

DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF ALGORITHMS

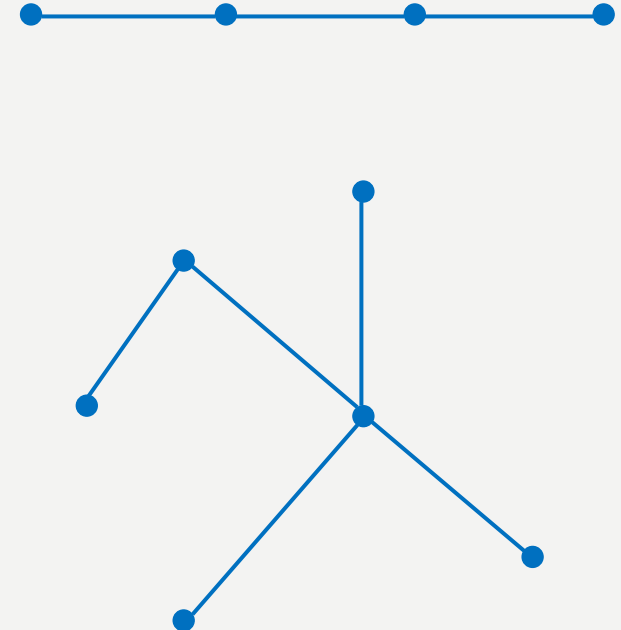
**CS 4120/5120
RECURSION TREE**

AGENDA

- Tree
- Recursion tree
 - Best for **making a good guess**

CONCEPTS OF TREES

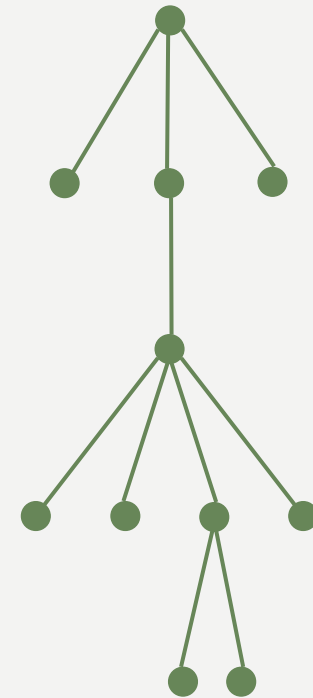
- A **tree** (T) is a connected **acyclic undirected** graph
 - In CS, some trees might be directed
- **Unique path** between two vertices
- A tree with n vertices has exactly **$n - 1$ edges**



TREE, FREE TREE, ROOTED TREE

(V, E)

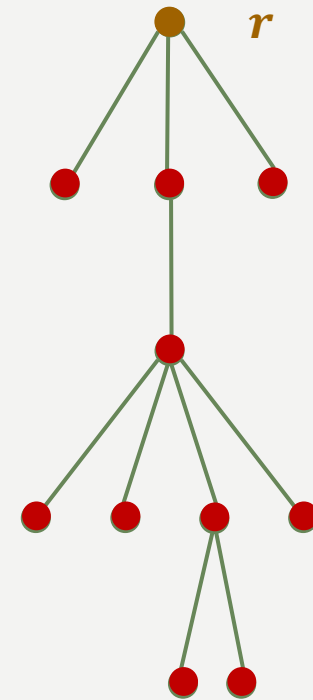
- A **tree**, T , is often denoted by (V, E)
 - V is the set of vertices
 - E is the set of edges
- A **free tree** is a **connected, acyclic, undirected** graph.
 - We often omit the adjective “**free**” when we say that a graph is a tree.
- A **rooted tree** is a **free tree** in which one of the vertices is distinguished from the others.



ROOTED TREE (V, E)

THE ROOT

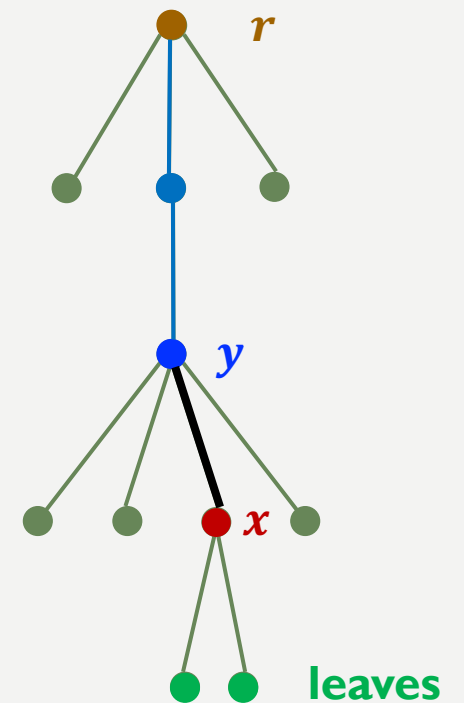
- The distinguished vertex of the **rooted tree** is called the **root**.
 - Denoted by r .
- A vertex of a **rooted tree** is referred to as a **node** of the tree.



