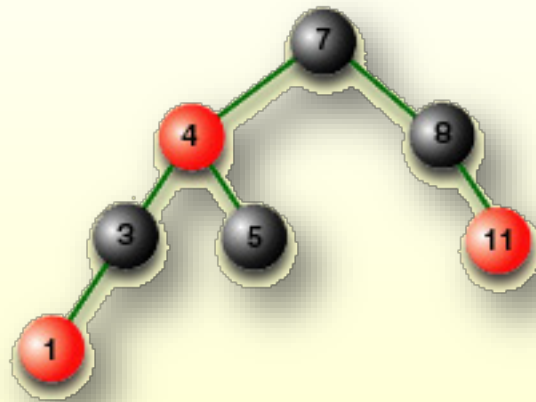


# CS161: Design and Analysis of Algorithms



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# Outline

- ◆ Review of last lecture: **Dynamic Programming**
- ◆ Today: **Augmented data structures**
  - ◆ dynamic order statistics
  - ◆ Interval trees
- ◆ **Amortized analysis**
  - ◆ the accounting method
  - ◆ the potential method

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- <http://www.cs.virginia.edu/~luebke/cs332/>
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# Augmenting Data Structures

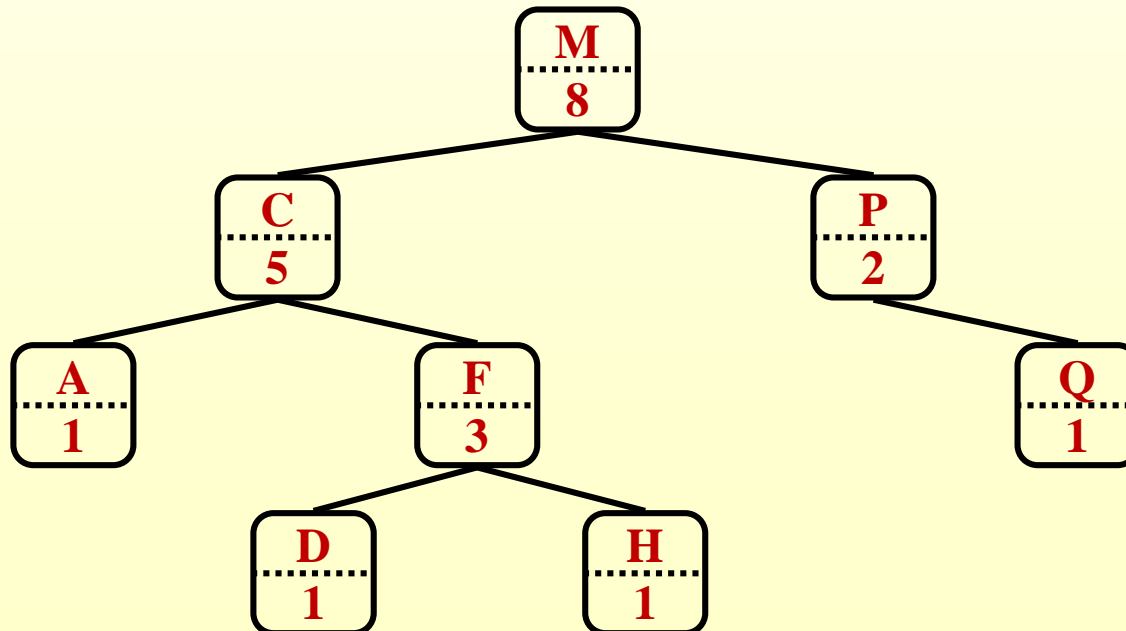
# Dynamic Order Statistics

- ◆ We have covered algorithms for finding the  $i$ -th element of a static unordered set in  $O(n)$  time
- ◆ Of course, if a set is ordered, we can find the  $i$ -th element in  $O(1)$  time
- ◆ **OS-Trees**: a structure to support finding the  $i$ -th element of a **dynamic** set in  $O(\lg n)$  time
  - ◆ Support standard dynamic set operations (`Insert()`, `Delete()`, `Min()`, `Max()`, `Succ()`, `Pred()`)
  - ◆ Also support these order statistic operations:

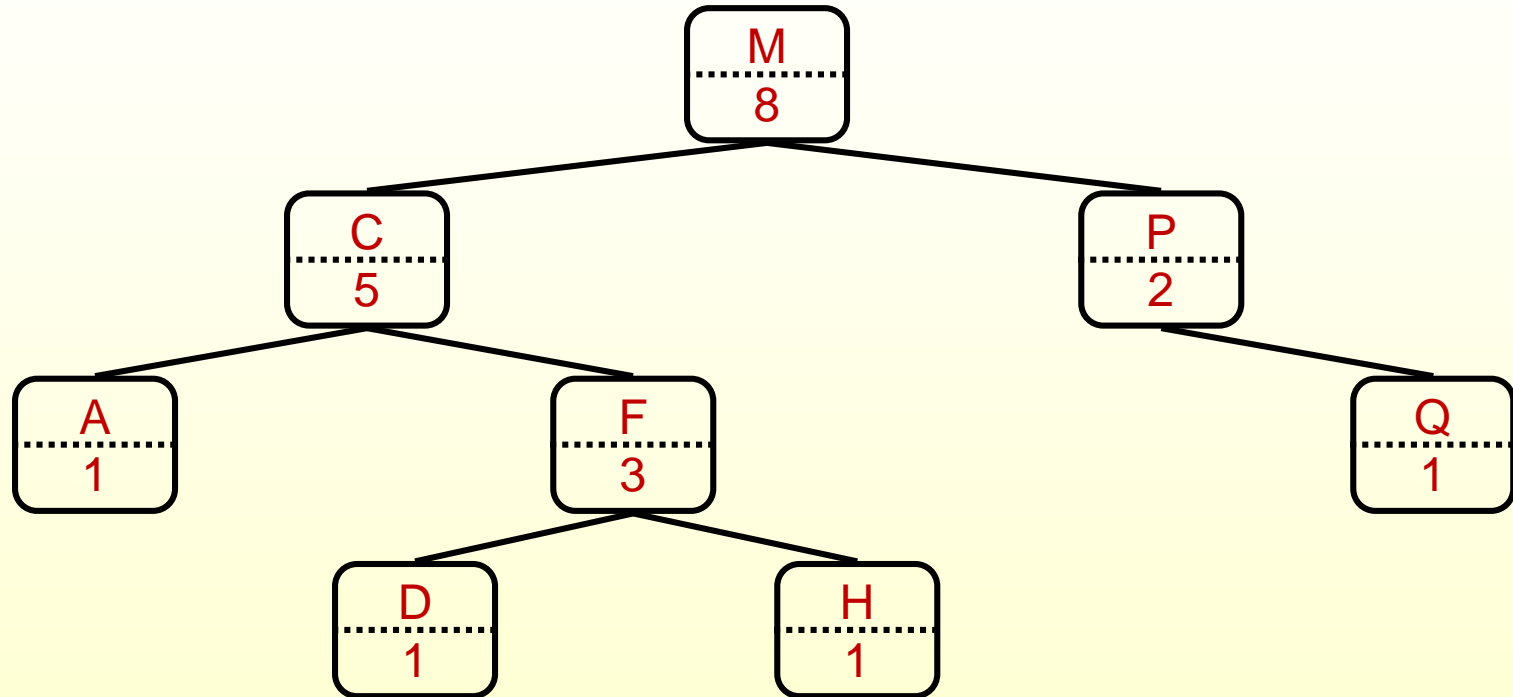
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void OS-Select(root, i);
int OS-Rank(x);
```

# Order Statistics Trees

- ◆ OS Trees: **augment** red-black trees
  - ◆ Associate a new **size** field with each node in the tree
  - ◆ **x**->**size** records the size of subtree rooted at **x**, including **x** itself:



# Selection in OS Trees



How can we use this property to select the  $i$ -th element of the set?

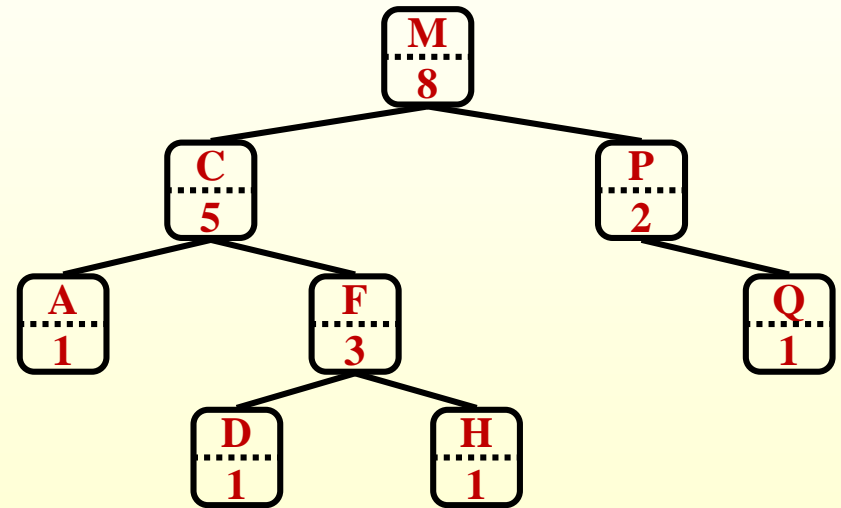
# OS-Select

```
OS-Select(x, i)
{
    r = x->left->size + 1;           compute rank r of the root
    if (i == r)
        return x;
    else if (i < r)                  go left
        return OS-Select(x->left, i);
    else                             go right
        return OS-Select(x->right, i-r);
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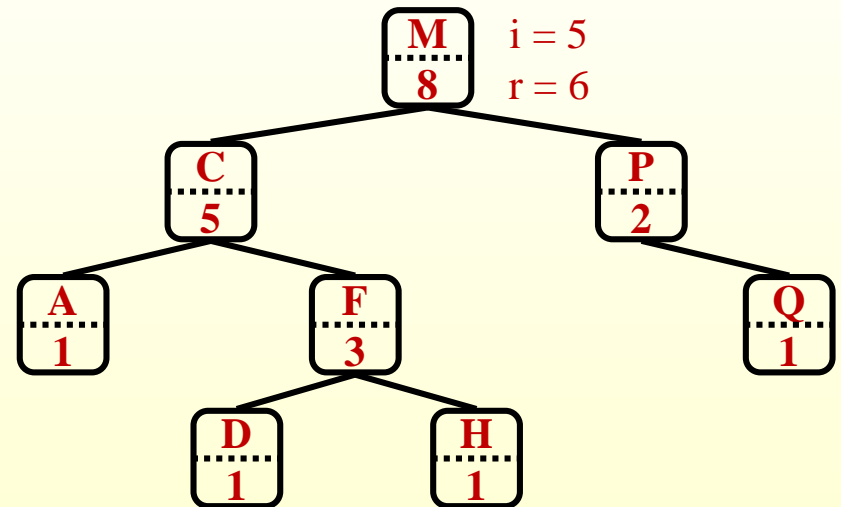




