

CS 381 – FALL 2019

Week 3.1, Wednesday, Sept 4

Announcement: Homework 2 released soon (tonight)
Due: September 16th, 2019 @ 11:59PM on Gradescope

Example: $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n$ (n is a power of 2)

Claim: $T(n) = O(n^3)$

Induction Hypothesis:

Assume $T(k) \leq ck^3$ for all $k < n$, for some constant c

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

Need to show $cn^3/2 - n \geq 0$. True for $c \geq 2$

But $O(n^3)$ is not a tight bound! $\Theta(n^3)$ does not hold.

Show that $T(n) = O(n^2)$

Claim: $T(n) \leq cn^2$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 4T(n/2) + n \leq cn^2 \\ &\leq 4c(n/2)^2 + n \\ &= cn^2 + n \\ &\leq cn^2 \quad \text{NO!} \end{aligned}$$

Wrong argument: *we just made the constant c larger*

To show that it is $O(n^2)$, we need to subtract lower order terms!

Claim: $T(n) \leq c_1 n^2 - c_2 n$, for some constants c_1 and c_2

Inductive hypothesis: $T(k) \leq c_1 k^2 - c_2 k$ for all $k < n$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 4T(n/2) + n \\ &\leq 4(c_1(n/2)^2 - c_2(n/2)) + n \\ &= c_1 n^2 - 2c_2 n + n \\ &= c_1 n^2 - c_2 n - c_2 n + n \\ &\leq c_1 n^2 - c_2 n \end{aligned}$$

Need $-c_2 n + n \leq 0$:
true if $c_2 \geq 1$

Recursion Tree Method

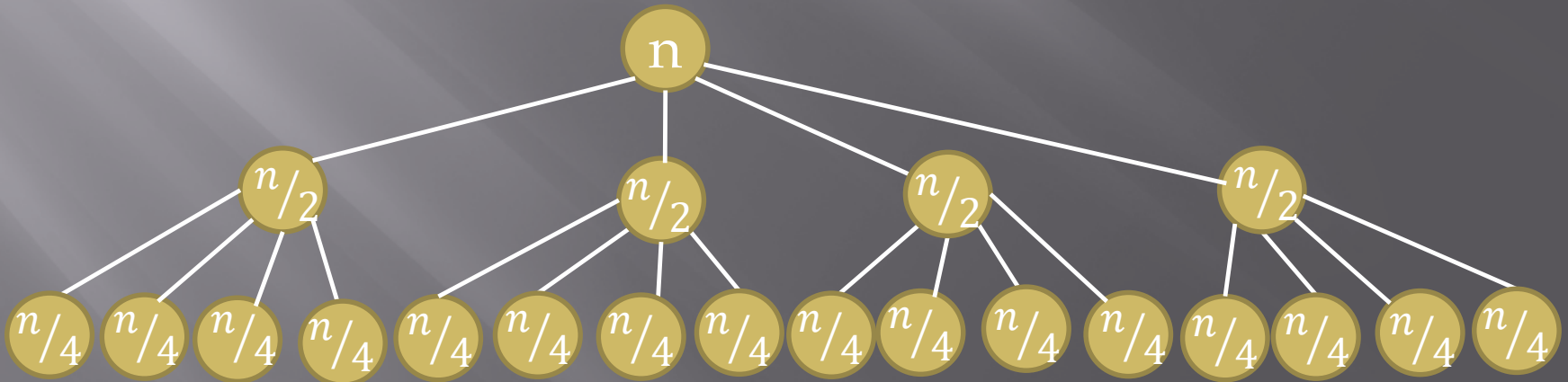
Use the recursion tree to find the solution to a recurrence

- Tree represents a model of the cost of the recursive algorithm
- Getting a closed form can be messy
- Insight obtained from tree can give a good initial guess to be used in an induction

