



Design and Analysis of Algorithm

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Recap

Lecture No 10



Steps in mathematical analysis of non recursive algorithms

- Decide on parameter n indicating input size
- Identify algorithm's basic operation
- Determine worst, average, and best case for input of size n
- Set up summation for $C(n)$ reflecting algorithm's loop structure
- Simplify summation using standard formulas

■ Which algorithm is best?

ALGORITHM factorial(n)

// Input: A positive integer

// Output: The factorial of the positive integer n .

factorial \leftarrow 1 // initialize answer

$i \leftarrow 1$

while($i \leq n$) **do**

 factorial \leftarrow factorial * i

$i \leftarrow i + 1$

return factorial

ALGORITHM $F(n)$

//Computes $n!$ recursively

//Input: A nonnegative integer n

//Output: The value of $n!$

if $n = 0$ **return** 1

else return $F(n - 1) * n$

Lecture No 11

Analysis of Recursive Algorithm

(Analysis Framework.)



After completing this lecture you will be able

- To solve problem with recursive algorithm
- To convert an iterative algorithm into recursive algorithm.
- To compute Time complexity of recursive algorithm
- To compare iterative version with recursive version



What is Recursion?

- Dictionary definition:
- A problem-solving method of “decomposing bigger problems into smaller sub-problems that are identical to itself.”
- Recursion:
 - Process of solving a problem by reducing it to smaller versions of itself
- General Idea:
 - Solve simplest (smallest) cases DIRECTLY
 - usually these are very easy to solve
 - Solve bigger problems using smaller sub-problems
 - that are identical to itself (but smaller and simpler)
- Abstraction:
 - To solve a given problem, we first assume that we ALREADY know how to solve it for smaller instances!!



■ Recursive algorithm:

- Algorithm that finds the solution to a given problem by reducing the problem to **smaller versions** of itself.
- Has **one or more** base cases.
- Implemented using **recursive methods**.

■ Recursive method:

- Method that calls itself.

■ Base case:

- Case in recursive definition in which the solution is obtained directly.
- Stops the recursion.

■ General case:

- Case in recursive definition in which a smaller version of itself is called.
- Must eventually be reduced to a base case.

- Understand problem requirements.
- Determine limiting conditions.
- Identify base cases.
- Provide direct solution to each base case.
- Identify general cases.
- Provide solutions to general cases in terms of smaller versions of general cases.

fact(4): stack = [4]

fact(3): stack = [3,4]

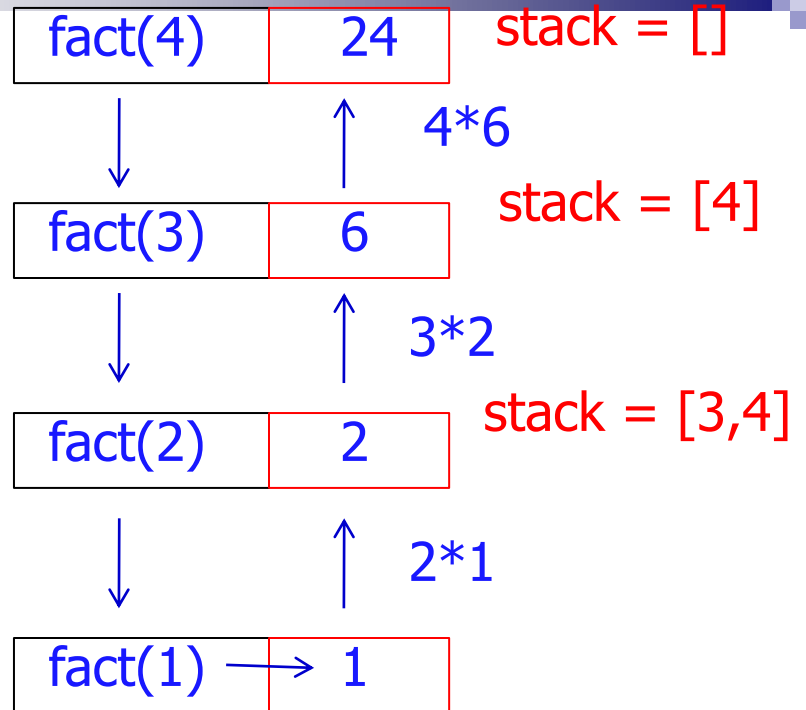
fact(2): stack = [2,3,4]

fact(1): stack = [1,2,3,4]

$4 * \text{fact}(3)$

$3 * \text{fact}(2)$

$2 * \text{fact}(1)$



fact(n)

If $n \leq 1$ then return $\leftarrow 1$

else return $\leftarrow \text{fact}(n-1) * n$

endif

return return

Sequence of
recursive
calls

Back to
the calling function

■ Definition of Fibonacci numbers

1. $F_1 = 1,$

2. $F_2 = 1,$

3. for $n > 2, F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$

■ Problem: Compute F_n for any n .

■ The above is a recursive definition.

- F_n is computed in-terms of itself

- actually, smaller copies of itself – F_{n-1} and F_{n-2}

■ Actually, Not difficult:

$$F_3 = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$F_6 = 5 + 3 = 8$$

$$F_9 = 21 + 13 = 34$$

$$F_4 = 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$F_7 = 8 + 5 = 13$$

$$F_{10} = 34 + 21 = 55$$

$$F_5 = 3 + 2 = 5$$

$$F_8 = 13 + 8 = 21$$

$$F_{11} = 55 + 34 = 89$$

1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144, ...



ALGORITHM *Fib*(n)

