# Space Efficient Data Structures and Algorithms in the Word-RAM Model

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#### Abstract

In this thesis we study space-efficient data structures for various combinatorial objects. We focus on succinct and compact data structures. Succinct data structures are data structures whose size is within the information theoretic lower bound plus a lower order term, whereas compact data structures are data structures whose size is a constant factor from the information theoretic lower bound.

We start by discussing the compact representation of unlabeled permutations, where the goal is to store a permutation  $\pi$  if we are permitted to reassign the labels of the elements, while supporting the following query: given k and i compute  $\pi^k(i)$  quickly.

We study this problem in several scenarios. In the first scenario the queries are answered by just examining the labels of the queried elements. In the second scenario we assign labels to the n elements from the label set  $\{1, \ldots, cn\}$  where  $c \geq 1$  is a constant. In the third scenario we assign labels to the n elements from the label set  $\{1, \ldots, cn^{1+\varepsilon}\}$  where c is a constant and  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ . We give tight upper and lower bounds in all the three scenarios and we are able to answer queries in constant time independent of k. Finally, as an application we show how to improve the representation of general (labeled) permutations using our results.

We then deviate from the general scheme of designing space-efficient data structures to designing space-efficient algorithms. We cover the problem of powering permutations in place. Given a permutation of n elements, stored as an array, we address the problem of replacing the permutation by its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power while using o(n) bits of extra storage. To this end, we first present an algorithm for inverting permutations that uses  $O(\lg^2 n)$  additional bits and runs in  $O(n \lg n)$  worst case time. This result is then generalized to the situation in which the permutation is to be replaced by its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power. We present an algorithm whose worst case running time is  $O(n \lg n)$  and uses  $O(\lg^2 n + \min\{k \lg n, n^{3/4+\varepsilon}\})$  additional bits.

Next, we cover data structures for range reporting. In range reporting problems a set S of n points in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is preprocessed such that the following query can be efficiently computed. Given an axis-aligned box Q return an aggregate function over  $S \cap Q$ . Range reporting problems have fundamental importance in computational geometry, and are interesting to study both for their optimality with respect to space and query time, and as tools employed to provide efficient solutions to various geometric problems.

We start by presenting a data structure that answers multi-dimensional range mode queries that improves a result by Chan et al. Then we present succinct data structures for one dimensional approximate color counting, one dimensional approximate median reporting, and one dimensional color reporting.

Our data structure for one dimensional approximate color counting answers queries in constant time, thus improving a result by Saladi, and our data structure for approximate median reporting in the special case when the points are in the rank space uses only O(n) bits, thus improving a result by Bose et al. Moreover, we show, somewhat counter-intuitively, that it is not necessary to store colors of the points in order to answer approximate color counting queries, nor the value of the points in order to answer approximate median reporting queries.

Finally, we present a dynamic data structure with restricted updates for one dimensional color reporting in the case when the points are in the rank space, and we present a fully dynamic succinct data structure for one dimensional range reporting.

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#### Dedication

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### Chapter 1

#### Introduction and Motivation

#### 1.1 Motivation

In modern computation the volume of data-sets has increased dramatically. Since the majority of these data-sets are stored in internal memory, reducing their storage requirement is an important research topic. One way of reducing storage is using succinct and compact data structures which maintain the data in compressed form with extra data structures over it in a way that allows efficient access and query of the data.

Succinct and compact data structures are data structures that emphasize space efficiency. The goal is to occupy as little space as possible while maintaining an efficient query time. More precisely, succinct data structures are data structures whose size is within the information theoretic lower bound plus a lower order term, while compact data structures are data structures whose size is constant factor from the information theoretic lower bound.

In general, the goal is to dramatically reduce the storage cost for structural information. For example, a suffix tree is a data structure that permits us to find all occurrences of a query string in time linear to the query. This is crucial in many applications including queries about the human genome. In that particular case, the suffix tree, naively implemented, takes about 80 times as much space as the raw data [78]. Succinct methods reduces this to a factor of about 2. Moreover, this enables data structures to be stored in a faster(smaller) level of memory and so permits queries to be answered much more quickly.

In what follows, we give a high level description of this thesis contributions.

#### 1.2 Thesis Outline and Contribution

The main theme of this thesis is designing succinct and compact data structures for various combinatorial objects, though we shift slightly from that theme to designing in-place or space-efficient algorithms in Chapter 4.

In Chapter 3 we discuss the compact representation of unlabeled permutations (i.e. permutations where the labels of the elements can be reassigned). Given an arbitrary unlabeled permutation  $\pi$ , we store it compactly such that  $\pi^k(i)$  can be computed quickly for any i and any integer power k. We consider the problem in several scenarios.

In the first scenario we assign labels to elements so that queries are answered by just examining the labels of the queried elements. We show that a label space of  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lfloor \frac{n}{i} \rfloor \cdot i$  is necessary and sufficient. In other words,  $2 \lg n$  bits of space are necessary and sufficient for representing each of the labels.<sup>1</sup> In the second scenario we assign labels to the n elements from the label set  $\{1,\ldots,cn\}$  where  $c\geq 1$  is a constant. We show that  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits are necessary and sufficient to represent the permutation. Moreover, we support queries in such a structure in O(1) time. Finally, in the third scenario we assign labels to the n elements from the label set  $\{1,\ldots,cn^{1+\varepsilon}\}$  where c is a constant and  $0<\varepsilon<1$ . We show that  $\Theta(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits are necessary and sufficient to represent the permutation. We can also support queries in such a structure in O(1) time. We note that the results of Chapter 3 are published in [34].

On the topic of permutations, we cover the problem of powering permutations in place in Chapter 4. Given a permutation of n elements, stored as an array, we address the problem of replacing the permutation by its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power. We aim to perform this operation quickly using o(n) bits of extra storage. To this end, we first present an algorithm for inverting permutations that uses  $O(\lg^2 n)$  additional bits and runs in  $O(n \lg n)$  worst case time. This result is then generalized to the situation in which the permutation is to be replaced by its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power. An algorithm whose worst case running time is  $O(n \lg n)$  and uses  $O(\lg^2 n + \min\{k \lg n, n^{3/4+\varepsilon}\})$  additional bits is presented. We note that the results of Chapter 4 are published in [33].

Then, we cover a bunch of data structures for range reporting problems. Range reporting problems are problems where a point set is preprocessed so that certain information

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>We use  $\lg n$  to denote  $\log_2 n$ 

about a query region can be efficiently computed. These problems are of fundamental importance in computational geometry, both in the study of their optimality with respect to space and query time, and as tools employed to provide efficient solutions to various geometric problems.

More formally, in range reporting problems a set S of n points in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is preprocessed such that the following query can be efficiently computed. Given a range  $Q = [l_1, r_1] \times \ldots \times [l_d, r_d]$  return an aggregate function over  $S \cap Q$ .

In Chapter 5, we present a data structure for multi-dimensional range mode queries. In this problem we have to preprocess a set of colored points S. Given a query range Q, the aim is to report the most frequent color (i.e., a mode) of the multiset of colors corresponding to the points in  $S \cap Q$ . When d = 1, Chan et al. [20] gave a data structure that requires  $O(n + (n/\Delta)^2/w)$  words and supports range mode queries in  $O(\Delta)$  time for any  $\Delta \geq 1$ , where  $w = \Omega(\log n)$  is the word size. Chan et al. also proposed a data structure for higher dimensions (i.e.,  $d \geq 2$ ) with  $O(s_n + (n/\Delta)^{2d})$  words and  $O(\Delta \cdot t_n)$  query time, where  $s_n$  and  $t_n$  denote the space and query time of a data structure that supports orthogonal range counting queries on the set S. We show that the space can be improved to  $O(s_n + (n/\Delta)^{2d}/w)$  words without any increase to the query time. When d = 1, the space and query time costs of our data structure match those achieved by the current best known one-dimensional data structure. We note that the results of Chapter 5 are published in [27, 28].

In Chapter 6 we present succinct data structures for one dimensional approximate color counting, one dimensional approximate median reporting, and one dimensional color reporting. We show, somewhat counter-intuitively, that it is not necessary to store colors of the points in order to answer approximate color counting queries, nor the value of the points in order to answer approximate median reporting queries.

In one dimensional color counting we are given a set of n points with integer coordinates in the range [1, m] and every point is assigned a color from the set  $\{1, \ldots, \sigma\}$ . A color counting query asks for the number of distinct colors in [a, b]. We describe a succinct data structure that answers approximate color counting queries in O(1) time and uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits, where  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) \approx n \lg m/n$  is the minimum number of bits required to represent an arbitrary set of size n from a universe of m elements. In the special case when points are in the rank space (i.e., when n = m), our data structure needs only O(n) bits. Also, we show that  $\Omega(n)$  bits are necessary in that case.

We then extend the techniques presented to describe a data structure for the one dimensional approximate median reporting problem. We are given a set of n points with integer coordinates in the range [1, m] and every point is assigned a value from the set

 $\{1,\ldots,U\}$ . An approximate-median reporting query asks for an element whose rank is between  $(\lfloor k/2 \rfloor - \alpha k)$  and  $(\lfloor k/2 \rfloor + \alpha k)$  in the query interval [a,b], where k is the number of points in [a,b], and  $\alpha$  is the approximation factor. We describe a succinct data structure that answers approximate range median queries in O(1) time and uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits. In the special case when points are in the rank space, our data structure needs only O(n) bits, thus improving a result from [16]. Also, we show that  $\Omega(n)$  bits are necessary in that case.

Then, we turn to one dimensional color reporting. We are given a set of n points with integer coordinates in the range [1, m] and every point is assigned a color from the set  $\{1, \ldots, \sigma\}$ . A color reporting query asks for the list of distinct colors that occur in a query interval [a, b]. We describe a data structure that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n, m) + n\mathcal{H}_d(S) + o(\mathcal{B}(n, m)) + o(n \lg \sigma)$  bits and answers queries in O(k+1) time, where k is the number of colors in the answer, and  $\mathcal{H}_d(S)$  ( $d = \log_{\sigma} n$ ) is the d-th order empirical entropy of the color sequence. We also consider succinct color reporting under restricted updates. Our dynamic data structure uses  $n\mathcal{H}_d(S) + o(n \lg \sigma)$  bits and supports queries in O(k+1) time.

We note that the results of Chapter 6 are published in [31].

Finally, in Chapter 7 we present a succinct dynamic data structure for the onedimensional range reporting problem where the goal is to maintain (under insertion and deletion) a set of integers S from a universe of size m to answer range reporting queries: Given an interval [a, b] for some  $a, b \in [m]$ , find a point in  $S \cap [a, b]$ . We describe a succinct data structure that supports updates in  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time and answers queries in optimal O(k)time where k is the number of points in the answer. This is the first dynamic data structure for this problem that uses succinct space and achieves optimal query time. We note that the results of Chapter 7 are to be published in [32].

### Chapter 2

#### **Preliminaries**

In this chapter we discuss terminology and some standard data structures and techniques that are useful throughout this thesis. We first define the word RAM model which is the model of computation to be used throughout this thesis (Section 2.1), then we give a more formal definition of space efficient data structures (Section 2.2), then we discuss bit vectors and sequences in details (Sections 2.3 and 2.4), finally, we present rank space reduction which is a useful technique in range reporting problems (Section 2.5).

#### 2.1 Word RAM Model

The computational model used throughout this thesis is the word random access machine model, or the word RAM model [1, 40]. The word RAM model is a realistic and natural model for describing modern computers although it does not take into account multilevel storage. Data is stored in words consisting of  $w \in \Omega(\lg n)$  bits, where n is the input size. Words can be read and written in constant time. Moreover, arithmetic (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division) and bitwise boolean operations (AND, OR, NOT, XOR, SHIFT etc.) can be performed in O(1) time on w-bit integers. We measure the running time of an algorithm in this model by counting the number of memory accesses and operations performed on words. The space cost can be measured by counting the number of words or the number of bits used by the algorithm.

#### 2.2 Space Efficient Data Structures

Since we can measure the space cost of a data structure in the word RAM model in terms of the number of bits used, a natural question to ask is: What is the smallest number of bits needed to represent an arbitrary combinatorial object of type  $\mathcal{X}$ ? The answer to this question is a lower bound for any data structure that represents  $\mathcal{X}$ .

The information theoretic lower bound for storing an element from a set  $\mathcal{X}$  is  $\lg N$  bits, where  $N = |\mathcal{X}|$  is the cardinality of  $\mathcal{X}$ . This is best illustrated with the archetypal example of representing a binary tree of n nodes. In this example  $\mathcal{X}$  is the set of all binary trees of size n, and in this case  $N = \binom{2n+1}{n}/(2n+1)$  (the  $n^{\text{th}}$  Catalan number). Thus, to represent a binary tree of n nodes  $\lg N = 2n - o(n)$  bits are required. We note that this is significantly better than the traditional pointer representation where each node stores a pointer to each of its left and right children (and potentially subtree size and other information), since such a representation requires  $\Theta(n \lg n)$  bits.

We say that a data structure is *succinct* if the space it uses matches the information theoretic lower bound plus a lower order term (i.e.  $\lg N + o(\lg N)$  bits). On the other hand, a data structure is *compact* if the space it uses is asymptotically the same as the information theoretic lower bound (i.e.  $\Theta(\lg N)$  bits). Moreover, in both cases, operations should be done efficiently.

This area of research goes back to the late eighties, started by Jacobson [59, 58]. However, in the context of space-efficient data structures, the first use of the word succinct was by Turán [95] in 1984, where he showed how to store a planar graph of size n in 12n bits. By our definitions his data structure is compact not succinct. Moreover, interestingly enough, the first use of the word compact in this context was by Van Dam and Evans [96] in 1967. For readable summaries about the area we refer the reader to the following summaries [76, 73]. We also note that the book Compact Data Structures: A Practical Approach [78] by Gonzalo Navarro is an excellent source on the topic.

#### 2.3 Bit Vectors

For the sake of completeness and since bit vectors are used extensively throughout this thesis, we cover them in detail in this section. A bit vector is a simple way to represent a set S whose elements come from the universe [m], where [m] denotes the set  $\{0, 1, \ldots, m-1\}$ . If  $i \in S$ , we set the i<sup>th</sup> bit in the bit vector to 1, otherwise we set it to 0. It is not hard to see that membership queries (checking whether a given element in [m] belongs to S) can

be answered in constant time by probing a single bit. In addition to membership queries, we would also like to support the following operations:

- rank (i): returns the number of 1s up to and including position i.
- select (i): return the position of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  1.

Given a bit vector of length m, Jacobson [59] gave a structure that takes o(m) additional bits of space and can support rank and select by making  $O(\lg m)$  bit inspections. However, the bits inspected were not necessarily contiguous and might depend on previous values read. Munro [69] (full details in [23]) enhanced this structure to support both operations in constant time, without increasing the space bound. In this section, we describe the details of this structure.

Supporting Rank. To answer rank queries in constant time, we store the following:

- We break the vector into blocks of size  $\lceil \lg^2 m \rceil$ , and we store in a table  $T_1$  the number of 1s up to the last position of each block. We also store in  $T_1$  references to all tables  $T_{2i}$  (described below) where  $0 \le i \le \lceil n/\lceil \lg^2 m \rceil \rceil$ . The space used by  $T_1$  is  $O(m/\lg m)$  bits.
- We break the blocks into sub-blocks of size  $\frac{1}{2}\lceil \lg m \rceil$ , and for each block i we store in a table  $T_{2i}$  the number of 1s from the start position of the block up to the last position of each sub-block. The space used by  $T_{2i}$  is  $O(\lg m \lg \lg m)$  bits. The total space required by all such tables is  $O(m \lg \lg m / \lg m)$  bits.
- For every possible sub-block, we store a table  $T_3$  that gives the number of 1s up-to every possible position. Since there is  $O(\sqrt{m})$  distinct sub-blocks,  $T_3$  requires  $O(\sqrt{m} \lg m \lg \lg m)$  bits.

To answer rank (x), let  $i = \lfloor x/\lceil \lg^2 m \rceil \rfloor$  be the index of the block containing x, we compute  $j_1$  the number of ones up to position  $(i \cdot \lceil \lg^2 m \rceil)$  using table lookup on  $T_1$ . Let  $k = \lfloor (x - i \cdot \lceil \lg^2 m \rceil)/(\frac{1}{2}\lceil \lg m \rceil) \rfloor$  be the index of the sub-block containing x, using table lookup on  $T_{2i}$  we compute  $j_2$  the number of ones up to the last position in the (k-1)-th sub-block of the i<sup>th</sup> block of S. Finally using table lookup on  $T_3$ , we get  $j_3$  the number of ones up to position  $(x - i \cdot \lceil \lg^2 m \rceil - k \cdot \frac{1}{2}\lceil \lg m \rceil)$  in the k<sup>th</sup> sub-block of the i<sup>th</sup> block of S, and we return  $(j_1 + j_2 + j_3)$ .

**Supporting Select.** Supporting select queries is more complex than supporting rank queries. We store the following:

- In a table  $T_1$ , we store the position of every  $\lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil$ )-th 1 bit in the bit vector. Also, we store in  $T_1$  references to all tables  $T_{2i}$  (described below) where  $0 \le i \le \lceil n/\lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil \rceil$ .  $T_1$  requires  $O(m/\lg \lg m)$  bits.
- Let r be the sub-range between the  $i^{\text{th}}$  1 and the  $(i+1)^{\text{th}}$  1 in  $T_1$ . If  $r \geq \lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil^2$ , we store all the positions of all ones in this subrange in the table  $T_{2i}$ . In this case,  $T_{2i}$  requires  $O(\lg^2 m \lg \lg m)$  bits. However, there can be at most  $m/\lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil^2$  such sub-ranges. Thus, the total space required by such tables is  $O(m/\lg \lg m)$  bits. If  $r < \lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil^2$  we store the position of every  $\lceil \lg r \lg \lg m \rceil$ -th one bit in the sub-range. In this case,  $T_{2i}$  requires  $O(r/\lg \lg m)$  bits, and the total space of such tables is  $O(m/\lg \lg m)$  bits.
- After one more level of subdivision, the range size will be at most  $(\lg \lg m)^4$ . We use a precomputed table  $T_3$  that requires o(m) bits to store answers of all select queries on every possible bit vector of that size.

To answer select (x), we check if x is a multiple of  $\lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil$ . If so we can answer select(x) using table lookup on  $T_1$ . Let  $i = \lfloor x/\lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil \rfloor$ . Using table lookup on  $T_1$ , we get  $j_1$  the index of the  $(i \cdot \lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil)$ -th one in S and  $j_2$  the index of the  $((i+1) \cdot \lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil)$ -th one in S. If  $r = j_2 - j_1 \ge \lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil^2$  we get  $j_3$  the index of the  $(x - i \cdot \lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil)$ -th one in the subdivision between  $j_1$  and  $j_2$  using table lookup on  $T_{2i}$ , and we return  $(j_1 + j_3)$ . Let  $k = \lfloor (x - i \cdot \lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil) / \lceil \lg r \lg \lg m \rceil \rfloor$ . Using table lookup on  $T_{2i}$ , we get  $j_4$  the index of the  $(k \cdot \lceil \lg r \lg \lg m \rceil)$ -th one in the subdivision between  $j_1$  and  $j_2$ , and  $j_5$  the index of the  $((k+1) \cdot \lceil \lg r \lg \lg m \rceil)$ -th one in the subdivision between  $j_1$  and  $j_2$ . Finally using table lookup on  $T_3$ , we get  $j_6$  the index of the  $(x-i \cdot \lceil \lg m \lg \lg m \rceil - k \cdot \lceil \lg r \lg \lg m \rceil)$ -th one in the subdivision between  $j_4$  and  $j_5$ , then we return  $(j_1 + j_4 + j_6)$ .

An immediate use of rank and select queries, is the ability to support the successor and predecessor queries.

**Supporting Predecessor.** The predecessor of an element x, is the largest element y < x such that  $y \in S$ . To answer predecessor (x) we return select  $(\operatorname{rank}(x) - 1)$  if  $x \in S$ , otherwise we return select  $(\operatorname{rank}(x))$ .

**Supporting Successor.** The successor of an element x, is the smallest element y > x such that  $y \in S$ . To answer successor (x) we return select  $(\operatorname{rank}(x) + 1)$ .

**Theorem 1** ([69]). A bit vector of length m can be represented in m + o(m) bits, such that rank, select, membership, predecessor and successor queries can be answered in constant time.

In special cases when the number of 1s and the number of 0s in the bit vector are not proportional to each other, the space in the previous theorem can be improved.

**Theorem 2** ([87]). A bit vector of length m can be represented in  $\lg \binom{m}{n} + O(m \lg \lg m / \lg m)$  bits where n is the number of 1s in the vector, such that rank, select, membership, predecessor and successor queries can be answered in constant time.

#### 2.4 Sequences

In classical information theory, one assumes that there is an infinite source that emits elements according to some distribution. A fundamental result of information theory is that, if the elements are being emitted independently, the minimum possible average code length for unambiguous codes is the *Shannon entropy* defined as  $\mathcal{H} = -\sum_{i}(p_{i} \lg p_{i})$ , where  $p_{i}$  is the probability of symbol i, and  $0 \lg 0$  is assumed to be 0.

A sequence is a string of finite size over an alphabet  $\Sigma = \{1, ..., \sigma\}$ . Given a sequence S over an alphabet  $\Sigma = [1...\sigma]$ , we obtain the empirical entropy of S by taking its Shannon entropy and substituting  $p_i$  with  $(n_i/n)$ , where  $n_i$  is the number of occurrences of symbol i in S and n is the length of S. The zero'th order empirical entropy is defined as:  $\mathcal{H}_0 = -\sum_i ((n_i/n) \lg (n_i/n))$ , and  $n\mathcal{H}_0(S)$  would be the size of an ideal compressor that uses  $-\lg (n_i/n)$  bits to represent symbol i.

This compression ratio can be improved if the code of each symbol was a function of itself and the k symbols preceding it. For any k symbol string  $W \in \Sigma^k$  let  $S_W$  denote the subsequence of S that contains the symbols following W in S. The k-the order empirical entropy is defined as:  $\mathcal{H}_k = -\sum_i (|S_W|/n)\mathcal{H}_0(S_W)$ , and  $n\mathcal{H}_k(S)$  is a lower bound on storing S for any compression scheme that uses codes depending only on the k most recently seen symbols.

