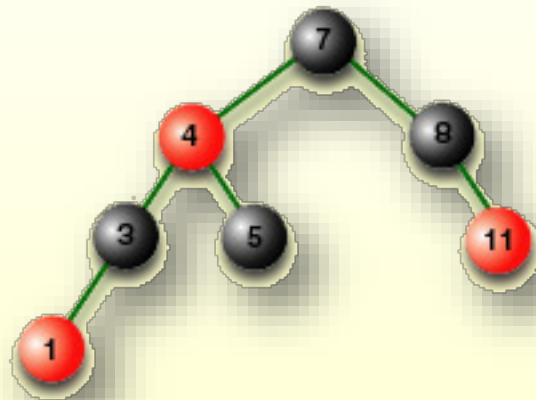


CS161:

Design and Analysis of Algorithms



Lecture 12

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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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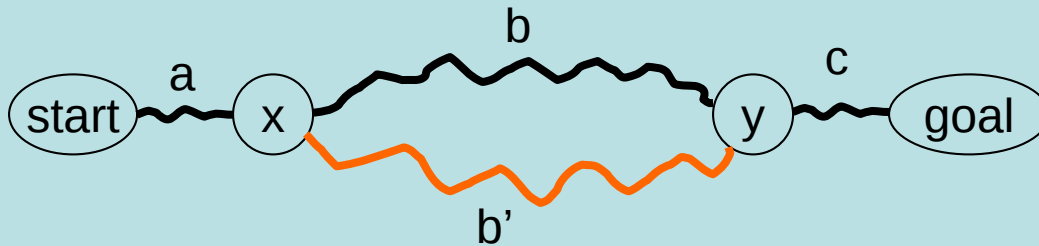
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Dynamic Programming

- ◆ The word “programming” is historical and predates computer programming
- ◆ Relates to certain “tabular” approaches (e.g., also in “linear programming”)
- ◆ A very powerful, general tool for solving certain optimization problems
- ◆ Once understood, it is relatively easy to apply

Optimal Substructure

- ◆ **Claim:** if a path $\text{start} \rightarrow \text{goal}$ is optimal, any sub-path $x \rightarrow y$, where x, y is on the optimal path, is also optimal.



$a + b + c$ is shortest

$b' < b$

$a + b' + c < a + b + c$

- ◆ **Proof by contradiction**

- ◆ If the subpath b between x and y is not the shortest
- ◆ we can replace it with a shorter one, b'
- ◆ which will reduce the total length of the new path
- ◆ the optimal path from start to goal is not the shortest => contradiction!
- ◆ Hence, the subpath b must be the shortest among all paths from x to y

Elements of Dynamic Programming

- ◆ Optimal sub-structures
 - ◆ Optimal solutions to the original problem contain optimal solutions to sub-problems
- ◆ Overlapping sub-problems
 - ◆ Same sub-problems appear in many solutions
- ◆ Memorization and reuse
 - ◆ Carefully choose the order that sub-problems are solved, so that each sub-problem will be solved for at most once and the solution can be reused

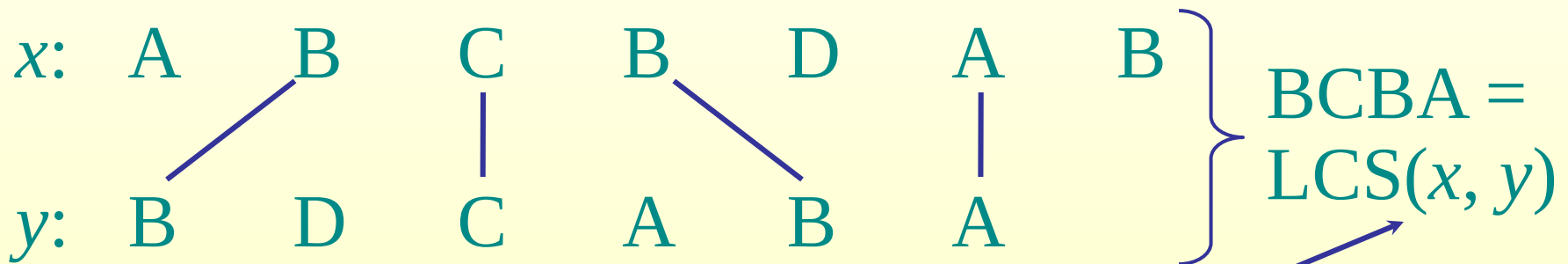
Two Steps to Dynamic Programming

- ◆ Formulate the solution as a recurrence relation on solutions to subproblems.
- ◆ Specify an order to solve the subproblems so you always have what you need (solved subproblem).
 - ◆ Bottom-up
 - ◆ Tabulate the solutions to all subproblems before they are used
 - ◆ What if you cannot determine the order easily, or if not all subproblems are needed?
 - ◆ Top-down
 - ◆ Compute when needed.
 - ◆ Remember the ones you've computed

Longest Common Subsequence

- Given two sequences $x[1 \dots m]$ and $y[1 \dots n]$, find **a** longest subsequence common to them both.

“a” *not* “the”

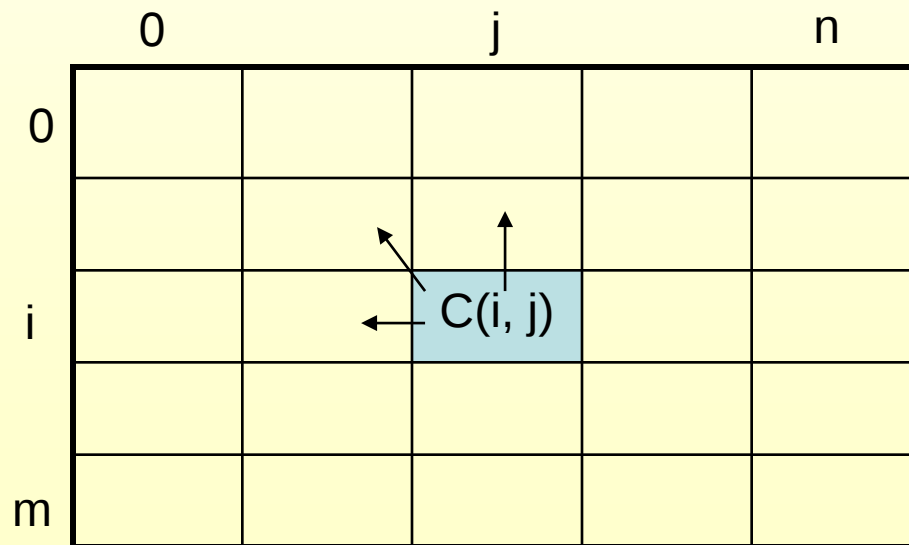


functional notation,
but not a function

DP Algorithm

- ◆ Key: find out the correct order to solve the sub-problems
- ◆ Total number of sub-problems: $m * n$

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x[i] = y[j], \\ \max\{c[i-1, j], c[i, j-1]\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



LCS Example

ABCB
BD CAB

		j	0	1	2	3	4	5
			Y[j]	B	D	C	A	B
i	X[i]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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2	B	0	1	1	1	1	1	2
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Finding LCS (2)

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LCS (reversed order): **B C B**

LCS (straight order): **B C B**

(this string turned out to be a palindrome)

