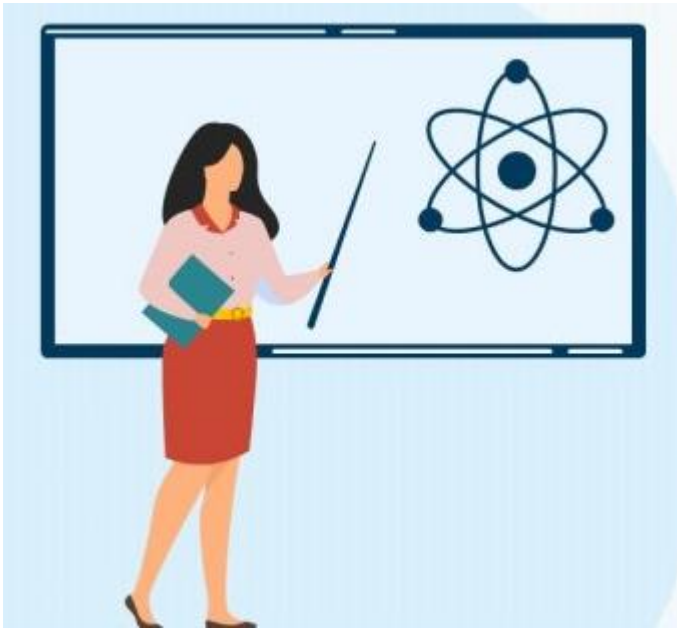


# Recurrence Relation



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# Recurrence Relation ( $T(n) = T(n-1) + 1$ )

In recurrence relation, we usually call the function as  $T(n)$ . As it is a time function

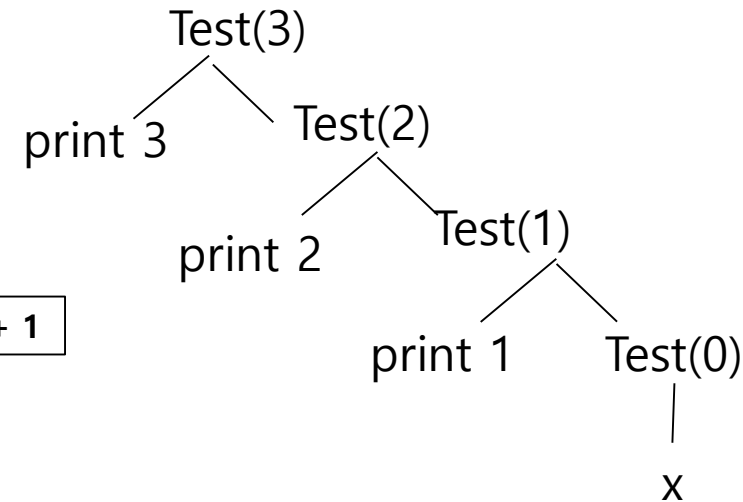
# Recursive Tree ( $T(n) = T(n-1) + 1$ )

Finding Time complexity using **Recursive Tree**

What is the time complexity of this function ?

```
Void Test( int n )     $\longrightarrow$   $T(n)$ 
{
  if ( n > 0 )           $\longrightarrow$  1 (one unit)
  {
    printf("%d",n );     $\longrightarrow$  1 (one unit)
    Test(n - 1);         $\longrightarrow$   $T(n - 1)$ 
  }
}
```

$$T(n) = T(n - 1) + 2 \rightarrow T(n - 1) + 1$$



$F(n) = (n + 1) \rightarrow$  there are  $n + 1$  function calls, and each function call takes one unit of time to print  
**Time Complexity**  $\rightarrow \Theta(n)$

# Substitution Method ( $T(n) = T(n-1) + 1$ )

```
Void Test( int n )  —————→ T(n) -> It is total amount of time taken by this function
{
    if ( n > 0 )      —————→ 1 (one unit)
    {
        printf("%d",n ); —————→ 1 (one unit)
        Test(n - 1);   —————→ T(n - 1)
    }
}
```

$T(n) = T(n - 1) + 2 \rightarrow T(n-1) + 1$

Test (3)

When  $n$  is 0, the time it takes is 0, but we don't write it 0, we make it a constant time 1, you can take any constant

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0 \\ T(n-1) + 1 & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n-1) + 1 \\ &= [T(n-2) + 1] + 1 = T(n-2) + 2 \\ &= [T(n-3) + 1] + 2 = T(n-3) + 3 \\ &= [T(n-4) + 1] + 3 = T(n-4) + 4 \end{aligned}$$

.....

.....

.....

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

This substitution can go up to  $n = 0$

Hence we assume that  $n - k = 0$

which means  $n = k$

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

$$T(n) = T(0) + n$$

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

**Time Complexity -  $\Theta(n)$**

Time complexity following of this Recurrence relation using recursion tree or substitution method is coming to be same as  $O(n)$

**Recurrence Relation ( $T(n) = T(n-1) + n$  )**

# Recursive Tree (T(n) = T(n-1) + n )

Finding Time complexity using **Recursive Tree**

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0 \\ T(n-1) + n & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