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n, n=2^k$$

Work done at each level

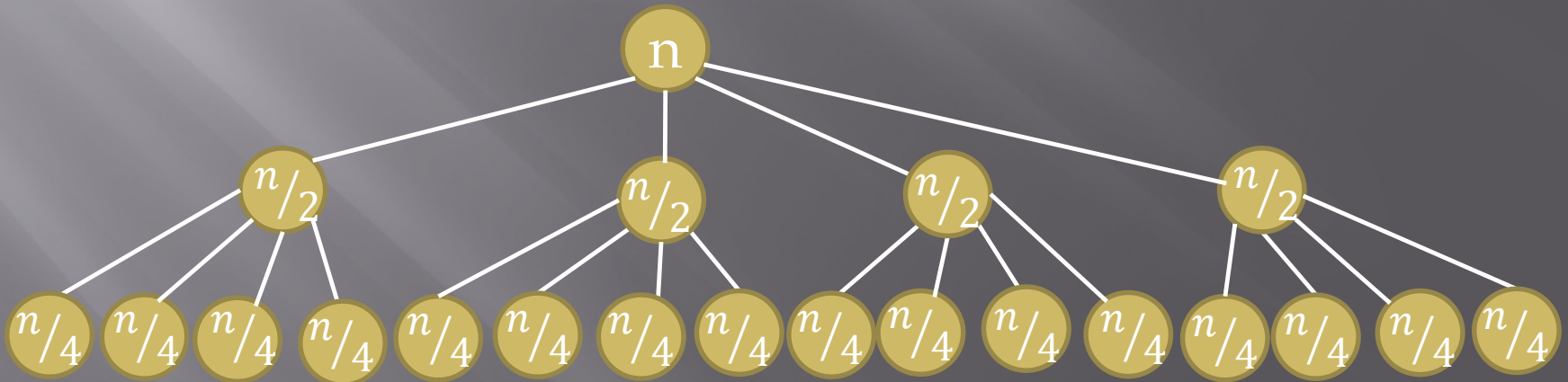
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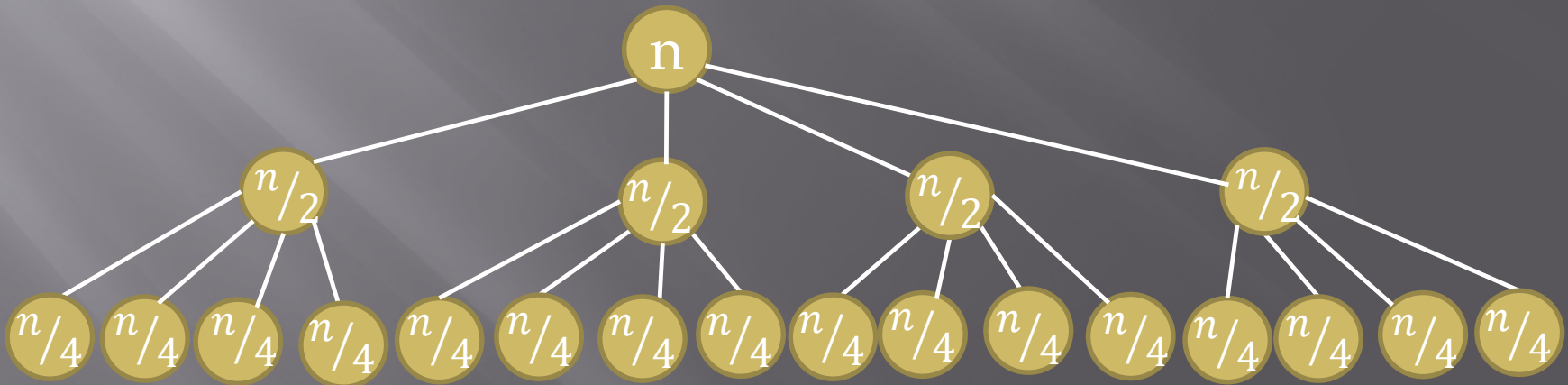
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- at level i , there are 4^i instances of size $n/2^i$ results in $2^i n$ total work for level i



