

# ***Divide-and-Conquer***

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# Asymptotic notation review

- $\Theta(n) = 3n - 1$
- $O(n) = 3n - 1$
- $O(n^2) = 3n - 1$
- $o(n^2) = 3n - 1$
- $o(n) \neq 3n - 1$
- $\Omega(n) = 3n - 1$
- $\Omega(n) = 3n^2 - 1$
- $\omega(n) \neq 3n - 1$
- $\omega(n) = 3n^2 - 1$

# Recurrences

- When an algorithm contains a recursive call to itself, its running time can often be described by a recurrence.
- A *recurrence* is an equation or inequality that describes a function in terms of its value on smaller inputs.

Running time of merge sort  
of recurrence form

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

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) \\ 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n) \end{cases}$$

if  $n=1$ ,

if  $n>1$ ,

Value is  
smaller as  
execution

# Recurrences

## ● Solving recurrences ↷

- Obtaining asymptotic “ $\Theta$ ”, “ $O$ ” bounds on the solution.  $\Omega$ ...

## ● Three methods for solving recurrences

- focus {
- Substitution method
  - Recursion-tree method
  - ~~● Master method~~

# The substitution method

- *The substitution method* consists of two steps

1. Guess the solution.

2. ~~Use~~ **Use mathematical induction** to prove the guess is right.  
↳ part of substitution method

# The substitution method

- Determining an upper bound on the recurrence

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

(c=1)

1. recurrence form 찾기

- Guess :

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

2. 우리의 추측

not recurrence form 이 시간 복잡도

= recurrence form 이 시간 복잡도 ??

- Prove :

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

$n \geq n_0$

3. Prove

(for an appropriate choice of the **constant  $c > 0$** )



# The substitution method

- Mathematical induction ( prove )
  - Basis or boundary conditions
  - Inductive step

# The substitution method

WHEN  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$  is given

## Inductive step

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

$$\frac{m \leq n-1 \Rightarrow m=n}{\text{성립} \rightarrow \text{성립}}$$

종결!

- Assume that this bound holds for  $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ , that is,  
 $T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) \leq c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$ .  $\rightarrow$  성립한다고 가정

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n \leq 2(c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)) + n \\
 &\leq cn \lg(n/2) + n \\
 &= cn \lg n - cn \lg 2 + n \quad \Rightarrow \lg \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \leq \lg \frac{n}{2} \\
 &= cn \lg n - cn + n = cn \lg n - \underbrace{cn + n}_{>0} \\
 &\leq cn \lg n \\
 &\text{(as long as } \underline{c \geq 1})
 \end{aligned}$$



# The substitution method

## Boundary conditions

- $T(n) \leq cn \lg n$  for  $n = 1$  (?)

$/ \leq 0$  ???

- It is impossible because  $T(1) = 1$  but  $c1\lg 1 = 0$ .

↳ So we set  $n_0 \neq 1$  when  $n \geq n_0$ .

# The substitution method

- Note that we don't have to prove  $T(n) = cn \lg n$  for all  $n$ .
  - We only have to prove  $T(n) = cn \lg n$  for  $n \geq n_0$  for  $n_0$ .
  - Thus, let  $n_0 = 2$ . *base step*
  - $T(2) = 2T(1) + 2 = 4$
  - $T(2) = 4 \leq c \cdot 2 \lg 2$
  - $c \geq 2$  satisfies the inequality.  $\Rightarrow c \geq 2, n_0 \geq 2$

# The substitution method

- we have to ~~use~~  $T(3)$   
Observe  $T(3)$  depends directly on  $T(1)$ .

Why? ↓  
if  $c=2$

- $T(3) = 2T(1) + 3$

$$T(3) = 5 \leq c 3 \lg 3$$
$$5 \leq 6.xx$$

- $T(3) = 5.$

⇒ satisfy when  
 $c=2$

- To show  $T(3) = 5 \leq c 3 \lg 3.$

↳ we can  
accept  $c \geq 2!!$

↓  $T(2)$   $T(3)$ 가 확인되어야

- Any choice of  $c \geq 2$  satisfies the inequality.  $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + n$  이 모든  $n$ 에 대해 inductive step 이 증명됨!

# The recursion-tree method

- How to guess a good solution?
- We can guess the solution using the *recursion-tree method*.
  - Later, the solution is proved by the substitution method.

# The recursion-tree method

- Consider solving the following recurrence.

$$T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + \Theta(n^2).$$

- Show  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ .

- Show  $T(n) = \Omega(n^2)$ .

