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This algorithm requires

$$T(n) = T\left(\left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil\right) + T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + \mathcal{O}(n) \leq 2T\left(\left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil\right) + \mathcal{O}(n)$$

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Methods for Solving Recurrences

1. Guessing+Induction

Guess the right solution and prove that it is correct via induction. It needs experience to make the right guess.

2. Master Theorem

For a lot of recurrences that appear in the analysis of algorithms this theorem can be used to obtain tight asymptotic bounds. It does not provide exact solutions.

3. Characteristic Polynomial

Linear homogenous recurrences can be solved via this method.

4. Generating Functions

A more general technique that allows to solve certain types of linear inhomogenous relations and also sometimes non-linear recurrence relations.

5. Transformation of the Recurrence

Sometimes one can transform the given recurrence relations so that it e.g. becomes linear and can therefore be solved with one of the other techniques.

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One way of solving such a recurrence is to **guess** a solution, and check that it is correct by plugging it in.

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Formally, this is not correct if n is not a power of 2. Also even in this case one would need to do an induction proof.

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Lemma 1

Let $a \geq 1$, $b \geq 1$ and $\epsilon > 0$ denote constants. Consider the recurrence

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

Case 1.

If $f(n) = \mathcal{O}(n^{\log_b(a)-\epsilon})$ then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$.

Case 2.

If $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b(a)} \log^k n)$ then $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{k+1} n)$,
 $k \geq 0$.

Case 3.

If $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b(a)+\epsilon})$ and for sufficiently large n
 $af\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) \leq cf(n)$ for some constant $c < 1$ then $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$.

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We prove the Master Theorem for the case that n is of the form b^{ℓ} , and we assume that the non-recursive case occurs for problem size 1 and incurs cost 1 .

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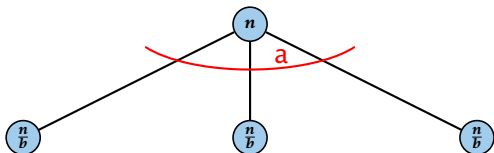
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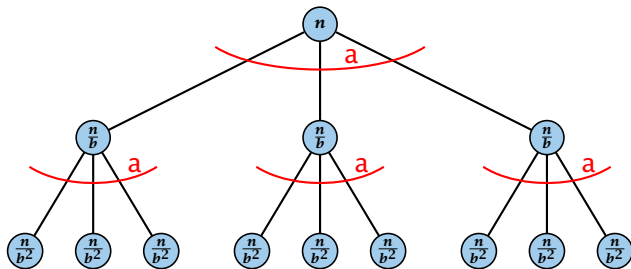
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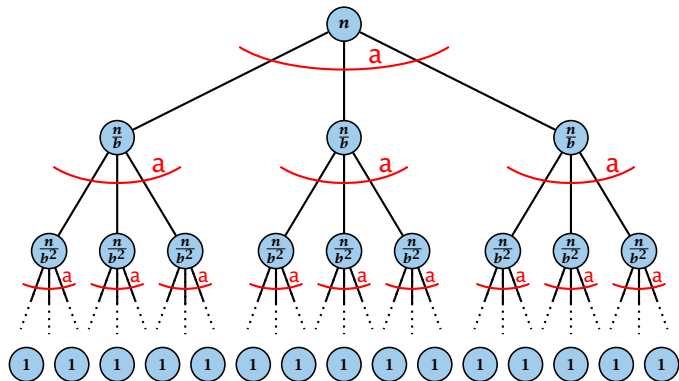
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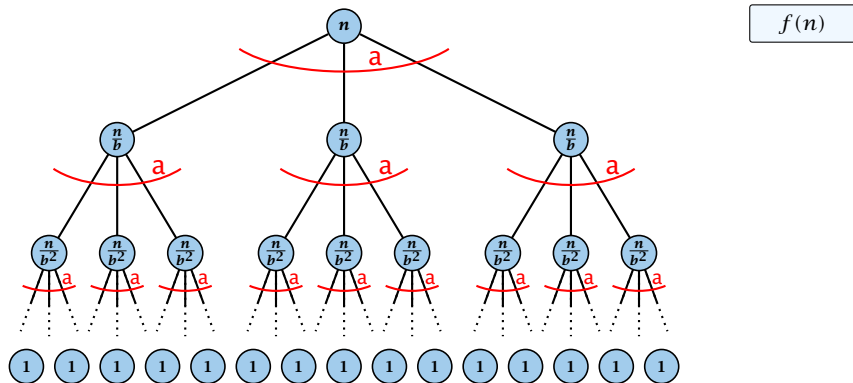
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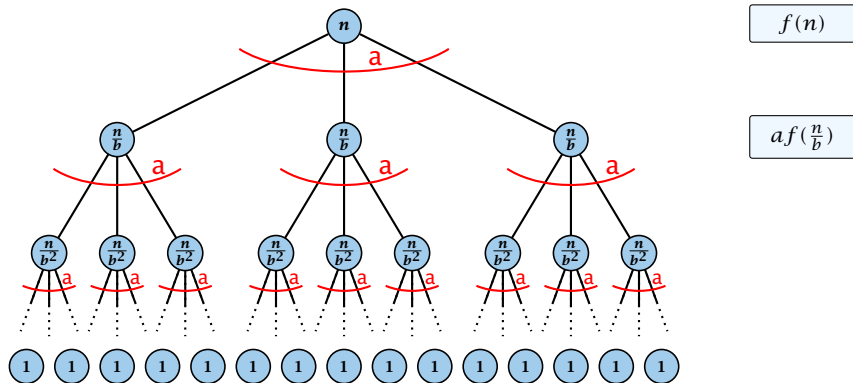
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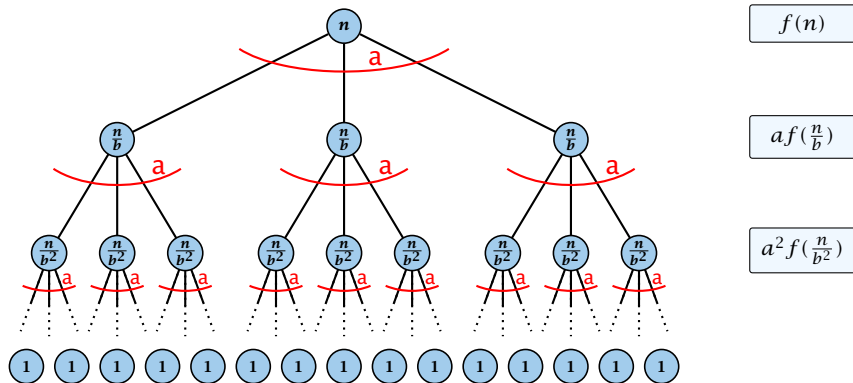
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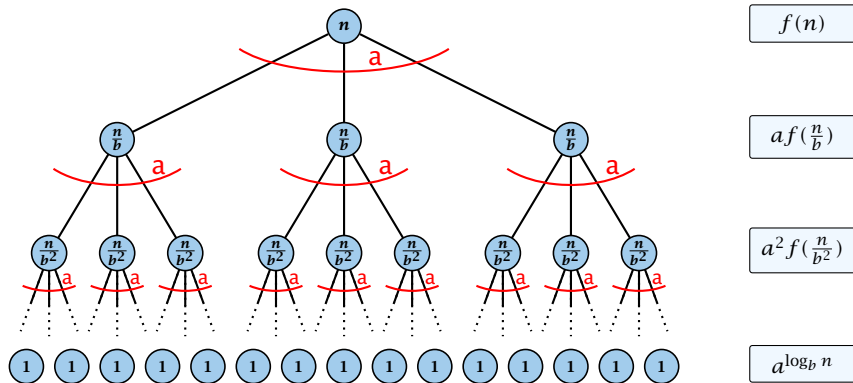
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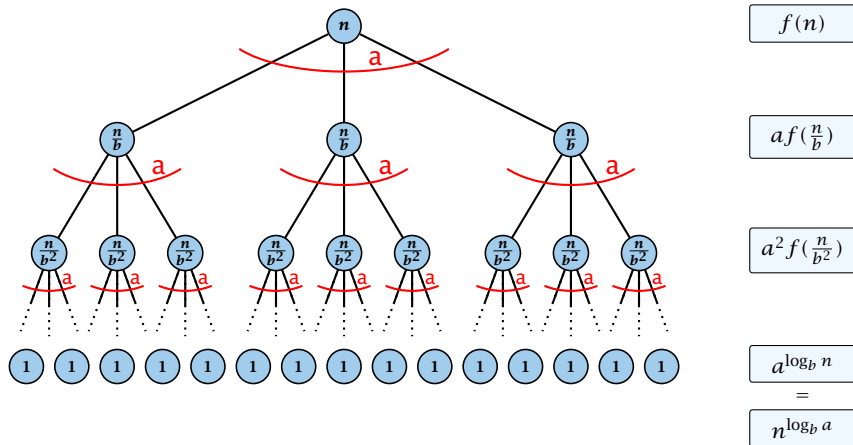
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6.2 Master Theorem

