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- for some algorithms it might be the magnitude of a single input
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- by analyzing the order of growth of the function  $T(n)$  that counts the algorithm's basic operation (simply considering the leading term of the function), we can evaluate whether a given algorithm is practical for a problem of a given size

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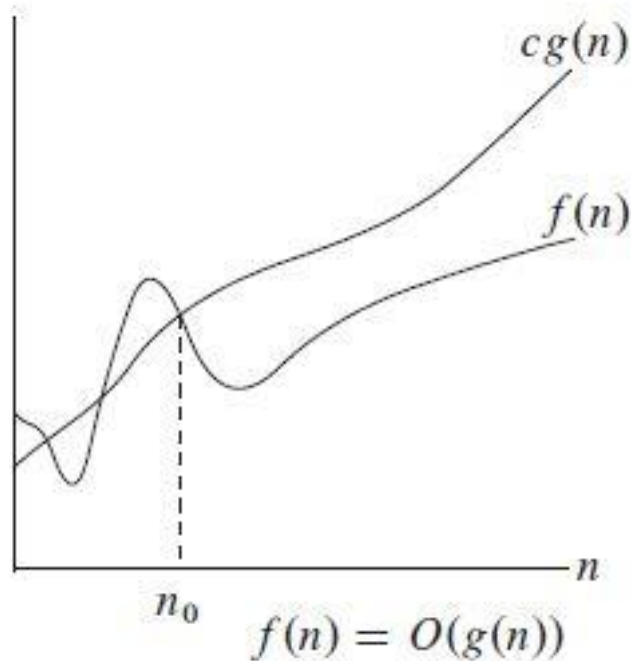
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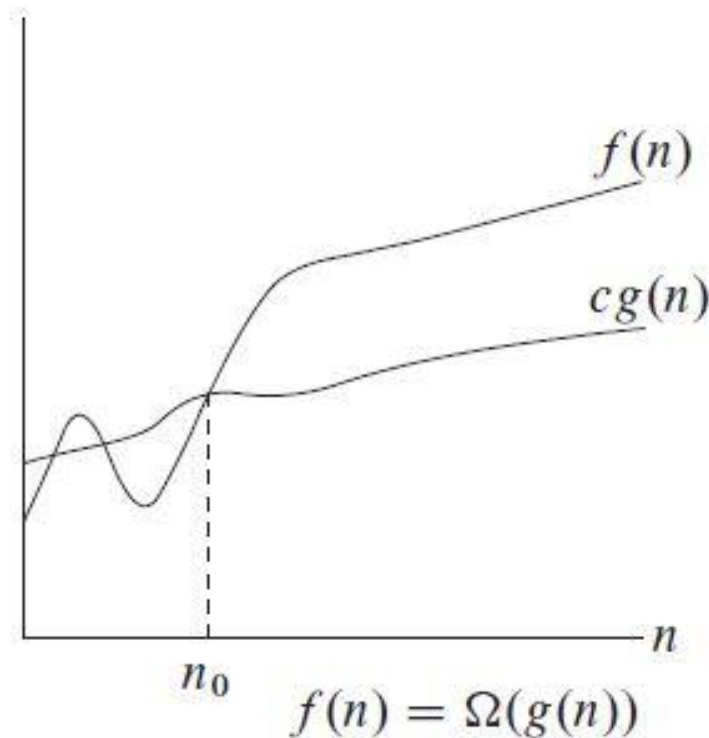
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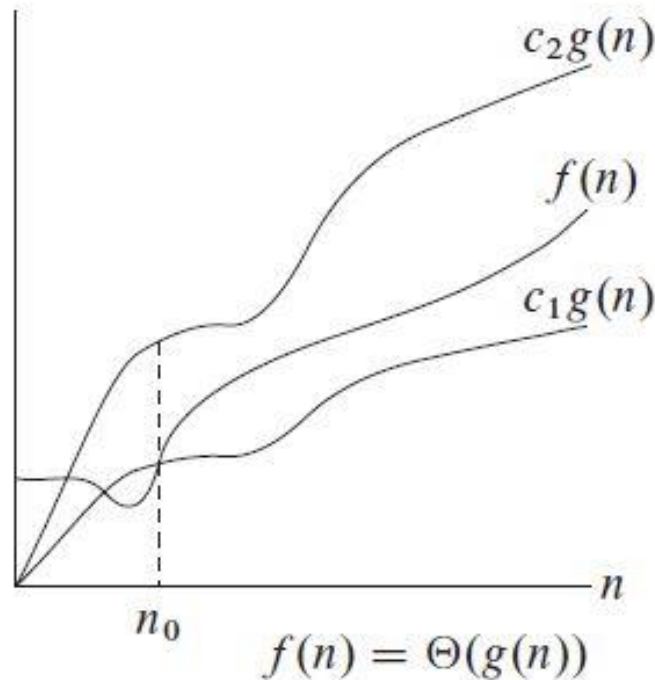