In the context of succinct data structures we need to store a sequence in a compressed form and support the following operations:

- access(i): returns the *i*-th character in S.
- rank (i, a): returns the count of the occurrences of symbol a in the first i positions of S.
- select (i, a): finds the position where the symbol a occurs for the i-th time.

The state of the art results on static sequences is due to the following theorem by Belazzougui1 and Navarro [11].

**Theorem 3** ([11]). A string S over an alphabet of size  $\sigma$  can be represented using  $n\mathcal{H}_k(S)$ +  $o(n \lg \sigma)$  bits for any  $k = o(n \lg_{\sigma} n)$  so that operation access can be solved in constant time, operation rank can be solved in time  $O(\lg(\lg \sigma/\lg w))$ , and operation select can be solved in time  $O(f(n, \sigma))$  for any function  $f(n, \sigma)$  satisfying  $\omega(1) = f(n, \sigma) = o(\lg(\lg \sigma/\lg w))$ .

#### 2.5 Reduction to Rank Space

Rank space reduction is a useful technique for range reporting problems first presented by Alstrup [3]. Using this technique, we can reduce a d-dimensional range reporting problem on a set P to the special case when all points have distinct coordinates that are integers bounded by n, where n is the number of points in the data structure. In what follows we briefly describe this reduction technique.

Given some integer x, for each i where  $1 \leq i \leq d$  denote by  $r_i(x)$  the rank of x among the  $i^{\text{th}}$  coordinate of all the points in P. Let P' be the set of n points formed by replacing the  $i^{\text{th}}$  coordinate of each point  $p \in P$  denoted by  $p_i$  with  $r_i(p_i)$ . Any range reporting query  $\mathcal{Q} = [a_1, b_1] \times [a_d, b_d]$  on P is equivalent to a range reporting query  $\mathcal{Q} = [r_1(a_1), r_1(b_1)] \times [r_d(a_d), r_d(b_d)]$  on P'. Suppose that we can answer range reporting queries  $\mathcal{Q}$  (e.g., a color reporting or a color counting query) on P' in time  $t_q(n)$  using an s(n)-space data structure. Suppose that we can answer predecessor queries on some set in time t'(n) using an s'(n)-space data structure. Then, it follows that we can answer range reporting queries  $\mathcal{Q}$  on P in time  $t(n) + d \cdot t'(n)$  using an  $(s(n) + d \cdot s'(n))$ -space data structure.

### Chapter 3

### Compact Unlabeled Permutations

#### 3.1 Introduction and Motivation

A permutation  $\pi$  is a bijection from the set  $\{1, \ldots, n\}$  to itself. Given a permutation  $\pi$  on an n element set, our problem is to preprocess the set, assigning a unique label to each element, to obtain a data structure with minimum space to support the following query: given a label i, determine  $\pi^k(i)$  quickly where k is an arbitrary (not fixed) integer and  $\pi^k$  is the  $k^{\text{th}}$  power of  $\pi$ . We denote such queries by  $\pi^k()$ . Moreover, we assume that k is bounded by some polynomial function in n.

We are interested in *compact*, or highly-space efficient data structures. Our aim is to develop data structures whose size is within a constant factor of the information theoretic lower bound. Designing compact data structures is an area of interest in theory and practice motivated by the need of storing large amount of data using the smallest space possible.

Permutations are fundamental in computer science and are studied extensively. They are commonly used as a basic building block for space efficient encoding of strings [5, 45, 79, 92], binary relations [7, 9], integer functions [74] and many other combinatorial objects. Several papers have looked into problems related to permutation generation [93], permuting in place [38] etc. Others have dealt with the problem of space-efficient representation of restricted classes of permutations, like the permutations representing the lexicographic order of the suffixes of a string [50, 55], or the so-called approximately min-wise independent

permutations [18], which are used for document similarity estimation. Since there are exactly n! permutations, the number of bits required to represent a permutation of length n is  $\lceil \lg(n!) \rceil \sim n \lg n - n \lg e + O(\lg n)$  bits. Munro et al. [74] studied the space efficient representation of general permutations where general powers can be computed quickly. They gave a representation taking the optimal  $\lceil \lg(n!) \rceil + o(n)$  bits where  $\pi()$  and  $\pi^{-1}()$  can be computed in  $O(\lg n / \lg \lg n)$  time, and a representation taking  $((1 + \varepsilon)n \lg n)$  bits where  $\pi^k()$  can be computed in constant time for any k.

In this chapter we study the space-efficient representation of permutations where labels can be freely reassigned. This problem is similar to the problem of representing unlabeled equivalence relations [65, 27, 30]. In that problem one is given a partition of an n element set into equivalence classes. The goal is to preprocess the partition and assign a unique label to each element, obtaining a data structure to answer the following query: given two elements, are they in the same equivalence class. We note that a permutation of n elements can be decomposed into a set of disjoint cycles whose lengths form an integer partition of n. Two permutations are considered equivalent by relabelling if there cycles lengths form the same integer partition. In the case when the label space is n, both problems are similar since they become equivalent to storing an integer partition of n as we will show in Section 3.4. We note that the number of integer partitions of n is by the Hardy-Ramanujan formula [53] asymptotically equivalent to  $\frac{1}{4n\sqrt{3}}e^{\pi}\sqrt{\frac{2n}{3}}$ ; thus the information theoretic lower bound for storing an integer partition is  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits.

Our problem differs from representing equivalence relations when the label space exceeds n. For the case of equivalence relations, once the label space increases to  $(1+\varepsilon)n$  for any constant  $\varepsilon > 0$  the data structure size decreases from  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits to  $\Theta(\lg n)$  bits. This result is shown in [27, 30]. The main reason for this drastic decrease in auxiliary storage size is that as the label space increases, it is not necessary to keep track of the exact sizes of the equivalence classes; keeping track of an approximation of their sizes is sufficient. On the other hand, for the case of permutations it is always necessary to know the exact size of each cycle. Thus, as we increase the label space we will not witness such a decrease in auxiliary storage size.

We study this problem in several scenarios; thus, showing the tradeoffs between label space and auxiliary storage size for the stated problem. In Section 3.3, we cover the scenario where queries are to be answered by just examining the labels of the queried elements. We show that a label space of  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \lfloor \frac{n}{i} \rfloor \cdot i$  is necessary and sufficient. Then, we show that with a label space of  $n^2$  queries can be answered in constant time. In Section 3.4, we cover the scenario where labels can be assigned from the set  $\{1,\ldots,n\}$ . We show that  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits are necessary and sufficient to represent the permutation. We use the same data structure

as the main structure in [65]. However, we optimize it to achieve constant query time while using only  $O(\sqrt{n})$  bits. Section 3.5 contains the main result of this chapter. We cover the scenario where labels can be assigned from the set  $\{1,\ldots,cn^{1+\varepsilon}\}$  where c is a constant and  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ . We show that  $\Theta(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits are necessary and sufficient to represent the permutation, and we support queries in such a structure in O(1) time in the standard word-RAM model.

Finally as an application to our new data structures, we give a representation of a labeled permutation that takes  $s(n) + O(\sqrt{n})$  bits and can answer  $\pi^k()$  in  $O(t_f + t_i)$  time, where s(n) denotes the number of bits required for a representation R to store a labeled permutation, and  $t_f$  and  $t_i$  are the time needed for R to support  $\pi()$  and  $\pi^{-1}()$ . This result improves Theorem 3.3 in [74].

We note that the results of this chapter are published in [34].

#### 3.2 Definitions

A permutation  $\pi$  is a bijection from the set  $\{1, \ldots, n\}$  to itself, and we denote its inverse bijection as  $\pi^{-1}$ . We also extend the definition to arbitrary integer power of  $\pi$  as follows:

$$\pi^{k}(i) = \begin{cases} \pi^{k+1}(\pi^{-1}(i)) & k < 0\\ i & k = 0\\ \pi^{k-1}(\pi(i)) & k > 0 \end{cases}$$

A permutation can be viewed as a set of disjoint cycles. Since we are working with unlabeled permutations, we have the freedom to assign the labels in any way. In all our labeling schemes elements within the same cycle will get a block of consecutive labels. Furthermore, the blocks for cycles of the same length will be contiguous. For example the elements of the first cycle of length l will get labels from the interval [s, s+l-1] for some integer s such that  $\pi(i) = i+1$  for  $i \in [s, s+l-2]$  and  $\pi(s+l-1) = s$ . The elements of the second cycle of length l will get labels in the range [s+l, s+2l-1], and so on. Thus, given a label i and an integer k, to answer  $\pi^k(i)$  it is sufficient to compute l the length of the cycle that i belongs to, and s the smallest index of an element that belongs to a cycle of length l. Now, it is not hard to verify that  $\pi^k(i) = s + rl + ((p+k)\%l)$  where  $r = \lfloor (i-s)/l \rfloor$ , p = i - (s+rl), and % denotes the modulo operation.

For example suppose that we have two cycles of length 5 which we assign labels from [10, 14] and [15, 19]. To compute  $\pi^2(16)$  notice that l = 5, s = 10,  $r = \lfloor (16 - 10)/5 \rfloor = 1$ , p = 16 - (10 + 5) = 1, so  $\pi^2(16) = 10 + 5 + (1 + 2)\%5 = 18$ .

Notice that the multiset formed by the cycle lengths of a given permutation  $\pi$  over an n-element set will form an integer partition of the integer n. An integer partition p of n is a multiset of positive integers that sum to n. We call these positive integers the elements of p, and we denote by |p| this number of elements. We say that an integer partition p of p of p of p dominates an integer partition p of p where p if p is a subset of p. For example, the integer partition p of p of 20 dominates the integer partition p of p of 10, but not the integer partition p of 10. Given an integer partition p of p we define a part p of size p to be a collection of elements in p that sum to p. We say that an integer p if p if p contains p integers p and one integer p mod p. Furthermore, we say that two parts intersect if they share at least one common element; otherwise, they are non-intersecting. For example the integer partition p of 10 contains the following parts: part p of size 1, part p of size 4, part p of size 5, part p of size 5, part p of size 6, part p of size 9 and part p of size 10. We say that 5 fills the parts p and p of p are non-intersecting.

Finally, we give two observations that we will use repeatedly.

**Observation 1.** M not necessarily distinct integers  $m_0, \ldots, m_{M-1}$  ordered such that  $m_i \leq m_{i+1}$  for  $i \in [0, N-1]$  can be represented in O(N+M) bits such that the  $i^{\text{th}}$  integer  $m_i$  can be accessed in O(1) time.

Proof. Store the values  $m_0$  and  $(m_i - m_{i-1})$  for i = 1, ..., M-1 represented in unary with a 0 separator between each two consecutive values in a bit vector  $\psi$  as described in Section 2.3. Also store a select structure on  $\psi$  to identify the 0s quickly, and a rank structure to count the 1s quickly. To get the integer  $m_i$ , count the number of 1s before the  $i^{\text{th}}$  0 in  $\psi$ .

**Observation 2.** M positive integers  $m_0, \ldots, m_{M-1}$  that sum to N can be represented in O(N+M) bits such that the  $i^{\text{th}}$  integer  $m_i$  can be accessed in O(1) time, the partial sum  $\sum_{j=1}^{i} m_j$  can be computed in O(1) time, and given an integer x we can compute the biggest index i such that  $\sum_{j=1}^{i} m_j \leq x$  in O(1) time.

Proof. Store the values  $m_i$  for i = 0, ..., M-1 represented in unary with a 0 separator between each two consecutive values in a bit vector  $\psi$  as described in Section 2.3. Also store a select structure on  $\psi$  to identify the 1s and 0s quickly, and a rank structure to count the 1s and 0s quickly. To get the integer  $m_i$ , subtract the number of 1s before the  $i^{\text{th}}$  0 from the number of 1s before the  $(i-1)^{\text{th}}$  0 in  $\psi$ . To compute the partial sum value  $\sum_{j=1}^{i} m_j$ , count the number of 1s before the  $i^{\text{th}}$  0 in the bit vector  $\psi$ . Given x, to compute

the biggest index i such that  $\sum_{j=1}^{i} m_j \leq x$ , get the index i of the  $x^{\text{th}}$  1  $\psi$  then return the number of 0s before i.

Note that if we are allowed to reorder the numbers in Observation 2, we can reduce the size of the representation to  $O(\sqrt{N})$  bits without compromising the constant runtime of the stated operations since the problem becomes equivalent to storing an integer partition of N.

#### 3.3 Direct Labeling Scheme

In this section we cover the problem where queries are answered by computing directly from the labels without using any auxiliary storage except for the value of n. We show that a label space of  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \lfloor \frac{n}{i} \rfloor \cdot i$  is necessary and sufficient to represent the permutation. Moreover, we show that with a label space of  $n^2$ , we can compute  $\pi^k()$  in constant time.

**Theorem 4.** Given a permutation  $\pi$ , a label space of  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \lfloor \frac{n}{i} \rfloor \cdot i < n^2$  is necessary and sufficient to represent the permutation.

*Proof.* To show that this many labels are necessary, consider a labeling scheme for this problem. It reserves a set of labels for each cycle to ensure that queries are answered correctly by looking only at the labels. Consider the labels assigned by such a scheme for the following collection C of n permutations. The i<sup>th</sup> permutation  $C_i$  of C contains  $\lfloor n/i \rfloor$  cycles each of length i and one cycle of length  $n - \lfloor n/i \rfloor \cdot i$ .

Note that for each  $C_i$  the labels assigned to the elements of the  $\lfloor n/i \rfloor$  cycles of length i can not be reused for the elements of any cycle of length different than i. This happens because for any label x, we can obtain the length of the cycle that x belongs to by searching for the smallest positive integer k such that  $\pi^k(x) = x$ . Thus, a label space of  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lfloor \frac{n}{i} \rfloor \cdot i$  is necessary.

For the upper bound observe that there exist at most  $\lfloor n/i \rfloor$  cycles of length i. We assign labels from the set of integers in the range [0,n-1] for all the elements in cycles of length 1, and labels from the set of integers in the range  $[\sum_{j=1}^{i-1}(\lfloor \frac{n}{j} \rfloor \cdot j) + (r-1)i, \sum_{j=1}^{i-1}(\lfloor \frac{n}{j} \rfloor \cdot j) + ri-1]$  for the elements in the  $r^{\text{th}}$  cycle of length i, where  $1 \leq r \leq \lfloor n/i \rfloor$ . Given a label x, to answer a query  $\pi^k(x)$  we find the biggest integer l such that  $s = \sum_{j=1}^{l-1} \lfloor \frac{n}{j} \rfloor \cdot j \leq x$ . Next, we compute  $r = \lfloor (x-s)/l \rfloor$  and p = x - (s+rl) then we return s + rl + ((p+k)%l).  $\square$ 

To answer queries in constant time we extend the label space marginally to  $n^2$ . Then we assign labels from the set of integers in the range [0, n-1] for all the elements in cycles of length 1, and labels from the set of integers in the range [n(i-1)+(r-1)i,n(i-1)+ri-1] for the elements in the  $r^{\text{th}}$  cycle of length i, where  $1 \leq r \leq \lfloor n/i \rfloor$ . Given a label x, to answer a query  $\pi^k(x)$  we find  $l = \lfloor x/n \rfloor + 1$ . Next, we compute s = (l-1)n,  $r = \lfloor (x-s)/l \rfloor$  and p = x - (s+rl) then we return s + rl + ((p+k)%l).

**Theorem 5.** Given a permutation  $\pi$ , we can assign to each of the elements a label in the range of  $\{1, \ldots, n^2\}$  such that  $\pi^k()$  can be computed in constant time by looking only at the labels.

#### 3.4 Compact Data Structures with Label Space n

In this section we consider the scenario where the n elements are to be assigned labels in the range 1 to n. The queries can be answered by looking at an auxiliary data structure. Moreover, we have the freedom to assign the labels in any way.

Following [65], the information theoretic lower bound for the representation of a permutation is the number of partitions of n, which by the Hardy-Ramanujan formula [53] is asymptotically equivalent to  $\frac{1}{4n\sqrt{3}}e^{\pi\sqrt{\frac{2n}{3}}}$ . Thus, the information theoretic lower bound for representing a permutation is  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits of space.

We will use the same data structure as the main structure in [65], however we will optimize it to achieve constant query time while using only  $O(\sqrt{n})$  bits. Given  $\pi$  let m be the number of distinct cycle sizes in  $\pi$  and let  $s_1, \ldots, s_m$  be the distinct sizes of the cycles. For i = 1 to m let  $n_i$  be the number of cycles of size  $s_i$ . We order the cycles in non-decreasing order by  $\gamma_i = s_i n_i$  so that for i = 1 to m - 1,  $s_i n_i \leq s_{i+1} n_{i+1}$ . Notice that since

$$\sum_{i=1}^{m} s_i n_i = n \text{ and } s_i n_i \ge i \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, m,$$

m is at most  $\sqrt{2n}$ . The primary data structure is made up of two sequences:

- the sequence  $\vec{\delta}$  that consists of  $\delta_1 = s_1 n_1$  and  $\delta_i = s_i n_i s_{i-1} n_{i-1}$ , for  $i = 2, \ldots, m$  and
- the sequence  $\vec{n}$  that consists of  $n_i$ , for i = 1, ..., m.

We represent the elements of the two sequences in binary. Since the lengths of the elements may vary, we store two other sequences that shadow the primary sequences. The shadow sequences have a 1 at the starting point of each element in the shadowed sequence and a 0 elsewhere. Also we store a select structure on the two shadow sequences in order to identify the 1s quickly. It is proved in [65] these sequences can be stored in  $O(\sqrt{n})$  bits.

The sequences  $\vec{\delta}$  and  $\vec{n}$  give an implicit ordering of the elements. We assign the first  $s_1n_1$  labels to the elements of the cycles with length  $s_1$ , and then we assign the next  $s_2n_2$  labels to the elements of the cycles with length  $s_2$ , and so on.

Define the predecessor of an element x to be the maximum index j satisfying the condition that  $\sum_{i=1}^{j} s_i n_i < x$ . We store an array A where  $A[i] = \max\{j \mid \sum_{t=1}^{j} s_t n_t \leq i(i+1)/2\}$ , for i = 1 to  $\sqrt{2n}$ . Next, we prove a modified version of Lemma 2 in [65].

**Lemma 6.** The predecessor p(x) of an integer x in the sequence  $\sum_{t=1}^{i} s_t n_t$ , i = 1 to m is in the range  $[A[\lfloor \sqrt{2x} \rfloor - 1], A[\lfloor \sqrt{2x} \rfloor - 1] + 5]$ .

*Proof.* Let  $i = \lfloor \sqrt{2x} \rfloor - 1$ . Without loss of generality assume that  $i \geq 6$ , since for x < 25 we can store p(x) explicitly in  $O(\lg n)$  bits. Notice that:

$$i(i+1)/2 \le (\sqrt{2x}-1)\sqrt{2x}/2 \le x$$

and

$$x \le \sqrt{2x}(\sqrt{2x} + 1)/2 \le (i+2)(i+3)/2$$

For 
$$j = A[i] + 1$$
,  $\sum_{t=1}^{j-1} s_t n_t \le i(i+1)/2$ , so  $j - 1 \le i$  and  $j \le i+1$ . Since  $\sum_{t=1}^{j} s_t n_t > i(i+1)/2$ ,  $s_j n_j \ge i(i+1)/(2j) \ge i/2$ . Hence,  $\sum_{t=1}^{j+5} s_t n_t \ge (i+2)(i+3)/2 \ge x$ .

We can obtain the actual value of p(x) by checking at most six numbers. Moreover, we can store A using  $O(\sqrt{n})$  bits using the method described in Observation 1.

In the standard word-RAM model, computing  $\sqrt{x}$  is not a constant time operation. The standard Newton's iterative method uses  $O(\lg \lg n)$  operations. Following [65], we can use a look-up to precomputed tables and finds  $\sqrt{x}$  in constant time. We use two tables, one when the number of bits up to the most significant bit of x is odd, denoted by O, and one when the number of bits is even, denoted by E. For  $i = 1, \ldots, \lceil \sqrt{2n} \rceil$ , we store in E[i] the value of  $\lfloor \sqrt{i2^{\lceil \lg i \rceil}} \rfloor$ , and in O[i] the value of  $\lfloor \sqrt{i2^{\lceil \lg i \rceil - 1}} \rfloor$ . E and O can be stored in  $O(\sqrt{n})$  bits by storing them using the method described in Observation 1. We summarize with:

**Lemma 7.** For  $i \leq n$ ,  $\lfloor \sqrt{i} \rfloor$  can be computed in constant time using a precomputed table of  $O(\sqrt{n})$  bits.

For each i where at least one of the bit locations of  $\delta_i$  in  $\vec{\delta}$  is a multiple of  $(\varepsilon \lg n)$ , we store the partial sum value  $\sum_{j=1}^{i} (s_j n_j)$  and the value of  $s_i n_i$ . Moreover, for every possible sequence of  $\delta$  values  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \ldots, \delta_o$  of length  $(\varepsilon \lg n)$  and its corresponding shadow sequence, we store in a table T the values  $\sum_{j=1}^{h} (\sum_{f=1}^{j} \delta_f)$ . To compute  $\sum_{j=1}^{i} (s_j n_j)$  for an arbitrary index i, we find the biggest index  $v \leq i$  that has its partial sum value stored. Notice that  $\sum_{j=1}^{i} (s_j n_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{v} (s_j n_j) + (i-v)s_v n_v + \sum_{j=v+1}^{i} (\sum_{f=v+1}^{j} \delta_f)$ . Since we can obtain these values using table lookup on T, we can compute the partial sum at an arbitrary index i by computing the partial sum at i-1 and subtracting it from the partial sum at i. Finally, we can compute  $s_i$  by computing  $s_i n_i$  and dividing it by  $n_i$ . By choosing  $\varepsilon < 1/4$ , the size of T becomes  $o(\sqrt{n})$  bits.

Answering Queries: Given a label x, to compute  $\pi^k(x)$  we first find the predecessor p(x) of x by querying A and checking at most 6 different values. Next we compute the partial sum value  $s = \sum_{i=1}^{p(x)-1} (n_i s_i)$ . Then, we compute  $r = \lfloor (x-s)/s_{p(x)} \rfloor$  and  $p = x - (s + r s_{p(x)})$  then we return  $s + r s_{p(x)} + ((p+k)\%l)$ .