Total work done at all levels of the recursion tree

at level i of the tree

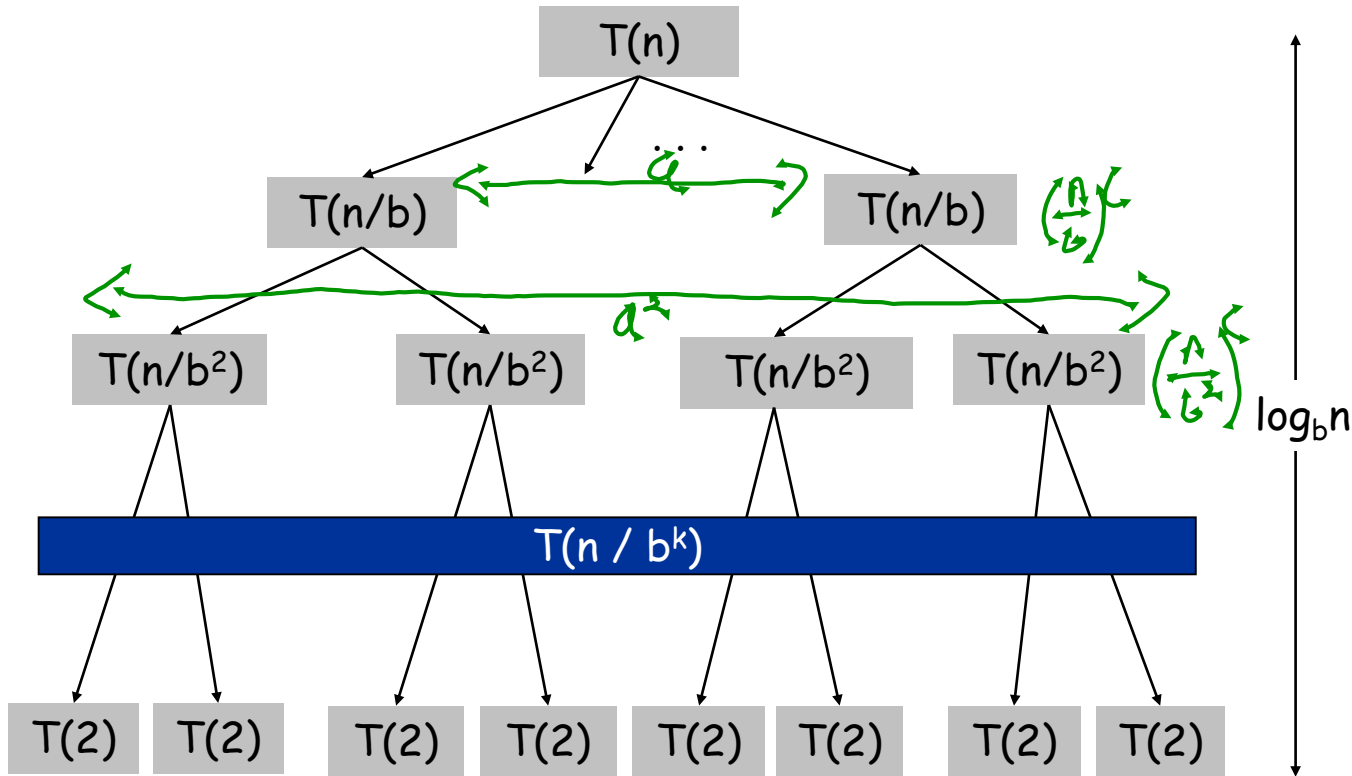
- there are 4^i nodes, each doing work of size $n/2^i$
- results in $n2^i$ total work for level i

$$\sum_{i=0}^k n 2^i = n(2^{k+1} - 1) = n(2n - 1) = 2n^2 - n$$

This gives $T(n) = \theta(n^2)$

Prove this correct by induction as an exercise.

More General Analysis



Merge Step Cost

$$n^c$$

$$a(n/b)^c = n^c(a/b^c)$$

$$a^2(n/b^2)^c = n^c(a/b^c)^2$$

...

$$n^c(a/b^c)^k$$

...

$$n^c(a/b^c)^{\log_b n}$$

$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ a \times T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + n^c & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) \leq n^c \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)^i$$

A Helpful Identity

Fact: If $\gamma \neq 1$ then

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

Observation 1: If $\gamma = 1$ then $1 + \gamma^1 + \gamma^2 \dots + \gamma^k = k + 1 \in \Theta(k)$