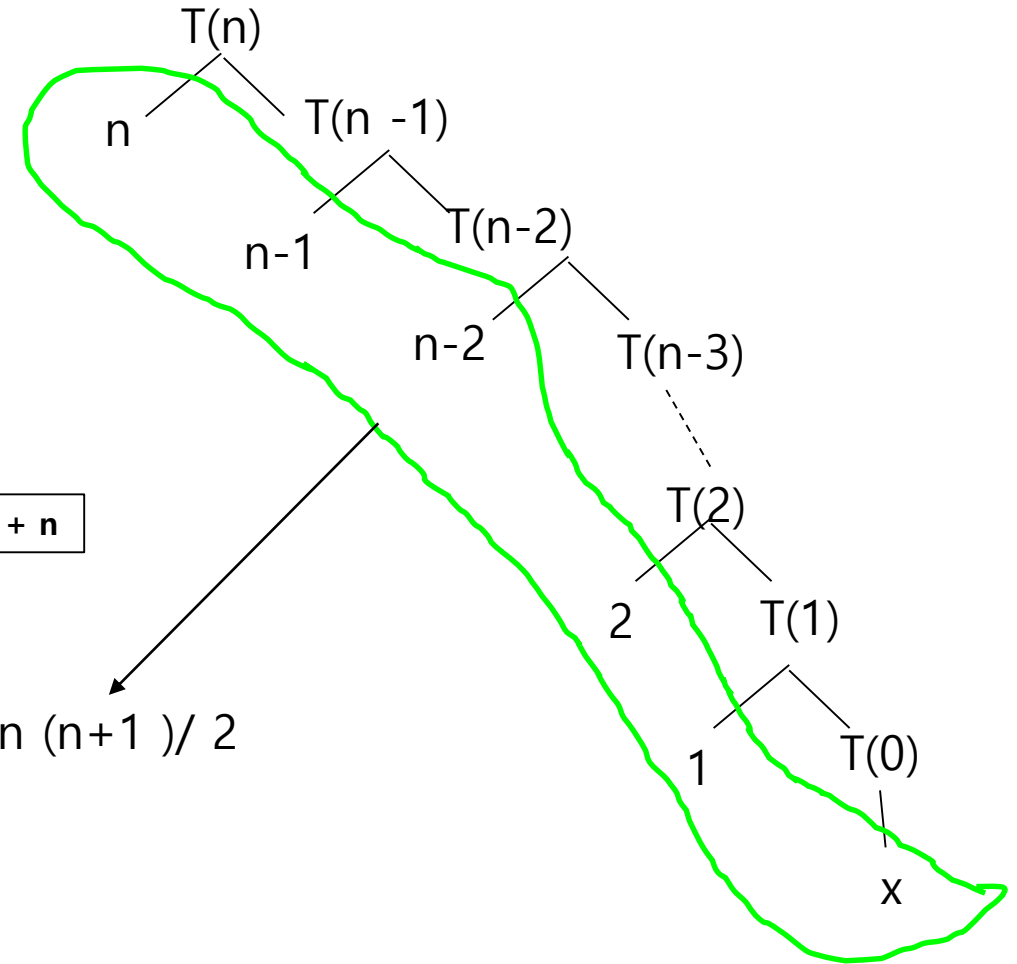
```
Void Test( int n )           —————> This function takes T( n )
{
  if ( n > 0 )                —————> 1 unit time
  {
    for ( i=0 ; i< n ;i++)    —————> n +1 (unit)
    {
      printf("%d",n );        —————> n (unit)
    }
    Test(n - 1);              —————> T( n -1 )
  }
}
```

$$T( n ) = T ( n -1 ) + 2n +2 \rightarrow T ( n -1 ) + n$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n-1 + n = n(n+1)/2$$

$$T(n) = n(n+1)/2 = n^2$$

**Time Complexity =  $\Theta(n^2)$**



# Substitution Method ( $T(n) = T(n-1) + n$ )

Void **Test**( int n )

```
{
  if ( n > 0 )
  {
    for ( i=0 ; i< n ;i++)
    {
      printf("%d",n );
    }
    Test(n - 1);
  }
}
```

—————> This function takes  $T(n)$

—————> 1 unit time

—————>  $n + 1$  (unit)

—————>  $n$  (unit)

—————>  $T(n - 1)$

$$\boxed{T(n) = T(n - 1) + 2n + 2 \rightarrow T(n - 1) + n}$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0 \\ T(n-1) + n & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

Note: avoid adding two n's keep it as a sequence, as you need to come up with a formula at the end

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n - 1) + n \\ &= [T(n - 2) + n - 1] + n = T(n - 2) + (n - 1) + n \\ &= [T(n - 3) + n - 2] + (n - 1) + n = T(n - 3) + (n - 2) + (n - 1) + n \\ &= [T(n - 4) + n - 3] + (n - 2) + (n - 1) + n \\ &= T(n - 4) + (n - 3) + (n - 2) + (n - 1) + n \end{aligned}$$

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$$= T(n - k) + (n - (k - 1)) + (n - (k - 2)) + \dots + (n - 1) + n$$

This substitution can go upto  $n = 0$

Hence we assume that  $n - k = 0$

which means  $n = k$

$$T(n) = T(n - n) + (n - n + 1) + (n - n + 2) + \dots + (n - 1) + n$$

$$T(n) = T(0) + 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n - 1) + n$$

$$T(n) = T(0) + n(n + 1) / 2$$

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

**Time Complexity -  $\Theta(n^2)$**



**Recurrence Relation ( $T(n) = T(n-1) + \log n$ )**

# Recursive Tree ( $T(n) = T(n-1) + \log n$ )

Finding Time complexity using **Recursive Tree**

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0 \\ T(n-1) + \log n & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

```
Void Test( int n )  
{  
  if ( n > 0 )  
  {  
    for ( i=1 ; i < n ; i=i*2 )  
    {  
      printf("%d",n );  
    }  
    Test(n - 1);  
  }  
}
```

—————> This function takes  $T(n)$

—————>  $\log n$  (unit)

