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1. (9 points) Fill in key facts about the recursion tree for  $T$ , assuming that  $n$  is a power of 4.

$$T(4) = 7 \qquad T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + d$$

(a) The height:  $\log_4 n - 1$

(b) Number of nodes at level  $k$ :  $2^k$

(c) Sum of the work in all the leaves (please simplify):

Each leaf contains the value 7, and there are  $2^{\log_4 n - 1} = \frac{1}{2}2^{\log_4 n} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{n}$  leaves. So the sum is  $\frac{7}{2}\sqrt{n}$ .

Change of base formula:  $\log_b n = (\log_a n)(\log_b a)$

2. (6 points) Write the following functions in the boxes so that  $f$  is to the left of  $g$  if and only if  $f(n) \ll g(n)$ .

$2^n + 3^n$        $n^3$        $100 \log n$        $3^{31}$        $3n \log(n^3)$        $7n! + 2$        $173n - 173$

**Solution:**

$3^{31} \ll 100 \log n \ll 173n - 173 \ll 3n \log(n^3) \ll n^3 \ll 2^n + 3^n \ll 7n! + 2$

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1. (7 points) You found the following claim on a hallway whiteboard. Suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are increasing functions from the reals to the reals, for which all output values are  $> 1$ . If  $f(x)$  is  $O(g(x))$ , then  $\log(f(x))$  is  $O(\log(g(x)))$ . Is this true? Briefly justify your answer.

**Solution:**

Yes, it is true. Suppose that  $f(x)$  is  $O(g(x))$ . Then there are positive reals  $c$  and  $k$  such that  $f(x) \leq cg(x)$  for all  $x \geq k$ . Then  $\log(f(x)) \leq \log c + \log(g(x))$  for all  $x \geq k$ . Since  $g(x)$  is an increasing function and  $c$  isn't, there is some  $K \geq k$  such that  $\log c \leq \log(g(x))$ . So then  $\log(f(x)) \leq 2\log(g(x))$  for all  $x \geq K$ . So  $\log(f(x))$  is  $O(\log(g(x)))$ .

[You don't need this much technical detail for full credit. We can ignore the other inequality from the definition of big-O because the two functions always output positive values.]

2. (8 points) Check the (single) box that best characterizes each item.

$T(1) = d$	$\Theta(\log n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(\sqrt{n})$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(n \log n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>
$T(n) = T(n-1) + n$	$\Theta(n^2)$	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(n^3)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(2^n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(3^n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>

$T(1) = d$	$\Theta(\log n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(\sqrt{n})$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(n)$	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(n \log n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>
$T(n) = 3T(n/3) + c$	$\Theta(n^2)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(n^3)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(2^n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\Theta(3^n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>

$\log_5 n$ is	$\Theta(\log_3 n)$	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	$O(\log_3 n)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	neither of these	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Dividing a problem of size $n$ into $m$ sub-problems, each of size $n/k$ , has the best big- $\Theta$ running time when	$k < m$	<input type="checkbox"/>	$k = m$	<input type="checkbox"/>
	$k > m$	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	$km = 1$	<input type="checkbox"/>