3-2 Amortized Analysis

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For fundamental achievements in the design and analysis of algorithms and data structures.

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AMORTIZED COMPUTATIONAL COMPLEXITY*

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Abstract. A powerful technique in the complexity analysis of data structures is amortization, or averaging over time. Amortized running time is a realistic but robust complexity measure for which we can obtain surprisingly tight upper and lower bounds on a variety of algorithms. By following the principle of designing algorithms whose amortized complexity is low, we obtain "self-adjusting" data structures that are simple, flexible and efficient. This paper surveys recent work by several researchers on amortized complexity.

"Amortized Computational Complexity", 1985

Amortized analysis is

an algorithm analysis technique for
analyzing a sequence of operations
irrespective of the input to show that
the average cost per operation is small, even though
a single operation within the sequence might be expensive.

By averaging the cost per operation over a worst-case sequence,
amortized analysis can yield a time complexity that is
more robust than average-case analysis, since
its probabilistic assumptions on inputs may be false,
and more realistic than worst-case analysis, since it may be
impossible for every operation to take the worst-case time,
as occurs often in manipulation of data structures.



The Summation Method



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The Accounting Method



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Key Point: Put the accounting cost on specific objects.

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	$\hat{c_i}$	c_i	a_i
Table-Insert (normal)	3	1	2
Table-Insert (expansion)	3	1+t	-t+2

The Potential Method



$$D_0, o_1, D_1, o_2, \cdots, \underbrace{D_{i-1}, o_i, D_i}_{\text{the } i\text{-th operation}}, \cdots, D_{n-1}, o_n, D_n$$

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 (Typically)

The Potential Method for Dynamic Tables

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CONTRACTION: \begin{cases} When to contract? \\ How small to contract to? \end{cases}
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Contraction :
$$\begin{cases} \text{When to contract?} & \alpha = 1/4 \\ \text{How small to contract to?} & \alpha = 1/2 \end{cases}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{4} \leq \alpha \leq 1}$$

$$\Phi(T) = \begin{cases} 2 \cdot T.num - T.size & \text{if } \alpha(T) \ge 1/2\\ T.size/2 - T.num & \text{if } \alpha(T) < 1/2 \end{cases}$$

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TABLE-DELETE

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$$\begin{cases} \alpha_{i-1} < 1/2 & \left\{ \frac{num_{i-1}-1}{size_{i-1}} \ge \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{num_{i-1}-1}{size_{i-1}} < \frac{1}{4} \right\} \\ \alpha_{i-1} \ge 1/2 & \left\{ \alpha_{i} < 1/2 \left(\frac{num_{i-1}-1}{size_{i-1}} < \frac{1}{4}? \right) \right\} \\ \alpha_{i} \ge 1/2 \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha_{i-1} < 1/2 \wedge \frac{num_{i-1} - 1}{size_{i-1}} \ge \frac{1}{4}$$

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$$\begin{split} \hat{c}_i &= c_i + \left(\Phi_i - \Phi_{i-1} \right) \\ &= 1 + \left(size_i / 2 - num_i \right) - \left(size_{i-1} / 2 - num_{i-1} \right) \end{split}$$

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= -1$$

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The Potential Method for "Power of 2" (Problem 17.1-3)

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I like the **self-adjusting search tree** data structure that Danny Sleator and I developed.

Self-Adjusting Binary Search Trees

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Abstract. The splay tree, a self-adjusting form of binary search tree, is developed and analyzed. The binary search tree is a data structure for representing tables and lists so that accessing, inserting, and deleting items is easy. On an n-node splay tree, all the standard search tree operations have an amortized time bound of O(log n) per operation, where by "amortized time" is meant the time per operation averaged over a worst-case sequence of operations. Thus splay trees are as efficient as balanced trees when total running time is the measure of interest. In addition, for sufficiently long access sequences, splay trees are as efficient, to within a constant factor, as static optimum search trees. The efficiency of splay trees comes not from an explicit structural constraint, as with balanced trees, but from applying a simple restructuring heuristic, called splaying, whenever the tree is accessed. Extensions of splaying give simplified forms of two other data structures: lexicographic or multidimensional search trees and link/ cut trees.

"Self-Adjusting Binary Search Trees - Splay Tree", JACM, 1985

Self-Adjusting Binary Search Trees



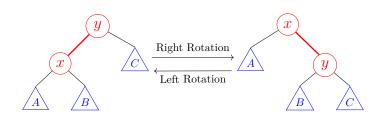
vs. Balanced Binary Search Trees

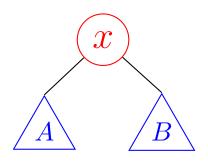
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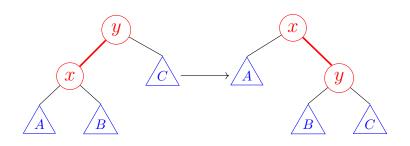
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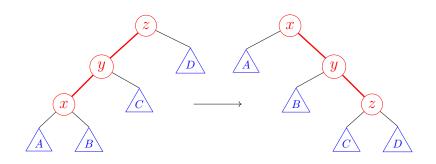


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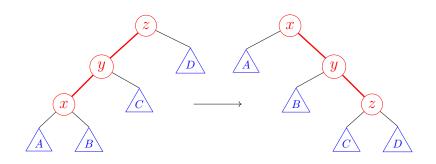
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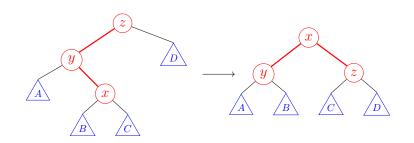


