Algorithms 2013: Data Structures

A Supplement (Based on [Manber 1989])

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1 Heaps

Heaps

- A (max) heap is a binary tree whose keys satisfy the heap property:

  the key of every node is greater than or equal to the key of any of its children.

- It supports the two basic operations of a priority queue:

  - *Insert*(x): insert the key x into the heap.
  - *Remove*(): remove and return the largest key from the heap.

Heaps (cont.)

- A binary tree can be represented implicitly by an array A as follows:

  1. The root is stored in $A[1]$.
  2. The left child of $A[i]$ is stored in $A[2i]$ and the right child is stored in $A[2i + 1]$.

Heaps (cont.)

Algorithm Remove_Max_from_Heap (A, n);
begin
    if $n = 0$ **then** print "the heap is empty"
    else $Top\_of\_the\_Heap := A[1]$;
        $A[1] := A[n]$; $n := n - 1$;
        $parent := 1$; $child := 2$;
        while $child \leq n - 1$ **do**
                if $A[child] < A[child + 1]$ **then**
            $child := child + 1$;
                if $A[child] > A[parent]$ **then**
            $swap(A[parent], A[child])$;
            $parent := child$;
            $child := 2 * child$
                else $child := n$
end

Heaps (cont.)

Algorithm Insert_to_Heap (A, n, x);
begin

        $n := n + 1$;
        $A[n] := x$;
        $child := n$;
        $parent := n \ div \ 2$;
        while $parent \geq 1$ **do**
            if $A[parent] < A[child]$ **then**
                $swap(A[parent], A[child])$;
                $child := parent$;
                $parent := parent \ div \ 2$
            else $parent := 0$

end

2   AVL Trees

AVL Trees

Definition 1. An AVL tree is a binary search tree such that, for every node, the difference between the heights of its left and right subtrees is at most 1 (the height of an empty tree is defined as 0).

This definition guarantees a maximal height of $O(\log n)$ for any AVL tree of n nodes.
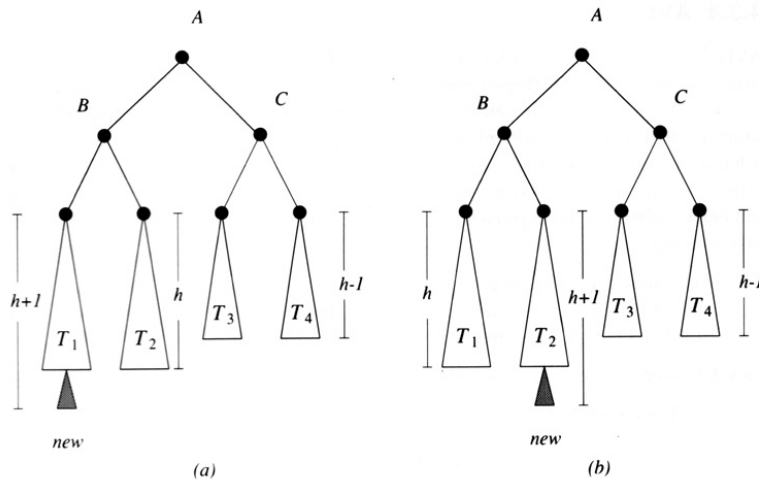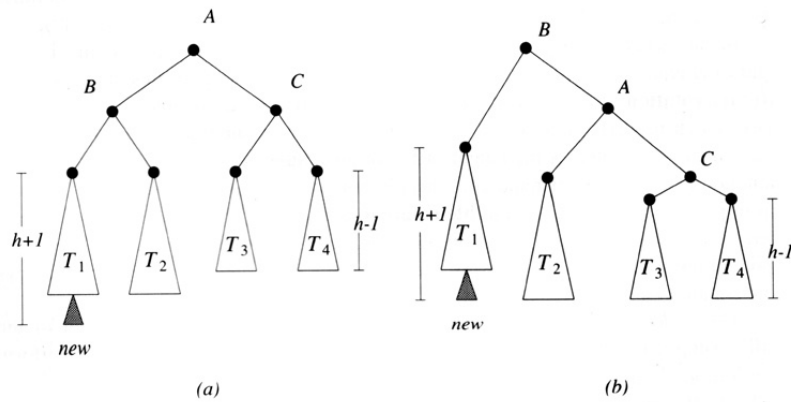
AVL Trees (cont.)