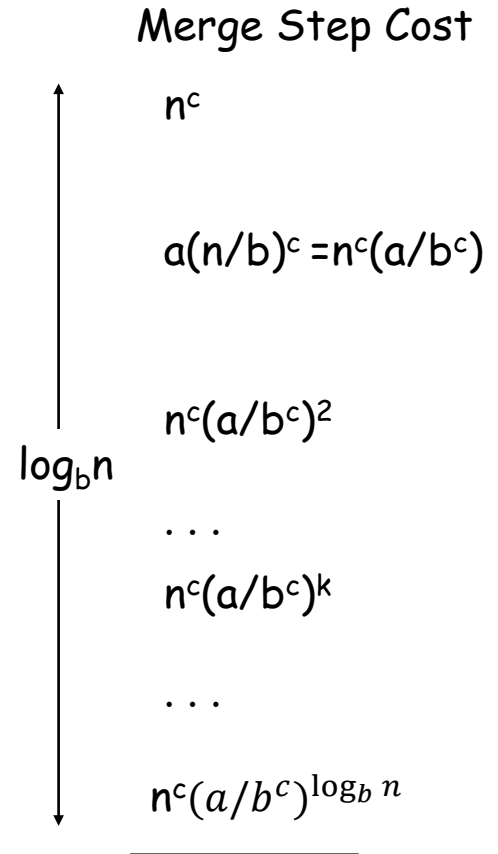
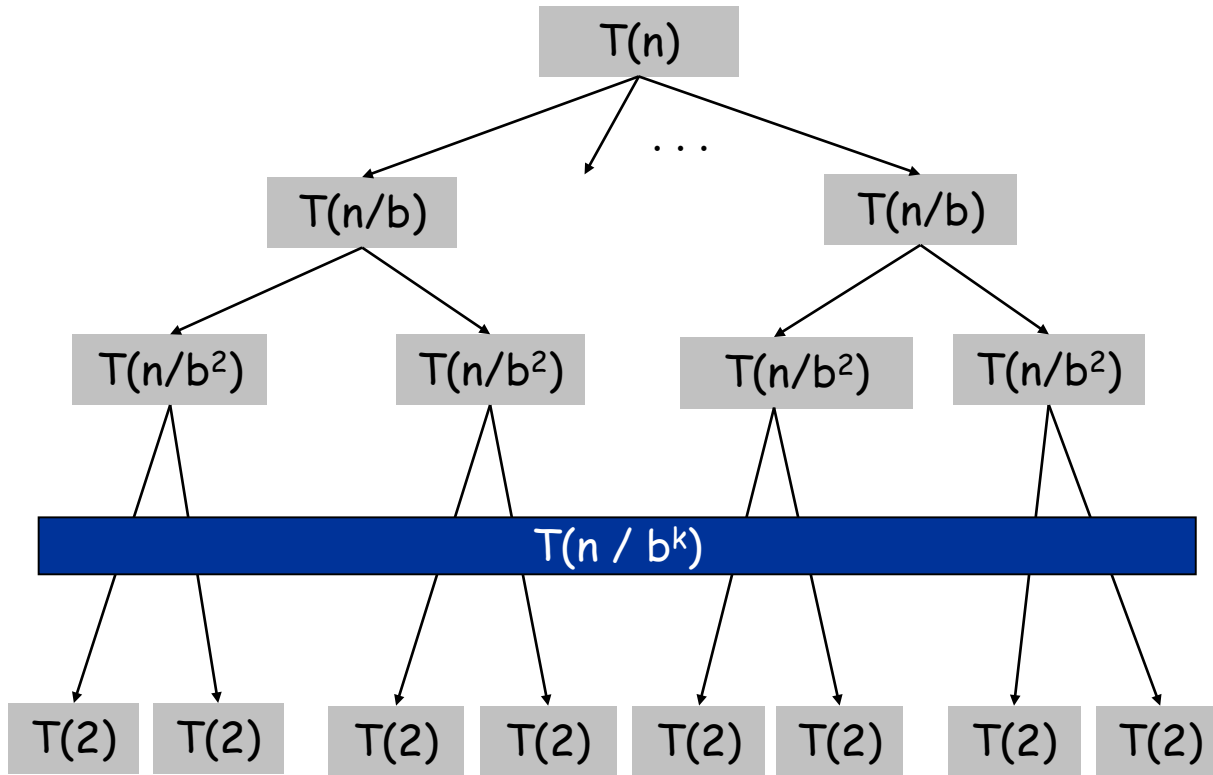
Observation 2: If $0 < \gamma < 1$ then $1 + \gamma^1 + \gamma^2 \dots + \gamma^k \approx \frac{1}{1-\gamma} \in \Theta(1)$

Observation 3: If $1 < \gamma$ then $1 + \gamma^1 + \gamma^2 \dots + \gamma^k \approx \frac{\gamma^{k+1}}{\gamma-1} \in \Theta(\gamma^k)$

Observation 4: In our case $k = \log_b n$ and $\gamma = \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)$

$$T(n) \leq n^c \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)^i = n^c \left(\frac{1 - \gamma^{k+1}}{1 - \gamma}\right)$$

