

# Divide-and-Conquer: Polynomial Multiplication

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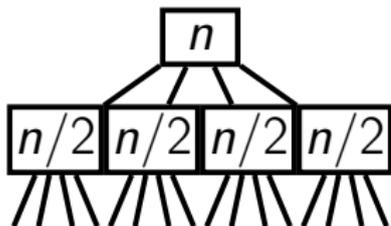
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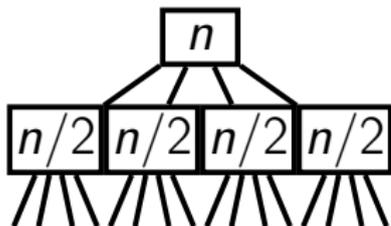
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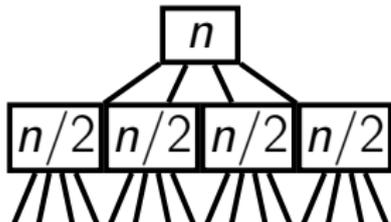
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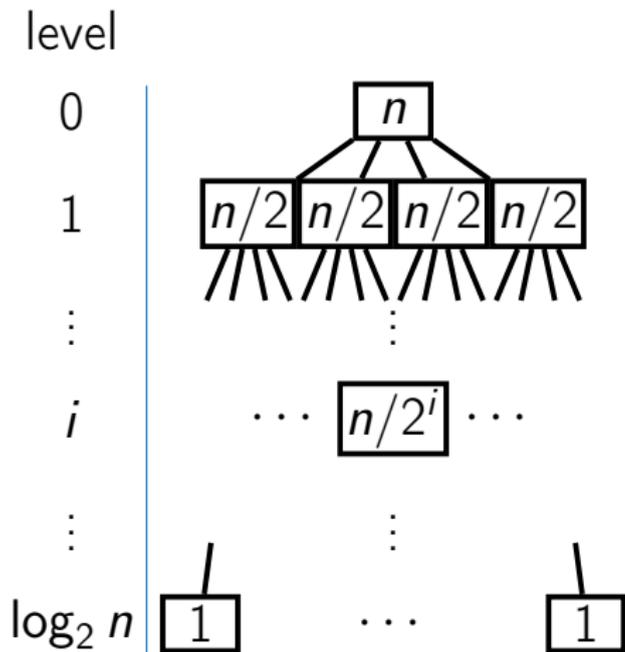
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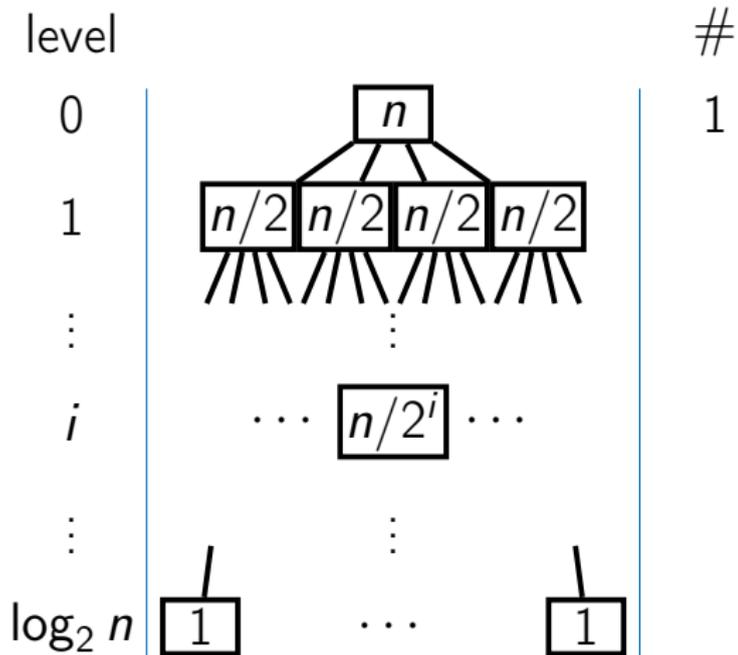
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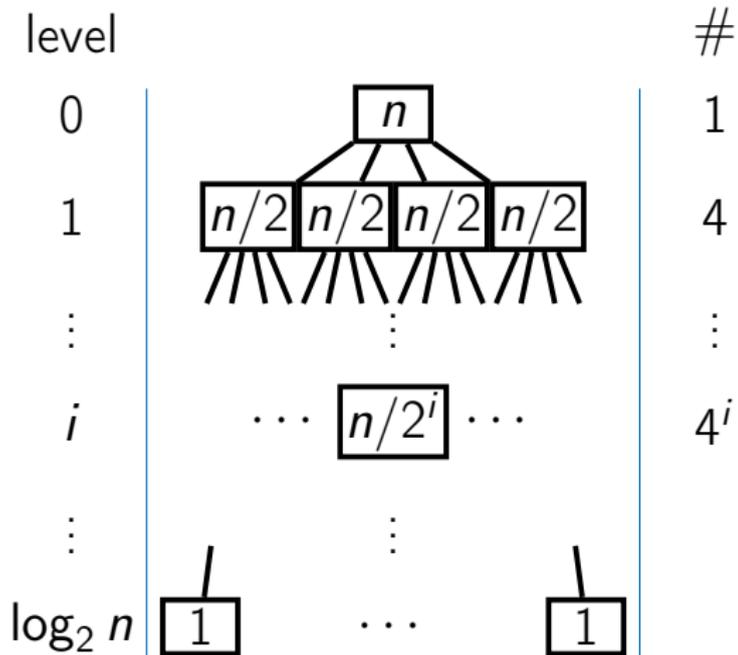
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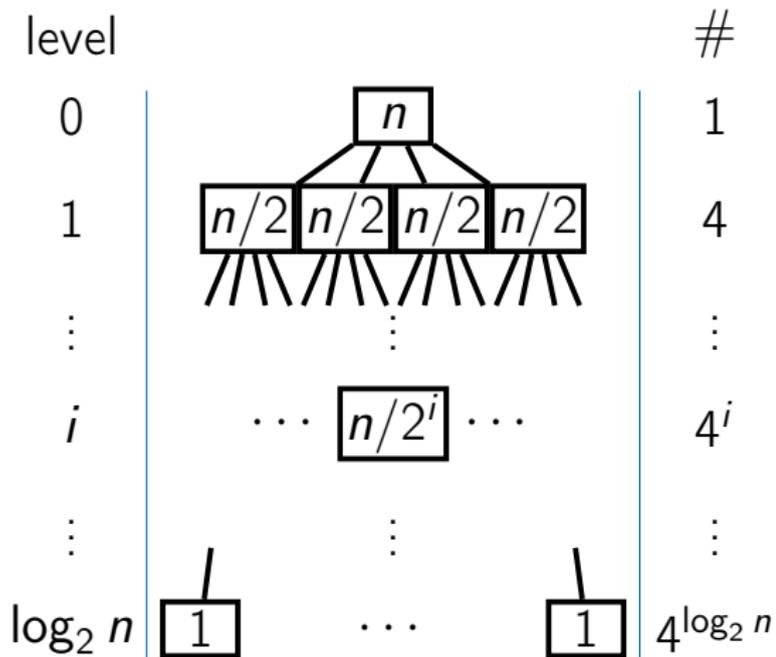