**Theorem 8.** Given an unlabeled permutation of n elements,  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits are necessary and sufficient for storing the permutation if each element is to be given a unique label in the range  $\{1, 2, ..., n\}$ . Moreover, there is a structure of  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits such that  $\pi^k()$  can be computed in O(1) time.

## 3.5 Compact Data Structures with Extended Label Space

In this section we consider the scenario where the n elements are to be assigned labels in the range 1 to  $cn^{1+\varepsilon}$  where c is a constant and  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ . As in Section 3.4 we assign an implicit ordering of the elements, and queries can be answered by looking at an auxiliary data structure.

Given  $\pi$ , we divide the cycles in  $\pi$  into four different groups and handle each group appropriately. Let  $k_3$  be the number of cycles of size  $\leq n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}$ , and let  $\{s_1, \ldots, s_{k_3}\}$  be the sizes of those cycles. For i=1 to  $k_3$  let  $n_i$  be the number of cycles of size  $s_i$ . Without loss of generality we define  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  such that:

- $\gamma_i = s_i n_i \le (\sqrt{c} n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2})/2 = \eta$ , for  $1 \le i \le k_1$ .
- $s_i \le n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}$  and  $\gamma_i > \eta$ , for  $k_1 < i \le k_2$ .
- $n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2} < s_i \le n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}$  and  $\gamma_i > \eta$ , for  $k_2 < i \le k_3$ .

Let  $l_{k_3+1}, \ldots, l_{k_4}$  be the size of the cycles that are bigger than  $n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}$ . Note that the  $l_i$   $(i = k_3 + 1 \text{ to } k_4)$  values are not necessarily unique.

Case 1 ( $1 \le i \le k_1$ ): We reserve the first  $(cn^{1+\varepsilon})/4$  labels to handle all possible cycle sizes when  $\gamma_i \le \eta$ . We assign labels to the elements in the cycles that satisfy this criteria in a similar method to the labeling scheme described in Theorem 5. To be more specific, we assign labels from the set of integers in the range  $[0, \eta - 1]$  for all the elements in cycles of length 1, and assign labels from the set of integers in the range  $[\eta(j-1), \eta j-1]$  for all the elements in cycles of length j, where  $2 \le j \le \eta$ . This covers all the elements of the cycles of sizes  $s_1, \ldots, s_{k_1}$ , and increases the label space by at most  $\eta^2 = (cn^{1+\varepsilon})/4$ . Let  $B_1 = (cn^{1+\varepsilon})/4$ .

Case 2  $(k_1 + 1 \le i \le k_2)$ : We order the  $s_i$  values in increasing order and make all cycles of size  $s_i$  fill a part whose length is  $c_i\eta$ , a multiple of  $\eta$ . Notice that  $(k_2 - k_1) < n/\eta$  since  $\gamma_i > \eta$ , so the label space will increase by at most n. Since  $\sum_{i=k_1+1}^{k_2} (c_i) \le (2n)/\eta = O(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$ , we can store the  $c_i$  values in  $O(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits using the method described in Observation 2. Moreover, we store a bit vector  $\psi$  of size  $n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}$  to identify the  $s_i$  values, and we store a select structure on  $\psi$  to identify the 1s quickly. We assign labels in the range  $[B_1, B_1 + c_{(k_1+1)}\eta - 1]$  to the elements in cycles of size  $s_{(k_1+2)}$ , then we assign the next  $c_{(k_1+2)}\eta$  labels to elements in cycles of size  $s_{(k_1+2)}$ , and so on. Let  $B_2 = B_1 + \sum_{j=k_1+1}^{k_2} c_j\eta$ .

Case 3  $(k_2 + 1 \le i \le k_3)$ : We make all cycles of size  $s_i$  fill a part whose length is  $c_i\eta$ , a multiple of  $\eta$ . As in case 2, we store the  $c_i$  values in  $O(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits using the method described in Observation 2. To identify the  $s_i$  values: we order them in increasing order of  $r_i = s_i\%(16n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/c)$  and store the  $r_i$  values in  $O(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits using the method described in Observation 1, then we store the value of  $q_i = s_i/(16n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/c) \le (cn^{\varepsilon}/16)$  in the label of each element that is in a cycle of size  $s_i$ . Now  $s_i = q_i(16n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/c) + r_i$ . Let  $\beta_1$  be equal to  $\sum_{i=k_2+1}^{k_3} c_i\eta$ . We assign labels in the range

$$\left[ B_2 + q_i 2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_1) \rceil} + \sum_{j=k_2+1}^{i-1} c_j \eta, \quad B_2 + q_i 2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_1) \rceil} + \sum_{j=k_2+1}^{i} c_j \eta - 1 \right]$$

to the elements in the cycles of size  $s_i$ . The label space will increase by at most  $(cn^{\varepsilon}/16)2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_1) \rceil} + \beta_1 \leq (cn^{1+\varepsilon})/4 + O(n)$ . Let  $B_3 = B_2 + (cn^{\varepsilon}/16)2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_1) \rceil} + \beta_1$ .

Case 4  $(k_3+1 \le i \le k_4)$ : For the cycles of length  $l_i$  we make each cycle fill a part whose length is  $c_i\eta$ , a multiple of  $\eta$ . As in the previous cases, store the  $c_i$  values in  $O(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits using the method described in Observation 2. To identify the  $l_i$  values: we order them by  $r_i = (l_i\%\eta)\%(8n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/\sqrt{c})$  and store the  $r_i$  values in  $O(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits using the method described in Observation 1, then store the value of  $q_i = (l_i\%\eta)/(8n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/\sqrt{c}) \le (cn^\varepsilon/16)$  in the label of each element that is in a cycle of size  $l_i$ . Now  $l_i = q_i(8n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/\sqrt{c}) + r_i + (c_i-1)\eta$ . Let  $\beta_2$  be equal to  $\sum_{i=k_3+1}^{k_4} c_i\eta$ . Assign labels in the range

$$\left[ B_3 + q_i 2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_2) \rceil} + \sum_{j=k_3+1}^{i-1} c_j \eta, \quad B_3 + q_i 2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_2) \rceil} + \sum_{j=k_3+1}^{i} c_j \eta - 1 \right]$$

to the elements in the cycle of size  $l_i$ .

The total size of the structures used is  $O(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits, and the total address space increased to at most  $(3cn^{1+\varepsilon})/4 + O(n) \le cn^{1+\varepsilon}$  as required.

**Answering Queries:** Given a label x, to compute  $\pi^k(x)$  we distinguish between four different cases:

Case 1  $x < B_1$ : We Compute the value of  $l = \lfloor x/\eta \rfloor + 1$ ,  $s = (l-1)\eta$ ,  $r = \lfloor (x-s)/l \rfloor$ , and p = x - (s+rl). Then, we return s + rl + ((p+k)%l).

Case 2  $B_1 \leq x < B_2$ : We compute the value  $m = (x - B_1)/\eta$ . Then we get the biggest index i such that  $\sum_{j=k_1+1}^i c_j \leq m$ . This operation can be done in O(1) time using the structure from Observation 2. Next, we find l the index of the i<sup>th</sup> one in  $\psi$ ; l is the size of the cycle that x belongs to. We compute  $s = B_1 + \sum_{j=k_1+1}^{i-1} c_j \eta$ ,  $r = \lfloor (x-s)/l \rfloor$ , and p = x - (s+rl). Then, we return s + rl + ((p+k)%l).

Case 3  $B_2 \leq x < B_3$ : We compute the value  $m = ((x - B_2)\%\beta_1)/\eta$ . Then we get the biggest index i such that  $\sum_{j=k_2+1}^i c_j \leq m$ . Next we calculate  $q_i = \lfloor (x - B_2)/2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_1) \rceil} \rfloor$  and  $l = q_i(16n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/c) + r_i$ ; l is the size of the cycle that x belongs to. We compute  $s = B_2 + q_i 2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_1) \rceil} + \sum_{j=k_2+1}^{i-1} c_j \eta$ ,  $r = \lfloor (x - s)/l \rfloor$ , and p = x - (s + rl). Then, we return s + rl + ((p + k)%l).

Case 4  $B_3 \leq x$ : We compute the value  $m = ((x - B_3)\%\beta_2)/\eta$ . Then we get the biggest index i such that  $\sum_{j=k_3+1}^i c_j \leq m$ . Next we calculate  $q_i = \lfloor (x - B_3)/2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_2) \rceil} \rfloor$  and  $l = q_i(8n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/\sqrt{c}) + r_i + (c_i - 1)\eta$ ; l is the size of the cycle that x belongs to. We compute  $s = B_3 + q_i 2^{\lceil \lg(\beta_2) \rceil} + \sum_{j=k_3+1}^{i-1} c_j \eta$ ,  $r = \lfloor (x - s)/l \rfloor$ , and p = x - (s + rl). Then, we return s + rl + ((p + k)%l).

All operations used take constant time, so  $\pi^k(x)$  can be computed in O(1) time.

**Theorem 9.** Given an unlabeled permutation of n elements,  $\Theta(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits are sufficient for storing the permutation if each element is to be given a unique label in the range  $\{1, \ldots, cn^{1+\varepsilon}\}$  for any constant c > 1 and  $\varepsilon < 1$ . Moreover, there is a structure of  $\Theta(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits such that  $\pi^k()$  can be computed in O(1) time.

Note that  $\varepsilon$  doesn't need to be a constant. By setting  $\varepsilon = \alpha + \beta \lg \lg n / \lg n$  where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are constants, and  $0 < \alpha < 1$  we get the following theorem:

**Theorem 10.** Given an unlabeled permutation of n elements,  $\Theta(n^{(1-\alpha)/2}/\lg^{\beta/2} n)$  bits are sufficient for storing the permutation if each element is to be given a unique label in the range  $\{1, \ldots, cn^{1+\alpha} \lg^{\beta} n\}$  for any constant  $c, \alpha, \beta$  where  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . Moreover, there is a structure of  $\Theta(n^{(1-\alpha)/2}/\lg^{\beta/2} n)$  bits such that  $\pi^k()$  can be computed in O(1) time.

#### 3.6 Lower Bounds

In this section we provide lower bounds on the auxiliary data size as the label space increases.

#### 3.6.1 Lower Bound for Auxiliary Data with Label Space cn

In [30] El-Zein showed that for the problem of representing unlabeled equivalence relations, increasing the label space by a constant factor causes the size of the auxiliary data structure to decrease from  $O(\sqrt{n})$  to  $O(\lg n)$  bits.

In contrast to the problem of representing unlabeled equivalence relations, in this section we show that for the problem of representing unlabeled permutations increasing the label space by a constant factor will not affect the size of the auxiliary data structure asymptotically.

For any integer c > 1, let  $S_{cn}$  be the set of all partitions of  $\lfloor cn \rfloor$  and  $S_n$  the set of all partitions of n. Without loss of generality assume that  $\sqrt{n}$  is an integer that is divisible by c. While one partition of cn can dominate many partitions of n, we argue that at least  $\binom{c\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}/c}/\binom{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}/c}$  partitions of cn are necessary to dominate all partitions of n. Let S be the smallest set of partitions of cn that dominates all the partitions of n. We claim that:

Lemma 11. 
$$|S| \ge {\binom{c\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}/c}}/{\binom{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}/c}}$$
.

*Proof.* Divide n into  $\sqrt{n}/c$  parts each of size  $c\sqrt{n}$ . Let Q be the set formed by filling each part with a distinct size in the range  $[1, c\sqrt{n}]$ , clearly  $|Q| = {c\sqrt{n} \choose \sqrt{n}/c}$ .

A partition of cn can dominate at most  $\sqrt{n}$  distinct parts, hence at most  $\binom{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}/c}$  partitions in Q. Therefore, to dominate Q we need a minimum of  $\binom{c\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}/c}/\binom{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}/c}$  partitions of cn. Since Q is a subset of  $S_n$  our claim holds.

The information theoretic lower bound for the space needed to represent a permutation of size n once labels are assigned from the set  $\{1, \ldots, cn\}$  is

$$\lg(|\mathcal{S}|) \ge \lg\left(\frac{c\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}/c}\right) / \left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}/c}\right)$$

$$\in \Omega(\sqrt{n}).$$

**Theorem 12.** Given an unlabeled permutation of n elements,  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits are necessary and sufficient for storing the permutation if each element is to be given a unique label in the range  $\{1, \ldots, cn\}$  for any constant c > 1. Moreover, there is a structure of  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits such that  $\pi^k()$  can be computed in O(1) time.

#### 3.6.2 Lower Bound for Auxiliary Data with Label Space $cn^{1+\varepsilon}$

Using techniques that are similar to the techniques presented in the previous subsection, we show that for the problem of representing unlabeled permutations an auxiliary data structure of size  $O(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits is necessary when the label space is  $cn^{1+\varepsilon}$ , where c is any constant and  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ .

Denote by  $S_{cn^{1+\varepsilon}}$  the set of all partitions of  $cn^{1+\varepsilon}$  and by  $S_n$  the set of all partitions of n. We argue that at least  $\binom{(c+1)n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}/\binom{cn^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}$  are necessary to dominate all partitions of n. Let  $\mathcal S$  be the smallest set of partitions of  $cn^{1+\varepsilon}$  that dominates all partitions of n. We claim that:

**Lemma 13.** 
$$|\mathcal{S}| \ge {\binom{(c+1)n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}}/{\binom{cn^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}}.$$

*Proof.* Divide n into  $n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)$  parts each of size  $(c+1)n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}$ . Let Q be the set formed by filling each part with a distinct size in the range  $[1,(c+1)n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}]$ , clearly  $|Q| = \binom{(c+1)n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}$ .

A partition of  $cn^{(1+\varepsilon)}$  can dominate at most  $cn^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)$  distinct parts, hence at most  $\binom{cn^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}$  partitions in Q. Therefore, to dominate Q we need a minimum of  $\binom{(c+1)n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}/\binom{cn^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}$  partitions of  $cn^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}$ . Since Q is a subset of  $S_n$  our claim holds.

The information theoretic lower bound for space to represent a permutation of size n once labels are assigned from the set  $\{1, \ldots, cn^{1+\varepsilon}\}$  is

$$\lg(|\mathcal{S}|) \ge \lg\left(\binom{(c+1)n^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}\right) / \binom{cn^{(1+\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)}{n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}/(c+1)})$$

$$\in \Omega(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2}).$$

**Theorem 14.** Given an unlabeled permutation of n elements,  $\Theta(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits are necessary and sufficient for storing the permutation if each element is to be given a unique label in the range  $\{1,\ldots,cn^{1+\varepsilon}\}$  for any constant c>1 and  $\varepsilon<1$ . Moreover, there is a structure of  $\Theta(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits such that  $\pi^k()$  can be computed in O(1) time.

#### 3.7 Application

As an application to our data structures, we give a representation of a labeled permutation that takes  $s(n) + O(\sqrt{n})$  bits and can answer  $\pi^k()$  in  $O(t_f + t_i)$  time, where s(n) denotes the number of bits required for a representation R to store a labeled permutation, and  $t_f$  and  $t_i$  are the time needed for R to support  $\pi()$  and  $\pi^{-1}()$ .

This result improves Theorem 3.3 in [74] which says that suppose there is a representation R taking s(n) bits to store an arbitrary permutation  $\pi$  on  $\{1, \ldots, n\}$ , that supports  $\pi()$  in time  $t_f$ , and  $\pi^{-1}()$  in time  $t_i$ . Then, there is a representation for an arbitrary permutation on  $\{1, \ldots, n\}$  taking  $s(n) + O(n \lg n / \lg \lg n)$  bits in which  $\pi^k()$  can be supported in  $t_f + t_i + O(1)$  time, and one taking  $s(n) + O(\sqrt{n} \lg n)$  bits in which  $\pi^k()$  can be supported in  $t_f + t_i + O(\lg \lg n)$  time.

**Theorem 15.** Suppose there is a representation R taking s(n) bits to store an arbitrary permutation  $\pi$  on  $\{1, \ldots, n\}$ , that supports  $\pi()$  and  $\pi^{-1}()$  in time  $t_f$  and  $t_i$ . Then there is a representation for an arbitrary permutation on  $\{1, \ldots, n\}$  taking  $s(n) + O(\sqrt{n})$  bits in which  $\pi^k()$  can be supported in  $t_f + t_i + O(1)$  time.

Proof. Given  $\pi$ , treat it as an unlabeled permutation and build the data structure from Theorem 8 on it. Call this structure P. Notice that the bijection between the labels generated by P and the real labels of  $\pi$  forms a permutation. Store this permutation using the given scheme in a structure P'. Now  $\pi^k(i) = \pi_{P'}^{-1}(\pi_P^k(\pi_{P'}^{-1}(i)))$  can be computed in  $t_f + t_i + O(1)$  time, and the total space used is  $s(n) + O(\sqrt{n})$  bits.

### Chapter 4

### **Powering Permutations**

#### 4.1 Introduction and Motivation

In this chapter, we study the problem of transforming a permutation  $\pi$  to its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power  $\pi^k$  in place for arbitrary k. By "in place," we mean that the algorithm runs while using "very little" extra space. Ideally, we want the algorithm to use only a polylogarithmic number of bits in addition to the input. The algorithm we present uses several new techniques that are of interest in their own right and could find broader applications. We note that this work is an extension to the work done by Robertson [89].

One interesting application of inverting a permutation in place was encountered in the context of data ware-housing by Aruna, Inc. [24]. The permutation which corresponds to the rows of a relation sorted by some given key is stored explicitly. The inverse of a segment of the permutation is required to perform certain joins. The amount of space occupied by this permutation is substantial, and doubling that space to store the permutation inverse for the purpose of improving the time to compute certain joins is not practical, and indeed was not in the work leading to [24].

As mentioned in the previous chapter, since there are n! permutations of length n, the number of bits required to represent a permutation is  $\lceil \lg(n!) \rceil \sim n \lg n - n \lg e + O(\lg n)$  bits. Munro et al. [74] studied the space efficient representation of general permutations where general powers of individual elements can be computed quickly. They gave a representation taking the nearly optimal  $\lceil \lg(n!) \rceil + o(n)$  bits, that can compute the image of a single

element of  $\pi^k()$  in  $O(\lg n/\lg \lg n)$  time; and a representation taking  $(1+\varepsilon)n\lg n$  bits where  $\pi^k()$  can be computed in constant time. The preprocessing for these representations as presented in [74] requires an extra O(n) words of space, so a solution that involves building them as an intermediate step will not be considered in place and therefore does not apply to our current problem.

Throughout this chapter, we assume that the permutation is stored in its standard representation. That is, it is stored in an array  $A[1,\ldots,n]$  of n words that contains the value  $\pi(i)$  at index i for  $i \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$ . At the termination of the algorithm this array will contain the value  $\pi^k(i)$  at index i for  $i \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$ . Storing A requires  $n\lceil \lg n\rceil = n \lg n + n(\lceil \lg n\rceil - \lg n)$  bits. When  $(\lceil \lg n\rceil - \lg n)$  is "big," we can reduce the space required by this representation by encoding a constant number c of consecutive elements into a single object. This object is essentially the c-digit base n number  $\pi[i]\pi[i+1]\ldots\pi[i+c-1]$ . Encoding these n/c objects of size  $\lceil c \lg n \rceil$  bits each, totals to  $n \lg n + n/c$  bits (which is still more than the optimal representation by  $(n/c + n \lg e - O(\lg n))$  bits). To decode a value, we need a constant number of arithmetic operations. This saving of memory at the cost of c accesses to interpret one element of A carries through all of our work.

This chapter is organized as follows. In Section 4.2, we review previous work on permuting data in place [38], on which we base our work. In Section 4.3, we present an algorithm for inverting permutations with a worst case time complexity of  $O(n \lg n)$  using only  $O(\lg^2 n)$  additional bits. Then we face the problem that while  $\pi^{-1}()$  leaves the cycle structure as it was, higher powers may create more (smaller) cycles. This causes further difficulty which is addressed in Section 4.4 where we generalize the algorithm from Section 4.3 to the situation in which the permutation is to be replaced by its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power. An algorithm whose worst case running time is  $O(n \lg n)$  and uses  $O(\lg^2 n + \min\{k \lg n, n^{3/4+\varepsilon}\})$  additional bits is presented. Our solution relies on Rubinstein's [90] work on finding factorizations into small terms modulo a parameter. The final result can be improved if better factorization is applied. However, we show that obtaining a better factorization is probably difficult since it would imply Vinogradov's conjecture [98]. We conclude this chapter in Section 4.5.

We note that the results of this chapter are published in [33].

# 4.2 Background and Related Work

Fich et al. studied the problem of permuting external data in place according to a given permutation [38]. That is, given an array B of length n and a permutation  $\pi$  given by an oracle or read only memory, rearrange the elements of B in place according to  $\pi$ .

It is not sufficient to simply assign  $B[\pi(i)] \leftarrow B[i]$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , because an element in B may have been modified before it has been accessed. A permutation can be thought of as a collection of disjoint cycles. The procedure ROTATE rotates the values in B according to  $\pi$  by calling ROTATECYCLE on the leader of each cycle as illustrated in Figure 4.1. A cycle leader is a uniquely identifiable element in each cycle. The smallest element in a cycle, or cycle minimum, is a simple example of a cycle leader; though it does have shortcomings in term of detection.

```
procedure ROTATE(B)

for i \leftarrow 0 to n-1 do

if ISLEADER (i) then

ROTATECYCLE (B, leader)

while i \neq leader do

SWAP (B[i], B[leader])

i \leftarrow \pi(i)
```

Figure 4.1: Procedures to rotate the values in B according to a permutation  $\pi$ .