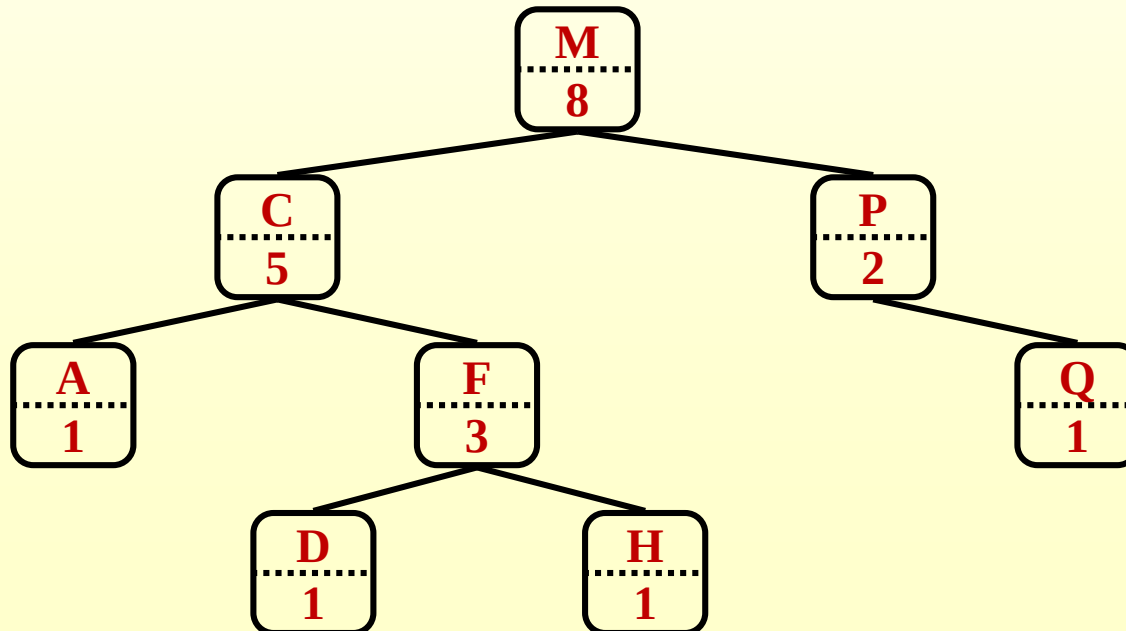
Augmenting Data Structures

Dynamic Order Statistics

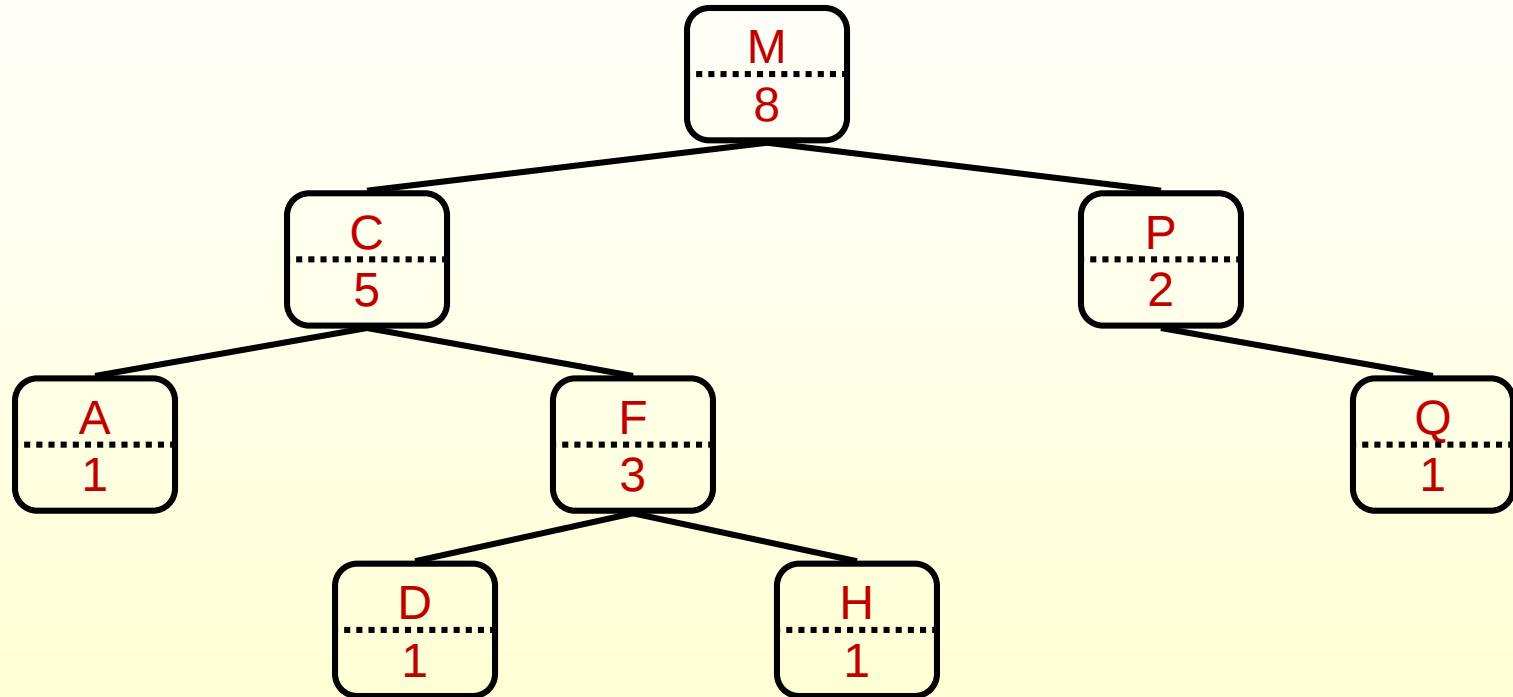
- ◆ We have covered algorithms for finding the i -th element of a static unordered set in $O(n)$ time
- ◆ Of course, if a set is ordered, we can find the i -th element in $O(1)$ time
- ◆ **OS-Trees**: a structure to support finding the i -th element of a **dynamic** set in $O(\lg n)$ time
 - ◆ Support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

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 extra info
to select the i -th element of the set?

OS-Select

OS-Select(x, i)

```
{  
    r = x->left->size + 1;  
    if (i == r)  
        return x;  
    else if (i < r)  
        return OS-Select(x->left, i);  
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}
```

compute rank r of the root

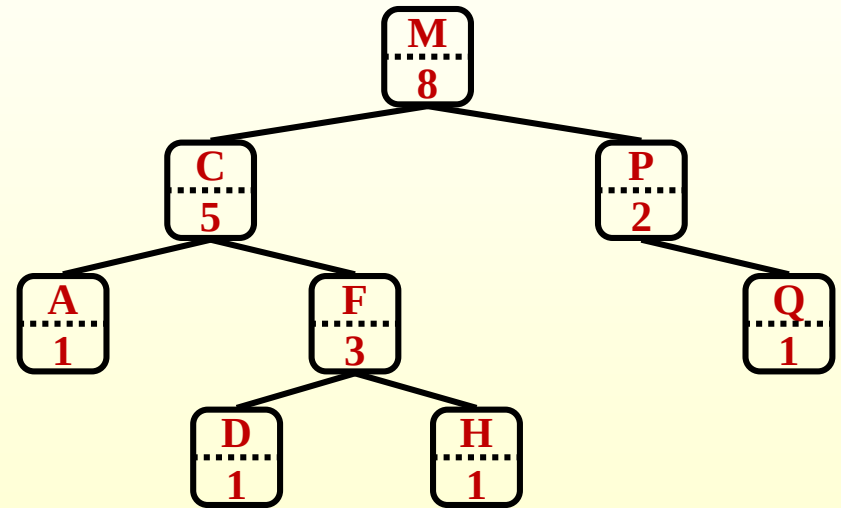
go left

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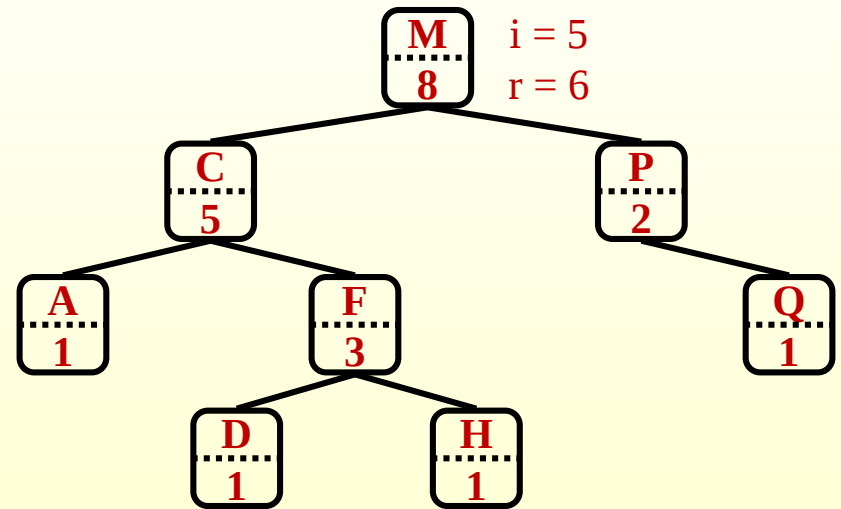
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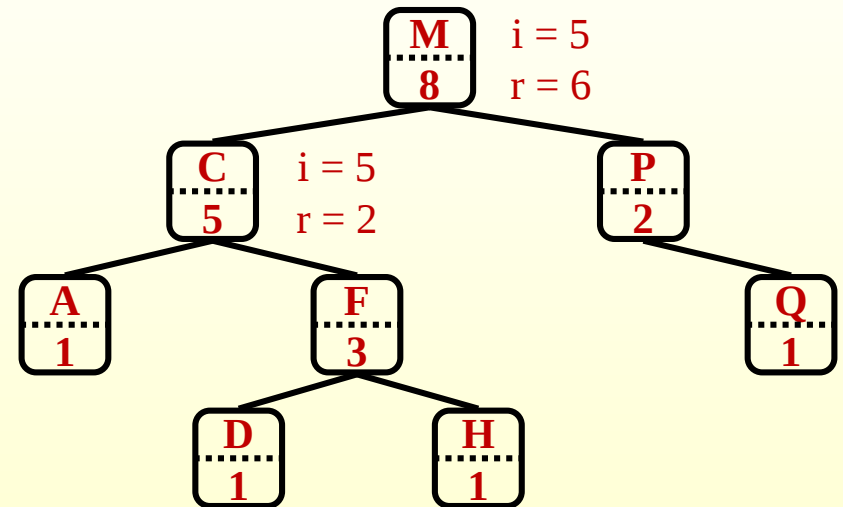
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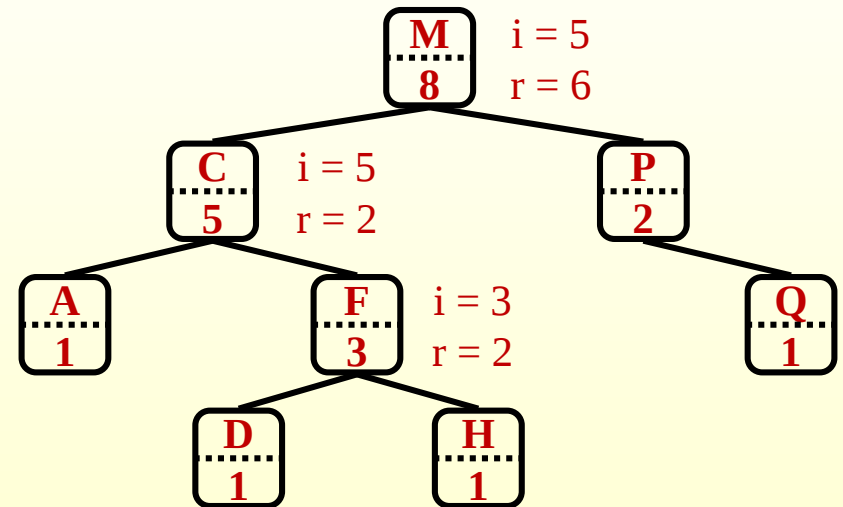
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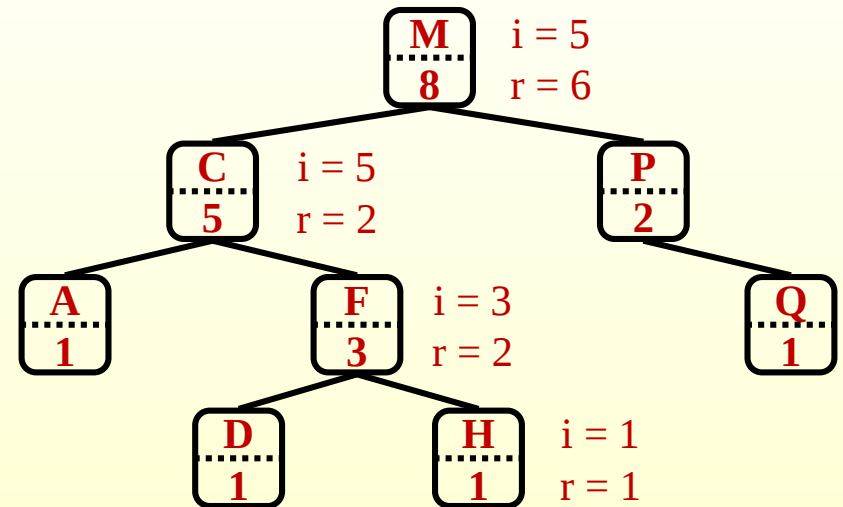
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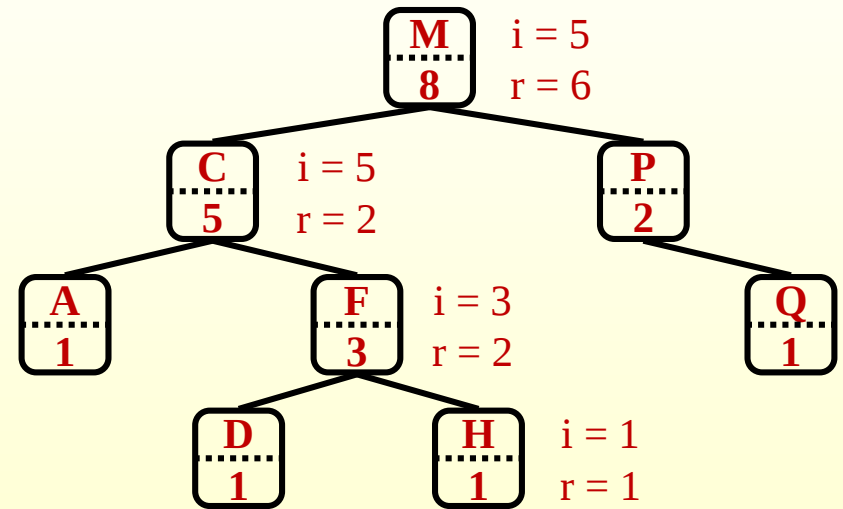
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Note: use a sentinel NIL element at the leaves with size = 0 to simplify code, avoid testing for NULL