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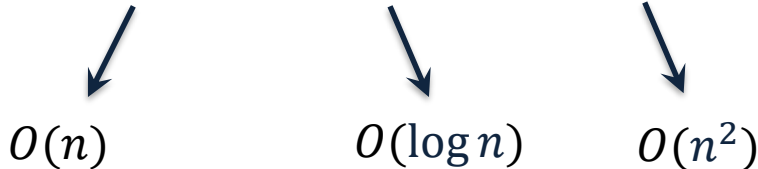
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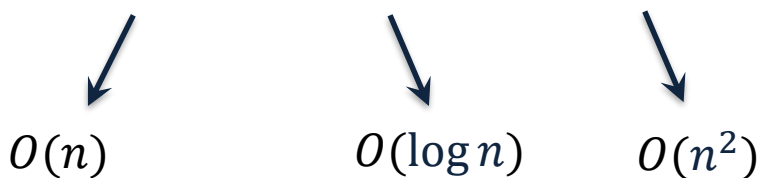
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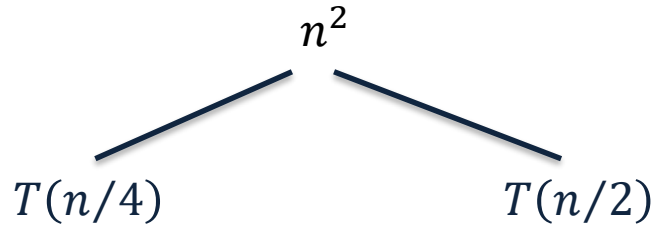
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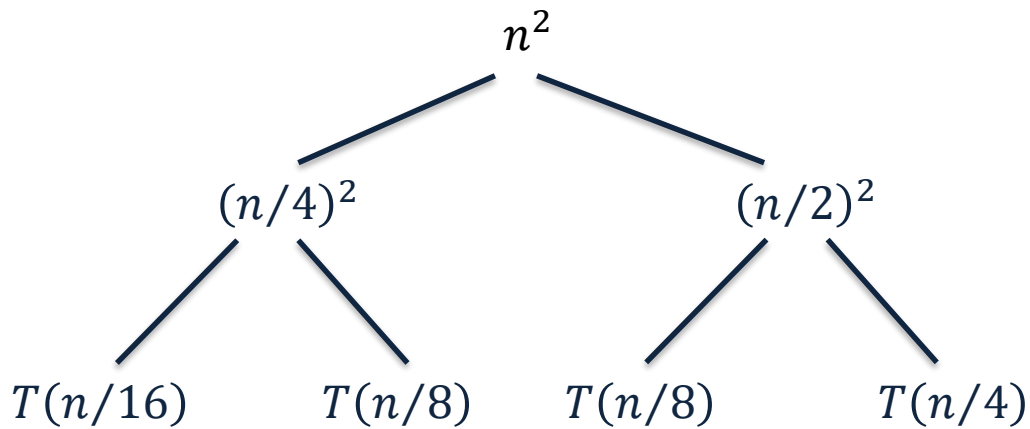