Each element will be tested to see whether it is a cycle leader, by traversing its cycle only in the forward direction until we determine the element is the cycle leader or that it is not. Clearly, the cycle minimum as leader would take  $\Theta(n^2)$  value inspections in total in the worst case. A leader that we call the local min leader can be used to permute data in  $O(n \lg n)$  worst case time complexity using only  $O(\lg^2 n)$  additional bits [38]. We use the name local min leader since from that leader in a cycle we are able to identify local minima, as explained next. As stated in [38], the local min leaders of a permutation  $\pi$  are characterized as follows. Let  $E_1 = \{1, \ldots, n\}$  and  $\pi_1 = \pi$ . For positive integers r > 1, define  $E_r$  as the set of local minima in  $E_{r-1}$  encountered following the cycle representation of the permutation  $\pi_{r-1}$  and define  $\pi_r$  as the permutation that maps each element of  $E_r$ to the next element of  $E_r$  that is encountered following  $\pi_{r-1}$ . More formally,  $E_r = \{i \in$  $E_{r-1}|\pi_{r-1}^{-1}(i)>i<\pi_{r-1}(i)\}$  and  $\pi_r:E_r\to E_r$  is defined such that  $\pi_r(i)=\pi_{r-1}^m(i)$  where  $m = \min\{m > 0 | \pi_{r-1}^m(i) \in E_r\}$ . Since at most half the elements in each cycle are local minima,  $|E_r| < |E_{r-1}|/2$  and  $r \leq \lg n$ . The local min leader of a cycle is the unique element i, such that  $\pi_{r-1}(\ldots(\pi_1(i))) \in E_r$ . For example, if  $\pi = (1\ 7\ 2\ 9\ 4\ 5\ 3\ 10\ 6\ 8)$  as illustrated in Figure 4.2 (similar to Figure 6 in [38]), then

```
E_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}, \pi_1 = (1 \ 7 \ 2 \ 9 \ 4 \ 5 \ 3 \ 10 \ 6 \ 8)

E_2 = \{1, 2, 4, 3, 6\}, \pi_2 = (1 \ 2 \ 4 \ 3 \ 6)

E_3 = \{1, 3\}, \pi_3 = (1 \ 3)

E_4 = \{1\}, \pi_4 = (1)
```

The local min leader of the only cycle in  $\pi$  is the element 9 since  $\pi_3\pi_2\pi_1(9)=1$ .

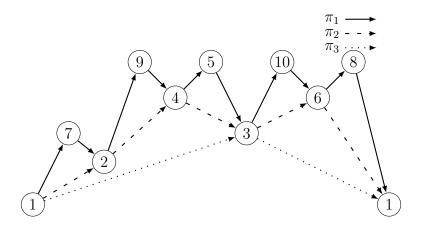


Figure 4.2: The cycles generated from  $\pi$ .

The procedure ISLOCALMINLEADER (see Figure 4.3) checks if element i in the permutation is the local min leader of its cycle. The procedure executes at most 4n steps on the permutation for a single element, and a total of  $O(n \lg n)$  steps on the permutation for all elements ([38], Theorem 2.3). We treat the local min leader technique as a black box. There are a few occasions where we need details so we provide the procedure to make this chapter more self contained.

```
procedure IsLocalMinLeader(i)
     elbow[0] \leftarrow elbow[1] \leftarrow i
                                                procedure Next(r)
     for r \leftarrow 1, 2, \dots do
                                                     if r = 1 then
                                                        elbow[0] \leftarrow \pi(elbow[1])
        //loop invariant:
        \{elbow[r] = \pi_{r-1} \dots \pi_1(i)\}
                                                     else
                                                        while elbow[r-1] < elbow[r-2]
        NEXT(r)
                                                 do
        if elbow[r] > elbow[r-1] then
                                                           elbow[r-1] \leftarrow elbow[r-2]
           elbow[r] \leftarrow elbow[r-1]
           NEXT(r)
                                                        while elbow[r-1] > elbow[r-2]
           if elbow[r] > elbow[r-1] then
                                                 do
               return false
                                                           elbow[r-1] \leftarrow elbow[r-2]
           elbow[r+1] \leftarrow elbow[r]
                                                     NEXT (r-1)
      else if elbow[r] = elbow[r-1] then
           return true
```

Figure 4.3: Procedures to check if element i is a local min leader.

# 4.3 Inverting Permutations

In this section we present an algorithm for inverting a permutation that uses  $O(\lg^2 n)$  additional bits and runs in  $O(n \lg n)$  time. We note that this algorithm is a modified version of the algorithm presented in [89]. The modifications are needed to make the analysis of the algorithm correct.

As a warm-up we first review two algorithms presented in [89]. The first explained in this section uses  $O(b + \lg n)$  additional bits for any  $b \le n$  and runs in  $O(n^2/b)$  worst case time. The second explained in section 4.3.1 runs in  $O(n \lg n)$  time, but using  $O(\sqrt{n} \lg n)$  additional bits.