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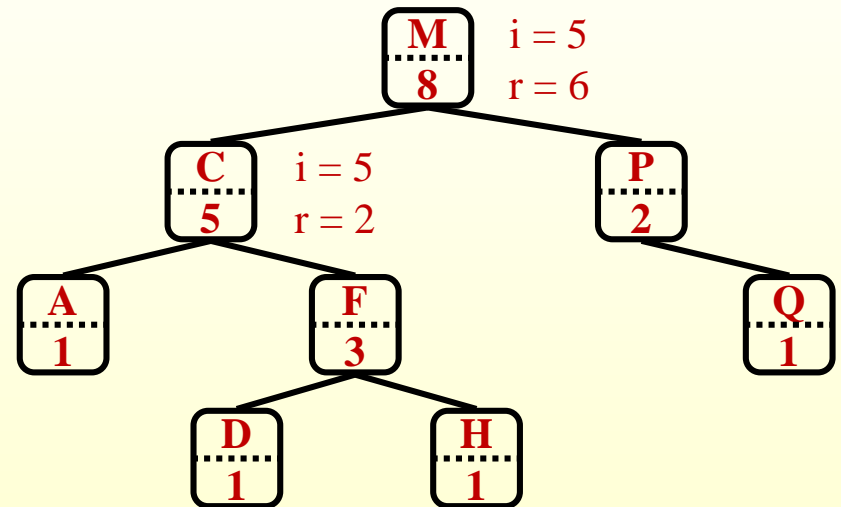
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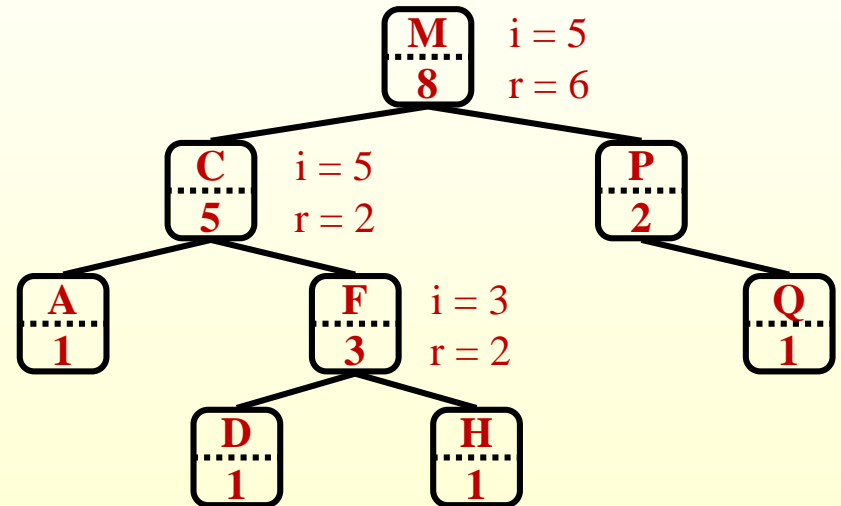
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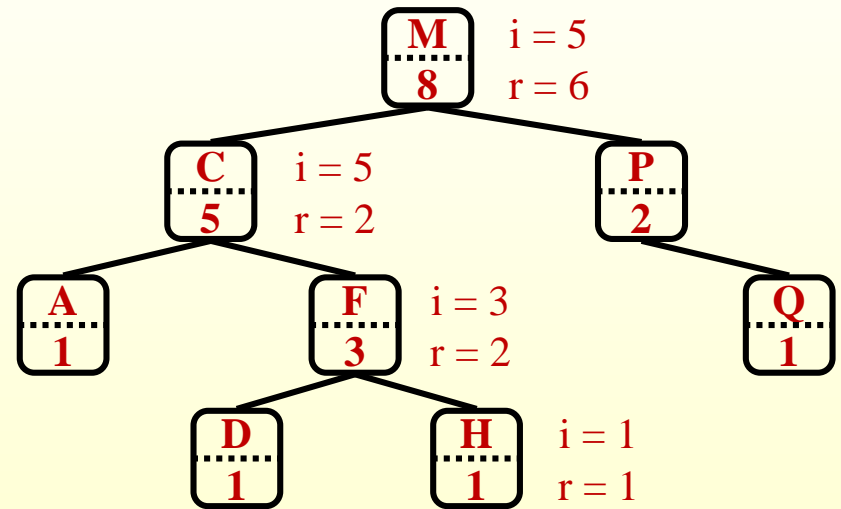
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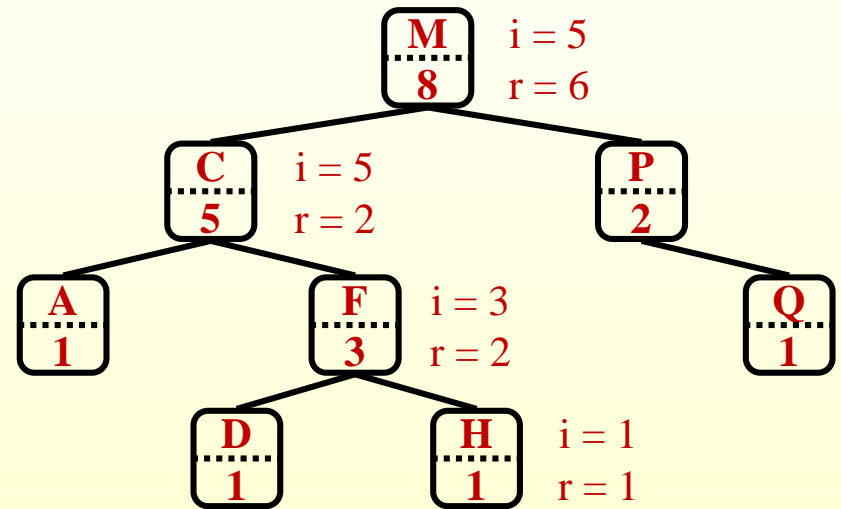
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*Note: use a sentinel NIL element at the leaves with size = 0 to simplify code, avoid testing for NULL*

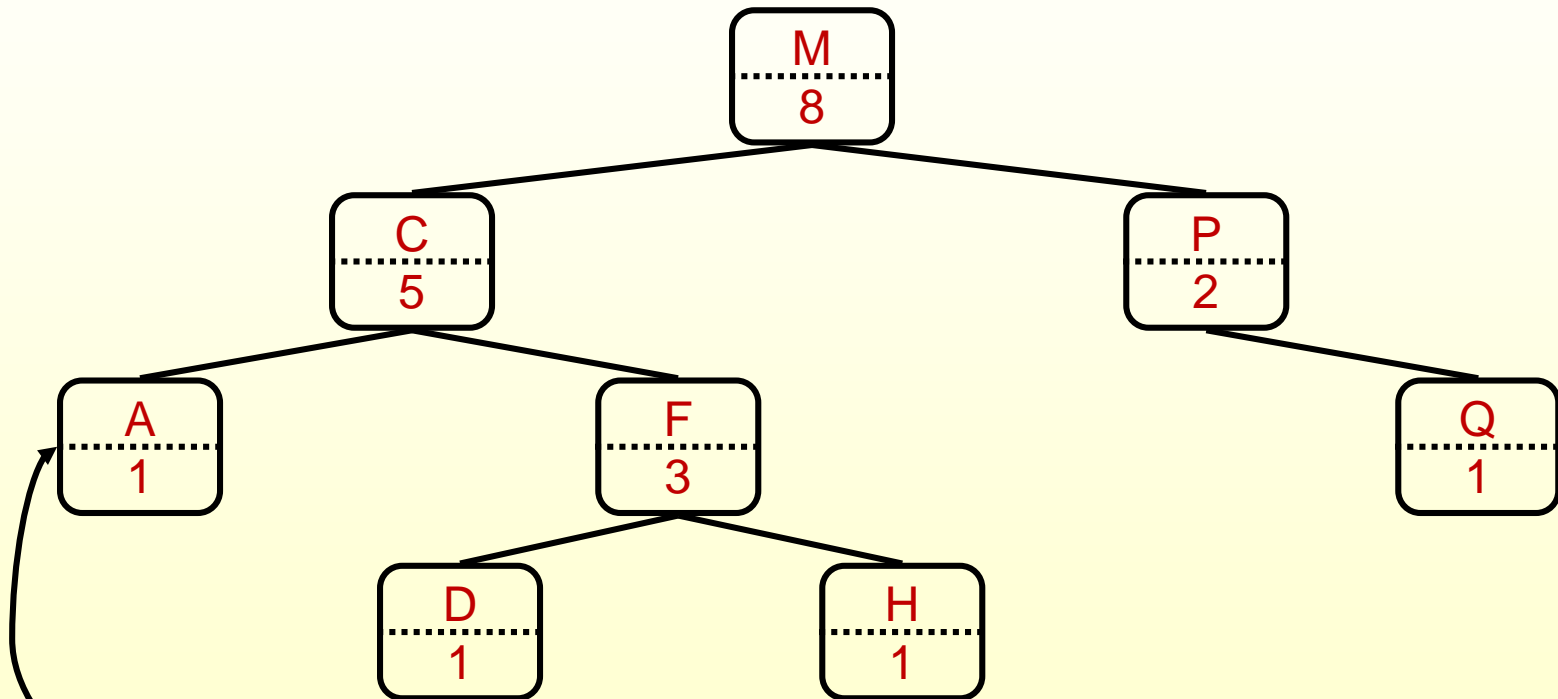
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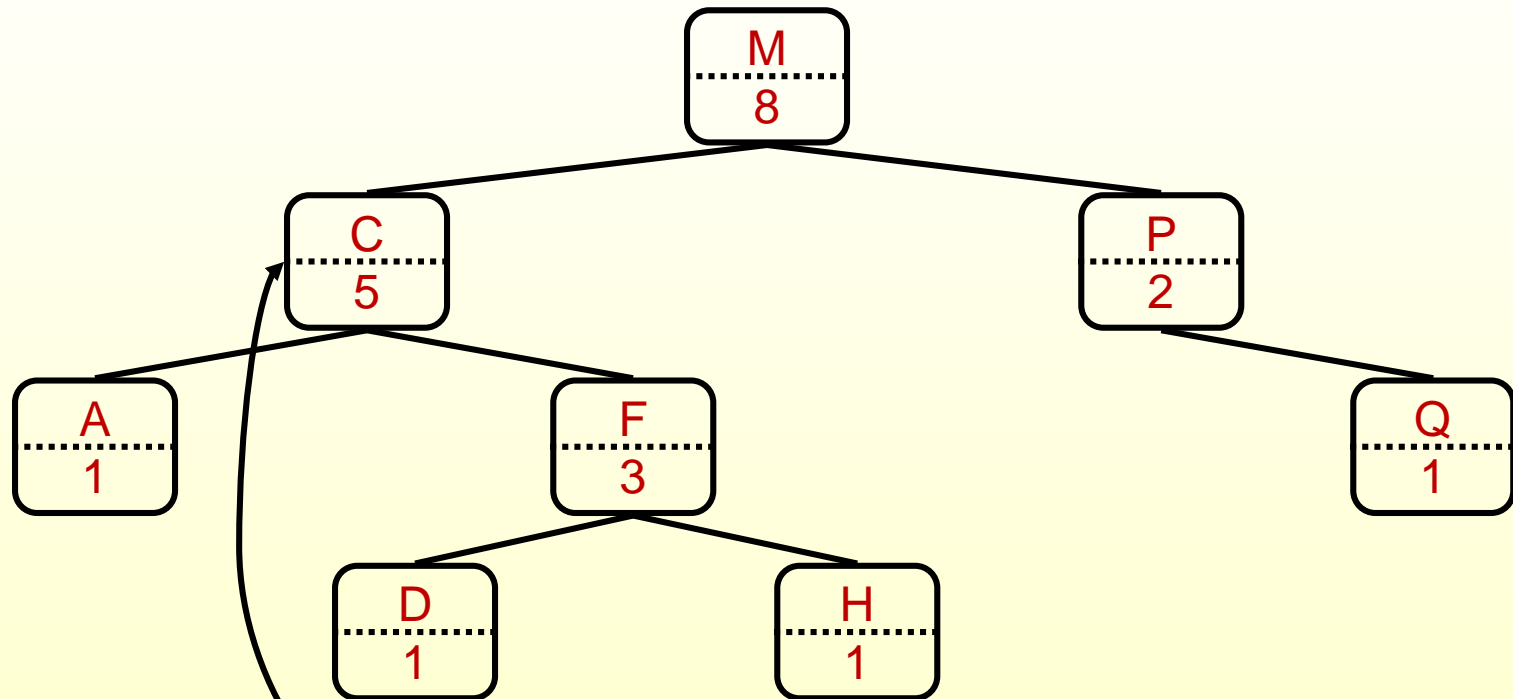
$O(\log n)$

