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input : A bitmap  $Im$  of size  $w \times l$ 
output: A partition of the bitmap

1 special treatment of the first line
2 for  $i \leftarrow 2$  to  $l$  do
3   special treatment of the first element of line  $i$ 
4   for  $j \leftarrow 2$  to  $w$  do
5     left  $\leftarrow$  FindCompress( $Im[i, j - 1]$ )
6     up  $\leftarrow$  FindCompress( $Im[i - 1, j]$ )
7     this  $\leftarrow$  FindCompress( $Im[i, j]$ )
8     if left compatible with this then /* 0(left,this)==1 */
9       if left < this then Union(left,this)
10      else Union(this,left)
11    end
12    if up compatible with this then // 0(up,this)==1
13      if up < this then Union(up,this)
14      // this is put under up to keep tree as flat as
        possible
15      else Union(this,up)
16      // this linked to up
17    end
18  end
19  foreach element  $e$  of the line  $i$  do FindCompress( $p$ )
20 end

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Algorithm 1: disjoint decomposition