To invert a permutation we can use the structure of the algorithm described in Figure 4.1, but invert the cycles instead of rotating the data. Figure 4.4 shows how to invert a cycle. The algorithm checks each element from 0 to n-1 to see if it is a cycle leader, and inverts each cycle only on its leader. For this approach to work, a cycle leader must be used that will remain unchanged once the cycle is inverted. An example of such a cycle leader is the cycle minimum.

```
procedure InvertCycle(A, leader)
current \leftarrow A[leader]
previous \leftarrow leader
while current \neq leader do
next \leftarrow A[current]
A[current] \leftarrow previous
previous \leftarrow current
current \leftarrow next
A[leader] \leftarrow previous
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Figure 4.4: Procedure to invert a cycle.

Inverting a permutation using cycle minimum as a leader will use  $O(\lg n)$  additional bits and take  $\Theta(n)$  time if the permutation consists of one large cycle in increasing order; or  $\Theta(n^2)$  time if the permutation consists of one large cycle in decreasing order. We note that for a random cycle of length n this total cost would be about  $\Theta(n \lg n)$ . The analysis is similar to the bidirectional distributed algorithm for finding the smallest of a set of n uniquely numbered processors arranged in a circle [56]. However, our interest is in finding algorithms with good worst case performance.

We can invert a permutation in linear time using a n-bit vector. We iterate over the permutation checking each element from 0 to n-1, if its corresponding bit is not marked its cycle is inverted. As the cycle is inverted, we mark the bits corresponding to the elements in the cycle. Since each cycle will be traversed once, the total runtime is O(n).

Using a technique presented in [38], we can shrink the bit vector to b bits by conceptually dividing the permutation into  $\lceil n/b \rceil$  sections each of size b (except possibly the last section will be smaller). We reset the b-bit vector at the start of each section and use it to keep track of which elements are encountered in the section being processed. We iterate over the permutation checking each element from 0 to n-1. If the element under consideration for being a cycle leader has a corresponding bit with value 0, we traverse its cycle searching for a smaller element. As the cycle is traversed, we mark the bits corresponding to the elements in the cycle of the current section. If no smaller element is found, then the element is a cycle leader and the cycle is inverted. On the other hand, if the element under consideration has a corresponding bit with value 1, then the element was previously encountered as part of a cycle containing a smaller element in the section, and hence it is not a cycle leader. Each cycle will be traversed at most n/b times, thus the total runtime is  $n^2/b$  and the space used is  $b + O(\lg n)$ .

**Theorem 16.** [89] In the worst case a permutation of length n stored in its standard representation can be replaced with its inverse in  $O(n^2/b)$  time using  $b + O(\lg n)$  extra bits of space for any integer b.

By setting  $b = \sqrt{n}$  we get the following corollary.

Corollary 17. [89] In the worst case a permutation of length n stored in its standard representation can be replaced with its inverse in  $O(n\sqrt{n})$  time using  $O(\sqrt{n})$  extra bits of space.

## **4.3.1** Inversion in $O(n \lg n)$ Time Using $O(\sqrt{n} \lg n)$ Bits

In this section we continue our revision of [89] and present an algorithm for inverting permutations that runs in  $O(n \lg n)$  time using  $O(\sqrt{n} \lg n)$  additional bits.

The local min leader of a cycle will, in general, change after the cycle has been inverted. Figure 4.5 shows a simple example of this: b is the leader of the cycle, but if it were inverted, c would become the leader. Since c > b, the algorithm in Figure 4.4 will invert the cycle once on b and then again on c because c will look like a leader when it is reached in the outer loop. Inverting the cycle the second time will undo the work of inverting it the first time. We will call a cycle with this problem a  $bad\ cycle$ .

**Definition 1.** [89] A bad cycle is a cycle with the property that if inverted, it has a new cycle local min leader not yet processed, i.e., larger than the original leader.

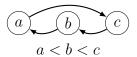


Figure 4.5: [89] An example of a bad cycle.

It is not hard to build a permutation that will have  $\Theta(n)$  bad cycles. Such a permutation could just repeat our bad cycle pattern and create exactly  $\lfloor n/3 \rfloor$  bad cycles. So, there is not enough space to use even 1 bit to mark these cycles.

**Definition 2.** [89] A tail of a cycle is the element that points to its local min leader, i.e., if t is the tail of a cycle c with local min leader l, then  $\pi(t) = l$ .

**Theorem 18.** [89] In the worst case a permutation of length n stored in its standard representation can be replaced with its inverse in  $O(n \lg n)$  time using  $O(\sqrt{n} \lg n)$  extra bits of space.

Proof. Although the permutation  $\pi$  can contain up to n cycles, the number of distinct cycle lengths in  $\pi$  which we denote by k is less than  $\lfloor \sqrt{2n} \rfloor$  (since  $\sum_{i=1}^{\lceil \sqrt{2n} \rceil} i > n$ ). First, we store these cycle lengths in an array L of size  $O(\sqrt{n} \lg n)$  bits. This can be done in  $O(n \lg n)$  time by iterating over the permutation and computing the length of every cycle as it is detected on its local min leader using the procedure IsLocalMinleader (see Figure 4.3). After a length is detected, we query a balanced binary search tree H to check if the length computed was already encountered; if it was not encountered, we insert the new length to L and H. The cycles's lengths are ranked according to their position in L.

We iterate over the permutation checking each element from 0 to n-1, and we invert each cycle only on its local min leader. To check if a cycle is bad we can test each element in the inverted cycle for leadership to find the inverted cycle local min leader. If a bad cycle c was detected, we modify the tail of the inverted cycle  $c^{-1}$  to point to the rank of the length of the cycle instead of back to the leader of the inverted cycle. That is, if we find that element i is the local min leader of cycle c (of length l), we invert c. If j is the leader of  $c^{-1}$  and j > i, we set A[m] = rank(l) where m is the element in  $c^{-1}$  that points to j and rank (l) is the index in L such that L[rank(l)] = l.

When pointing to the ranks of the cycles' lengths we have to use values in the range of 1 to n, otherwise the size of each entry in A may increase to  $\lceil \lg n \rceil + 1$  bits and we may

end up using n additional bits. The problem now is that A does not distinguish between pointing to a cycle length rank, or pointing to a different element in the cycle. This can be solved with a table T of size  $O(\sqrt{n} \lg n)$  bits that stores the elements of the permutation that point to its first k elements. T will initially store  $\pi^{-1}(1), \ldots, \pi^{-1}(k)$ . We set T initially by traversing the permutation, then we update it as cycles are inverted.

While testing for the leadership of an element i, if an element t is found such that  $A[t] \leq k$ , then t can be checked against T in O(1) time to determine if A[t] points to a cycle length rank or an element in the cycle. If it is the first case we abort the procedure ISLOCALMINLEADER and we do not invert the cycle. If the length traversed so far matches the cycle length stored in L at rank A[t], then the element i is the local min leader of an already inverted cycle. We restore the cycle by setting A[t] = i.

The total time spent is  $O(n \lg n)$ , and the space used is  $O(\sqrt{n} \lg n + \lg^2 n)$ .

# **4.3.2** Reducing Extra Space to $O(\lg^2 n)$ Bits

Next, we extend the approach presented in the previous subsection to achieve an algorithm for inverting permutations with  $O(n \lg n)$  worst case time complexity while using only  $O(\lg^2 n)$  bits. First we start with some definitions.

Given a permutation  $\pi$ , the depth of an element  $e \in \pi$  is the maximum index d such that  $\pi_{d-1}(\dots(\pi_2(\pi(e)))) \in E_{d}$ . For example, the depth of 10 in Figure 4.2 is 3 since  $\pi_2(\pi(10)) = 1 \in E_3$  and  $\pi_3(\pi_2(\pi(10))) = 3 \notin E_4$ . Let c be a cycle in  $\pi$  of size l with local min leader  $s_1$ . We define  $S_1$  as the following sequence:  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_l$  where  $s_i = \pi(s_{i-1})$  for i > 1;  $s_l$  is the tail of the cycle c. For i > 1,  $S_i$  is a subsequence of  $S_{i-1}$  formed by the local minima in  $S_{i-1}$  excluding  $S_{i-1}$ 's first and last elements. The limited depth of an element  $e \in \pi$  is the maximum index d such that  $\pi_{d-1}(\dots(\pi_2(\pi(e)))) \in S_d$ . The values  $s_1, \dots, s_{i-1}$  are not needed to evaluate the limited depth of  $s_i$ , but only the values  $s_i, \dots, s_l$  are required. The limited depth of an element is upper bounded by its depth. Notice that the first element in  $S_i$  is always  $\pi_{i-1}(\dots(\pi(s_1))$ , since  $s_1$  is the local min leader of c. Moreover, the limited depth d of a cycle's local min leader is either unique or shared by at most one other element  $\pi_1^{-1}(\dots(\pi_{d-1}^{-1}(\pi_d(\dots(\pi_2(\pi(s_1)))))))$  in the cycle. That's because if there are more than two elements in  $S_d$ , the limited depth of  $s_1$  will be at least d + 1. The depth and limited depth of an element can be computed in a manner similar to the procedure IsLocalMinLeader with the same space and time complexity.

We say that a cycle is *broken* if its tail points to an element other than its local min leader. We call this element the broken cycle's *intersection*. We define the *spine* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For the definition of  $\pi_i$  where  $i \in \{1, ..., d\}$  check Section 4.2.

to be the path from the leader to the intersection, and the *loop* to be the cycle containing the intersection and the tail. Figure 4.6 demonstrates these terms.

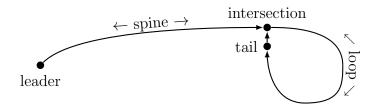


Figure 4.6: [89] An example of a broken cycle.

Following the algorithm described previously, when a cycle c is detected it is replaced by its inverse; if c is detected to be a bad cycle, the tail of  $c^{-1}$  is modified to store the limited depth of  $c^{-1}$ 's local min leader k. In that case, the tail of  $c^{-1}$  will be modified to point to the unique element whose limited depth is the same as k if that element was encountered before k, thus making  $c^{-1}$  a broken cycle. Finally,  $c^{-1}$  will be restored once k is encountered. As in the previous subsection, for A to distinguish between pointing to a limited depth, or pointing to a different element in the cycle we use a table T of size  $O(\lg^2 n)$  bits that stores the elements of the permutation that point to its first  $\lg n$  elements.

The algorithm iterates over the permutation checking each element from 0 to n-1. At each element i, it interleaves four scans  $\mathscr{F}$ ,  $\mathscr{L}$ ,  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$ . For every operation run on  $\mathscr{F}$ , a constant number of operations are run on  $\mathscr{L}$ ; and for every operation run on  $\mathscr{L}$  a constant number of operations are run on  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$ .  $\mathscr{F}$  is used to determine whether i is the local min leader of its cycle (c or  $c^{-1}$ ),  $\mathscr{L}$  is used to determine the limited depth of i, and  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$  are used to determine if i's cycle was broken, and to restore it. The  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$  scans have two phases:

• The first phase is the classic tortoise and hare algorithm for cycle detection. It is used to check if i's cycle is broken.  $\mathscr{T}$  (for tortoise) and  $\mathscr{H}$  (for hare) both start at element i,  $\mathscr{T}$  proceeds at one step per iteration and  $\mathscr{H}$  proceeds at two steps until they meet at element j. Phase one will consist of no more than l iterations, where l is the length of i's cycle. This is because at each iteration, the forward distance (i.e. the distance from  $\mathscr{H}$  to  $\mathscr{T}$  traversing forward in the cycle) between the two pointers will decrease by one; or if the cycle was broken, the distance decreases once both pointers enter the broken cycle's loop. If one of the scans encounters a limited depth or if i is reachable from j,  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$  are aborted while  $\mathscr{F}$  and  $\mathscr{L}$  continue. Otherwise, we know that the cycle is broken and we proceed to the second phase.

• The aim of the second phase is to find the tail of the broken cycle  $c^{-1}$ . Let  $\lambda$  be the length of  $c^{-1}$ 's loop,  $\mu$  be the distance from i to  $c^{-1}$ 's intersection, and  $\delta$  be the distance from the intersection to j. Denote by  $d_t$  and  $d_h$  the distance traveled by the pointers in  $\mathscr T$  and  $\mathscr H$  respectively.  $d_t = \mu + \delta$  and  $d_h = \mu + k\lambda + \delta$  where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . We know

$$2d_t = d_h$$
$$2(\mu + \delta) = \mu + k\lambda + \delta$$
$$\mu = k\lambda - \delta .$$

Thus, if we reset  $\mathscr{T}$ 's pointer to element i, while  $\mathscr{H}$  remains at j, and as in the first phase,  $\mathscr{T}$  proceeds at one step per iteration and  $\mathscr{H}$  proceeds at two steps:  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$  will meet at  $c^{-1}$ 's intersection. Then,  $c^{-1}$ 's tail can be found by iterating through  $c^{-1}$ 's loop till an element that points to the intersection is reached. After finding the tail, the limited depth of the intersection (which will always be the same as the limited depth of  $c^{-1}$ 's leader) is computed.

The  $\mathscr{L}$  scan aims to compute the limited depth of element i. To do so,  $\mathscr{L}$  should identify the tail of c or  $c^{-1}$ .  $\mathscr{L}$  identifies the tail correctly if it encounters an element storing a limited depth (then that element is the tail), or if the cycle is broken and the tail is computed by the  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$  scans (as is the case when the cycle is broken and i is on its spine). In the other cases, the  $\mathscr{L}$  scan assumes that the tail is the element pointing to i. It returns a correct value if i is a local min leader, and it may not return a correct value otherwise. However, returning an incorrect value in the other cases does not affect the correctness of the algorithm.

The  $\mathscr{F}$  scan tests whether i is the local min leader of c or  $c^{-1}$ . If  $\mathscr{F}$  encounters a limited depth or if the scans  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$  detect that  $c^{-1}$  is broken,  $\mathscr{F}$  will behave as if the tail of  $c^{-1}$  points to i. The  $\mathscr{F}$  scan terminates on one of the following cases:

- The first case is  $\mathscr{F}$  determines that i is not a local min leader. If so, the entire process of all four scans is aborted.
- ullet The second case is  $\mathscr{F}$  determines the element is a local min leader. Then, two cases can occur:
  - If  $c^{-1}$  was broken or a limited depth was encountered, then we know that the cycle is already inverted. Compare the limited depth of i that is computed by  $\mathscr{L}$  to the limited depth stored or computed by  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$ . If the two values are equal make the tail point to i. Alternatively, abort all four scans.

- Otherwise, the cycle c is not inverted. Invert c and if it was bad store in its tail the limited depth of  $c^{-1}$ 's local min leader.

**Analysis:** All four scans use  $O(\lg^2 n)$  extra bits. The time complexity is bounded by the time complexity of  $\mathscr{F}$ , since the runtime of  $\mathscr{L}$ ,  $\mathscr{T}$  and  $\mathscr{H}$  is at most a constant factor times the runtime of  $\mathscr{F}$ . For each cycle c, the time spent by F testing for leadership before inverting the cycle is  $O(l \lg l)$  where l is the length of c. Inverting c and properly setting its tail if it was bad will take O(l) time. After inverting c, if  $c^{-1}$  is bad at most one intermediate broken cycle can be formed, since the limited depth of the local min leader is unique or shared by at most one other element. This fact is crucial to our analysis, and it is the reason why the  $\mathscr L$  scan is introduced. The time spent testing for leadership for indices in  $c^{-1}$  is divided into the following cases:

- $c^{-1}$  is broken and the element *i* being tested is in  $c^{-1}$ 's loop.
- Otherwise either  $c^{-1}$  is broken and i is in the spine, or  $c^{-1}$  is not broken and the tail stores the limited depth of the leader.
  - If  $\mathscr{T}$  does not inspect the tail, then the runtime will be the same as testing whether i is the local min leader of  $c^{-1}$ .
  - Otherwise, the procedure will test if i is the local min leader of the cycle formed by pointing the tail of  $c^{-1}$  to i. It will iterate at most 4 times from i to the tail [38]. So, the time complexity will be at most 4 times the time complexity of testing weather i is the local min leader of  $c^{-1}$ .

In all cases the runtime is bounded by  $O(l \lg l)$ . Thus, the total runtime per cycle is  $O(l \lg l)$  and the total runtime for the whole algorithm is  $O(n \lg n)$ .

**Theorem 19.** In the worst case a permutation of length n stored in its standard representation can be replaced with its inverse in  $O(n \lg n)$  time using  $O(\lg^2 n)$  extra bits of space.

# 4.4 Arbitrary Powers

As in the previous Chapter, the  $k^{\text{th}}$  power of a permutation  $\pi$  is  $\pi^k$  defined as follows:

$$\pi^{k}(i) = \begin{cases} \pi^{k+1}(\pi^{-1}(i)) & k < 0\\ i & k = 0\\ \pi^{k-1}(\pi(i)) & k > 0 \end{cases}$$

where k is an arbitrary integer. In this section we extend the techniques presented in the previous section to cover the situation in which the permutation is to be replaced by its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power for an arbitrary integer k. We present an algorithm whose worst case running time is  $O(n \lg n)$  and uses  $O(\lg^2 n + \min\{k \lg n, n^{3/4+\varepsilon}\})$  additional bits.

Without loss of generality, we assume that k is positive. If k is negative, we invert the permutation then raise it to the power of -k. Raising a cycle to an arbitrary power can result in several disjoint cycles as illustrated in Figure 4.7.

**Lemma 20.** Raising a cycle of length l to its  $k^{th}$  power, will produce gcd(k, l) cycles each of length l/gcd(k, l).

*Proof.* Suppose  $\mu$  cycles are produced. Since they are all identical, they will have the same length  $\lambda$ .  $\lambda$  is the smallest positive integer such that  $(\pi^k)^{\lambda}(i) = \pi^{k\lambda}(i) = i$ , so  $k\lambda = cl$  for an integer c that is relatively prime with  $\lambda$ . Now

$$l = \lambda \mu$$
$$k = cl/\lambda = c\mu,$$

but c is relatively prime with  $\lambda$ , so  $\mu = \gcd(k, l)$  and  $\lambda = l/\gcd(k, l)$ .

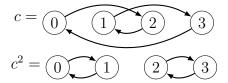


Figure 4.7: The cycles created by raising c to its second power.

Given a cycle, it is not hard to raise the cycle to its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power while using O(k) words or  $O(k \lg n)$  bits. Figure 4.8 shows how to achieve this task. Starting from element i, we store  $i, \pi(i), \pi^2(i), \ldots, \pi^{k-1}(i)$  in an array B using  $O(k \lg n)$  bits. We replace A[i] with  $A[\pi^{k-1}(i)]$ , then we replace  $A[\pi(i)]$  with  $A[\pi^k(i)]$ , and so on until we reach  $A[\pi(i)^{l-k}]$  where l is the length of the cycle. Then, we replace  $A[\pi(i)^{l-k}]$  till  $A[\pi(i)^{l-1}]$  with the values stored in B. When the procedure terminates,  $A[i], A[i+1], \ldots, A[i+\gcd(k,l)-1]$  will contain an element from each resulting cycle.

To raise a permutation to its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power, we use the same algorithm as the one presented in subsection 4.3.2, however, we modify the  $\mathcal{T}$  scan so that it raises cycles to their  $k^{\text{th}}$  power instead of inverting them once they are detected at their leaders. Furthermore, once the

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procedure PowerCycle(A, k, leader)
     power \leftarrow leader
     count \leftarrow 0
     while count < k \text{ do}
       temp[count] \leftarrow power
       power \leftarrow A[power]
       count \leftarrow count + 1
      while count < cycleLength do
       next \leftarrow A[leader]
       A[leader] \leftarrow power
       leader \leftarrow next
       power \leftarrow A[power]
       count \leftarrow count + 1
      count \leftarrow 0
      while count < k \text{ do}
       next \leftarrow A[leader]
       A[leader] \leftarrow temp[count]
       leader \leftarrow next
       count \leftarrow count + 1
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Figure 4.8: Procedure to raise a cycle to its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power.

 $\mathcal{T}$  scan raises a cycle (of size l) to its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power, it iterates through every cycle of the resulting  $\gcd(k,l)$  cycles computing each cycle's leader and checking which cycles are bad; for each bad cycle, the  $\mathcal{T}$  scan computes the cycle's limited depth and stores that value in the cycle's tail.

**Theorem 21.** In the worst case a permutation of length n stored in its standard representation can be replaced with its  $k^{th}$  power when k is bounded by some polynomial function of n in  $O(n \lg n)$  time using  $O(\lg^2 n + k \lg n)$  extra bits of space.

Theorem 21 is useful if the value of k is small. In the next subsection, we show how to power permutations using o(n) extra bits of space.

# 4.4.1 Powering Permutations in $O(n \lg n)$ Time using o(n) Extra Bits

To improve the space complexity we only have to modify the way we are raising cycles to their  $k^{\text{th}}$  power. To raise a cycle c of length l to its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power, we split the algorithm into two cases.

#### • First Case: k and l are relatively prime

In this case, we use the following theorem given by Rubinstein [90]:

**Theorem 22** (Rubinstein [90], Theorem 4.3). Let gcd(N, a) = 1 and R be a rectangle. Then,  $c_R(N, a)$ , the number of solutions (x, y) to  $xy = N \mod a$  with (x, y) lying in the rectangle R is equal to

$$\frac{\operatorname{area}(R)}{a^2}\phi(a) + O(a^{1/2+\varepsilon})$$

for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , where  $\phi$  is Euler's totient function.

In particular, there exists a point (x, y) where  $xy = N \mod a$  in any square R with side length at least  $a^{3/4+\varepsilon}$  (R must be larger than  $a^{3/2+\varepsilon}$ ).

In this case  $\gcd(k,l)=1$  so there always exist two integers  $x,y< l^{3/4+\varepsilon}$  such that  $xy=k \bmod l$ . To find x and y we do a linear search which takes  $O(l^{3/4+\varepsilon})$  time. Then we raise c to the  $x^{\rm th}$  power followed by the  $y^{\rm th}$  power using the method described in the previous subsection. The total runtime is O(l) and the space used is  $O(l^{3/4+\varepsilon})$ .

#### • Second Case: k and l have a common factor other than 1

In this case gcd(k, l) = f > 1. We first raise c to its  $f^{th}$  power producing f different cycles using a reduction to the first case. Then, we raise each of the f resulting cycles to its  $(d = (k/f))^{th}$  power.

We modify the permutation  $\pi$  to form the permutation  $\pi'$  that results from adding an additional element e to the cycle c in  $\pi$  to form the cycle c' in  $\pi'$ . More formally,  $\pi'$  is defined as follows:

- Let a be an element in the cycle c; for all elements  $i \in \pi$  except  $\pi^{-1}(a)$ ,  $\pi'(i) = \pi(i)$ .
- $-\pi'(\pi^{-1}(a)) = e$  (where e is a new element).
- $\pi'(e) = a.$

This modification can be done by storing a and two extra words where the first word stores the inverse of a, and the second stores the image of e ( $\pi'(e)$ ). Each time the array A is accessed at an index i, if A[i] is equal to a, i is checked against the first word stored. If they match, then A[i] points to a otherwise A[i] points to e. Doing this eliminates the need for increasing the word size.

We rename the elements in c to reflect how they get split to different cycles once c is raised to its  $f^{\text{th}}$  power. Let  $\{c_{ij}|0 \leq i < l/f, 0 \leq j < f\}$  be the elements of c, such that

$$-\pi(c_{ij}) = c_{i(j+1)} \text{ if } j < f-1$$
  
$$-\pi(c_{ij}) = c_{(i+1 \bmod l/f)0} \text{ if } j = f-1$$

Raising c to its  $f^{\text{th}}$  power will result in f cycles such that the  $j^{\text{th}}$  cycle  $c_j$  will contain the elements  $\{c_{ij}|0 \leq i < l/k\}$ , where  $\pi^f(c_{ij}) = c_{(i+1 \mod l/f)j}$ . This naming can be observed in Figure 4.9.

Without loss of generality assume that  $a = c_{00}$ . Since the length of c' is l+1 and  $\gcd(l+1,f) = 1$  (since f divides l), raising c' to its  $f^{\text{th}}$  power will result in only one cycle. Observe that if we traverse forward in  $c'^f$  starting from e, the first l/f elements are  $c_{0(f-1)}, c_{1(f-1)}, \ldots, c_{((l/f)-1)(f-1)}$ . That is, the elements in  $c_{f-1}$  ordered correctly. Moreover, the next l/f elements are the elements of  $c_{f-2}$ , and so on...

After modifying  $\pi$  to  $\pi'$  we raise c' to its  $f^{\text{th}}$  power using the same technique presented in the first case. Then, we iterate l/f elements starting from e, we set  $A[c_{((l/f)-1)(f-1)}]$  to  $c_{0(f-1)}$  and we raise  $c_{f-1}$  to its  $d^{\text{th}}$  power also using the same technique presented in the first case. We find the local min leader of  $c_{f-1}$  and store the limited depth of the leader in the tail of  $c_{f-1}$  if  $c_{f-1}$  is a bad cycle. We then repeat the same process for the rest of the cycles  $c_{f-2}, \ldots, c_0$ . This process is illustrated in Figure 4.9.

**Theorem 23.** In the worst case a permutation of length n stored in its standard representation can be replaced with its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power when k is bounded by some polynomial function of n in  $O(n \lg n)$  time using  $O(\lg^2 n + \min\{k \lg n, n^{3/4+\varepsilon}\})$  extra bits of space.

The space complexity in Theorem 23 can be improved if better factoring is applied. More precisely, if for any N and a where gcd(N, a) = 1, we can find g(a) factors  $x_1, \ldots, x_{g(a)} \leq f(a)$  such that  $x_1x_2 \ldots x_{g(a)} = N \mod a$  in h(a) time, then we can achieve an algorithm with running time  $O((n + h(n)) \lg n + g(n)n)$  that uses  $O(\lg^2 n + \min\{k \lg n, f(n) \lg n\})$  extra bits of space.

Note that given any factoring algorithm as described above, any quadratic non-residue (mod p) can be factored to factors smaller than f(p). Since at least one of the factors

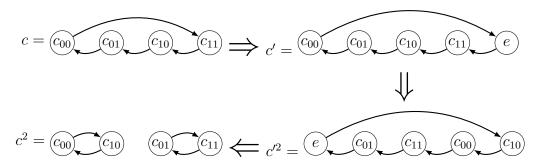


Figure 4.9: The process to raise a cycle to its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power when the cycle length and k are not coprime.

must also be a quadratic non-residue, this implies that the least quadratic non-residue (mod p) is smaller than f(p). Thus, reducing f(n) to  $O(n^{\varepsilon})$  is probably difficult since this improvement would imply Vinogradov's conjecture [98] (that the least quadratic non-residue (mod p) lies below  $p^{\varepsilon}$ ).