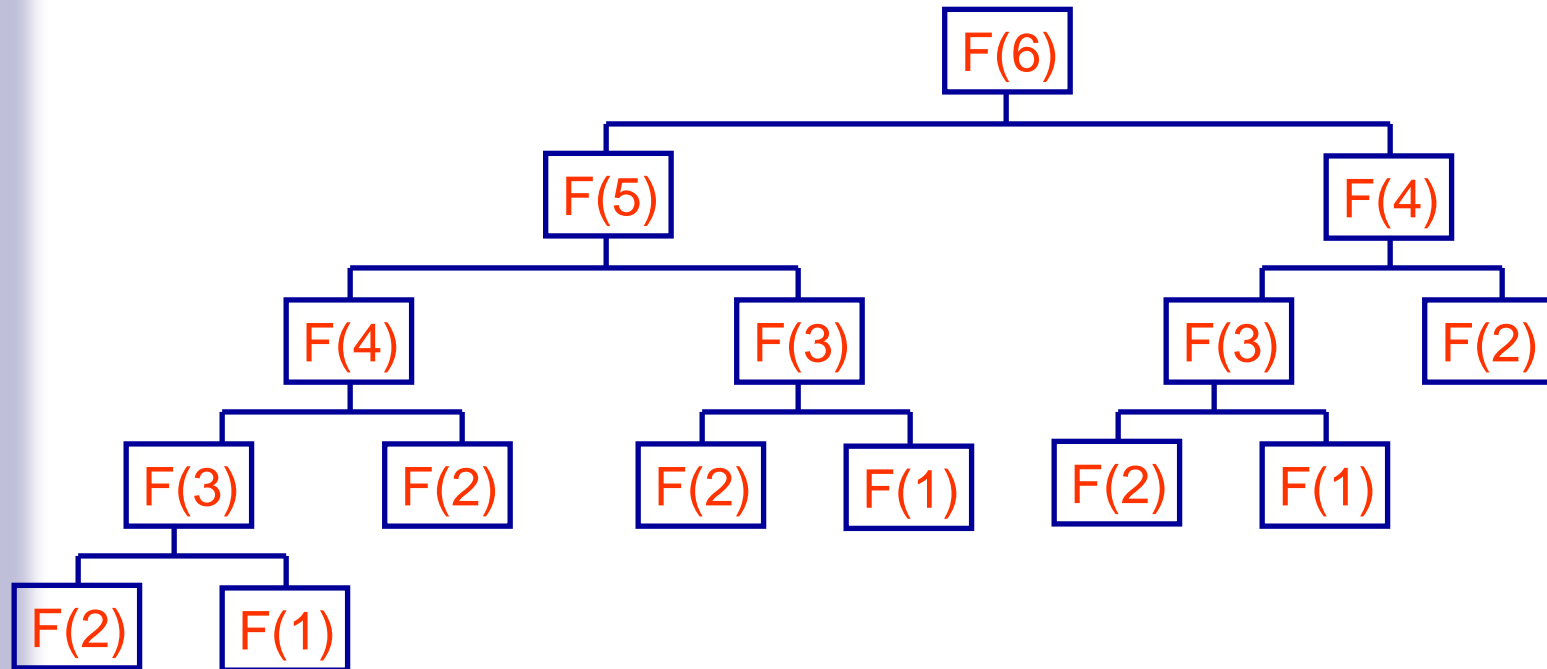
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//Computes the  $n$ th Fibonacci number iteratively by using its definition
//Input: A nonnegative integer  $n$ 
//Output: The  $n$ th Fibonacci number
 $F[0] \leftarrow 0$ ;  $F[1] \leftarrow 1$ 
for  $i \leftarrow 2$  to  $n$  do
     $F[i] \leftarrow F[i - 1] + F[i - 2]$ 
return  $F[n]$ 
```

- The below is a recursive algorithm
- It is simple to understand and elegant!
- But, very SLOW(**WHY**)

ALGORITHM *F*(n)

```
//Computes the  $n$ th Fibonacci number recursively by using its definition
//Input: A nonnegative integer  $n$ 
//Output: The  $n$ th Fibonacci number
if  $n \leq 1$  return  $n$ 
else return  $F(n - 1) + F(n - 2)$ 
```

- How slow is it?
 - E.g. To compute $F(6)$...



HW: Can we compute it faster?

Decide on parameter n indicating input size



Identify algorithm's basic operation



Determine worst, average, and best case for input of size n



Set up a recurrence relation and initial condition(s)



Solve the recurrence to obtain a closed form or estimate the order of magnitude of the solution



Determine Order of growth of $C(n)$



- A recurrence relation is an equation which is defined in terms of itself.
- It expresses the value of a function for an argument n in terms of the values of function for arguments less than n .
- Examples:

$$1. \quad T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1 \\ T(n-1)+1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$2. \quad T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1 \\ 2T(n-1) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

■ How to derive a recurrence relation?

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- 3) Figure out what $T(n_0)$ is. You can usually use “some constant c ”, but sometimes a specific number will be needed.
- 4) The general $T(n)$ is usually a *sum of various choices of $T(m)$ (for the recursive calls), plus the sum of the other work done*. Usually the recursive calls will be solving *a* sub problems of the same size $f(n)$, giving a term “ $a \cdot T(f(n))$ ” in the recurrence relation.

ALGORITHM *BinRec*(n)

//Input: A positive decimal integer n

//Output: The number of binary digits in n 's binary representation

if $n = 1$ **return** 1

else return *BinRec*($\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$) + 1

$$T(1) = d$$

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + c$$

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ALGORITHM $F(n)$

```
//Computes the  $n$ th Fibonacci number recursively by using its definition
```

//Input: A nonnegative integer n that can be defined by the simple recurrence

```
//Output: The  $n$ th Fibonacci number
```

if $n \leq 1$ **return** n and two initial conditions

```
else return  $F(n - 1) + F(n - 2)$   $F(0) = 0, \quad F(1) = 1.$ 
```

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```
procedure bugs( $n$ )  
  if  $n = 1$  then do something  
  else  
    bugs( $n - 1$ );  
    bugs( $n - 2$ );  
    for  $i := 1$  to  $n$  do  
      something
```

$$T(n) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{...} \end{array} \right.$$

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```
procedure daffy( $n$ )  
  if  $n = 1$  or  $n = 2$  then do something  
  else  
    daffy( $n - 1$ );  
    for  $i := 1$  to  $n$  do  
      do something new  
    daffy( $n - 1$ );
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```
procedure elmer( $n$ )  
  if  $n = 1$  then do something  
  else if  $n = 2$  then do something else  
  else  
    for  $i := 1$  to  $n$  do  
      elmer( $n - 1$ );  
    do something different
```

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```
procedure yosemite( $n$ )  
  if  $n = 1$  then do something  
  else  
    for  $i := 1$  to  $n - 1$  do  
      yosemite( $i$ );  
    do something completely different
```

$$T(n) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \end{array} \right.$$



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function multiply(y, z)

comment return the product yz

1. if $z = 0$ then return(0) else
2. if z is odd
3. then return(multiply($2y, \lfloor z/2 \rfloor$)+ y)
4. else return(multiply($2y, \lfloor z/2 \rfloor$))

