

Fundamental Data Structure Problem

The fundamental data structuring problem is the problem of storing S_1, \dots, S_n items such that we can efficiently support different kinds of queries and operations. These operations/queries are MAKE-SET, INSERT, DELETE, FIND, JOIN, PASTE and SPLIT.

Random Treaps

Random Treaps is a datastructure that has a set of keys like a normal binary search tree, but each node also has a priority associated with it. This priority is given at random. The treap satisfies that it is a binary search tree with respect to keys and also a heap with respect to the priorities. Theorem 8.1 states there is a unique treap for each set of key-priority values.

The operations MAKE-SET and FIND are implemented normally. yadda yadda for the others.

Proof of Lemma 8.6: We will show that $E[\text{depth}(x_k)] = H_k + H_{n-k+1} + 1$. We define a variable X_{ik} if x_i is an ancestor of x_k . If we look at the case when $i < k$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i < k} X_{ik} \right] &= \sum_{i < k} p_i && (\text{where } p_i = \max\{p_i, \dots, p_k\}) \\ &= \sum_{i < k} \frac{1}{k - i + 1} && (\text{Only ancestor if it was the largest key at its insertion}) \\ &= \sum_{i=2}^k \frac{1}{i} \\ &= H_k - 1 \end{aligned}$$

The same analysis follows for $i > k$, yielding an expected depth of $(H_k - 1) + (H_{n-k+1} - 1) + 1$ (+1 from itself) which gives us $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$ depth.

Proof of Lemma 8.7: