Link Cut Tree

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Link-cut Trees

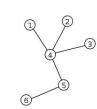
Definition

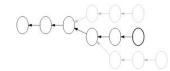
A link-cut tree is a data structure for representing a forest, a set of rooted trees to

provides a complicated structure but reduces the cost of the operations from amortized $O(\log n)$ to worst case $O(\log n)$.

The represented forest may consist of very deep trees.

Represent parent pointer trees.





We take a tree where each node has an arbitrary degree of unordered nodes and split it into paths

We call this the represented tree. These paths are represented internally by auxiliary trees (here we will use splay trees)

Operations

make tree()

link(v,w)

cut(v)

find root(v)

path aggregate(v)

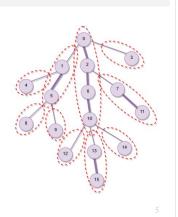
Represented Tree

Structure

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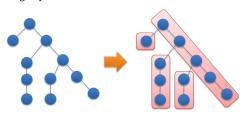
Heavy Light Decomposition

- Is a fairly general technique that allows us to effectively solve many problems that come down to queries on a tree.
- Is one of the most used techniques in competitive programming.
- ☐ The essence of this tree decomposition is to **split the tree into several paths**
- we can reach the root vertex from any v by traversing at most log(n) paths.
- In addition, none of these paths should intersect with another.



Heavy Light Decomposition

It is clear that if we find such a decomposition for any tree it will allow us to reduce certain single queries of the form.



- ☐ Calculate something on the path from **a** to **b**.
- Calculate something on the segment [1,r] of the kth path.

- change(a, b)
- maxEdge(a, b)

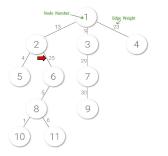
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Example

Suppose we have **an unbalanced tree (not necessarily a Binary Tree) of n nodes**, and we have to perform operations on the tree to answer a number of queries, each can be of one of the two types:

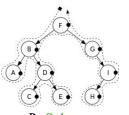
- **change(a, b)**: Update weight of the ath edge to b.
- maxEdge(a, b): Print the maximum edge weight on the path from node a to node b.

For example maxEdge(5, 10) should print 25.

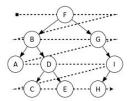


Simple Solution

A Simple solution is to **traverse the complete tree** for any query. Time complexity of every query in this solution is O(n).



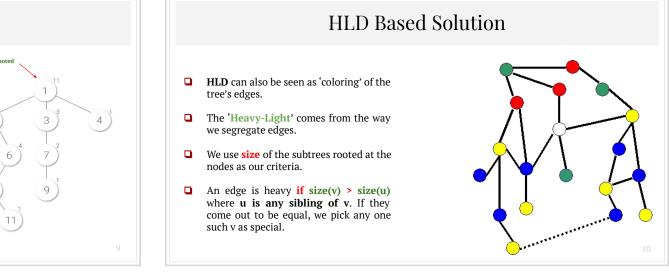
PreOrder InOreder PostOrder

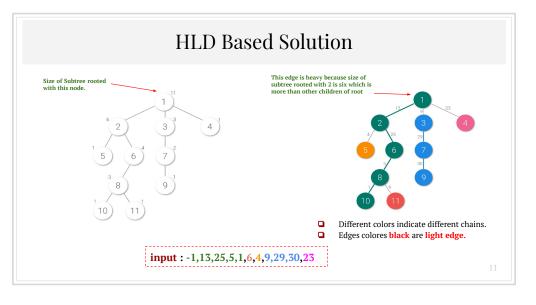


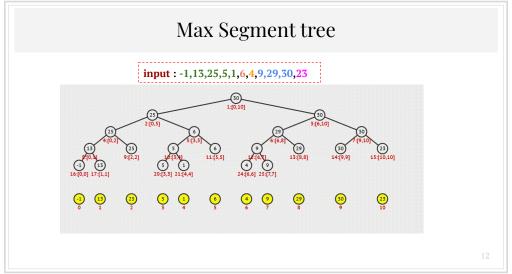
Transversal

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HLD Based Solution Segment Tree Operations O(logn) Input is [,,,] Size of a node x is number of nodes in subtree rooted with the node x. HLD of a rooted tree is a method of decomposing the vertices of the tree into disjoint chains (no two chains share a node) To achieve important asymptotic time bounds for certain problems involving trees.

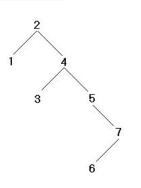






BST: Binary Search Tree

- ☐ BST is the Rooted Binary Tree
- Whose internal nodes stored a key and additionally a tree
- ☐ Following the properties
 - ☐ Subtree to the left of a node contains nodes with lower values
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A splay tree is just a binary search tree that has excellent performance in the cases where some data is accessed more frequently than others. The tree self-adjusts after lookup, insert and delete operations All the operations in splay tree are involved with a common operation called "Splaying".