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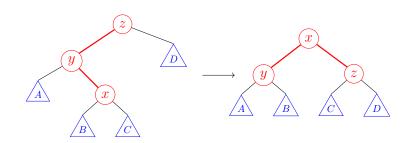
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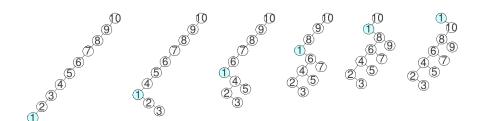


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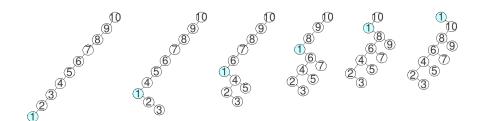
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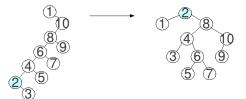
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Splay(1)



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Theorem

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How to define Φ ?



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How to calculate $(\Phi_{SPLAY_i} - \Phi_{SPLAY_{i-1}})$ and c_{SPLAY_i} ?

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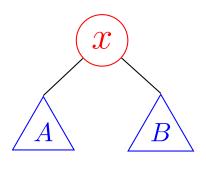
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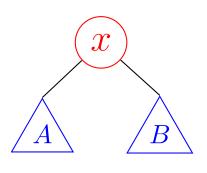
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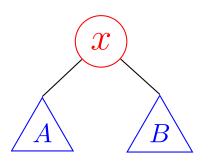


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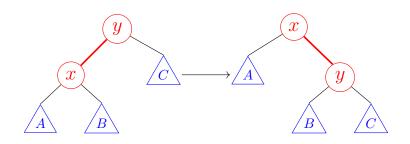
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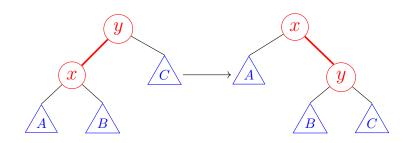
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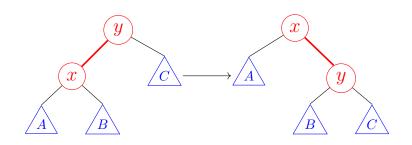
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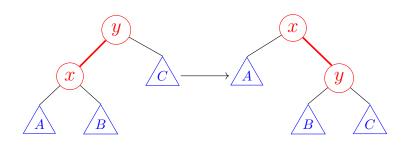


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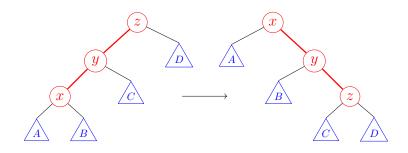
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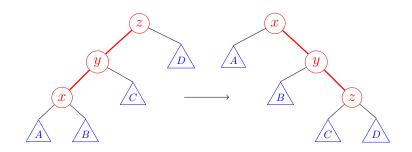
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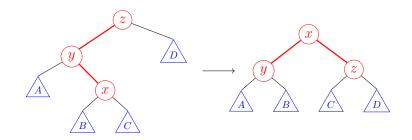
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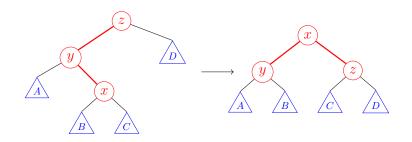
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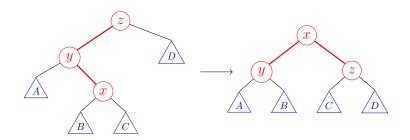
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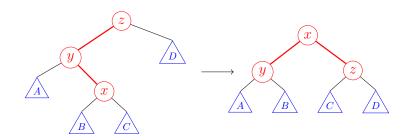


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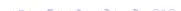
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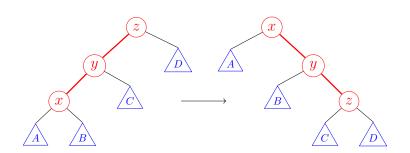
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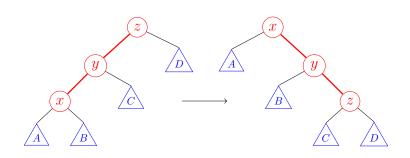
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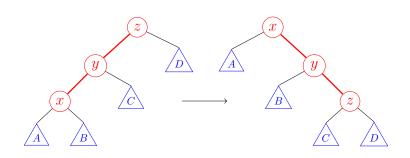






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Abstract. The splay tree, a self-adjusting form of binary search tree, is developed and analyzed. The binary search tree is a dast structure for representing tables and lists so that accessing, inserting, and deleting items is easy. On an n-node splay tree, all the standard search tree operations have an anotime bound of CO(go, n) per operation, where by "amortized time" is meant the time per operation averaged over a worst-case sequence of operations. Thus splay trees are as efficient as balanced trees, when total running time is the measure of interest. In addition, for sufficiently long access sequences, splay trees are as efficient, to within a constant factor, as static optimum search trees. The efficiency splay trees comes not from an explicit structural constraint, as with balanced trees, but from applying a simplified forms of two other data structures. In the constraint, as well balanced trees, but from applying a simplified forms of two other data structures. In the company of the constraints of public against a simplified forms of two other data structures. Indexpapile or multidimensional search trees and link/





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