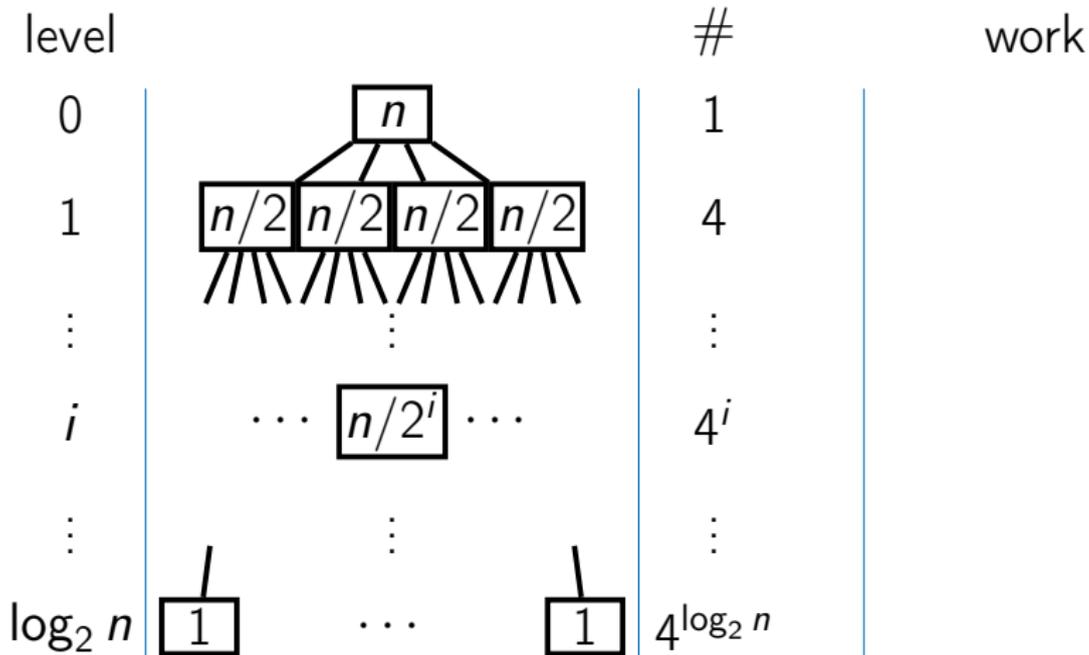


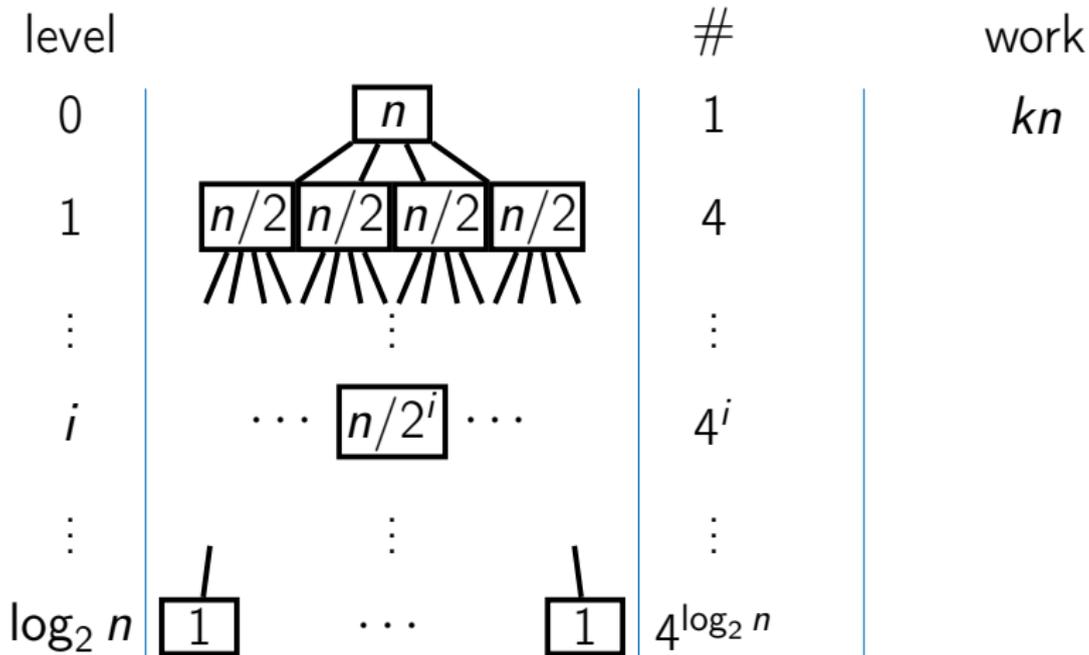


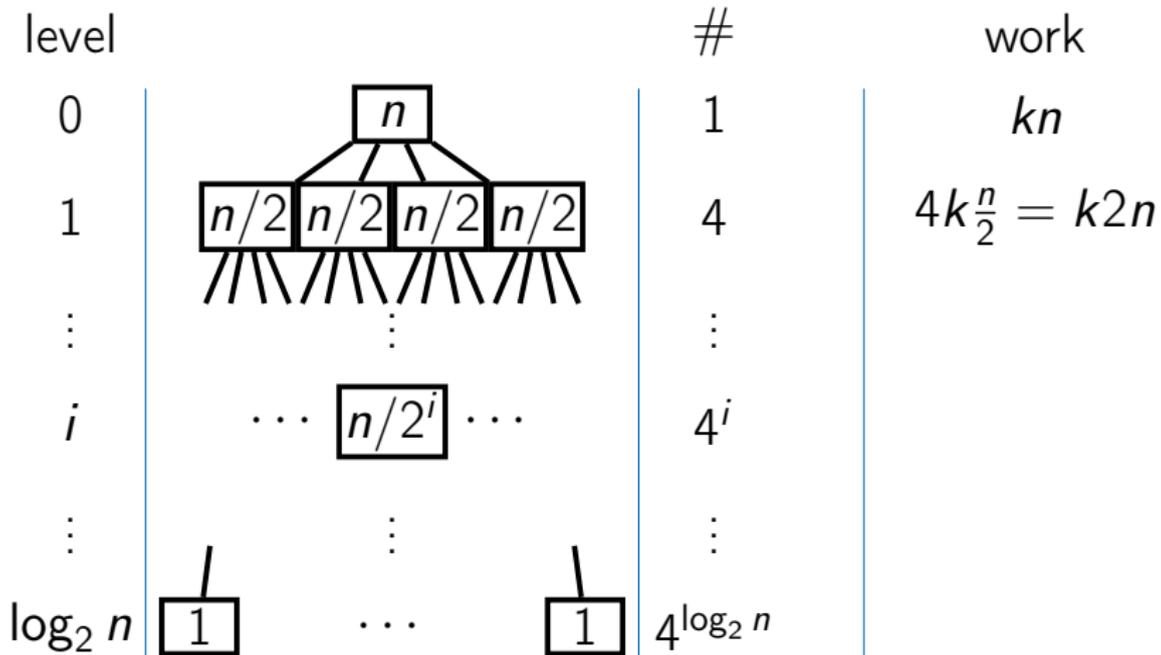