D.Y.S = Do Your Self



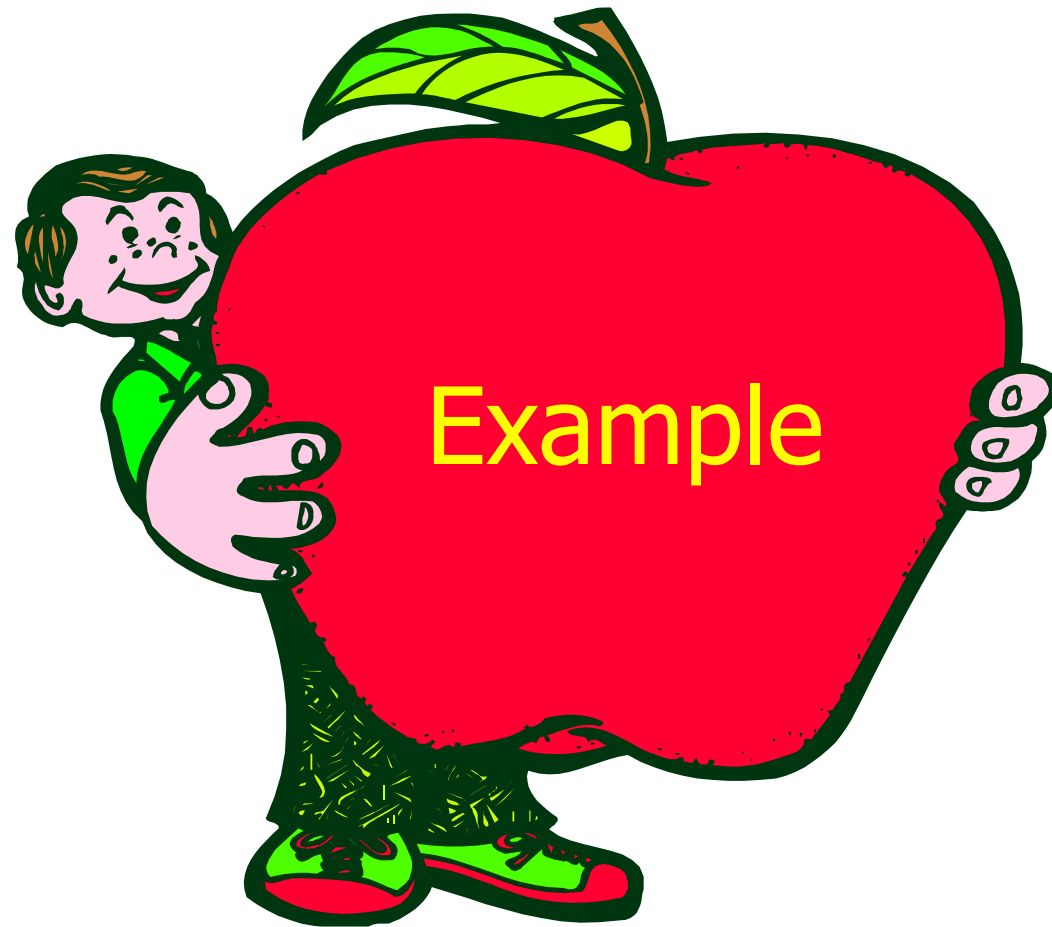
Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

- **Decrease-by-One** A decrease-by-one algorithm solves a problem by exploiting a relationship between a given instance of size n and a **smaller instance of size $n - 1$** . Specific examples include recursive evaluation of $n!$ and insertion sort. The recurrence equation for investigating the time efficiency of such algorithms typically has the following form:

$$\blacksquare \mathbf{T(n) = T(n - 1) + f(n)}$$

- where function **$f(n)$** accounts for the time needed to **reduce an instance** to a smaller one and to extend the solution of the smaller instance to a solution of the larger instance.





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ALGORITHM factorial(n)

// Input: A positive integer

// Output: The factorial of the positive integer n.

factorial \leftarrow 1 // initialize answer

i \leftarrow 1

while(i \leq n) **do**

 factorial \leftarrow factorial * i

 i \leftarrow i + 1

return factorial

**Convert
into recursive** **iterative**

$n! = n*(n-1)!$

$0! = 1$

ALGORITHM $F(n)$

//Computes $n!$ recursively

//Input: A nonnegative integer n

//Output: The value of $n!$

if $n = 0$ **return** 1

else return $F(n - 1) * n$



Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

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//Input: A nonnegative integer n

//Output: The value of $n!$

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- What is measure of an input's size?
 - The number of elements in the array, i.e., n .
- What is its basic operation/Primitive Operation?
 - Multiplication(*)



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- The basic operation of the algorithm is multiplication, whose number of executions we denote $M(n)$.

$$M(n) = \underbrace{M(n - 1)}_{\text{to compute } F(n-1)} + \underbrace{1}_{\text{to multiply } F(n-1) \text{ by } n} \quad \text{for } n > 0.$$



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//Output: The value of $n!$

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- Now we obtain initial condition by inspecting the condition that makes the algorithm stop its recursive calls:

- **if** $n = 0$ **return** 1.



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//Input: A nonnegative integer n

//Output: The value of $n!$

if $n = 0$ **return** 1

else return $F(n - 1) * n$

- **if** $n = 0$ **return** 1.

the calls stop when $n = 0$ $\xrightarrow{\quad}$ $M(0) = 0.$ $\xleftarrow{\quad}$ no multiplications when $n = 0$

- This tells us two things.

- First, since the calls stop when $n = 0$, the smallest value of n for which this algorithm is executed and hence $M(n)$ defined is 0.
- Second, by inspecting the pseudocode's exiting line, we can see that when $n = 0$, the algorithm performs no multiplications.

Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

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else return $F(n - 1) * n$

- Thus, we succeeded in setting up the recurrence relation and initial condition for the algorithm's number of multiplications $M(n)$:

$$M(n) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } n = 0, \\ M(n - 1) + 1 & \text{for } n > 0, \end{cases}$$

Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

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//Output: The value of $n!$

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- We are dealing here with two recursively defined functions. The first is the factorial function $F(n)$ itself; it is defined by the recurrence

$$n! = n * (n-1)!$$

$$0! = 1$$

Recurrence relation:

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

$$T(1) = 1$$

- The second is the number of multiplications $M(n)$ needed to compute $F(n)$ by the recursive algorithm whose pseudocode is given

$$M(n) = \begin{cases} 0. & \text{for } n = 0, \\ M(n - 1) + 1 & \text{for } n > 0, \end{cases}$$



YOUR TURN



Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

■ Decrease-by-One: $T(n) = T(n - 1) + f(n)$

ALGORITHM *BubbleSort*($A[0..n - 1]$)

//Sorts a given array by bubble sort

//Input: An array $A[0..n - 1]$ of orderable elements

//Output: Array $A[0..n - 1]$ sorted in ascending order

for $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n - 2$ **do**

for $j \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n - 2 - i$ **do**

if $A[j + 1] < A[j]$ **swap** $A[j]$ and $A[j + 1]$

**Convert into
recursive version**

Recurrence relation?

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

ALGORITHM *BubbleSort*(A, n)

for $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n-2$ **do**

if $A[i] > A[i+1]$ **then**

swap $A[i]$ and $A[i+1]$

BubbleSort($A, n-1$)



Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

- **Decrease-by-a-Constant-Factor** A decrease-by-a-constant-factor algorithm solves a problem by reducing its instance of size n to an instance of size n/b ($b = 2$ for most but not all such algorithms), solving the smaller instance recursively, and then, if necessary, extending the solution of the smaller instance to a solution of the given instance. The most important example is binary search; other examples include exponentiation by squaring. The recurrence equation for investigating the time efficiency of such algorithms typically has the form

Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

- $T(n) = T(n/b) + f(n),$
- Where $b > 1$ and function $f(n)$ accounts for the time needed to reduce an instance to a smaller one and to extend the solution of the smaller instance to a solution of the larger instance. Strictly speaking, equation is valid only for $n = b^k, k = 0, 1, \dots$. For values of n that are not powers of b , there is typically some round off, usually involving the floor and/or ceiling functions.



Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

- **Decrease-by-a-Constant-Factor** $T(n) = T(n/b) + f(n)$,

ALGORITHM *BinarySearch*($A[0..n-1]$, K)

//Implements nonrecursive binary search

//Input: An array $A[0..n-1]$ sorted in ascending order and

// a search key K

//Output: An index of the array's element that is equal to K

// or -1 if there is no such element

$l \leftarrow 0$; $r \leftarrow n - 1$

while $l \leq r$ **do**

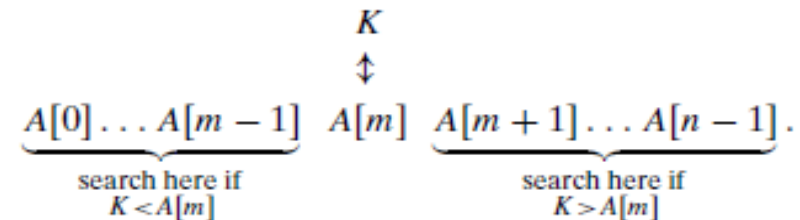
$m \leftarrow \lfloor (l + r)/2 \rfloor$

if $K = A[m]$ **return** m

else if $K < A[m]$ $r \leftarrow m - 1$

else $l \leftarrow m + 1$

return -1



- Let us apply binary search to searching for $K = 70$ in the array

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
value	3	14	27	31	39	42	55	70	74	81	85	93	98
iteration 1	l						m						r
iteration 2								l		m			r
iteration 3								l, m	r				



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ALGORITHM *BinarySearch*($A[0..n-1]$, K)

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//Implements nonrecursive binary search
//Input: An array  $A[0..n-1]$  sorted in ascending order and
//       a search key  $K$ 
//Output: An index of the array's element that is equal to  $K$ 
//        or  $-1$  if there is no such element
 $l \leftarrow 0$ ;  $r \leftarrow n-1$ 
while  $l \leq r$  do
     $m \leftarrow \lfloor (l+r)/2 \rfloor$ 
    if  $K = A[m]$  return  $m$ 
    else if  $K < A[m]$   $r \leftarrow m-1$ 
    else  $l \leftarrow m+1$ 
return  $-1$ 
```

**Convert this iterative
version into recursive
version**

ALGORITHM *Binarysearch*(A , l , r , key)

```
if( $l > r$ ) then
    return  $-1$ 
 $m \leftarrow (l+r)/2$ 
if (  $key = A[m]$ ) then
    return  $m$ 
if (  $key < A[m]$ ) then
    return Binarysearch (  $A$ ,  $l$ ,  $m-1$ ,  $key$ )
else
    return Binarysearch ( $A$ ,  $m+1$ ,  $r$ ,  $key$ )
```

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Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

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```
ALGORITHM Binarysearch( A, l, r, key)
  if(l > r) then
    return -1
  m ← (l + r)/2
  if ( key = A[m]) then
    return m
  if ( key < A[m]) then
    return Binarysearch ( A , l, m-1 ,key)
  else
    return Binarysearch (A, m+1,r,key)
```

- The standard way to analyze the efficiency of binary search is to count the number of times the search key is compared with an element of the array.
- For the sake of simplicity, we will count the so-called three-way comparisons.
- This assumes that after one comparison of key with $A[m]$, the algorithm can determine whether key is smaller, equal to, or larger than $A[m]$.



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```

- How many such comparisons does the algorithm make on an array of n elements?
- The answer obviously depends not only on n but also on the specifics of a particular instance of the problem.
- Let us find the number of key comparisons in the worst case $C_{\text{worst}}(n)$.



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```

- The worst-case inputs include all arrays that do not contain a given search key, as well as some successful searches.
- Since after one comparison the algorithm faces the same situation but for an array half the size, we get the following recurrence relation for $C_{\text{worst}}(n)$:

$$C_{\text{worst}}(n) = C_{\text{worst}}(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + 1 \quad \text{for } n > 1, \quad C_{\text{worst}}(1) = 1.$$



YOUR TURN



■ Analyze the following algorithm

ALGORITHM *Bisection*($f(x)$, a , b , eps , N)

//Implements the bisection method for finding a root of $f(x) = 0$

//Input: Two real numbers a and b , $a < b$,

// a continuous function $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$, $f(a)f(b) < 0$,

// an upper bound on the absolute error $eps > 0$,

// an upper bound on the number of iterations N

//Output: An approximate (or exact) value x of a root in (a, b)

//or an interval bracketing the root if the iteration number limit is reached

$n \leftarrow 1$ //iteration count

while $n \leq N$ **do**

$x \leftarrow (a + b)/2$

if $x - a < eps$ **return** x

$fval \leftarrow f(x)$

if $fval = 0$ **return** x

if $fval * f(a) < 0$

$b \leftarrow x$

else $a \leftarrow x$

$n \leftarrow n + 1$

return "iteration limit", a , b

Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

- **Divide-and-Conquer** A divide-and-conquer algorithm solves a problem by dividing its given instance into **several smaller instances**, solving each of them recursively, and then, if necessary, combining the solutions to the smaller instances into a solution to the given instance. Assuming that all smaller instances have the same size n/b , with a of them being actually solved, we get the following recurrence valid for $n = b^k$, $k = 1, 2, \dots$:
 - **$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$,**
- where $a \geq 1$, $b \geq 2$, and $f(n)$ is a function that accounts for the time spent on dividing the problem into smaller ones and combining their solutions. Recurrence (B.14) is called the ***general divide-and-conquer recurrence***.



Common Recurrence Types in Algorithm Analysis

■ Divide-and-Conquer $T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$

ALGORITHM *MaxElement*($A[0..n-1]$)

//Determines the value of the largest element in a given array

//Input: An array $A[0..n-1]$ of real numbers

//Output: The value of the largest element in A

$maxval \leftarrow A[0]$

for $i \leftarrow 1$ **to** $n-1$ **do**

if $A[i] > maxval$

$maxval \leftarrow A[i]$

return $maxval$

**Convert into
recursive version**

The recurrence for the number of element comparisons is

$$C(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n = 1 \\ C(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + C(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + 1 & \text{for } n > 1, \end{cases}$$

Recurrence relation?

Algorithm *MaxIndex*($A[l..r]$)

//Input: A portion of array $A[0..n-1]$ between indices l and r ($l \leq r$)

//Output: The index of the largest element in $A[l..r]$

if $l = r$ **return** l

else $temp1 \leftarrow \text{MaxIndex}(A[l..\lfloor (l+r)/2 \rfloor])$

$temp2 \leftarrow \text{MaxIndex}(A[\lfloor (l+r)/2 \rfloor + 1..r])$

if $A[temp1] \geq A[temp2]$

return $temp1$

else return $temp2$



SOLVING RECURRENCE RELATION

Solving Recurrence Relation

- There are four methods for solving a recurrence relation
 - **Iteration Method**
 - **Substitution method for recurrence relations**
 - **Recursion Tree**
 - **The Master Theorem**



Solving Recurrence Relations

Given a recurrence relation $T(n)$.

- Substitute a few times until you see a pattern
- Write a formula in terms of n and the number of substitutions i .
- Choose i so that all references to $T()$ become references to the base case.
- Solve the resulting summation

This will not always work, but works most of the time in practice.



