CSE 326: Data Structures Disjoint Union/Find

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Weighted Union

- Weighted Union
 - Always point the smaller tree to the root of the larger tree



A Bad Case



Example Again



Analysis of Weighted Union

- With weighted union an up-tree of height h has weight at least 2^h.
- Proof by induction
 - Basis: h = 0. The up-tree has one node, $2^0 = 1$
 - Inductive step: Assume true for all h' < h.



Analysis of Weighted Union

- Let T be an up-tree of weight n formed by weighted union. Let h be its height.
- n ≥ 2^h
- $\log_2 n \ge h$
- Find(x) in tree T takes O(log n) time.
- Can we do better?

Worst Case for Weighted Union



Example of Worst Cast (cont')

After n - 1 = n/2 + n/4 + ... + 1 Weighted Unions



Elegant Array Implementation



Weighted Union

```
W-Union(i,j : index){
//i and j are roots//
wi := weight[i];
wj := weight[j];
if wi < wj then
    up[i] := j;
    weight[j] := wi + wj;
else
    up[j] :=i;
    weight[i] := wi + wj;
}</pre>
```

Path Compression

• On a Find operation point all the nodes on the search path directly to the root.



Self-Adjustment Works



Draw the result of Find(e):



Path Compression Find

```
PC-Find(i : index) {
    r := i;
    while up[r] ≠ 0 do //find root//
    r := up[r];
    if i ≠ r then //compress path//
        k := up[i];
        while k ≠ r do
            up[i] := r;
            i := k;
            k := up[k]
    return(r)
}
```

Interlude: A Really Slow Function

Ackermann's function is a <u>really</u> big function A(x, y) with inverse $\alpha(x, y)$ which is <u>really</u> small

How fast does $\alpha(x, y)$ grow? $\alpha(x, y) = 4$ for x far larger than the number of atoms in the universe (2³⁰⁰)

 α shows up in:

- Computation Geometry (surface complexity)
- Combinatorics of sequences

A More Comprehensible Slow Function

log* x = number of times you need to compute log to bring value down to at most 1

E.g.
$$\log^{*} 2 = 1$$

 $\log^{*} 4 = \log^{*} 2^{2} = 2$
 $\log^{*} 16 = \log^{*} 2^{2^{2}} = 3$ (log log log 16 = 1)
 $\log^{*} 65536 = \log^{*} 2^{2^{2^{2}}} = 4$ (log log log log 65536 =
1)
 $\log^{*} 2^{65536} = \dots = 5$

Take this: $\alpha(m,n)$ grows even slower than log* *n* M^{6}

Disjoint Union / Find with Weighted Union and PC

- Worst case time complexity for a W-Union is O(1) and for a PC-Find is O(log n).
- Time complexity for m ≥ n operations on n elements is O(m log* n)
 - Log * n < 7 for all reasonable n. Essentially constant time per operation!
- Using "ranked union" gives an even better bound theoretically.

Sorting: The Big Picture

Given *n* comparable elements in an array, sort them in an increasing order.



Insertion Sort: Idea

- At the kth step, put the kth input element in the correct place among the first k elements
- Result: After the kth step, the first k elements are sorted.

Runtime:

- worst case
- best case
- average case :

Selection Sort: idea

- Find the smallest element, put it 1st
- Find the next smallest element, put it 2nd
- Find the next smallest, put it 3rd
- And so on ...

Selection Sort: Code

```
void SelectionSort (Array a[0..n-1]) {
    for (i=0, i<n; ++i) {
        j = Find index of smallest entry in a[i..n-1]
        Swap(a[i],a[j])
    }</pre>
```

```
Runtime:
```

- worst case :
- best case
- average case :

Try it out: Selection sort

• 31, 16, 54, 4, 2, 17, 6

Example



Example



Try it out: Insertion sort

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HeapSort: Using Priority Queue ADT (heap)



Shove all elements into a priority queue, take them out smallest to largest.

Runtime:

Try it out: Heap sort

• 31, 16, 54, 4, 2, 17, 6