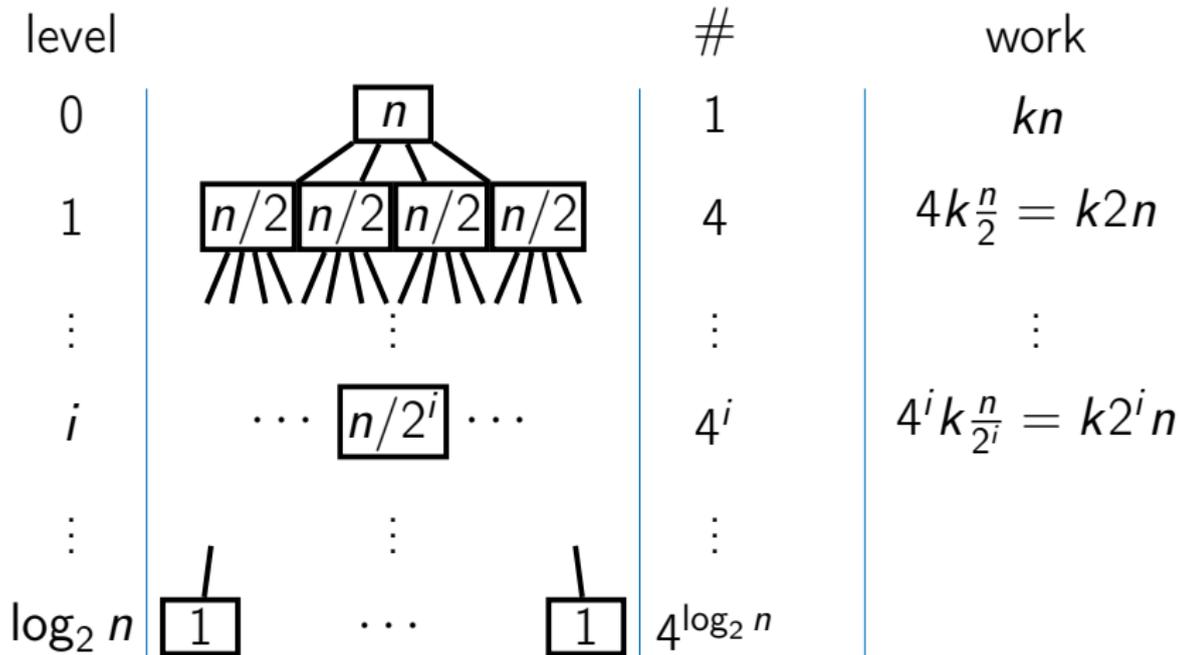


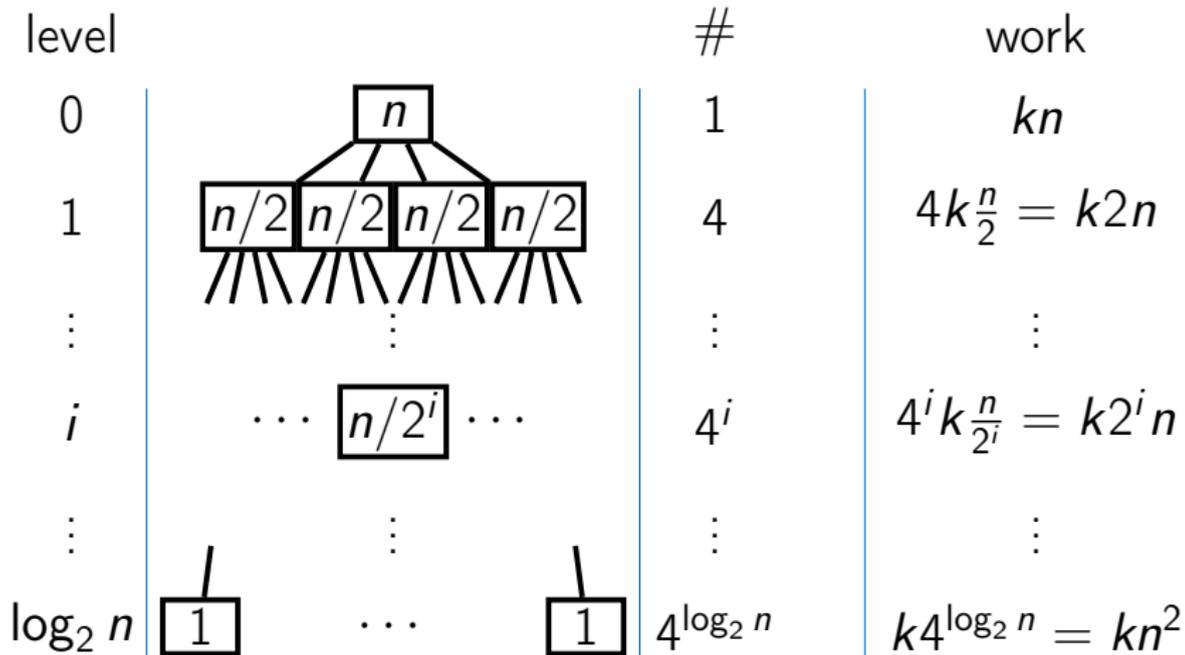


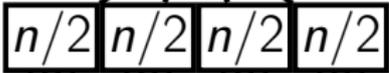
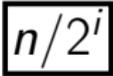
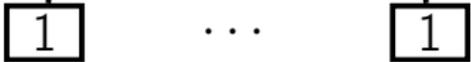










