

# Divide-and-Conquer

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- Divide -and-Conquer.
  - Break up problem into several parts.
  - Solve each part recursively.
  - Combine solutions to subproblems into overall solution.
- Today
  - Mergesort (recap)
  - Recurrence relations
  - Integer multiplication

Mergesort

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  - Divide array into two halves.
  - Recursively sort each half.
  - Merge two halves to make a sorted whole.



Jon von Neumann (1945)

A L G O R I T H M S

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Divide

A G L O R                      H I M S T

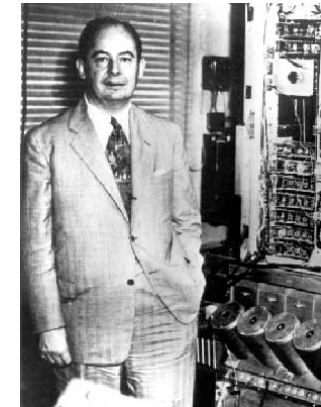
Sort recursively

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Merge

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Divide                       $O(1)$

A G L O R                      H I M S T

Sort recursively                       $2T(n/2)$

A G H I L M O R S T

Merge                       $O(n)$

# Recurrence relations

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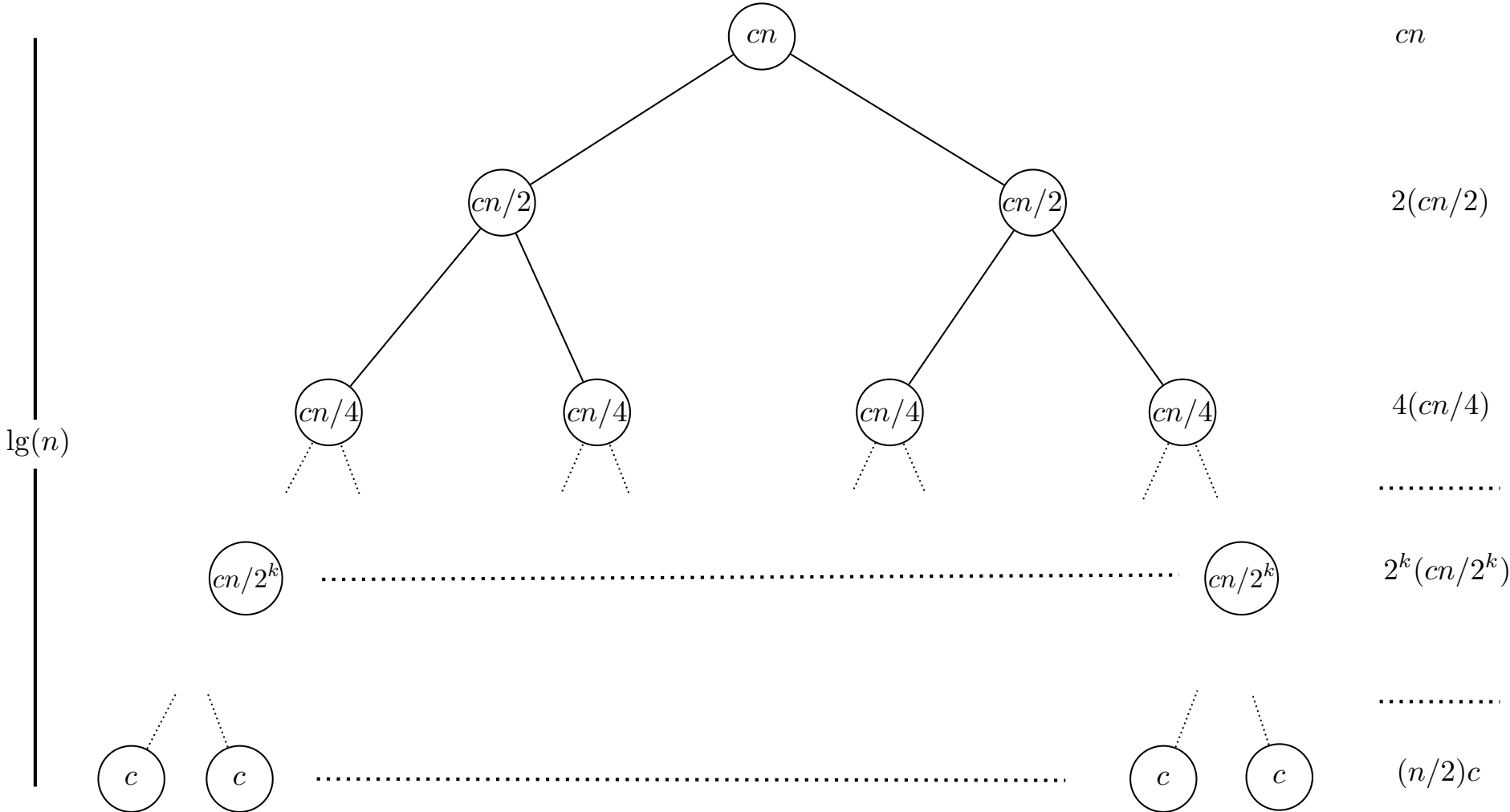
- $T(n)$  = running time of mergesort on input of size  $n$
- Mergesort recurrence:

$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} 2T(n/2) + cn & \text{if } n > 2 \\ c & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Solving the recurrence:
  - Recursion tree
  - Substitution

# Mergesort recurrence: recursion tree

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# Mergesort recurrence: substitution

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$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} 2T(n/2) + cn & \text{if } n > 2 \\ c & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Substitute  $T(n)$  with  $cn \lg n$  and use induction to prove  $T(n) \leq cn \lg n$ .
- Base case ( $n = 2$ ):
  - By definition  $T(2) = c$ .
  - Substitution:  $cn \lg n = c \cdot 2 \lg 2 = 2c \geq c = T(2) = T(n)$
- Induction: Assume  $T(m) \leq cm \lg m$  for  $m < n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\leq 2T(n/2) + cn \\ &\leq 2c(n/2)\lg(n/2) + cn \\ &= cn(\lg n - 1) + cn \\ &= cn \lg n - cn + cn \\ &= cn \lg n. \end{aligned}$$



# More recurrence relations: 1 subproblem

$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} T(n/2) + cn & \text{if } n > 2 \\ c & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Summing over all levels:

$$T(n) \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\lg n - 1} \frac{cn}{2^k} = cn \sum_{k=0}^{\lg n - 1} \frac{1}{2^k} \leq 2cn = O(n)$$

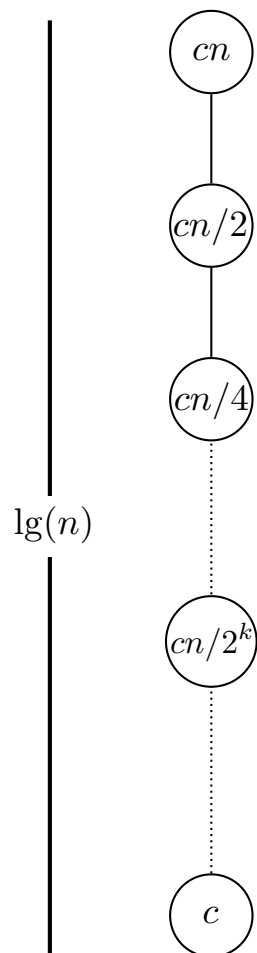
- Substitution:

- Base case:

$$2c \cdot 2 = 4c \geq c = T(2).$$

- Assume  $T(m) \leq 2cm$  for  $m < n$ .

