#### Disadvantage of balanced search trees:

- worst case; no advantage for easy inputs
- additional memory required
- complicated implementation

### **Splay Trees:**

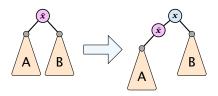
- + after access, an element is moved to the root; splay(x) repeated accesses are faster
- only amortized guarantee
- read-operation change the tree

#### find(x)

- search for x according to a search tree
- let  $\bar{x}$  be last element on search-path
- ightharpoonup splay $(\bar{x})$

#### insert(x)

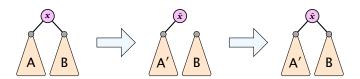
- ▶ search for x;  $\bar{x}$  is last visited element during search (successer or predecessor of x)
- splay( $\bar{x}$ ) moves  $\bar{x}$  to the root
- insert x as new root



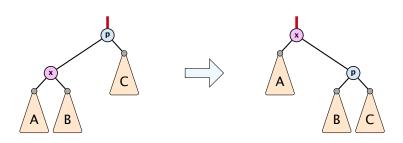
The illustration shows the case when  $\bar{x}$  is the predecessor of x.

#### delete(x)

- search for x; splay(x); remove x
- search largest element  $\bar{x}$  in A
- splay( $\bar{x}$ ) (on subtree A)
- connect root of B as right child of  $\bar{x}$



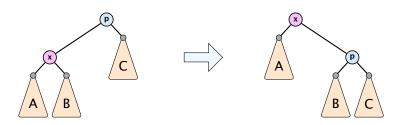
### Move to Root



#### How to bring element to root?

- one (bad) option: moveToRoot(x)
- iteratively do rotation around parent of x until x is root
- ▶ if *x* is left child do right rotation otw. left rotation

## Splay: Zig Case

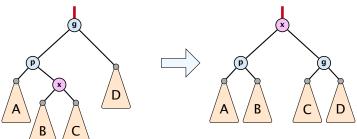


### better option splay(x):

zig case: if x is child of root do left rotation or right rotation around parent

Note that moveToRoot(x) does the same.

## Splay: Zigzag Case

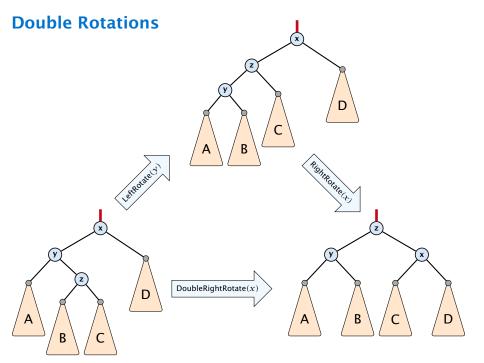


### better option splay(x):

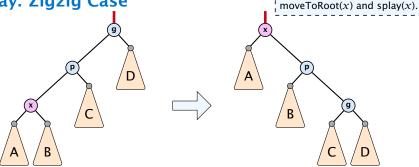
- zigzag case: if x is right child and parent of x is left child (or x left child parent of x right child)
- do double right rotation around grand-parent (resp. double left rotation)

Note that moveToRoot(x) does the same.





**Splay: Zigzig Case** 

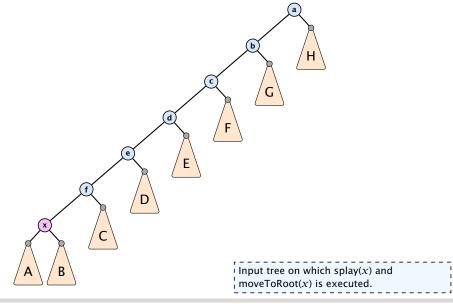


### better option splay(x):

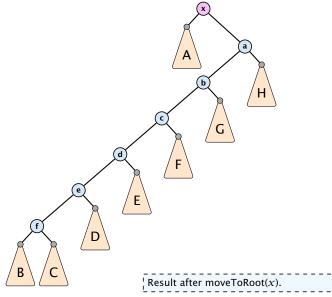
- zigzig case: if x is left child and parent of x is left child (or x right child, parent of x right child)
- do right roation around grand-parent followed by right rotation around parent (resp. left rotations)

This case is different between

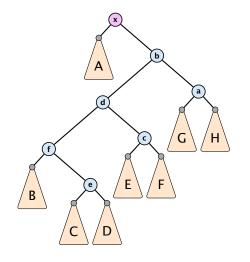
### Splay vs. Move to Root



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Result after splay(x).

