

Tree Search & Sorting

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0 Tree Search

0625.0 (polytreeDefn.sml)

```
2 datatype 'a tree =  
3   Empty | Node of 'a tree * 'a * 'a tree
```

0625.1 (search.sml)

```
2 (* INVARIANT: For all values p : t pred, p is
   total *)
3 type 'a pred = 'a -> bool
4 (* isEven : int pred *)
5 fun isEven x = x mod 2 = 0
```

search : 'a pred -> 'a tree -> 'a option

REQUIRES: true

ENSURES:

$$\text{search } p \ T \cong \begin{cases} \text{SOME } (z) & \text{where } z \text{ is the top-leftmost element of } T \\ & \text{such that } p(z) \cong \text{true} \\ \text{NONE} & \text{if there is no such } z \end{cases}$$

Tradeoff:

- Optimal work (best-case & worst-case), bad span
- Bad work (best-case), optimal work (worst-case), optimal span

Can't get optimal work and optimal span unless we know more about where in the tree to look!

0625.2 (search.sml)

```

9 fun search p Empty = NONE
10   | search p (Node(L,x,R)) =
11     if p(x) then SOME x
12     else
13       (case search p L of
14         (SOME z) => SOME z
15         | _ => search p R)

```

ENSURES

$$\forall p, T, \quad \text{search } p \ T \cong \begin{cases} \text{SOME } (z) & \text{where } z \text{ is the top-leftmost element of } T \\ & \text{such that } p(z) \cong \text{true} \\ \text{NONE} & \text{if there is no such } z \end{cases}$$

Check Your Understanding

Verify that this function has $O(n)$ work (in the worst case) when called on a balanced tree of size n .

0625.3 (search.sml)

```
19 fun search' p Empty = NONE
20   | search' p (Node(L,x,R)) =
21     if p(x) then SOME x
22     else
23       (case (search' p L, search' p R) of
24         (SOME z, _) => SOME z
25         | (_, SOME z) => SOME z
26         | _ => NONE)
```

Check Your Understanding Verify that this function has $O(d)$ span when called on a tree of depth d . If we assume the tree is balanced, $d \approx \log n$.

1 Searching Sorted Trees

General idea:

We'll store a bunch of **entries** in a tree. The entries will be indexed by **keys** and each entry will contain a value. We'll use the keys to look up the entries. The entries tree will be **sorted** by key, allowing for fast lookup.

Invariant Any value `cmp : t ord` is a comparison function.

0625.4 (bst.sml)

```
2 type 'a ord = 'a * 'a -> order
```

0625.5 (bst.sml)

```
9 type key = string
10 type 'a entry = key * 'a
11 val keyCmp : key ord = String.compare
```

0625.6 (bst.sml)

```
74 type 'a bst = 'a entry tree
```

Invariant If $T : t \text{ bst}$, then T is sorted by key (according to `keyCmp`)

```
maxKey : 'a entry tree -> key option
```

```
REQUIRES: true
```

```
ENSURES: maxKey Empty  $\cong$  NONE and otherwise
```

```
maxKey T  $\cong$  SOME (k), where k is the keyCmp-largest key of any entry  
in T.
```

0625.7 (bst.sml)

```
21 fun maxKey (Empty : 'a entry tree) = NONE
22   | maxKey (Node(L, (k, _), R)) : key option =
23     let fun max (NONE, Y) = Y
24           | max (X, NONE) = X
25           | max (SOME k, SOME k') =
26             case keyCmp(k, k') of
27               GREATER => SOME k
28               | _ => SOME k'
29     in
30       max(SOME k, max(maxKey L, maxKey R))
31     end
```

0625.8 (bst.sml)

```
41 fun minKey (Empty : 'a entry tree) = NONE
42   | minKey (Node(L, (k, _), R)) : key option =
43     let fun min (NONE, Y) = Y
44           | min (X, NONE) = X
45           | min (SOME k, SOME k') =
46             case keyCmp(k, k') of
47               GREATER => SOME k'
48               | _ => SOME k
49     in
50       min(SOME k, min(minKey L, minKey R))
51     end
```

Defn. A value $T : t \text{ bst}$ is **sorted by key** (according to `keyCmp`) if either $T = \text{Empty}$ or $T = \text{Node}(L, (k, v), R)$ such that

- L and R are sorted by key
- k is greater than or equal to `maxKey L`, according to `keyCmp`
- k is less than or equal to `minKey R`, according to `keyCmp`

Invariant If $T : t \text{ bst}$, then T is sorted by key (according to `keyCmp`)

0625.6 (bst.sml)

```
74 type 'a bst = 'a entry tree
```

Claim If $\text{Node}(L, x, R) : t \text{ bst}$, then $L : t \text{ bst}$ and $R : t \text{ bst}$