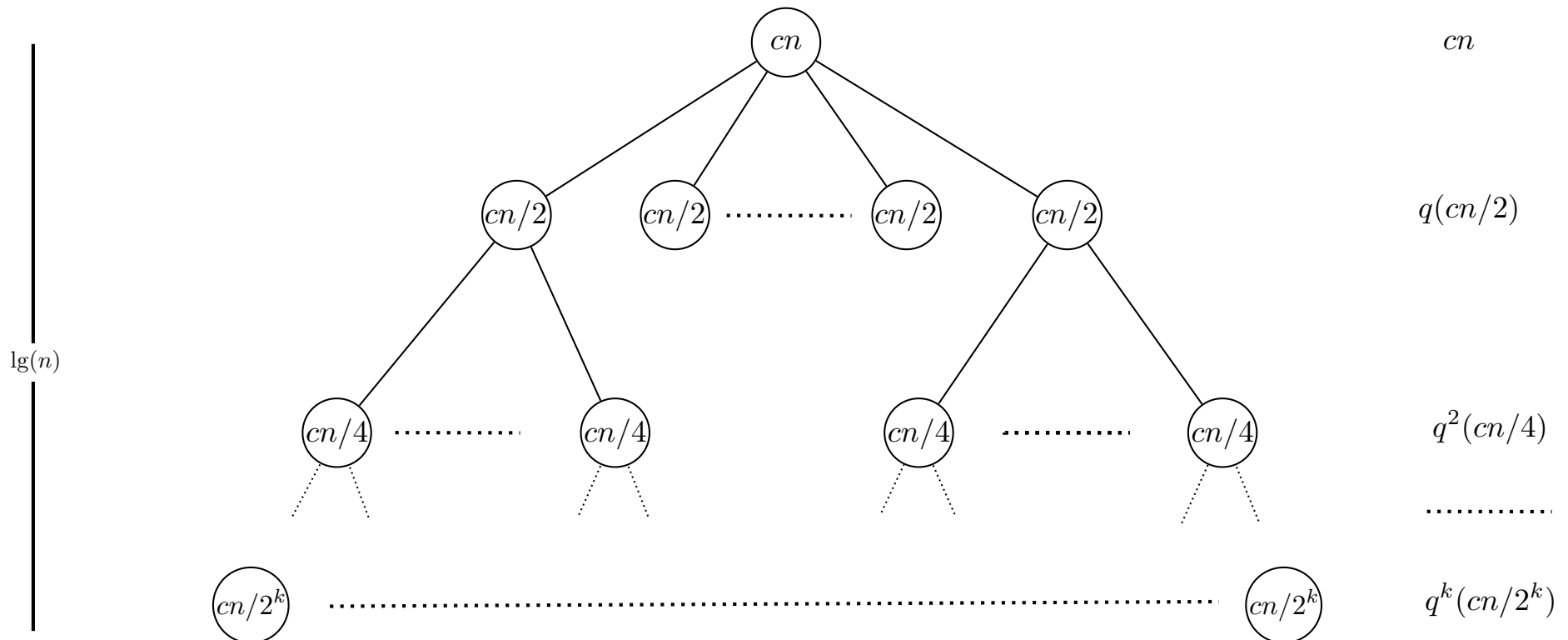
$$T(n) \leq T(n/2) + cn \leq 2c(n/2) + cn = 2cn$$



# More than 2 subproblems

- $q$  subproblems of size  $n/2$ .

$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} qT(n/2) + cn & \text{if } n > 2 \\ c & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



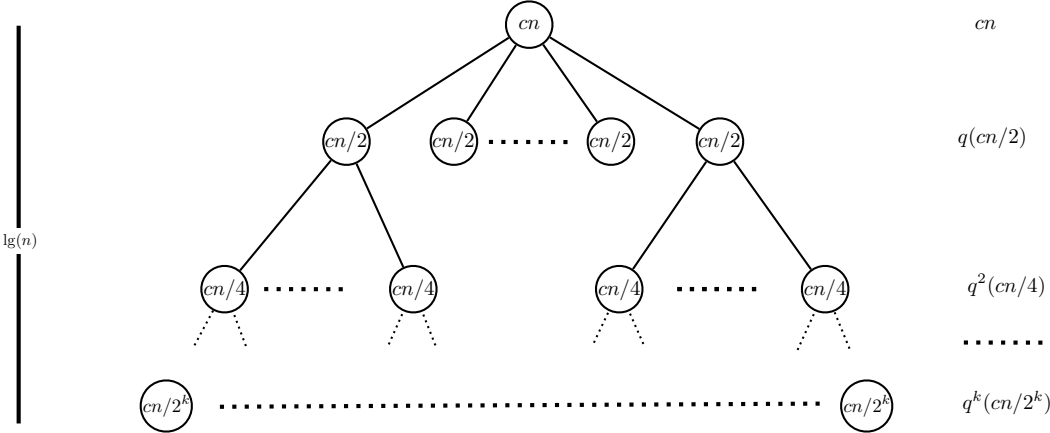
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- Summing over all levels:

$$T(n) \leq \sum_{j=0}^{\lg n - 1} \left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^j cn = cn \sum_{j=0}^{\lg n - 1} \left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^j = O(n^{\lg q})$$