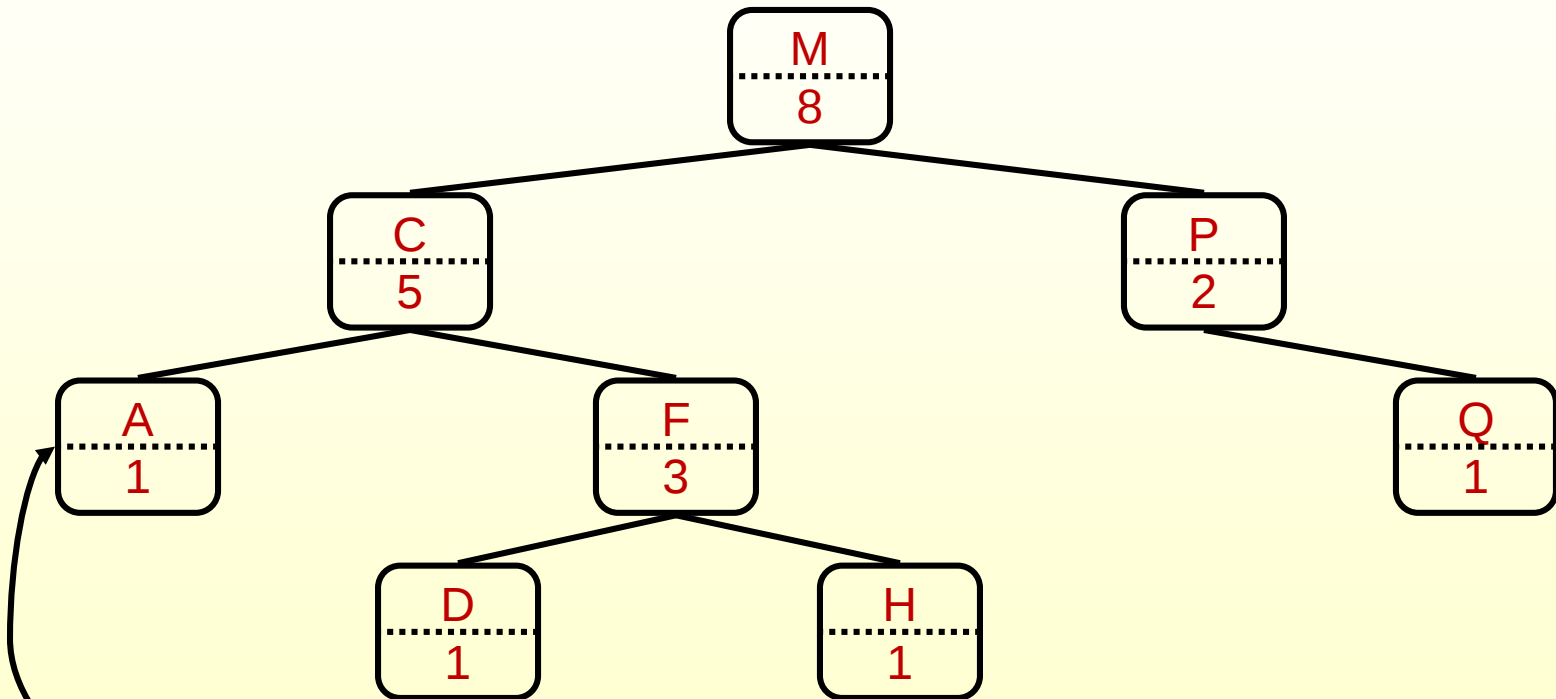
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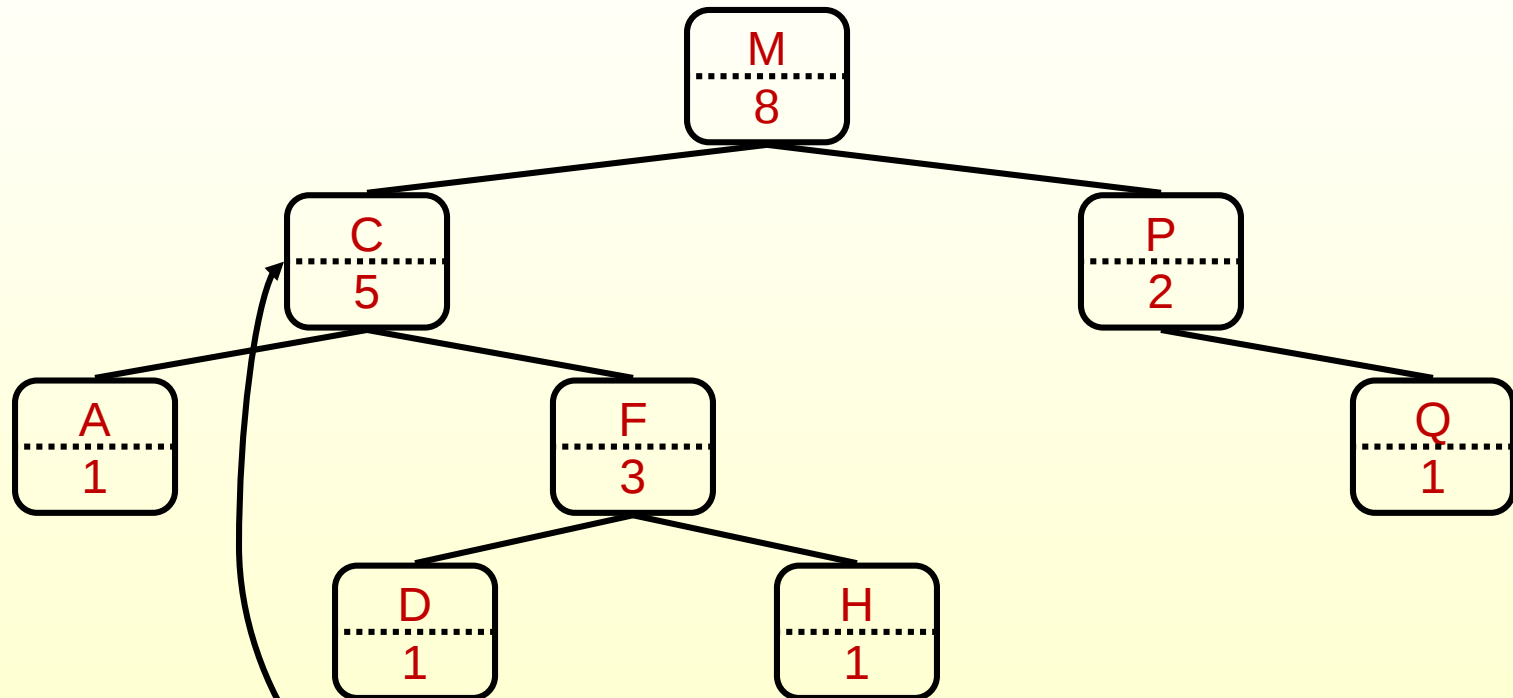
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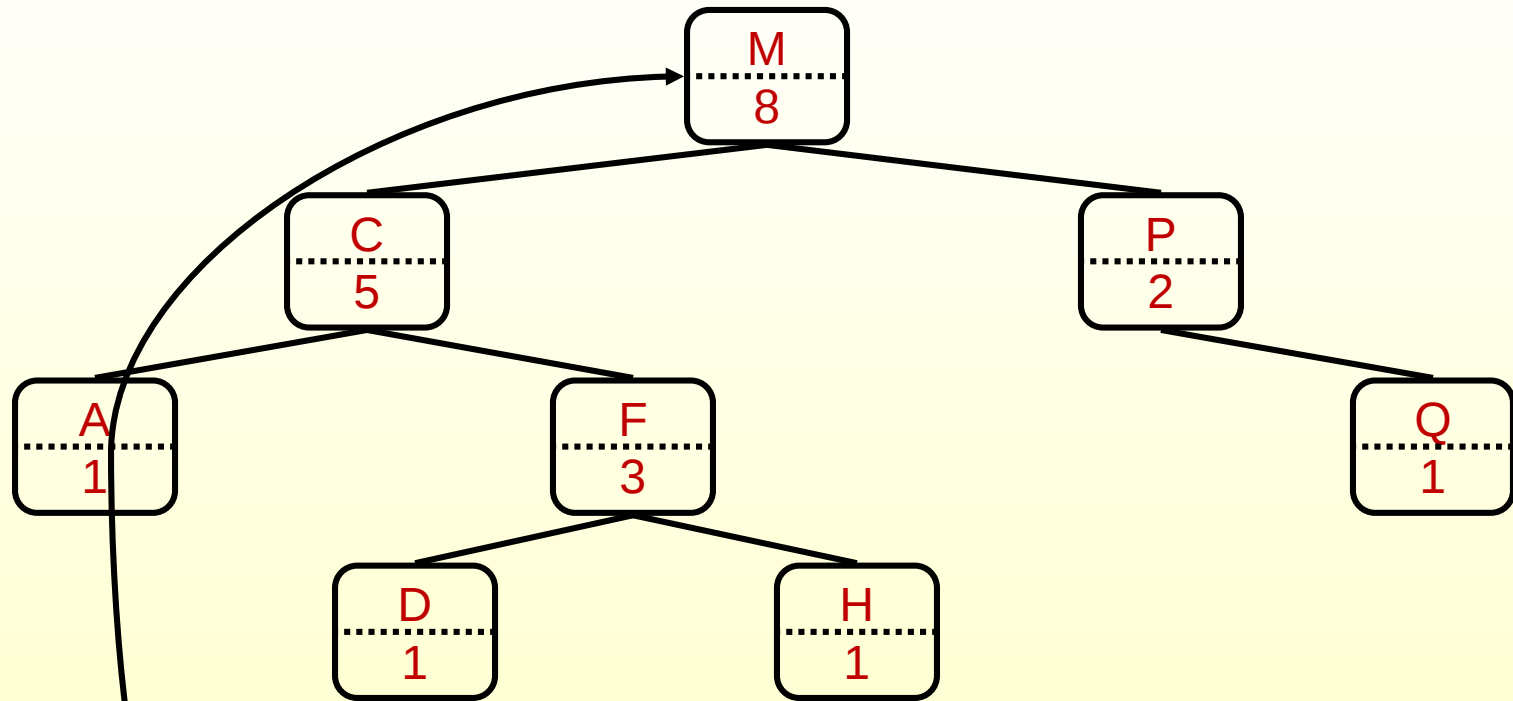
