

Part II

Foundations

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number of operations. The very common, well-studied sorting algorithms need at least $\Omega(n \log n)$ comparisons in the worst case.

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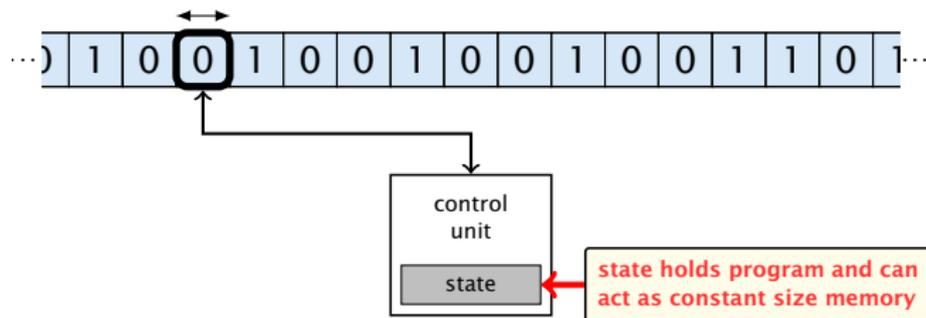
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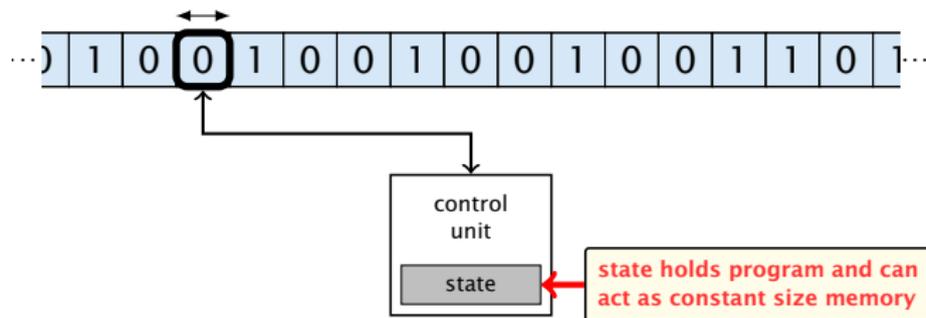
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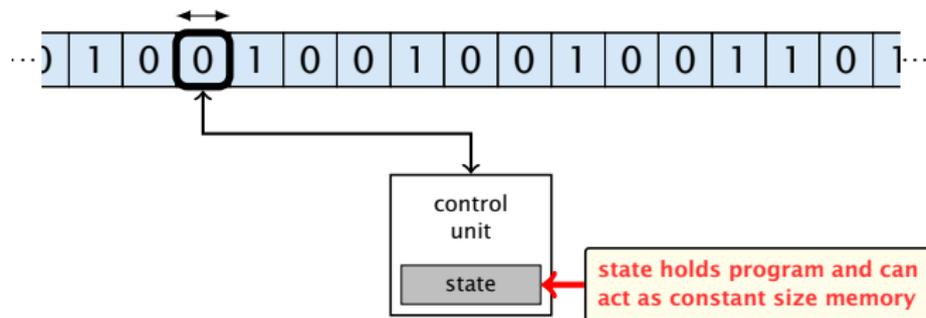
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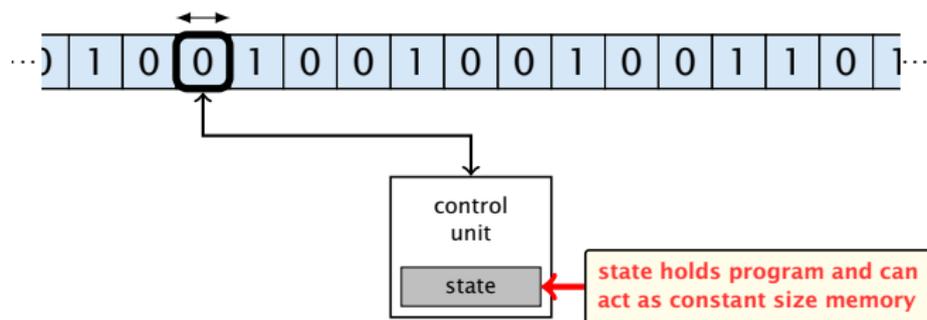