0625.9 (bst.sml)

```
55 val isEmpty = fn Empty => true | _ => false
56 val valOf : 'a option -> 'a = Option.valOf
57 fun leq(k,k') = keyCmp(k,k') <> GREATER
58 fun geq(k,k') = keyCmp(k,k') <> LESS
59 fun isSorted Empty = true
60   | isSorted (Node(L,(k,_),R)) =
61     (isSorted L) andalso (isSorted R)
62     andalso ( (isEmpty L)
63               or else leq(valOf(maxKey L),k)
64             )
65     andalso ( (isEmpty R)
66               or else geq(valOf(minKey R),k)
67             )
```

Invariant If $T : t \text{ bst}$, then T is sorted by key (according to `keyCmp`)

0625.10 (bst.sml)

```
78 fun asBST (T : 'a entry tree) : 'a bst =  
79     let  
80         val _ = (isSorted T)  
81                 or else raise Fail "Not sorted"  
82     in  
83         T  
84     end
```

```
sortedSearch : key -> 'a bst -> 'a option
```

REQUIRES: true

ENSURES:

$$\text{sortedSearch } k' \ T \cong \begin{cases} \text{SOME } (v) & \text{for some entry } (k, v) \text{ in } T \text{ s.t.} \\ & \text{keyCmp } (k', k) \cong \text{EQUAL} \\ \text{NONE} & \text{if there is no such } (k, v) \end{cases}$$

0625.11 (bst.sml)

```
100 fun sortedSearch _ (Empty) : 'a option = NONE
101 | sortedSearch k' (Node(L, (k, v), R) : 'a bst) =
102   case keyCmp(k', k) of
103     LESS => sortedSearch k' (L : 'a bst)
104   | EQUAL => SOME(v)
105   | GREATER => sortedSearch k' R
```

0 Notion of size: number n of nodes in T .

0.5 Assumption: `keyCmp` is $O(1)$, and T is balanced.

1

$$W(0) = k$$

$$W(n) = k + W(n/2)$$

4

$$W(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log n} k \approx k \log n$$

5 $W(n)$ is $O(\log n)$

No opportunities for parallelism, so recurrence for span is the same, hence $S(n)$ also $O(\log n)$.

5-minute break

2 **Sorting Trees**

The merge sort algorithm for sorting a list:

- 1 Split the list in half
- 2 Sort the two halves separately
- 3 Merge the sorted halves into a sorted whole

For trees: pretty much similar, except the tree is (almost) split into two halves already

```
insert : 'a entry -> 'a bst -> 'a bst
```

```
REQUIRES: true
```

```
ENSURES: insert e T evaluates to a BST T' containing all the entries of  
T, plus e
```

0625.12 (bst.sml)

```
109 fun insert (x : 'a entry) (Empty : 'a bst) =  
110     Node (Empty, x, Empty)  
111 | insert (k', v') (Node (L, (k, v), R)) =  
112     case keyCmp (k', k) of  
113     GREATER =>  
114         Node (L, (k, v), insert (k', v') R)  
115 | _ =>  
     Node (insert (k', v') L, (k, v), R)
```



```
splitAt : key -> 'a bst -> 'a bst * 'a bst
```

REQUIRES: true

ENSURES: `splitAt k' T` evaluates to `(A, B)` where `A` and `B` are BSTs such that

- Each entry of `T` is in either `A` or `B`
- `maxKey (A)` is less than or equal to `k'`
- `minKey (B)` is greater than or equal to `k'`

```
120 fun splitAt k' (Empty : 'a bst) = (Empty, Empty)
121   | splitAt k' (Node(L, (k, v), R)) =
122     case keyCmp(k', k) of
123       LESS => let
124         val (t1, t2) = splitAt k' L
125         in
126           (t1, Node(t2, (k, v), R))
127         end
128     | _ => let
129       val (t1, t2) = splitAt k' R
130       in
131         (Node(L, (k, v), t1), t2)
132       end
```

0625.14 (bst.sml)

```
136 fun merge (Empty : 'a bst, T2 : 'a bst) = T2
137     | merge (Node(L1, (k, v), R1), T2) : 'a bst =
138         let
139             val (L2, R2) = splitAt k T2
140         in
141             Node(
142                 merge (L1, L2),
143                 (k, v),
144                 merge (R1, R2))
145         end
```

0625.15 (bst.sml)

```
149 fun msort (Empty : 'a entry tree) = Empty
150     | msort (Node(L,x,R)) : 'a bst =
151     let
152         val (L',R') = (msort L, msort R)
153     in
154         insert x (merge (L',R'))
155     end
```

Check Your Understanding Verify that `msort` always produces a BST (a tree sorted by keys)

Check Your Understanding

Assuming T is balanced BST with n nodes, and keyCmp is $O(1)$, verify that

- `splitAt` has $O(\log n)$ work and span
- `insert` has $O(\log n)$ work and span

0 Notion of size: sum of sizes of T1 and T2

0.5 Assumption: keyCmp is $O(1)$, and T1, T2 are balanced BSTs of approximately the same size

1

$$S(0) = k$$

$$S(n) = k + S(n/2) + k' \log n$$

4

$$S(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log n} (k + k' \log n) \approx k \log n + k' (\log n)^2 \approx k' (\log n)^2$$

5 $S(n)$ is $O((\log n)^2)$

0 Notion of size: number n of nodes in T .

0.5 Assumption: keyCmp is $O(1)$, and T is balanced.

1

$$S(0) = k$$

$$S(n) = k + S(n/2) + k'(\log n)^2 + k''(\log n) \\ \approx S(n/2) + k'(\log n)^2$$

4

$$S(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log n} k'(\log n)^2 \approx k'(\log n)^3$$

5 $S(n)$ is $O((\log n)^3)$

Where's the lie?