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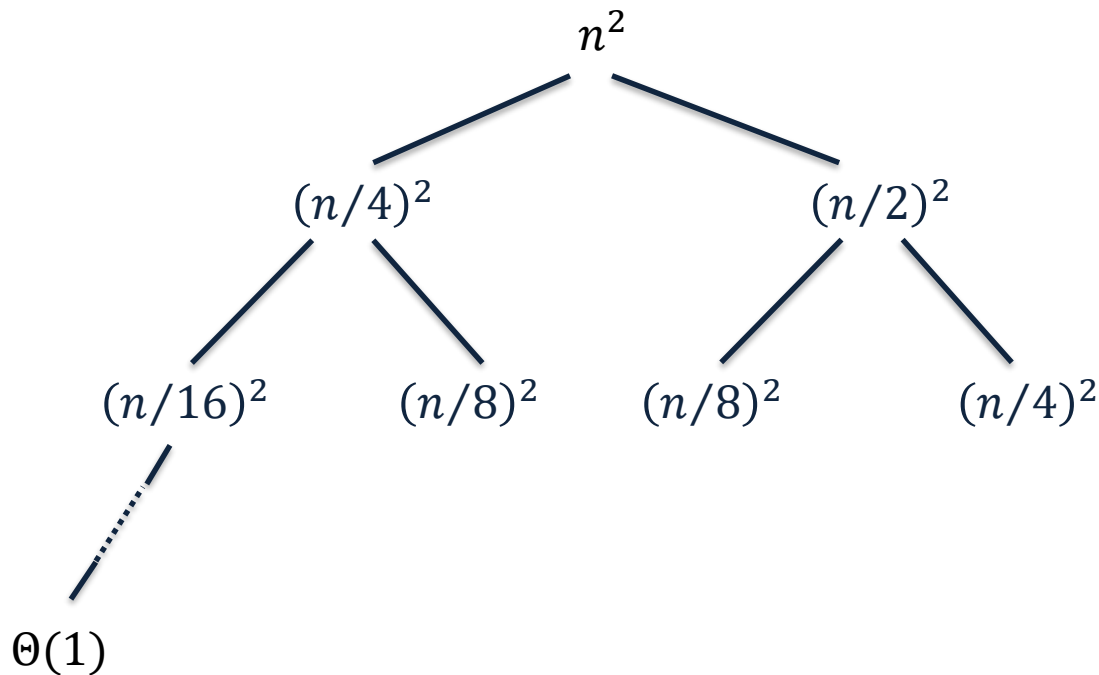
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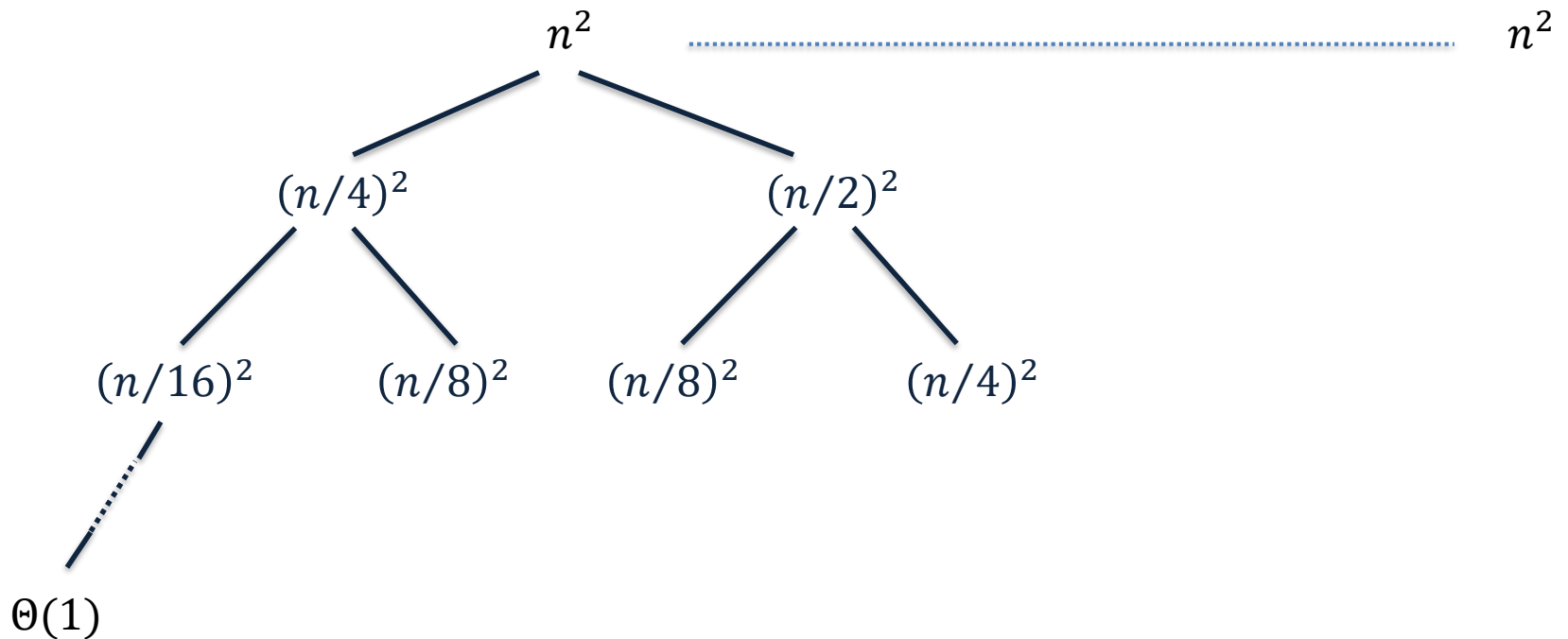
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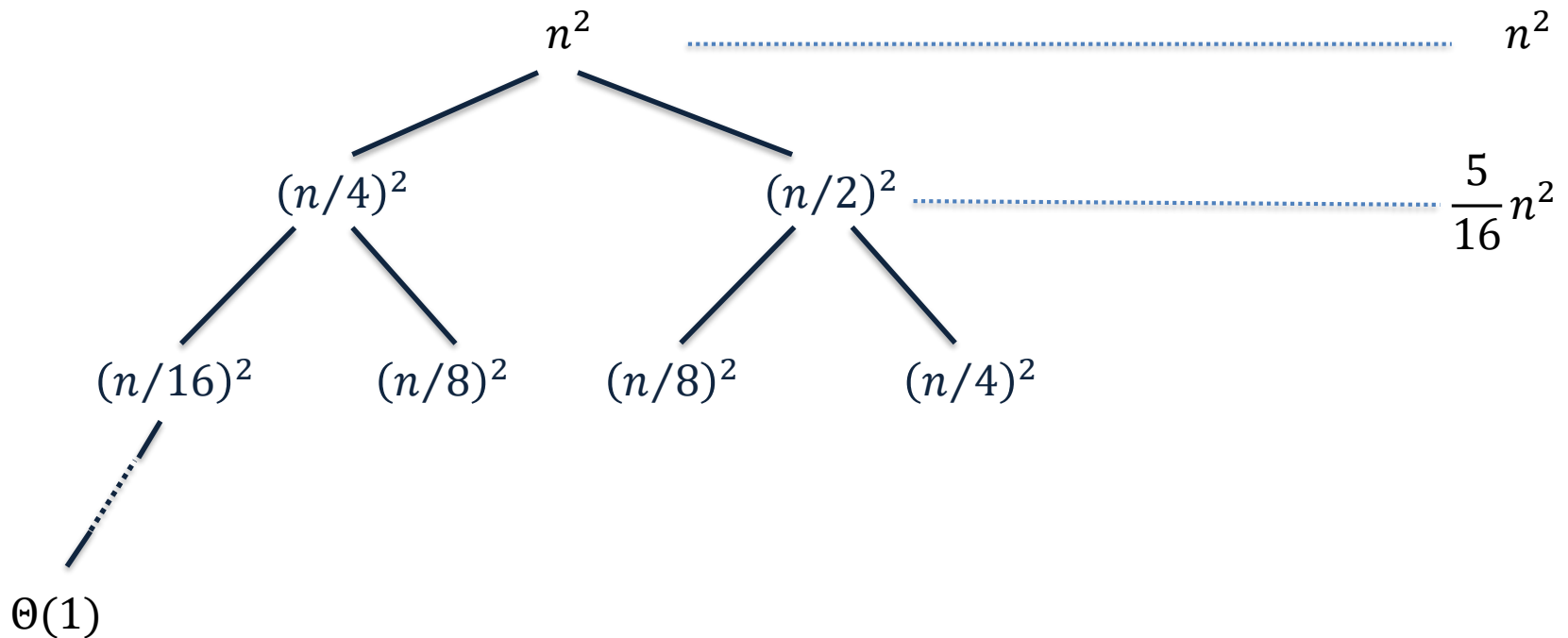