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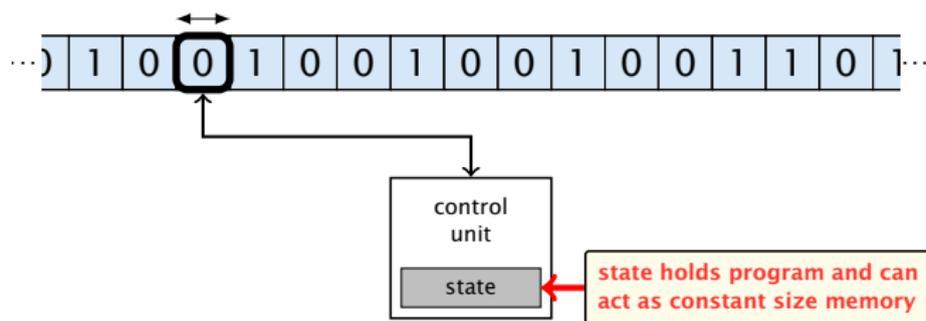
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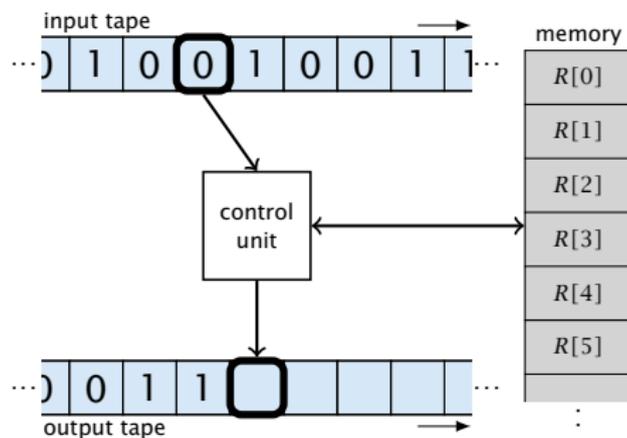
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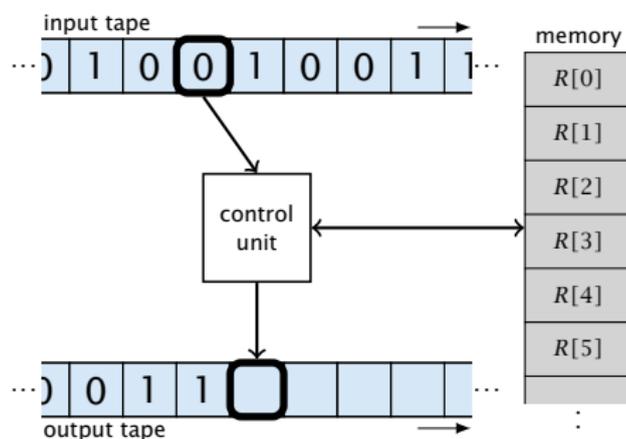
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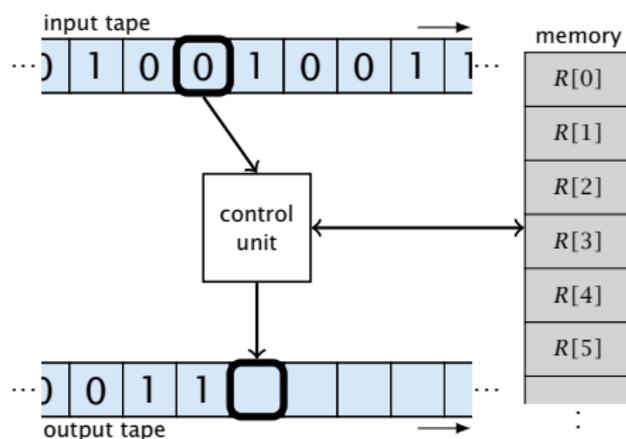
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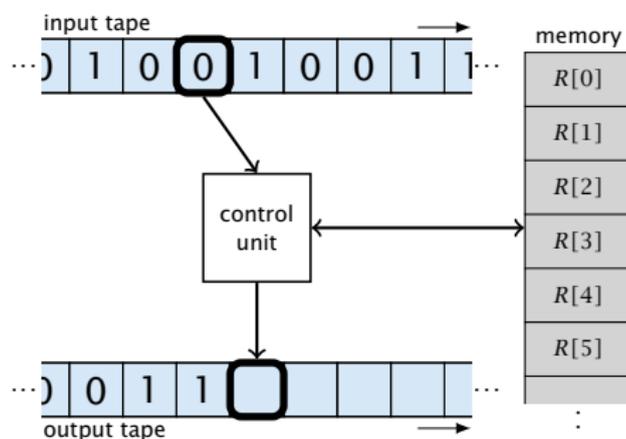
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for a suitable choice of d .