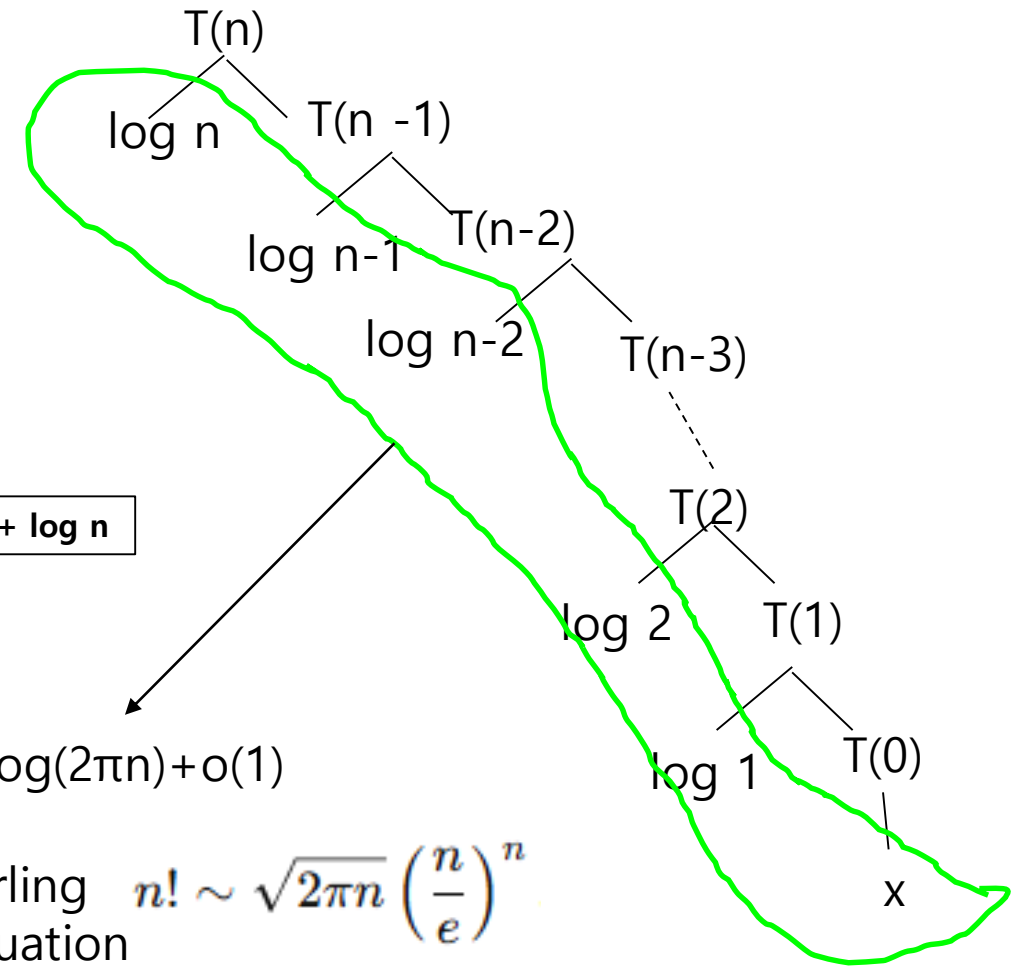
—————>  $T(n-1)$

$T(n) = T(n-1) + \log n \rightarrow T(n-1) + \log n$

$$\log 1 + \log 2 + \log 3 + \dots + \log(n-1) + \log(n) \\ = \log(1 \times 2 \times \dots \times (n-1) \times n) = \log n! = n \log n - n + \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi n) + o(1)$$

**Time Complexity** =  $\Theta(n \log n)$

Stirling equation  $n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$



# Substitution Method ( $T(n) = T(n-1) + \log n$ )

```
Void Test( int n )
```

—————→ This function takes  $T(n)$

```
{  
  if ( n > 0 )  
  {  
    for ( i=0 ; i < n ; i=i*2 )  
    {  
      printf("%d",n );  
    }  
    Test(n - 1);  
  }  
}
```

—————→  $\log n$  (unit)

—————→  $T(n-1)$

$$\boxed{T(n) = T(n-1) + \log n}$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0 \\ T(n-1) + \log n & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n-1) + \log n \\ &= [T(n-2) + \log(n-1)] + \log(n) = T(n-2) + \log(n-1) + \log n \\ &= [T(n-3) + \log(n-2)] + \log(n-1) + \log n \\ &\quad = T(n-3) + \log(n-2) + \log(n-1) + \log n \\ &= [T(n-4) + \log(n-3)] + \log(n-2) + \log(n-1) + \log n \\ &\quad = T(n-4) + \log(n-3) + \log(n-2) + \log(n-1) + \log n \\ &\quad \dots \\ &\quad \dots \\ &\quad \dots \\ &= T(n-k) + \log(n-(k-1)) + \log(n-(k-2)) + \dots + \log(n-1) + \log n \end{aligned}$$

This substitution can go upto  $n = 0$

Hence we assume that  $n - k = 0$

which means  $n = k$

$$T(n) = T(n-n) + \log(n-n+1) + \log(n-n+2) + \dots + \log(n-1) + \log n$$

$$T(n) = T(0) + \log 1 + \log 2 + \log 3 + \dots + \log(n-1) + \log n$$

$$T(n) = T(0) + \log n!$$

$$T(n) = 1 + \log n!$$

**Time Complexity ->  $\Theta(n \log n)$**

# Short Cut Method for Recurrence Relation

So far we saw the following Recurrence Relations and their time complexities

1.  $T(n) = T(n-1) + 1 \rightarrow \Theta(n)$
2.  $T(n) = T(n-1) + n \rightarrow \Theta(n^2)$
3.  $T(n) = T(n-1) + \log n \rightarrow O(n \log n)$

**So what do you understand from these three solutions?**

- a) In recurrences the function is reducing function every time its called
- b) You are multiplying the **1 with n** for **first solution**, **n with n** in **second solution** and **log n with n** in **third solution**. So to derive the time complexity you are just multiplying right side of the addition operand with n.

**Hence we can make out that**

4.  $T(n) = T(n-1) + n^2 \rightarrow \Theta(n^3)$

**But what if ?**

5.  $T(n) = T(n-2) + 1 \rightarrow \Theta(n)$

exact steps would be  $n/2$  but we ignore the constant 2.

6.  $T(n) = T(n-100) + n \rightarrow \Theta(n^2)$

note: may be this wont be true for really small value, but time complexity analysis we don't do for small values, we do this only for very big values.

**Again what if ?**

7.  $T(n) = 2*T(n-1) + 1$

**Recurrence Relation ( $T(n) = 2 * T(n-1) + 1$  )**

# Recursive Method ( $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1$ )

Finding Time complexity using **Recursive Tree**

```
Void Test( int n )  
{  
    if ( n > 0 )  
    {  
        stmt;  
        Test(n-1);  
        Test(n-1);  
    }  
}
```

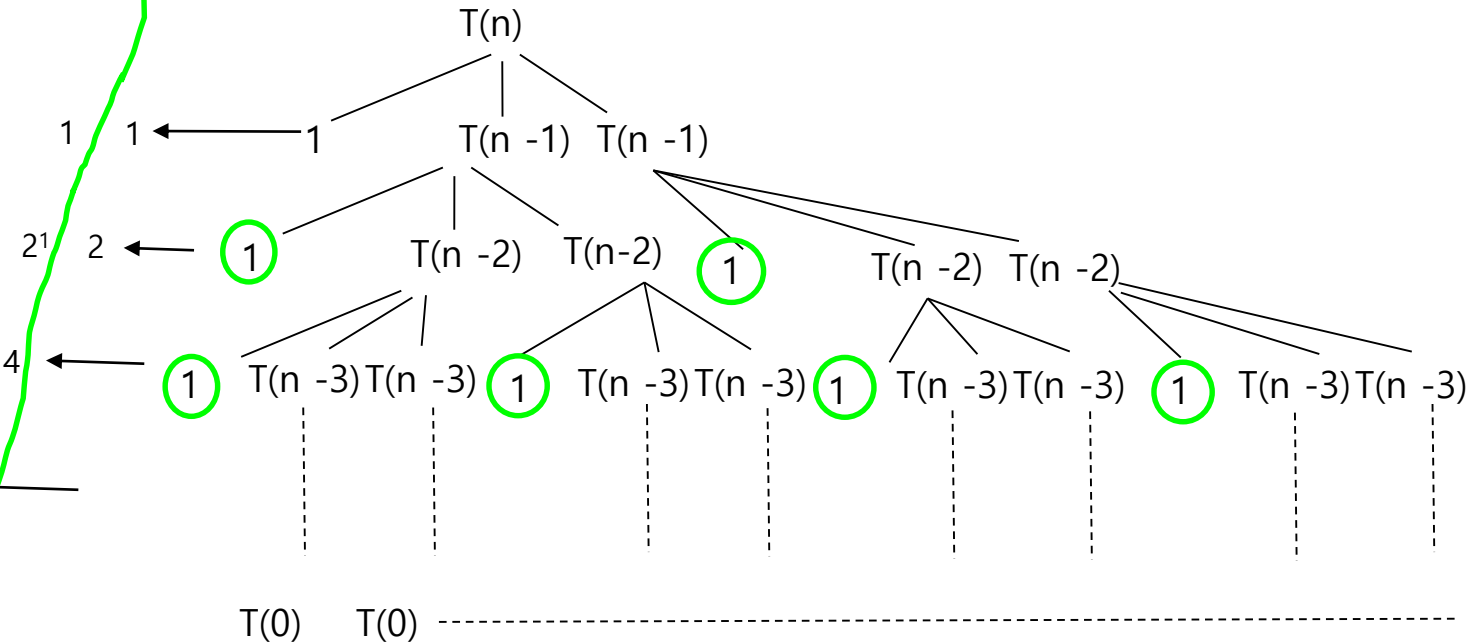
$$T(n) = 2 * T(n-1) + 1$$

$$1 + 2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^k = 2^{k+1} - 1$$

When  $n-k = 0$ , i.e  $n = k$   
Answer :  $2^{n+1} - 1 \rightarrow \Theta(2^n)$