ROOTED TREE (V, E)

PARENT AND CHILDREN

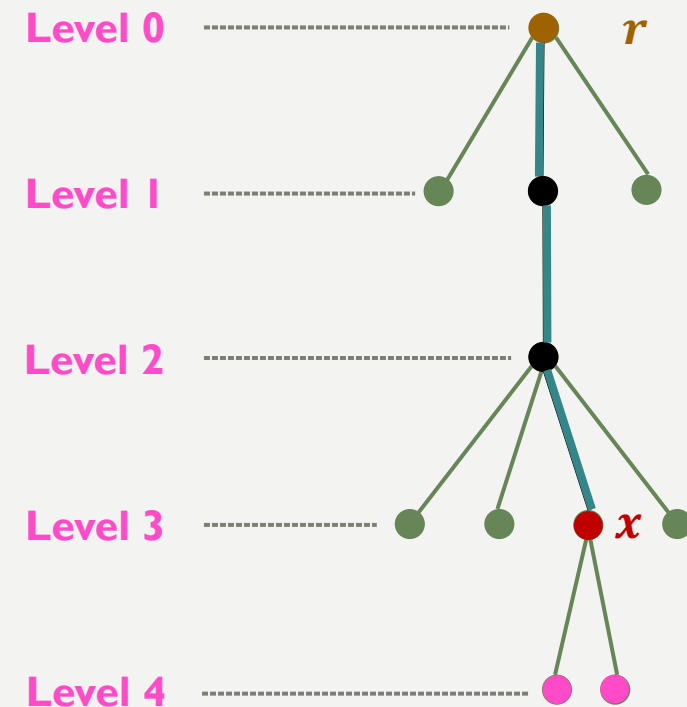
- If the last edge on the simple path from the root r of a **tree** T to a node x is (y, x) , then y is the **parent** of x , and x is a **child** of y .
 - The **root** is the only node **without** a parent.
 - A node with no children is a **leaf** or **external node**.
 - A nonleaf node is an **internal node**.



ROOTED TREE (V, E)

DEGREE, DEPTH, LEVEL

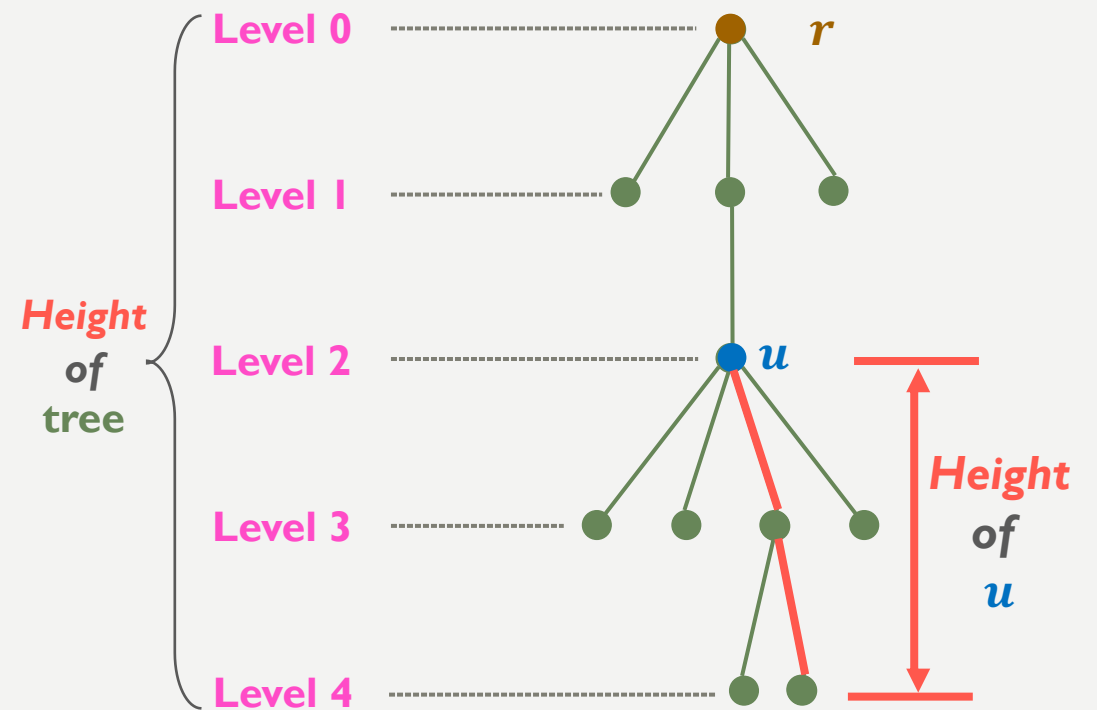
- The number of children of a node x in a **rooted tree** T equals the **degree** of x .
- The length of the simple path from the **root** r to a node x is the **depth** of x in T .
 - A **level** of a tree consists of all nodes at the same **depth**.



