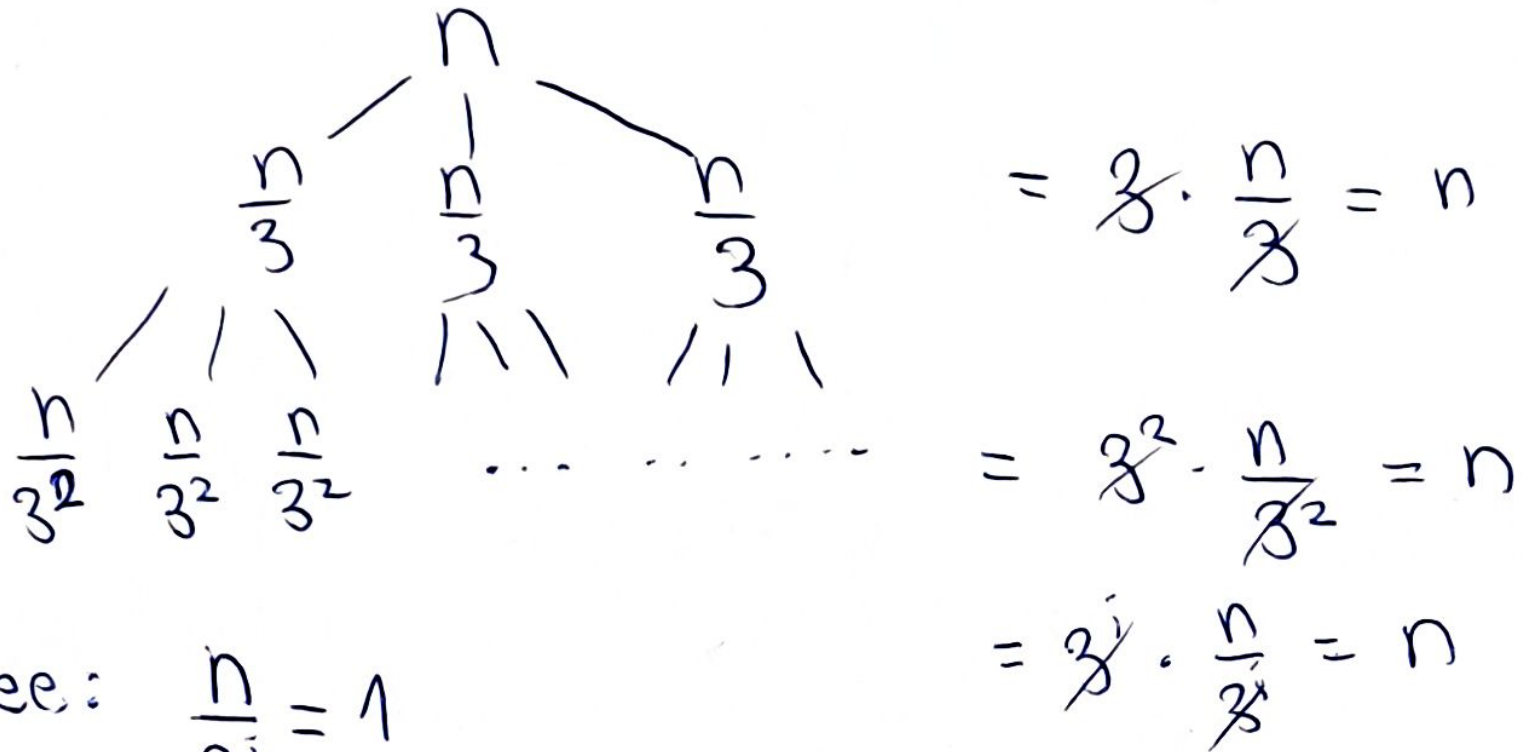


Best Case:

$$T(n) = 3T(n/3) + O(n)$$

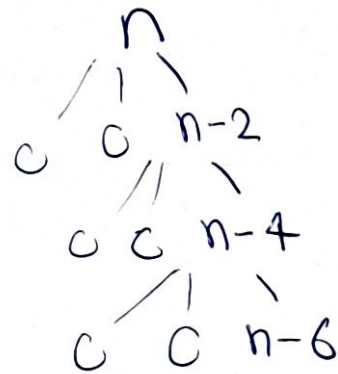


Height of tree: $\frac{n}{3^i} = 1$
 \Downarrow
 $\log_3 n$

Time Complexity: ~~scribbles~~ $\sum_{i=0}^{\log_3 n} n = n \log_3 n$

Worst Case:

$$T(n) = T(n-2) + O(n)$$



$$= n - (2 \cdot 1)$$

$$= n - (2 \cdot 2)$$

$$= n - (2 \cdot 3)$$

$$= n - 2i$$

Height of tree: $n - 2i = 0$

$$2i = n$$

$$i = \frac{n}{2}$$

$$\text{Time complexity: } \sum_{i=0}^{n/2} n - 2i = \sum_{i=0}^{n/2} n - 2 \sum_{i=0}^{n/2} i = \frac{n^2}{2} - 2 \cdot \frac{n^2 + 2n}{4}$$

$$= \frac{n^2}{2} - \frac{n^2 + 2n}{4} = \frac{2n^2 - n^2 - 2n}{4} = \frac{n^2 - 2n}{4} = \boxed{O(n^2)}$$