

# **Fenwick Trees**

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# Overview

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# Motivation: Cumulative Frequencies

- We want to store and query a range of frequencies
  - eg/ test scores of 11 students
  - range [1, 10]
- We want to perform Range Sum Query (RSQ) operations on this data
  - $\text{RSQ}(1..10)$  = the cumulative frequency of all scores
  - $\text{RSQ}(1..5)$  = the cumulative frequency of scores  $\leq 5$
  - $\text{RSQ}(8..10)$  = the number of A's received

# Motivation: Cumulative Frequencies

- Naive Implementation: An array

- $m = [2, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 8, 9]$
- $f = [0, 1, 1, 2, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11, 11]$

$$\text{RSQ}(1) = 0$$

$$\text{RSQ}(1..5) = 4$$

- Runtime Analysis

- This is  $O(N)$  per query. We can do better.

# Formal Definition

A Fenwick tree or binary indexed tree is a data structure providing efficient methods for calculation and manipulation of the cumulative sums of a table of values.

Fenwick Trees provide a method to query the running total at any index, in addition to allowing changes to the underlying value table and having all further queries reflect those changes.

# History

- Proposed by Peter Fenwick in 1994
  - University of Auckland, New Zealand
- Also called Binary Indexed Tree (BIT)
- Originally designed for dynamic arithmetic data compression

# BIT Applications

- Arithmetic Coding
  - Used in lossless data compression
- Dynamic Cumulative Frequency Tables
  - Range Sum Query

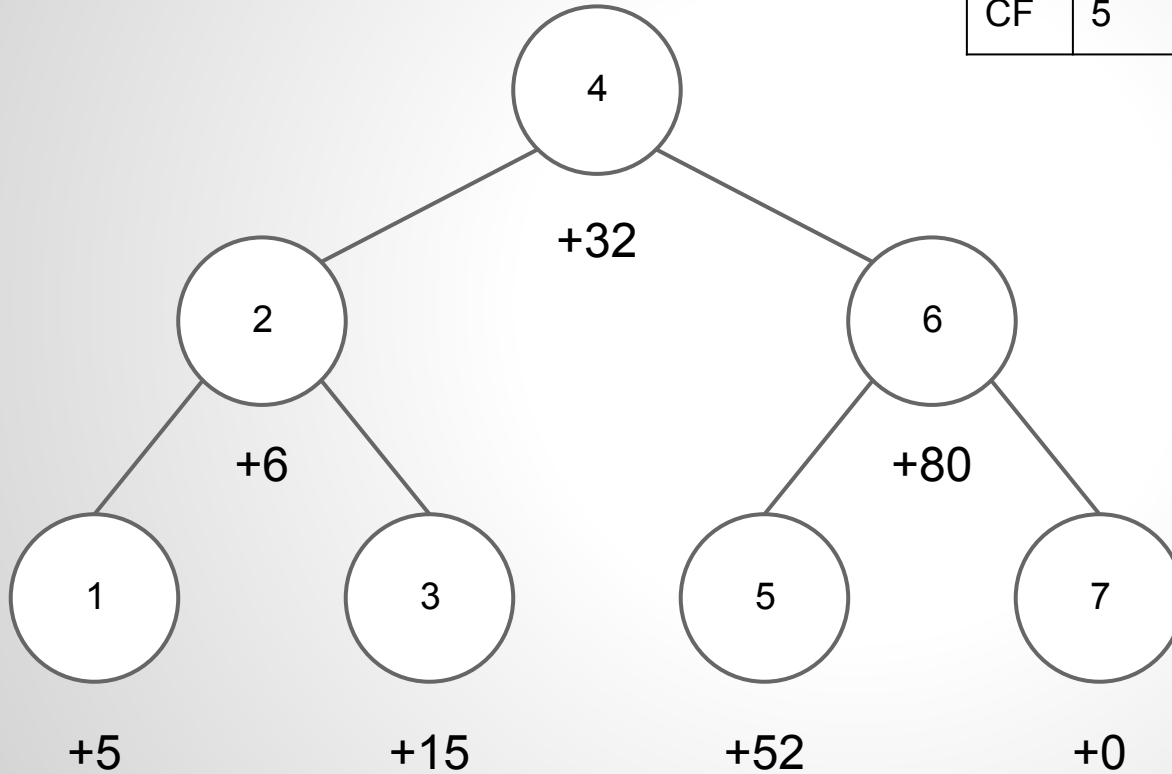
# Implementation

- Implemented as a flat array
- Each index contains a pre-calculated sum of a subsection of the table. Combining sums in an upward traversal to the root provides the desired range sum.
- The index of a vertex's parent or child is calculated through bitwise operations on the binary representation of its index