**Complexity is -  $\Theta(2^n)$**

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0 \\ 2T(n-1) + 1 & n > 0 \end{cases}$$



geometric series

$$a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^k = a(r^{k+1} - 1) / r - 1$$

$a=1, r=2$

# Substitution Method ( $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1$ )

Void **Test**( int n )  $\longrightarrow$  This function takes  $T(n)$

```
{  
  if ( n > 1 )  
  {  
    stmt;  $\longrightarrow$  1  
    Test(n-1);  $\longrightarrow$   $T(n-1)$   
    Test(n-1);  $\longrightarrow$   $T(n-1)$   
  }  
}
```

$$T(n) = 2 * T(n-1) + 1$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0 \\ 2T(n-1) + 1 & n > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n-1) + 1 \\ &= 2 [ 2T(n-2) + 1 ] + 1 = 2^2 T(n-2) + 2 + 1 \\ &= 2^2 [ 2T(n-3) + 1 ] + 2 + 1 = 2^3 T(n-3) + 2^2 + 2 + 1 \\ &= 2^3 [ 2T(n-4) + 1 ] + 2^2 + 2 + 1 = 2^4 T(n-4) + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2 + 1 \\ &\dots \\ &\dots \\ &\dots \\ &= 2^k T(n-k) + 2^{k-1} + 2^{k-2} + \dots + 2^2 + 2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

This substitution can go upto  $n = 0$   
Hence we assume that  $n - k = 0$   
which means  $n = k$

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

**Complexity is -  $\Theta(2^n)$**

**Questions : Find Time complexity for the following**

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

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

**If possible try to think of a sample code  
use recursive and substitution method  
Also verify it with the Master's theorem**



# Master Theorem for Decreasing Function

# Masters Theorem for Decreasing function

## General Form of recurrence relation

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

$a > 0$   $b > 0$  and  $f(n) = O(n^k)$  where  $k \geq 0$

Note: You can not derive the complexity every time, hence you must memorize it.

**Case 1: If  $a = 1$   $\rightarrow O(f(n) \times n)$   $\rightarrow O(n^{k+1})$**  so if  $f(n)$  is  $O(n^k)$  we just multiply it with one more  $n$ .

- |                                                     |                                                          |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. $T(n) = T(n-1) + 1 \rightarrow O(n)$             | $a = 1, b = 1, f(n) = O(1) \rightarrow O(n)$             |
| 2. $T(n) = T(n-1) + n \rightarrow O(n^2)$           | $a = 1, b = 1, f(n) = O(n) \rightarrow O(n^2)$           |
| 3. $T(n) = T(n-1) + \log n \rightarrow O(n \log n)$ | $a = 1, b = 1, f(n) = O(\log n) \rightarrow O(n \log n)$ |
| 4. $T(n) = T(n-1) + n^2 \rightarrow O(n^3)$         | $a = 1, b = 1, f(n) = O(n^2) \rightarrow O(n^3)$         |
| 5. $T(n) = T(n-2) + 1 \rightarrow O(n)$             | $a = 1, b = 2, f(n) = O(n) \rightarrow O(n)$             |
| 6. $T(n) = T(n-1) + n^k \rightarrow O(n^{k+1})$     | $a = 1, b = 2, f(n) = O(n^k) \rightarrow O(n^{k+1})$     |

**Case 3 : If  $a < 1$   
 $\rightarrow O(f(n)) \rightarrow O(n^k)$**

**Case 2 : If  $a > 1$   $\rightarrow O(n^k a^{n/b})$**

- |                                                          |                                                                                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7. $T(n) = 2 * T(n-1) + 1 \rightarrow O(2^n)$            | $a = 2, b = 1, f(n) = O(1) \rightarrow O(2^n) \rightarrow O(a^n)$                   |
| 8. $T(n) = 3 * T(n-1) + 1 \rightarrow O(3^n)$            | $a = 3, b = 1, f(n) = O(1) \rightarrow O(3^n) \rightarrow O(a^n)$                   |
| 9. $T(n) = 2 * T(n-1) + n \rightarrow O(n 2^n)$          | $a = 2, b = 1, f(n) = O(n) \rightarrow O(n 2^n) \rightarrow O(n a^n)$               |
| 10. $T(n) = 2 * T(n-1) + n^k \rightarrow O(n^k 2^n)$     | $a = 2, b = 1, f(n) = O(n^k) \rightarrow O(n^k 2^n) \rightarrow O(n^k a^n)$         |
| 11. $T(n) = 2 * T(n-2) + n^k \rightarrow O(n^k 2^{n/2})$ | $a = 2, b = 2, f(n) = O(n^k) \rightarrow O(n^k 2^{n/2}) \rightarrow O(n^k a^{n/b})$ |