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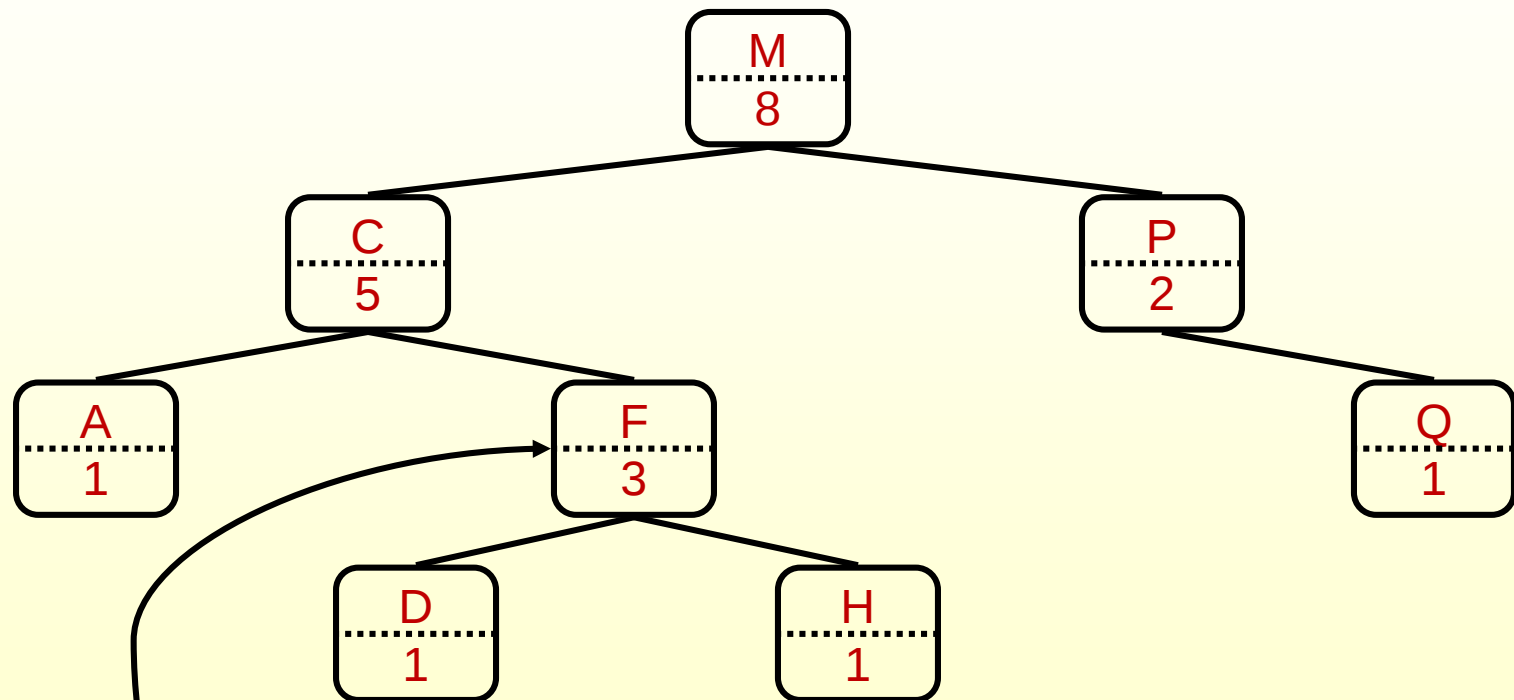
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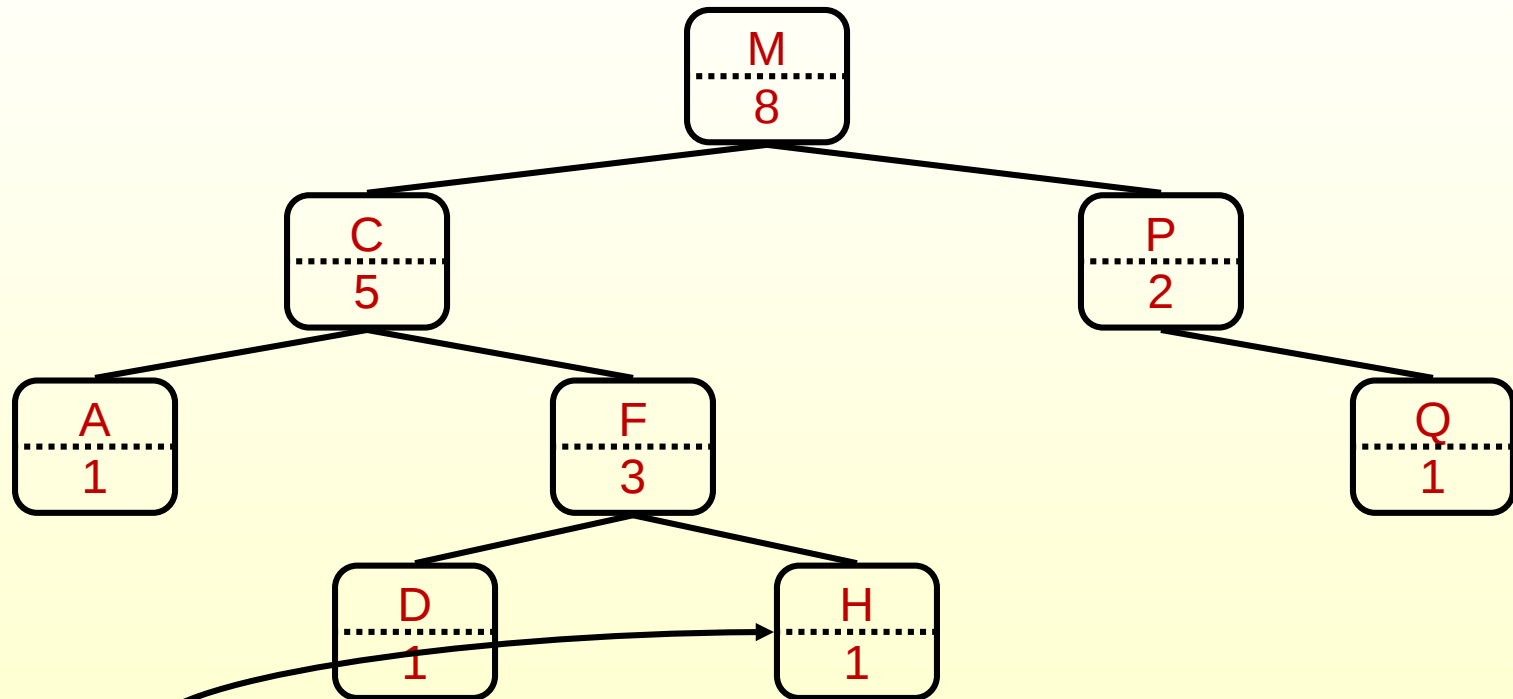
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What about the rank of this element?

