

# CSE 417 Algorithms and Complexity

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Lecture 16  
Divide and Conquer and Recurrences

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## Divide and Conquer

- Recurrences, Sections 5.1 and 5.2
- Algorithms
  - Median (Selection)
  - Fast Matrix Multiplication
  - Counting Inversions (5.3)
  - Multiplication (5.5)

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## Divide and Conquer : Merge Sort

```
Array MSort(Array a, int n){
    if (n <= 1) return a;
    return Merge(MSort(a[0 .. n/2], n/2), MSort(a[n/2+1 .. n-1], n/2);
}
```

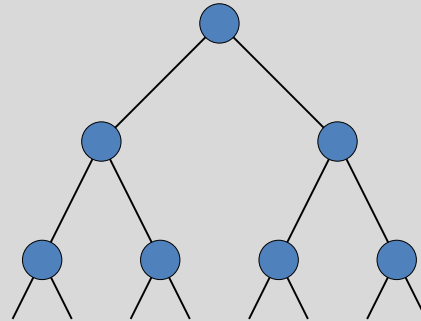
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## Unrolling the recurrence



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## Substitution

Prove  $T(n) \leq n(\log_2 n + 1)$  for  $n \geq 1$

Induction – Show  $P(1)$  and  $\forall_{k < n} P(k) \implies P(n)$

Base Case:  $T(1) = 1 = 1(\log_2 1 + 1)$

Induction: Assume  $T(n/2) \leq n/2(\log_2(n/2) + 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + n \\ &\leq 2 \cdot \frac{n}{2} (\log_2(n/2) + 1) + n \\ &= n(\log_2 n - 1 + 1) + n \\ &= n(\log_2 n + 1) \end{aligned}$$

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$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + n^c$$

## Master Theorem

If  $T(n) = aT(n/b) + O(n^d)$  for constants  $a > 0, b > 1, d \geq 0$ , then

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^d) & \text{if } d > \log_b a \\ O(n^d \log n) & \text{if } d = \log_b a \\ O(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } d < \log_b a \end{cases}$$

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

Where does this recurrence arise?

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## Solving the recurrence exactly

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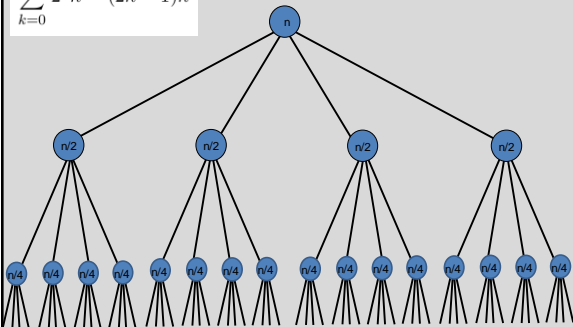
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Total Work

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

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

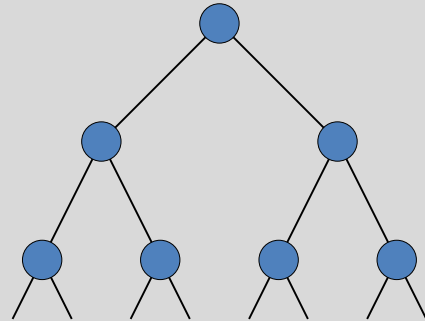


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$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^2$$

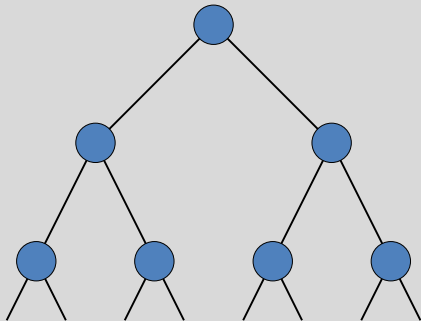


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$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^{1/2}$$



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## Recurrences

- Three basic behaviors
  - Dominated by initial case
  - Dominated by base case
  - All cases equal – we care about the depth

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## Geometric Sum

$$\sum_{i=0}^n x^i = \frac{x^{n+1} - 1}{x - 1}$$

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## What you really need to know about recurrences

- Work per level changes geometrically with the level
- Geometrically increasing ( $x > 1$ )
  - The bottom level wins
- Geometrically decreasing ( $x < 1$ )
  - The top level wins
- Balanced ( $x = 1$ )
  - Equal contribution

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## Classify the following recurrences (Increasing, Decreasing, Balanced)

- $T(n) = n + 5T(n/8)$
- $T(n) = n + 9T(n/8)$
- $T(n) = n^2 + 4T(n/2)$
- $T(n) = n^3 + 7T(n/2)$
- $T(n) = n^{1/2} + 3T(n/4)$

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## Recursive Matrix Multiplication

### Multiply 2 x 2 Matrices:

$$\begin{vmatrix} r & s \\ t & u \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} e & g \\ f & h \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r &= ae + bf \\ s &= ag + bh \\ t &= ce + df \\ u &= cg + dh \end{aligned}$$

A  $N \times N$  matrix can be viewed as a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with entries that are  $(N/2) \times (N/2)$  matrices.

The recursive matrix multiplication algorithm recursively multiplies the  $(N/2) \times (N/2)$  matrices and combines them using the equations for multiplying  $2 \times 2$  matrices

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## Recursive Matrix Multiplication

- How many recursive calls are made at each level?
- How much work in combining the results?
- What is the recurrence?

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## What is the run time for the recursive Matrix Multiplication Algorithm?

- Recurrence:

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## Strassen's Algorithm

Multiply 2 x 2 Matrices:

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline r & s \\ \hline t & u \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline a & b \\ \hline c & d \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline e & g \\ \hline f & h \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$r = p_1 + p_2 - p_4 + p_6$$

$$s = p_4 + p_5$$

$$t = p_6 + p_7$$

$$u = p_2 - p_3 + p_5 - p_7$$

Where:

$$p_1 = (b - d)(f + h)$$

$$p_2 = (a + d)(e + h)$$

$$p_3 = (a - c)(e + g)$$

$$p_4 = (a + b)h$$

$$p_5 = a(g - h)$$

$$p_6 = d(f - e)$$

$$p_7 = (c + d)e$$

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From AHU 1974

## Recurrence for Strassen's Algorithms

- $T(n) = 7 T(n/2) + cn^2$
- What is the runtime?

$\log_2 7 = 2.8073549221$

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