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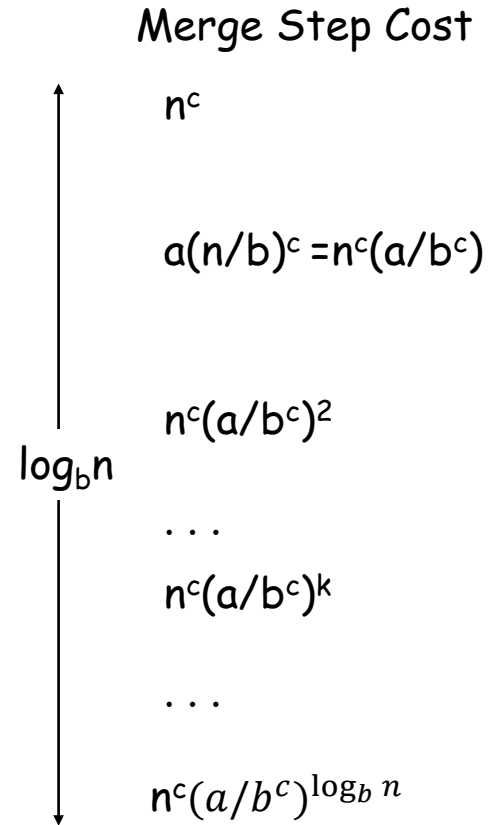
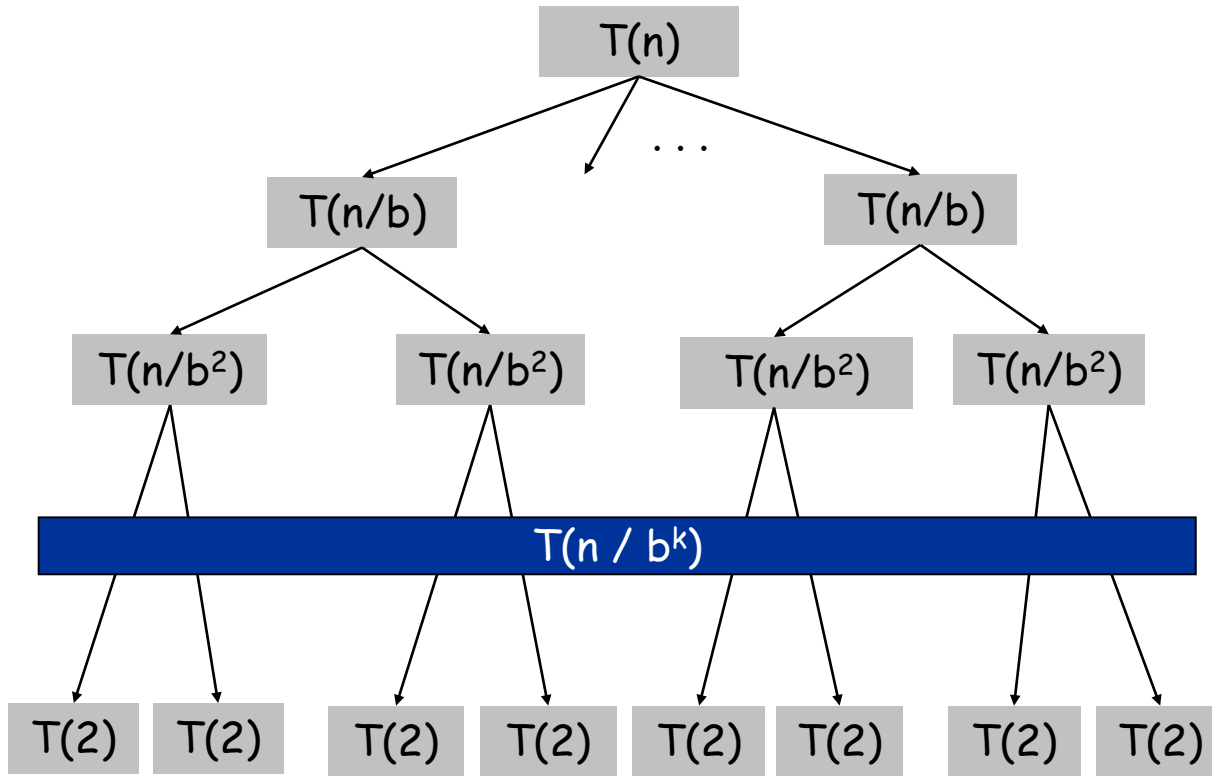