# Determining The Rank of an Element



What is the rank of this element?

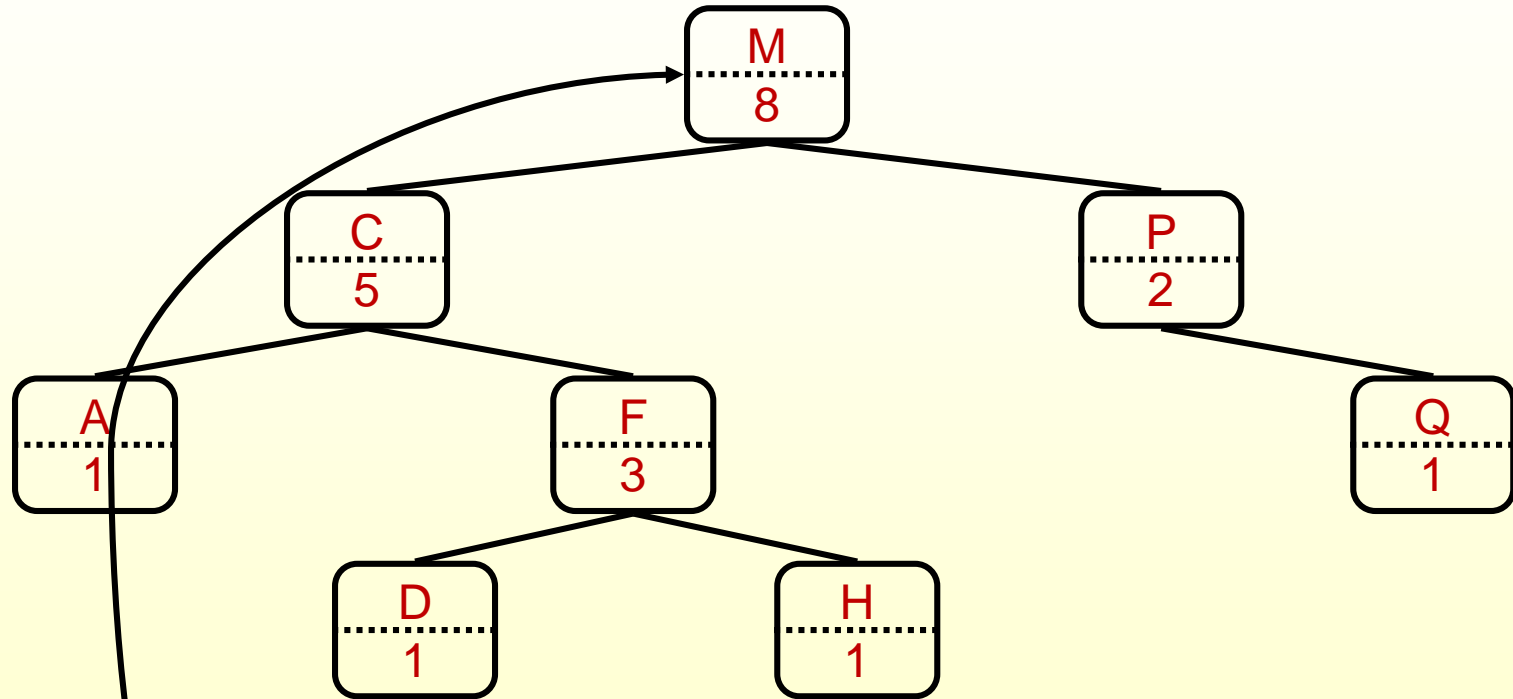
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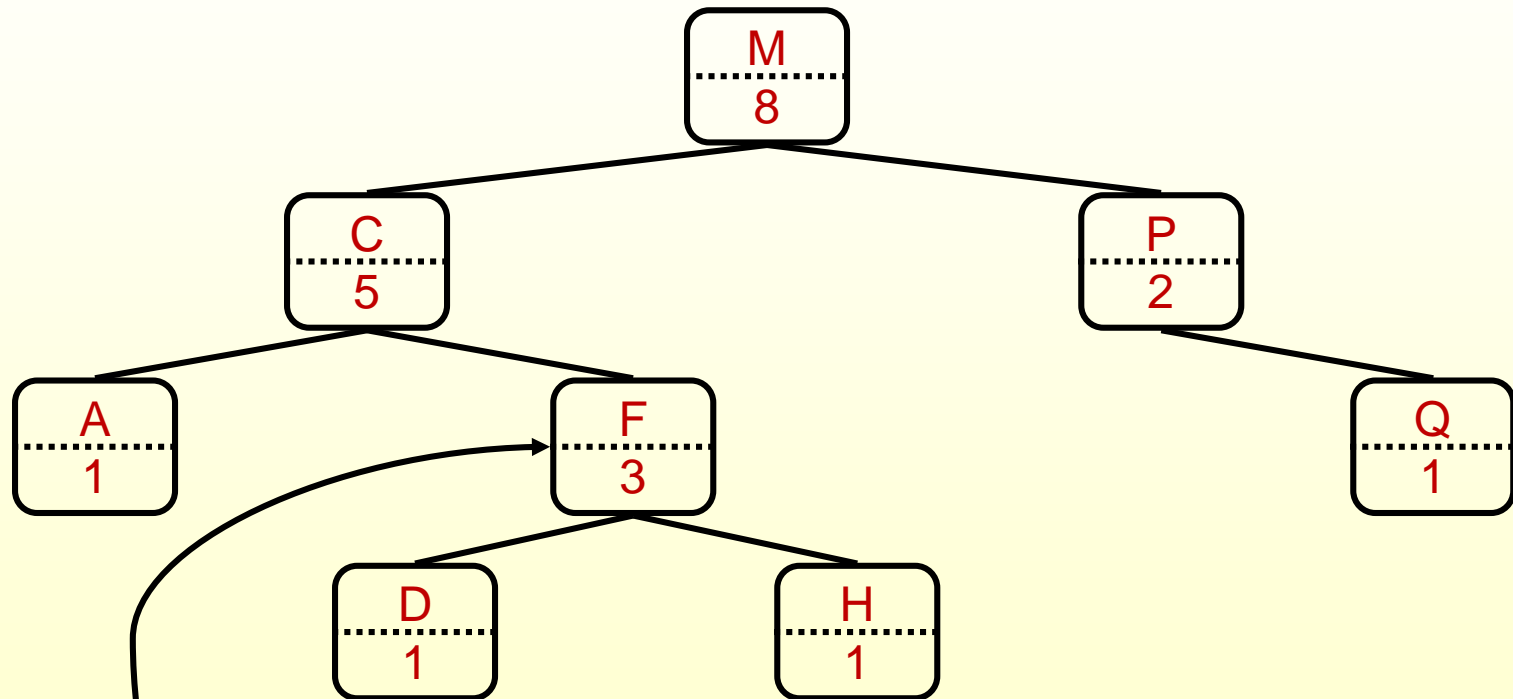