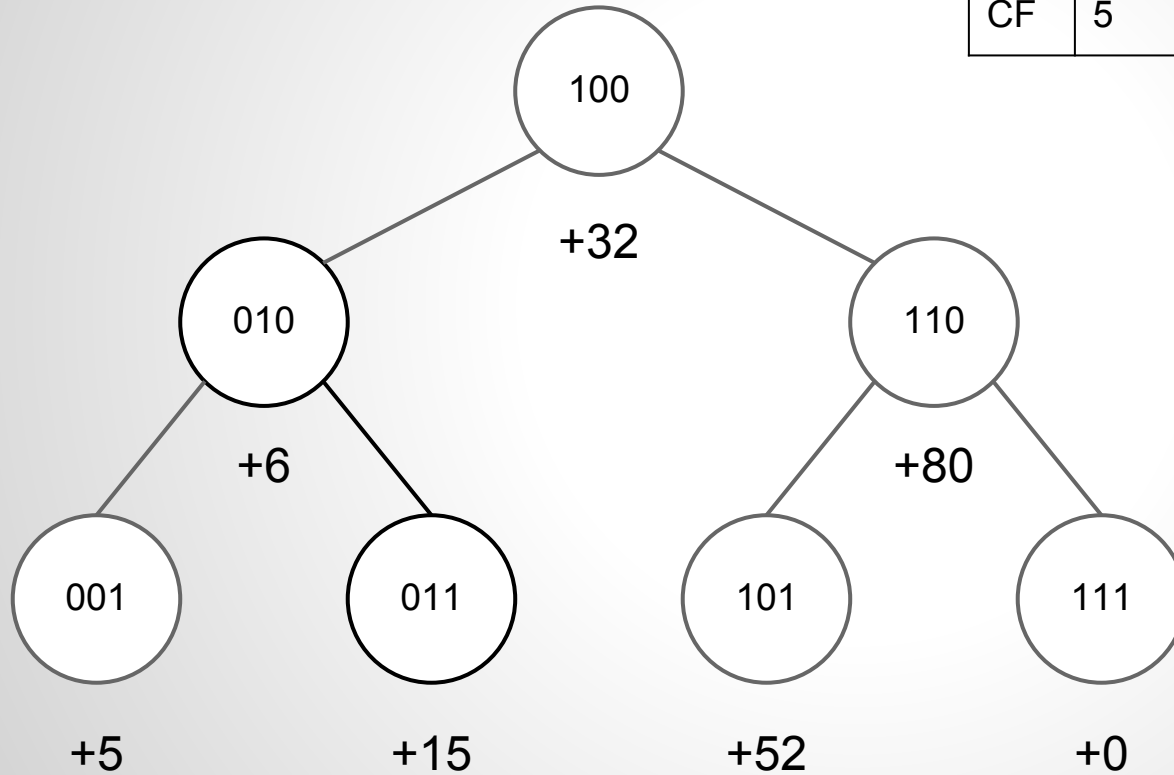
# Example

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F	5	1	15	11	52	28	0
CF	5	6	21	32	84	112	112



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# BIT Operations: $rsq(b)$

Let  $LSB$  = Least Significant Bit

Let  $b$  be an index  $\leq N$

Let  $b' = b - LSB(b)$

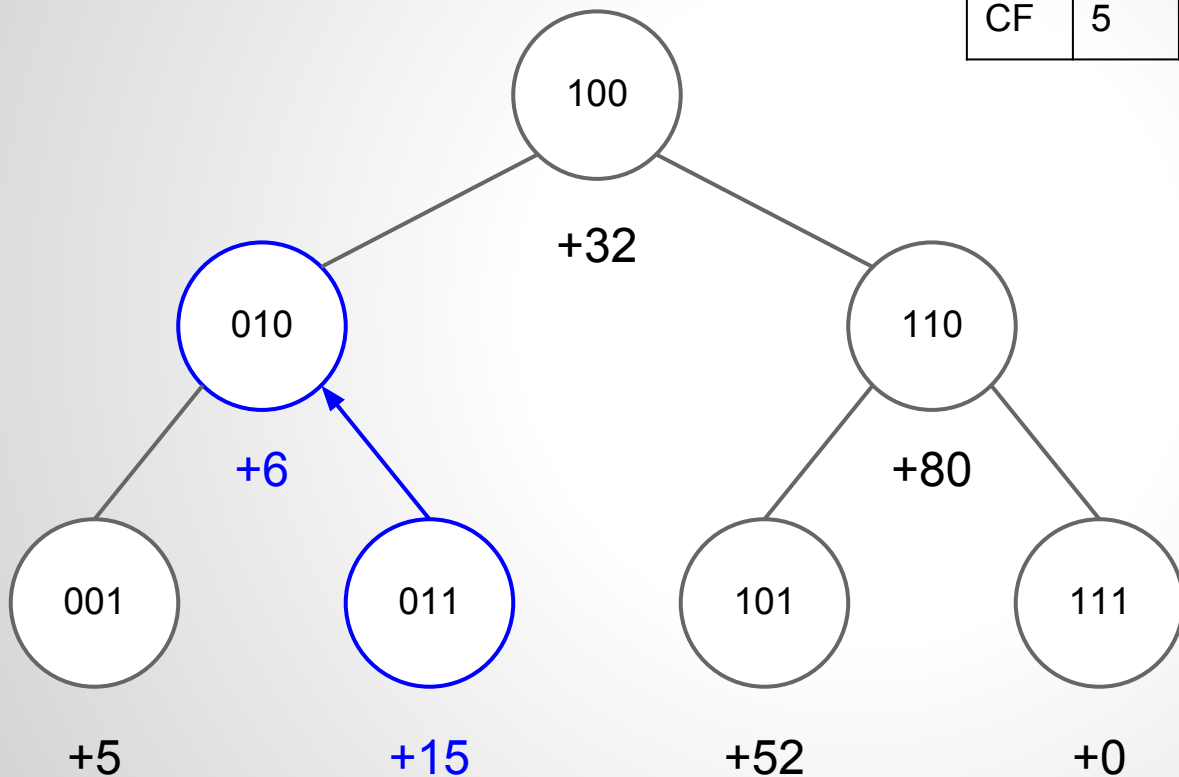
$rsq(b) = \text{sum}(b + b' + b'' + b''' + \dots + b^i)$