$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ a \times T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + n^c & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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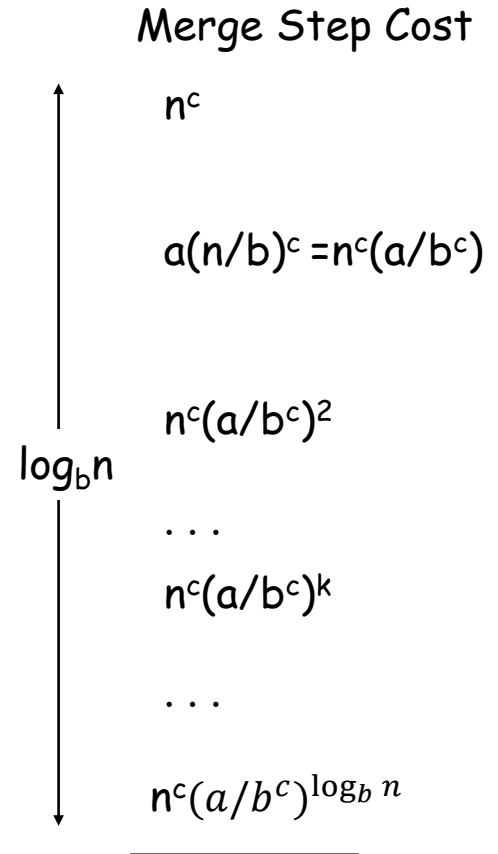
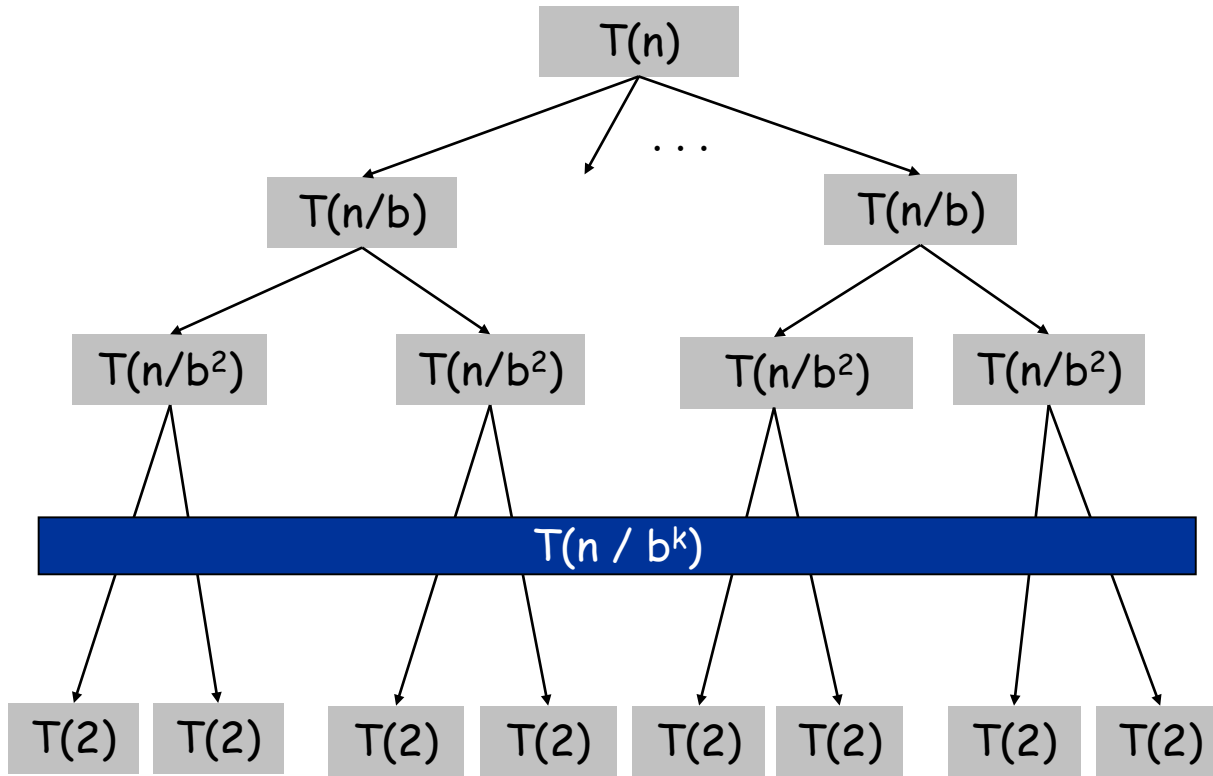