Determining The Rank of an Element



This one? What's the pattern here?

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)

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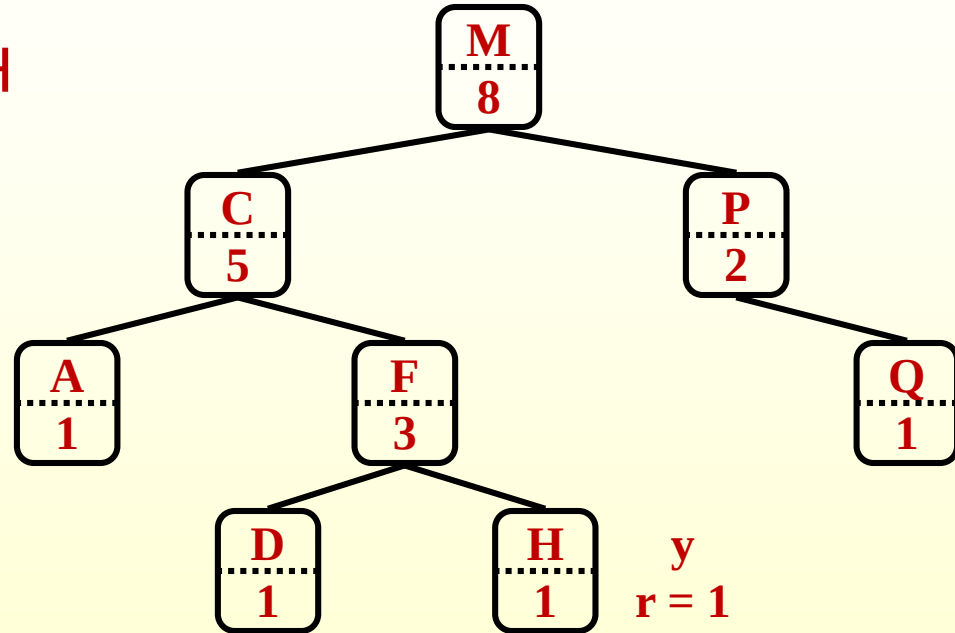
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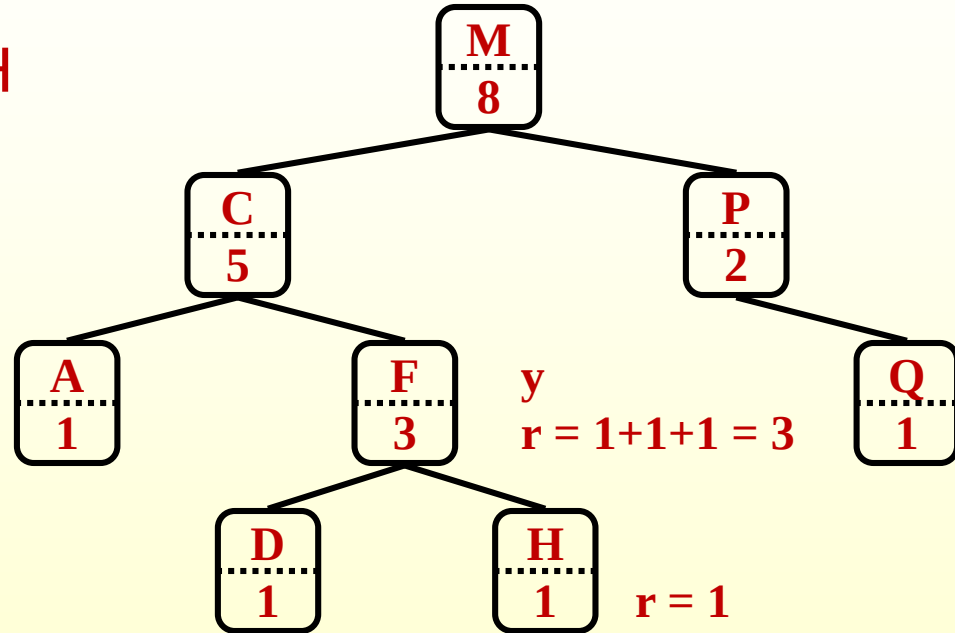


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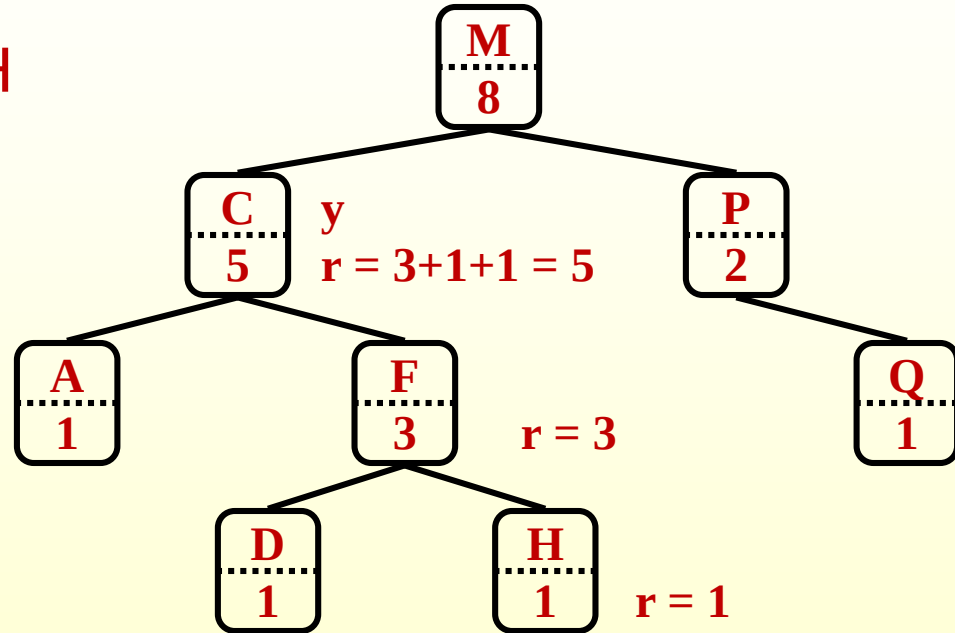
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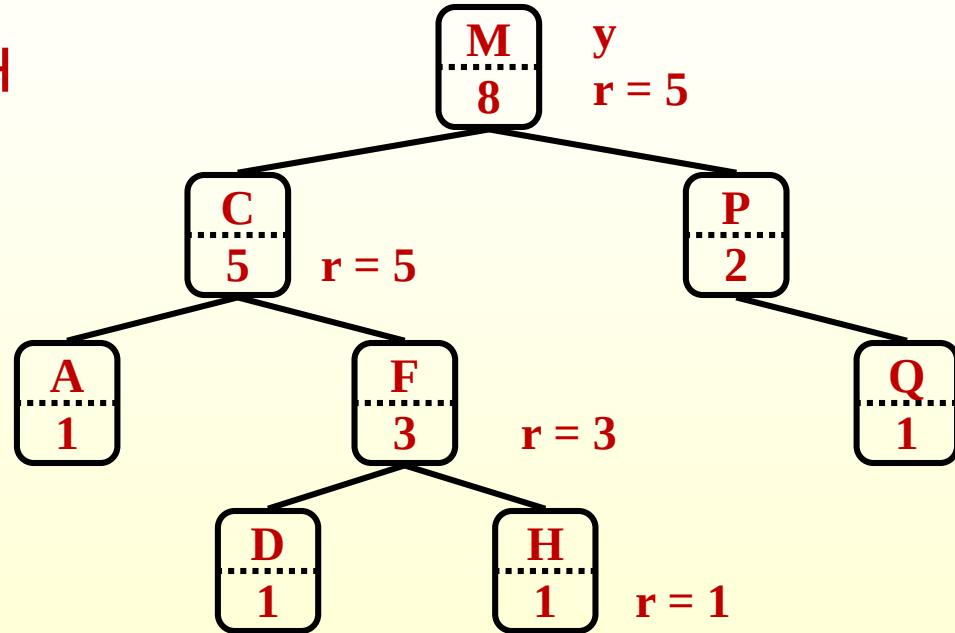