ROOTED TREE (V, E)

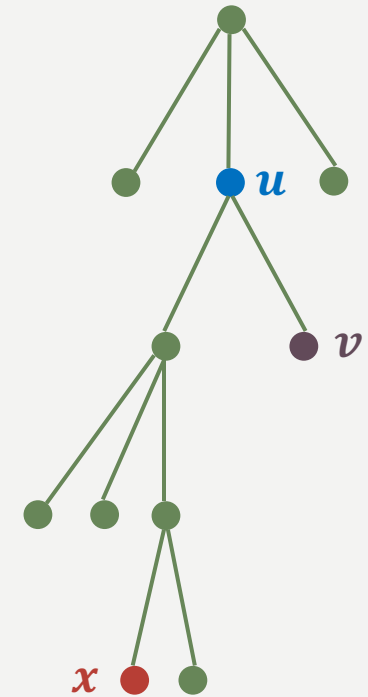
HEIGHT

- The **height** of a node in a tree is the number of edges on the longest simple downward path from the node to a leaf.
 - The height of u is 2.
 - The **height** of a tree is the **height** of its root r .



ROOTED TREE PRACTICE

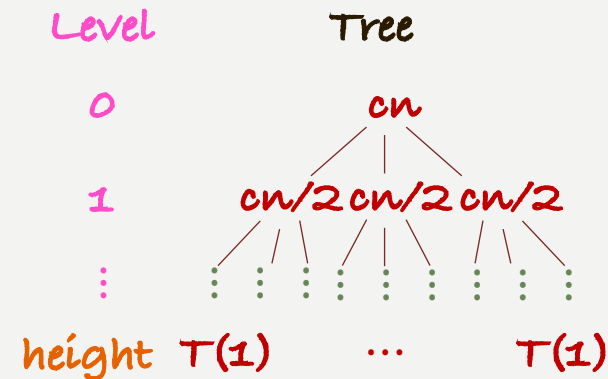
- Given the tree $T = (V, E)$ on the right.
 - $|V| = \underline{11}$, $|E| = \underline{10}$.
 - The degree of u is 2; the degree of x is 0.
 - Node v is at level 2; the root is at level 0.
 - The height of u is 3; the height of v is 0.
 - The height of the tree is 4.



RECURSION TREE

A NODE

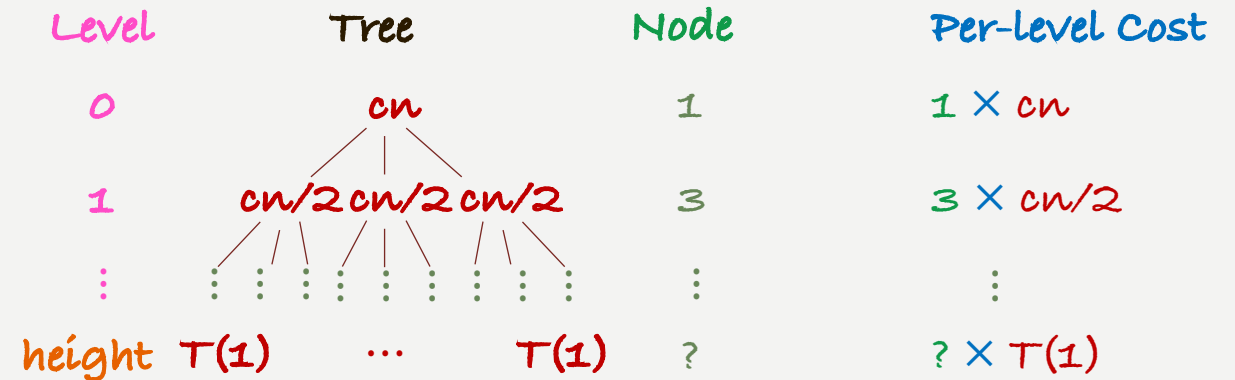
- **Each node** represents **the cost of a single subproblem** somewhere in the set of recursive function invocations.



RECURSION TREE

PER-LEVEL COSTS

- A set of **per-level costs** $f(k)$ can be obtained by summing the costs within each level of the tree.
 - We often draw a **NODE** column to store the number of nodes at a level.