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$$T(n) \leq \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} n^c \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)^i = \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a}\right)$$

$$n^c \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)^{\log_b n} = \left(\frac{n^c}{b^{c \log_b n}}\right) \times a^{\log_b n} = n^{\log_b a}$$

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$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} \mathbf{1000000} & \text{if } n \leq 100 \\ a \times T\left(\frac{n}{b} + 50\right) + f(n) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Assume} \\ f(n) \geq 0 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Case 1: } f(n) = \Omega(n^{\varepsilon + \log_b a}) \quad T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$$

$$\text{Case 2: } f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n) \quad T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{k+1} n)$$

(assumes $k \geq 0$)

$$\text{Case 3: } f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \varepsilon}) \quad T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

Other Recurrences

- $T(n) = T(n - 1) + 1$ (Unroll: $T(n) = O(n)$)
 - $T(n) = T(n - 1) + 1 = T(n - 2) + 1 + 1$
 $= T(n - 3) + 1 + 1 + 1 = \dots = T(n - k) + k$
 $= T(1) + n - 1$

- $T(n) = 2 \times T(n - 10)$ (Exponential)

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$$T(n) = \Theta(c^n)$$

- How to find c ? [Trick]

$$2 = \frac{T(n)}{T(n - 10)} = \frac{c^n}{c^{n-10}}$$

$$\rightarrow c^{10} = 2$$

$$\rightarrow c = \sqrt[10]{2} \approx 1.07177$$

(Root of Characteristic Equation)

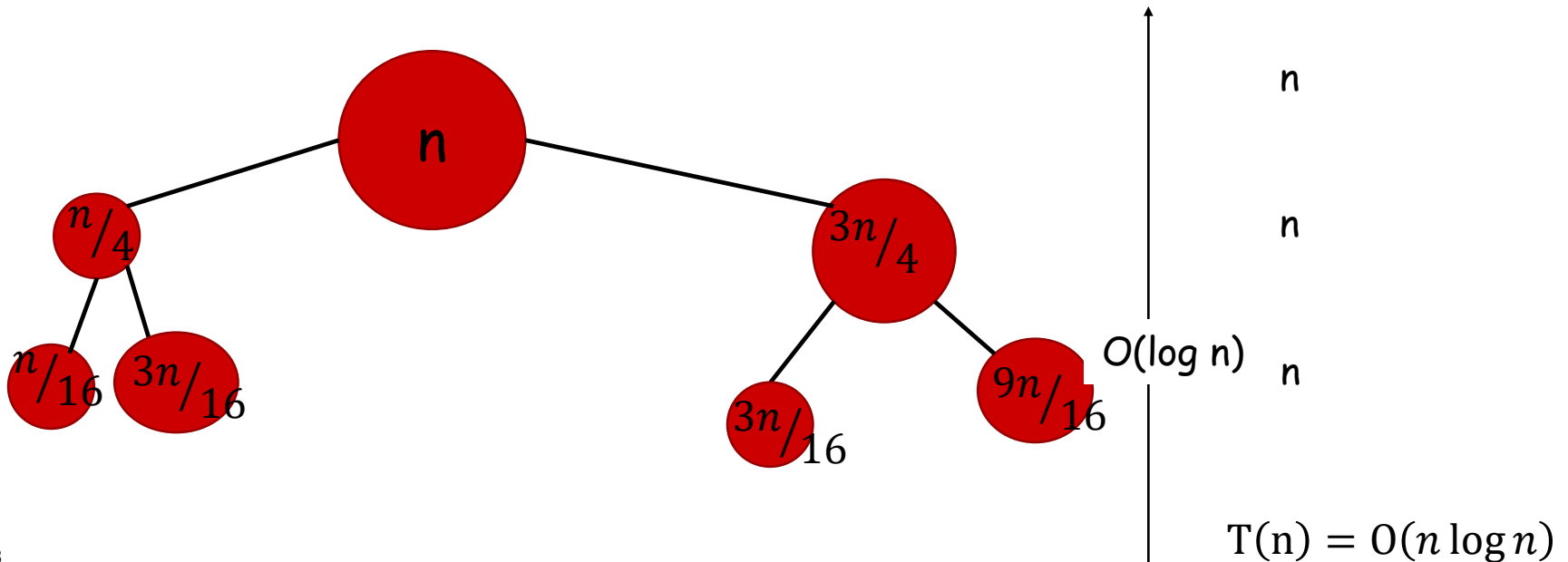
Must verify solution by induction

Other Recurrences

- MergeSort with Uneven Split: Split L into A, B of sizes $n/4$ and $3n/4$.