Figure 4.13 Insertions that invalidate the AVL property.
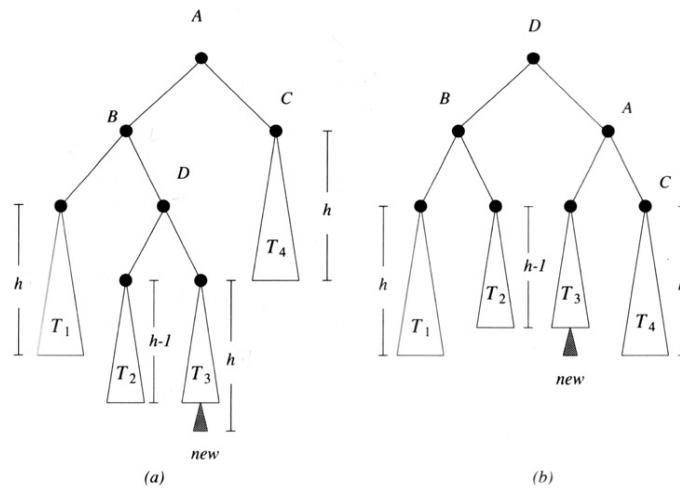
Source: [Manber 1989].

AVL Trees (cont.)

Figure 4.14 A single rotation: (a) Before. (b) After.

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AVL Trees (cont.)

Figure 4.15 A double rotation: (a) Before. (b) After.
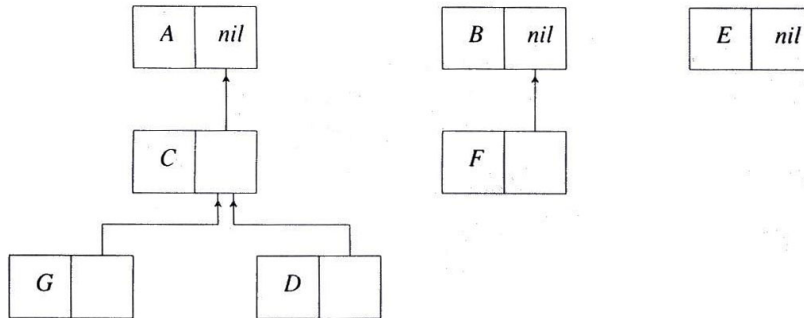
Source: [Manber 1989].

3 Union-Find

Union-Find

- There are n elements $x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n$ divided into groups. Initially, each element is in a group by itself.

- Two operations on the elements and groups:

    - $find(A)$: returns the name of A's group.

- $union(A, B)$: combines A's and B's groups to form a new group with a unique name.

- To tell if two elements are in the same group, one may issue a find operation for each element and see if the returned names are the same.

Union-Find (cont.)

**Figure 4.16** The representation for the union-find problem.

Balancing

- The root also stores the number of elements in (i.e., the size of) its group.

- To *balance* the tree resulted from a union operation, *let the smaller group join the larger group* and update the size of the larger group accordingly.

  Theorem 2 (Theorem 4.2). *If balancing is used, then any tree of height h must contain at least 2^h elements.*

- Any sequence of m find or union operations (where $m \geq n$) takes $O(m \log n)$ steps.

Union-Find (cont.)

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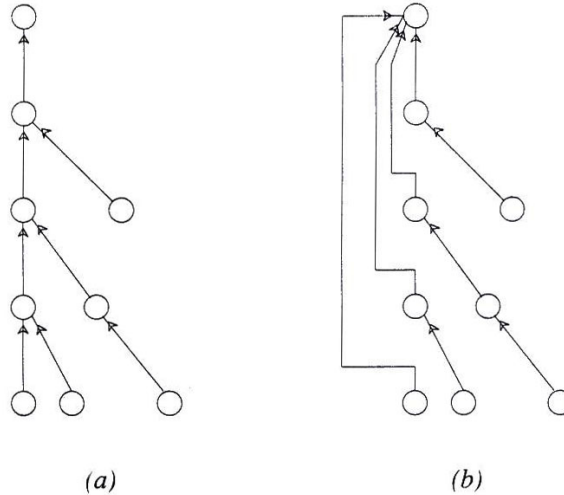
Figure 4.17 Path compression: (a) Before. (b) After.

Effect of Path Compression

Theorem 3 (Theorem 4.3). *If both balancing and path compression are used, any sequence of m find or union operations (where $m \geq n$) takes $O(m \log^* n)$ steps.*

The value of $\log^* n$ intuitively equals the number of times that one has to apply log to n to bring its value down to 1.

Code for Union-Find

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Algorithm Union_Find_Init(A,n);
begin
  for i := 1 to n do
      A[i].parent := nil;
      A[i].size := 1
end

Algorithm Find(a);
begin
  if A[a].parent <> nil then
     A[a].parent := Find(A[a].parent);
     Find := A[a].parent;
  else
     Find := a
end
```

Code for Union-Find (cont.)

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Algorithm Union(a,b);
begin
  x := Find(a);
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   y := Find(b);
   if x <> y then
       if A[x].size > A[y].size then
          A[y].parent := x;
          A[x].size := A[x].size + A[y].size;
       else
          A[x].parent := y;
          A[y].size := A[y].size + A[x].size
end
```