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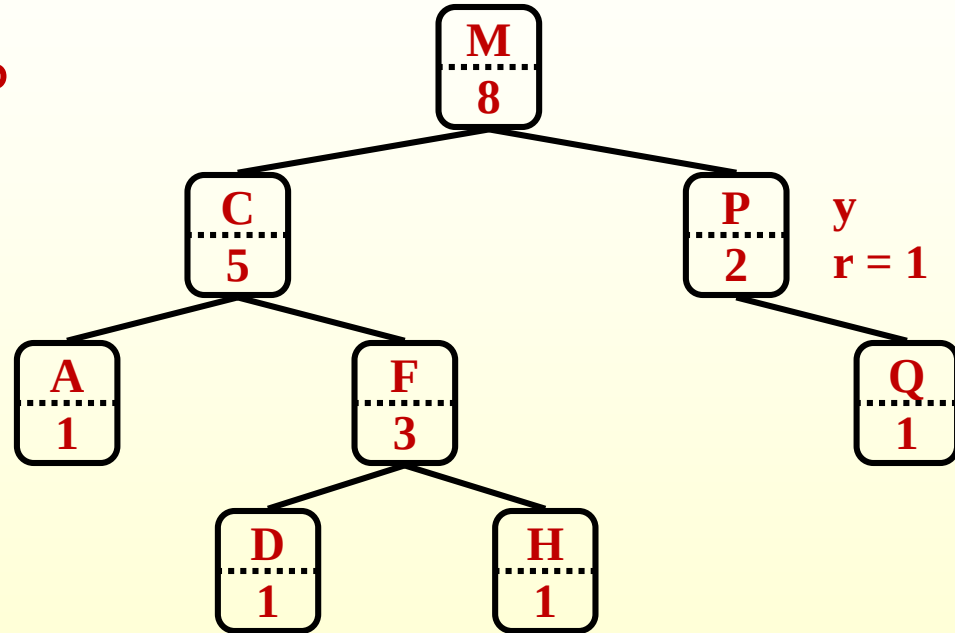
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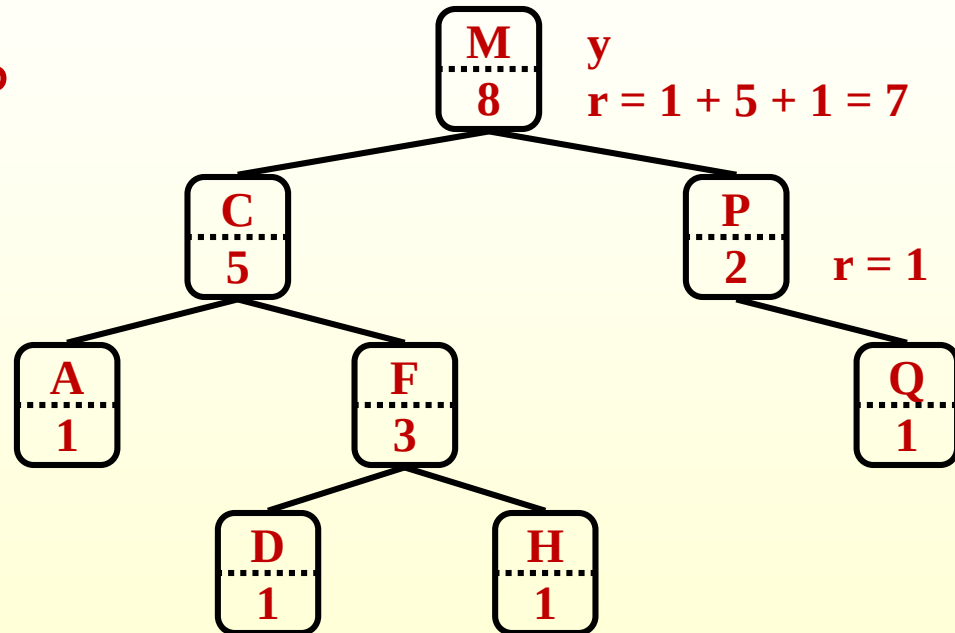
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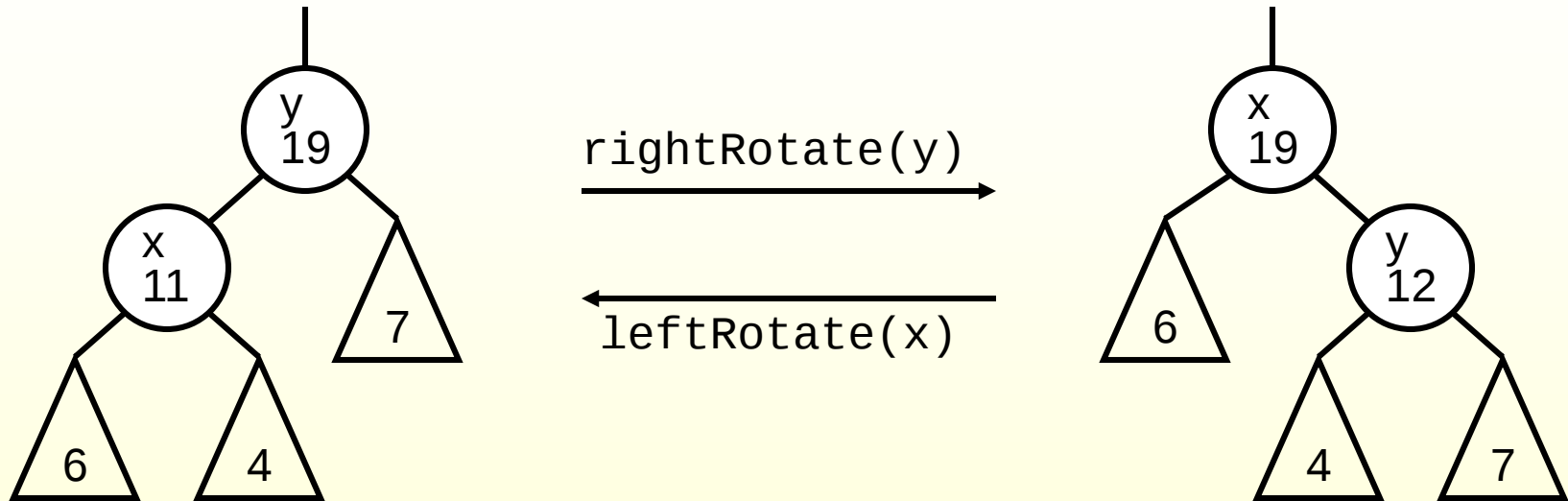
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Maintaining Sizes Through Rotations



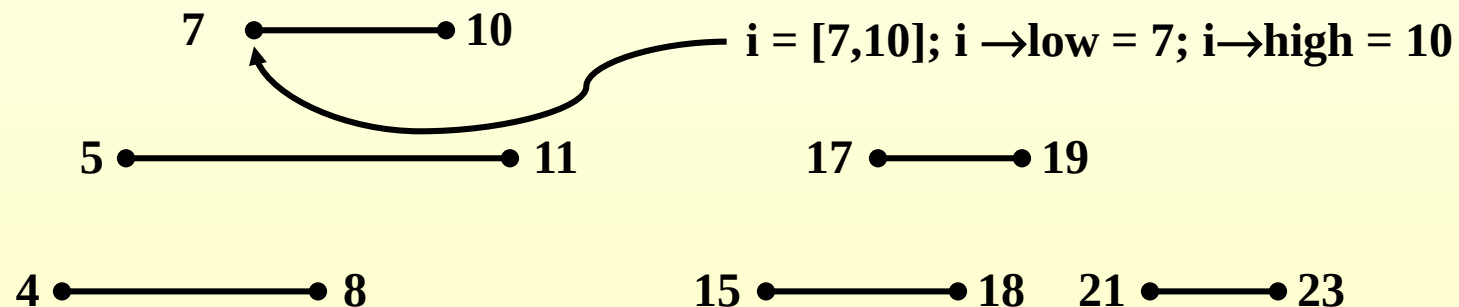
- ✦ Salient point: rotation invalidates only x and y
- ✦ Can recalculate their sizes in constant time
 - ✦ *Why?*

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

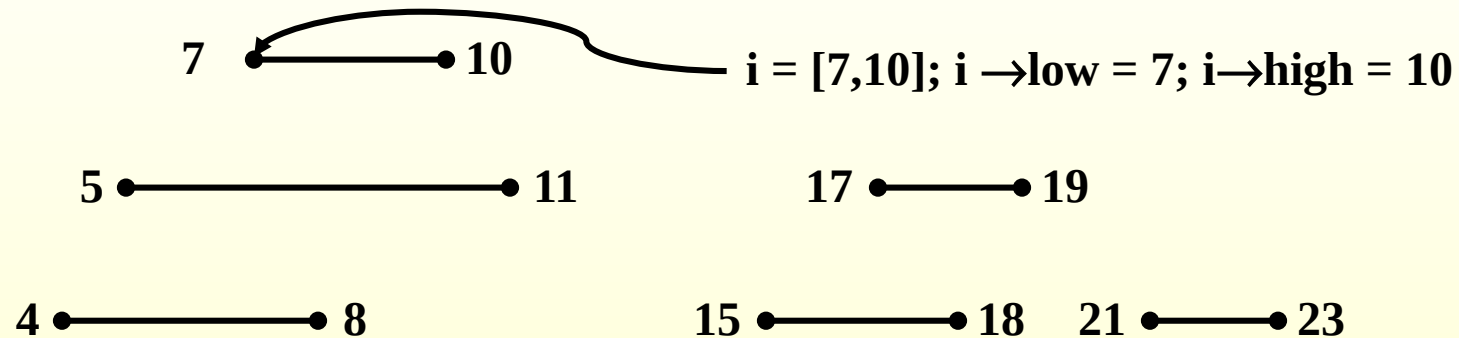
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- ◆ Query: find an interval in the set that overlaps a given query interval (conflict detection)

- ◆ $[14,16] \rightarrow [15,18]$
- ◆ $[16,19] \rightarrow [15,18]$ or $[17,19]$
- ◆ $[12,14] \rightarrow \text{NULL}$

