

# Recursive Runtimes

Note Title

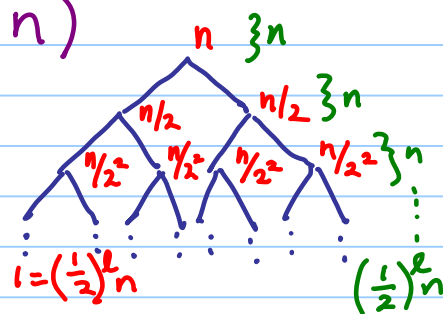
Note:  $l = \text{level}$

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①  $T(n) = n + 2T(\frac{n}{2}) \in O(n \log n)$

Merge Sort

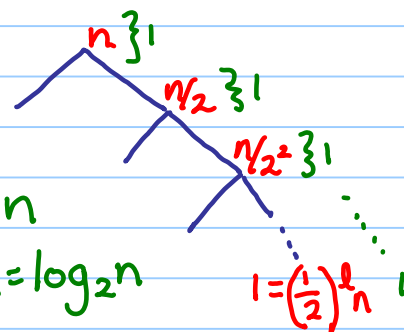
- recursive calls = 2
- size of data at each level =  $(\frac{1}{2})^l \cdot n$
- # of levels:  $(\frac{1}{2})^l \cdot n = 1; n = (\frac{2}{1})^l; l = \log_2 n$
- work @ each level =  $n$



②  $T(n) = 1 + T(\frac{n}{2}) \in O(\log n)$

Binary Search

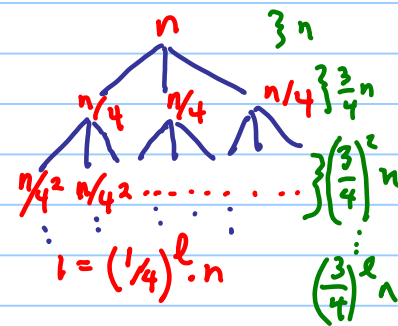
- recursive calls = 2
- size of data at each level =  $(\frac{1}{2})^l \cdot n$
- # of levels:  $(\frac{1}{2})^l \cdot n = 1; n = (\frac{2}{1})^l; l = \log_2 n$
- work @ each level = 1



③  $T(n) = n + 3T(\frac{n}{4}) \in O(n)$

Mystery I

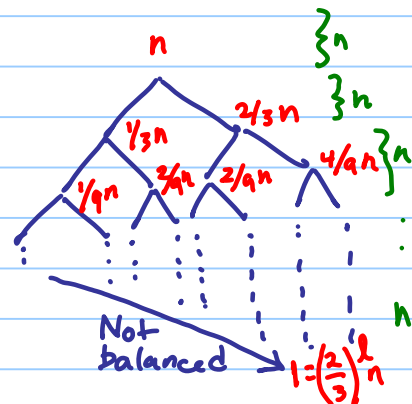
- recursive calls = 2
- size of data at each level =  $(\frac{1}{4})^l \cdot n$
- # of levels:  $(\frac{1}{4})^l \cdot n = 1; n = (\frac{4}{1})^l; l = \log_4 n$
- work @ each level =  $(\frac{3}{4})^l \cdot n$



④  $T(n) = T(\frac{n}{3}) + T(\frac{2n}{3}) + n \in O(n \log n)$

Mystery II

- recursive calls = 2
- size of data at each level  $\leq (\frac{2}{3})^l \cdot n$
- # levels:  $(\frac{2}{3})^l \cdot n = 1; n = (\frac{3}{2})^l; l = \log_{3/2} n$
- work @ each level =  $n$



⑤  $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{2n}{3}\right) + n \in O(4n^{\log_{3/2} 2} - n) \in O(n^{1.7})$

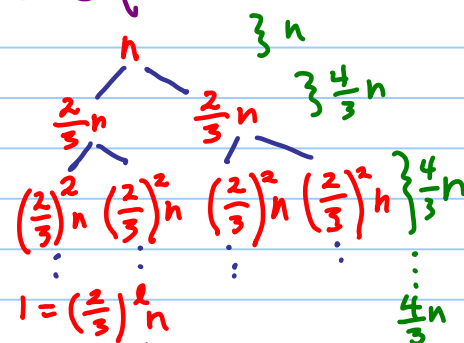
Mystery  
III

a. recursive calls = 2

b. size of data at each level =  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^l \cdot n$

c. # levels:  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^l \cdot n = 1; n = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^l; l = \log_{3/2} n$

d. Work @ each level =  $\frac{4}{3}n \sum_{i=0}^{\log_{3/2} n} \frac{4}{3}n$



⑥  $T(n) = 6T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 1 \in O\left(\frac{6}{5}n^{\log_4 6} - \frac{1}{5}\right) \in O(n^{1.29})$

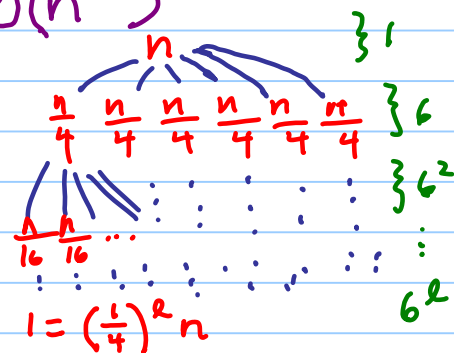
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IV

a. recursive calls = 6

b. size of data at each level =  $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^l \cdot n$

c. # levels:  $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^l \cdot n = 1; n = \left(\frac{4}{1}\right)^l; l = \log_4 n$

d. Work @ each level =  $6^l \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n} 6^l$



These examples reveal patterns.

Master Theorem yields a general formula for these patterns.

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$$

Compare  $f(n)$  to  $n^{\log_b a}$ .

But what about  $\epsilon$ ?

$f(n)$  must be polynomially  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{I) smaller than} \\ \text{II) the same as} \\ \text{III) larger than} \end{array} \right\} n^{\log_b a}$



Case I:  $\Theta(n^{\log_b a})$  if  $f(n) < n^{\log_b a}$   
 Case II:  $\Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log n)$  if  $f(n) = n^{\log_b a}$   
 Case III:  $\Theta(f(n))$  if  $f(n) > n^{\log_b a}$

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$$

$$a = 3$$

$$b = 4$$

$$3 \cdot f\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) \leq c \cdot f(n)$$

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$$3 \cdot \frac{n}{4} \leq c \cdot n$$

$$c < 1$$

Apply Master Theorem to these

6 examples:

	$f(n)$	$n^{\log_b a}$	$\Theta$
$T(n) = n + 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$	$n$	$n^{\log_2 2} = n$	I $\Theta(n \log n)$
$T(n) = 1 + T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$	$1$	$1$	II $\Theta(\log n)$
$T(n) = n + 3T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)$	$n$	$n^{\log_4 3}$	III $\Theta(n)$
$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + T\left(\frac{2n}{3}\right) + n$	$n$	—	—
$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{2n}{3}\right) + n$	$n$	$n^{\log_{3/2} 2} = n^{1.7}$	I $\Theta(n^{1.7})$
$T(n) = 6T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 1$	$1 \checkmark$	$n^{\log_4 6} \checkmark$	I $\Theta(n^{1.29})$ <del><math>\Theta(n \log n)</math></del>