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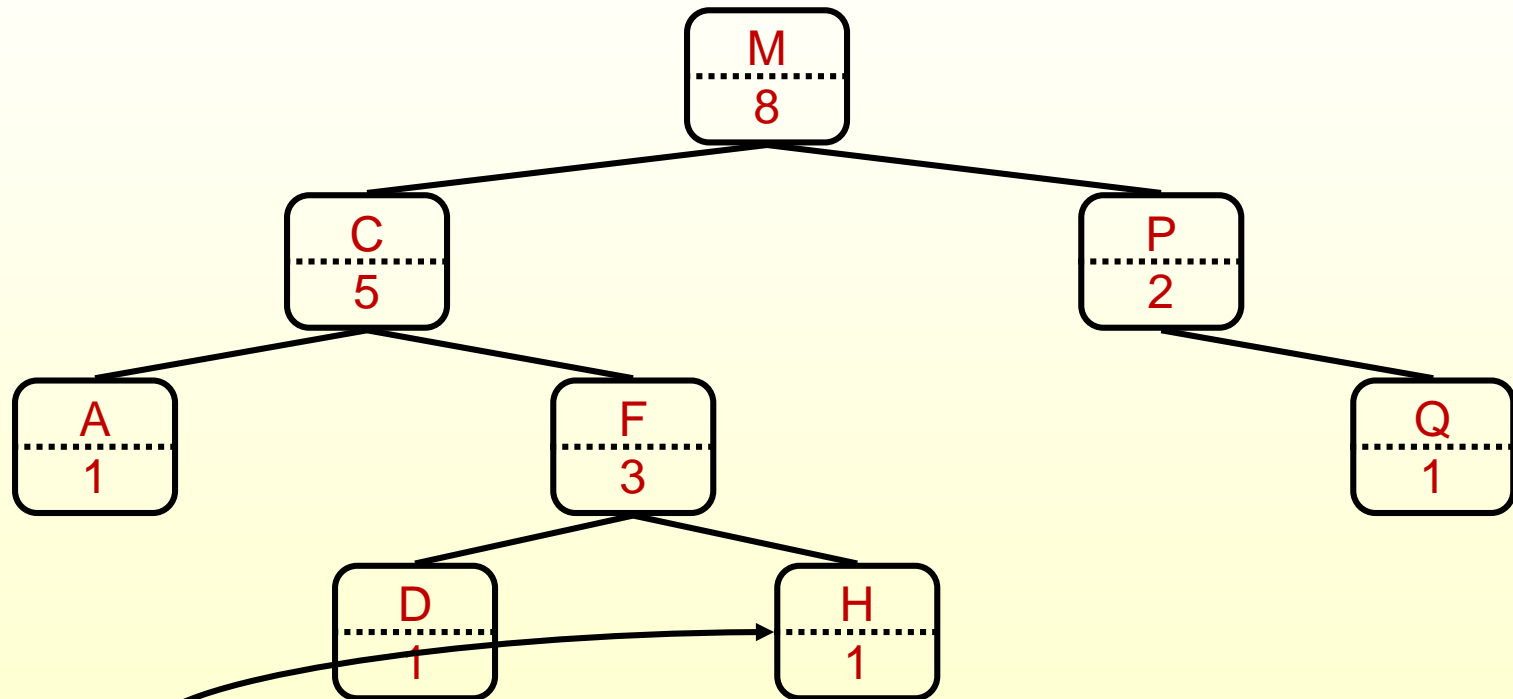
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# OS-Rank