Interval Trees

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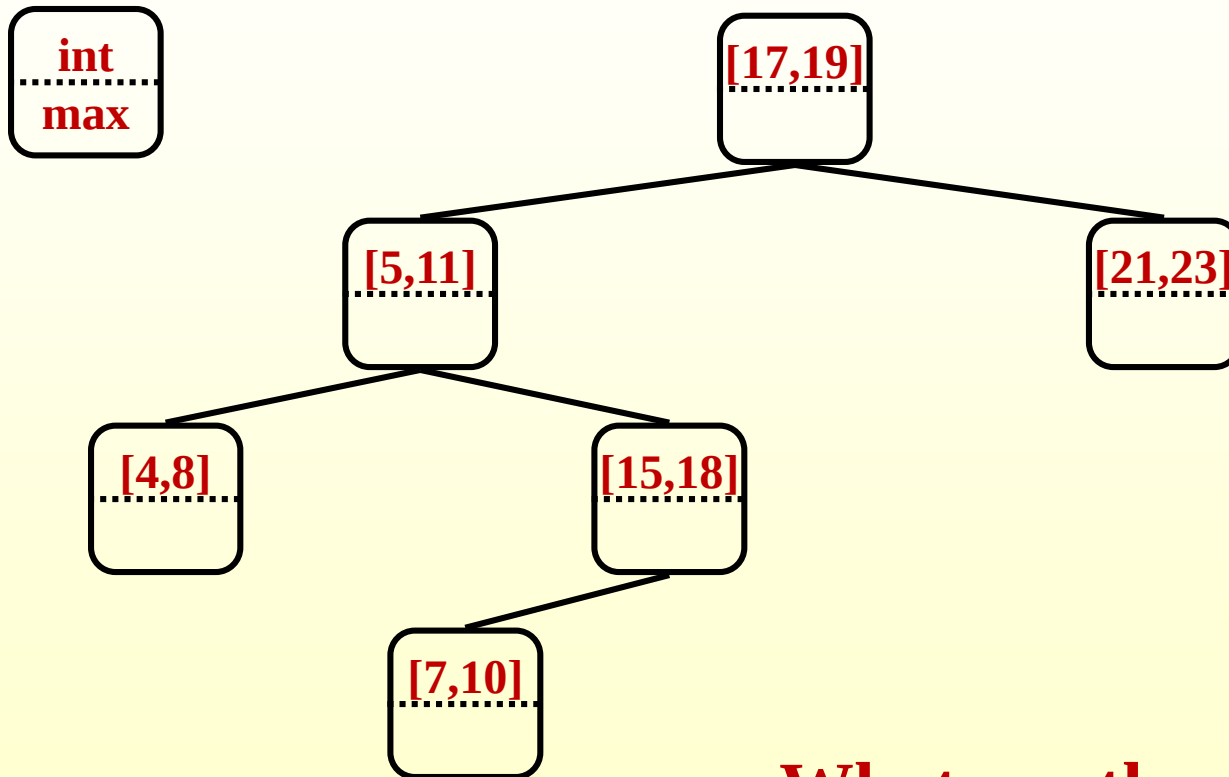
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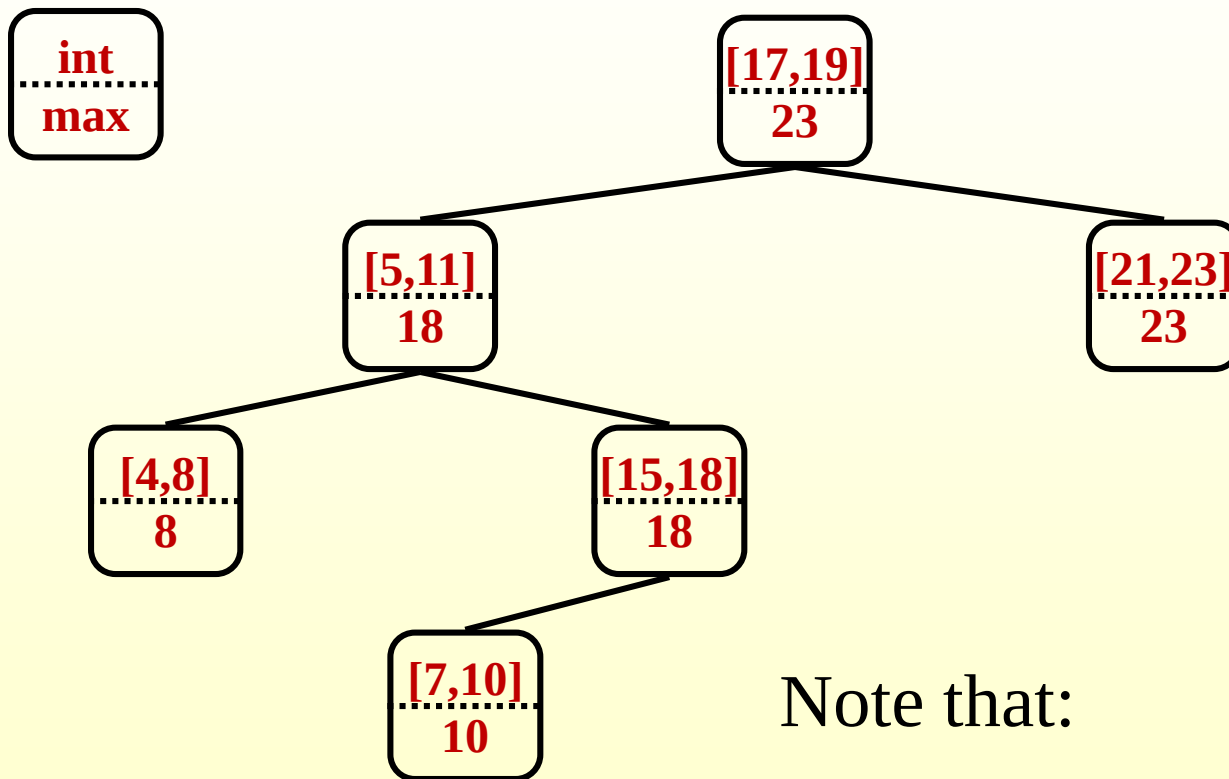
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 - ◆ We will store *max*, the maximum right endpoint in the subtree rooted at each node
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Interval Trees



What are the max fields?

Interval Trees



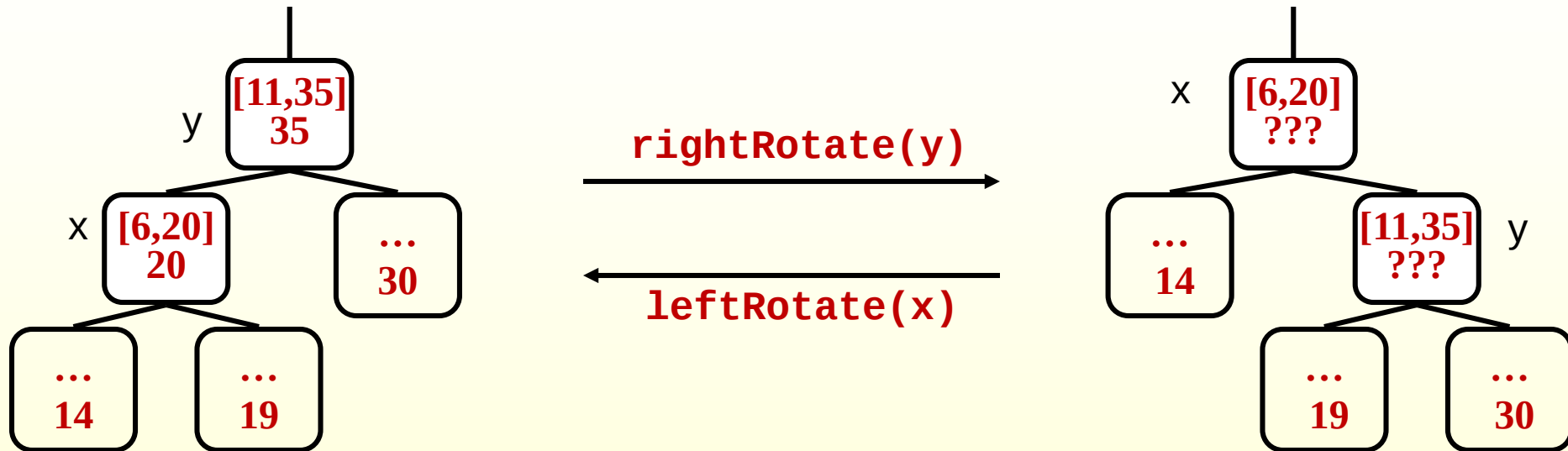
Note that:

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

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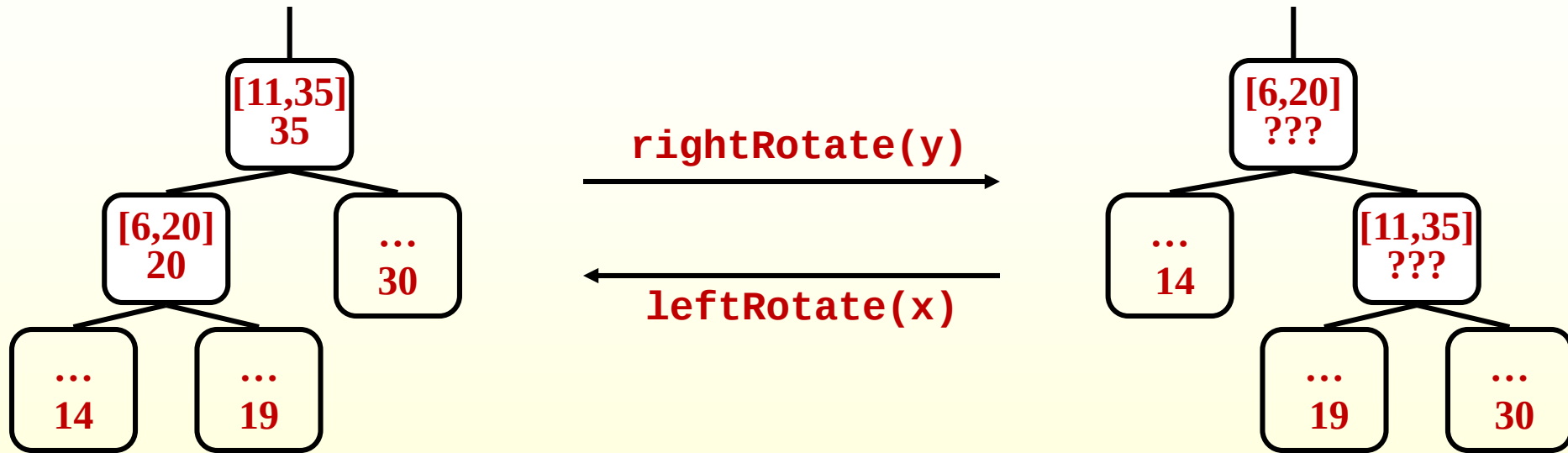
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 - ◆ *Figure out how to maintain the information*
 - ◆ *How would we maintain max field for a BST?*
 - ◆ *What's different?*
 - ◆ Develop the desired new operations