## 4.5 Conclusion

In this chapter we presented an algorithm for inverting a permutation that runs in  $O(n \lg n)$  worst case time and uses  $O(\lg^2 n)$  additional bits. This algorithm is then extended to an algorithm for raising a permutation to its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power that runs in  $O(n \lg n)$  time and uses  $O(\lg^2 n + \min\{k \lg n, n^{3/4+\varepsilon}\})$  extra bits of space. Both algorithms presented rely on the cycle's local min leader presented in [38]. Moreover, they can easily be adapted to utilize any different cycle leader. A different leader may yield a better algorithm without adding to the worst case time or space complexity for both problems as well as the problem of permuting in place [38].

# Chapter 5

# Range Mode

## 5.1 Introduction

In this chapter we investigate data structures for the range mode query problem in a multi-dimensional setting:

**Range Mode:** Given a set of n points in d dimensions  $\mathcal{S}$  such that each point is a assigned a color, a range mode query  $\mathcal{Q} = [a_1, b_1] \times [a_2, b_2] \times \ldots \times [a_d, b_d]$  asks for the most frequent color in  $\mathcal{S} \cap \mathcal{Q}$ .

Although the one-dimensional range query problem has received significant attention [20, 64, 84, 85, 47], only limited attention has been paid to the multi-dimensional problem. The first solution for the multi-dimensional case was proposed recently by Chan et al. [20]. They gave a data structure that requires  $O(s_n + (n/\Delta)^{2d})$  words and supports d-dimensional range mode queries in  $O(\Delta \cdot t_n)$  time for any  $\Delta \geq 1$ , where  $s_n$  is the space of an orthogonal range counting data structure in d dimensions with query time  $t_n$ . The model of computation is the standard Word RAM model with word size  $w = \Omega(\lg n)$ , also d is assumed to be a constant. In this chapter we show that the space of the range mode query data structure can be improved to  $O(s_n + (n/\Delta)^{2d}/w)$  words while maintaining the same query time. That is, our data structure achieves the same asymptotic space and query time costs as those of the current best known range mode query data structure for one-dimensional data [20].

We note that the results of this chapter are published in [27, 28].

#### 5.1.1 Related Work

The first range mode data structure (on arrays) was proposed by Krizanc et al. [64], requiring O(n) words for  $O(\sqrt{n} \lg \lg n)$  query time. Krizanc et al. also considered data structures that use more than linear space. They described data structures that provide constant query time using  $O(n^2 \lg \lg n / \lg n)$  words, and  $O(n^{\varepsilon} \lg n)$  query time using  $O(n^{2-2\varepsilon})$  words. Later, Petersen and Grabowski [85] improved the first bound to constant time using  $O(n^2 \lg \lg n / \lg^2 n)$  words. Peterson [84] then improved the second bound to  $O(n^{\varepsilon})$  query time using  $O(n^{2-2\varepsilon})$  words for any  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1/2]$ . Chan et al. [20] further improved the previous bound to  $O(n^{\varepsilon})$  query time using  $O(n^{2-2\varepsilon}/\lg n)$  words. Moreover, using reductions from boolean matrix multiplication, they show that query time significantly lower than  $\sqrt{n}$  is unlikely for this problem with linear space [20]. Finally, Greve et al. [47] proved a lower bound of  $\Omega(\lg n/\lg(s \cdot w/n))$  time for any data structure that supports range mode queries on arrays using s memory cells of w bits in the cell probe model.

Given a fixed  $\alpha \in (0,1]$  and a range  $\mathcal{Q}$ , the objective of an approximate range mode query is to return an element whose frequency in  $\mathcal{S} \cap \mathcal{Q}$  is at least  $\alpha \cdot m$ , where m denotes the frequency of the mode of  $\mathcal{S} \cap \mathcal{Q}$ . Bose et al. [16] gave a data structure that requires  $O(n/(1-\alpha))$  words and answers approximate range mode queries in  $O(\log\log_{1/\alpha}(n))$  time, as well as a data structure that answers queries in constant time when  $\alpha \in \{1/2, 1/3, 1/4\}$ , using  $O(n \lg n)$ ,  $O(n \lg \lg n)$ , and O(n) words respectively. Greve et al. [47] improved previous results by giving a data structure that supports range mode queries in O(1) time using O(n) words when  $\alpha = 1/3$ , and  $O(\lg(\alpha/(1-\alpha)))$  time using  $O(n\alpha/(1-\alpha))$  words when  $\alpha \in [1/2, 1)$ .

Another related question is the problem of finding a least frequent element (with frequency at least one) in a one dimensional range. Chan et al. [21] gave the first solution with linear space and  $O(\sqrt{n})$  query time. Later, Durocher et al. [29] improved the query time to  $O(\sqrt{n/w})$ . Our improved data structure for the range mode query problem is based on the encoding ideas from [29]. See the recent survey by Skala [94] for further reading.

## 5.2 Framework

A point  $p \in \mathcal{S}$  is represented by a (d+1)-tuple  $(p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_d, p_c)$ , where for each  $i, p_i$  is p's coordinate in dimension i, and  $p_c$  is the color associated with p. When d is a constant, we can map the input set  $\mathcal{S}$  to the rank space using standard techniques as described in subsection 2.5, requiring O(n) words of additional space and an  $O(\lg n)$  additive increase to query time. Throughout this chapter we assume that points are in the rank space. That

is for any point  $p \in \mathcal{S}$  and any  $i \in \{1, ..., d\}$ ,  $p_i \in \{0, ..., n-1\}$ . Moreover, if  $p \neq q$ , then  $p_i \neq q_i$  for all  $i \in \{1, ..., d\}$ . This ensures the following lemma:

**Lemma 24.** The number of points of S in a rectangle  $Q = [\alpha_1, \beta_1] \times ... \times [\alpha_d, \beta_d]$  is at most the minimum element in  $\{\beta_i - \alpha_i + 1 \mid 1 \leq i \leq d\}$ .

**Definition 3.** Let  $\Delta \geq 1$  be an integer. A  $\Delta$ -box is a region  $R = [\alpha_1, \beta_1] \times ... \times [\alpha_d, \beta_d]$ , where for all i,  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_i$  are multiples of  $\Delta$ .

There are  $\Theta((n/\Delta)^{2d})$  distinct  $\Delta$ -boxes in our grid, which includes empty boxes, i.e., boxes with  $\alpha_i = \beta_i$  for some  $i \in [1, d]$ . Each  $\Delta$ -box  $R = [\alpha_1, \beta_1] \times \ldots \times [\alpha_d, \beta_d]$  can be identified using a unique index, given by:

$$rank(R, \Delta) = \sum_{i=1}^{d} (\alpha_i/\Delta) \cdot \phi^{2i-2} + (\beta_i/\Delta) \cdot \phi^{2i-1}$$

where  $\phi = \lfloor n/\Delta \rfloor + 1$ . Notice that  $rank(R, \Delta)$  can be computed in O(d) time (i.e. constant time when d is a constant) given any R and  $\Delta$ .

# 5.3 Data Structure of Chan et al.

In this section we review the data structure presented by Chan et al. [20]. The data structure relies on the following observation [64]. A mode of  $Q_1 \cup Q_2$  (i.e. the most frequent color occurring in  $Q_1 \cup Q_2$ ) is either a mode of  $Q_1$  or the color of an element in  $Q_2$ .

**Data Structure** The data structure consists of two components:

- 1. An array A of length  $(1 + n/\Delta)^{2d}$ , such that A[i] stores a mode of the  $\Delta$ -box R with  $rank(R, \Delta) = i$ .
- 2. For each color c, the data structure maintain an orthogonal range counting data structure over the set of points in S with color c. The total space and query time can be bounded by  $s_n$  and  $t_n$ , where  $s_n$  is the space of an orthogonal range counting data structure over n points in d dimensions and  $t_n$  is its query time.

Thus, the total space used is  $O(s_n + (n/\Delta)^{2d})$  words.

Query Algorithm To answer a query  $Q = [a_1, b_1] \times ... \times [a_d, b_d]$ , we first find the largest rectangle  $Q' = [a'_1, b'_1] \times ... \times [a'_d, b'_d]$  inside Q, where  $a'_i = \Delta \lceil a_i/\Delta \rceil$  and  $b'_i = \Delta \lfloor b_i/\Delta \rfloor$ . If  $a'_i \geq b'_i$  for some i, then Q' is empty. Otherwise, a mode of Q' is given by  $A[rank(Q', \Delta)]$ . Recall that  $rank(Q', \Delta)$  can be computed in constant time when d is a constant. Notice that the number of points in the region  $Q \setminus Q'$  (the region within Q, but outside Q') is at most  $2d\Delta$  (refer to Lemma 24). Moreover, the mode of Q is either the mode of Q' or the color of one of the points among the  $O(\Delta)$  points in  $Q \setminus Q'$ . We call these  $O(\Delta)$  colors the candidate colors. Using the range counting structure, for each candidate color c we count the number of points with color c in Q and report the one with the maximum count. The query time is  $O(2d\Delta \cdot t_n) = O(\Delta \cdot t_n)$ .

**Theorem 25** (Chan et al. [20]). There exists a data structure that supports orthogonal range mode queries on a set of n points in d dimensions in  $O(\Delta \cdot t_n)$  time while using  $O(s_n + (n/\Delta)^{2d})$  words.

The current best orthogonal range counting data structure requires:

$$s_n = O(n(\lg n / \lg \lg n)^{d-2})$$

words and supports queries in:

$$t_n = O((\lg n / \lg \lg n)^{d-1})$$

time [60]. The following result can be obtained by choosing  $\Delta$  such that  $s_n = (n/\Delta)^{2d}$ . That is  $\Delta = n^{(1-\frac{1}{2d})} (\lg n / \lg \lg n)^{(\frac{1}{d}-\frac{1}{2})}$ .

Corollary 26 (Chan et al. [20]). There exists data structure that supports orthogonal range mode queries on a set of n points in d dimensions in  $O(n^{(1-\frac{1}{2d})}(\lg n/\lg \lg n)^{(d+\frac{1}{d}-\frac{3}{2})})$  time while using  $O(n(\lg n/\lg \lg n)^{d-2})$  words.

## 5.4 Improved Data Structure

Again we assume that the input point set S has been transformed to the rank space, and we denote by  $s_n$  and  $t_n$  the space and query time of an orthogonal range counting data structure on S. The main idea is to maintain the array A in  $\Theta((n/\Delta)^{2d})$  bits as opposed to  $\Theta((n/\Delta)^{2d})$  words. Doing so increases the cost of accessing an entry of A from constant to  $O(\Delta \cdot t_n)$  time. However, the total query cost does not increase.

We now describe how to encode A in less space. We use the following common notation: let  $\lg^{(h)} n = \lg(\lg^{(h-1)} n)$  for h > 1, let  $\lg^{(1)} n = \lg n$ , and let  $\lg^* n$  be the smallest integer k such that  $\lg^{(k)} n \le 2$ . Let  $\Delta_h = \Delta \lg^{(h)} n$  (rounded to the next highest power of 2) and let  $A_h$  be an array of length  $(1 + n/\Delta_h)^{2d}$  such that  $A_h[i]$  stores the most frequent color in the  $\Delta_h$  box with  $rank(\cdot, \Delta) = i$ . Notice that  $\Delta_i$  is a multiple of  $\Delta_{i+1}$ , and  $\Delta_{\lg^* n} = \Theta(\Delta)$ .

**Lemma 27.** There exists a scheme where  $A_h$  can be encoded in S(h) bits and any entry in  $A_h$  can be decoded in T(h) time, where

$$S(h) = \begin{cases} O((n/\Delta_1)^{2d} \lg n) & \text{if } h = 1\\ S(h-1) + O((n/\Delta_h)^{2d} \lg^{(h)} n) & \text{if } h > 1, \end{cases}$$

$$T(h) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } h = 1\\ T(h-1) + t_n \cdot O(\Delta/\lg^{(h)} n) & \text{if } h > 1. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let  $A'_h$  be the desired encoding. The base case can be achieved by storing  $A_1$  explicitly (i.e.,  $A_1 = A'_1$ ). For h > 1, given an encoding  $A'_{h-1}$  we obtain  $A'_h$  by storing an additional array  $B_h$  of size  $(1 + n/\Delta_h)^{2d}$  where each entry has size  $O(\lg^h(n))$  bits. Let R be a  $\Delta_h$  box and R' be the largest (possibly empty)  $\Delta_{h-1}$  box within R. We distinguish between two cases:

- 1. If the mode of R and R' are the same, then we simply store a special symbol \$\\$ in  $B_h[rank(R, \Delta_h)]$ .
- 2. Else, there must exists a point p in the region  $R \setminus R'$ , where  $p_c$  is the mode of R. Moreover the distance (say  $\tau$ ) from p to the boundary of R is at most  $\Delta_{h-1}$ . We store  $B_h[rank(R, \Delta_h)] = \lceil \tau/\delta_h \rceil$ , an approximate value of  $\tau$ , where  $\delta_h = \Delta/\lg^{(h)} n$ . This approximate distance can be encoded in  $O(\lg(\Delta_{h-1}/\delta_h)) = O(\lg^{(h)} n)$  bits.

Since the space occupied by  $B_h$  is  $O((n/\Delta_h)^{2d} \lg^{(h)} n)$  bits, the equation  $S(h) = S(h-1) + O((n/\Delta_h)^{2d} \lg^{(h)} n)$  follows.

We now describe how to decode the original value of an entry in  $A'_h$ . The array  $A'_1$  is stored explicitly, therefore T(1) = O(1). For h > 1, assume that we can decode entries of  $A'_{h-1}$  in the desired time. An entry in  $A'_h$  corresponding to a  $\Delta_h$ -box R can be decoded as follows:

1. If  $B_h[rank(R, \Delta_h)] = \$$ , then the mode of R is same as the mode of R', the largest  $\Delta_{h-1}$  box within R. The mode of R' is equal to  $A_h[rank(R', \Delta_{h-1})]$  so the time for decoding it is T(h) = T(h-1) + O(1).

2. Otherwise,  $\delta_h \cdot B_h[rank(R, \Delta_h)]$  represents the approximate distance (within an additive error at most  $\delta_h = \Delta/\lg^{(h)} n$ ) from a point p on the boundary of R, such that  $p_c$  is the mode of R. Since the points are in rank space, the number of points satisfying this approximate distance criteria is at most  $2d \cdot \delta_h$  and the color of a point among them is the mode of R. So, the mode of R (i.e.,  $A_h[rank(R, \Delta_h)]$ ) can be identified using  $O(\delta_h)$  range counting queries. Thus, giving the equation:  $T(h) = T(h-1) + t_n \cdot O(\Delta/\lg^{(h)} n)$ .

By combining both cases, the equation  $T(h) = T(h-1) + t_n \cdot O(\Delta/\lg^{(h)} n)$  follows.  $\square$ 

Note that

$$S(\lg^* n) = O\left(\sum_{h=1}^{\lg^* n} (n/\Delta_h)^{2d} \lg^{(h)} n\right)$$

$$= O\left((n/\Delta)^{2d} \sum_{h=1}^{\lg^* n} \left(\frac{1}{\lg^{(h)} n}\right)^{2d-1}\right)$$

$$= O\left((n/\Delta)^{2d}\right), \text{ and}$$

$$T(\lg^* n) = t_n \cdot O\left(\sum_{h=1}^{\lg^* n} \delta_h\right)$$

$$= t_n \cdot O\left(\Delta \sum_{h=1}^{\lg^* n} \frac{1}{\lg^{(h)} n}\right)$$

$$= t_n \cdot O(\Delta).$$

Therefore, by maintaining an  $O((n/\Delta)^{2d})$ -bit or  $O((n/\Delta)^{2d}/w)$ -word data structure structure (along with the range counting structures), we can compute the mode of the largest  $\Delta_{\lg^* n}$  box  $\mathcal{Q}'$  in any query  $\mathcal{Q}$  in  $t_n \cdot O(\Delta)$  time. Since the number of points in  $\mathcal{Q} \setminus \mathcal{Q}'$  is at most  $2d \cdot \Delta_{\lg^* n} = O(\Delta)$ , the mode of  $\mathcal{Q}$  can be computed within an additional  $O(t_n \cdot \Delta)$  time. We summarize our results in the following theorem.

**Theorem 28.** There exists a data structure that supports orthogonal range mode queries on a set of n points in d dimensions in  $O(\Delta \cdot t_n)$  time while using  $O(s_n + (n/\Delta)^{2d}/w)$  words.

We get the following corollary by using the range counting data structure of Jájá et al. [60].

**Corollary 29.** There exists a data structure that supports orthogonal range mode queries on a set of n points in  $d \geq 2$  dimensions in  $O((n^{(1-\frac{1}{2d})}/w^{\frac{1}{2d}})(\lg n/\lg\lg n)^{(d+\frac{1}{d}-\frac{3}{2})})$  time while using  $O(n(\lg n/\lg\lg n)^{d-2})$  words.

# Chapter 6

# One Dimensional Range Searching

### 6.1 Introduction

In this chapter we present data structures for the following problems.

- One dimensional color range reporting: Given a set of colored points  $\mathcal{P}$ , preprocess  $\mathcal{P}$  into an efficient data structure so that for any range  $\mathcal{Q} = [a, b]$  the distinct colors of points contained in  $\mathcal{P} \cap \mathcal{Q}$  can be reported.
- One dimensional approximate color range counting: Given a set of colored points  $\mathcal{P}$ , preprocess  $\mathcal{P}$  into an efficient data structure so that for any range  $\mathcal{Q} = [a, b]$  a  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximation of the number of distinct colors of points contained in  $\mathcal{P} \cap \mathcal{Q}$  can be reported, where  $\varepsilon < 1$  is a constant. That is, if the number of distinct colors in  $\mathcal{Q} \cap \mathcal{P}$  is x, the data structure should return a number y satisfying  $x \leq y \leq (1 + \varepsilon)x$ .
- One dimensional approximate median reporting: Given a set of points  $\mathcal{P}$  where every point is assigned a value from the set  $\{1,\ldots,U\}$ , preprocess  $\mathcal{P}$  into an efficient data structure so that for any range  $\mathcal{Q}=[a,b]$  an element whose rank is between  $(\lfloor k/2 \rfloor \alpha k)$  and  $(\lfloor k/2 \rfloor + \alpha k)$  in the query interval [a,b] is reported, where k is the number of points in [a,b] and  $\alpha < 1$  is a constant.

We study all three problems in the context of succinctness, where the goal is to achieve the optimal space requirement plus a lower order term, while maintaining fast query time. We note that the results of this Chapter are published in [31].

Previous Work. If the input points are in the rank space, one-dimensional color reporting queries can be answered in O(k+1) time using  $nH_d(S) + o(n \lg \sigma) + O(n \lg \lg \sigma)$ bits [6, 13, 17], where  $\sigma$  is the number of distinct colors,  $d = o(\log_{\sigma} n)$ , and  $H_d(S)$  is the d-th order empirical entropy of the given sequence of colors S. In the general case, onedimensional color reporting queries can be answered in  $O(\lg n + k)$  time in the static and dynamic scenarios as shown by Janardan and Lopez [61] and Gupta et al. [52]. Muthukrishnan [77] later described a static O(n) space data structure that answers queries in O(k+1) time when all point coordinates are bounded by n. His result implies an O(n)words data structure that answer queries in  $O(\min(\lg \lg m, \sqrt{\lg n}/\lg \lg n) + k)$  time using the reduction-to-rank-space technique, where  $O(\min(\lg \lg m, \sqrt{\lg n/\lg \lg n}))$  is the time needed to answer a predecessor query [14, 40]. A dynamic data structure of Mortensen [67] supports queries and updates in  $O(\lg \lg n + k)$  and  $O(\lg \lg n)$  time respectively if the values of all elements are bounded by n. Finally, Nekrich and Vitter [82] presented an O(n)-words static data structure that answers queries in O(k+1) time; their result is valid even in the case when point are not in the rank space. They also presented a dynamic version of their structure that uses the same space and achieves the same query time while handling updates in  $O(\lg^{\epsilon} n)$  time.

One-dimensional color counting in the rank space was studied by Gagie et al. [41]. They gave a data structure that answers queries in  $O(\lg^{1+\epsilon}n)$  time for any constant  $\epsilon > 0$  and uses  $nH_0(S) + O(n) + o(nH_0(S))$  bits. Nekrich [81] described a data structure that uses  $O(n \lg n)$  bits and answers color counting queries in  $O(\lg k/\lg \lg n)$  time, where k is the number of colors. A lower bound that follows from the predecessor problem [97, 10] holds for exact one-dimensional color counting, and does not permit constant query time for a data structure with space bounded by a polynomial function of n. We circumvent this lower bound by focusing on approximate color counting. If we combine a reduction of one-dimensional color counting to point counting in 2D with the result of Chan and Wilkinson [22], we obtain a data structure that uses  $O(n \lg n)$  bits and answer approximate color counting queries in  $O(\lg^{\epsilon}n)$  time. The data structure of Nekrich [22] also uses  $O(n \lg n)$  bits but answers approximate color counting queries in O(1) time. In both [81] and [22] it is assumed that points are in the rank space. In the general case, Saladi [86] presented a data structure that uses O(n) words and answers queries in  $O(\lg \lg U)$  time.

Bose et al. [16] studied the problem of one-dimensional approximate median reporting when the input points are in the rank space. They provided a data structure that uses O(n) words and answers queries in constant time. Their data structure returns the value of an approximate-median. In that model O(n) words are required because one can query each index separately and get its value. We relax that constraint and focus on data structures

that report the index of an approximate-median. We show that in this relaxed model O(n) bits are sufficient and necessary.

Our Results. We focus on studying the three problems presented in the succinct scenario. In Sections 6.2 and 6.3 we solve an open problem from [86] by presenting a data structure that answers approximate color counting queries in optimal O(1) time. Our data structure uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits, where  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) \approx n \lg (m/n)$  is the minimum number of bits required to store a set of size n from a universe of m elements. Thus, we demonstrate that is not necessary to store the colors of points in order to answer approximate color counting queries. If points are in the rank space, our data structure needs only O(n) bits and does not require access to the original data set. That is, similar to data structures for answering range minimum queries [39] that can answer queries without storing the original data set, we can construct a data structure for a colored set of points S and discard the set S. Using our data structure, we are still able to obtain a constant factor approximation on the number of colors in  $S \cap [a,b]$  for an arbitrary query interval [a,b].

In Section 6.4 we use similar techniques to obtain a data structure that answers approximate range median queries in constant time using only  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits. When the points are in the rank space, our data structure uses O(n) bits, thus improving a result from [16].

Then we turn to the problem of reporting colors using succinct space. We describe a data structure that answers color reporting queries in O(k+1) time while using  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + nH_d(S) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m) + n\lg\sigma)$  bits in Section 6.5. This result is a succinct counterpart of the data structure from [82] that also achieves optimal query time but uses  $O(n\lg n)$  bits.

Finally we consider dynamic succinct color reporting in the rank space. We present a succinct data structure that answers color reporting queries in optimal O(k+1) time and updates in  $O(\lg n)$  time while using  $nH_d(S) + o(n\lg \sigma)$  bits. Our data structure supports an update operation that changes the color of a point in  $O(\lg n)$  time.

Applications. Color reporting and counting queries are related to problems that arise in string processing and databases. Color searching queries are helpful when we are interested in (the number of) distinct object categories in a query range or look for distinct documents that contain a query substring. One prominent example is the document counting queries on a collection of documents. We keep documents (strings)  $d_1, \ldots, d_D$  in a data structure so that for any query string P the number of documents that contain P can be calculated. This problem can be solved by answering color counting queries on the so called document array. Consider the generalized suffix tree for all the documents, this document array is the array of documents the leaves correspond to in order; see [77, 42] for a detailed description.

The document array, however, needs  $O(n \lg D)$  bits of space in the worst case where n is the size of all the documents. If the number of documents is large and the alphabet size is small, the space usage of the document array can be significantly larger than the space needed to store the document collection. Using the result of Theorem 39, we can answer approximate document counting queries using O(n) additional bits.

# 6.2 Approximate Color Range Counting

In this section we present a data structure that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits of space and answers approximate color counting queries in constant time. A color range counting query for an interval returns the number of distinct colors of points contained within the interval. For any constant  $\varepsilon > 0$ , our color range counting data structure returns in constant time an approximate answer which is within a factor of at most  $(1 + \varepsilon)$  of the correct answer.

### 6.2.1 Approximate Color Range Counting in Rank Space

We begin by describing a data structure for the problem in the special case when the input points are in the rank space. The input consists of a sequence  $S = s_1, \ldots, s_n$  of n colors. A query is a range [a, b] where  $a, b \in [n]$ , and the answer is a  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximation of the number of distinct colors found in  $s_a, \ldots, s_b$ .

#### 6.2.1.1 Space Inefficient Solution

First we describe a space inefficient solution that requires  $O(n \lg^3 n)$  bits of space and answers one-dimensional approximate color counting queries in constant time.

Consider the complete binary tree  $\mathcal{T}$ , in which each leaf of  $\mathcal{T}$  corresponds to an element of S, and every internal node has two children. Given a node  $u \in \mathcal{T}$ ,  $u_l(u_r)$  denotes the left(right) child of u, S(u) denotes the set of all elements stored in the leaf descendants of u, and  $a_u(b_u)$  denotes the rightmost(leftmost) element in  $S(u_l)(S(u_r))$ . These definitions are illustrated in Figure 6.1.

Let  $\delta = 1 + \varepsilon$ . For each node  $u \in \mathcal{T}$  we store the values  $l_1, \ldots, l_{\log_{\delta} n}$  in a fusion tree <sup>1</sup> [40], where  $l_i$   $(1 \le i \le \log_{\delta} n)$  is the maximum value satisfying the condition that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fusion trees have a branching factor of  $w^{1/5} = \Omega(\lg^{1/5} n)$ . If a fusion tree contains a polylogarithmic

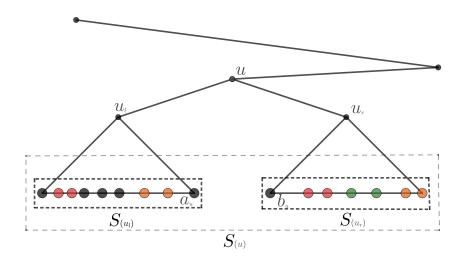


Figure 6.1: A sample node  $u \in \mathcal{T}$  and the sets associated with u.

 $s_{l_i}, \ldots, s_{a_u}$  contains  $\delta^i$  distinct colors. Also, for each node  $u \in \mathcal{T}$  and each i  $(1 \le i \le \log_{\delta} n)$  we store the values  $r_{i1}, \ldots, r_{i\log_{\delta} n}$  in a fusion tree [40], where  $r_{ij}$   $(1 \le j \le \log_{\delta} n)$  is the minimum value satisfying the condition that  $s_{b_u}, \ldots, s_{r_j}$  contains  $\delta^j$  distinct colors that are not present in  $s_{l_i}, \ldots, s_{a_u}$ .

Query: Given a query [a, b] we find the lowest common ancestor u of a and b in  $\mathcal{T}$ . We query the fusion tree stored on  $l_1, \ldots, l_{\log_{\delta} n}$  to find the predecessor  $l_i$  of a, then we query the fusion tree stored on  $r_{i1}, \ldots, r_{i\log_{\delta} n}$  and find the successor  $r_{ij}$  of b. Finally we return  $\delta^i + \delta^j$  as an estimate for the number of distinct colors in [a, b].

**Lemma 30.** The algorithm described above returns a  $(1+\varepsilon)$ -approximation of the number of distinct colors in  $s_a, \ldots, s_b$ .

*Proof.* Denote by x the number of distinct colors in  $s_a, \ldots, s_{a_u}$  and y the number of distinct colors in  $s_{b_u}, \ldots, s_b$  that are not found in  $s_a, \ldots, s_{a_u}$ . Let y' denote the number of colors in  $s_{b_u}, \ldots, s_b$  that do not occur in  $l_i, \ldots, s_{a_u}$ . By the definition of  $l_i$  and  $r_{ij}, x \leq \delta^i \leq \delta \cdot x$  and  $y' \leq \delta^j \leq \delta \cdot y'$ . Since  $y' \leq y, \delta^j \leq \delta \cdot y$ . Hence  $\delta^i + \delta^j \leq \delta(x+y)$ . There are at most  $\delta^i - x$ 

number of elements, as in our case, the height of the tree will be a constant and queries will be answered in constant time.

colors that occur in  $l_i, \ldots, s_{a_u}$ , but do not occur in  $s_a, \ldots, s_{a_u}$ . Hence  $y - (\delta^i - x) \leq y'$  and  $y - (\delta^i - x) \leq \delta^j$ . If we add  $\delta^i$  to both parts of the latter inequality, we obtain  $y + x \leq \delta^j + \delta^i$ . Summing up

$$x + y \le \delta^i + \delta^j \le \delta(x + y)$$

which completes the proof.