Idea: rank of right child  $x$  is one more than its parent's rank, plus the size of  $x$ 's left subtree

```
OS-Rank(T, x)
```

```
{
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    r = x->left->size + 1;
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    y = x;
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```
    while (y != T->root)
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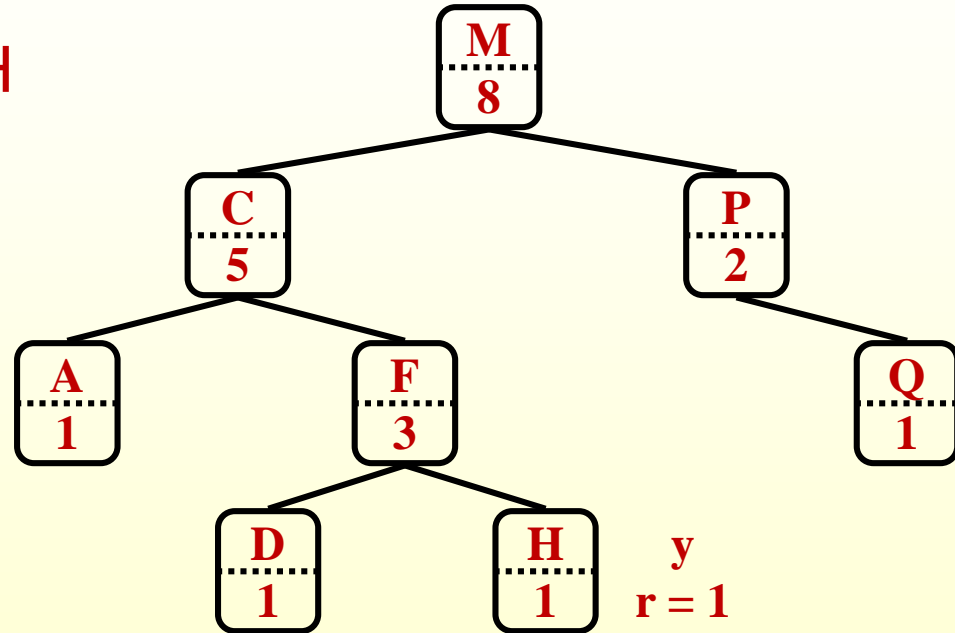
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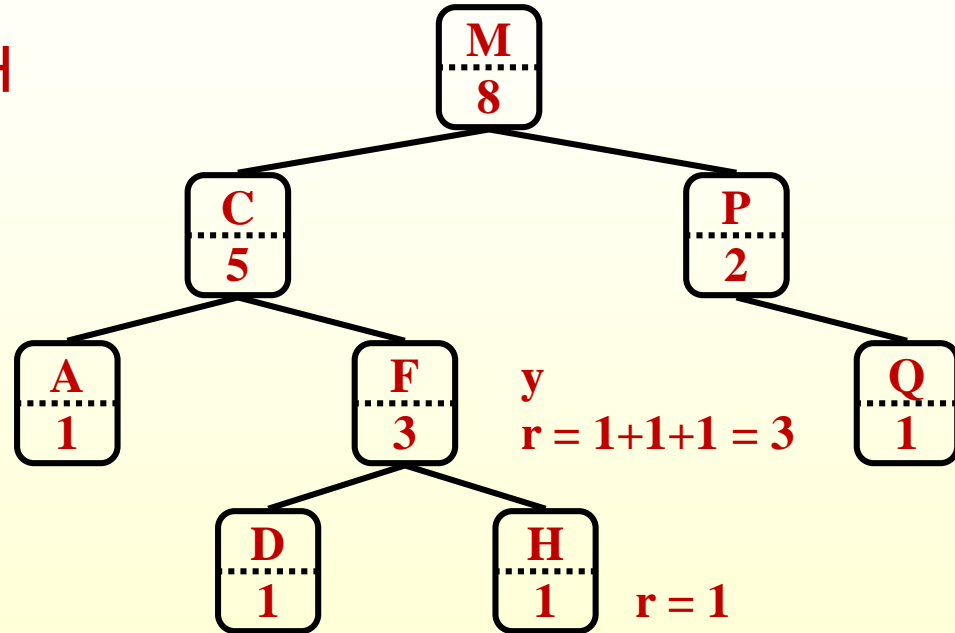
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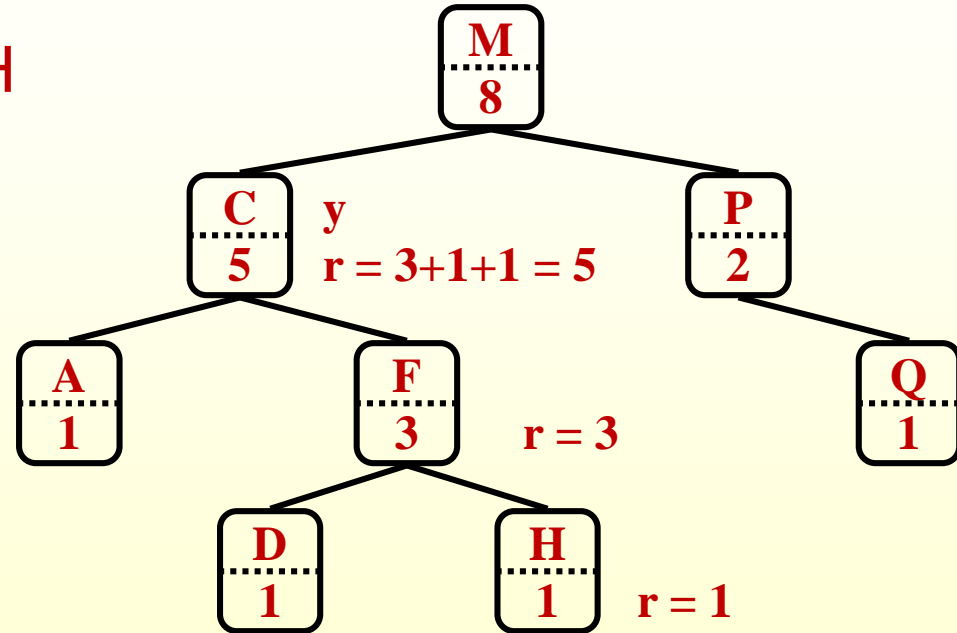
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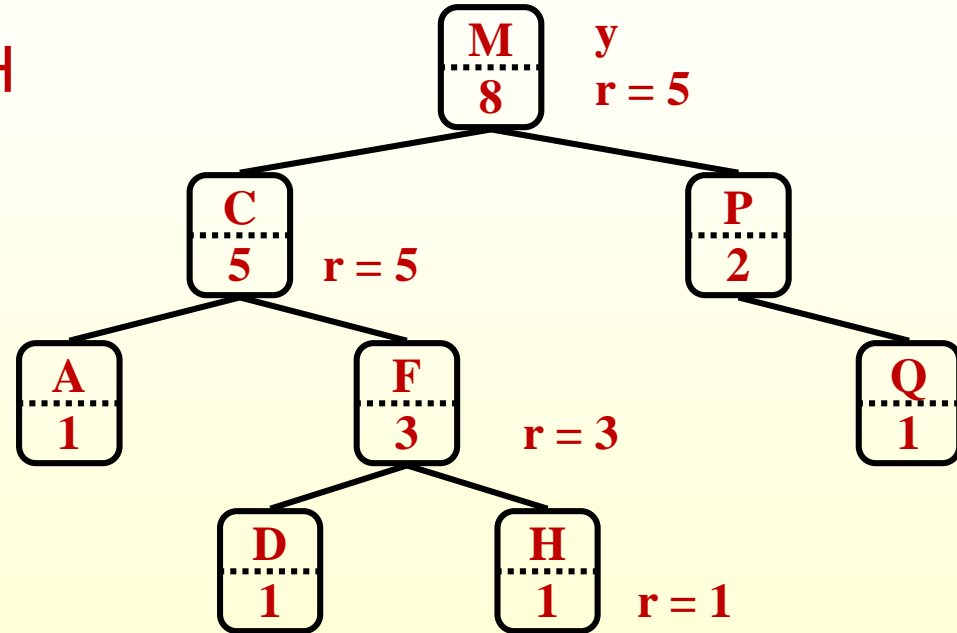
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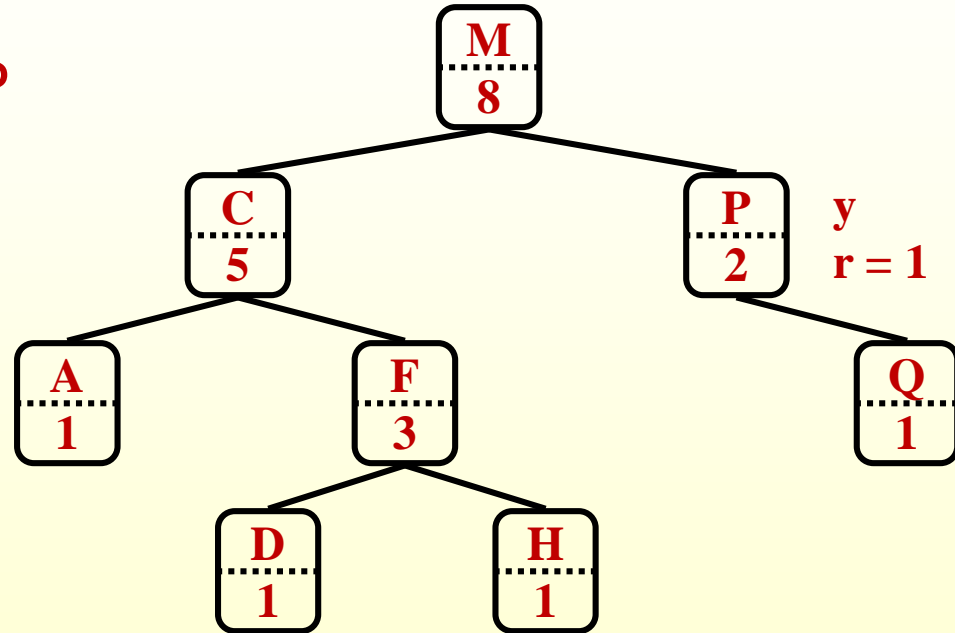




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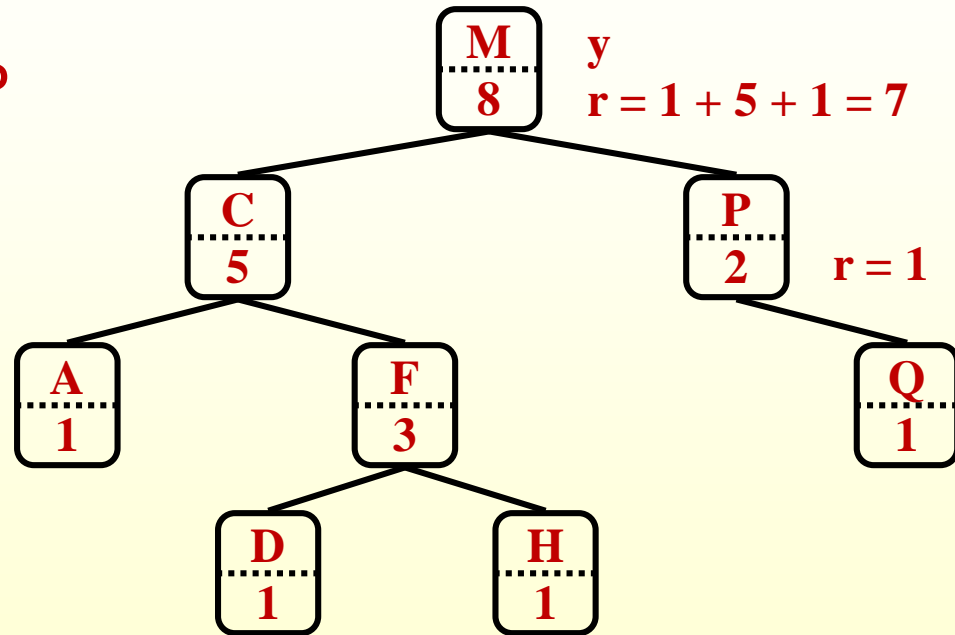
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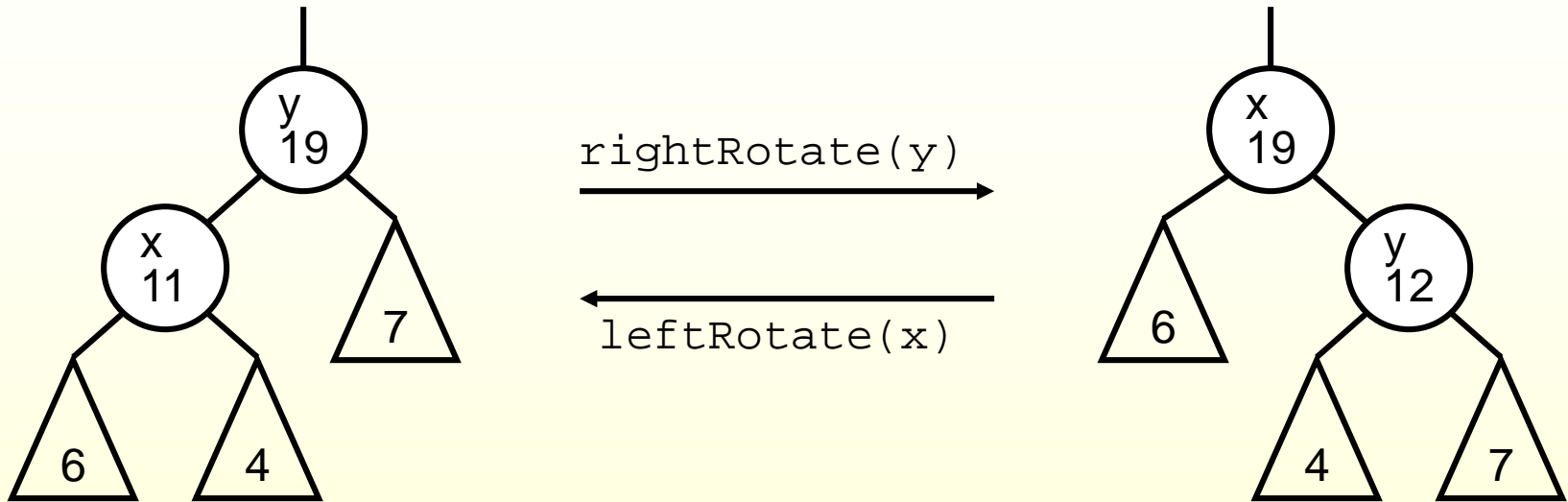
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  - ◆ *Why won't this work on red-black trees?*

# Maintaining Sizes Through Rotations



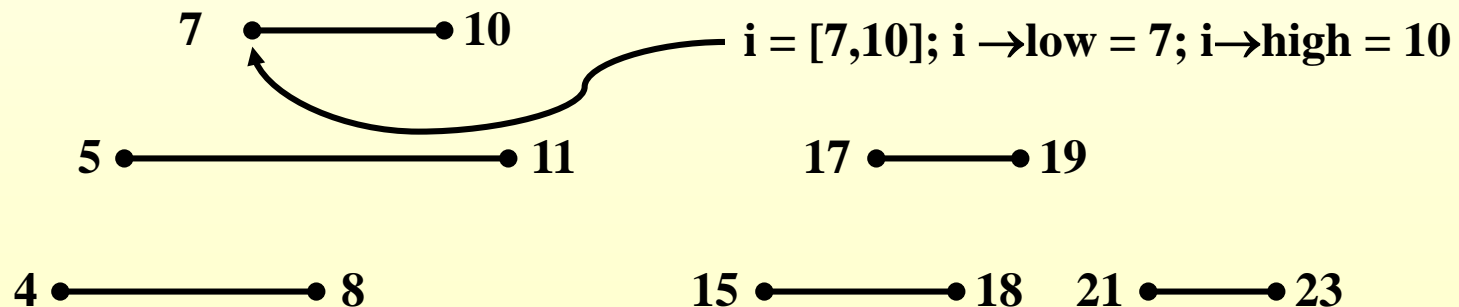
- ◆ Salient point: rotation invalidates only  $x$  and  $y$
- ◆ Can recalculate their sizes in constant time
  - ◆ *Why?*

# Augmenting Data Structures: Methodology

- ◆ Choose underlying data structure
  - ◆ E.g., red-black trees
- ◆ Determine additional information to maintain
  - ◆ E.g., subtree sizes
- ◆ Verify that information can be maintained for operations that modify the structure
  - ◆ E.g., Insert(), Delete() (don't forget rotations!)
- ◆ Develop new operations
  - ◆ E.g., OS-Rank(), OS-Select()

# Interval Trees

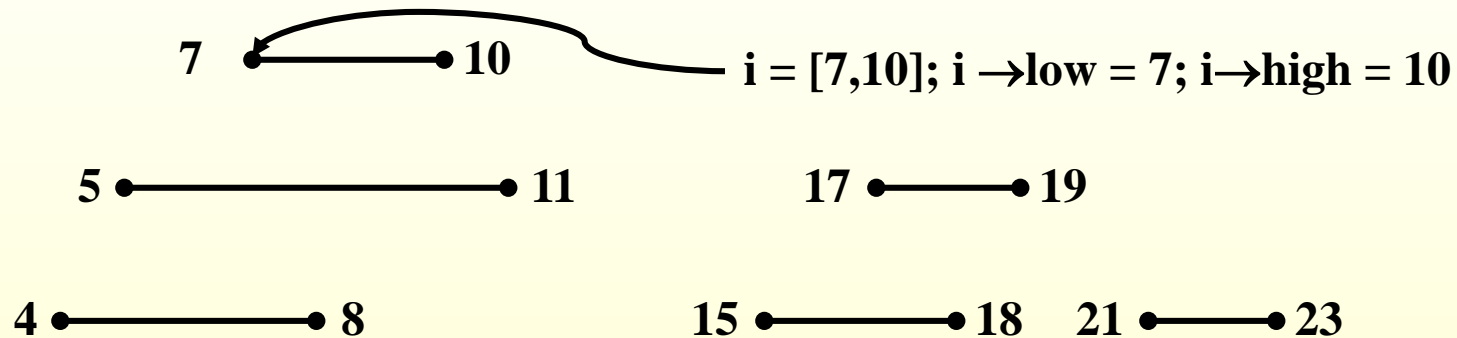