7.3 Splay Trees

### **Static Optimality**

Suppose we have a sequence of m find-operations. find(x) appears  $h_x$  times in this sequence.

The cost of a static search tree *T* is:

$$cost(T) = m + \sum_{x} h_{x} \operatorname{depth}_{T}(x)$$

The total cost for processing the sequence on a splay-tree is  $\mathcal{O}(\cos(T_{\min}))$ , where  $T_{\min}$  is an optimal static search tree.

 $\operatorname{depth}_T(x)$  is the number of edges on a path from the root of T to x.

Theorem given without proof.

### **Dynamic Optimality**

Let S be a sequence with m find-operations.

Let A be a data-structure based on a search tree:

- the cost for accessing element x is 1 + depth(x);
- after accessing x the tree may be re-arranged through rotations;

#### **Conjecture:**

A splay tree that only contains elements from S has cost  $\mathcal{O}(\cos(A,S))$ , for processing S.

#### Lemma 1

Splay Trees have an amortized running time of  $O(\log n)$  for all operations.

## **Amortized Analysis**

#### **Definition 2**

A data structure with operations  $op_1(), \ldots, op_k()$  has amortized running times  $t_1, \ldots, t_k$  for these operations if the following holds.

Suppose you are given a sequence of operations (starting with an empty data-structure) that operate on at most n elements, and let  $k_i$  denote the number of occurences of  $\operatorname{op}_i()$  within this sequence. Then the actual running time must be at most  $\sum_i k_i \cdot t_i(n)$ .

### **Potential Method**

### Introduce a potential for the data structure.

- $\Phi(D_i)$  is the potential after the *i*-th operation.
- ▶ Amortized cost of the i-th operation is

$$\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) \ . \label{eq:constraint}$$

▶ Show that  $\Phi(D_i) \ge \Phi(D_0)$ .

Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} c_i \le \sum_{i=1}^{k} c_i + \Phi(D_k) - \Phi(D_0) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \hat{c}_i$$

This means the amortized costs can be used to derive a bound on the total cost.

### **Example: Stack**

#### Stack

- ► *S.* push()
- ► S. pop()
- S. multipop(k): removes k items from the stack. If the stack currently contains less than k items it empties the stack.
- The user has to ensure that pop and multipop do not generate an underflow.

#### Actual cost:

- **▶** *S.* push(): cost 1.
- ► *S.* pop(): cost 1.
- *S.* multipop(k): cost min{size, k} = k.

### **Example: Stack**

Use potential function  $\Phi(S)$  = number of elements on the stack.

#### Amortized cost:

► S. push(): cost

$$\hat{C}_{push} = C_{push} + \Delta \Phi = 1 + 1 \le 2 .$$

**▶** *S.* **pop()**: cost

$$\hat{C}_{\mathrm{pop}} = C_{\mathrm{pop}} + \Delta \Phi = 1 - 1 \leq 0 \ . \label{eq:condition}$$

Note that the analysis becomes wrong if pop() or multipop() are called on an empty stack.

• S. multipop(k): cost

$$\hat{C}_{mp} = C_{mp} + \Delta \Phi = \min\{\text{size}, k\} - \min\{\text{size}, k\} \le 0$$
.

### **Example: Binary Counter**

### Incrementing a binary counter:

Consider a computational model where each bit-operation costs one time-unit.

Incrementing an n-bit binary counter may require to examine n-bits, and maybe change them.

#### Actual cost:

- Changing bit from 0 to 1: cost 1.
- ► Changing bit from 1 to 0: cost 1.
- ▶ Increment: cost is k + 1, where k is the number of consecutive ones in the least significant bit-positions (e.g, 001101 has k = 1).

### **Example: Binary Counter**

Choose potential function  $\Phi(x) = k$ , where k denotes the number of ones in the binary representation of x.

#### **Amortized cost:**

► Changing bit from 0 to 1:

$$\hat{C}_{0\to 1} = C_{0\to 1} + \Delta \Phi = 1 + 1 \le 2 .$$

► Changing bit from 1 to 0:

$$\hat{C}_{1\to 0} = C_{1\to 0} + \Delta \Phi = 1 - 1 \le 0$$
.

▶ Increment: Let k denotes the number of consecutive ones in the least significant bit-positions. An increment involves k (1  $\rightarrow$  0)-operations, and one (0  $\rightarrow$  1)-operation.

