

# Circular Buffer Splay Tree Delete Complexity Proof

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## 1 Theorem: Circular Buffer Splay Tree Delete Complexity

**Statement:** Deleting from a Circular Buffer Splay Tree with  $n$  nodes takes  $O(\log n)$  amortized time.

## 2 Proof

The delete operation consists of:

1. Find node to delete:  $O(\log n)$
2. Splay node to root:  $O(\log n)$  amortized
3. Delete node:  $O(\log n)$  worst case
4. Deallocate from buffer:  $O(1)$

### 2.1 Deletion Cases

#### 2.1.1 Case 1: Leaf Node

- Remove from parent:  $O(1)$
- Update subtree sizes:  $O(\log n)$  (path to root)
- Deallocate:  $O(1)$
- Total:  $O(\log n)$

#### 2.1.2 Case 2: One Child

- Replace with child:  $O(1)$
- Update subtree sizes:  $O(\log n)$
- Deallocate:  $O(1)$
- Total:  $O(\log n)$

### 2.1.3 Case 3: Two Children

- Find successor:  $O(\log n)$  (height of right subtree)
- Replace node with successor:  $O(1)$
- Remove successor:  $O(\log n)$  (recursive)
- Update subtree sizes:  $O(\log n)$
- Deallocate:  $O(1)$
- Total:  $O(\log n)$

## 2.2 Splay Operation

Splaying the node to root before deletion:

$$\text{Amortized cost} = O(\log n)$$

## 2.3 Buffer Deallocation

Deallocating from circular buffer:

- Clear buffer slot:  $O(1)$
- Update size counter:  $O(1)$
- Total:  $O(1)$

## 2.4 Total Complexity

$$T(n) = \text{Find} + \text{Splay} + \text{Delete} + \text{Deallocate} \tag{1}$$

$$= O(\log n) + O(\log n) + O(\log n) + O(1) \tag{2}$$

$$= O(\log n) \text{ amortized} \tag{3}$$

**Conclusion:** Circular Buffer Splay Tree delete has  $O(\log n)$  amortized time complexity.

## 3 Worst Case

In the worst case (linear tree), a single deletion may take  $O(n)$ , but amortized over a sequence of operations, the complexity is  $O(\log n)$ .