where  $b^i$  is 0

$rsq(a, b) = rsq(b) - rsq(a)$

# Example: rsq

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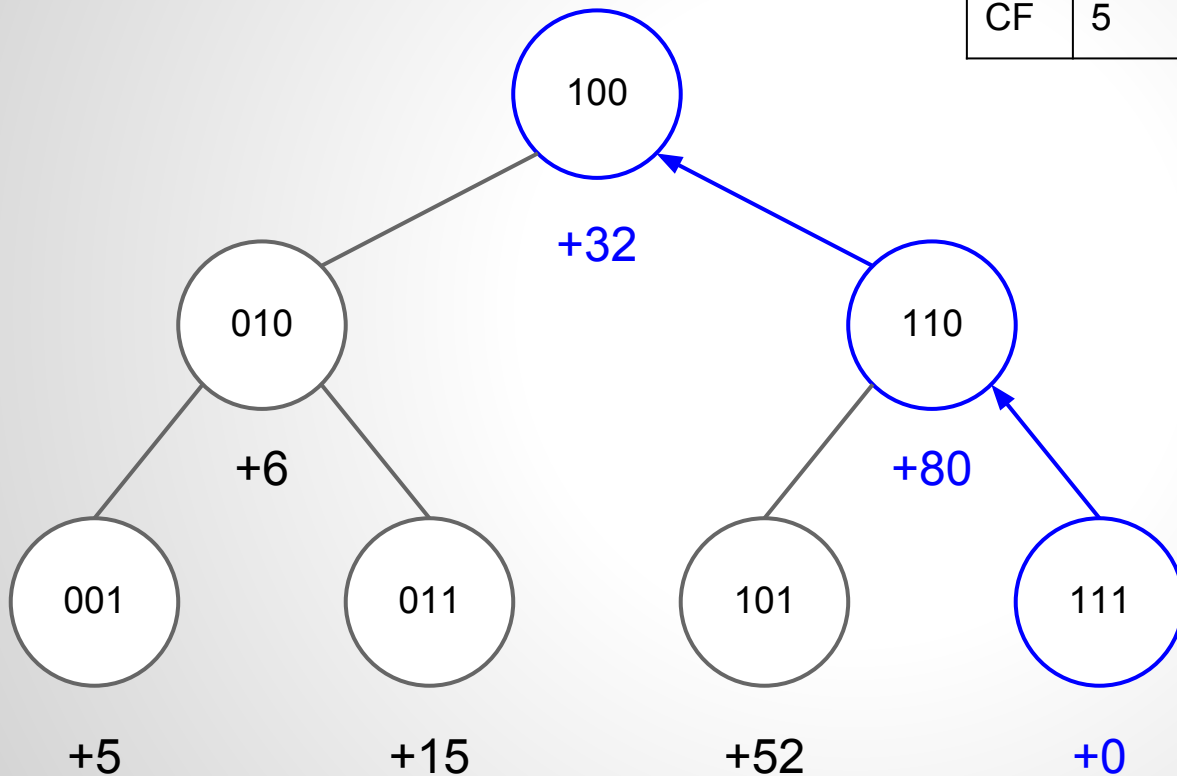


eg/ rsq(3)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{rsq}(011) \\ &= \text{sum}(011 + 010 + 000) \\ &= 15 + 6 \\ &= 21 \end{aligned}$$

# Example: rsq

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eg/ rsq(7)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{rsq}(111) \\ &= \text{sum}(111 + 110 + 100 + 000) \\ &= 0 + 80 + 32 \\ &= 112 \end{aligned}$$

# BIT Operations: $\text{update}(b, v)$

Let  $\text{LSB}$  = Least Significant Bit

Let  $b$  be an index  $\leq N$

Let  $b' = b + \text{LSB}(b)$

Let  $v$  = a frequency increment/decrement

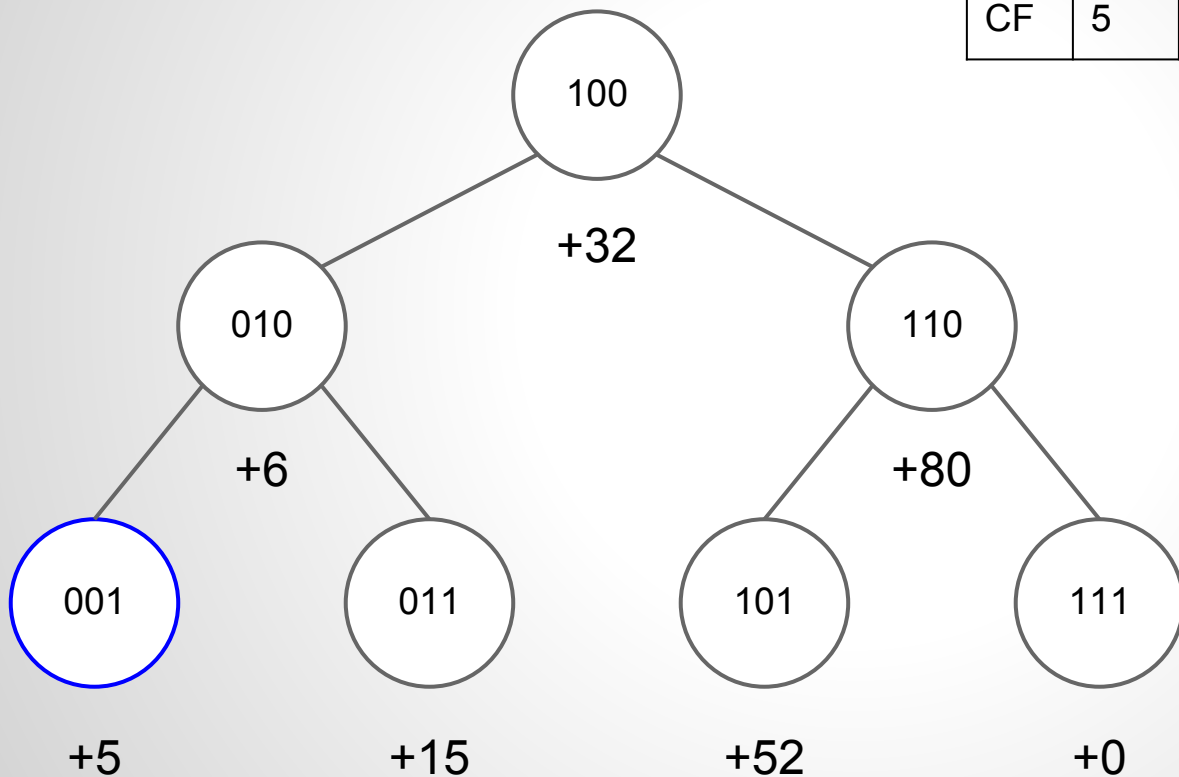
$\text{update}(b, v) = \text{update}(b, v), \text{update}(b', v) \dots \text{update}(b^i, v)$