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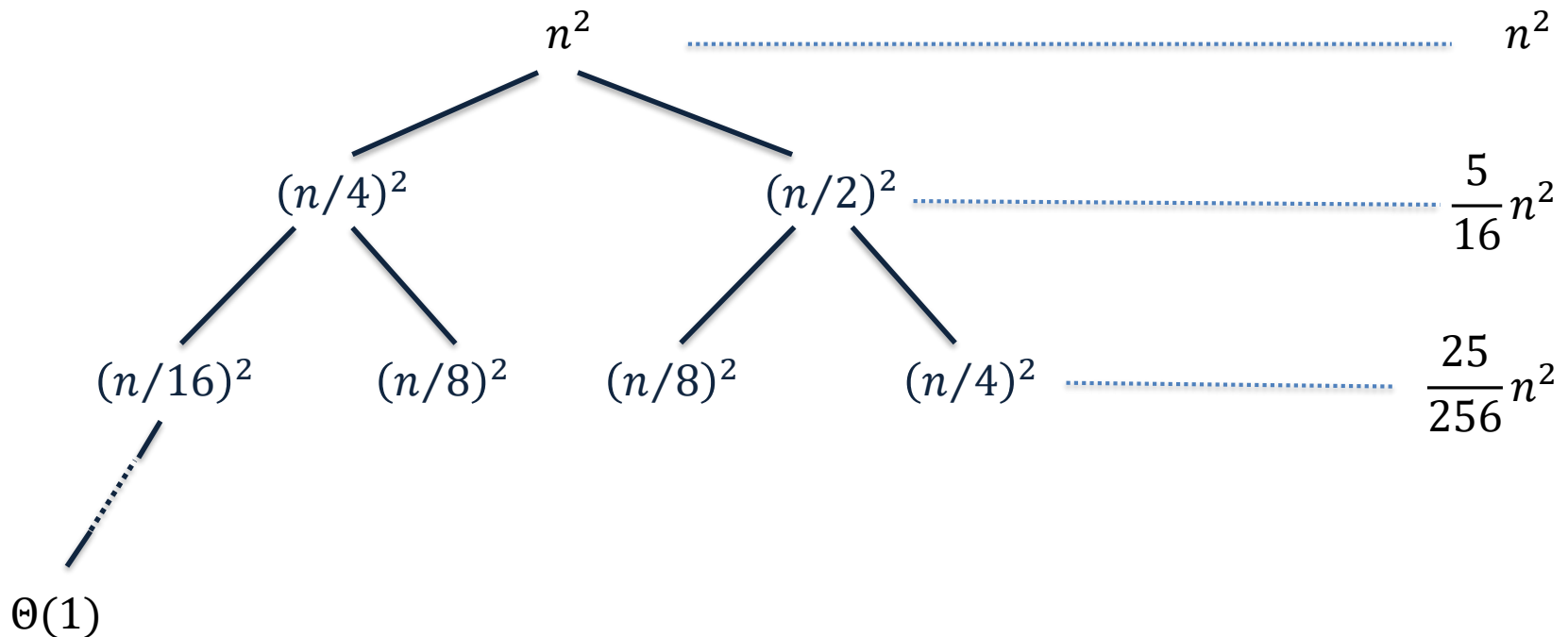




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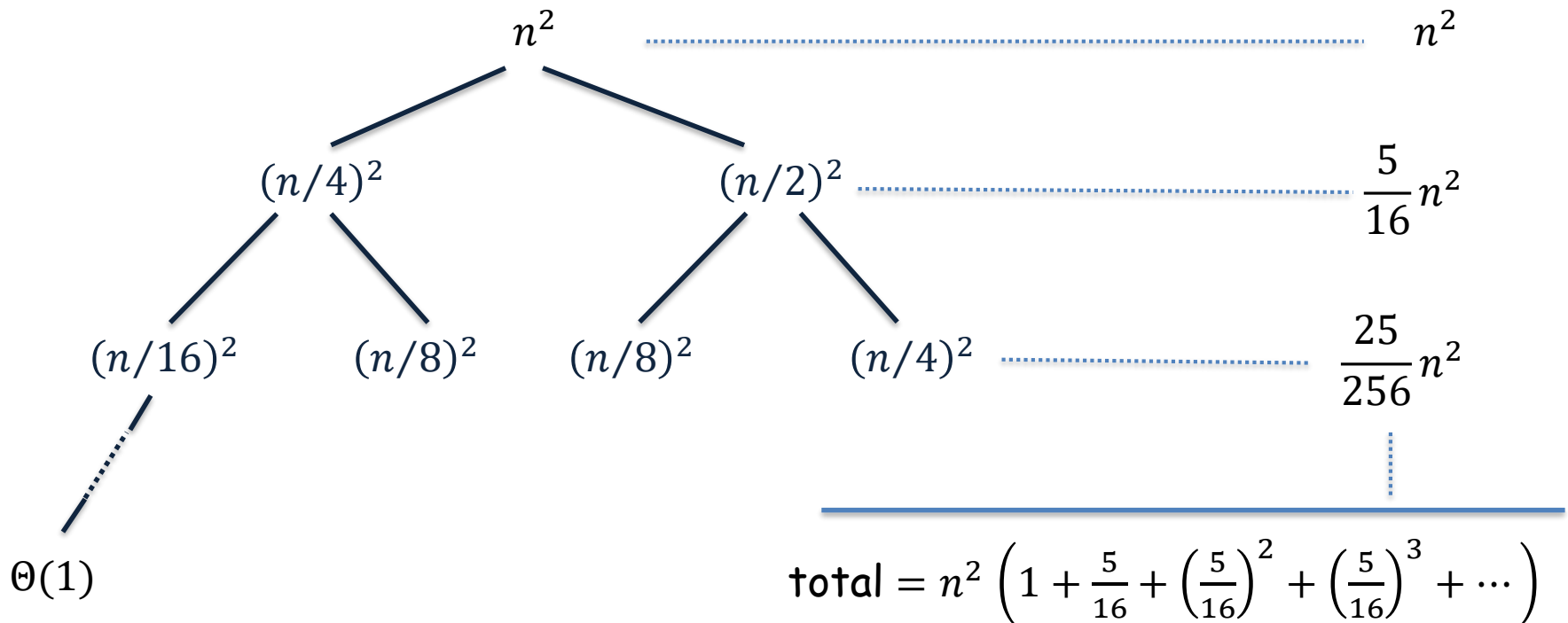
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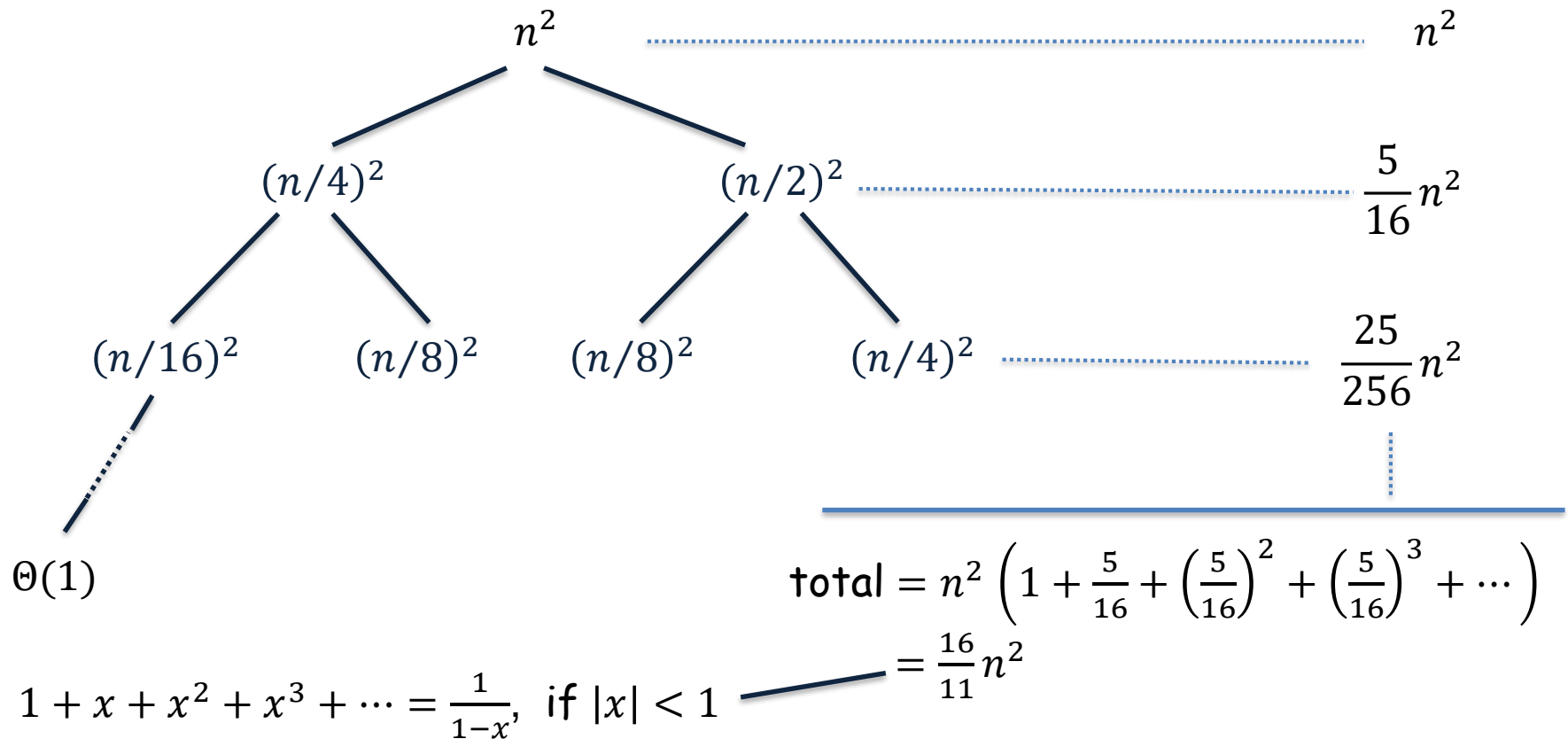
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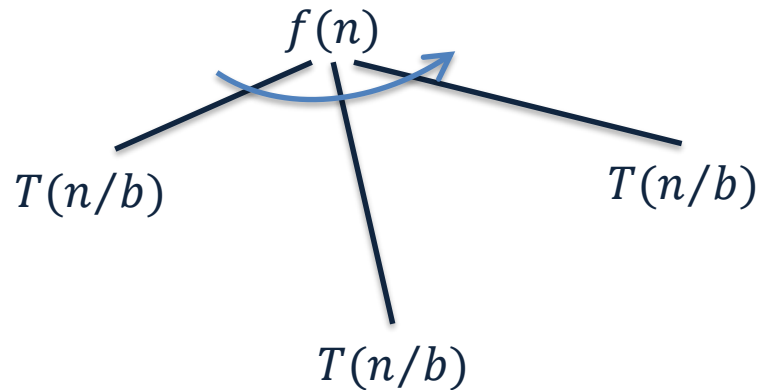