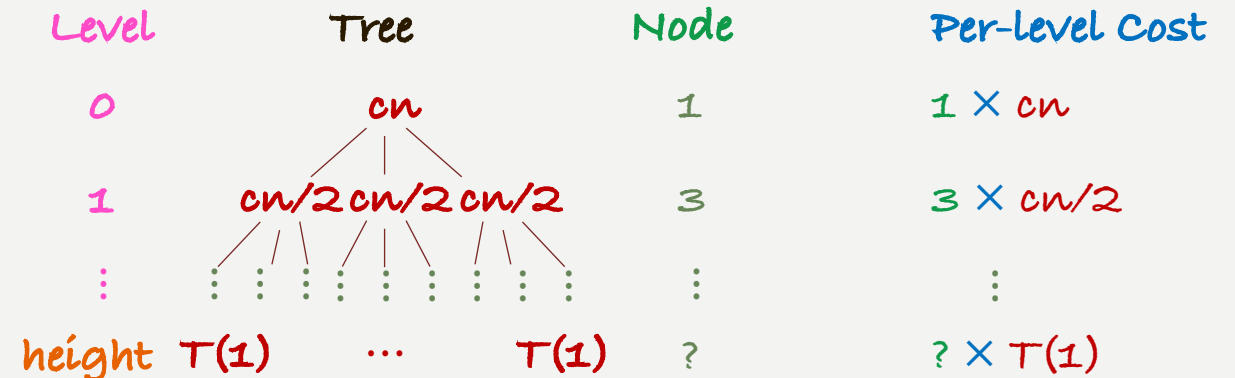
RECURSION TREE

TOTAL COST

- **Sum** all the **per-level costs** to determine the total cost of all levels of the recursion.

$$T(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{\text{height}} f(k)$$

– **height** = ?



RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

STEP 1

- Make a guess of $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & n = 1 \\ 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n), & n > 1 \end{cases}$ by using recursion tree.

- **Step I:** Draw the “head” of the tree.

Level

Tree

Node

Per-level Cost

- Level
- Tree (the recursion tree)
- Node (# of nodes at a level)
- Per-level cost (cost within a level)

RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

STEP 2 (LEVEL 0)

- Make a guess of $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & n = 1 \\ 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n), & n > 1 \end{cases}$ by using recursion tree.

- Step 2: Start at level 0, draw the tree down to level 2.

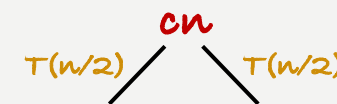
– The cost of level 0 $T(n)$ consists of

- $\Theta(n) = cn$
- $T(n/2)$
- $T(n/2)$

Level

0

Tree



Node

Per-level Cost

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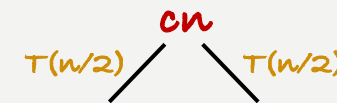
– Complete

- Node (# of nodes at level 0)
- Per-level cost (cost within level 0)

Level

0

Tree



Node

1

Per-level Cost

$1 \times cn = cn$

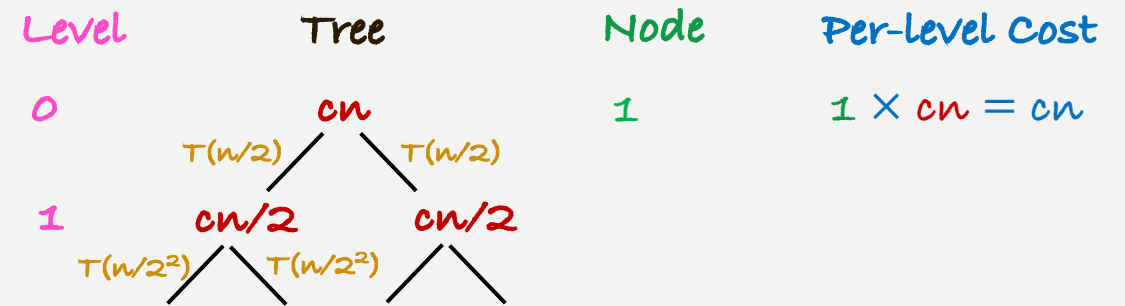
RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

STEP 2 (LEVEL 1)

- Make a guess of $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & n = 1 \\ 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n), & n > 1 \end{cases}$ by using recursion tree.

- Step 2:** Start at **level 0**, draw the tree down to **level 2**.
 - Each** node of **level 1** $T(n/2)$ consists of