# Dividing Function

## Recurrence Relation $T(n) = T(n/2) + 1$

# Recursive Method ( $T(n) = T(n/2) + 1$ )

## Finding Time complexity using **Recursive Tree**

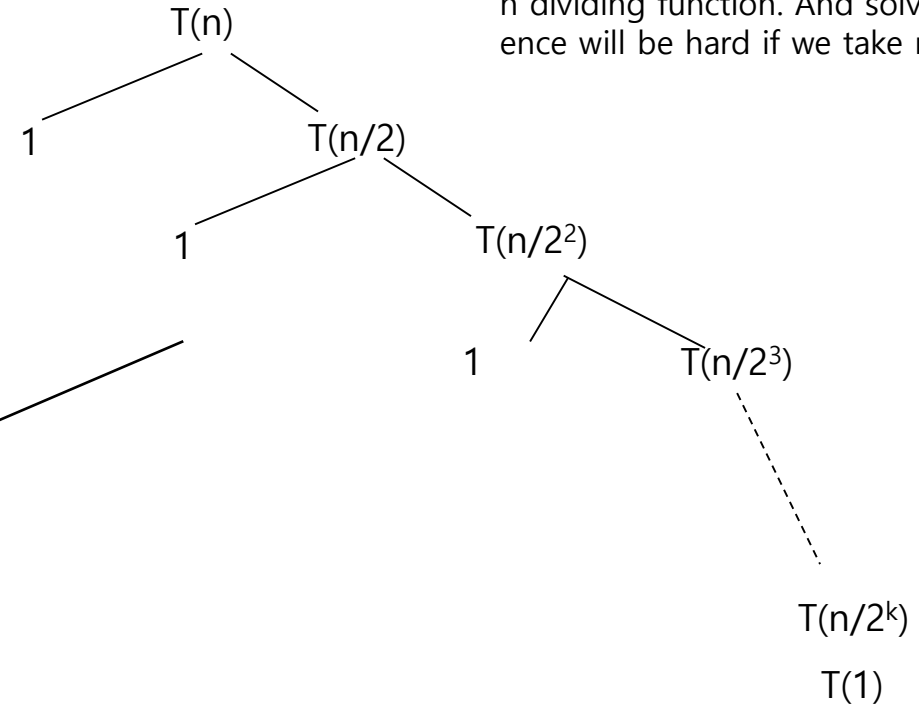
Void **Test**( int n )  $\longrightarrow$  This function takes  $T(n)$

```
{  
  if ( n > 1 )  
  {  
    stmt;  
    Test(n/2);  
  }  
}
```

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

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

Note: we are taking the condition as  $n > 1$  not 0, as this is dividing function. In decreasing functions we were taking it as 0. There won't be a situation when  $n=0$  in dividing function. And solving a recurrence will be hard if we take  $n=0$



How many times 1 is added, it added  $k$  times. Find the value of  $k$  when will  $n/2^k = 1$

$$n = 2^k$$

$$\log n = k \log 2$$

$$k = \log n$$

$$\text{Ans: Complexity } k \times 1 = \log n \times 1$$

Note :  $\log 2 = 1$

**Complexity is -  $\Theta(\log n)$**

# Substitution Method ( $T(n) = T(n/2) + 1$ )

```
Void Test( int n )  
{  
    if ( n > 1 )  
    {  
        stmt;  
  
        Test(n/2);  
    }  
}
```

—————→ This function takes  $T(n)$

—————→ 1

—————→  $T(n/2)$

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n/2) + 1 \\ &= [T(n/2^2) + 1] + 1 = T(n/2^2) + 1 + 1 \\ &= [T(n/2^3) + 1] + 2 = T(n/2^3) + 3 \\ &= [T(n/2^4) + 1] + 3 = T(n/2^4) + 4 \\ &\dots \\ &\dots \\ &\dots \\ &= T(n/2^k) + k \quad (\text{when } n/2^k = 1) \\ &= 1 + \log n \quad (2^k = n, T(n/2^k) = T(1) = 1, k = \log n) \\ &= \log n \end{aligned}$$

**Complexity is** -  $\Theta(\log n)$

## Dividing Function

Recurrence Relation ( $T(n) = 2 * T(n/2) + n$ )

# Recursive Method ( $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n$ )

## Finding Time complexity using **Recursive Tree**

Void **Test**( int n )  $\longrightarrow$  This function takes  $T(n)$

```
{
  if ( n > 1 )
  {
    for(i=0; i < n; i++)
    {
      stmt;  $\longrightarrow$  n
    }
    Test(n/2);  $\longrightarrow$  T ( n/2 )
    Test(n/2);  $\longrightarrow$  T ( n/2 )
  }
}
```