- Obvious by  $T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + \Theta(n^2)$  ( $\because T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) \geq 0$ )

- Show  $T(n) = O(n^2)$ .

- Guess by the recursion-tree method
- Prove by the substitution method

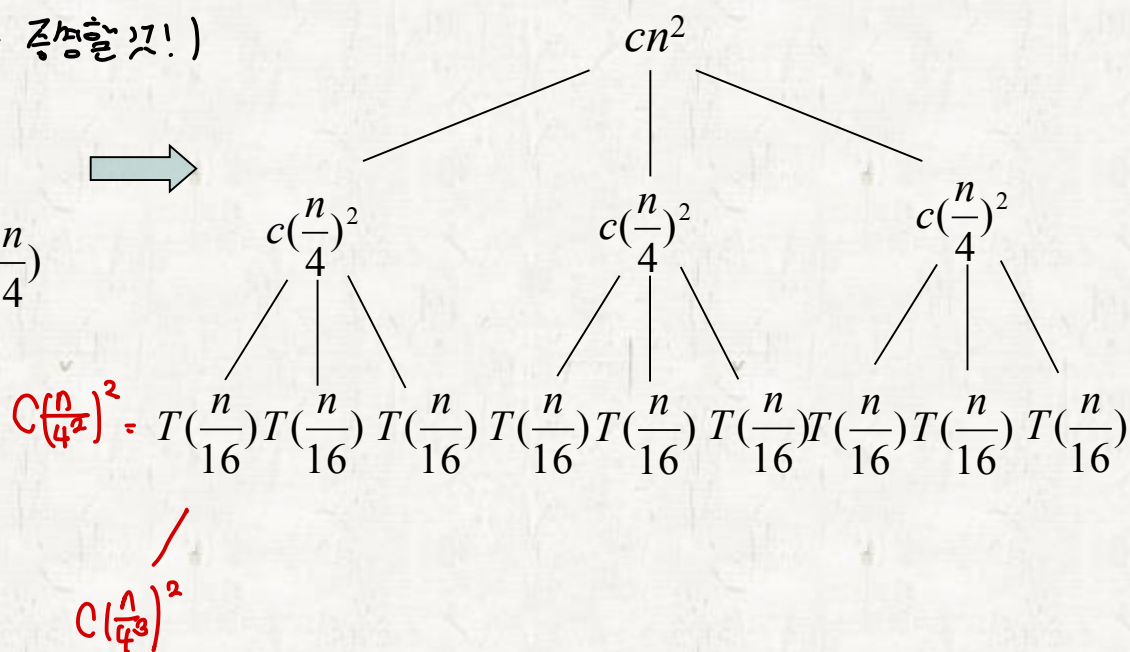
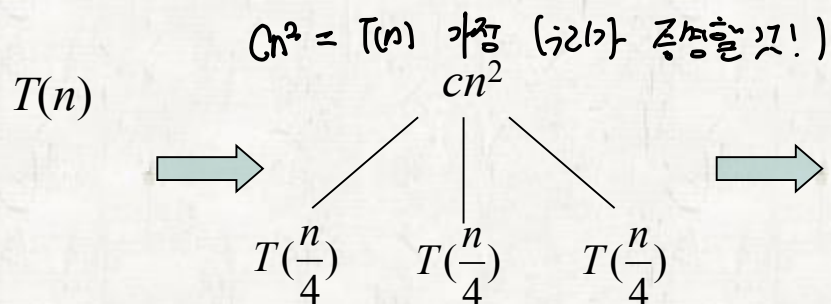
# The recursion-tree method