6.2 Master Theorem

Lemma 4

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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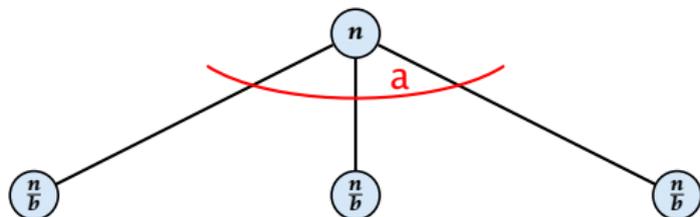
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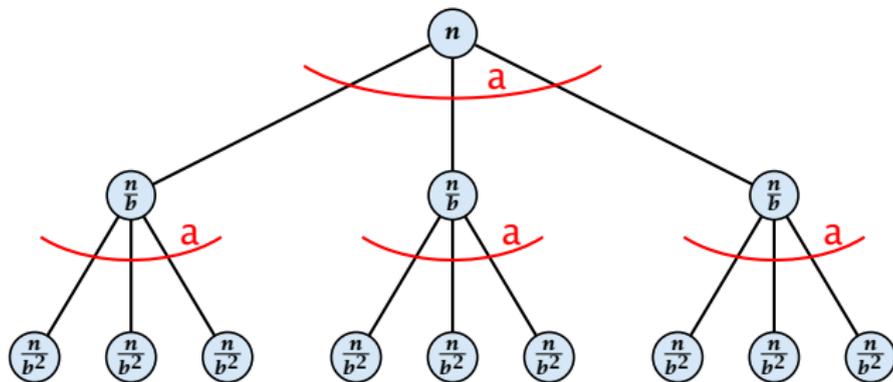
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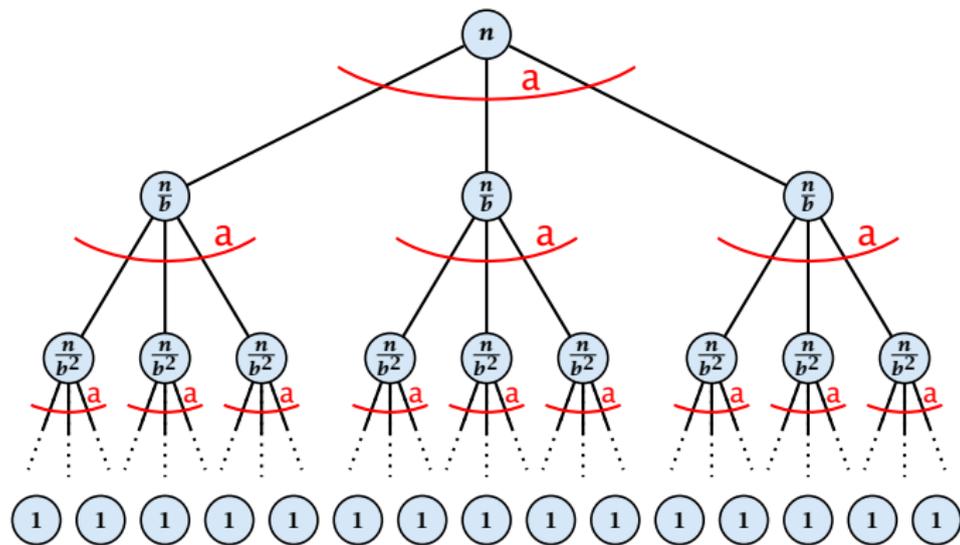
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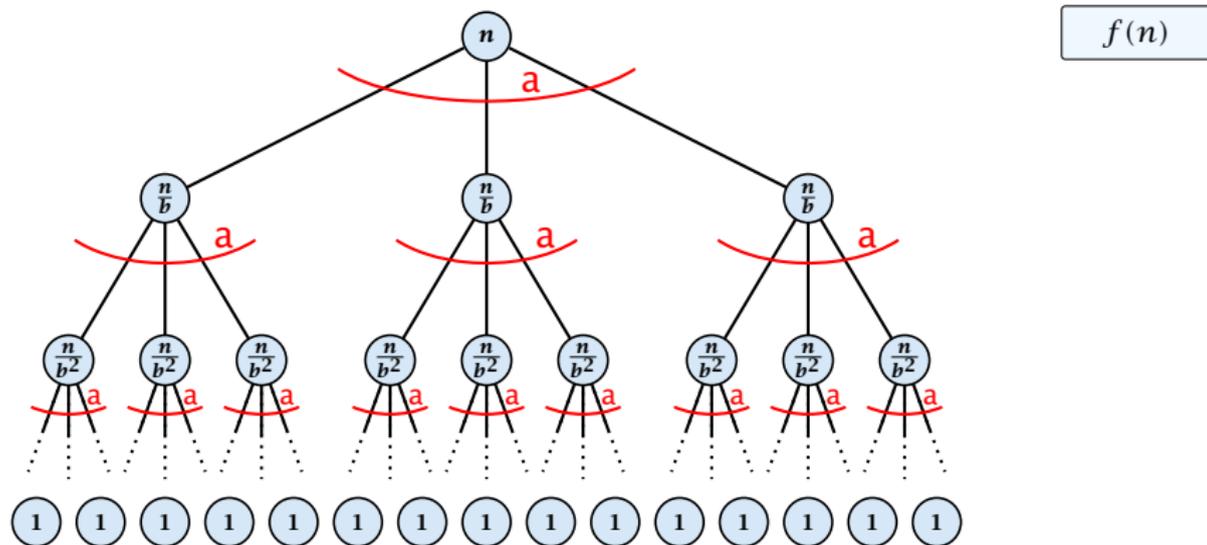