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

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n - 1) + f(n) \\ &= T(n - 2) + f(n - 1) + f(n) \\ &= \dots \\ &= T(0) + \sum_{j=1}^n f(j). \end{aligned}$$

For a specific function $f(x)$, the sum $\sum_{j=1}^n f(j)$ can usually be either computed exactly or its order of growth ascertained. For example, if $f(n) = 1$, $\sum_{j=1}^n f(j) = n$; if $f(n) = \log n$, $\sum_{j=1}^n f(j) \in \Theta(n \log n)$; if $f(n) = n^k$, $\sum_{j=1}^n f(j) \in \Theta(n^{k+1})$.

Solving Recurrence Relations

```
function multiply(y, z)
    comment return the product yz
1.    if z = 0 then return(0) else
2.    if z is odd
3.        then return(multiply(2y, [z/2]) + y)
4.    else return(multiply(2y, [z/2]))
```

Therefore, for large enough n ,

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

Repeated Substitution

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

There is a pattern developing. It looks like after i substitutions,

$$T(n) = T(n-i) + id.$$

Now choose $i = n-1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= T(1) + d(n-1) \\&= dn + c - d.\end{aligned}$$

Let $T(n)$ be the running time of `multiply(y, z)`, where z is an n -bit natural number.

Then for some $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(n-1) + d & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Warning

This is not a proof. There is a gap in the logic. Where did

$T(n) = T(n-i) + id$

come from? Hand-waving!

What would make it a proof? Either

- Prove that statement by induction on i , or
- Prove the result by induction on n .



- Convert the recurrence into a summation and try to bound it using known series
 - **Iterate** the recurrence **until the initial condition** is reached.
 - Use **back-substitution** to express the recurrence in terms of n and the initial (boundary) condition.

Solving Recurrence Relations

$$T(n) = T(n/b) + f(n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(b^k) &= T(b^{k-1}) + f(b^k) \\ &= T(b^{k-2}) + f(b^{k-1}) + f(b^k) \\ &= \dots \\ &= T(1) + \sum_{j=1}^k f(b^j). \end{aligned}$$

For a specific function $f(x)$, the sum $\sum_{j=1}^k f(b^j)$ can usually be either computed exactly or its order of growth ascertained. For example, if $f(n) = 1$,

$$\sum_{j=1}^k f(b^j) = k = \log_b n.$$

If $f(n) = n$, to give another example,

$$\sum_{j=1}^k f(b^j) = \sum_{j=1}^k b^j = b \frac{b^k - 1}{b - 1} = b \frac{n - 1}{b - 1}.$$

$$T(n) = c + T(n/2)$$

$$T(n) = c + T(n/2)$$

$$= c + c + T(n/4)$$

$$= c + c + c + T(n/8)$$

$$T(n/2) = c + T(n/4)$$

$$T(n/4) = c + T(n/8)$$

Assume $n = 2^k$

$$T(n) = \underbrace{c + c + \dots + c}_{k \text{ times}} + T(1)$$

k times

$$= c \lg n + T(1)$$

$$= \Theta(\lg n)$$

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(b^k) &= aT(b^{k-1}) + f(b^k) \\ &= a[aT(b^{k-2}) + f(b^{k-1})] + f(b^k) = a^2T(b^{k-2}) + af(b^{k-1}) + f(b^k) \\ &= a^2[aT(b^{k-3}) + f(b^{k-2})] + af(b^{k-1}) + f(b^k) \\ &= a^3T(b^{k-3}) + a^2f(b^{k-2}) + af(b^{k-1}) + f(b^k) \\ &= \dots \\ &= a^kT(1) + a^{k-1}f(b^1) + a^{k-2}f(b^2) + \dots + a^0f(b^k) \\ &= a^k[T(1) + \sum_{j=1}^k f(b^j)/a^j]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $a^k = a^{\log_b n} = n^{\log_b a}$, we get the following formula for the solution to recurrence (B.14) for $n = b^k$:

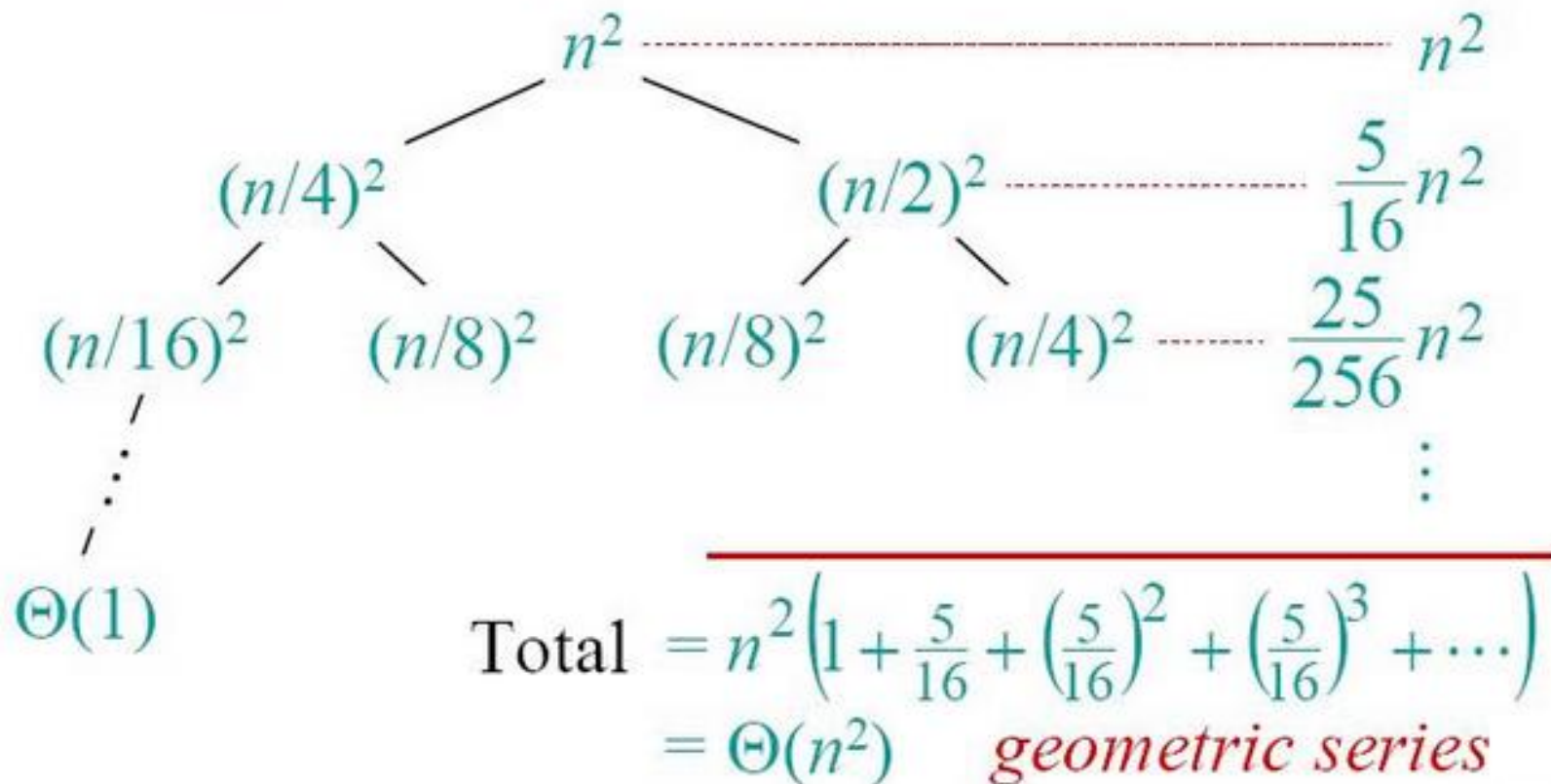
$$T(n) = n^{\log_b a} [T(1) + \sum_{j=1}^{\log_b n} f(b^j)/a^j].$$