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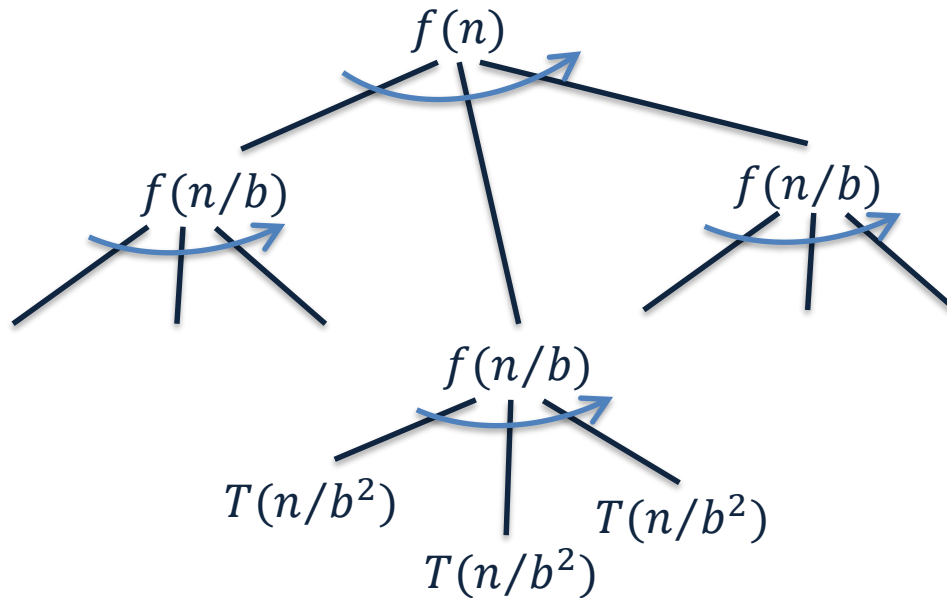


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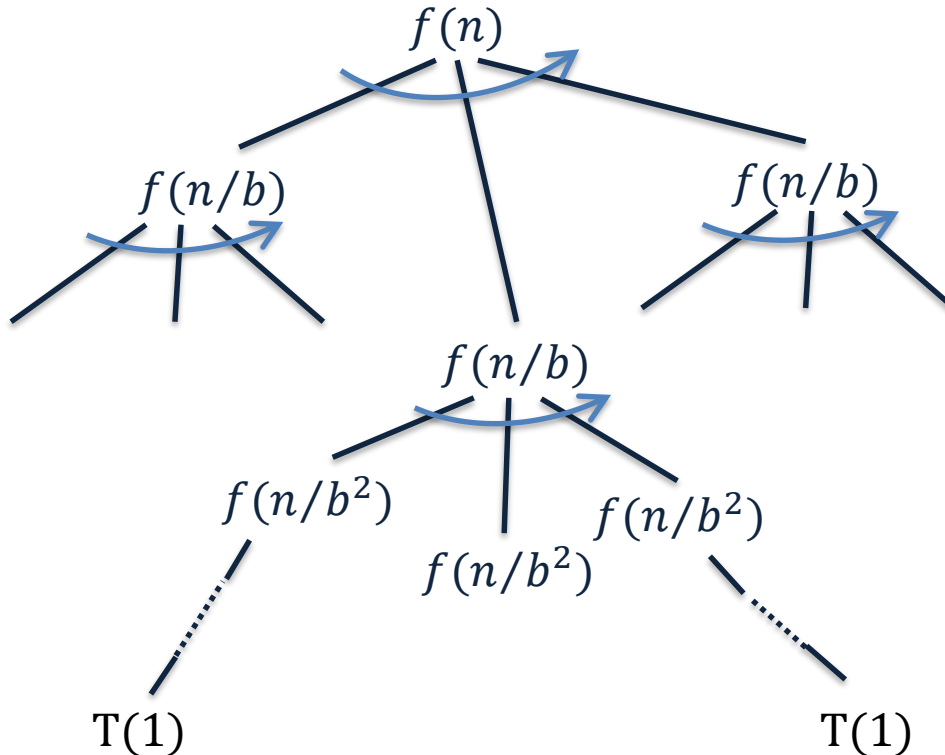


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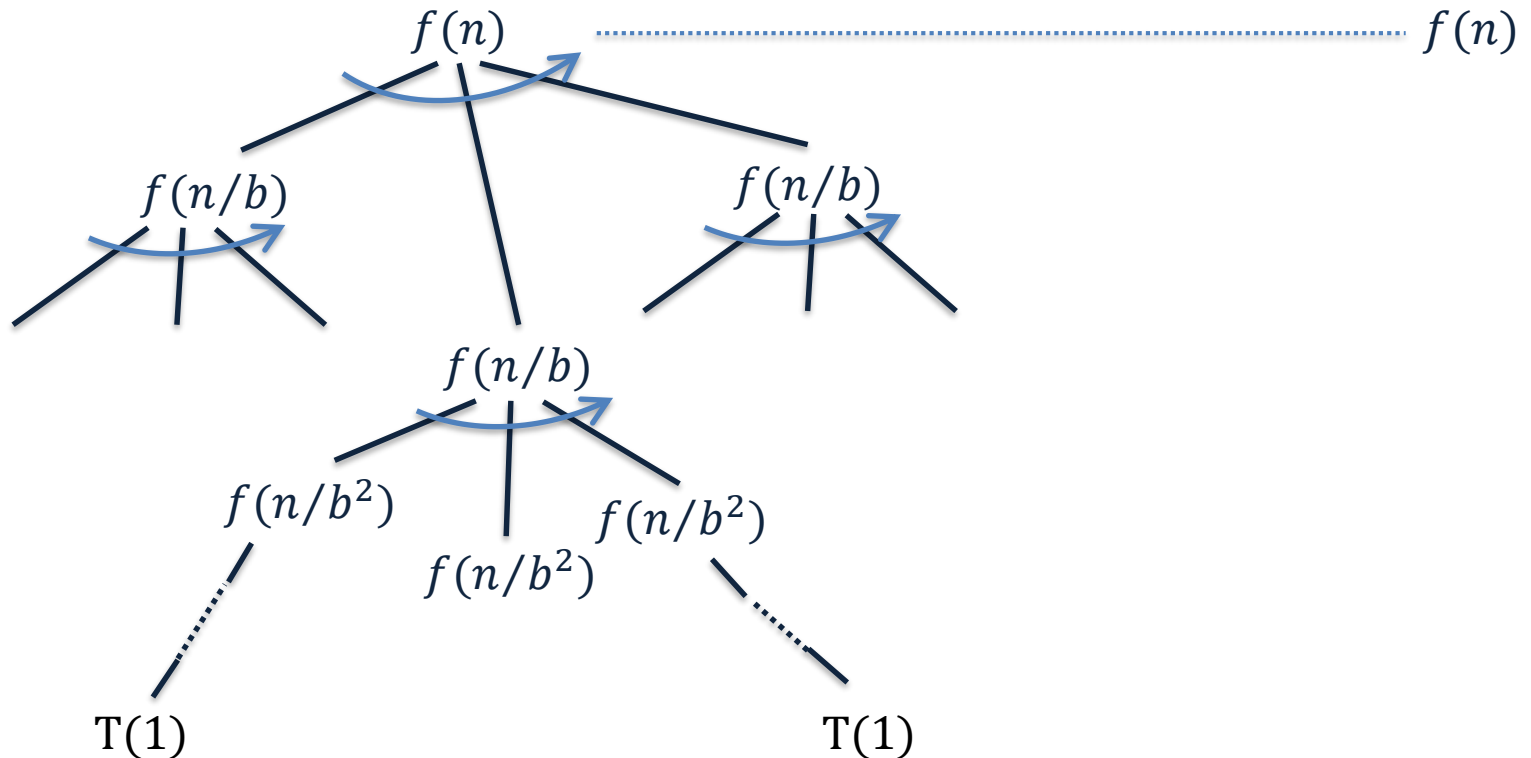