The lie in the previous analysis was this: `msort` doesn't always produce a *balanced* BST, violating the assumption we made when analyzing `merge`.

Solutions?

- Have a single “rebalance” function that turns a BST into a balanced BST, which we run on the output of `msort`
- Rewrite `insert` and `merge` to maintain balance as an invariant

We'll take the latter approach, but not for a couple weeks.

- Can optimize tree search for either (best-case) work or span, but need to know “where to look” in tree to optimize both/further
- Sorting the tree (perhaps by keys) allows us to get better work and span
- Can implement merge sort for trees, with much better span
- But we need the trees to self-balance in order to actually achieve the stated bounds

- Continuation accumulators
- Control flow continuations
- Continuation Passing Style

Lecture ended here on 25
June 2021. You're not
expected to know anything
past here.

3 Lazy Combinator Tree Search

0625.3 (search.sml)

```
19 fun search' p Empty = NONE
20   | search' p (Node(L,x,R)) =
21     if p(x) then SOME x
22     else
23       (case (search' p L, search' p R) of
24         (SOME z, _) => SOME z
25         | (_, SOME z) => SOME z
26         | _ => NONE)
```

0625.16 (lazysearch.sml)

```
7 fun optOrElse (SOME x, _) = SOME x
8   | optOrElse (NONE, Y) = Y
9 infixr optOrElse
10
11 fun search (p: 'a pred) Empty = NONE
12   | search p (Node(L, x, R) : 'a tree) =
13     if p(x) then SOME x else
14     (search p L) optOrElse (search p R)
```

This is the span-optimized version because both arguments to `optOrElse` will get evaluated, in parallel (assuming adequate processors).

What about the work-optimized version?

0625.2 (search.sml)

```
9 fun search p Empty = NONE
10   | search p (Node(L,x,R)) =
11     if p(x) then SOME x
12     else
13       (case search p L of
14         (SOME z) => SOME z
15         | _ => search p R)
```


Recall SML is a **eager** language, and so will fully evaluate the arguments to a function before stepping into the function body.

So we can't define a “short-circuiting” `optOrElse` which only evaluates its second arg when its first argument is **NONE**.

we tell it not to be!

Recall the built-in type `unit`, which had only one value, `()`

```
datatype unit = ()
```

A value of type `unit -> t` is of the form

```
fn () => e
```

which we think of “e, suspended”, that is, e but tagged to not evaluate yet.

0625.17 (lazysearch.sml)

```
18 type 'a lazy = unit -> 'a
19 fun Eval (f: 'a lazy): 'a = f()
20 fun Suspend (x: 'a): 'a lazy = fn () => x
```

Claim Suspend is total

Claim If $e : t$ is valuable, $\text{Eval}(\text{fn } () \Rightarrow e)$ is valuable. In particular, for all values $v : t$, $\text{Eval}(\text{Suspend } v)$ is valuable.

```
val rec loop : string lazy =
  fn () => loop ()
```

```
elseTry : 'a option lazy * 'a option lazy -> 'a
```

```
option lazy
```

```
REQUIRES: true
```

```
ENSURES:
```

$$\text{Eval}(\text{elseTry}(f, g)) \cong \begin{cases} \text{Eval } f & \text{if Eval } f \text{ is not NONE} \\ \text{Eval } g & \text{if Eval}(f) \implies \text{NONE} \end{cases}$$

0625.18 (lazysearch.sml)

```
24 fun elseTry (f : 'a option lazy ,  
25             g : 'a option lazy)  
26           : 'a option lazy =  
27   fn () =>  
28   case f() of  
29     NONE => g()  
30     | X => X  
31 infixr elseTry
```

Search : 'a pred -> 'a tree -> 'a option lazy

REQUIRES: true

ENSURES:

$$\text{Search } p \ T \ () \cong \begin{cases} \text{SOME } (z) & \text{where } z \text{ is the top-leftmost element of } T \\ & \text{such that } p(z) \cong \text{true} \\ \text{NONE} & \text{if there is no such } z \end{cases}$$

0625.19 (lazysearch.sml)

```
35 fun Return (x:'a):'a option lazy =  
36   Suspend(SOME x)
```

0625.20 (lazysearch.sml)

```
40 fun Search p Empty = Suspend NONE  
41   | Search p (Node(L,x,R)) =  
42     if p(x) then Return x else  
43     Search p L else Try Search p R
```

Thank you!