$$T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + \Theta(n^2).$$



$$n = 4^k \text{ (가정)}$$

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



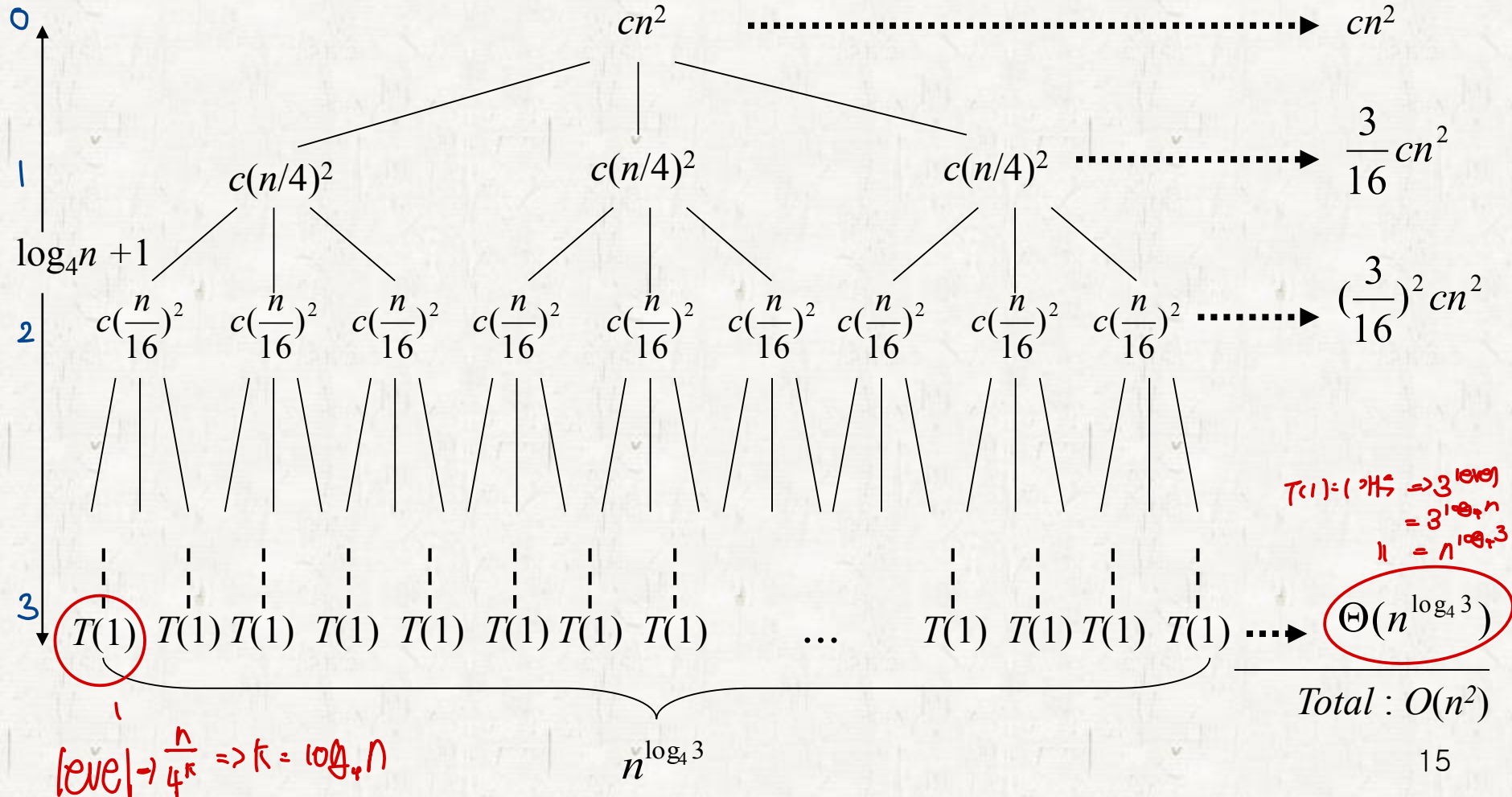


# The recursion-tree method

each step  $3^{\text{level}} \times c\left(\frac{n}{4^{\text{level}}}\right)^2 = c\left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^{\text{level}}$

총 계산량

level



# The recursion-tree method

- Cost computation
  - Subproblem size for a node at depth  $i$ :  $n/4^i$
  - The number of nodes at depth  $i$ :  $3^i$
  - The number of levels:  $\log_4 n + 1$ .
    - Because the subproblem size hits  $n = 1$  when  $n/4^i = 1$  or, equivalently, when  $i = \log_4 n$ .

# The recursion-tree method

- Cost of each depth
  - The total cost of all nodes at depth  $i$ 
    - Except the last level:  $3^i c(n/4^i)^2 = (3/16)^i cn^2$
    - The last level :  $\Theta(3^{\log_4 n}) = \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$

# The recursion-tree method

## • Cost of all depths

each level's numbers of form

$\Rightarrow 3^{\text{level}}$

$T(n)$ 's numbers

$\Rightarrow 3^{\log_4 n} \Rightarrow n^{\log_4 3}$

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n - 1} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i cn^2 + \underline{\Theta(n^{\log_4 3})}$$