where  $b^i + \text{LSB}(b')$  would exceed  $N$ .

# Example: update

N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
F	5	1	15	11	52	28	0
CF	5	6	21	32	84	112	112

eg/ update(1,5)

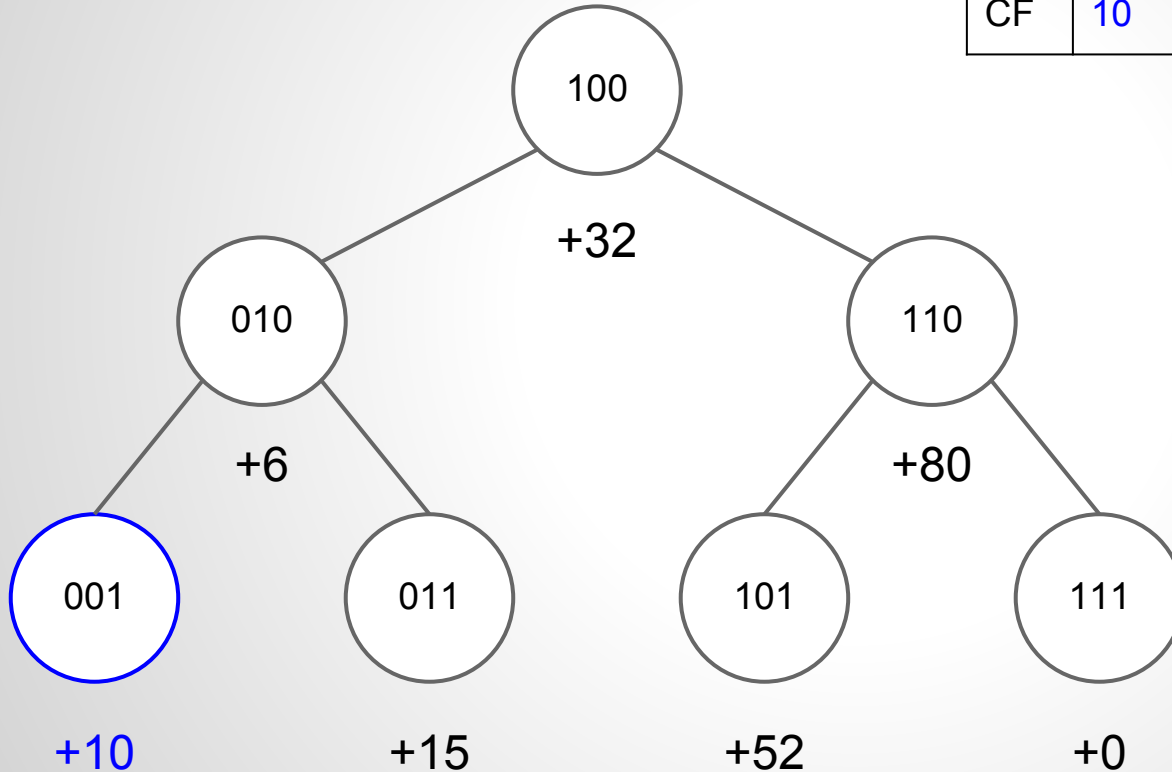


# Example: update

N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
F	10	1	15	11	52	28	0
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eg/ update(1,5)

= update(001, 5)



