

- Approach for finding D&C also (Q3)
- Complexity for recurrences (Q1 + Q2)

- 1) Think about the base case
- 2) Split problem in 2.  
If you have the solution for the 2 parts, what can we do with it?  
Is one of the 2 the final answer or is there some information missing?
- 3) Is there a way to make "merge" faster?  
Can any additional information be obtained from recursion?

Example: Max-Difference

Input:  $A[1..n]$

Find  $i \leq j$  st  $A[i] - A[j]$  is as large as possible.

$$A = [3 \quad \underline{1} \quad 2 \quad \underline{8} \quad 6 \quad \underline{4} \quad 5]$$

$$8 - 4 = 4$$

$$8 - 1 = 7 \quad \text{invalid because 1 came before 8}$$

Naive for  $i=1..n$   
for  $j=i..n$   
...  $O(n^2)$

Max Diff ( $A[1..n]$ )

if  $n=1$

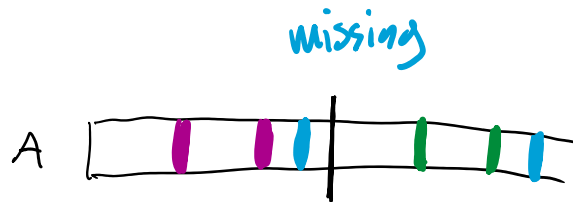
return 0 //  $A[1] - A[1]$

left = Max Diff ( $A[1.. \frac{n}{2}]$ )

right = Max Diff ( $A[\frac{n}{2}+1..n]$ )

maxL =  $\max_{i \leq \frac{n}{2}} A[i]$  //  $O(n)$

... //  $O(n)$



$$\max A[i] - A[j] \quad i \leq \frac{n}{2}$$

$$\max A[i] - A[j] \quad \frac{n}{2} < i \leq j$$

$$\max L = \max_{i \leq \frac{n}{2}} A[i] \quad // O(n)$$

$$\min R = \min_{\frac{n}{2} < j} A[j] \quad // O(n)$$

$$\text{crossing} = \max L - \min R$$

$$\text{return } \max(\text{left}, \text{right}, \text{crossing})$$

$$\max_{\frac{n}{2} < i < j} A[i] - A[j]$$

missing

$$\max_{i \leq \frac{n}{2} < j} A[i] - A[j]$$

$$= \left( \max_{i \leq \frac{n}{2}} A[i] \right) - \left( \min_{\frac{n}{2} < j} A[j] \right)$$

$$T(n) = 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

$$= O(n \log n)$$

$$a=2$$

$$b=2$$

$$c=1 \quad // O(n) = O(n^1)$$

Alternative:

Max Diff ( $A[1 \dots n]$ )

if  $n == 1$

return 0,  $A[1]$ ,  $A[1]$  // max difference, smallest entry, largest entry

left minL, maxL = MaxDiff ( $A[1 \dots \frac{n}{2}]$ )

right minR, maxR = MaxDiff ( $A[\frac{n}{2} + 1 \dots n]$ )

crossing = maxL - minR

return  $\max(\text{left}, \text{right}, \text{crossing})$ ,  $\min(\text{minL}, \text{minR})$ ,  $\max(\text{maxL}, \text{maxR})$

$$T(n) = 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(1)$$

$$= O(n)$$

$$a=2$$

$$b=2$$

$$c=0$$

$$// O(1) = O(n^0)$$

Q3 HW D&C only

2:40

General Approach

level 0  $\rightarrow$



level 1  $\rightarrow$

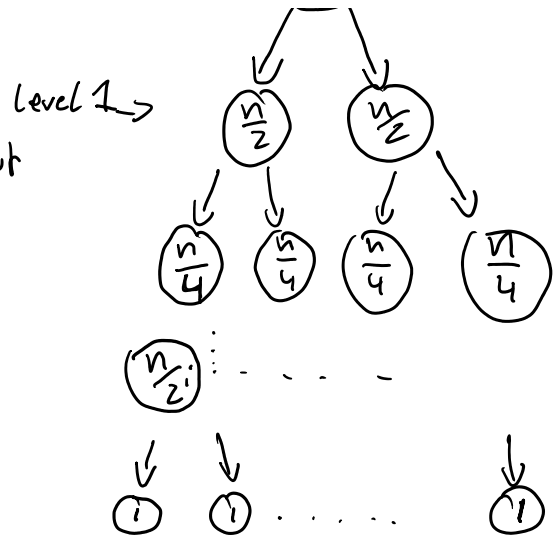


Recursion Trees

...

# Recursion Trees

- each node is one function call
- each node gets a label = size of input
- add edges to represent the call



$$T(n) = 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n^2)$$

Each horizontal line is a "Level".