$$\mathbf{T(n) = n + 2T(n/2)} \quad \text{Assume: } n = 2^k$$

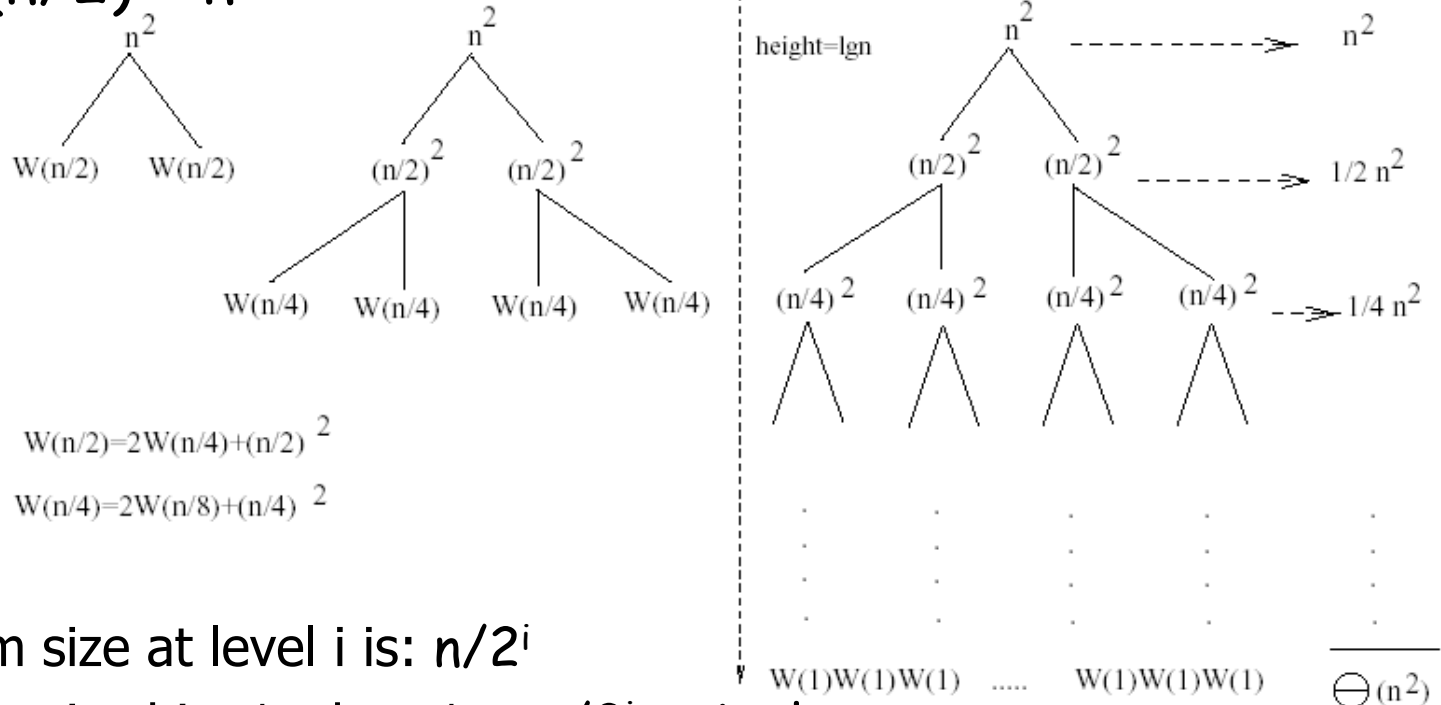
$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= n + 2T(n/2) & T(n/2) &= n/2 + 2T(n/4) \\ &= n + 2(n/2 + 2T(n/4)) \\ &= n + n + 4T(n/4) \\ &= n + n + 4(n/4 + 2T(n/8)) \\ &= n + n + n + 8T(n/8) \\ \dots &= in + 2^iT(n/2^i) \\ &= kn + 2^kT(1) \\ &= n \lg n + nT(1) = \Theta(n \lg n) \end{aligned}$$

- Expanding the recurrence into a tree
 - In a recursion tree, each node represents the cost of a single sub-problem somewhere in the set of recursive function invocations.
- Summing the cost at each level
 - We sum the costs within each level of the tree to obtain a set of per-level costs, and then we sum all the per-level costs to determine the total cost of all levels of the recursion.

Solve $T(n) = T(n/4) + T(n/2) + n^2$:



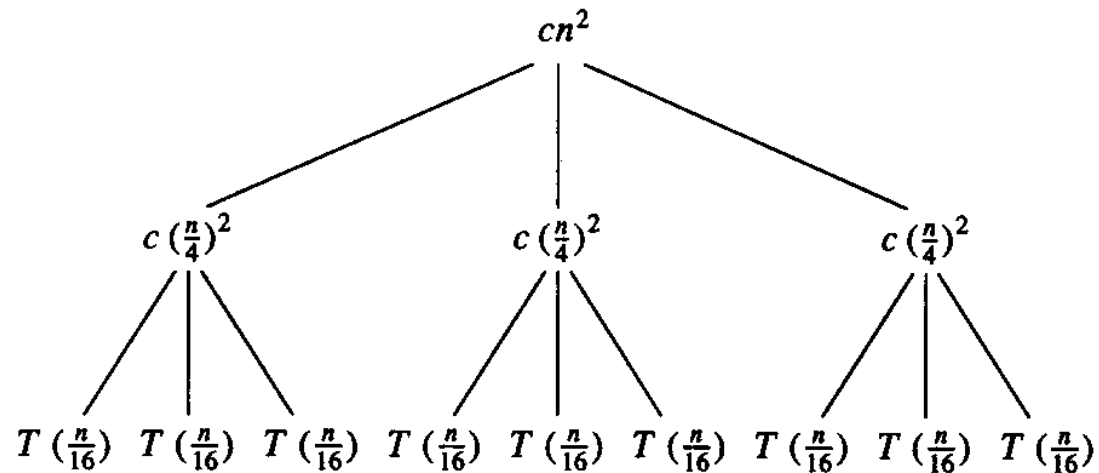
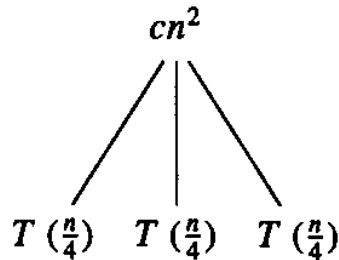
$$W(n) = 2W(n/2) + n^2$$