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- ◆ Query: find an interval in the set that overlaps a given query interval (conflict detection)
  - ◆  $[14,16] \rightarrow [15,18]$
  - ◆  $[16,19] \rightarrow [15,18]$  or  $[17,19]$
  - ◆  $[12,14] \rightarrow \text{NULL}$

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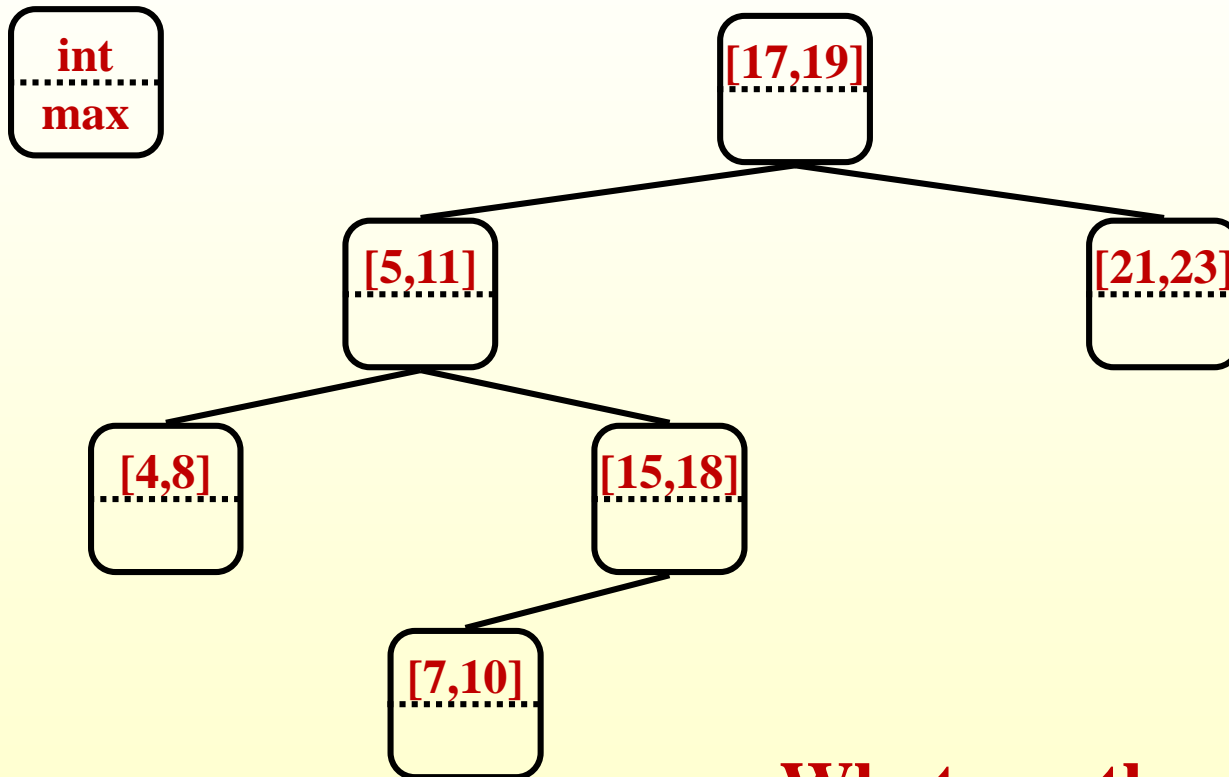
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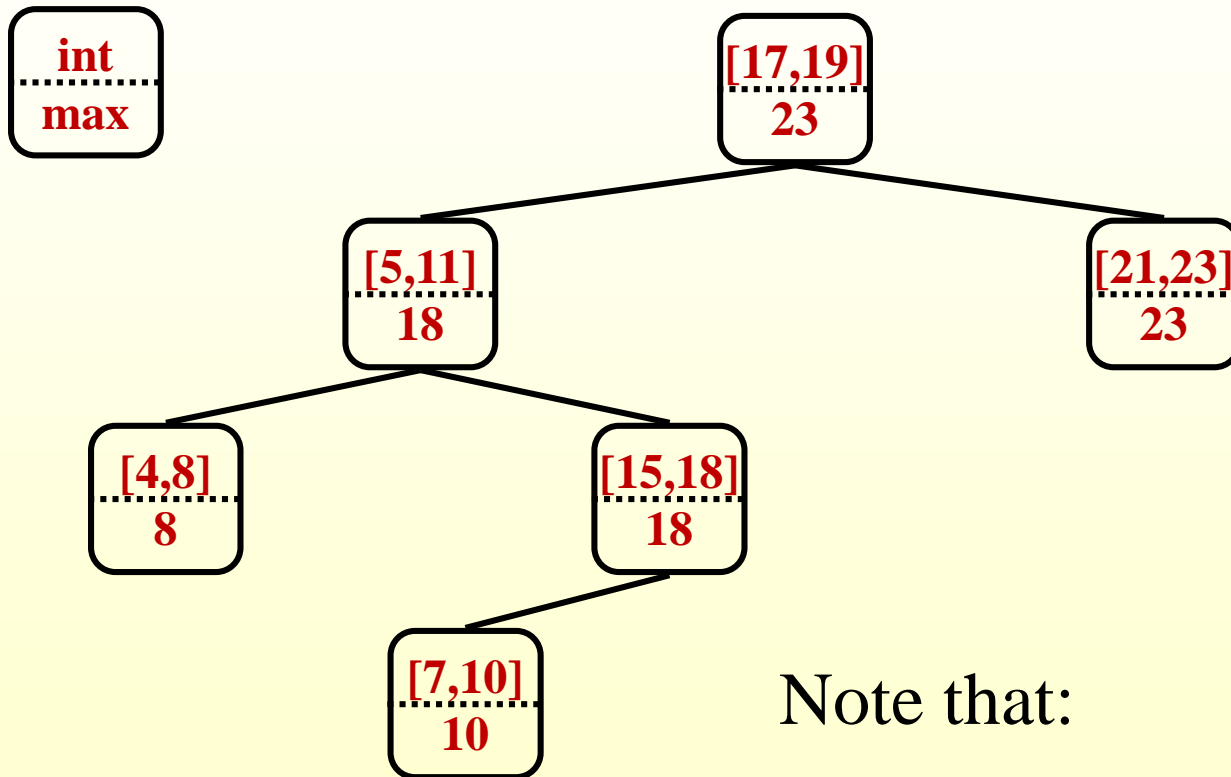
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    - ◆ We will store *max*, the maximum right endpoint in the subtree rooted at each node
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# Interval Trees



**What are the max fields?**

# Interval Trees



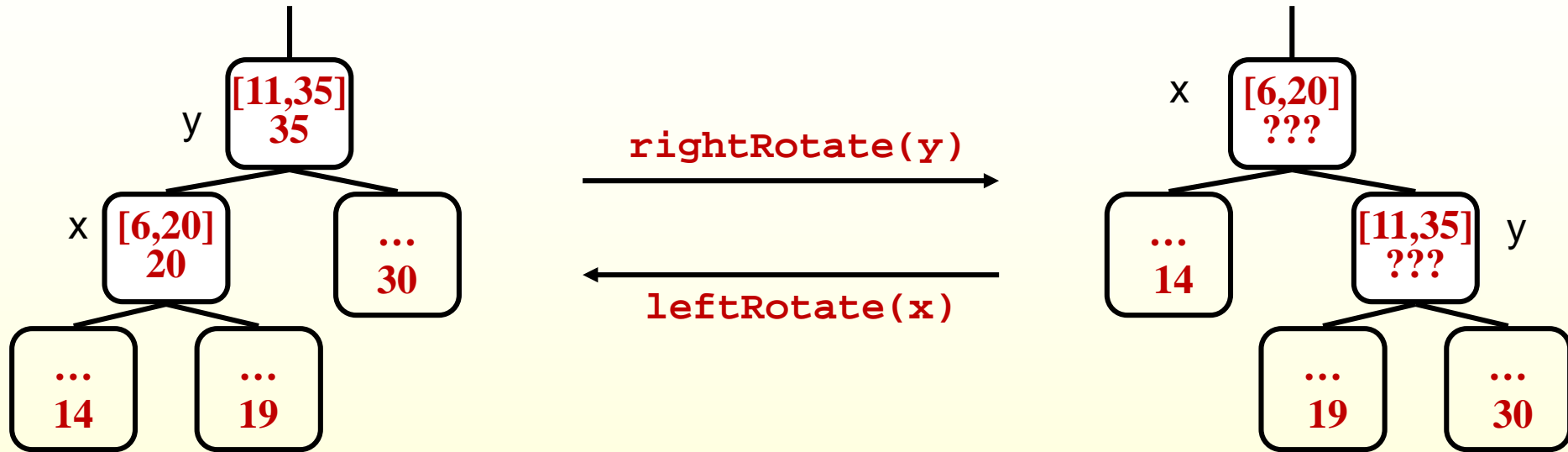
Note that:

$x \rightarrow \max = \max \begin{cases} x \rightarrow high \\ x \rightarrow left \rightarrow \max \\ x \rightarrow right \rightarrow \max \end{cases}$

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  - ◆ *Figure out how to maintain the information*
    - ◆ *How would we maintain max field for a BST?*
    - ◆ *What's different?*
  - ◆ Develop the desired new operations

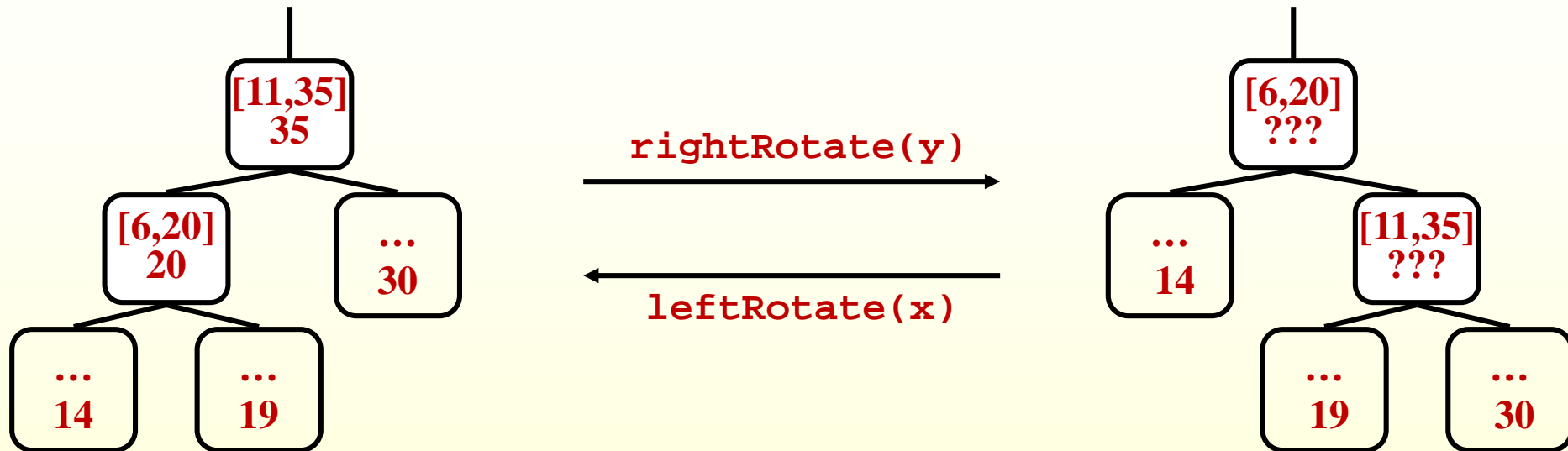
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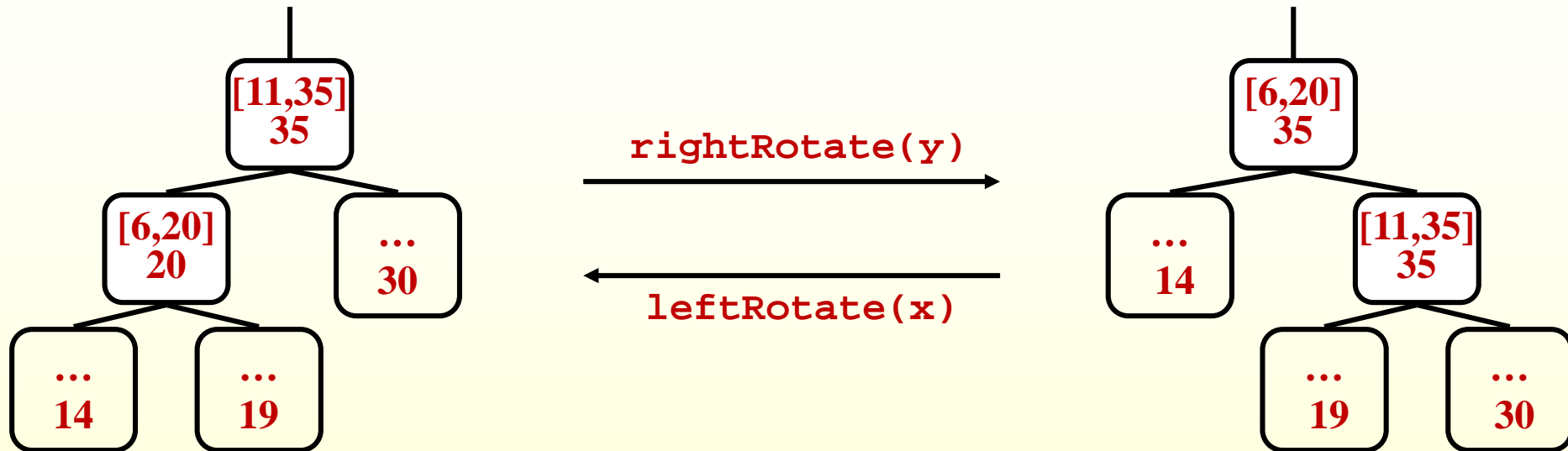


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    - ◆ Insert: update max on way down, during rotations
    - ◆ Delete: similar
  - ◆ *Develop the desired new operations*

# Searching Interval Trees

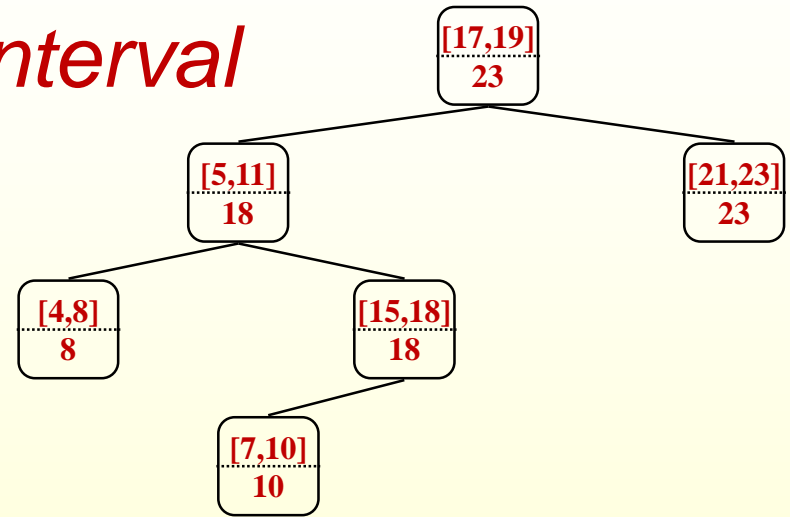
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IntervalSearch(T, i)
{
    x = T->root;
    while (x != NULL && !overlap(i, x->interval))
        if (x->left != NULL && x->left->max ≥ i->low)
            x = x->left;
        else
            x = x->right;
    return x
}
```