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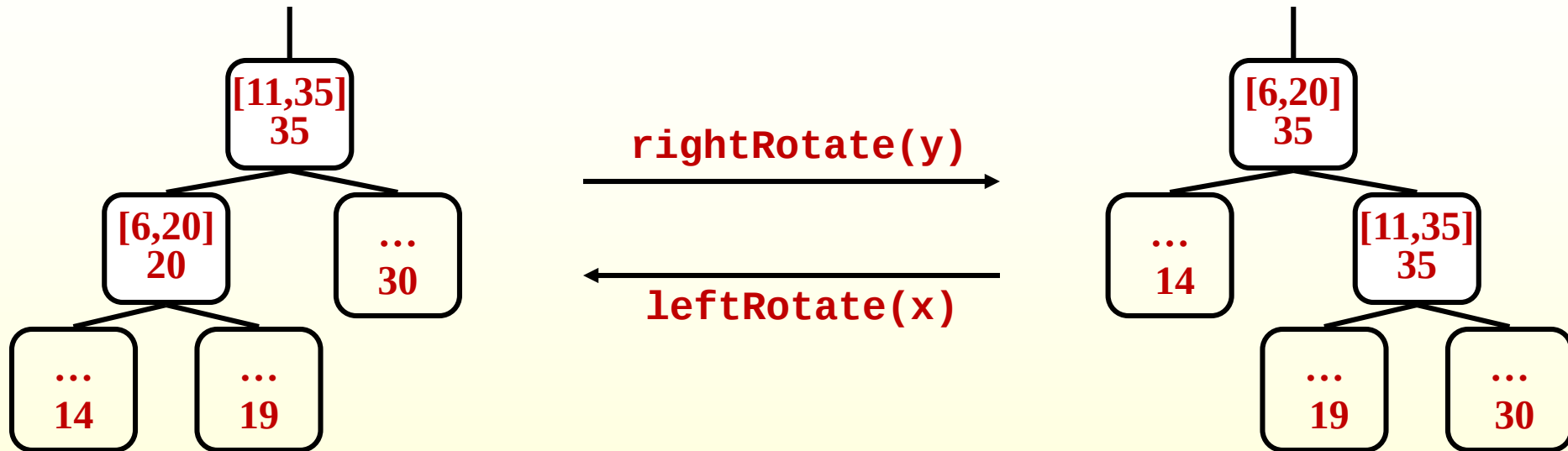
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 - ◆ Insert: update max on way down, during rotations
 - ◆ Delete: similar
 - ◆ *Develop the desired new operations*

Searching Interval Trees

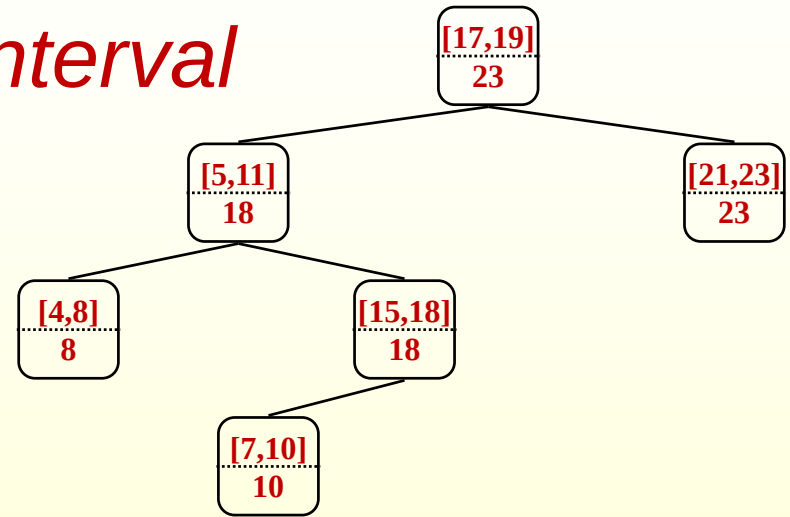
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IntervalSearch(T, i)
{
    x = T->root;
    while (x != NULL && !overlap(i, x->interval))
        if (x->left != NULL && x->left->max ≥ i->low)
            x = x->left;
        else
            x = x->right;
    return x
}
```

◆ *What is the running time?*

$O(\log n)$

IntervalSearch() Example

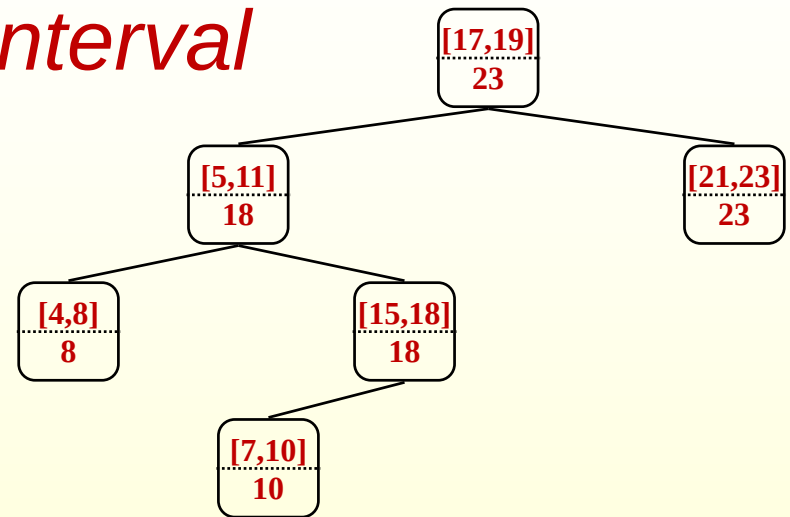
◆ *Example 1: search for interval overlapping [20,22]*



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        if (x->left != NULL && x->left->max ≥ i->low)
            x = x->left;
        else
            x = x->right;
    return x
}
```

IntervalSearch() Example

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



```
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
}
```

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!

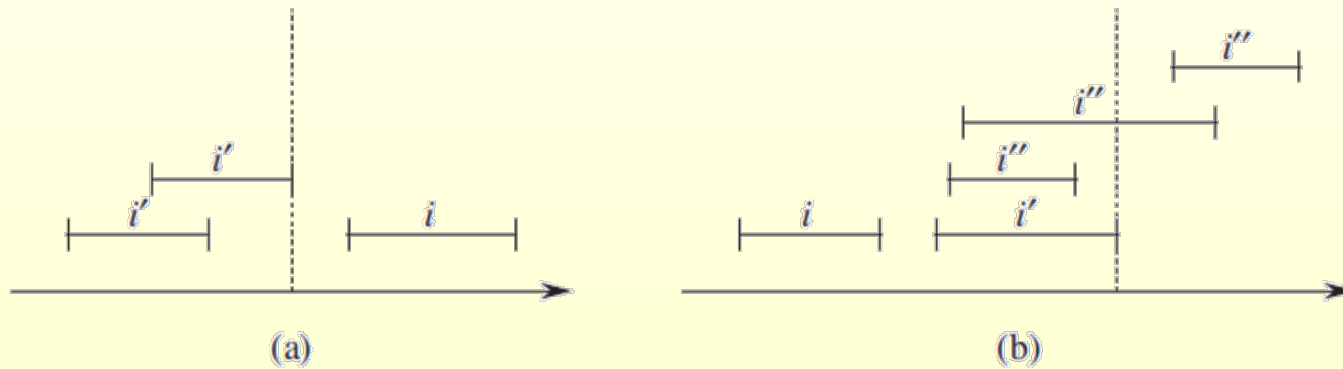
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    if (x->left != NULL && x->left->max ≥ i->low)
        x = x->left;
    else
        x = x->right;
return x;
```

Correctness of IntervalSearch()

- ◆ 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, $i \rightarrow \text{high} < \text{any low in right subtree}$
 - ◆ Thus, no overlap in right subtree

```
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;
```

IntervalSearch()



Amortized Analysis

Amortized Analysis

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

- ◆ 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

Methods of Amortized Analysis

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



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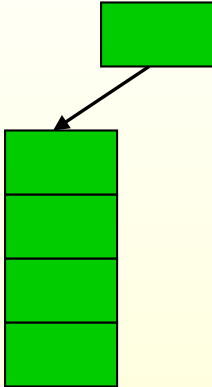
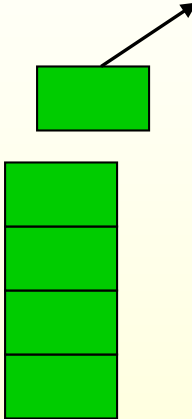
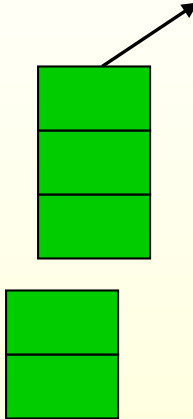
1. Aggregate Method

- 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 .

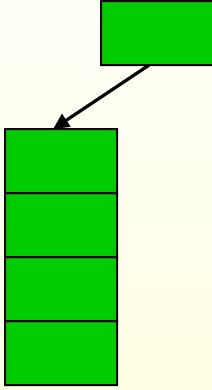
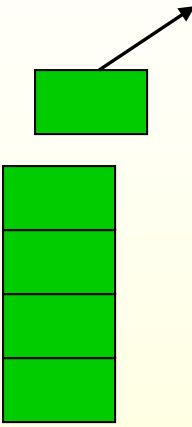
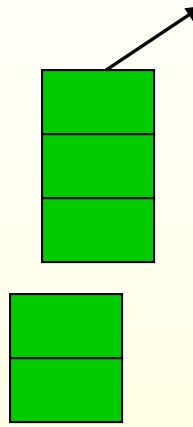
$$\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i$$

- 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

..... 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^{\$1} 0 1^{\$1} 0

0 0 0 1^{\$1} 0 1^{\$1} 1^{\$1}

Cost = \$2

0 0 0 1^{\$1} 1^{\$1} 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

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6. then $A[i] \leftarrow 1$ ▶ set a bit

■ 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 Φ is defined to be $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$.



Amortized Analysis

..... 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

$$\hat{c}_i = c_i + \underbrace{\Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})}_{\text{potential difference } \Delta\Phi_i}$$

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

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 = actual stack size)

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

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

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

$$k' = \min(|S|, k)$$



Amortized Analysis

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

Define the potential of the counter after the i^{th} operation by $\Phi(D_i) = b_i$, the number of 1's in the counter after the i^{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 ^{\$1}	0	1 ^{\$1}	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