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Case 3. Now suppose that $f(n) \geq dn^{\log_b a + \epsilon}$, and that for sufficiently large n : $af(n/b) \leq cf(n)$, for $c < 1$.

From this we get $a^i f(n/b^i) \leq c^i f(n)$, where we assume that $n/b^{i-1} \geq n_0$ is still sufficiently large.

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) - n^{\log_b a} &= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n - 1} a^i f\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n - 1} c^i f(n) + \mathcal{O}(n^{\log_b a}) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1-c} f(n) + \mathcal{O}(n^{\log_b a}) \end{aligned}$$

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The diagram illustrates the addition of two 9-bit integers, A and B, using a ripple carry adder. The bits of A are 1 1 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 and the bits of B are 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1. The sum is shown below a horizontal line as 0 1 0 0 0. A vertical box highlights the 5th bit position (index 4 from the right), where the carry-in is 1 and the carry-out is 0. Small subscripts '1' and '0' are placed below the 4th and 5th bits of the sum, respectively, indicating the carry propagation.

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The diagram illustrates the addition of two 9-bit integers, A and B, using a carry propagation method. The numbers are aligned by their least significant bits. A horizontal line is drawn under the second number. The result is shown below the line. The carry propagation is indicated by small numbers below the digits: a '1' under the third digit of B, a '1' under the fourth digit of B, a '0' under the fifth digit of B, and '1' under the sixth, seventh, and eighth digits of B. The digit '1' under the fourth digit of B is highlighted with a light blue box.

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Note: In the original image, a vertical box highlights the first two bits of A and B (1 and 1), and the carry bit 0 is shown below the first bit of B.

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Diagram illustrating the addition of two integers A and B . The numbers are represented as binary strings. A carry bit of 1 is shown above the first bit of B . The result of the addition is shown below a horizontal line, with a carry bit of 0 shown below the first bit of the result.

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This gives that two n -bit integers can be added in time $\mathcal{O}(n)$.

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- ▶ Adding m numbers of length $\leq 2n$:
 $\mathcal{O}((m+n)m) = \mathcal{O}(nm)$.

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Hence,

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