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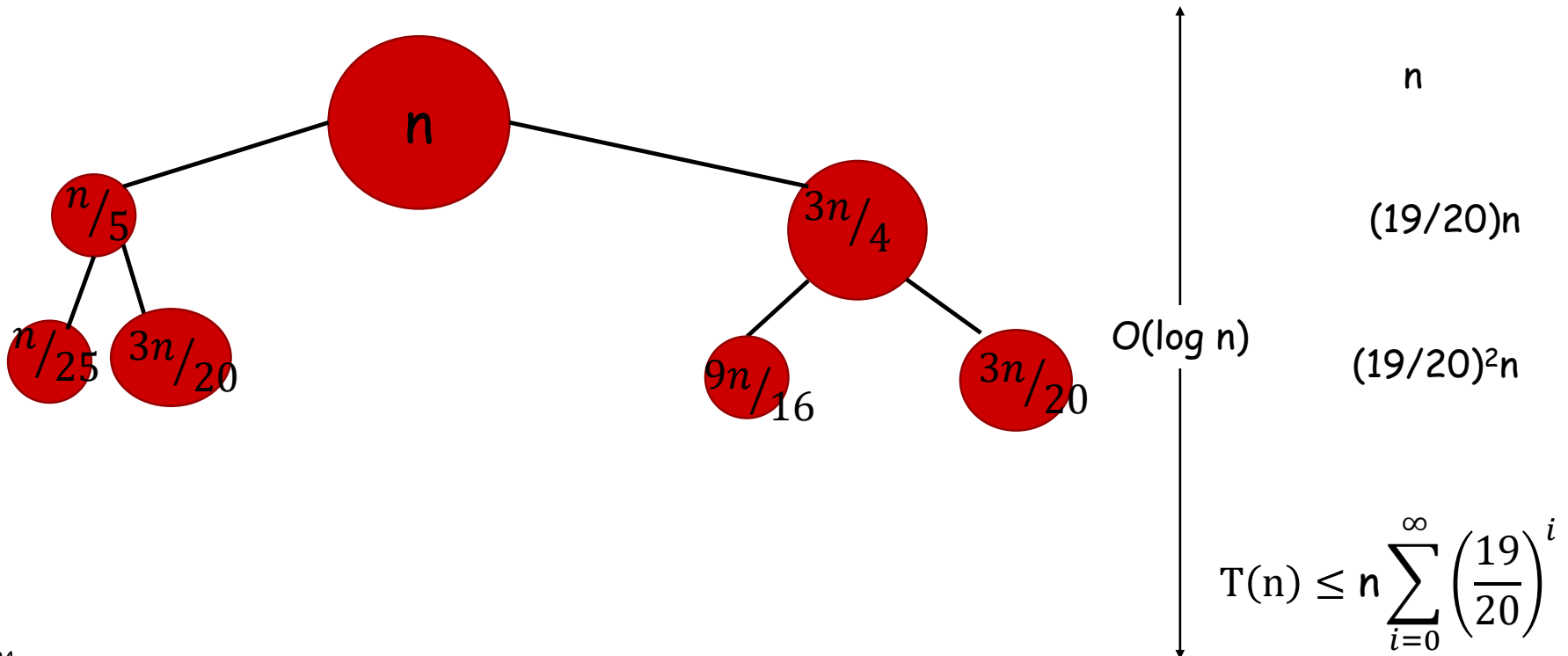
A bit harder to Analyze with recursion tree



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$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right) + n$$



Divide and conquer algorithms

- ▣ Mergesort
- ▣ Quicksort
- ▣ Binary Search
- ▣ *Linear-time selection*
- ▣ *Skyline Problem*
- ▣ *Maximum Subarray*
- ▣ *Counting inversions*