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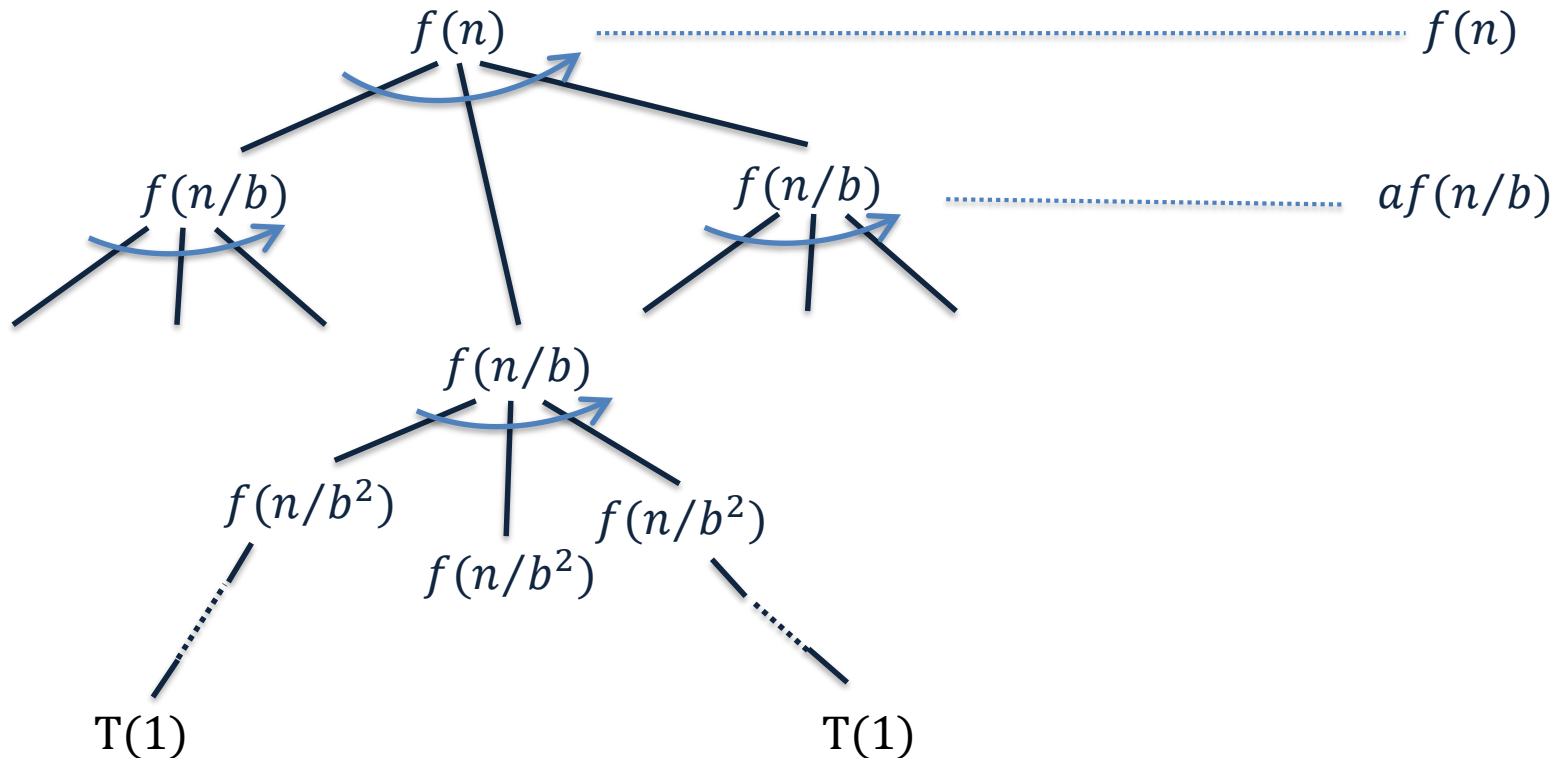


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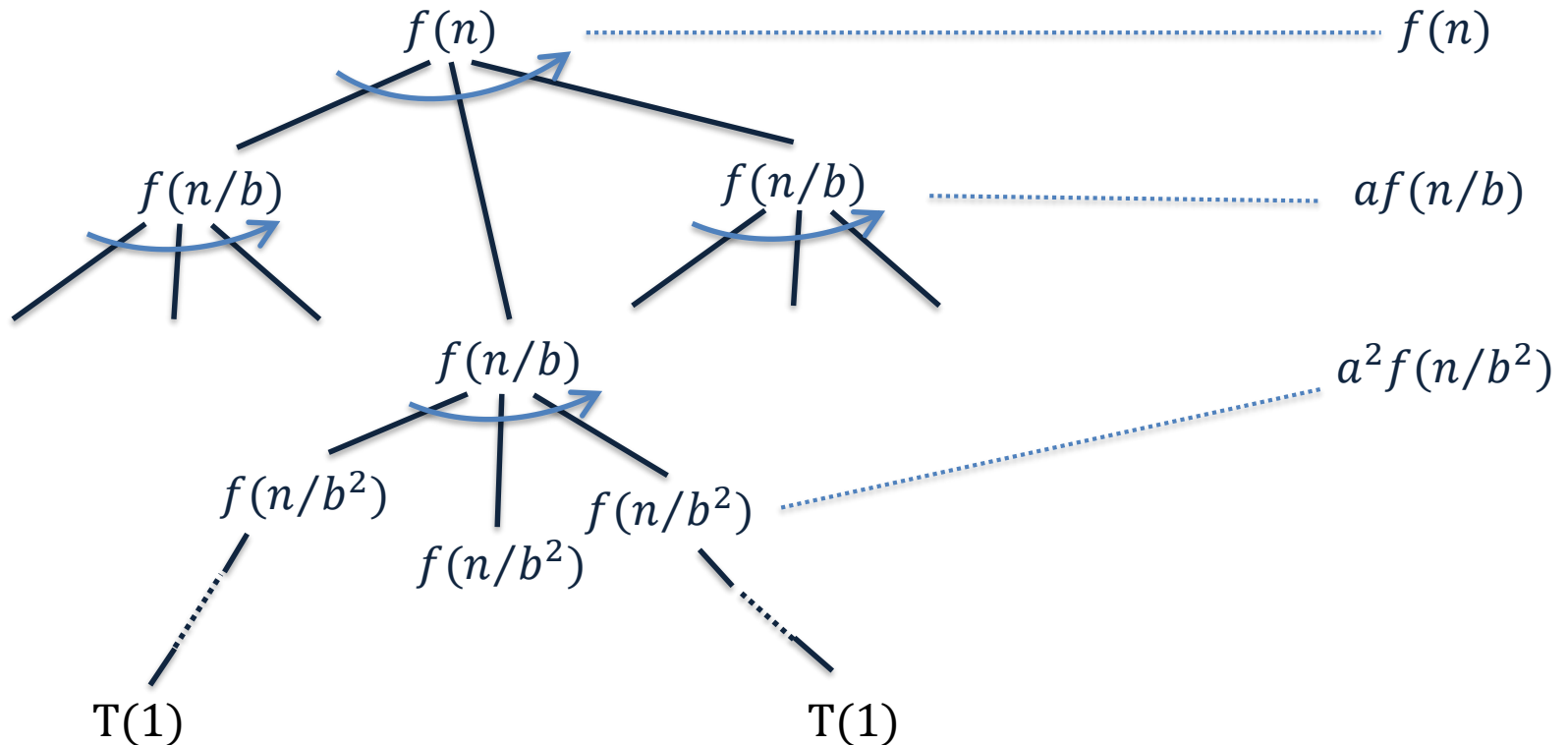


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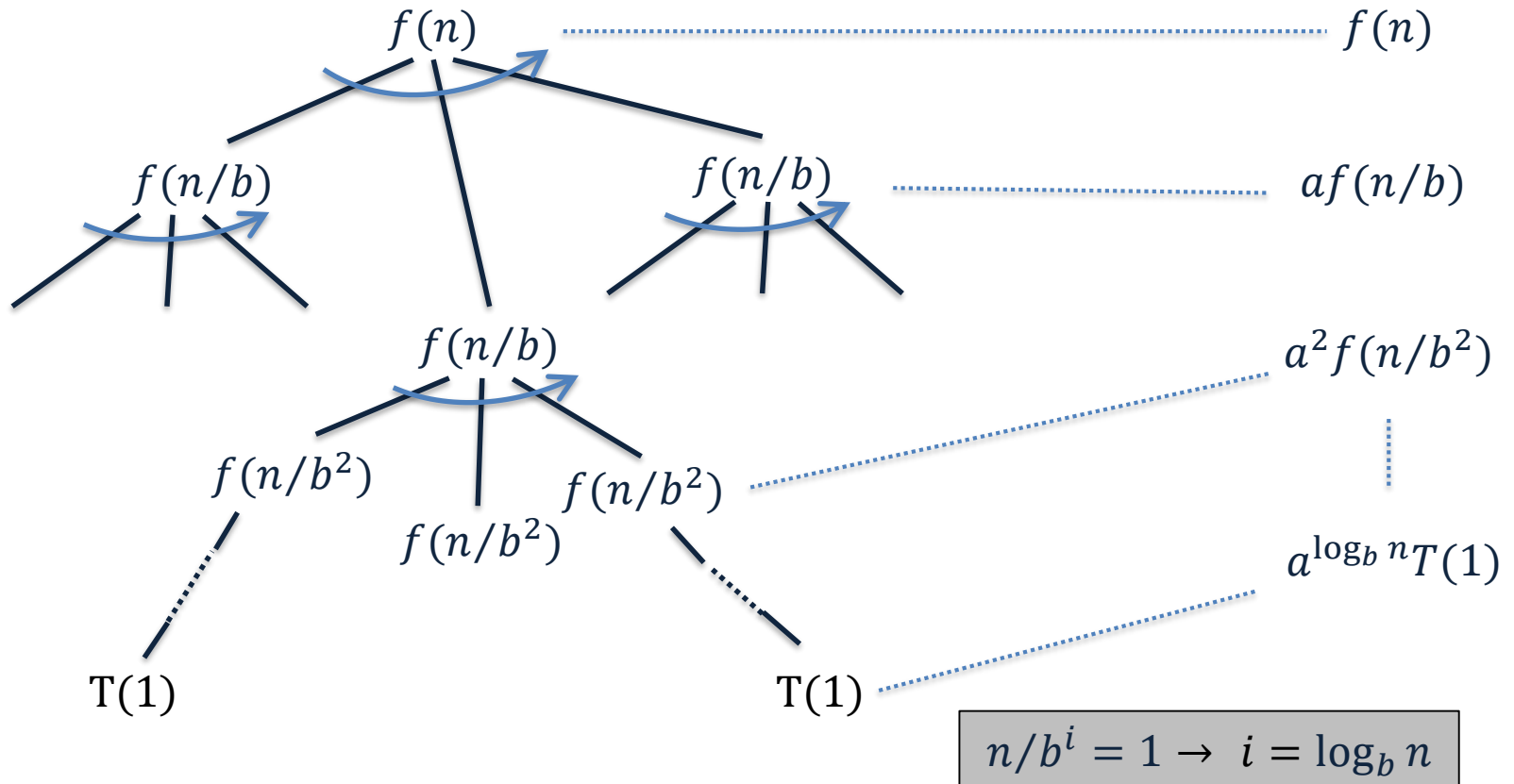


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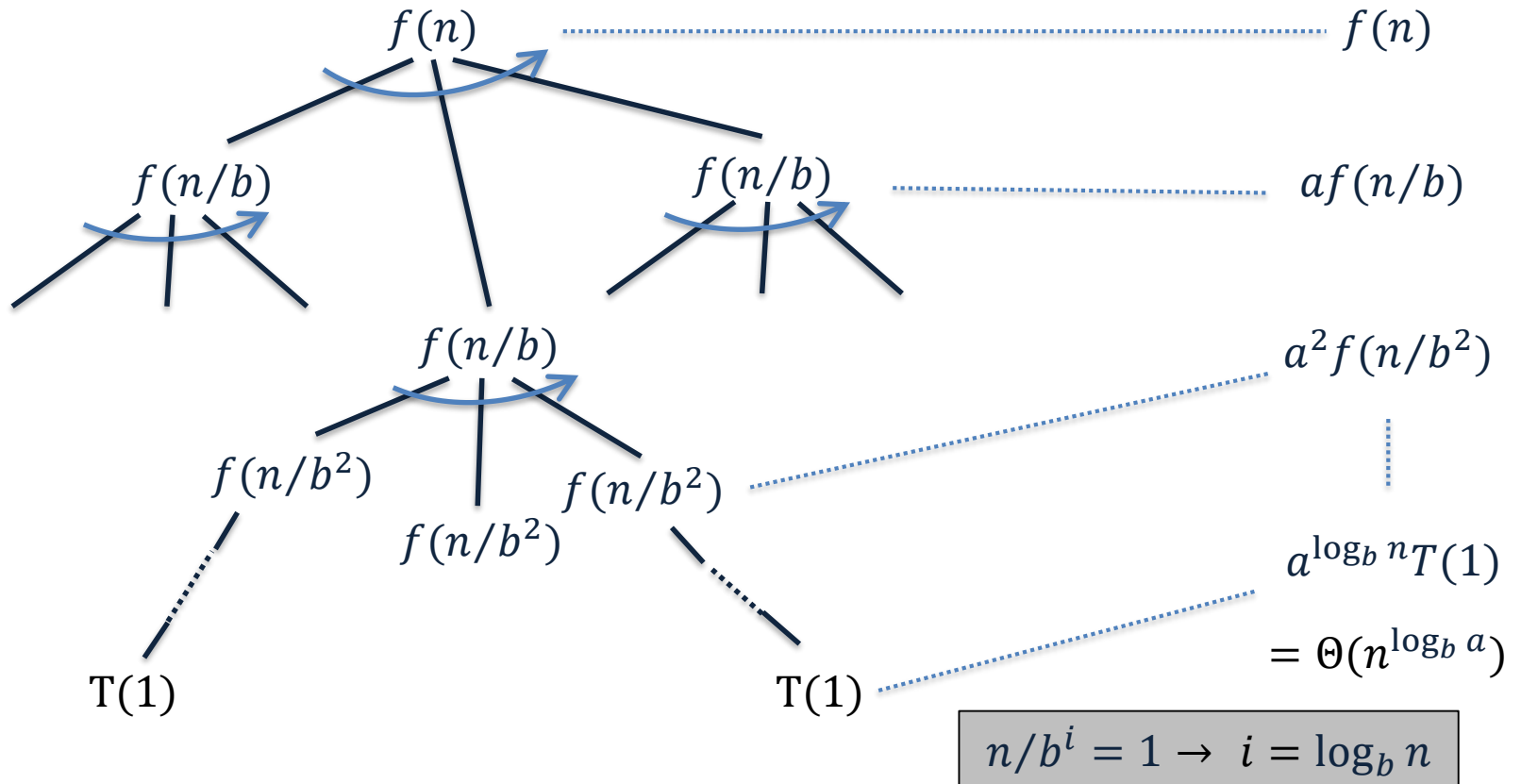