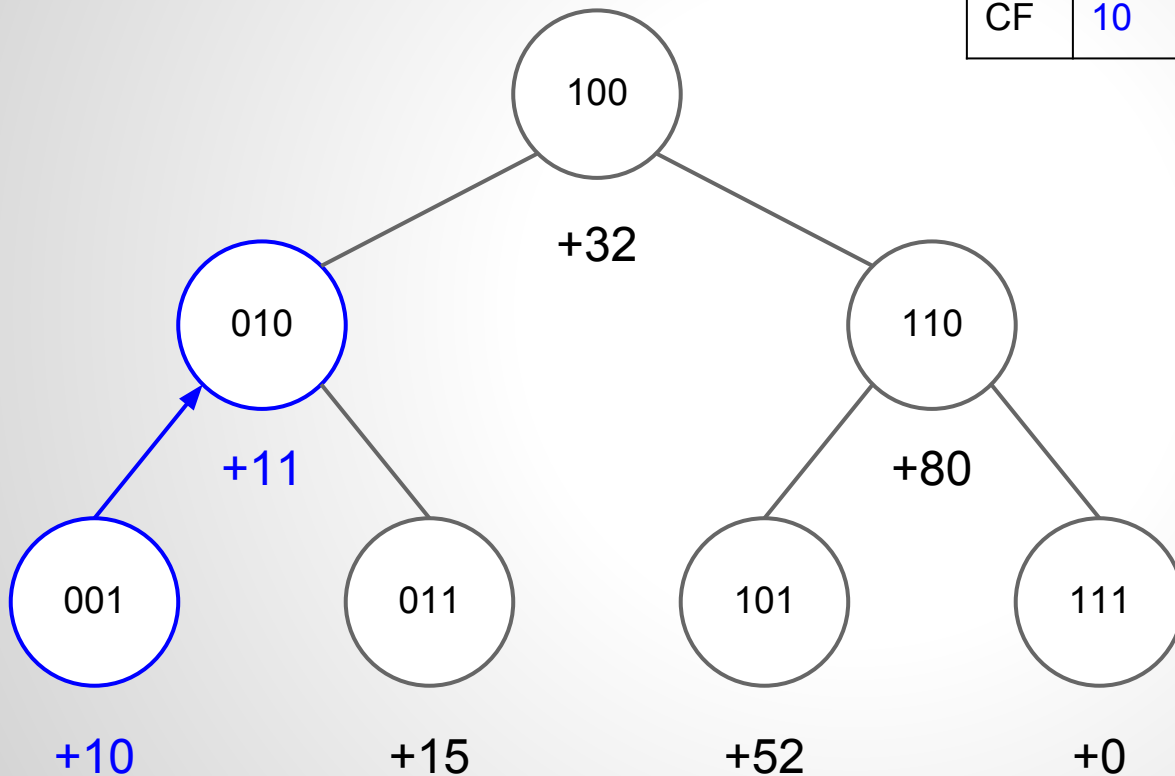


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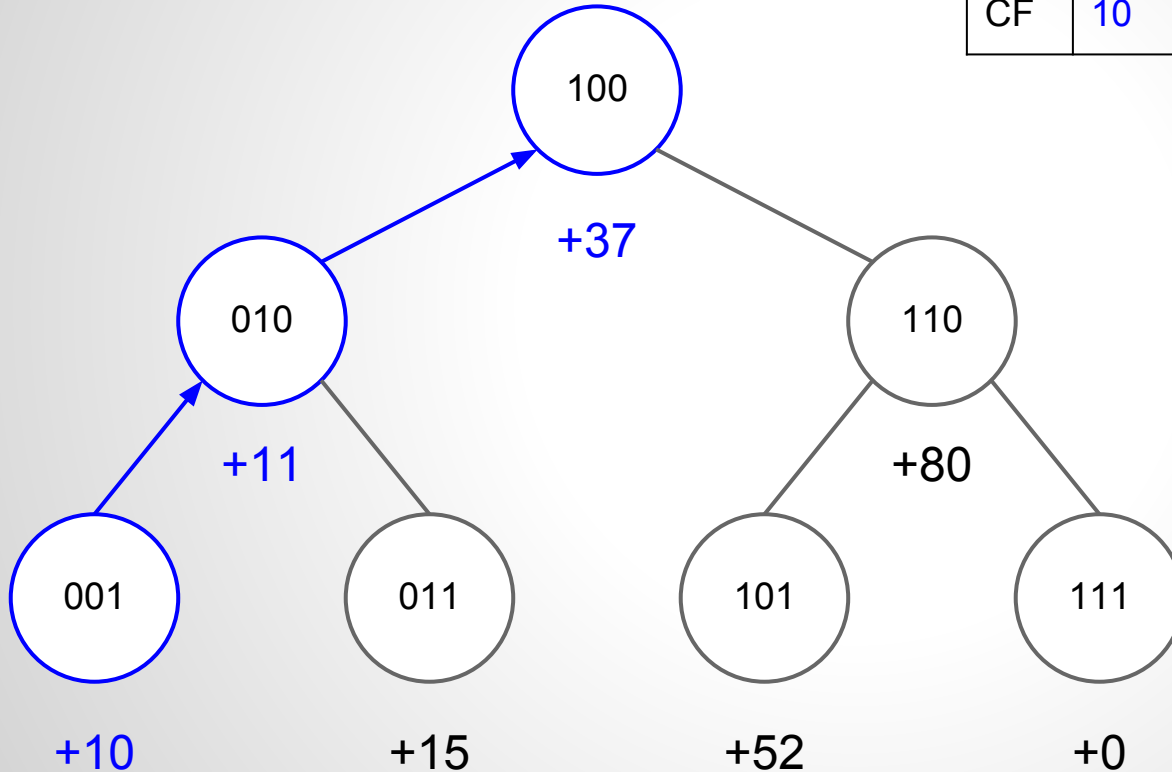
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= update(001, 5),  
update(010, 5)