**Theorem 31.** There exists an  $O(n \lg^3 n)$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximate color range counting queries in constant time when the input points are in the rank space.

#### 6.2.1.2 Lower Bound

Next, we show using a simple proof that  $\Omega(n)$  bits are required for any data structure that answers one-dimensional  $(1+\varepsilon)$ -approximate color range counting queries in the rank space.

We assume without loss of generality that the number of colors  $\sigma > \lfloor 1 + \varepsilon \rfloor$ , otherwise no data structure is needed since returning  $\sigma$  for any query would be a correct  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximation of the exact answer. Moreover, denote by  $c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_k$  the first  $k = \lfloor 1 + \varepsilon \rfloor + 1$  colors. Divide a sequence S of size n to n/k blocks each of size k. We say that S satisfies property (\*) if for each block b in S one of the following two conditions hold:

- either b consists of the color  $c_1$  repeated k times,
- or  $b = c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$ .

Clearly, the number of sequences that satisfy (\*) is  $2^{(n/k)}$  since there exist n/k blocks in a sequence of size n and each block can satisfy one of two different conditions. Moreover for any two distinct sequences  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  satisfying (\*) differing at block b, there exist at least one  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximate range counting query, namely the query that asks for the number of different colors in b, that will return different values. Thus, the information theoretic lower bound for storing a one-dimensional  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximate range counting data structure is  $\Omega(\lg 2^{(n/k)}) = \Omega(n/k) = \Omega(n/(1+\epsilon))$  bits.

**Theorem 32.** Any one-dimensional  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximate range counting data structure requires  $\Omega(n/(1+\epsilon))$  bits.

#### 6.2.1.3 Compact Data Structure

In this subsection we show how to make the data structure of Theorem 31 compact by bootstrapping.

Let  $\delta=1+\varepsilon$ . We define the functions:  $f(n)=f^{(1)}(n)=\lg^4 n$  and  $f^{(h)}(n)=f^{(h-1)}(f(n))$ . The function  $f^*(n)$  is defined as

$$f^*(n) = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } n \le 2^{16} \\ 1 + f^*(f(n)) \text{ if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

We note that the functions  $f^{(i)}$  and  $f^*$  are a twist on the iterated logarithm function  $\lg^*$ , and  $\lg^{(i)}(n) < f^{(i)}(n) < \lg^{(i/2)}(n)$ .

We start by modifying the tree  $\mathcal{T}$  from section 6.2.1.1 so that each leaf of  $\mathcal{T}$  corresponds to a block of f(n) consecutive elements of S (instead of a single element of S). Then, we define the family of trees  $\mathcal{T}_{ij}$  where  $1 \leq i \leq f^*(n)$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n/f^{(i)}(n)$  as follows. Tree  $\mathcal{T}_{ij}$  spans the  $i^{th}$  block of S of size  $f^{(i)}(n)$  (i.e.  $s_{((i-1)f^{(i)}(n)+1)}, \ldots, s_{(if^{(i)}(n))}$ ) and each leaf of  $\mathcal{T}_{ij}$  correspond to a block of  $f^{(i+1)}(n)$  consecutive elements. For each node  $u \in \mathcal{T}_{ij}$  we store in separate fusion trees the sets of values:  $\{l_p|1 \leq p \leq \log_{\delta} f^{(i)}(n)\}$ , and for each  $1 \leq p \leq \log_{\delta} f^{(i)}(n)$  the set  $\{r_{pq}|, 1 \leq q \leq \log_{\delta} f^{(i)}(n)\}$  as defined in Section 6.2.1.1. Finally, for every two indices a and b satisfying  $1 \leq a \leq b \leq f(n)$  we store in a table B the index i such that a and b are in the same block of size  $f^{i}(n)$  but in different blocks of size  $f^{i+1}(n)$ . In other words, i must satisfy the following conditions  $\lfloor a/f^{(i)}(n) \rfloor = \lfloor b/f^{(i)}(n) \rfloor$  and  $\lfloor a/f^{(i+1)}(n) \rfloor \neq \lfloor b/f^{(i+1)}(n) \rfloor$ 

Space Analysis: The number of nodes in  $\mathcal{T}$  is reduced to n/f(n) and the space used by  $\mathcal{T}$  and fusion trees stored in its nodes is  $O(n/\lg n)$  bits. The number of nodes in  $\mathcal{T}_{ij}$  is  $f^{(i)}(n)/f^{(i+1)}(n)$  and the space used by  $\mathcal{T}_{ij}$  and fusion trees stored in its nodes is  $O(f^{(i)}(n)/\lg (f^{(i)}(n)))$  bits. Thus, the total space used by all such trees is:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{f^*(n)} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n/f^{(i)}(n)} O\left(f^{(i)}(n)/\lg(f^{(i)}(n))\right) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{f^*(n)} \left( n/f^{(i)}(n) \cdot O\left(f^{(i)}(n)/\lg(f^{(i)}(n))\right) \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{f^*(n)} O\left( n/\lg(f^{(i)}(n)) \right)$$

$$= n \sum_{i=1}^{f^*(n)} O\left( 1/\lg(f^{(i)}(n)) \right)$$

$$= O(n)$$

Finally, the table B uses o(n) bits. Thus, the total space used is O(n) bits.

Query: Given a query [a, b], if a and b are in two different blocks of size f(n), we can answer queries using  $\mathcal{T}$  in the same way as described in Subsection 6.2.1.1. Otherwise, we query B on values  $(a \mod f(n))$  and  $(b \mod f(n))$  to find the index i satisfying the condition that a and b are in the same block of size  $f^{(i)}(n)$  but in different blocks of size  $f^{(i+1)}(n)$ . Finally, we query  $\mathcal{T}_{i|a/f^{(i)}n|}$  as we query  $\mathcal{T}$ .

**Theorem 33.** There exists a compact O(n)-bit data structure that supports one-dimensional  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximate color range counting queries in constant time when the input points are in the rank space.

# 6.3 General Approximate Range Counting

In this section, we consider the general case of approximate range counting where each point is assigned a coordinate from 1 to m as well as a color. Given a query [a, b] where  $a, b \in [m]$ , the goal is to return a  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximation of the number of colors that occur within [a, b]. We present a data structure that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n, m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n, m))$  bits of space and answers  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximate color counting queries in constant time.

Let  $\delta = 1 + \varepsilon$  and let  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  be the coordinates of the n given colored points  $\mathcal{P}$  in sorted order. Denote by  $\mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$  the set of points whose x-coordinate rank is a multiple of  $\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$ . For each point  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  denote by L (p) the set of points to the left of p, and by R (p) the set of points to the right of p.

For each point  $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$  we store in a fusion tree [40] the unique values  $l_1, \ldots, l_{\log_\delta n}$  where  $l_i$   $(i \in [\log_\delta n])$  is the maximum value satisfying the condition that  $s_{l_i}, \ldots, s_p$  contains  $\delta^i$  unique colors. Also, for each point  $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$  and each  $i \in [\log_\delta n]$  we store in a fusion tree [40] the unique values  $r_{i1}, \ldots, r_{i \log_\delta n}$  where  $r_{ij}$   $(j \in [\log_\delta n])$  is the minimum value satisfying the condition that  $s_{p+1}, \ldots, s_{r_j}$  contains  $\delta^j$  unique colors not present in  $s_{l_i}, \ldots, s_p$ . We also store a succinct point reporting structure [46] on  $\mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$ .

Next, we divide  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  into  $n/\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$  blocks each of size  $\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$ , except for the last one. Using  $O(n \lg^{4/5} m)$  bits [83] we store predecessor and successor data structures for each block independently. Since the size of each block is at most  $\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$ , answering predecessor and successor queries within a block takes constant time. Finally, we store in O(n) bits the compact data structure from Theorem 39 for answering queries in the rank space.

Query: Given a query [a, b] we check if a point  $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$  is in [a, b]. If so, we query the fusion tree stored on  $l_1, \ldots, l_{\log_{1+\varepsilon} n}$  to find  $l_i$  the predecessor of a, then we query the fusion tree stored on  $r_{i1}, \ldots, r_{i\log_{1+\varepsilon} n}$  to find  $r_{ij}$  the successor of b, afterwards we return  $(1+\varepsilon)^i + (1+\varepsilon)^j$ .

If such a point p does not exist, then both a and b are in one of the blocks whose size is  $\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$ . Using the reporting data structure stored on  $\mathcal{P}$  we get the rank of an arbitrary point in [a,b] then determine which block does a and b belong to. Afterwards, using the predecessor and successor structures, we determine the rank of a and b. Since the query is now reduced to the rank space, we can answer it in constant time.

**Theorem 34.** There exists an  $(\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + O(n \lg^{4/5} m))$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional  $(1 + \varepsilon)$ -approximate color range counting queries in constant time.

Next, we describe how to reduce the space of the predecessor and successor data structures. We split the universe [m] into n subranges  $r_1, \ldots, r_n$  each of size m/n. We also use succinct rank and select data structures that store a bit vector of size n using n + o(n) bits and answers rank and select queries in constant time [69]. For each non-empty subrange  $r_i$  we store a predecessor and successor structure for every block of  $\lg^2 n$  consecutive elements and a point reporting structure  $P_i$  on all the points within  $r_i$ . These structures are stored consecutively in an array A. To locate the data structures for any range  $r_i$  within A, we count the number of points in the ranges  $r_j$  for j < i then scale that number. For that purpose, we construct a bit vector B of size 2n bits, with rank and select queries, that stores a zero for each range  $r_i$  followed by  $n_i$  ones, where  $n_i$  is the number of points in the range  $r_i$ . To count the number of points preceding  $r_i$ , we use a select query to get the position k of the i<sup>th</sup> zero in B, then with a rank query we count the number of ones before position k.

Given a non-empty query range [a,b] such that there exist at most  $\lg^3 n$  points between a and b, a belongs to  $r_i$  where  $i = \lfloor a/(m/n) \rfloor$  and b belongs to  $r_j$  where  $j = \lfloor b/(m/n) \rfloor$ , we find the rank of a in the following manner. First, we map a to a' = a - im/n and b to b' = b - jm/n. If the range [a', m/n] is empty in  $P_i$ , we use rank and select queries to get s the number of ones before the  $(i+1)^{\text{th}}$  zero in B, the rank of a will be s+1. Otherwise, we find a point p in  $P_i$  within the range [a', m/n] if i and j are different or within the range [a', b'] if i and j are the same. If p's rank within  $r_i$  is k, we query the  $\lfloor k/\lg^3 n \rfloor$  successor data structure to find the rank of a' in  $r_i$ . Then, we add the number of points occurring in each range  $r_l$  where l < i to this rank to get the rank of a. We obtain the rank of b in a similar manner.

The extra space used is  $o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits for the point reporting structures stored on the ranges  $r_1, \ldots, r_n$ ,  $O(n \lg^{4/5}(m/n)) = o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits for the predecessor and successor data structures, and O(n) bits for the bit vector B.

**Theorem 35.** There exists an  $(\mathcal{B}(n,m)+O(n)+o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional  $(1+\varepsilon)$ -approximate color range counting queries in constant time.

# 6.4 Approximate Median Range Reporting

In this section we present a data structure that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits of space and answers approximate median reporting queries in constant time. A median range query returns the median of a query interval. Given a query interval with k points, an approximate-median reporting query returns an element whose rank is between  $(\lfloor k/2 \rfloor - \alpha k)$  and  $(\lfloor k/2 \rfloor + \alpha k)$  in the interval, where  $\alpha$  is the approximation factor.

### 6.4.1 Approximate Median Range Reporting in Rank Space

We begin by describing a data structure for the problem in the special case when the input points are in the rank space. The input consists of a sequence  $S = s_1, \ldots, s_n$  of n values. A query is a range [a, b] where  $a, b \in [n]$ , and the answer is the index of an approximate median of  $s_a, \ldots, s_b$ .

### 6.4.1.1 Space Inefficient Solution

Like the preceding section, to illustrate the main idea of our final solution, we first describe a space inefficient solution that requires  $O(n \lg^3 n)$  bits of space and answers approximate range median queries in constant time.

Let  $\delta = 1 + (\alpha/2)$ . We store the unique values  $\{m_{kij} : 1 \le k \le n \text{ and } 1 \le i, j \le \log_{\delta} n\}$ , where  $m_{kij}$  is the median of the interval  $s_a, \ldots, s_b$  such that  $a = k - \delta^i$  and  $b = k - \delta^i + \delta^j$ .

Query: Given a query [a, b] we pick an arbitrary point k in [a, b] then compute the biggest indices i and j such that  $k - \delta^i < a$  and  $k - \delta^i + \delta^j < b$ . Then, we return  $m_{kij}$ .

**Lemma 36.** The algorithm described above returns an approximate median of  $s_a, \ldots, s_b$  with an approximation ratio  $\alpha$ .

*Proof.* Denote by  $x = (k - \delta^i) - a$  and  $y = b - (k - \delta^i + \delta^j)$ . By the way we compute i and j:

$$x \le (\alpha/2)(k - a + 1) \le (\alpha/2)(b - a + 1)$$
$$y \le (\alpha/2)(b - k + \delta^i + 1) \le (\alpha/2)(b - a + 1)$$

so the number of elements in  $s_x, \ldots, s_y$  is at least  $(b-a+1)-\alpha(b-a+1)$ . Thus, since we are returning the index of an exact median in  $s_x, \ldots, s_y$ , that index would correspond to an approximate median in  $s_a, \ldots, s_b$ .

**Theorem 37.** There exists an  $O(n \lg^3 n)$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional approximate median queries in constant time when the input points are in the rank space.

#### **6.4.1.2** Lower Bound

Next, we show using a simple proof that  $\Omega(n)$  bits are required for any data structure that answers one-dimensional approximate median range queries in the rank space.

Given an approximation factor  $\alpha$ , divide the sequence S of size n to n/k blocks each of size  $k = 1/\alpha$ . We say that S satisfies property  $(\star)$  if for each block b in S one of the following two conditions hold:

- either b consists of three 1s followed by (k-3)/2 0s followed by (k-3)/2 2s,
- or b consists (k-3)/2 0s followed by (k-3)/2 2s followed by three 1s.

Clearly, the number of sequences that satisfy  $(\star)$  is  $2^{(n/k)}$  since there exist n/k blocks in a sequence of size n and each block can have one of two different values. Moreover for any two distinct sequences  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  satisfying  $(\star)$  differing at block b, there exist at least one approximate range median query, namely the query that asks for an approximate median of b, that will return different values. Thus, the information theoretic lower bound for storing an approximate range median data structure is  $\Omega(\lg 2^{(n/k)}) = \Omega(n/k) = \Omega(\alpha n)$  bits.

**Theorem 38.** Any one-dimensional approximate range median data structure requires  $\Omega(\alpha n)$  bits where  $\alpha$  is the approximation factor.

#### 6.4.1.3 Compact Data Structure

Using a similar approach to the one used in Subsection 6.4.1.1, in this subsection we use bootstrapping to make the data structure of Theorem 37 compact. Let  $\delta = 1 + (\alpha/2)$  and the functions f(n),  $f^{(h)(n)}$ , and  $f^*(n)$  be defined as in Subsection 6.4.1.1.

The main idea is to store the values  $m_{kij}$  for all k values that are a multiple of  $\lg^4 n$  using  $O(n/\lg n)$  bits, then, recursively bootstrap on the individual blocks of size  $\lg^4 n$ . More precisely we store the tables  $T_0, \ldots, T_{f^*(n)}$ . The table  $T_0$  contains the values  $m_{kij}$  as described in Section 6.4.1.1 for all k values that are a multiple of  $\lg^4 n$ . The table  $T_s$  where  $1 \le s \le f^*(n)$  contains the values  $m_{bkij}$  where:

$$1 \le b \le n/f^{s}(n) 
1 \le k \le f^{(s)}(n)/f^{(s+1)}(n) 
1 \le i, j \le \lg_{\delta} f^{(s)}(n)$$

and  $m_{sbkij}$  is the median of the interval  $s_x, \ldots, s_y$  such that:

$$x = b \cdot f^{(s)}(n) + k \cdot f^{(s+1)}(n) - \delta^{i}$$
  

$$y = b \cdot f^{(s)}(n) + k \cdot f^{(s+1)}(n) - \delta^{i} + \delta^{j}$$

Finally, for every two indices x and y satisfying  $1 \le x \le y \le f(n)$  we store in a table B the index i such that x and y are in the same block of size  $f^s(n)$  but in different blocks of size  $f^{s+1}(n)$ . In other words, s must satisfy the following conditions  $\lfloor x/f^{(s)}(n)\rfloor = \lfloor y/f^{(s)}(n)\rfloor$  and  $\lfloor x/f^{(s+1)}(n)\rfloor \ne \lfloor y/f^{(s+1)}(n)\rfloor$ .

Space Analysis: The table  $T_0$  uses  $O(n/\lg n)$  bits since it contains  $n/\lg^2 n$  entries each of size  $\lg n$ . Each entry in table  $T_s$  where  $1 \le s \le f^*(n)$  can be stored in  $\lg (f^{(s)}(n))$  bits. Moreover, the number of entries in  $T_s$  is:

$$(n/f^{s}(n)) \cdot (f^{(s)}(n)/f^{(s+1)}(n)) \cdot \lg_{\delta}^{2}(f^{(s)}(n))$$

$$= (n/f^{(s+1)}(n)) \cdot \lg_{\delta}^{2}(f^{(s)}(n))$$

$$= (n/\lg_{\delta}^{4}(f^{(s)}(n))) \cdot \lg_{\delta}^{2}(f^{(s)}(n))$$

$$= (n/\lg_{\delta}^{2}(f^{(s)}(n)))$$

so  $T_s$  will use  $O(n/\lg(f^{(s)}(n)))$  bits. Thus, the total space used by all tables  $T_s$   $(1 \le s \le f^*(n))$  is:  $\sum_{s=1}^{f^*(n)} O(n/\lg(f^{(s)}(n))) = O(n)$  bits. Finally, the table B uses o(n) bits. Thus, the total space used is O(n) bits.

Query: Given a query [a, b], if a and b are in two different blocks of size f(n), we can answer queries using the same way as described in Subsection 6.4.1.1. Otherwise, we query B on values  $(a \mod f(n))$  and  $(b \mod f(n))$  to find the index s satisfying the condition that a and b are in the same block of size  $f^{(s)}(n)$  but in different blocks of size  $f^{(s+1)}(n)$ . Then, we proceed in a query similar to the one described in Subsection 6.4.1.1 using the entries in table  $T_s$ .

**Theorem 39.** There exists a compact O(n)-bit data structure that supports one-dimensional approximate range median queries in constant time when the input points are in the rank space.

### 6.4.2 General Approximate Range Median

In this section, we consider the general case of approximate median reporting where each point is assigned a coordinate from 1 to m as well as a value. Given a query [a, b] where  $a, b \in [m]$ , the goal is to return an approximate median of the values occurring within [a, b]. We present a succinct data structure that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n, m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n, m))$  bits of space and answers approximate range median queries in constant time.

Let  $\delta = 1 + (\alpha/2)$  and let  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  be the coordinates of the n given points  $\mathcal{P}$  in sorted order. Denote by  $\mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$  the set of points whose coordinate rank is a multiple of  $\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$ . For each point  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  denote by L (p) the set of points to the left of p, and by R (p) the set of points to the right of p.

For each point  $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$  we store in a fusion tree [40] the unique values  $l_1, \ldots, l_{\log_\delta n}$  where  $l_i$   $(i \in [\log_\delta n])$  is the coordinate of the  $\delta^i$  point before p. Also, for each point  $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$  and each  $i \in [\log_\delta n]$  we store in a fusion tree [40] the unique values  $r_{i1}, \ldots, r_{i\log_\delta n}$  where  $r_{ij}$   $(j \in [\log_\delta n])$  is the coordinate of the  $\delta^j$  point after  $l_i$ . We also store the median of the interval  $[l_i, r_{ij}]$  as satellite data associated with  $r_{ij}$ . In addition, we store a succinct point reporting structure [46] on  $\mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$ .

Next, we divide  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  into  $n/\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$  blocks each of size  $\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$ , except for the last one. Using  $o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits as described in Section 6.3 we store predecessor and successor data structures that can answer queries in each block independently. Since the size of each block is at most  $\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$ , answering predecessor and successor queries within a block takes constant time. Finally, we store in O(n) bits the compact data structure from Theorem 39 for answering queries in the rank space.

Query: Given a query [a, b] we check if a point  $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil}$  is in [a, b]. If so, we query the fusion tree stored on  $l_1, \ldots, l_{\log_{1+\varepsilon} n}$  to find  $l_i$  the predecessor of a, then we query the

fusion tree stored on  $r_{i1}, \ldots, r_{i\log_{1+\varepsilon} n}$  to find  $r_{ij}$  the successor of b, afterwards we return the median of  $[l_i, r_{ij}]$ .

If such a point p does not exist, then both a and b are in one of the blocks whose size is  $\lceil \lg^3 n \rceil$ . Using the reporting data structure stored on  $\mathcal{P}$  we get the rank of an arbitrary point in [a,b] then determine which block does a and b belong to. Afterwards, using the predecessor and successor structures, we determine the rank of a and b. Since the query is now reduced to the rank space, we can answer it in constant time.

**Theorem 40.** There exists an  $(\mathcal{B}(n,m)+O(n)+o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional approximate range median queries in constant time.

# 6.5 1D Color Range Reporting

Using similar techniques to those used in the previous sections, we present in this section a succinct data structure that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + nH_d(S) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m) + n\lg\sigma)$  bits of space and answers color reporting queries in optimal O(k+1) time.

If the input points are in the rank space (i.e. the x-coordinates of the input points are 1,...,n and the input consists of a sequence  $S = s_1, ..., s_n$  of n colors, a query is a range [a, b] where  $a, b \in [n]$ , and the answer is the distinct colors found in  $s_a, ..., s_b$ ), one-dimensional color range reporting can be solved in O(k+1) time using  $nH_d(S) + o(n) \lg \sigma + O(n \lg \lg \sigma)$  bits [6, 13, 17].

This solution can be extended to general one-dimensional range reporting by storing the x-coordinates of the points in sorted order in an indexable dictionary that supports select queries in constant time using  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits [87] in addition to the data structure described in [6, 13, 17]. We can find the predecessor or successor of any x-coordinate in  $O(\lg n)$  time by answering  $O(\lg n)$  select queries. Hence, we can reduce any query [a, b] to the rank space in  $O(\lg n)$  additional time.

**Theorem 41.** There exists an  $(\mathcal{B}(n,m)+nH_d(S)+o(\mathcal{B}(n,m)+n\lg\sigma))$ -space data structure that supports one-dimensional color range reporting queries in  $O(\lg n+k)$ time.

## 6.5.1 Improved Data Structure

Next, we show how to improve the query time obtained from Theorem 41 to O(k+1), while using the same amount of space.

Let  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  be the coordinates in sorted order of the n given colored points  $\mathcal{P}$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^2 n \rceil}$  the set of points whose x-coordinate rank is a multiple of  $\lceil \lg^2 n \rceil$ . For each point  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  we denote by L (p) the set of points to the left of p, and by R (p) the set of points to the right of p. For every color p the set Min (p) contains the minimal element  $p \in \mathcal{E}$  (p) of color p, and the set Max p0 contains the maximal element p0 color p1.

Data Structure: For each point  $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^2 n \rceil}$ , we store the smallest  $\lceil \lg n \rceil$  elements of Min (p) and the largest  $\lceil \lg n \rceil$  elements of Max (p). We also store two succinct one-dimensional point reporting data structures [46], one on every point in  $\mathcal{P}$ , and the other on every point in  $\mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^2 n \rceil}$ . Next, we store a data structure similar to the one used in subsection 6.3 that can find in constant time the ranks of a query [a,b] if [a,b] is not empty, and a and b belong to the same block of size  $\lg^2 n$ , Finally, we store the data structure from Theorem 41.

Answering Queries: We report all colors in a query range [a, b] as follows. Using the reporting data structure stored on  $\mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^2 n \rceil}$ , we search for some  $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\lceil \lg^2 n \rceil} \cap [a, b]$ .

If such a point p exist, we traverse the list L(p) until an element p' > b is found or the end of L(p) is reached. We also traverse the list R(p) until an element p' < a is found or the end of R(p) is reached. If we reach neither the end of L(p) nor the end of R(p), then all distinct colors in [a, b] are reported. Otherwise, the range [a, b] contains more than  $\lg n$  distinct colors. In that case we use the data structure from Theorem 41.

If a and b belong to a continuous block of  $\lg^2 n$  points, we find their ranks in a similar manner to subsection 6.3, then solve the problem in the rank space as described in the previous subsection.

**Theorem 42.** There exists a  $(\mathcal{B}(n,m) + nH_d(S) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m) + n\lg\sigma))$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional color range reporting queries in O(k+1) time.

Note that  $n = o(n \lg \sigma)$  as long as  $\sigma$  is not a constant. If  $\sigma$  is a constant, we solve the problem using a different approach. We store a separate succinct range emptiness data structure [46] for every subset of points with a given color. To answer a query [a, b], for each color c we query the range emptiness data structure associated with c to check if a point with color c occurs in the range [a, b], if so we report c. The query runtime is a constant since the number of colors is constant and range emptiness queries take constant time. Hence, we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 43.** There exists an  $(\mathcal{B}(n,m)+nH_d(S)+o(\mathcal{B}(n,m)+n\lg\sigma))$ -space data structure that supports one-dimensional color range reporting queries in O(k+1) time.

## 6.6 Dynamic Color Reporting in Rank Space

Finally, we describe a succinct data structure that uses  $nH_d(S) + o(n \lg \sigma)$  bits of space and answers color reporting queries in optimal O(k+1) time when the input points are in the rank space, while supporting the following update operation in  $O(\lg n)$  time: given an index i and a color c, set the color of the i<sup>th</sup> element to c.