◆ *What is the running time?*

$O(\log n)$

# IntervalSearch() Example

- Example 1: search for interval overlapping [20,22]



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```

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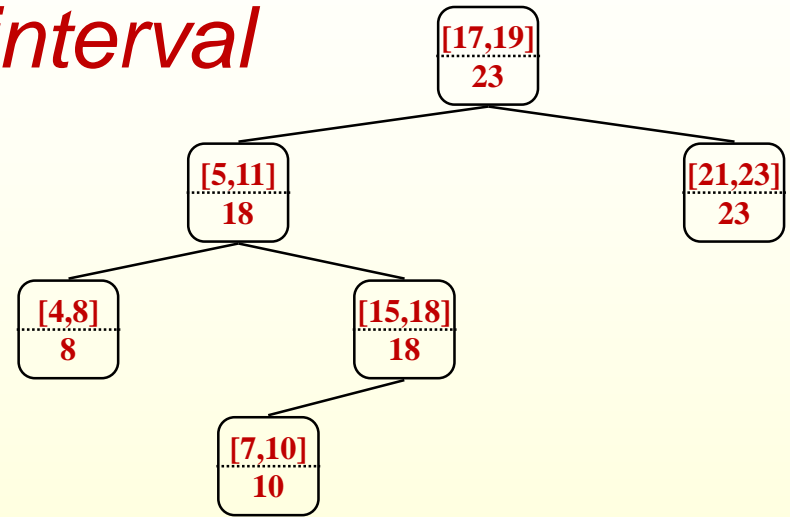
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            x = x->right;
```

```
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```

```
}
```

# IntervalSearch() Example

- ◆ *Example2: search for interval overlapping [16,20]*



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```

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```

```
}
```

# Correctness of IntervalSearch()

- ◆ Key idea: need to check only one of a node's two children
  - ◆ Case 1: search goes right
    - ◆ Show that  $\exists$  overlap in right subtree, or no overlap at all
  - ◆ Case 2: search goes left
    - ◆ Show that  $\exists$  overlap in left subtree, or no overlap at all

# Correctness of IntervalSearch()

- ◆ Case 1: if search goes right,  $\exists$  overlap in the right subtree or no overlap in either subtree
  - ◆ If  $\exists$  overlap in right subtree, we're done
  - ◆ Otherwise:
    - ◆  $x \rightarrow \text{left} = \text{NULL}$ , or  $x \rightarrow \text{left} \rightarrow \text{max} < x \rightarrow \text{low}$  (*Why?*)
    - ◆ Thus, no overlap in left subtree!

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- ◆ Case 2: if search goes left,  $\exists$  overlap in the left subtree or no overlap in either subtree
  - ◆ If  $\exists$  overlap in left subtree, we're done
  - ◆ Otherwise:
    - ◆  $i \rightarrow \text{low} \leq x \rightarrow \text{left} \rightarrow \text{max}$ , by branch condition
    - ◆  $x \rightarrow \text{left} \rightarrow \text{max} = y \rightarrow \text{high}$  for some  $y$  in left subtree
    - ◆ Since  $i$  and  $y$  don't overlap and  $i \rightarrow \text{low} \leq y \rightarrow \text{high}$ ,  
 $i \rightarrow \text{high} < y \rightarrow \text{low}$
    - ◆ Since tree is sorted by low's,  $i \rightarrow \text{high} <$  any low in right subtree
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**Key point:** The time required to perform a sequence of data structure operations is **averaged** over all operations performed

- ◆ Amortized analysis can be used to show that
  - ◆ The **average cost** of an operation **is small**
    - ◆ If one averages over a sequence of operations even though a single operation might be expensive

# Amortized Analysis vs Average Case Analysis

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- ◆ Amortized analysis **does not** use any *probabilistic reasoning*
- ◆ Amortized analysis guarantees the **average performance** of each operation in **the worst case**  
but now we average over a sequence of operations



# Amortized Analysis

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## Methods of Amortized Analysis

- ❑ **Aggregate Method:** we determine an upper bound  $T(n)$  on the total sequence of  $n$  operations. The cost of each will then be  $T(n)/n$ .
- ❑ **Accounting Method:** we overcharge some operations early and use them to as prepaid charge later.
- ❑ **Potential Method:** we maintain credit as potential energy associated with the data structure as a whole.



# Amortized Analysis

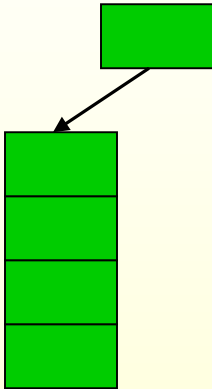
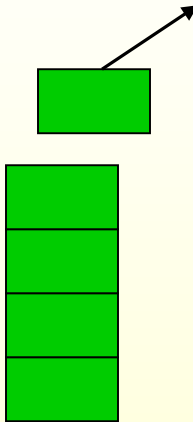
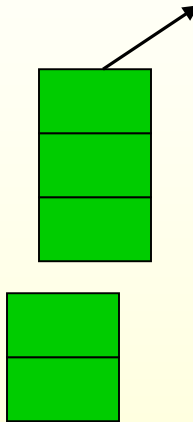
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## 1. Aggregate Method

- Show that for all  $n$ , a sequence of  $n$  operations take worst-case time  $T(n)$  in total
- In the worst case, the average cost, or amortized cost, per operation is  $T(n)/n$ .
- The amortized cost applies to each operation, even when there are several types of operations in the sequence.