# Example: update

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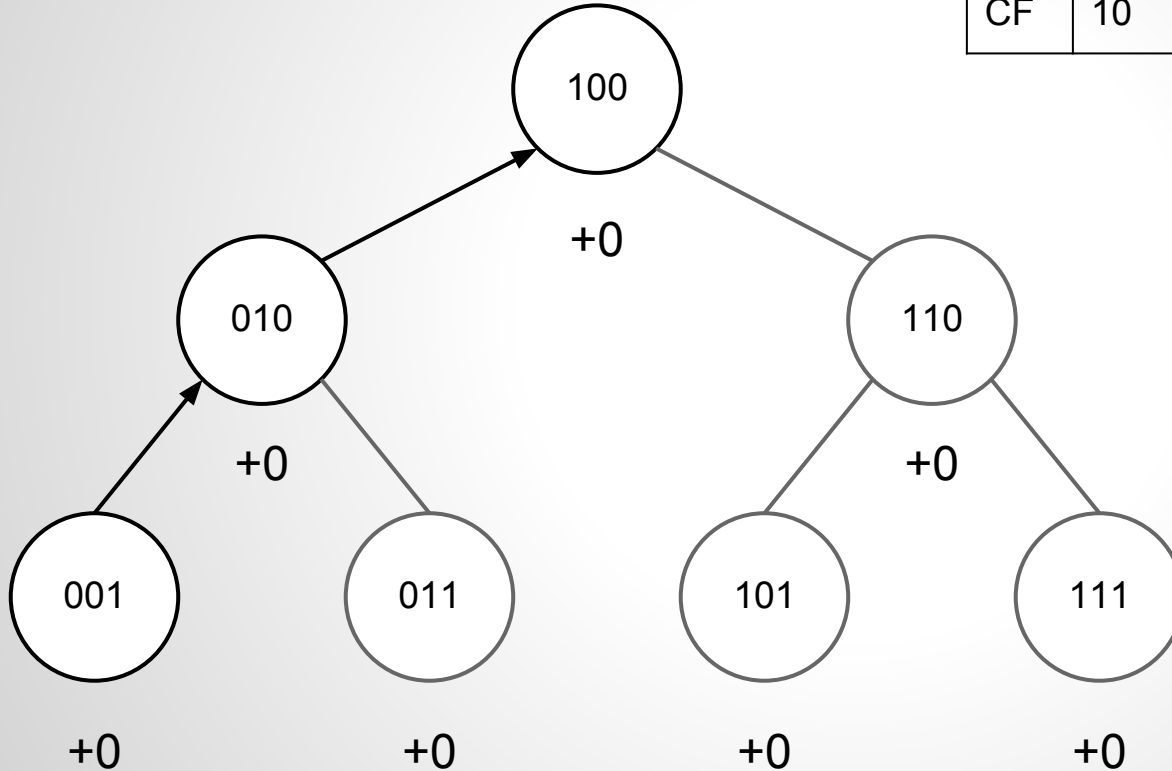
eg/ update(1,5)

= update(001, 5),  
update(010, 5),  
update(100, 5)

