

Review 4–1

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Problem 1

Show that the solution of $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$ is $O(n \lg n)$ by the substitution method. (Show the inductive step only.)

Solution 1

- inductive step

$$T(n) \leq cn \lg n, \quad (\text{for some } c > 0, n > n_0)$$

We can assume the hypothesis ($T(n) = O(n \lg n)$) holds for all positive int smaller than n . then,

$$\begin{aligned} T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) &\leq c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \leq c(n/2) \lg(n/2) \\ &= c(n/2)(\lg n - \lg 2) \end{aligned}$$

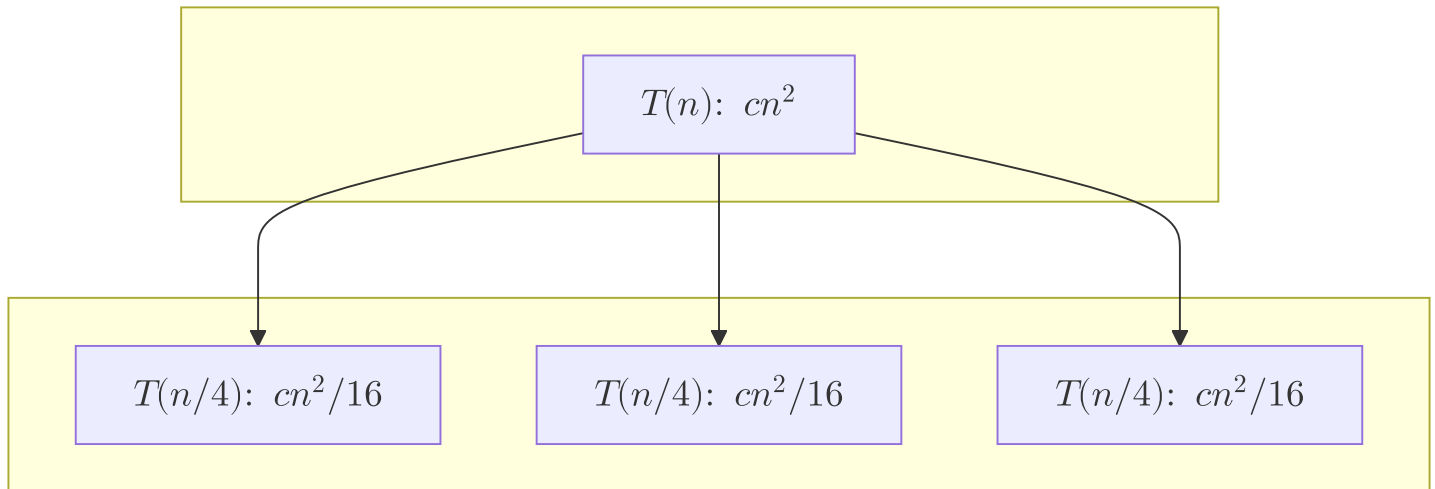
$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n \leq cn(\lg n - \lg 2) + n \\ &= cn \lg n - cn \lg 2 + n \\ &= cn \lg n - cn + n \\ &\leq cn \lg n \end{aligned}$$

therefore, $T(n) = O(n \lg n)$

Problem 2

Use a recursion tree to determine a good asymptotic upper bound on the recurrence $T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + \theta(n^2)$.

Solution 2



- level 0
 - cn^2
- level 1
 - $\frac{3}{16}cn^2$
- level k
 - $(\frac{3}{16})^k cn^2$
- level $\log_4 n$
 - $n^{\log_4 3}$

therefore, total cost is

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n - 1} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i cn^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3}) \\ &< \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i cn^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3}) \\ &= \frac{16}{13}cn^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3}) = O(n^2) \end{aligned}$$