Hence, the amortized cost is  $k\hat{C}_{1\rightarrow 0} + \hat{C}_{0\rightarrow 1} \leq 2$ .

### potential function for splay trees:

- ▶ size  $s(x) = |T_x|$
- $rank r(x) = \log_2(s(x))$
- $\Phi(T) = \sum_{v \in T} r(v)$

amortized cost = real cost + potential change

The cost is essentially the cost of the splay-operation, which is 1 plus the number of rotations.

## Splay: Zig Case

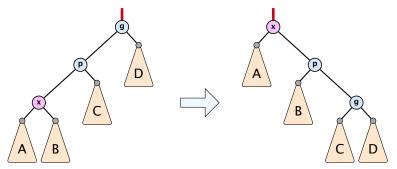


$$\Delta \Phi = r'(x) + r'(p) - r(x) - r(p)$$
$$= r'(p) - r(x)$$
$$\leq r'(x) - r(x)$$

$$cost_{ziq} \le 1 + 3(r'(x) - r(x))$$

## **Splay: Zigzig Case**

Last inequality follows from next slide.



$$\Delta \Phi = r'(x) + r'(p) + r'(g) - r(x) - r(p) - r(g)$$

$$= r'(p) + r'(g) - r(x) - r(p)$$

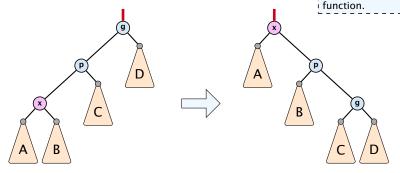
$$\leq r'(x) + r'(g) - r(x) - r(x)$$

$$= r'(x) + r'(g) + r(x) - 3r'(x) + 3r'(x) - r(x) - 2r(x)$$

$$= -2r'(x) + r'(g) + r(x) + 3(r'(x) - r(x))$$

$$\leq -2 + 3(r'(x) - r(x)) \Rightarrow \text{cost}_{\text{zigzig}} \leq 3(r'(x) - r(x))$$

# Splay: Zigzig Case



The last inequality holds

because log is a concave

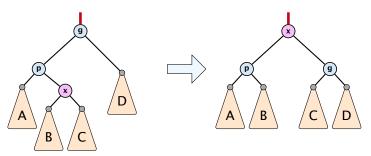
$$\frac{1}{2} \left( r(x) + r'(g) - 2r'(x) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \log(s(x)) + \log(s'(g)) - 2\log(s'(x)) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{s(x)}{s'(x)}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{s'(g)}{s'(x)}\right)$$

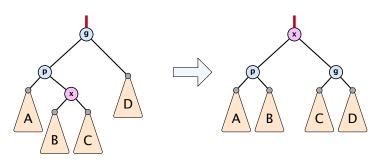
$$\leq \log\left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{s(x)}{s'(x)} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{s'(g)}{s'(x)}\right) \leq \log\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -1$$

## Splay: Zigzag Case



$$\begin{split} \Delta \Phi &= r'(x) + r'(p) + r'(g) - r(x) - r(p) - r(g) \\ &= r'(p) + r'(g) - r(x) - r(p) \\ &\leq r'(p) + r'(g) - r(x) - r(x) \\ &= r'(p) + r'(g) - 2r'(x) + 2r'(x) - 2r(x) \\ &\leq -2 + 2(r'(x) - r(x)) \quad \Rightarrow \text{cost}_{\text{zigzag}} \leq 3(r'(x) - r(x)) \end{split}$$

## Splay: Zigzag Case



$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{2} \Big( r'(p) + r'(g) - 2r'(x) \Big) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \Big( \log(s'(p)) + \log(s'(g)) - 2\log(s'(x)) \Big) \\ &\leq \log \Big( \frac{1}{2} \frac{s'(p)}{s'(x)} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{s'(g)}{s'(x)} \Big) \leq \log \Big( \frac{1}{2} \Big) = -1 \end{split}$$

### Amortized cost of the whole splay operation:

$$\leq 1 + 1 + \sum_{\text{steps } t} 3(r_t(x) - r_{t-1}(x))$$

$$= 2 + r(\text{root}) - r_0(x)$$

$$\leq \mathcal{O}(\log n)$$

The first one is added due to the fact that so far for each step of a splay-operation we have only counted the number of rotations, but the cost is 1+#rotations.

The second one comes from the zig-operation. Note that we have at most one zig-operation during a splay.



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