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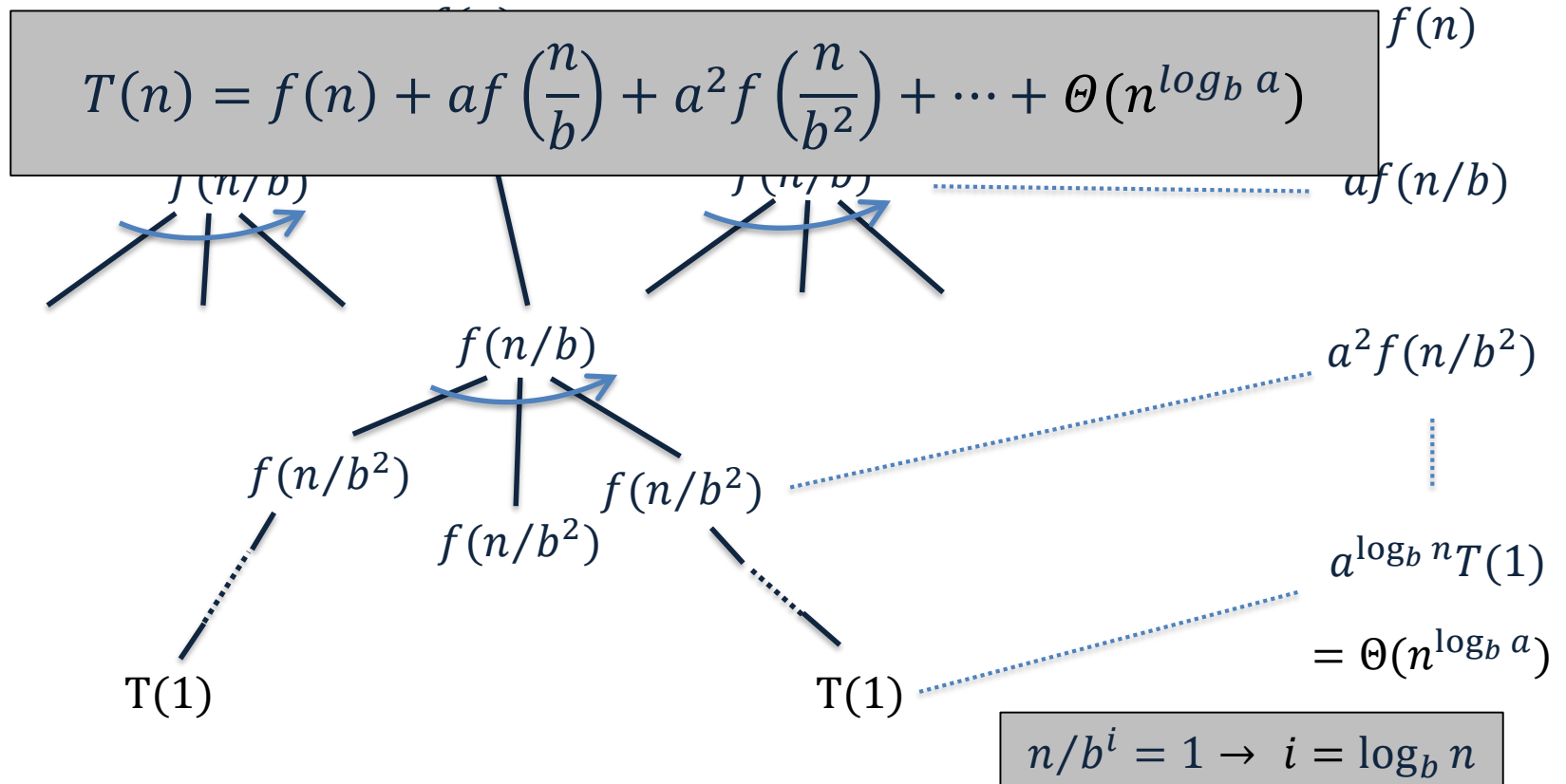


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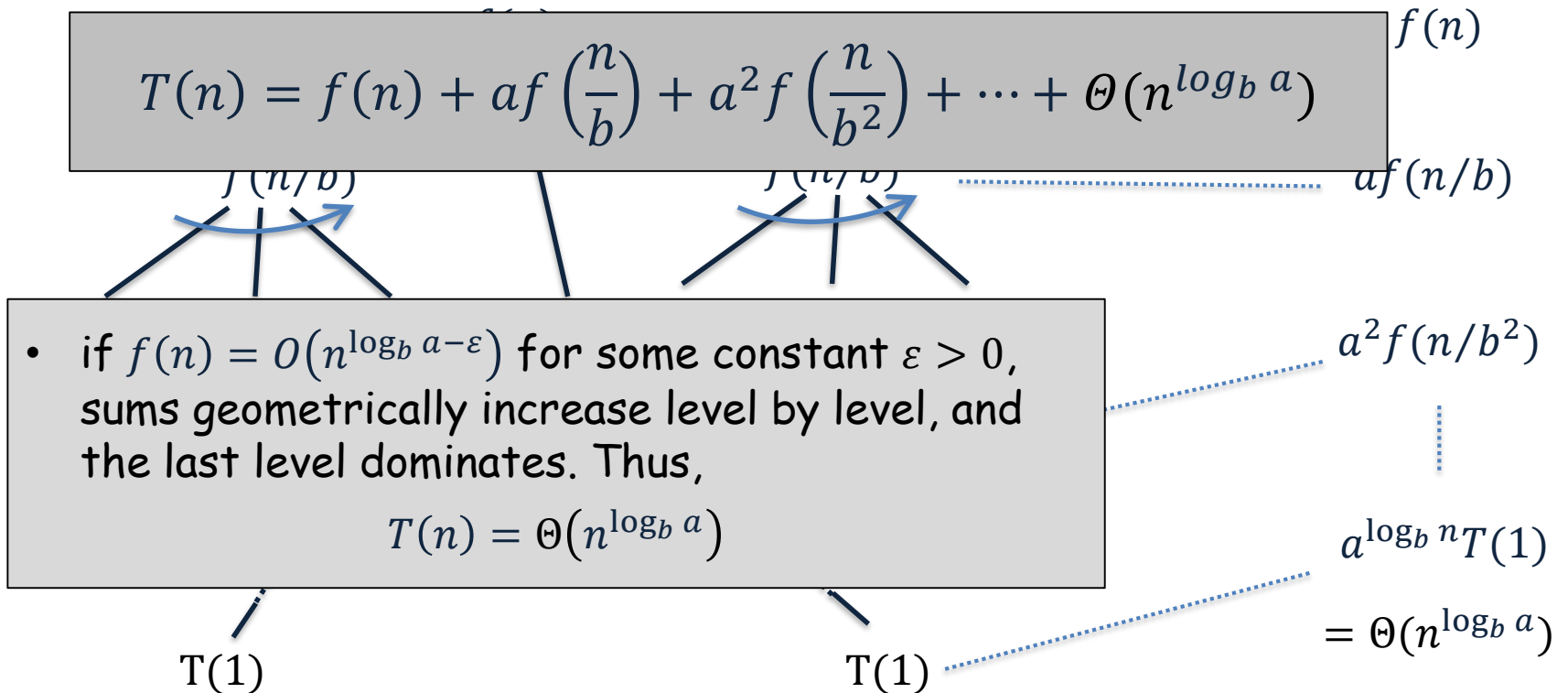


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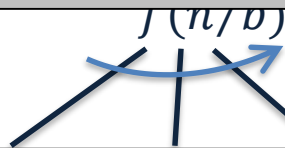
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