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

$$n + n + n + n + \dots + n = kn$$

when will  $n/2^k = 1$

$$n = 2^k$$

$$\log n = k \log 2$$

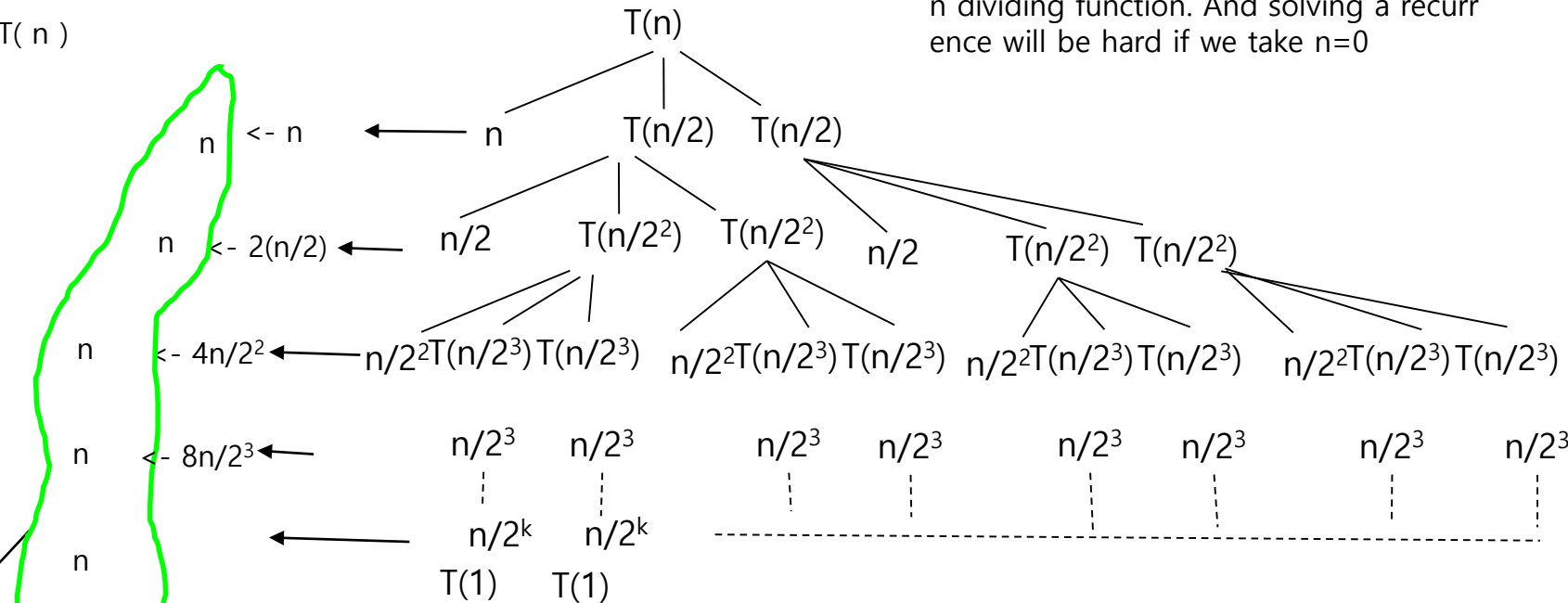
$$k = \log n$$

Ans: Complexity  $kn = n \log n$

Note :  $\log 2 = 1$

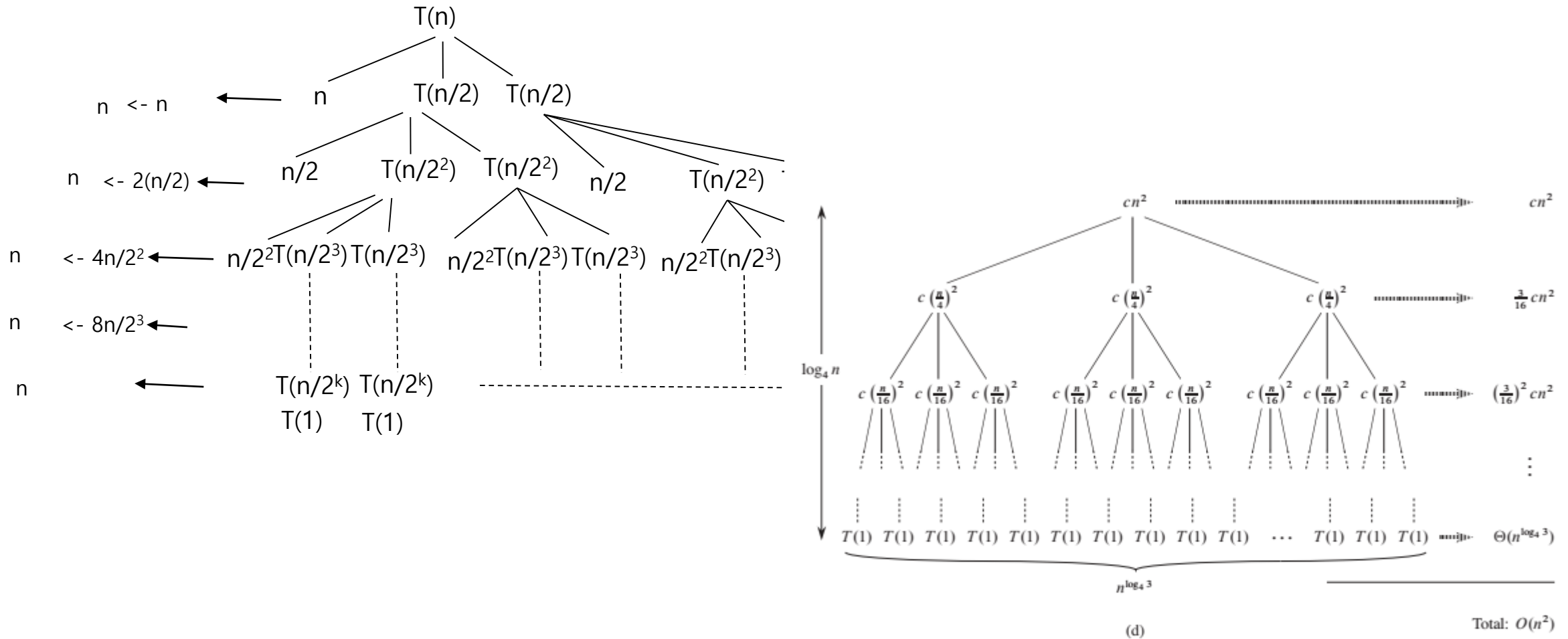
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**Complexity is -  $\Theta(n \log n)$**

# In the book, they don't show the function calls (don't get confused with that)



**Figure 4.5** Constructing a recursion tree for the recurrence  $T(n) = 3T(n/4) + cn^2$ . Part (a) shows  $T(n)$ , which progressively expands in (b)–(d) to form the recursion tree. The fully expanded tree in part (d) has height  $\log_4 n$  (it has  $\log_4 n + 1$  levels).



# Substitution Method ( $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + n$ )

```
Void Test( int n )  —————> This function takes T( n )
{
  if ( n > 1 )
  {
    for(i=0; i < n; i++)
    {
      stmt;  —————> n
    }
    Test(n/2); —————> T ( n/2 )
    Test(n/2); —————> T ( n/2 )
  }
}
```

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + n \\ &= 2 [ 2T(n/2^2) + n/2 ] + n = 2^2 T(n/2^2) + n + n \\ &= 2^2 [ 2T(n/2^3) + n/2^2 ] + 2n = 2^3 T(n/2^3) + 2n + n \\ &= 2^3 [ 2T(n/2^4) + n/2^3 ] + 3n = 2^4 T(n/2^4) + 3n + n \\ &\dots \\ &\dots \\ &\dots \\ &= 2^k T(n/2^k) + kn \end{aligned}$$

$$= n \log n \quad (2^k = n, T(n/2^k) = T(1) = 1, k = \log n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + n \\ T(n/2) &= 2T((n/2)/2) + n/2 \\ T(n/2) &= 2T(n/2^2) + n/2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + n \\ T(n/2^2) &= 2T((n/2^2)/2) + n/2^2 \\ T(n/2^2) &= 2T(n/2^3) + n/2^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + n \\ T(n/2^3) &= 2T((n/2^3)/2) + n/2^3 \\ T(n/2^3) &= 2T(n/2^4) + n/2^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n/2^k) &= T(1) \\ n/2^k &= 1 \\ n &= 2^k \\ \log n &= k \end{aligned}$$

**Complexity is** -  $\Theta(n \log n)$

# Master Theorem for Dividing Function

# Masters Theorem for Dividing function Three Cases:

General Form of recurrence relation

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

$$a \geq 1 \quad b > 1 \quad f(n) = O(n^k \log^p n)$$

1)  $\log_b a$

2)  $k$

**Case 1: if  $\log_b a > k$  then  $O(n^{\log_b a})$**

**Case 2: if  $\log_b a = k$**

**if  $p > -1$   $O(n^k \log^{p+1} n)$**

**if  $p = -1$   $O(n^k \log \log n)$**

**if  $p < -1$   $O(n^k)$**

**Case 3: if  $\log_b a < k$**

**if  $p \geq 0$   $O(n^k \log^p n)$**

**if  $p < 0$   $O(n^k)$**

# Masters Theorem for Dividing function **Case 1:**

General Form of recurrence relation

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

$$a \geq 1 \quad b > 1 \quad f(n) = O(n^k \log^p n)$$

1)  $\log_b a$

2)  $k$

**Case 1: if  $\log_b a > k$  then  $O(n^{\log_b a})$**

1.  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 1$

$a = 2, b = 2, f(n) = O(1) \rightarrow O(n^0 \log^0 n)$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 0$ ,  $p = 0$

( $p=0$  because there is no  $\log n$ )