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Total:  $\sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} 4^i k \frac{n}{2^i} = \Theta(n^2)$

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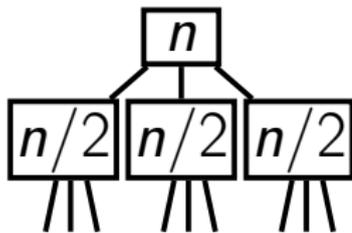
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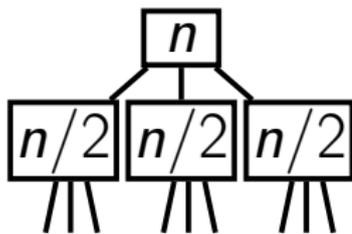
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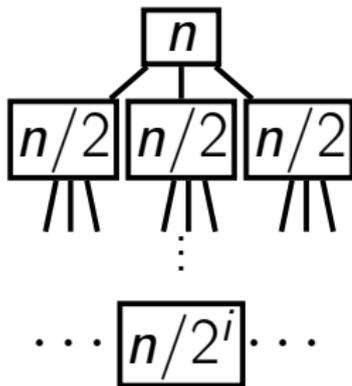
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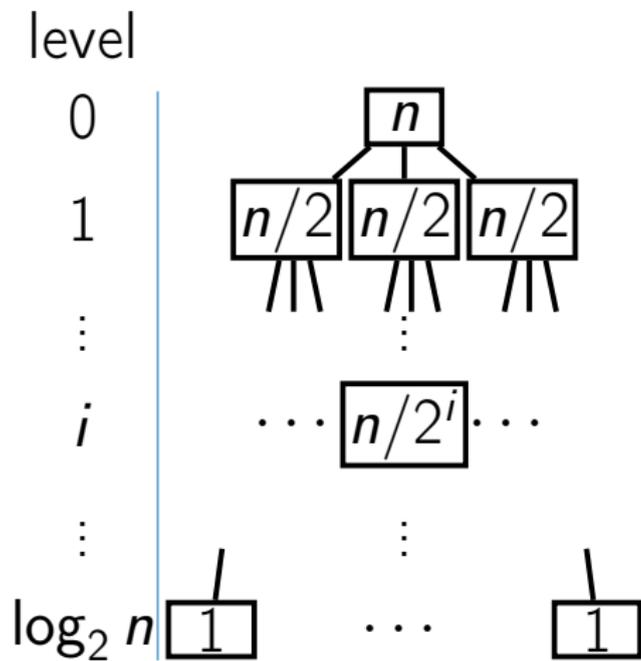
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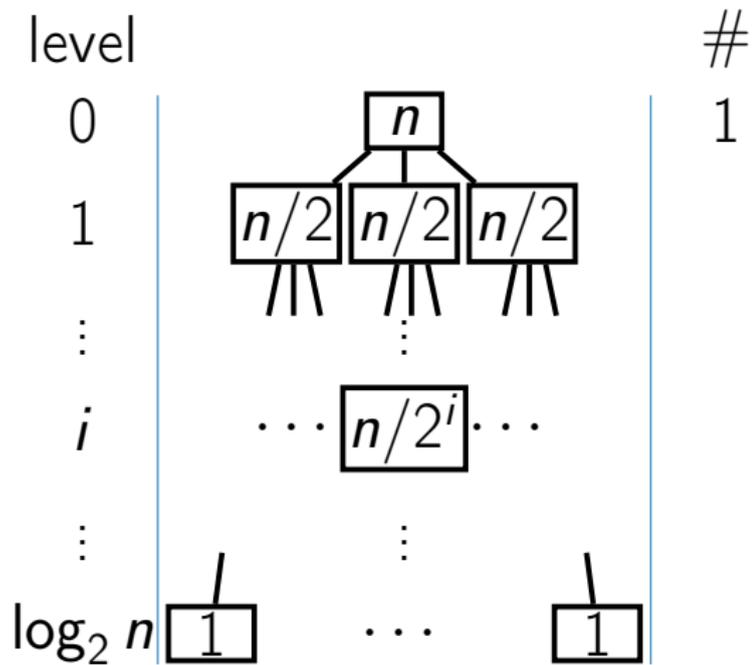
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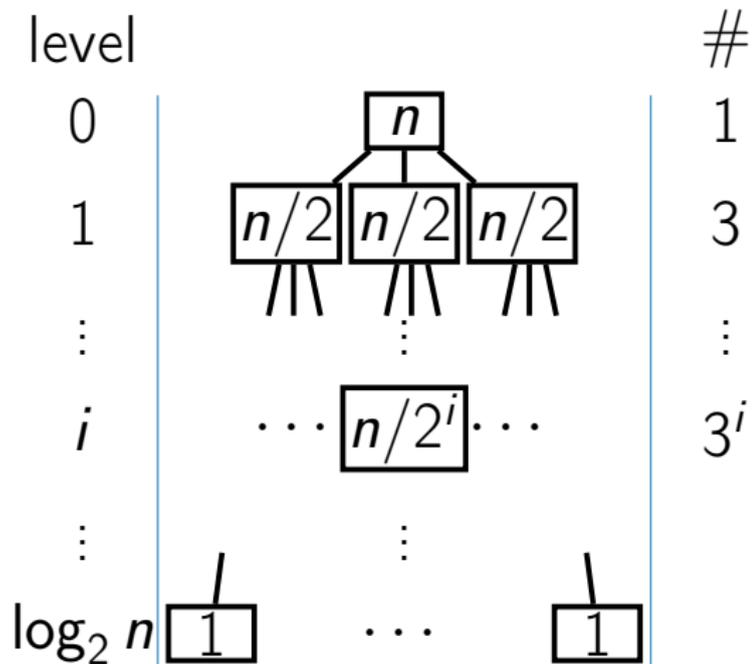
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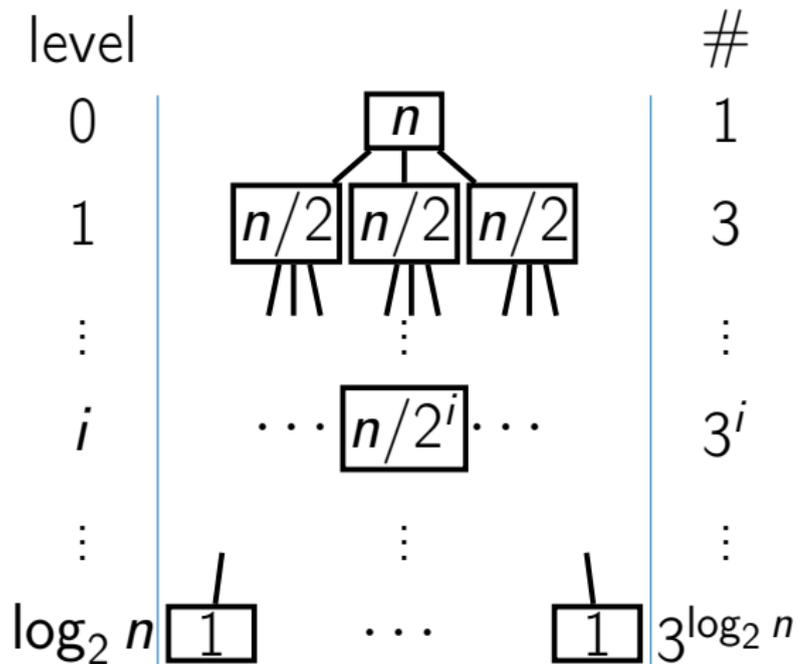