- $\Theta(n/2) = cn/2$
- $T(n/2^2)$
- $T(n/2^2)$



RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

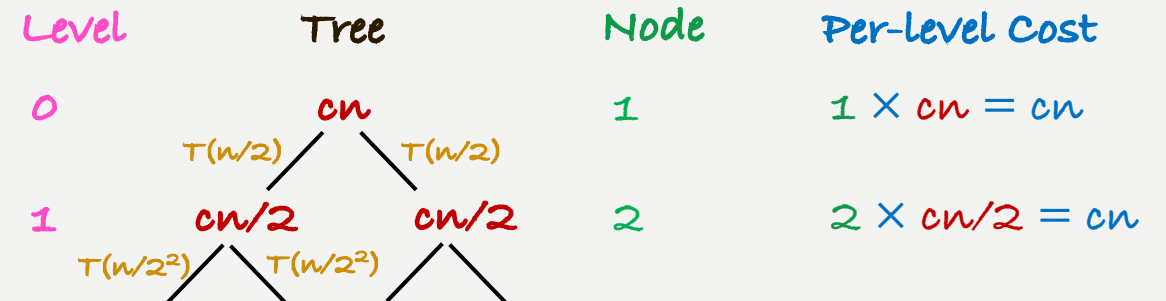
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- Step 2:** Start at **level 0**, draw the tree **downto level 2**.

– Complete

- Node** (# of nodes at **level l**)
- Per-level cost** (cost within **level l**)



RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

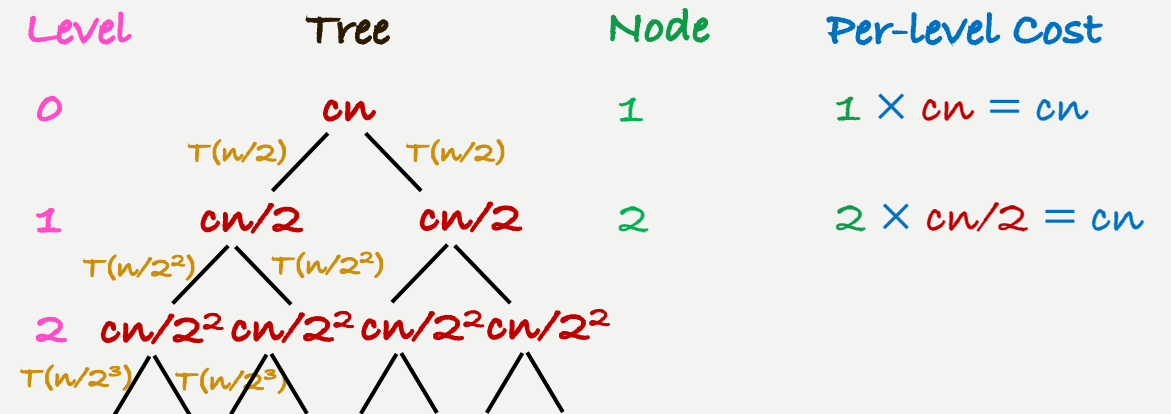
STEP 2 (LEVEL 2)

- Make a guess of $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & n = 1 \\ 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n), & n > 1 \end{cases}$ by using recursion tree.

- Step 2:** Start at **level 0**, draw the tree down to **level 2**.

– **Each** node **level 2** $T(n/2^2)$ consists of

- $\Theta(n/2^2) = cn/2^2$
- $T(n/2^3)$
- $T(n/2^3)$



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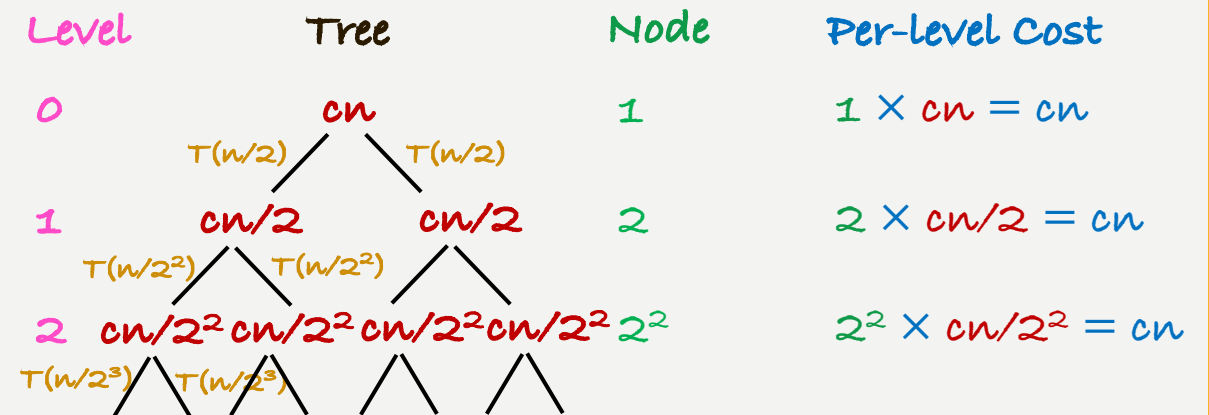
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– Complete

- Node** (# of nodes at level 2)
- Per-level cost** (cost within level 2)



RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

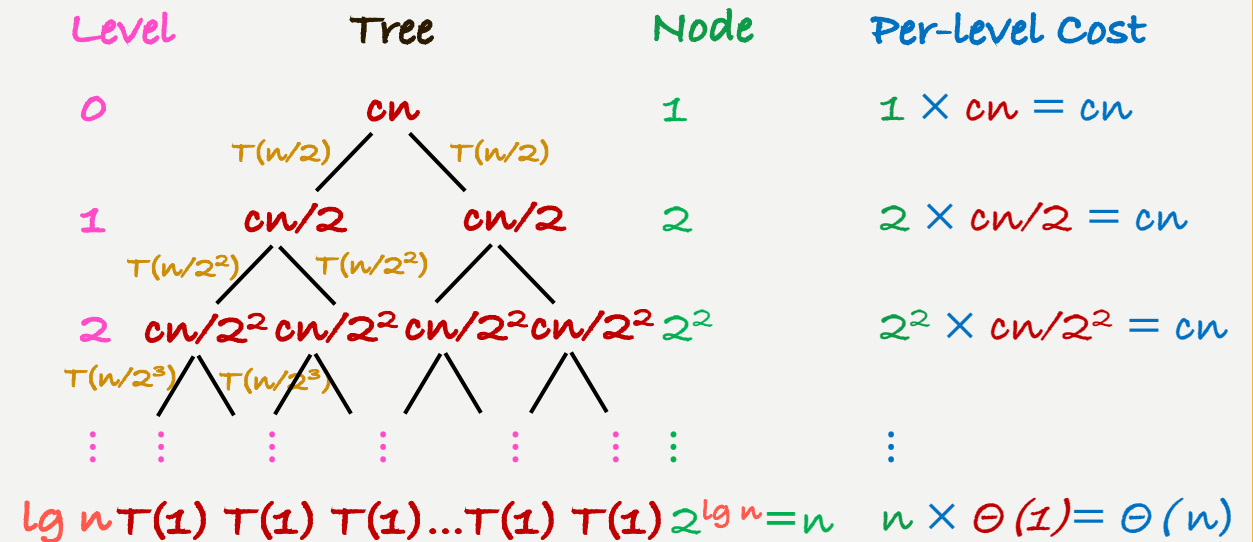
STEP 3

- Make a guess of $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & n = 1 \\ 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n), & n > 1 \end{cases}$ by using recursion tree.

- Step 3: Complete** the recursion tree by drawing the deepest **level**.

– **height** = **lg n**

- Assume without loss of generality that n is a power of 2.



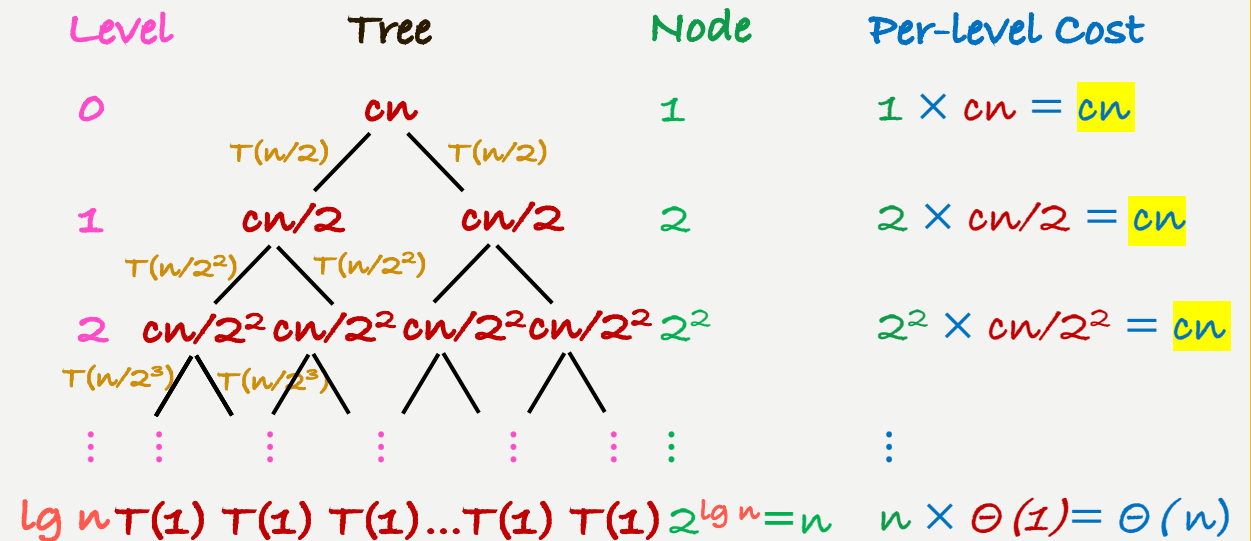
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STEP 4

- Make a guess of $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & n = 1 \\ 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n), & n > 1 \end{cases}$ by using recursion tree.