What is  $\log_b a = \log_2 2$

**Case 1: if  $\log_b a > k$  then  $O(n^{\log_b a})$**

Ans:  $O(n^1)$

$a = 4, b = 2, f(n) = O(n) \rightarrow O(n^1 \log^0 n)$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 1$ ,  $p = 0$

( $p=0$  because there is no  $\log n$ )

What is  $\log_b a = \log_2 4 = 2$

$\log_b a > k$

**Case 1: if  $\log_b a > k$  then  $O(n^{\log_b a})$**

Ans:  $O(n^{\log_2 4}) \rightarrow O(n^2)$

$a = 8, b = 2, f(n) = O(n) \rightarrow O(n^1 \log^0 n)$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 1$ ,  $p = 0$

( $p=0$  because there is no  $\log n$ )

What is  $\log_b a = \log_2 8 = 3$

$\log_b a > k$

**Case 1: if  $\log_b a > k$  then  $O(n^{\log_b a})$**

Ans:  $O(n^{\log_2 8}) \rightarrow O(n^3)$

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

3.  $T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n$

4.  $T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n^2$

$a = 8, b = 2, f(n) = O(n) \rightarrow O(n^1 \log^0 n)$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 2$ ,  $p = 0$

What is  $\log_b a = \log_2 8 = 3$

$\log_b a > k$

**Case 1: if  $\log_b a > k$  then  $O(n^{\log_b a})$**

Ans:  $O(n^{\log_2 8}) \rightarrow O(n^3)$

5.  $T(n) = 9T(n/3) + n^2$

$a = 9, b = 3, f(n) = O(n^2) \rightarrow O(n^2 \log^0 n)$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 2$ ,  $p = 0$

What is  $\log_b a = \log_3 9 = 2$

$\log_b a = k$

**This does not come under Case 1  $\rightarrow$  Case 2**

**Hint: As long as  $\log_b a$  is greater than power of  $n$ , time complexity will be  $O(n^{\log_b a})$**

**Questions : Find Time complexity for the following**

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

**Use Recursive Tree or Substitution Method**

$$T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n \log n$$

**Use Master's theorem**

# Masters Theorem for Dividing function **Case 2:**

General Form of recurrence relation

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

$$a \geq 1 \quad b > 1 \quad f(n) = O(n^k \log^p n)$$

**Case 2: if  $\log_b a = k$**

**if  $p > -1$   $O(n^k \log^{p+1} n)$**

**if  $p = -1$   $O(n^k \log \log n)$**

**if  $p \leq -1$   $O(n^k)$**

1)  $\log_b a$

2)  $k$

1.  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^1$

$$a = 2, b = 2, f(n) = O(n^1) \rightarrow O(n^1 \log^0 n)$$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 1$ ,  $p = 0$

$$\text{What is } \log_b a = \log_2 2 = 1$$

$$\log_b a = k$$

( $p = 0$  because there is no  $\log n$ )

$$p > -1$$

Hence based on  $O(n^k \log^{p+1} n)$

$$\text{Ans: } O(n \log n)$$

2.  $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n^2$

$$\log_b a = \log_2 4 = 2$$

$$k = 2$$

$$\log_b a = k$$

Hence based on  $O(n^k \log^{p+1} n)$

$$\text{Ans: } O(n^2 \log n)$$

3.  $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n^2 \log n$

$$a = 4, b = 2, f(n) = O(n^2 \log n) \rightarrow O(n^2 \log^1 n)$$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 2$ ,  $p = 1$

$$\text{What is } \log_b a = \log_2 4 = 2$$

$$\log_b a = k$$

$$p > -1$$

Hence based on  $O(n^k \log^{p+1} n)$

$$\text{Ans: } O(n^2 \log^2 n)$$

4.  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^1 / \log n$

$$a = 2, b = 2, f(n) = O(n^1 / \log n) \rightarrow O(n^1 \log^{-1} n)$$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 1$ ,  $p = -1$

$$\text{What is } \log_b a = \log_2 2 = 1$$

$$\log_b a = k$$

$$p = -1$$

Hence based on  $O(n^k \log \log n)$

$$\text{Ans: } O(n \log \log n)$$

**Hint: Take this as it is and multiply it by  $\log n$**

# Masters Theorem for Dividing function **Case 2:**

General Form of recurrence relation

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

$$a \geq 1 \quad b > 1 \quad f(n) = O(n^k \log^p n)$$

1)  $\log_b a$

2)  $k$

**Case 2: if  $\log_b a = k$**

**if  $p > -1$   $O(n^k \log^{p+1} n)$**

**if  $p = -1$   $O(n^k \log \log n)$**

**if  $p \leq -1$   $O(n^k)$**

**Case 1: if  $\log_b a > k$  then  $O(n^{\log_b a})$**

1.  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^1 / \log^2 n$

$a = 2, b=2, f(n) = O(n^1 / \log^2 n) \rightarrow O(n^1 \log^{-2} n)$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 1, p = -2$

What is  $\log_b a = \log_2 2 = 1$

**$\log_b a = k$**

**$p \leq -1$**

Hence based on  **$O(n^k)$**

Ans:  $O(n)$

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

$a = 1, b=2, f(n) = O(n^2) \rightarrow O(n^2 \log^0 n)$

what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 2, p = 0$

What is  $\log_b a = \log_2 1 = 0$

**$\log_b a < k$**

**This doesn't satisfy Case 2, neither it satisfies Case 1  $\rightarrow$  Case 3**

# Masters Theorem for Dividing function **Case 3:**

General Form of recurrence relation

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

$$a \geq 1 \quad b > 1 \quad f(n) = O(n^k \log^p n)$$

**Case 3: if  $\log_b a < k$**   
**if  $p \geq 0$   $O(n^k \log^p n)$**   
**if  $p < 0$   $O(n^k)$**

- 1)  $\log_b a$
- 2)  $k$

1.  $T(n) = T(n/2) + n^2$

$a = 1, b = 2, f(n) = O(n^2) \rightarrow O(n^2 \log^0 n)$   
what is  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $k = 2, p = 0$   
What is  $\log_b a = \log_2 1 = 0$   
 $\log_b a < k$   
 $p \geq 0$   
Based on  $O(n^k \log^p n)$   
Ans:  $O(n^2)$

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

$k = 2$   
 $\log_b a = \log_2 2 = 1$   
 $\log_b a < k$   
 $p \geq 0$   
Based on  $O(n^k \log^p n)$   
Ans:  $O(n^2)$

3.  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^2 \log^2 n$

$k = 2, p = 2$   
 $\log_b a = \log_2 2 = 1$   
 $\log_b a < k$   
 $p = 2$   
 $p \geq 0$   
Based on  $O(n^k \log^p n)$   
Ans:  $O(n^2 \log^2 n)$

**Hint: Take directly  $f(n)$**



# Masters Theorem for Dividing function **All Cases**

## General Form of recurrence relation

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

$$a \geq 1 \quad b > 1 \quad f(n) = O(n^k \log^p n)$$

$$1) \log_b a$$

$$2) k$$

Note: You can not derive the complexity every time, hence you must memorize it.

