Succinct Data Structures

Calculating Rank and Select

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Let the tree be represented by the bit string below:

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(1) 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0
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A B C D E F G

2n + 1 bits
1: Internal Node
0: External Node

Unifies data: Ensures that each node has either 2 children or 0 children
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Issue

Working in different namespaces

On one hand, we're \textit{counting by internal nodes} (number of 1's)

On the other hand, we're \textit{counting by position in the array} (internal and external nodes)
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If we can have bit strings of logarithmic size, we’re all set!
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$O(n / \lg n) \approx o(n)$
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\[
\begin{array}{c|c|c|c}
\frac{1}{2} \ lg(n) & \frac{1}{2} \ lg(n) & \frac{1}{2} \ lg(n) \\
\end{array}
\]

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The size of a chunk is $\lg^2 n$, so you only need $\lg(\lg(n))$ bits to write down the cumulative rank.
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**Step 3: Calculate Rank**

1. Find which chunk you’re in (integer division, since each chunk can be stored in an array from Step 1)
2. Find which subchunk you’re in (each subchunk stored in an array from Step 2)
3. Find rank of element in subchunk (use lookup table)

\[
\text{Rank} = \text{rank of chunk} + \\
\quad \text{rank of subchunk} + \\
\quad \text{rank of element in subchunk}
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\(O(1)\) time, \(O(\frac{n}{\lg(n)} \times \lg(\lg(n)))\) space
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Step 4: Calculate Select

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