- Subproblem size at level i is: $n/2^i$
- Subproblem size hits 1 when $1 = n/2^i \Rightarrow i = \lg n$
- Cost of the problem at level $i = (n/2^i)^2$ No. of nodes at level $i = 2^i$
- Total cost:
$$W(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n - 1} \frac{n^2}{2^i} + 2^{\lg n} W(1) = n^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\lg n - 1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^i + n \leq n^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^i + O(n) = n^2 \frac{1}{1 - 1/2} + O(n) = 2n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow W(n) = O(n^2)$$

E.g.: $T(n) = 3T(n/4) + cn^2$



- Subproblem size at level i is: $n/4^i$
- Subproblem size hits 1 when $1 = n/4^i \Rightarrow i = \log_4 n$
- Cost of a node at level $i = c(n/4^i)^2$
- Number of nodes at level $i = 3^i \Rightarrow$ last level has $3^{\log_4 n} = n^{\log_4 3}$ nodes
- Total cost:

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

Convert the recurrence into a tree:

- Each node represents the cost incurred at various levels of recursion
- Sum up the costs of all levels

Used to “guess” a solution for the recurrence

The substitution method

1. Guess a solution
2. Use induction to prove that the solution works

Substitution method

- Guess a solution
 - $T(n) = O(g(n))$
 - Induction goal: apply the definition of the asymptotic notation
 - $T(n) \leq d g(n)$, for some $d > 0$ and $n \geq n_0$
 - Induction hypothesis: $T(k) \leq d g(k)$ for all $k < n$ (strong induction)
- Prove the induction goal
 - Use the **induction hypothesis** to find some values of the constants d and n_0 for which the **induction goal** holds

Example: Binary Search

$$T(n) = c + T(n/2)$$

- Guess: $T(n) = O(\lg n)$
 - Induction goal: $T(n) \leq d \lg n$, for some d and $n \geq n_0$
 - Induction hypothesis: $T(n/2) \leq d \lg(n/2)$
- Proof of induction goal:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n/2) + c \leq d \lg(n/2) + c \\ &= d \lg n - d + c \leq d \lg n \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{if: } -d + c \leq 0, d \geq c$$

Base case?



Example 2

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

- Guess: $T(n) = O(n^2)$
 - Induction goal: $T(n) \leq c n^2$, for some c and $n \geq n_0$
 - Induction hypothesis: $T(n-1) \leq c(n-1)^2$ for all $k < n$

- Proof of induction goal:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n-1) + n \leq c(n-1)^2 + n \\ &= cn^2 - (2cn - c - n) \leq cn^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{if: } 2cn - c - n \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow c \geq n/(2n-1) \Leftrightarrow c \geq 1/(2 - 1/n)$$

- For $n \geq 1 \Rightarrow 2 - 1/n \geq 1 \Rightarrow$ any $c \geq 1$ will work

Example 3

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

- Guess: $T(n) = O(n \lg n)$
 - Induction goal: $T(n) \leq cn \lg n$, for some c and $n \geq n_0$
 - Induction hypothesis: $T(n/2) \leq cn/2 \lg(n/2)$
- Proof of induction goal:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + n \leq 2c (n/2) \lg(n/2) + n \\ &= cn \lg n - cn + n \leq cn \lg n \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{if: } -cn + n \leq 0 \Rightarrow c \geq 1$$

Base case?

Changing variables

$$T(n) = 2T(\sqrt{n}) + \lg n$$

- Rename: $m = \lg n \Rightarrow n = 2^m$

$$T(2^m) = 2T(2^{m/2}) + m$$

- Rename: $S(m) = T(2^m)$

$$S(m) = 2S(m/2) + m \Rightarrow S(m) = O(m \lg m)$$

(demonstrated before)

$$T(n) = T(2^m) = S(m) = O(m \lg m) = O(\lg n \lg \lg n)$$

Idea: transform the recurrence to one that you have seen before

Example 2 - Substitution

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

- Guess: $T(n) = O(n^2)$
 - Induction goal: $T(n) \leq dn^2$, for some d and $n \geq n_0$
 - Induction hypothesis: $T(n/4) \leq d(n/4)^2$

- Proof of induction goal:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 3T(n/4) + cn^2 \\ &\leq 3d(n/4)^2 + cn^2 \\ &= (3/16)d n^2 + cn^2 \\ &\leq d n^2 \quad \text{if: } d \geq (16/13)c \end{aligned}$$

- Therefore: $T(n) = O(n^2)$

Example 3 (simpler proof)

$$W(n) = W(n/3) + W(2n/3) + n$$

- The longest path from the root to a leaf is:

$$n \rightarrow (2/3)n \rightarrow (2/3)^2 n$$

$$\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 1$$

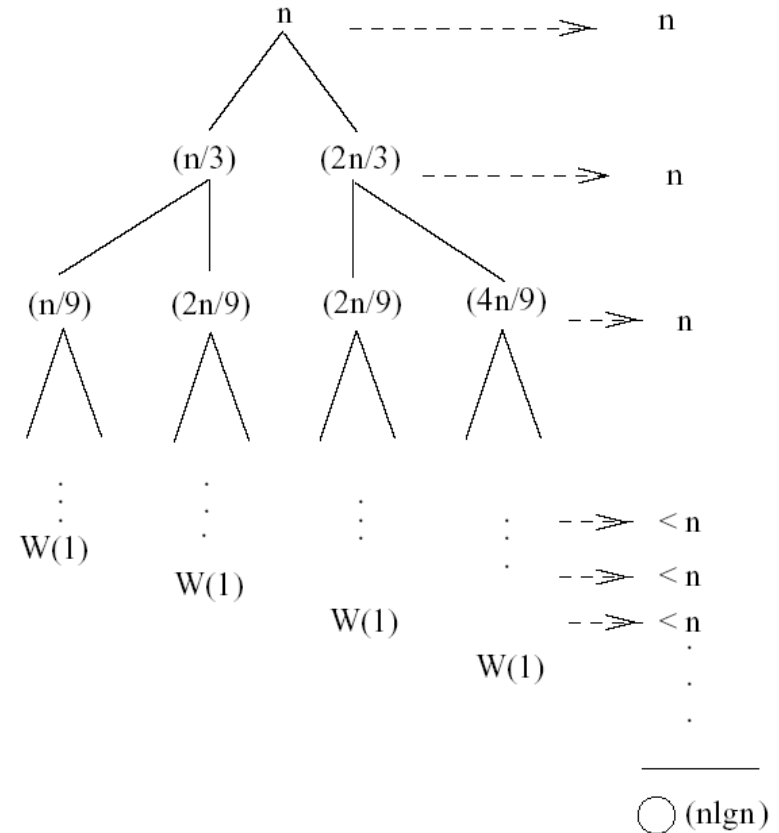
- Subproblem size hits 1 when

$$1 = (2/3)^i n \Leftrightarrow i = \log_{3/2} n$$

- Cost of the problem at level $i = n$

- Total cost:

$$W(n) < n + n + \dots = n(\log_{3/2} n) = n \frac{\lg n}{\lg \frac{3}{2}} = O(n \lg n)$$