$T(1) = 1 \cdot 16 \cdot (16 \cdot 14)$

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

$$= \frac{1}{1 - (3/16)} cn^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$$

$$= \frac{16}{13} cn^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3}) = O(n^2) + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$$

$$= O(n^2)$$

# The recursion-tree method

- We have derived a guess of  $T(n) = O(n^2)$  for the recurrence  $T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + \Theta(n^2)$ .
- We prove  $T(n) = O(n^2)$  by the substitution method.

$$T(n) \leq Cn^2 \quad C > 0$$
$$n \geq n_0 > 0$$



Basis 'n=1'

# The recursion-tree method

inductive step

$$T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + cn^2 \text{ (given)}$$

- Show that  $T(n) \leq \boxed{dn^2}$  (for *some*  $d > 0$  and for the same  $c > 0$ )  
 $\leq 3d(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor)^2 + cn^2$  new constant  $\hookrightarrow$  exact value

$$T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + cn^2$$

$$\leq 3d\lfloor n/4 \rfloor^2 + cn^2$$

$$\leq 3d(n/4)^2 + cn^2$$

$$= 3/16 dn^2 + cn^2 \leq dn^2 \Rightarrow cn^2 \leq \frac{13}{16} dn^2 \Rightarrow \underline{c \leq \frac{13}{16} d} \Rightarrow d \geq \frac{16}{13} c$$

$$\leq dn^2$$

$$T(k) = 3T(\lfloor k/4 \rfloor) + ck^2$$

When  $k < n$ ,  $T(n) \leq dn^2$  is dualized?

satisfied conditions

$$d \geq 2c$$

(for integer)

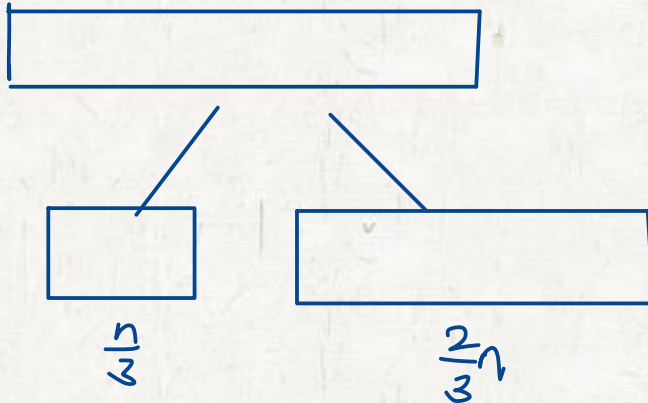
where the last step holds as long as  $d \geq (16/13)c$ .

- Since  $T(n) = \Omega(n^2)$  and  $T(n) = O(n^2)$ ,  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ .



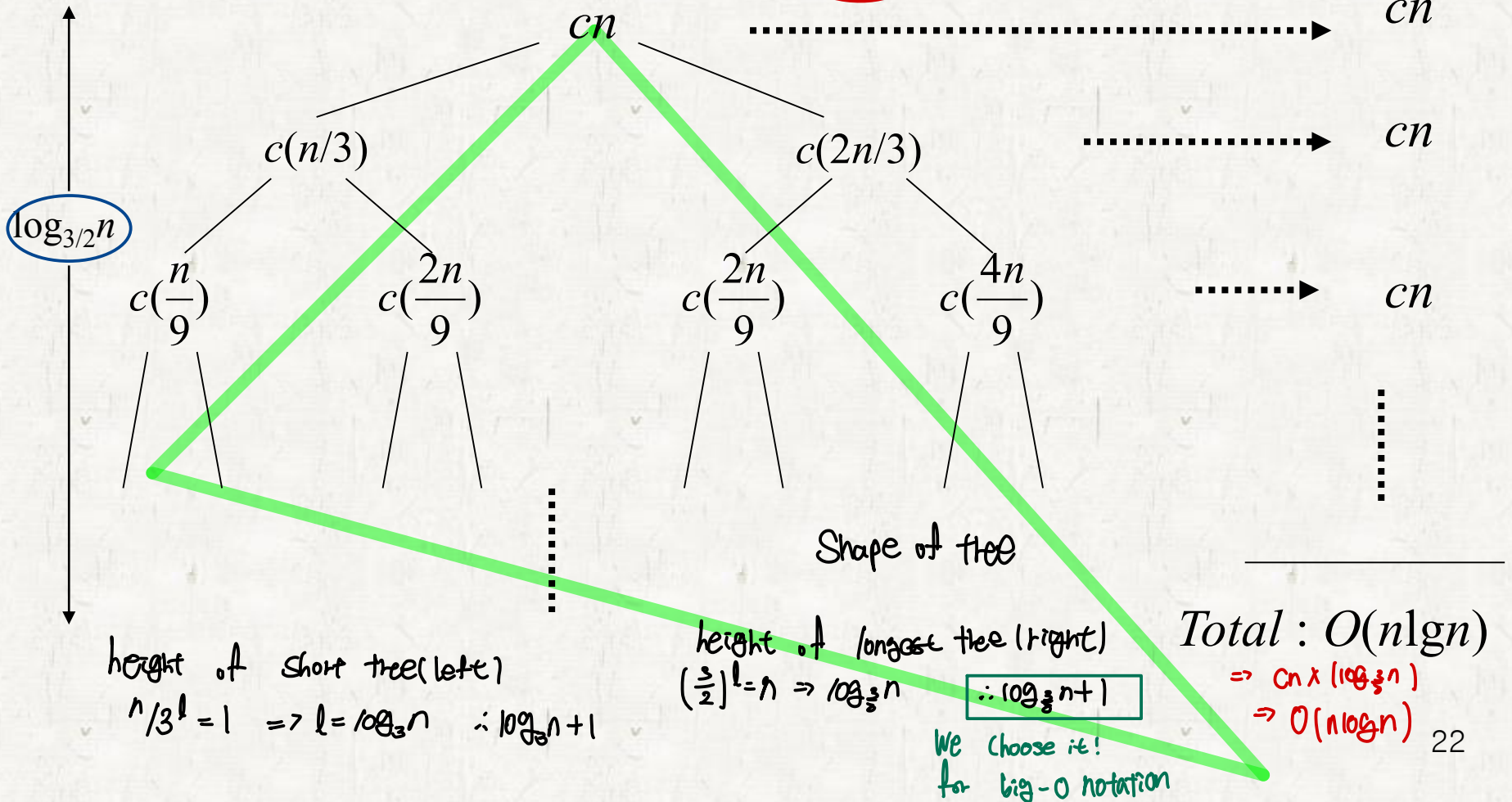
# The recursion-tree method

- Another example merge sort recursion  
 $T(n) = T(\frac{n}{2}) + T(\frac{n}{2}) + O(n) \rightarrow \Theta(n \log n)$
- Given  $T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + O(n)$ ,  
to show  $T(n) = O(n \lg n)$ .



# The recursion-tree method

$T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + \textcircled{O(n)}$ 
 $\rightarrow cn$ 
 $T(n) \leq cn$  ( $n=3^k$ )
each step  $cn$



# The recursion-tree method

- the cost of each level :  $cn$
- height
  - $n \rightarrow (2/3)n \rightarrow (2/3)^2 n \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow 1$   
 $\Rightarrow (2/3)^k n = 1$  when  $k = \log_{3/2} n$ ,  
 $\Rightarrow \log_{3/2} n$ .
- Total : each level cost  $\times$  height  
 $\Rightarrow O(cn \log_{3/2} n) = O(n \lg n)$

# The recursion-tree method

- Prove the upper bound  $O(n \lg n)$   $T(n) = T(\frac{n}{3}) + T(\frac{2n}{3}) + cn$  (given)

$$T(n) \leq d n \lg n \text{ 증명}$$

- Show that  $T(n) \leq d n \lg n$  for some constant  $d$ .

$$T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + cn$$

$$\leq d(n/3) \lg(n/3) + d(2n/3) \lg(2n/3) + cn$$

$$= (d(n/3) \lg n - d(n/3) \lg 3) + (d(2n/3) \lg n + d(2n/3) \lg(2/3)) + cn$$

$$= d n \lg n + d(-(n/3) \lg 3 + (2n/3) \lg(2/3)) + cn$$

# The recursion-tree method

$$\begin{aligned} &= dn \lg n + d(-(n/3) \lg 3 + (2n/3) \lg(2/3)) + cn \\ &= dn \lg n + d(-(n/3) \lg 3 + (2n/3) \lg 2 - (2n/3) \lg 3) + cn \\ &= \cancel{dn \lg n} + dn(-\lg 3 + 2/3) + cn \quad \text{상당 무시} \\ &\leq \cancel{dn \lg n}, \quad \text{as long as } d \geq c/(\lg 3 - (2/3)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore d(-\lg 3 + \frac{2}{3}) + cn &\leq 0 \\ d &\geq \frac{c}{(\lg 3 - \frac{2}{3})} \end{aligned}$$



# Self-study

- **Use only recursion tree method.**
  - **Exercise 4.4-1 (4.2-1 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)**
  - **Exercise 4.4-6 (4.2-2 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)**