$i$ -th level has  $2^i$  many nodes  
and a node in  $i$ -th level  
has  $\frac{n}{2^i}$  as input

height of this tree is  $\log_2(n)$

Total time  $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)} 2^i \cdot O\left(\left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right)^2\right)$

$\uparrow$  # nodes in  $i$ th level       $\uparrow$  time spent on merge by 1 node in  $i$ th level  
 this sum goes over all levels      level

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)} O\left(\frac{n^2}{2^i}\right) = O(n^2) \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)} \frac{1}{2^i}$$

$$\leq O(n^2) \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^i} = O(n^2) \cdot 2 = O(n^2)$$

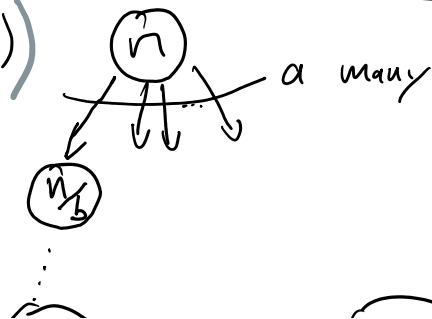
$$T(n) = 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)} 2^i \cdot O\left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)} O(n) = O(n \log n)$$

$$T(n) = a \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + n^c \quad (T(d) = O(d))$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b(n)} a^i \cdot O\left(\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right)^c\right) \quad T(1) = 1$$

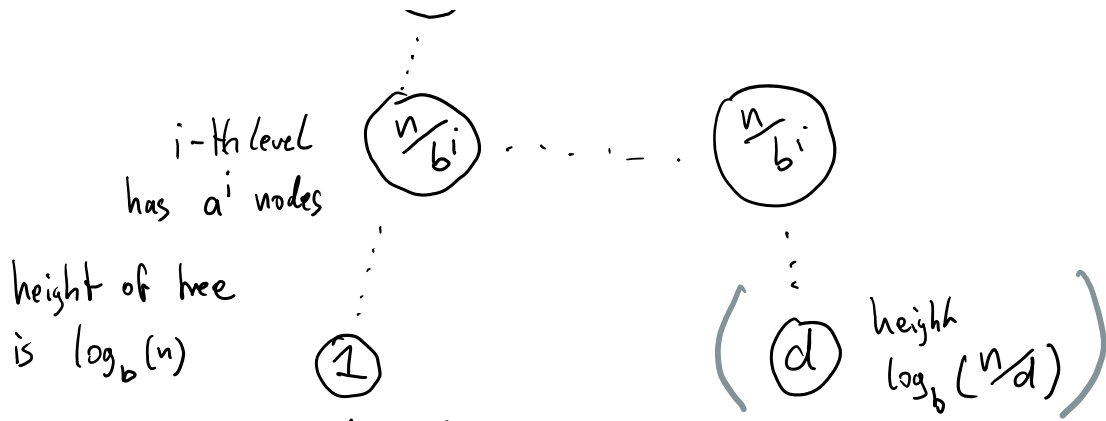
$n^c \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b(n)} \frac{a^i}{b^{ic}}$



$$i=0$$

$$= O(n^c) \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b(n)} \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)^i$$

$$\left(\log_b(n) = \frac{\log_2(n)}{\log_2(b)}\right)$$



$$O(n^c) \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)^i = \begin{cases} O(n^c \cdot \log n) & \text{if } a = b^c \\ O(n^c) & \text{if } a < b^c \\ O(n^c) & \text{if } a > b^c \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow O\left(n^c \cdot \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)^{\log_b n}\right) = O\left(\cancel{n^c} \cdot \underbrace{b^{\frac{1}{\log_b(n)-c}}}_{\cancel{n^c}} \cdot a^{\log_b(n)}\right)$$

$$= O\left(a^{\log_b(n)}\right)$$

$$= O\left(2^{\log_2(a) \cdot \log_b(n)}\right)$$

$$= O\left(2^{\log_2(a) \cdot \frac{\log_2(n)}{\log_2(b)}}\right)$$

$$= O\left(n^{\frac{\log_2(a)}{\log_2(b)}}\right) = O\left(n^{\log_b(a)}\right)$$

Lemma:  $\sum_{i=0}^t q^i = \begin{cases} O(t) & \text{if } q=1 \\ O(q^t) & \text{if } q>1 \\ O(1) & \text{if } q<1 \end{cases}$

if  $a>1$   $\sum_{i=0}^t q^i = q^t \cdot \sum_{i=0}^t q^{i-t} = q^t \sum_{i=0}^t q^{-i}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } q > 1 \quad \sum_{i=0}^t q^i &= q^t \cdot \sum_{i=0}^t q^{i-t} = q^t \sum_{i=0}^t q^{-i} \\ &= q^t \sum_{i=0}^t \left(\frac{1}{q}\right)^i \\ &\leq q^t \underbrace{\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{q}\right)^i}_{O(1)} = O(q^t) \end{aligned}$$