Example 3

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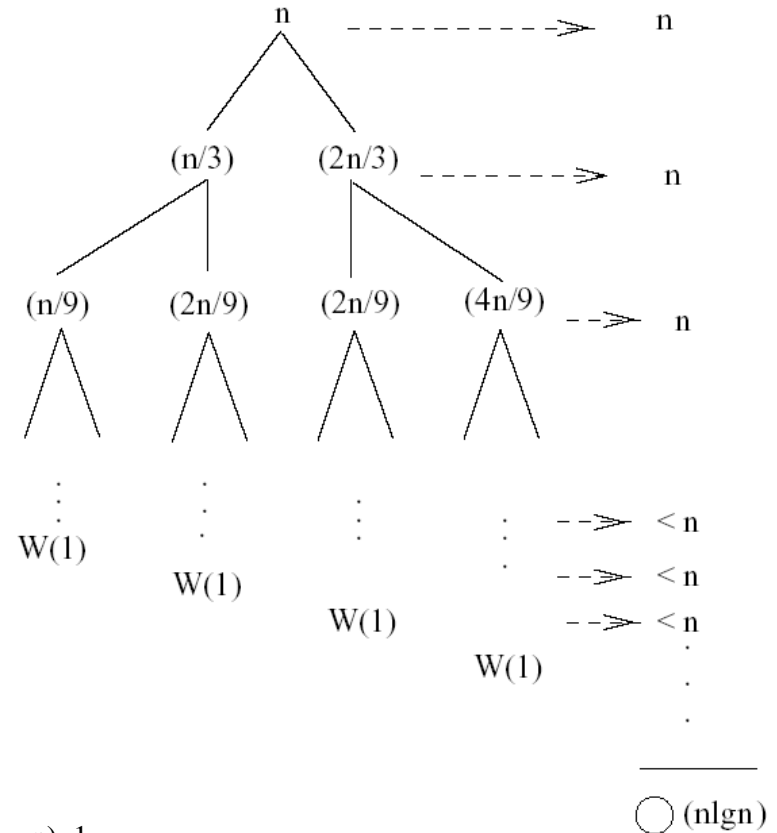
$$n \rightarrow (2/3)n \rightarrow (2/3)^2 n$$

$$\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 1$$

- Subproblem size hits 1 when
 $1 = (2/3)^i n \Leftrightarrow i = \log_{3/2} n$
- Cost of the problem at level $i = n$

- Total cost:
$$W(n) < n + n + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{(\log_{3/2} n)-1} n + 2^{(\log_{3/2} n)} W(1) <$$

$$< n \sum_{i=0}^{\log_{3/2} n} 1 + n^{\log_{3/2} 2} = n \log_{3/2} n + O(n) = n \frac{\lg n}{\lg 3/2} + O(n) = \frac{1}{\lg 3/2} n \lg n + O(n)$$



General Recurrence Relation of Divide and Conq.

Base of recursion

Running time for base

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n = n_0 \\ a.T(f(n)) + g(n) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Number of times recursive call is made

Size of problem solved by recursive call

All other processing not counting recursive calls

Master Theorem: A general divide-and-conquer recurrence

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + g(n) \quad \text{where } g(n) \in \Theta(n^k)$$

$$a < b^k$$

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

$$a = b^k$$

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

$$a > b^k$$

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\text{to the power of } (\log_b a)})$$

Note: the same results hold with O instead of Θ .

Div & Conq. (contd.)

- $T(n) = aT(n/b) + g(n), a \geq 1, b > 1$

- Master Theorem:

If $g(n) \in \Theta(n^d)$ where $d \geq 0$ then

What if $a = 1$?

Have we seen it?

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

So, $A(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_2 2})$
Or, $A(n) \in \Theta(n)$

Without going through back-subs. we got it, but not quite...

For adding n numbers with divide and conquer technique, the number of additions $A(n)$ is:

$$A(n) = 2A(n/2) + 1$$

Here, $a = ?, b = ?, d = ?$ $a = 2, b = 2, d = 0$

Which of the 3 cases holds? $a = 2 > b^d = 2^0$, case 3



Div. & Conq. (contd.)

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n), a \geq 1, b > 1$$

If $f(n) \in \Theta(n^d)$ where $d \geq 0$, then

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

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 6n - 1?$$

$$T(n) = 3T(n/2) + n \quad a = 3, b = 2, f(n) \in \Theta(n^1), \text{ so } d = 1$$

$$a = 3 > b^d = 2^1 \quad \text{Case 3: } T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_2 3}) = \Theta(n^{1.5850})$$

$$T(n) = 3T(n/2) + n^2 \quad a = 3, b = 2, f(n) \in \Theta(n^2), \text{ so } d = 2$$

$$a = 3 < b^d = 2^2 \quad \text{Case 1: } T(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$$

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n^2 \quad a = 4, b = 2, f(n) \in \Theta(n^2), \text{ so } d = 2$$

$$a = 4 = b^d = 2^2 \quad \text{Case 2: } T(n) \in \Theta(n^2 \lg n)$$

$$T(n) = 0.5T(n/2) + 1/n \quad \text{Master thm doesn't apply, } a < 1, d < 0$$

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n/\lg n \quad \text{Master thm doesn't apply } f(n) \text{ not polynomial}$$

$$T(n) = 64T(n/8) - n^2 \lg n \quad f(n) \text{ is not positive, doesn't apply}$$

$$T(n) = 2^n T(n/8) + n \quad a \text{ is not constant, doesn't apply}$$



Important Recurrence Types

- One (constant) operation reduces problem size by one.

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

$$T(1) = d$$

$$\text{Solution: } T(n) = (n-1)c + d$$

linear

- A pass through input reduces problem size by one.

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

$$T(1) = d$$

$$\text{Solution: } T(n) = [n(n+1)/2 - 1] c + d$$

quadratic

- One (constant) operation reduces problem size by half.

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + c$$

$$T(1) = d$$

$$\text{Solution: } T(n) = c \log n + d$$

logarithmic

- A pass through input reduces problem size by half.

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

$$T(1) = d$$

$$\text{Solution: } T(n) = cn \log n + d n$$

$n \log n$

Important Recurrence Types

Recurrence	Algorithm	Big-Oh Solution
$T(n) = T(n/2) + O(1)$	Binary Search	$O(\log n)$
$T(n) = T(n-1) + O(1)$	Sequential Search	$O(n)$
$T(n) = 2 T(n/2) + O(1)$	Tree Traversal	$O(n)$
$T(n) = T(n-1) + O(n)$	Selection Sort (other n^2 sorts)	$O(n^2)$
$T(n) = 2 T(n/2) + O(n)$	Mergesort (average case Quicksort)	$O(n \log n)$