- Step 4:** Derive the cost of **level k** as a function of k .

$$f(k) = cn$$



RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

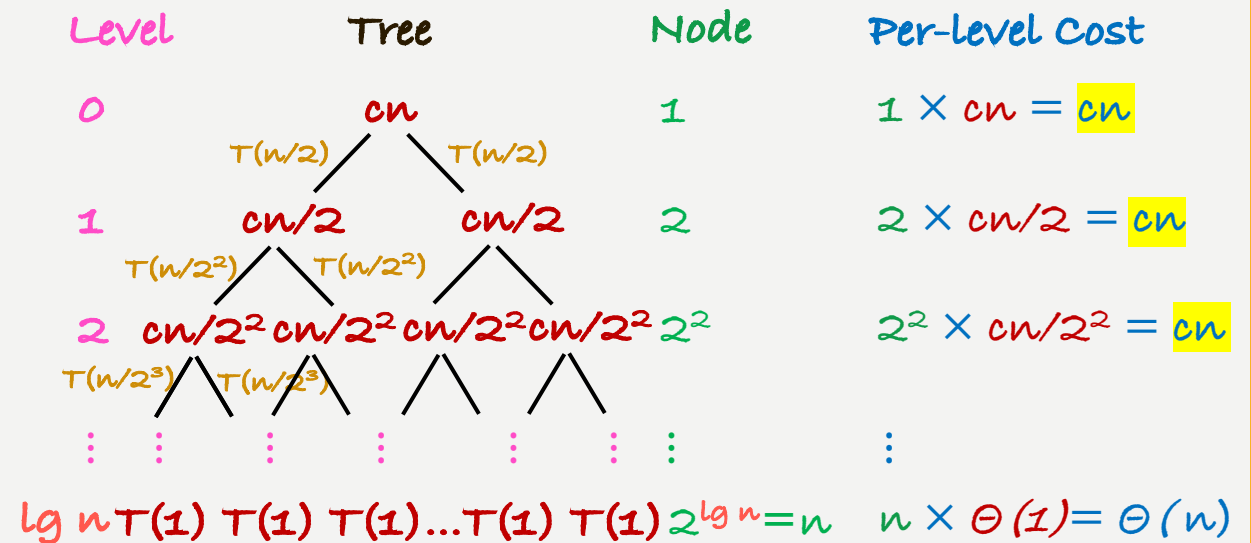
STEP 5

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- Step 5:** Compute the **total cost** by summing all the **per-level costs** $f(k)$ of all levels of the recursion.

$$T(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{\lg n} cn$$

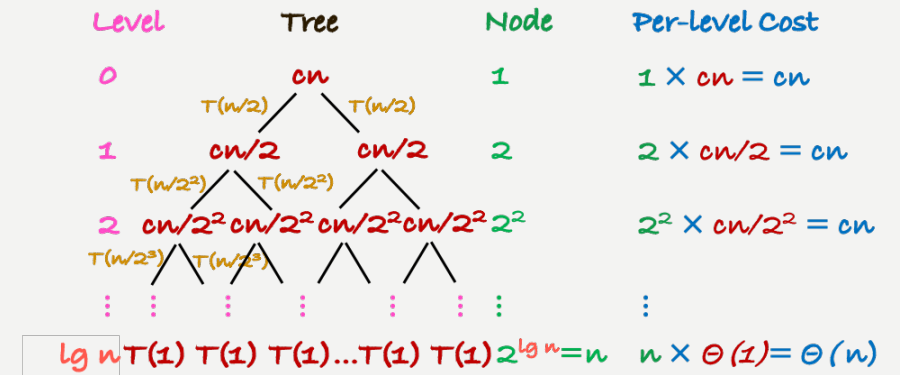
$$= cn(\lg n + 1) = \Theta(n \lg n)$$



RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

REVIEW

- **Step 1:** Draw the “head” of the tree.
- **Step 2:** Start at **level 0**, draw the tree down to **level 2**.
- **Step 3:** Complete the recursion tree by drawing the deepest **level**.
- **Step 4:** Derive the cost of **level k** as a function of **k** .
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$$T(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{\text{height}} f(k)$$

RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

PRACTICE

- Make a guess of $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & n = 1 \\ 3 \cdot T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \right\rfloor\right) + \Theta(n^2), & n > 1 \end{cases}$ by using recursion tree.
- Tolerate sloppiness $\Rightarrow T(n) = 3 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + cn^2$
- **Step 1 through step 3**

RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

PRACTICE

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- **Step 4:**
 $f(k) =$

RECURSION TREE IN ACTION

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- **Step 5:**

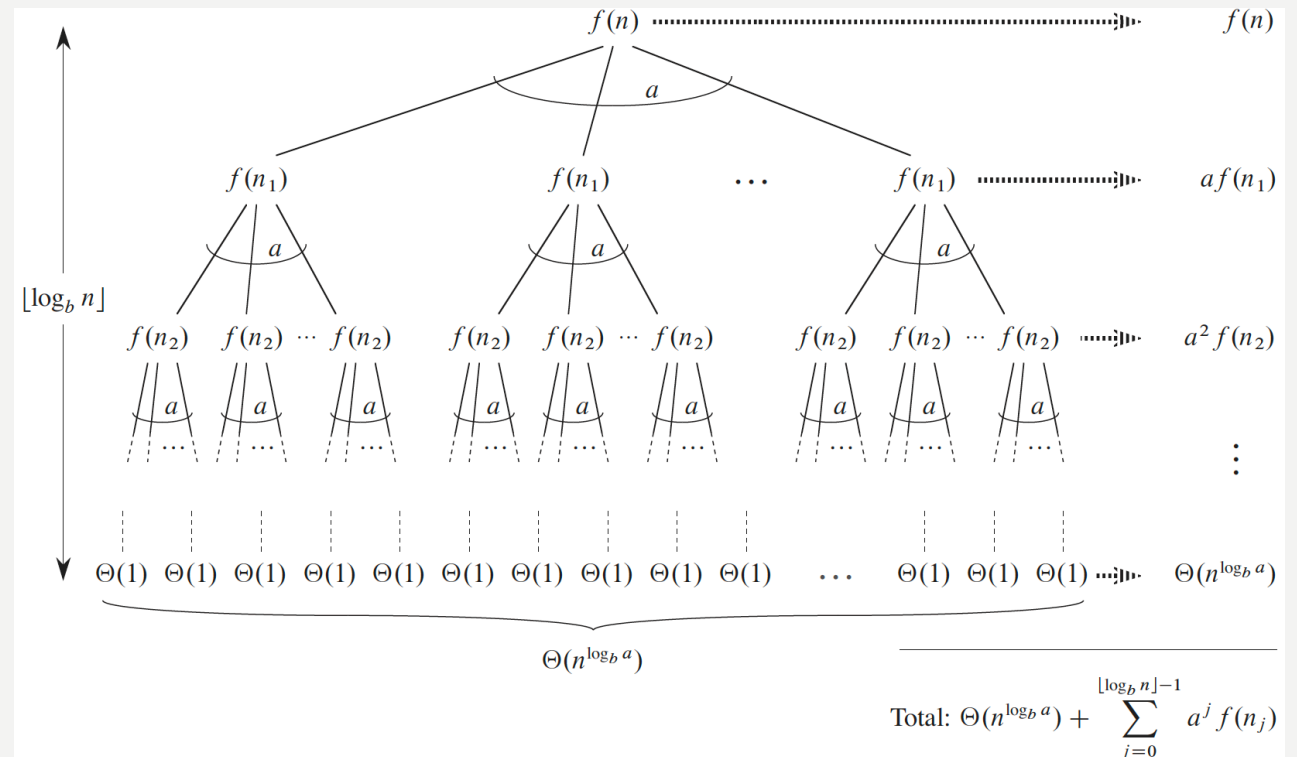
$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\quad} (\underline{\hspace{2cm}}) \\
 &= \underline{\hspace{4cm}} \\
 &= O(\underline{\hspace{2cm}})
 \end{aligned}$$

RECURSION TREE METHOD

GENERALIZATION

- Consider recursive function in the form of $T(n) = a \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$.
 - A problem is divided into a subproblems with each subproblem solving n/b of the input.
 - The cost of a single subproblem is a function $f(n_j)$, where j is the level number. $n_j = \frac{n}{b^j}$.

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) + \sum_{j=0}^{\lceil \log_b n \rceil - 1} a^j f(n_j)$$



RECURSION TREE METHOD

GENERALIZATION PRACTICE

- Make a guess of $T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & n = 1 \\ 3 \cdot T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \right\rfloor\right) + \Theta(n^2), & n > 1 \end{cases}$ by using recursion tree.
- **Solution** (Tolerate sloppiness $\Rightarrow T(n) = 3 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + cn^2$)
 - The recurrence must be in the form of $T(n) = a \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$. $a = \underline{3}$, $b = \underline{4}$, $f(n) = \underline{cn^2}$.
 - Plug a, b , and $f(n)$ in the formula.

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= \Theta\left(n^{\log_4 3}\right) + \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \log_4 n \rfloor - 1} 3^j cn^2 \approx \Theta\left(n^{\log_4 3}\right) + cn^2 \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{\log_4 n - 1} 3^j \\
 &< \Theta\left(n^{\log_4 3}\right) + \frac{1}{1 - (3/16)} cn^2 = \mathcal{O}(n^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

NEXT UP

MASTER THEOREM

- Solving recurrence

REFERENCE