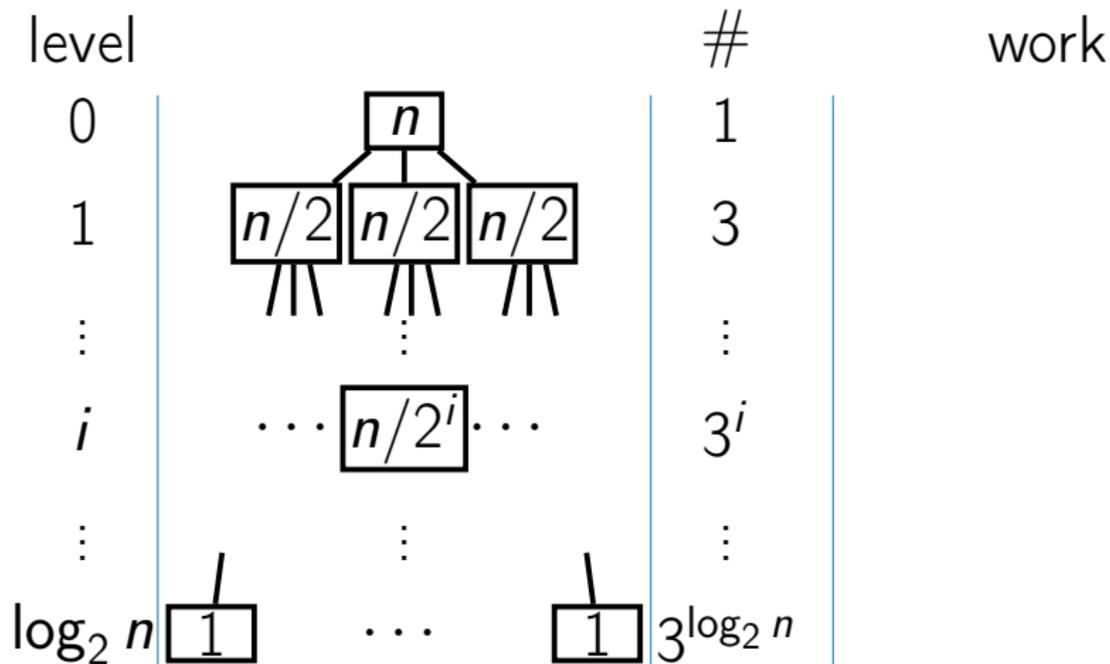


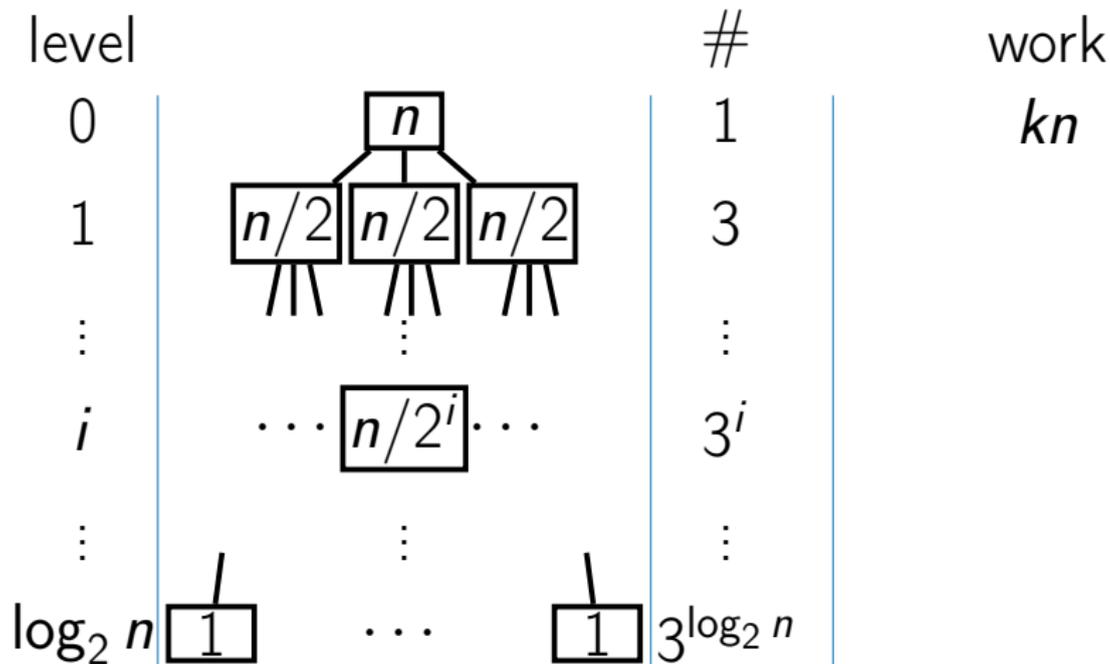


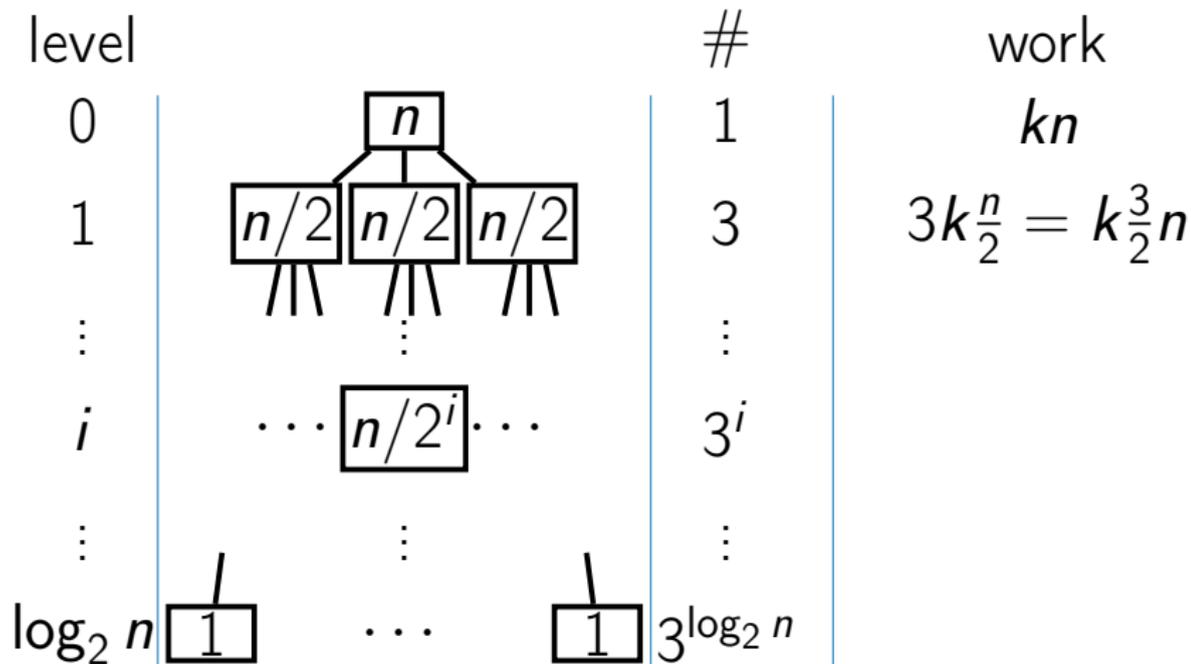


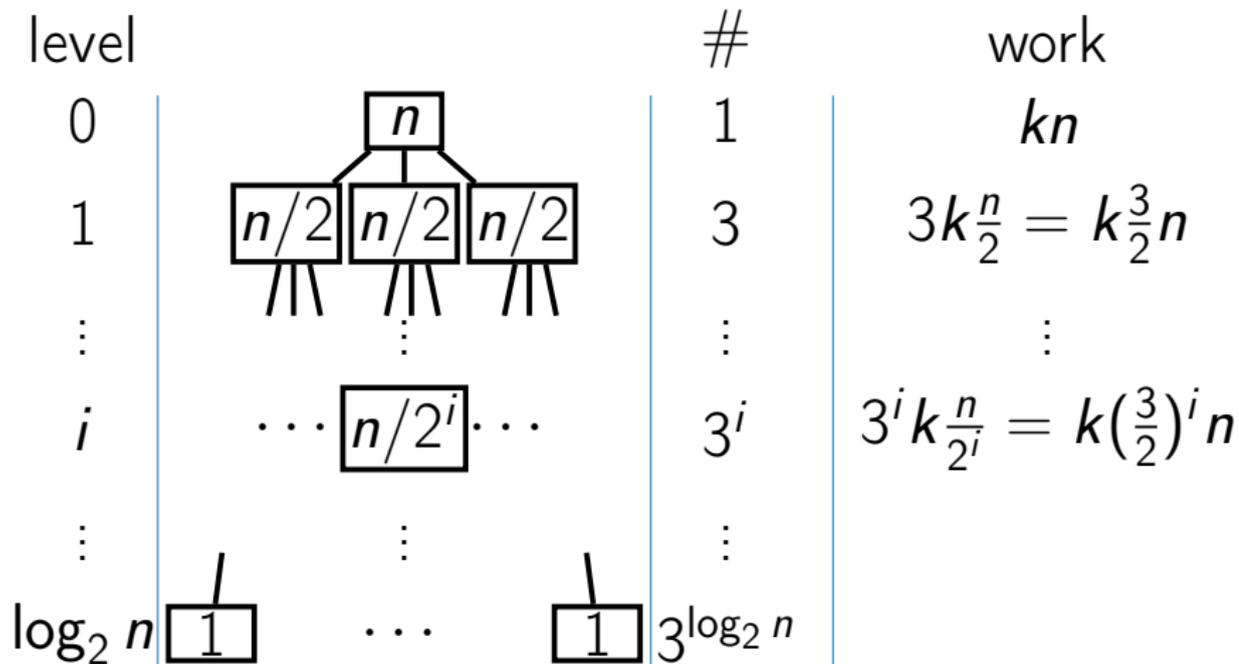


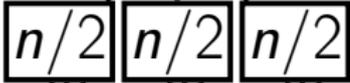
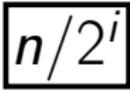


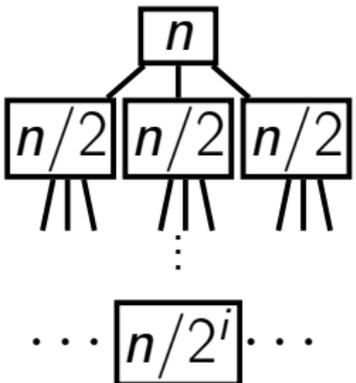








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⋮		⋮	⋮
$\log_2 n$	$\boxed{1} \dots \boxed{1}$	$3^{\log_2 n}$	$k3^{\log_2 n} = kn^{\log_2 3}$

Total:  $\sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} 3^i k \frac{n}{2^i} = \Theta(n^{\log_2 3})$   
 $= \Theta(n^{1.58})$