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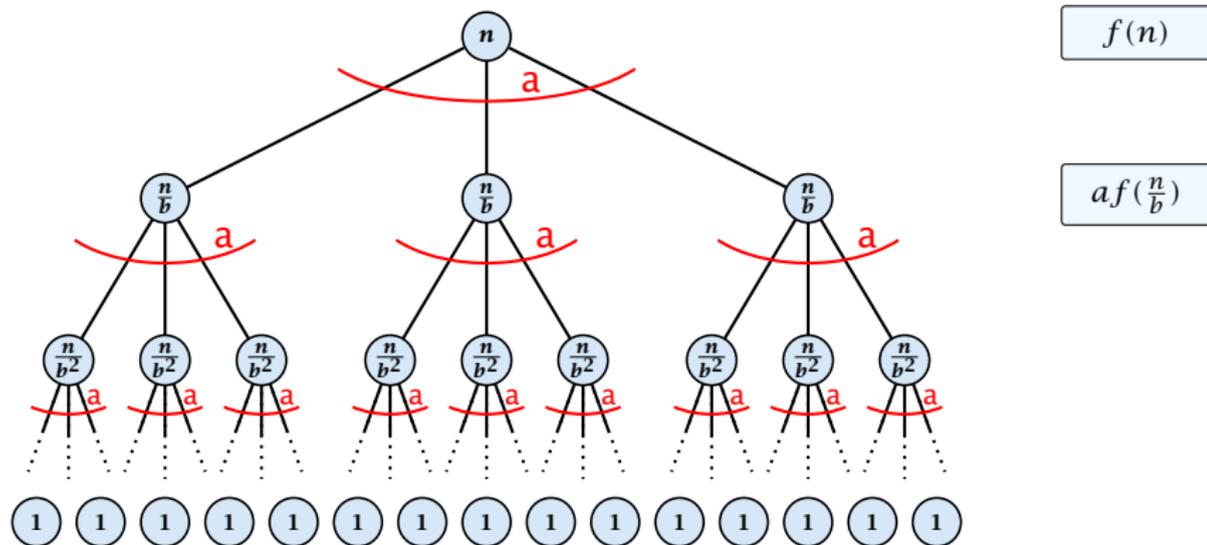
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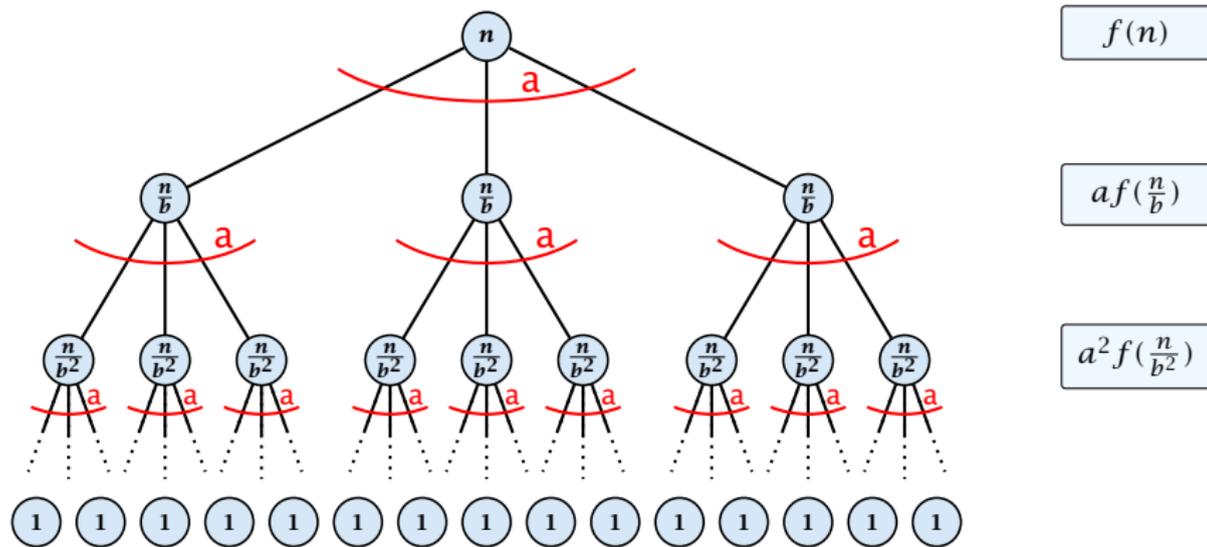
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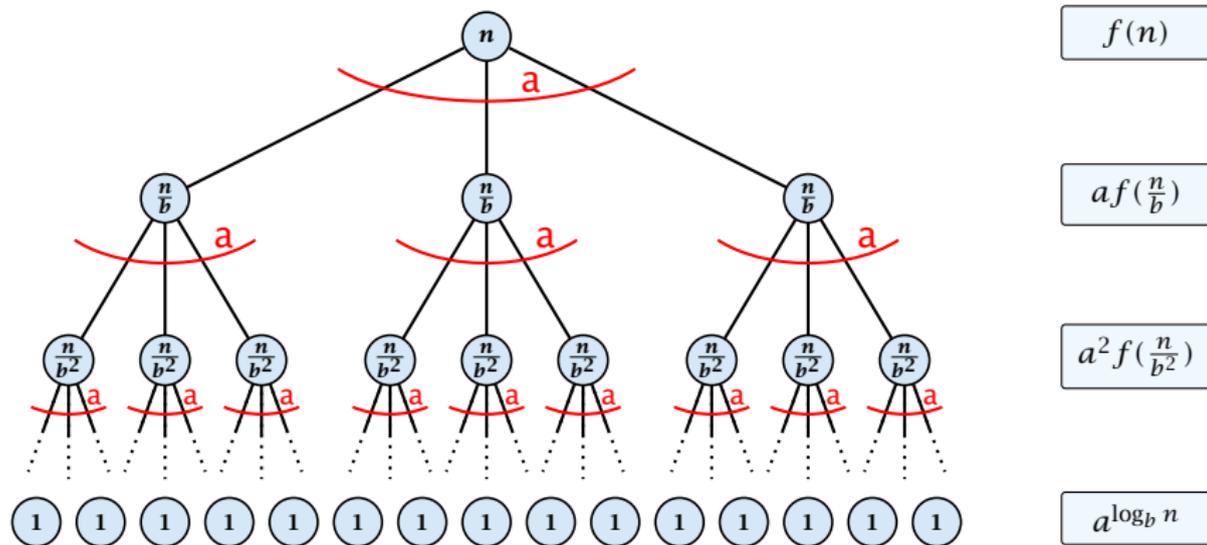
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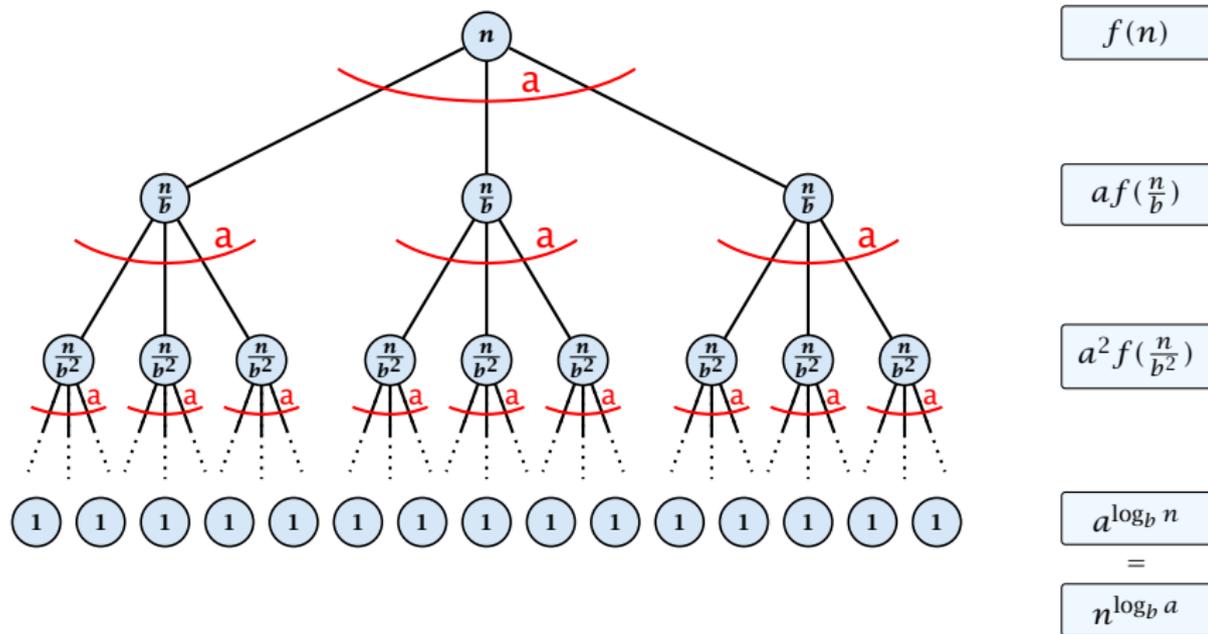
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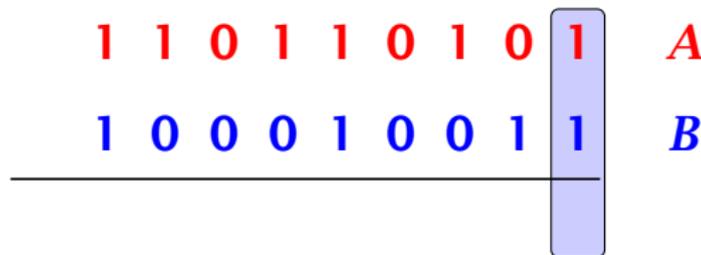
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The diagram shows the addition of two 8-bit integers, A and B. The bits of A are 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0. The bits of B are 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1. A horizontal line is drawn under the bits of B. A vertical bar on the right side of the diagram contains the bits 1, 1, and 0, corresponding to the bits of A, B, and the result of the addition, respectively. A small green '1' is written below the 8th bit of B, indicating a carry-in.