Geometric series.

for  $x \neq 1$  :  $\sum_{i=0}^m x^i = \frac{x^{m+1} - 1}{x - 1}$

for  $x < 1$  :  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^i = \frac{1}{1 - x}$

# More than 2 subproblems

Proof of  $cn \sum_{j=0}^{\lg n - 1} \left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^j = O(n^{\lg q})$

Use geometric series:  $cn \sum_{j=0}^{\lg n - 1} \left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^j = cn \frac{\left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^{\lg n} - 1}{\frac{q}{2} - 1}$

Reduce  $\left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^{\lg n} = \frac{q^{\lg n}}{2^{\lg n}} = \frac{q^{\lg n}}{n^{\lg 2}} = \frac{q^{\lg n}}{n}$

Now:

$$cn \frac{\left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^{\lg n} - 1}{\frac{q}{2} - 1} = cn \frac{\frac{q^{\lg n}}{n} - 1}{\frac{q-2}{2}} = \frac{2c}{q-2} n \left(\frac{q^{\lg n}}{n} - 1\right) = \frac{2c}{q-2} (q^{\lg n} - n) = O(q^{\lg n})$$

constant

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# Integer Multiplication

# Integer multiplication

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- **Add.** Given two n-bit integers a and b, compute  $a + b$ .
- **School method.**  $\Theta(n)$  bit operations.

	1	0	1	1	1	
		1	0	0	1	1
+		1	0	1	1	1
	1	0	1	0	1	0

- **Multiply.** Given two n-bit integers a and b, compute  $a \times b$ .
- **School method.**  $\Theta(n^2)$  bit operations.

	1	1	0	×	1	1	1
					0	0	0
+				1	1	1	0
+			1	1	1	0	0
		1	0	1	0	1	0

# Integer multiplication: warmup

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- **Divide-and-conquer:** divide the  $n$ -bit integers into two.

$$x = \underbrace{1000}_{x_1} \underbrace{1101}_{x_0}$$

$$y = \underbrace{1110}_{y_1} \underbrace{0001}_{y_0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 2^{n/2} \cdot x_1 + x_0 \\ y &= 2^{n/2} \cdot y_1 + y_0 \end{aligned}$$

- **First try:**

$$x \cdot y = (2^{n/2} \cdot x_1 + x_0)(2^{n/2} \cdot y_1 + y_0) = 2^n \cdot x_1 y_1 + 2^{n/2} \cdot (x_1 y_0 + x_0 y_1) + x_0 y_0$$

- Multiply four  $n/2$ -bit integers (recursively)
- Add two  $n/2$ -bit integers
- Shift and add to obtain result.

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

↖  
recursive calls

↖  
add, shift

$$T(n) = O(n^{\lg 4}) = O(n^2)$$

# Integer multiplication: Karatsuba

- **Divide-and-conquer:** divide the n-bit integers into two.

$$x = \underbrace{1000}_{x_1} \underbrace{1101}_{x_0}$$

$$y = \underbrace{1110}_{y_1} \underbrace{0001}_{y_0}$$

$$x = 2^{n/2} \cdot x_1 + x_0$$

$$y = 2^{n/2} \cdot y_1 + y_0$$

$$x \cdot y = 2^n \cdot x_1 y_1 + 2^{n/2} \cdot (x_1 y_0 + x_0 y_1) + x_0 y_0$$

$$= 2^n \cdot x_1 y_1 + 2^{n/2} \cdot ((x_1 + x_0)(y_1 + y_0) - x_1 y_1 - x_0 y_0) + x_0 y_0$$

● 1
● 2
● 1
● 3
● 3

- **Karatsuba:**

- Recursively compute *three* products of n/2-bit integers:
  - $x_1 y_1, (x_1 + x_0)(y_1 + y_0), x_0 y_0$
- Shift, add, and subtract to obtain result.

$$(x_1 + x_0)(y_1 + y_0) =$$

$$x_1 y_1 + x_1 y_0 + x_0 y_1 + x_0 y_0$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$x_1 y_0 + x_0 y_1 =$$

$$(x_1 + x_0)(y_1 + y_0) - x_1 y_1 - x_0 y_0$$

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

↖ recursive calls
↖ add, shift

$$T(n) = O(n^{\lg 3}) = O(n^{1.59})$$