1000 > N, so we have  
reached the root

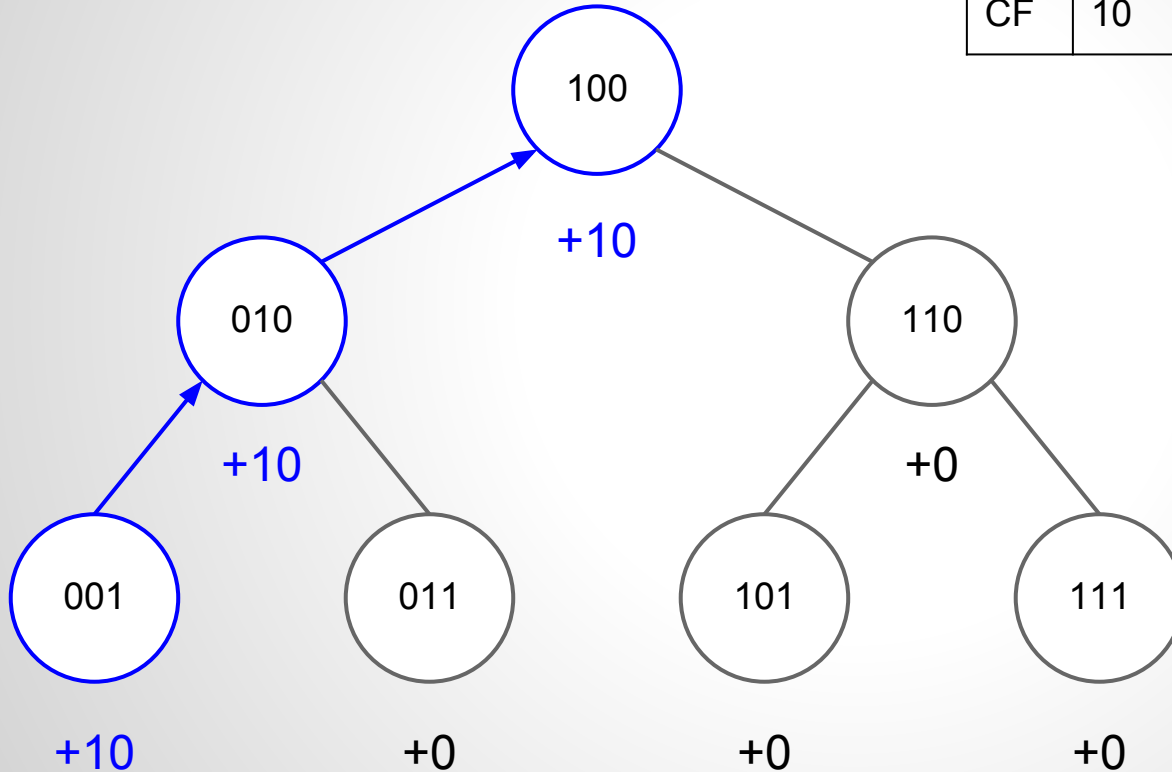
# Example: create

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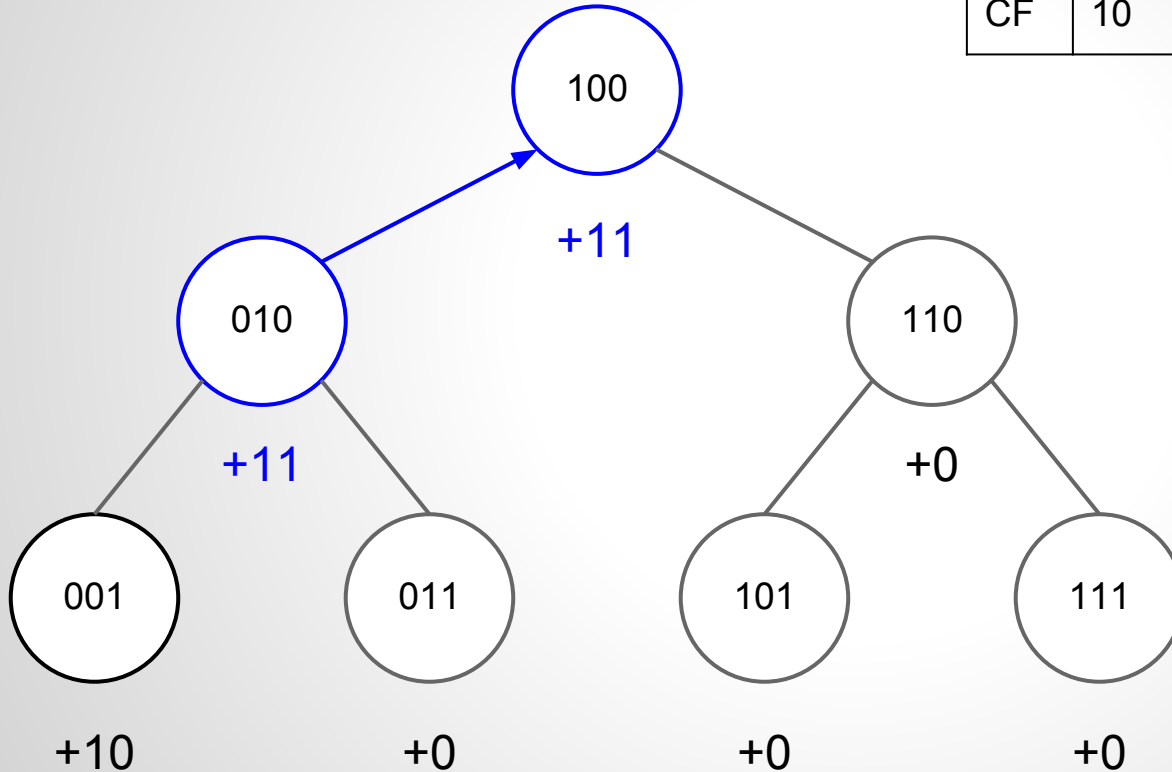
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update(1, 10)