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The diagram illustrates the addition of two integers, A and B, using a register of constant size. The integers are represented as bit strings: A = 110110101 and B = 100010011. The addition is performed bit by bit, with a carry bit (1) being passed to the next register. The result of the addition is shown as 00 in the bottom row, indicating that the sum of the two integers is 00.

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The diagram illustrates the addition of two 9-bit integers, A and B, using a register of constant size (3 bits). The numbers are aligned to the right. A vertical shaded box highlights the 3-bit register used for the addition, which is currently containing the result 000. The carry bits are shown as small green '1's below the digits.

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The diagram illustrates the addition of two integers, A and B , in binary. The numbers are aligned by their least significant bits. A vertical bar highlights the carry propagation from bit 4 to bit 5.

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

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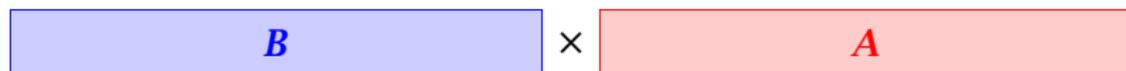
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Hence, if all λ_i 's are different, then the determinant is non-zero.

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To see this consider the polynomial

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$$T[n] = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=0}^{\ell_i-1} \alpha_{ij} \cdot (n^j \lambda_i^n) .$$

The full proof is omitted. We have only shown that any choice of α_{ij} 's is a solution to the recurrence.

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Consider the recurrence relation:

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with $f(n) \neq 0$.

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