# Amortized Analysis

## Aggregate Analysis: Stack Example

3 ops:			
	Push(S,x)	Pop(S)	Multi-pop(S,k)
Worst-case cost:	1	1	$\min( S ,k)$ [= $O(n)$ ]

Amortized cost:  $O(1)$  per operation

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Aggregate Analysis: Stack Example

- Sequence of  $n$  *push*, *pop*, *Multipop* operations
  - Worst-case cost of *Multipop* is  $O(n)$
  - Have  $n$  operations
  - Therefore, worst-case cost of sequence is  $O(n^2)$
- Observations
  - Each object can be popped only once per time that it's pushed
  - Have at most  $n$  pushes  $\Rightarrow$  at most  $n$  pops, including those in *Multipop*
  - Therefore total cost =  $O(n)$
  - Average over  $n$  operations  $\Rightarrow O(1)$  per operation on average
- Notice that no probability is involved



# Amortized Analysis

## 2. Accounting Method

- Charge  $i$ -th operation a fictitious amortized cost  $\hat{c}_i$ , where \$1 pays for 1 unit of work (i.e., time).
  - Assign different charges (amortized costs) to different operations
    - Some are charged more than actual cost
    - Some are charged less
- This fee is consumed to perform the operation.
- Any amount not immediately consumed is “stored in the bank” for use by subsequent operations.
- The bank balance (the credit) must not go negative!

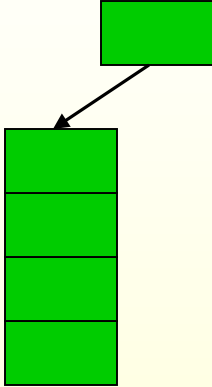
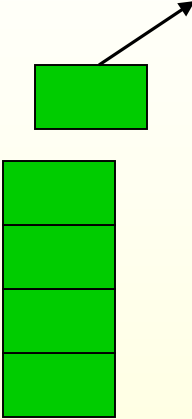
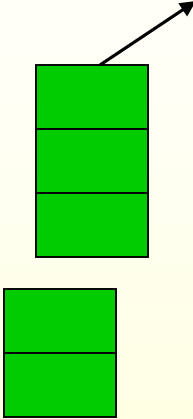
**We must ensure that for all  $n$ .**

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i$$

- Thus, the total amortized costs provide an upper bound on the total true costs.

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Accounting Method: Stack Example

3 ops:			
	Push(S,x)	Pop(S)	Multi-pop(S,k)
•Assigned cost:	2	0	0
•Actual cost:	1	1	$\min( S ,k)$

Push(S,x) pays for possible later pop of x.



# Amortized Analysis

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## ..... Accounting Method: Stack Example

- When pushing an object, **pay \$2**
  - \$1 pays for the push
  - \$1 is prepayment for it being popped by either pop or Multipop
  - Since each object has \$1, which is credit, the credit can never go negative
  - Therefore, total amortized cost =  $O(n)$ , is an upper bound on total actual cost

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Accounting Method: k-bit Binary Counter

### *Introduction*

■ k-bit Binary Counter:  $A[0..k-1]$

$$x = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} A[i] \cdot 2^i$$

#### INCREMENT( $A$ )

1.  $i \leftarrow 0$
2. **while**  $i < \text{length}[A]$  **and**  $A[i] = 1$
3.     **do**  $A[i] \leftarrow 0$      ▶ reset a bit (carry propagation)
4.      $i \leftarrow i + 1$
5. **if**  $i < \text{length}[A]$
6.     **then**  $A[i] \leftarrow 1$      ▶ set a bit

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Accounting Method: $k$ -bit Binary Counter

Consider a sequence of  $n$  increments. The worst-case time to execute one increment is  $\Theta(k)$ . Therefore, the worst-case time for  $n$  increments is  $n \cdot \Theta(k) = \Theta(n \cdot k)$ .

**WRONG!** In fact, the worst-case cost for  $n$  increments is only  $\Theta(n) \ll \Theta(n \cdot k)$ .

*Let's see why.*

**Note:** You'd be correct if you'd said  $O(n \cdot k)$ . But, it's an overestimate.

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Accounting Method: k-bit Binary Counter

### Total cost of $n$ operations

A[0] flipped every op  $n$

A[1] flipped every 2 ops  $n/2$

A[2] flipped every 4 ops  $n/2^2$

A[3] flipped every 8 ops  $n/2^3$

... ..

A[ $i$ ] flipped every  $2^i$  ops  $n/2^i$

Ctr	A[4]	A[3]	A[2]	A[1]	A[0]	Cost
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	1
2	0	0	0	1	0	3
3	0	0	0	1	1	4
4	0	0	1	0	0	7
5	0	0	1	0	1	8
6	0	0	1	1	0	10
7	0	0	1	1	1	11
8	0	1	0	0	0	15
9	0	1	0	0	1	16
10	0	1	0	1	0	18
11	0	1	0	1	1	19

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Accounting Method: k-bit Binary Counter

Cost of  $n$  increments

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \lg n \rfloor} \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2^i} \right\rfloor \\ &< n \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^i} = 2n \\ &= \Theta(n) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the average cost of each increment operation is  $\Theta(n)/n = \Theta(1)$ .

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Accounting Method: k-bit Binary Counter

Charge an amortized cost of \$2 every time a bit is set from 0 to 1

- \$1 pays for the actual bit setting.
- \$1 is stored for later re-setting (from 1 to 0).

At any point, every 1 bit in the counter has \$1 on it... that pays for resetting it. (reset is “*free*”)

### Example:

0 0 0 1<sup>\$1</sup> 0 1<sup>\$1</sup> 0

0 0 0 1<sup>\$1</sup> 0 1<sup>\$1</sup> 1<sup>\$1</sup>

**Cost = \$2**

0 0 0 1<sup>\$1</sup> 1<sup>\$1</sup> 0 0

**Cost = \$2**

Note that in the accounting method we bank credits with individual data items



# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Accounting Method: k-bit Binary Counter

INCREMENT(A)

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3.     do  $A[i] \leftarrow 0$      ▶ reset a bit
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■ When Incrementing,

- Amortized cost for line 3 = \$0
- Amortized cost for line 6 = \$2

■ Amortized cost for INCREMENT(A) = \$2

■ Amortized cost for n INCREMENT(A) =  $\$2n = O(n)$

# Amortized Analysis

## 3. Potential Method

**IDEA:** View the bank account as the potential energy (as in physics) of the dynamic set.

### FRAMEWORK:

- Start with an initial data structure  $D_0$ .
- Operation  $i$  transforms  $D_{i-1}$  to  $D_i$ .
- The cost of operation  $i$  is  $c_i$ .
- Define a **potential function**  $\Phi : \{D_i\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $\Phi(D_0) = 0$  and  $\Phi(D_i) \geq 0$  for all  $i$ .
- The **amortized cost**  $\hat{c}_i$  with respect to  $\Phi$  is defined to be  $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$ .



# Amortized Analysis

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## ..... Potential Method

- Like the accounting method, but think of the credit as ***potential*** stored with the ***entire data structure***.
  - Accounting method stores credit with specific objects while potential method stores potential in the data structure as a whole.
  - Can release potential to pay for future operations
- Most flexible of the amortized analysis methods.

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Potential Method

$$\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$$

  
*potential difference*  $\Delta\Phi_i$

- If  $\Delta\Phi_i > 0$ , then  $\hat{c}_i > c_i$ . Operation  $i$  stores work in the data structure for later use.
- If  $\Delta\Phi_i < 0$ , then  $\hat{c}_i < c_i$ . The data structure delivers up stored work to help pay for operation  $i$ .

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Potential Method

The total amortized cost of  $n$  operations is

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}))$$

The RHS telescopes to give:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{i=1}^n c_i + \Phi(D_n) - \Phi(D_0) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \quad \text{since } \Phi(D_n) \geq 0 \text{ and } \Phi(D_0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

# The Potential Method

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If we can ensure that  $\phi(D_i) \geq \phi(D_0)$  then

the **total amortized cost**  $\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i$  is an **upper bound** on the **total actual cost**

However,  $\phi(D_n) \geq \phi(D_0)$  should hold for all possible  $n$   
since, in practice, we do not always know  $n$  in advance

Hence, if we require that  $\phi(D_i) \geq \phi(D_0)$ , for all  $i$ , **then**  
we ensure that we **pay in advance** (as in the accounting method)

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Potential Method: Stack Example

Define:  $\phi(D_i) = \# \text{ items in stack}$  Thus,  $\phi(D_0)=0$ .

**Plug in for operations to get amortized costs:** ( $j = \text{actual stack size}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Push:} \quad \hat{c}_i &= c_i + \phi(D_i) - \phi(D_{i-1}) \\ &= 1 + j - (j-1) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pop:} \quad \hat{c}_i &= c_i + \phi(D_i) - \phi(D_{i-1}) \\ &= 1 + (j-1) - j \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Multi-pop:} \quad \hat{c}_i &= c_i + \phi(D_i) - \phi(D_{i-1}) \\ &= k' + (j-k') - j \quad k' = \min(|S|, k) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Potential Method: k-bit Binary Counter

Define the potential of the counter after the  $i^{\text{th}}$  operation by  $\Phi(D_i) = b_i$ , the number of 1's in the counter after the  $i^{\text{th}}$  operation.

### Note:

- $\Phi(D_0) = 0$ ,
- $\Phi(D_i) \geq 0$  for all  $i$ .

### Example:

0	0	0	1	0	1	0		
(	0	0	0	1 <sup>\$1</sup>	0	1 <sup>\$1</sup>	0	Accounting method)



# Amortized Analysis

## ..... Potential Method

Assume  $i$ th INCREMENT resets  $t_i$  bits (in line 3).

Actual cost  $c_i = (t_i + 1)$

Number of 1's after  $i$ th operation:  $b_i = b_{i-1} - t_i + 1$

The amortized cost of the  $i$ th INCREMENT is

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{c}_i &= c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) \\ &= (t_i + 1) + (1 - t_i) \\ &= 2\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $n$  INCREMENTS cost  $\Theta(n)$  in the worst case.

# Amortized Analysis

- ◆ Takes some experience to properly define amortized costs
- ◆ It is very common in data structures that an individual operation can be expensive, but not all operations in a sequence can