**Case 1: if  $\log_b a > k$  then  $O(n^{\log_b a})$**

**Case 2: if  $\log_b a = k$**

**if  $p > -1$   $O(n^k \log^{p+1} n)$**

**if  $p = -1$   $O(n^k \log \log n)$**

**if  $p < -1$   $O(n^k)$**

**Case 3: if  $\log_b a < k$**

**if  $p \geq 0$   $O(n^k \log^p n)$**

**if  $p < 0$   $O(n^k)$**

**Questions : Find Time complexity for the following**

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n \log^5 n$$

$$T(n) = 9T(n/3) + n^2$$

$$T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n^3$$

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n/\log^2 n$$

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

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^3/\log n$$

$$\underline{T(n) = \sqrt{n} T(\sqrt{n}) + n}$$

$$\underline{T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + n}$$

**Use Master's theorem**

# Substitution Method ( $T(n) = T(\sqrt{n}) + 1$ )

```
Void Test( int n )  —————> This function takes T( n )
{
  if ( n > 2 )
  {
    stmt;  —————> 1
    Test( $\sqrt{n}$ );  —————> T(  $\sqrt{n}$  )
  }
}
```

$$T(n) = T(\sqrt{n}) + 1$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=2 \\ T(\sqrt{n}) + 1 & n > 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(\sqrt{n}) + 1 \\ T(n) &= T(n^{1/2}) + 1 \\ &= [T(n^{1/4}) + 1] + 1 = T(n^{1/4}) + 2 \\ &= [T(n^{1/8}) + 1] + 2 = T(n^{1/8}) + 3 \\ &\dots \\ &\dots \\ &= T(n^{1/2^k}) + k \end{aligned} \longrightarrow \text{Eq. 1}$$

As per the base case assumption

$$n^{1/2^k} = 2$$

Take log on both the sides

$$(\frac{1}{2})^k \log_2 n = 1$$

$$\log_2 n = 2^k$$

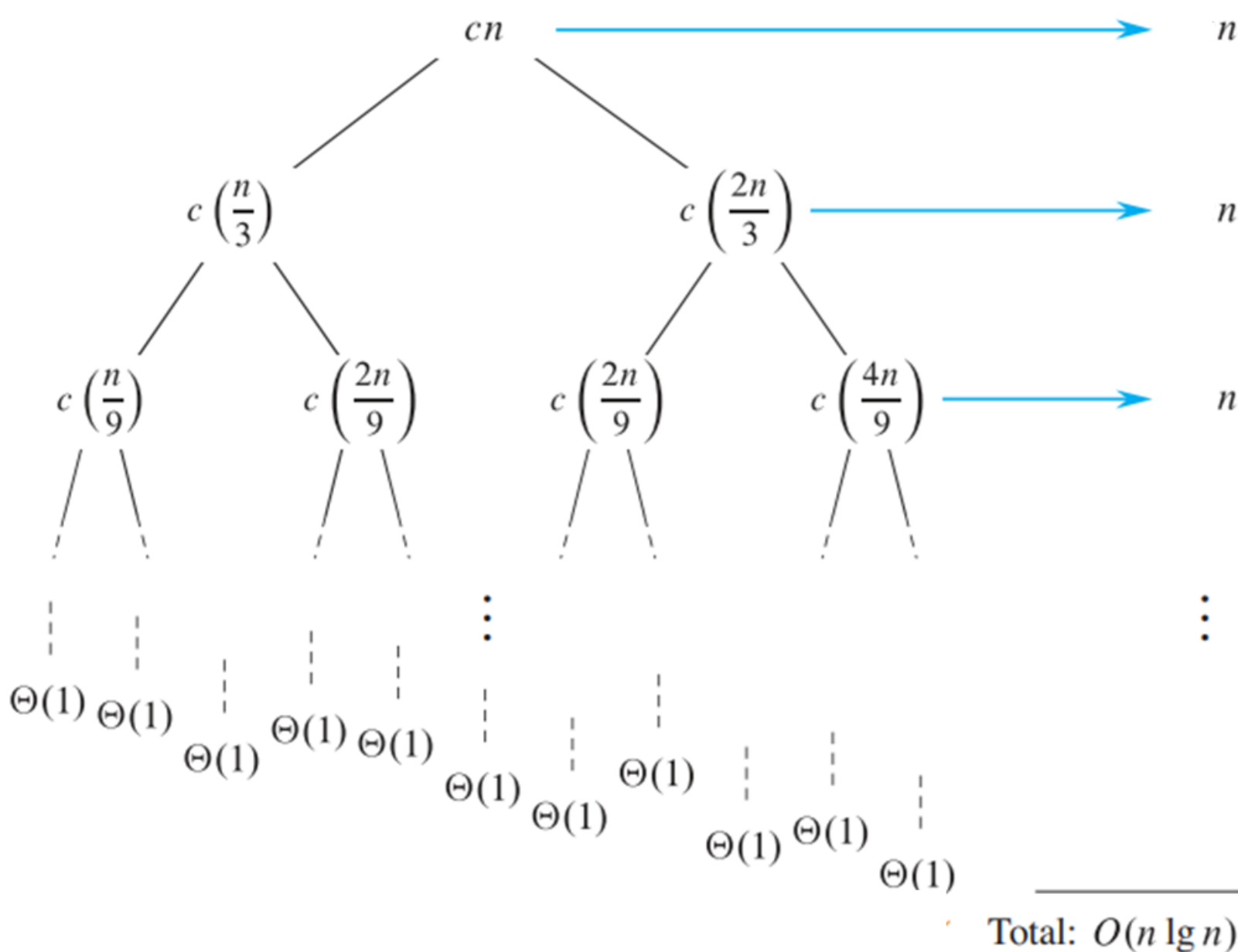
Again take the log

$$\log \log_2 n = k$$

Note: we are taking the condition as  $n > 2$  not 0 or 1. There won't be a situation  $n$  when  $n=0$  or  $n=1$  in these function. And solving a recurrence will be hard if we take  $n=0$  or  $n=1$ . If you have root function, smallest value should be greater than or equal to 2

**Complexity is -  $\Theta(\log \log_2 n)$**

# An irregular example : $T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + n$



$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=1 \\ T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + n & n>1 \end{cases}$$

This will go upto  $k^{\text{th}}$  iteration

At  $k^{\text{th}}$  iteration

$$(2/3)^k n = 1$$

$$n = (3/2)^k$$

$$\log_{3/2} n = k \log_{3/2} 3/2$$

$$k = \log_{3/2} n$$

add all these steps  $k$  time

$$O(n \log_{3/2} n)$$