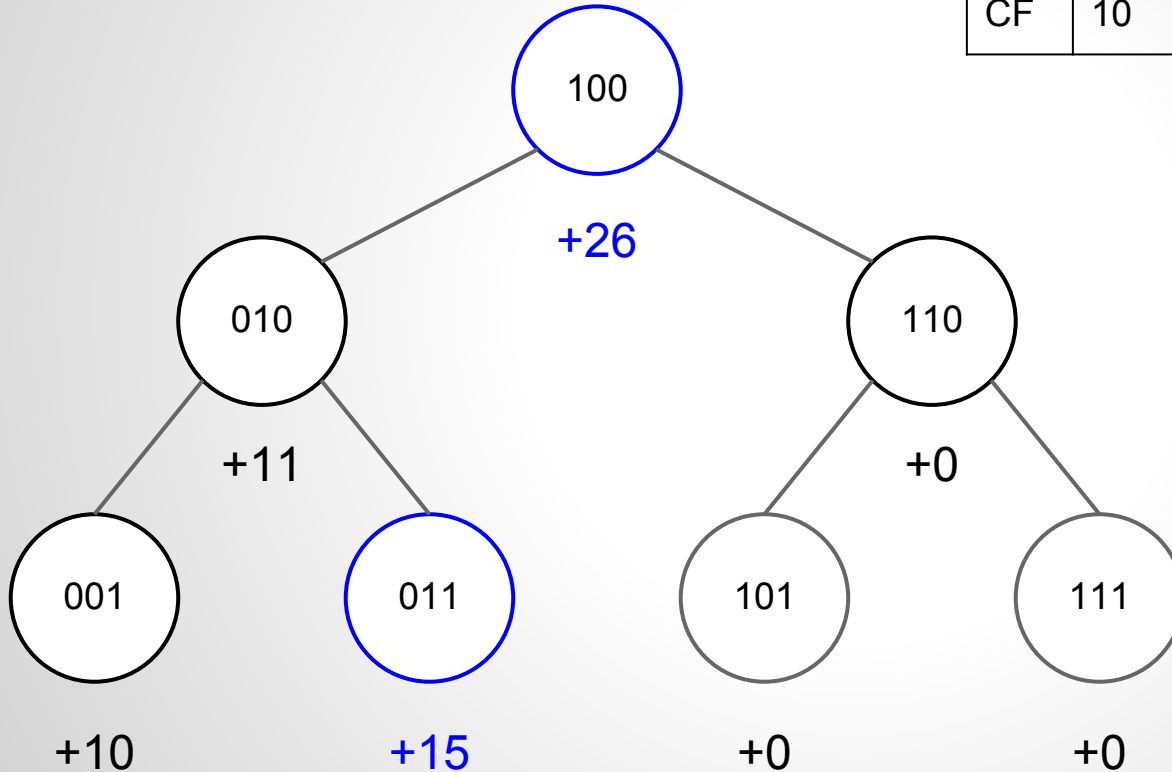
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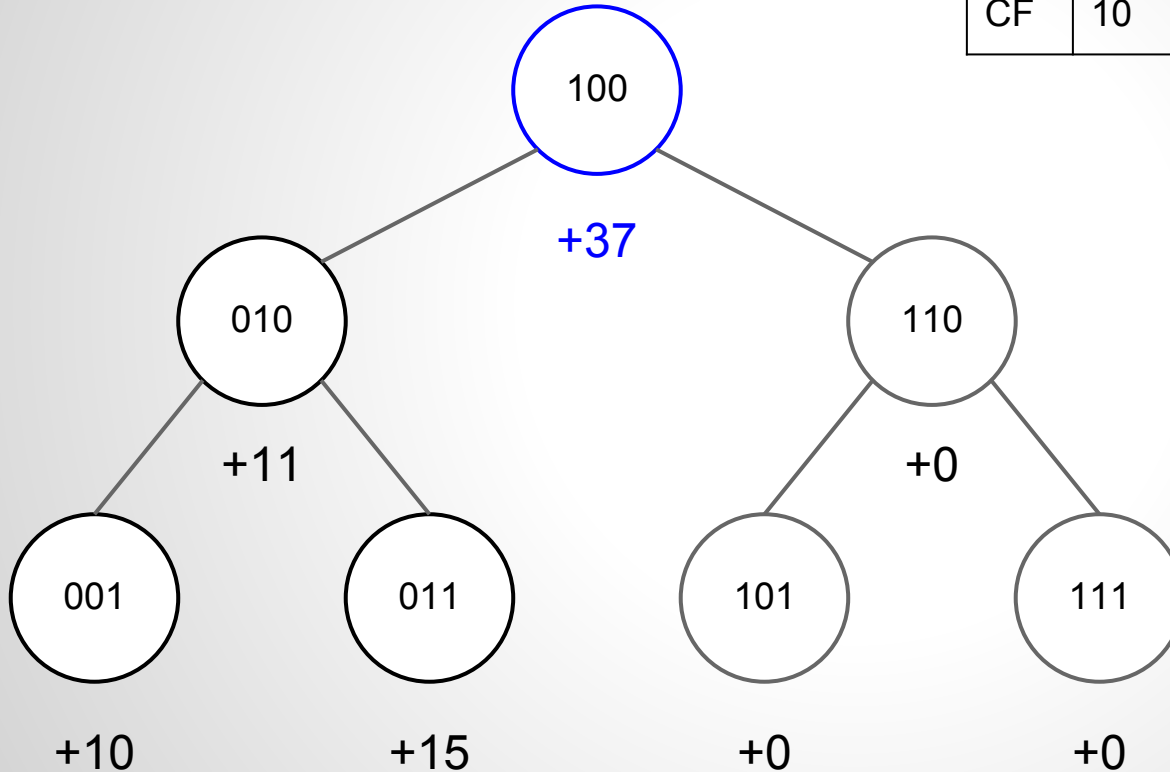
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update(1, 10)  
update(2, 1)  
update(3, 15)

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update(1, 10)  
update(2, 1)  
update(3, 15)  
update(4, 11)

# Source Code

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7
8 #define LSOne(S) (S & (-S))
9
10 class FenwickTree {
11 private:
12     vi ft;
13
14 public:
15     FenwickTree() {}
16     // initialization: n + 1 zeroes, ignore index 0
17     FenwickTree(int n) { ft.assign(n + 1, 0); }
18
19     int rsq(int b) { // returns RSQ(1, b)
20         int sum = 0; for (; b; b -= LSOne(b)) sum += ft[b];
21         return sum; }
22
23     int rsq(int a, int b) { // returns RSQ(a, b)
24         return rsq(b) - (a == 1 ? 0 : rsq(a - 1)); }
25
26     // adjusts value of the k-th element by v (v can be +ve/inc or -ve/dec)
27     void adjust(int k, int v) { // note: n = ft.size() - 1
28         for (; k < (int)ft.size(); k += LSOne(k)) ft[k] += v; }
29 };
30
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# Runtime Complexity

Construction	$O(M \log N)$
Query	$O(\log N)$
Point Update	$O(\log N)$

Note:

N is the array size.

M is the number of data points.

# Runtime Proof: Query

- A base 10 number  $N$  is represented by at most  $\log(N)$  bits. Assume  $N$  is the largest index in our BIT. Let there be an index  $B \leq N$ .
- A query to index  $B$  must also query index  $B'$ ,  $B''$ ,  $B'''$ , while  $B^i > 0$ .  $N$  has at most  $\log(N)$  bits so this can take at most  $\log(N)$  operations.

# Runtime Proof: Update

- A base 10 number  $N$  is represented by at most  $\log(N)$  bits. Assume  $N$  is the largest index in our BIT. Let there be an index  $B \leq N$ .
- An update to index  $B$  must also update index  $B'$ ,  $B''$ ,  $B'''$ , until  $B^i > N$ .  $N$  has at most  $\log(N)$  bits so this can take at most  $\log(N)$  operations.

# Conclusion

- The Fenwick Tree
  - Supports RSQ and update operations
  - $O(N)$  space complexity
  - $O(\log N)$  time complexity
  - Very clever use of bitwise indexing

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**Questions?**