**Theorem 44.** There exists an  $(nH_d(S) + o(n \lg \sigma) + O(n))$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional color range reporting queries in O(k+1) time and updates of the form: given an index i and a color c set the color of the i<sup>th</sup> element to c, in  $O(\lg n)$  time when points are in the rank space.

*Proof.* Let the input sequence be  $S = s_1, \ldots, s_n$ , and  $\mathcal{T}$  be the complete balanced binary tree where every leaf of  $\mathcal{T}$  corresponds to an element of S and every internal node has two children. For any node  $u \in \mathcal{T}$ , S(u) denotes the set of all elements stored in the leaf descendants of u. For  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  denote by  $l_i(r_i)$  the height of the highest ancestor u of the node corresponding to i such that i is the leftmost(rightmost) element in S(u) with color  $s_i$ .

We store S in a dynamic data structure using  $nH_d(S) + o(n\lg\sigma)$  bits that supports access in O(1) time and Update, Rank, and Select in  $O(\lg n/\lg\lg n)$  time [49]. We divide S into blocks of  $\lg n$  elements each, then we subdivide each block to subblocks of size  $\lg\lg n$  elements. For each subblock  $b_{ij}$  ( $0 \le i < n/\lg n$  and  $0 \le j < \lg n/\lg\lg n$ ) in block  $b_i$  we store:

- The maximum value  $m_{ij}^l$  of the sequence  $l_{i\lg n+j\lg\lg n}, \ldots, l_{i\lg n+(j+1)\lg\lg n}$  and a succinct range maximum data structure [39]  $T_{ij}^l$  to answer range maximum queries on it
- The maximum value  $m_{ij}^r$  of the sequence  $r_{i\lg n+j\lg\lg n}, \ldots, r_{i\lg n+(j+1)\lg\lg n}$  and a succinct range maximum data structure [39]  $T_{ij}^r$  to answer range maximum queries on it.

The space used is  $O(\lg \lg n)$  bits per subblock, which sums to O(n) bits. For each block  $b_i$  we store:

• The sequence  $m_{i0}^l, \ldots, m_{i \lg \lg n}^l$ , its maximum value  $m_i^l$ , and a succinct range maximum data structure [39]  $T_i^l$  to answer range maximum queries on it.

• The sequence  $m_{i0}^r, \ldots, m_{i \lg \lg n}^r$ , its maximum value  $m_i^r$ , and a succinct range maximum data structure [39]  $T_i^r$  to answer range maximum queries on it.

The space used is  $O(\lg n/\lg \lg n)$  bits per block, which sums to  $O(n/\lg \lg n)$  bits. Finally, using Lemma 1 from a result by Nekrich et al. [82] we store using O(n) bits two-dimensional point reporting structures  $T^l$  and  $T^r$  containing the set of points  $(i, m_i^l)$  and  $(i, m_i^r)$  where  $1 \le i \le n/\lg n$ . These structures support queries in O(k+1) time and updates in  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} n)$  time.

**Answering Queries:** Given a query [a, b], we find the lowest common ancestor u of a and b. Let  $u_l(u_r)$  be the left(right) child of u, c be the rightmost child of  $u_l$ , and let h denote the height of  $u_l$  and  $u_r$ .

To get all distinct colors in  $[a, c] = [a, b] \cap S(u_l)$ , it is sufficient to report all colors  $s_i$  in that range with  $r_i \geq h$ . We maintain the invariant that each color is reported on its right most occurrence.

If [a,c] was contained in a single subblock  $b_{ij}$ , we query  $T_{ij}^r$  for all the distinct colors as follows. We get the largest element  $r_d$  in  $r_a, \ldots, r_c$ , if  $s_d$  was previously reported we return, otherwise we report  $s_d$  and recurse on the interval [d,c] followed by [a,d]. Note that it is important to recurse on [d,c] before [a,d] to maintain the invariant mentioned above, which guarantees that  $r_d = \min(r_a, \ldots, r_c)$  will be smaller than h if the color  $s_d$  was previously reported.

Otherwise, if [a, c] spans several subblocks but is contained in a single block  $b_i$  we proceed as follows. We first query the rightmost subblock partially spanned by [a, c]. Then, we query  $T_i^r$  to get all the subblocks  $b_{ij}$  spanned by [a, c] satisfying the condition that  $m_{ij}^r \geq h$  in order from right to left. We query each one of them in that order, then we query the leftmost subblock that is partially spanned by [a, c].

Finally, if [a, c] spans several blocks we first query the rightmost block partially spanned by [a, c]. Then, we query  $T^r$  to get all the blocks i spanned by [a, c] satisfying the condition that  $m_i^r \geq h$  in order from right to left. We query each one of them in that order, then we query the leftmost block that is partially spanned by [a, c].

Similarly, to report all the distinct colors in  $[c+1,b] = [a,b] \cap S(u_r)$  it is sufficient to report all colors  $s_i$  in that range with  $l_i \geq h$ . We do this in a similar way to the method used to query [a,c], while maintaining the invariant that each color is reported on its left most occurrence.

**Updating the Sequence:** If the color of position i was updated from c to c' the following values could get modified:  $r_i$ ,  $r_a$  where a is the first index before i with color c,

 $r_b$  where b is the first index after i with color c',  $l_i$ ,  $l_d$  where d is the first index after i with color c, and  $l_e$  where e is the first index before i with color c'.

We can find the value  $r_i$  of any index i in  $O(\lg n/\lg \lg n)$  time by using Rank and Select queries to get the first index j before i with the same color as index i, then computing the lowest common ancestor of i and j. Similarly, to get the value  $l_i$ , we use Rank and Select queries to get the first index j after i with the same color as index i, then we compute the lowest common ancestor of i and j.

Since we don't store the values  $r_1, \ldots, r_n$  and  $l_1, \ldots, l_n$  explicitly, once one of them changes (say  $r_a$  where a is in subblock  $b_{ij}$ ) we recompute all values  $r_j$  where  $j \in b_{ij}$  and reconstruct  $T_{ij}^r$ . Recomputing all values  $r_j$  where  $j \in b_{ij}$  takes  $O(\lg \lg n \cdot \lg n / \lg \lg n) = O(\lg n)$  time and reconstructing  $T_{ij}^r$  takes  $O(\lg \lg n)$  time. If  $m_{ij}^r$  changed, we rebuild  $T_i^r$  in  $O(\lg n)$  time. Finally, if  $m_i$  changed we update its value in  $T^r$  in  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} n)$  time. Since only a constant number of values get updated, the runtime is  $O(\lg n)$ .

If  $\sigma$  is a constant then the O(n) additional bits stored by the data structure are no longer a lower order term, so we handle this case separately. We divide S into blocks of size  $\lg n/2 \lg \sigma$ . We store a lookup table using  $O(\sqrt{n} \lg^2 n)$  bits to answer color range queries over every possible block of this size. Also, we store the data structure from Theorem 44 on the sequence  $S' = s'_1, \ldots, s'_{2 \lg \sigma n/\lg n}$  with alphabet  $\sigma' = 2^{\sigma}$ , where  $s'_i$  denotes the subset of colors found on the  $i^{\text{th}}$  block of S. The total space used is  $nH_d(S) + o(n \lg \sigma) + O(n/\lg n)$  bits. To answer a query Q, we use the lookup table to get the colors in the (two) blocks which are not completely spanned by Q, then we use the data structure from Theorem 44 to get the colors in the blocks that are fully spanned by Q. Each color will be reported at most a constant number of times. The query time is  $O(\lg n)$ .

**Theorem 45.** There exists an  $(nH_d(S) + o(n \lg \sigma))$ -bit data structure that supports onedimensional color range reporting queries in O(k+1) time and updates of the form: given an index i and a color c set the color of the i<sup>th</sup> element to c, in  $O(\lg n)$  time when points are in the rank space.

## Chapter 7

## Succinct Dynamic One Dimensional Point Reporting

#### 7.1 Introduction

This chapter studies the dynamic one-dimensional range reporting problem where the goal is to maintain (under insertion and deletion) a set of integers S from a universe of size m to answer range reporting queries efficiently: Given an interval [a, b] for some  $a, b \in [m]$ , report all points in  $S \cap [a, b]$ . We note that this operation is equivalent to the operation FindAny(a, b) which reports an arbitrary point c in  $S \cap [a, b]$ . This follows since if [a, b] is not empty, we can recurse on [a, c-1] and [c+1, b] after obtaining c to get all points in [a, b].

We study this problem in the context of succinctness. The goal is to occupy as little, or close to as little, space as possible while maintaining an efficient query time. We describe a dynamic data structure that answers reporting queries in optimal O(k+1) time, where k is the number of points in the answer, and supports updates (insertions and deletions) in  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  expected time. Our data structure uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits where  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) \approx n \lg (m/n)$  is the minimum number of bits required to represent a set of size n from a universe of m elements

Related Work One-dimensional range reporting is a well studied problem. Miltersen et al. [66] presented a data structure for the static version of this problem that uses  $O(n \lg m)$ 

words and answers queries in constant time per reported element. Alstrup et al. [4] later presented an improved data structure with the same query time that uses O(n) words, i.e.,  $O(n \lg m)$  bits. Goswami et al. [46] presented a succinct data structure that further improved the space usage to  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits while preserving the query time.

For the dynamic version of this problem Mortensen et al. [68] presented a data structure that uses a linear number of words and answers queries in  $O(t_q)$  time and updates in expected  $O(t_u)$  time where:

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t_q \ge \lg \lg \lg m, \lg \lg m / \lg \lg \lg m \le t_u \le \lg \lg m: t_u = O(\lg_{t_q} \lg m) + t_{pred},
or t_q \le \lg \lg \lg m, t_u \ge \lg \lg m: 2^{t_q} = O(\lg_{t_u} \lg m).
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The most appealing point of this trade-off in the context of succinct data structures is when the query time is constant and the update time is  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time for a fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Our Results. We focus on studying one-dimensional range reporting in the succinct scenario. Our results depend on the ability to construct a static succinct one dimensional point reporting structure in  $O(n \lg^{\varepsilon})$  time using o(n) workspace. We defer the details of this construction to the end in Section 7.5 due to its technical nature. We present some preliminaries in Section 7.2. In Section 7.3 we present a semi-dynamic<sup>1</sup> succinct range reporting data structure that supports deletions in expected  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time and queries in constant time. In Section 7.4 we present a fully-dynamic succinct range reporting data structure that supports updates in expected  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time and queries in constant time.

We note that the results of this chapter are to be published in [32].

### 7.2 Preliminaries

In this section we review some previous results that will be used in the rest of this paper.

#### 7.2.1 One-Dimensional Point Reporting

First we review the data structure of Alstrup et al. [4] for static one-dimensional range reporting. We start by defining some notations. Let  $x \oplus y$  denote the binary exclusive-or of x and y. Given a w-bit integer x let  $x \downarrow i = x/2^i$  denote the rightmost w bits of the result

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A semi-dynamic data structure supports queries and deletions but not insertions.

of shifting x i bits to the right. Similarly let  $x \uparrow i = x \cdot 2^i \mod 2^w$  denote the rightmost w bits of the result of shifting x i bits to the left. Finally, denote by msb(x) the position of the most significant bit (or leftmost one bit) of x.

Given a set of integers S the goal is to store S while supporting the query FindAny(a,b) which returns an element in  $S \cap [a,b]$ . Denote by T the classic binary tree with  $2^w$  leaves where all leaves have depth w. The leaves are numbered  $0,\ldots,2^w-1$  from left to right while the internal nodes are labeled in a manner similar to an implicit binary heap. The root is the first node, and the children of a node v are 2v and 2v+1. As noted in [4] the  $d^{\text{th}}$  ancestor of v is  $v \downarrow d$  and the lowest common ancestor of two leaves a and b is the  $(1+\text{msb}\,(a\oplus b))^{\text{th}}$  ancestor of a or b. Thus the lowest common ancestor of two leaves can be computed in constant time.

Given a node  $v \in T$  let left (v) and right (v) denote the left and right children of v, and let  $S_v$  denote the subset of S that is in the subtree rooted at v. A node v is branching if both  $S_{\text{left}(v)}$  and  $S_{\text{right}(v)}$  are not empty. To answer a query FindAny(a, b) it is sufficient to compute the lowest common ancestor v of a and b; when v is computed, either max  $S_{\text{left}(v)}$  or min  $S_{\text{right}(v)}$  is in [a, b], or [a, b] is empty. Thus by storing the values max  $S_{\text{left}(v)}$  and min  $S_{\text{right}(v)}$  for all nodes v with non-empty  $S_v$  in O(nw) words, range reporting queries can be answered in constant time.

To improve the space Alstrup et al. [4] observe the following. Let v be the nearest branching ancestor of the lowest common ancestor of a and b, and let  $v_l(v_r)$  be the nearest branching node in v's left(right) subtree if one exists, otherwise  $v_l = v(v_r = v)$  if there is no branching node in v's left(right) subtree. Then either max  $S_{\text{left}(v_l)}$ , min  $S_{\text{right}(v_l)}$ , max  $S_{\text{left}(v_r)}$ , or min  $S_{\text{right}(v_r)}$  is in [a, b], or [a, b] is empty. Thus they store a O(n) word data structure that consists of:

B, D: vectors of size  $O(n\sqrt{w} \lg w)$  bits that return the nearest branching ancestor of the nodes in T with non empty-subtrees.

V: a vector storing for each branching node v the values  $\max S_v$  and  $\min S_v$ , in addition to two pointers to the nearest branching nodes in the left and right subtrees of v.

For the full details we refer the reader to [4].

#### 7.2.2 Tree Representation

In their paper Geary and Raman [44] present a succinct ordinal tree representation that answers level ancestor queries. In their tree representation the tree is partitioned into

mini-trees of size  $O(\lg^4 n)$ , and then the mini-trees are partitioned into micro-trees of size  $O(\lg n)$ . Internally a node x is referred to by  $\tau(x) = (\tau_1(x), \tau_2(x), \tau_3(x))$  where  $\tau_1(x)$  is the id of x's mini-tree,  $\tau_2(x)$  is the id of x's micro tree, and  $\tau_3(x)$  is the id of x in its micro tree. If two nodes x and y are in the same micro tree  $\mu$  then  $\tau_1(x) = \tau_1(y) = p(\mu)$  where  $p(\mu)$  is the id of the micro tree  $\mu$ . Note that micro trees can intersect only at their roots, and if a node is in different micro trees (i.e. it is the root of several micro trees) it can have different  $\tau$  names. That is, if a node x is a root of two different micro-trees  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$ , it will have two different  $\tau$  names where in the first one  $\tau_2(x) = p(\mu_1)$  and in the second  $\tau_2(x) = p(\mu_2)$ . Both names are valid and we can select any one of them.

Geary and Raman show how to compute the preorder number of x given  $\tau(x)$  in constant time using an index of size o(n) bits. This index can be constructed in O(n) time using a workspace of O(n) words. Given a tree T partitioned using the above scheme and a node  $x \in T$  we denote by root (x) the root of the mini-tree that x belongs to.

#### 7.2.3 Sparse Arrays

We will use the following Theorem from [57]:

**Theorem 46** ([57]). There is an (m, n, O(n))-family of perfect hash functions  $\mathcal{H}$  such that any hash function  $h \in \mathcal{H}$  can be represented in  $\Theta(n \lg \lg n)$  bits and evaluated in constant time for  $m \leq 2^w$ . The perfect hash function can be constructed in expected O(n) time.

As noted in [4] a corollary of the previous theorem is the following.

**Corollary 47.** A sparse array of size  $m \ge n$  with n initialized entries that contain  $b = \Omega(\lg \lg n)$  bits each can be stored using O(nb) bits, so that any initialized entry can be accessed in O(1) time. The expected preprocessing time of this data structure is O(n).

## 7.3 Semi-Dynamic Succinct One-Dimensional Point Reporting

Although Goswami et al. [46] presented a succinct data structure for one-dimensional range reporting, it is not clear what is the construction time of their data structure. In Section 7.5 we utilize succinct data structure techniques to improve the data structure in [4] so that it uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits and can be constructed in  $O(n \lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time using o(n) extra bits of space. The details are deferred to Section 7.5 due to their technical nature.

**Theorem 48.** There exists a succinct  $\mathcal{B}(n,m)+o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional range reporting queries in O(k+1) time where k is the number of points within the query. Additionally given the point set in sorted order, this data structure can be constructed in expected  $O(n \lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time using o(n)-bits workspace.

The data structure for one-dimensional range reporting can be dynamized so that queries are supported in deterministic O(k) time and updates in expected  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time while the space usage is O(n) words [68]. Our aim is to reduce the space to the information theoretic lower bound plus a lower order term. In this section we present a semi-dynamic succinct one-dimensional range reporting data structure that supports queries and deletions but does not support insertions.

Data Structure We store the data structure from Theorem 48 and call it P. We divide the points into blocks of size  $\lg^2 m$  and we store predecessor and successor data structures that can answer queries in each block independently using  $o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits as described subsection 6.3. We also store a dynamic data structure [68] D on the endpoints of each block. Furthermore, each block is divided into subblocks of size  $\lg n/2$  and stores a dynamic data structure [68]  $D_i$  ( $1 \le i \le n/\lg^2 m$ ) on the ranks (within the block) of the endpoints of each subblock. We also store a compressed bit vector([?], Theorem 2) B of size n that indicates which points were deleted. Finally, we store a lookup table T that can report for any range the 0 bits in a bit vector of size  $\lg n/2$ .

**Query** To report the points within an interval [a, b] we query D on the interval. Then for each point reported with rank k we query the  $(\lfloor k/2 \rfloor)^{\text{th}}$  and  $(\lfloor k/2 \rfloor + 1)^{\text{st}}$  blocks.

To query the  $k^{\text{th}}$  block we first reduce the problem to the rank space by finding the rank of the successor of a and the predecessor of b within the block. Next, we query  $D_k$  for the non-empty subblocks within the block and use T to report the points in the subblock.

If the query to D does not return any point then either [a,b] is empty or [a,b] is contained fully within a block. To determine which block contains [a,b] we query P to get the rank of a random point in [a,b] from that we determine which block contains [a,b]. Afterwards we proceed within the block as described above.

**Deletions** To delete a point p we first query to check that the interval [p, p] is not empty. We obtain the rank k of p by querying P, and then we set the  $k^{\text{th}}$  bit in T to 1. Now we know that the point p is in the  $s = (2(k \mod \lg^2 m)/\lg n)^{\text{th}}$  subblock of the  $b = (k/\lg^2 m)^{\text{th}}$  block. We check if the  $s^{\text{th}}$  subblock is empty. If that is so we remove its endpoints from  $D_{(k/\lg^2 m)}$ . Then we check if the  $b^{\text{th}}$  block is empty. In that case we remove its endpoints from D. The expected running time is  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$ .

Space Analysis P uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits and D contains  $O(n/\lg^2 m)$  points thus uses  $O(n/\lg m)$  bits. Each  $D_i$   $(1 \le i \le n/\lg^2 m)$  contains  $O(\lg^2 m/\lg n)$  points from a universe if size  $\lg^2 m$  thus uses  $O(\lg^2 m \lg \lg m / \lg n)$  bits. The  $D_i$  structures use  $O(n \lg \lg m / \lg n)$  bits in total. If  $\lg \lg m \notin o(\lg n)$  then  $n < \lg^c m$  for some constant c. In that case we use a slightly different approach. We reduce the problem to the rank space from the beginning to make the universe size n, so D uses  $O(n/\lg n)$  bits and the  $D_i$  structures use  $O(n \lg \lg n / \lg n)$  bits in total. The table T uses  $O(\sqrt{n} \lg^3 n \lg \lg n)$  bits and finally the compressed bit vector uses o(n) as long as the number of deletions is o(n). In total the space remains  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits.

Construction Time and Workspace P can be constructed in expected  $O(n \lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time using o(n) extra bits of space. D can be constructed in expected  $O(n/\lg^{2-\varepsilon} m)$  time using O(1) extra words of space. Each  $D_i$  can be constructed in expected  $O((\lg^2 m/\lg n) \lg^{\varepsilon} \lg m)$  time using O(1) extra words of space, so all the  $D_i$ 's can be constructed in expected  $O((n/\lg n) \lg^{\varepsilon} \lg m)$  time using O(1) extra words of space. T can be constructed in o(n) time using o(n) extra bits of space. In total the construction time and workspace are dominated by the cost of constructing P and remain the same as in Theorem 48.

**Theorem 49.** There exists a semi-dynamic succinct  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional range reporting queries in O(k+1) time where k is the number of points within the query, and point deletions in expected  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time as long as the number of deletions is o(n). Additionally given the point set in sorted order, this data structure can be constructed in expected  $O(n \lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time using o(n)-bits workspace.

## 7.4 Fully-Dynamic Succinct One-Dimensional Point Reporting

#### 7.4.1 Fully-Dynamic Structure with Amortized Updates

We first present a fully dynamic solution that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits of space and supports queries in O(k) time and updates in amortized expected  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time.

We divide the universe of size m into  $n/\lg^2 m$  chunks of equal size and maintain a fully dynamic [68] data structure B to keep track of the nonempty chunks. B is maintained throughout the data structure updates. Whenever a point is inserted we insert both endpoints of its chunk into B. Moreover whenever a chunk becomes empty we remove its

endpoints from B. For each chunk  $b_i$   $(1 \le i \le n/\lg^2 m)$  we maintain two data structures:  $S_i$  and  $D_i$ .  $S_i$  is the compressed semi-dynamic range reporting structure described in Theorem 49 and  $D_i$  is the fully dynamic data structure described in [68]. We maintain the invariant that size  $(D_i) < \text{size}(S_i)/\lg^{\varepsilon} n$  for all i where  $n = \sum_i \text{size}(S_i)$ . Once size  $(D_i) = \text{size}(S_i)/\lg^{\varepsilon} n$  we rebuild  $S_i$  and merge  $D_i$  with it. The time needed to rebuild  $S_i$  will be  $O(\text{size}(S_i)\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  which we can charge to the elements inserted into  $D_i$  at a cost of  $O(\lg^{2\varepsilon} m)$  per element. Moreover if the total number of elements increase by a constant factor or if  $n/\lg^{\varepsilon} n$  elements were deleted from the collections  $S_i$  we rebuild the whole data structure. The time needed to rebuild the whole structure is  $O(n \lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  and will be charged to the new elements inserted if the size doubles at a cost of  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  per element, or to the elements deleted at a cost of  $O(\lg^{2\varepsilon} m)$  per element.

To report all the points within an interval [a,b] we query B to get the non-empty chunks. Whenever a non-empty chunk i is reported we query both  $S_i$  and  $D_i$ . If [a,b] is completely within one chunk we get its index  $i = \lfloor b \lg^2 m/n \rfloor$ , and then we query  $S_i$  and  $D_i$ .

The space used by B is at most  $O(n/\lg m)$  bits. and the space used by all the  $D_i$  structures is:

$$O(n \lg (m \lg^2 m/n) / \lg^{\varepsilon} n) = O((n \lg (m/n) / \lg^{\varepsilon} n) + (n \lg \lg n / \lg^{\varepsilon} n))$$
  
=  $o(\mathcal{B}(n, m))$ .

The space used by all the structures  $S_i$  is  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits. In total the space used is  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits.

**Theorem 50.** There exist a dynamic succinct  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional range reporting queries in O(k+1) time where k is the number of points within the query, and updates in amortized expected  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time.

#### 7.4.2 Fully-Dynamic Structure with Worst Case Updates

Next, we present a fully-dynamic succinct one-Dimensional range reporting structure that supports queries in O(k) time and insertions and deletions in expected  $O(\lg^{\epsilon} m)$  time. Our data structure uses techniques similar to the ones presented in [51, 71, 70].

**Data Structure** We define a parameter  $n_f = \Theta(n)$ ; the value of  $n_f$  changes as n becomes too large or too small. We divide m into  $(n_f/\lg^2 n_f)$  chunks each of size  $((m \lg^2 n_f)/n_f)$  and we store a dynamic range reporting structure B with a universe of size  $2(n_f/\lg^2 n_f)$  on the endpoints of the non-empty chunks. For each chunk b where  $1 \le b \le (n_f/\lg^2 n_f)$  we store the following:

- $k_f^b$  an estimate of k the number of points in the chunk.  $k_f^b = \Theta(k)$ , the value of  $k_f^b$  changes as k becomes too large or too small.
- **Data Structures**  $C_1^b, \ldots, C_{\lg^\varepsilon n_f}^b$ . These structures are the succinct semi-dynamic structures described in the previous section. They partition the chunk into sub-chunks of possibly different sizes, each containing  $\Theta(k_f^b/\lg^\varepsilon n_f)$  points.
- **Data Structures**  $\mathcal{D}_1^b, \ldots, \mathcal{D}_{\lg^{\varepsilon} n_f}^b$ . These structures are the fully dynamic structures described in [68].
- $\mathcal{F}^b$  a fusion tree on the endpoints of the  $\mathcal{C}^b_i$  data structures.

Queries are answered in a manner similar to the previous subsection. To report all the points within an interval [a, b] we query B to get the non-empty chunks. Whenever a non-empty chunk (say the  $b^{\text{th}}$  chunk) is reported we query  $\mathcal{F}^b$  to get the sub-chunks it spans. For each sub-chunk (say the  $s^{\text{th}}$  sub-chunk) we query both  $\mathcal{C}^b_s$  and  $\mathcal{D}^b_s$ .

**Insertions** To insert the new point p we compute the chunk  $b = \lfloor (p \lg^2 n_f)/n_f \rfloor$  that p belongs to. If the  $b^{\text{th}}$  chunk is empty we insert its endpoints into B. Next, we check if any structure in the  $\mathcal{C}^b$  collection is being rebuilt. In that case we spend  $\Theta(\lg^{3\varepsilon} n_f)$  time rebuilding it. Then we determine the  $s^{\text{th}}$  sub-chunk that p belongs to using  $\mathcal{F}^b$ . Finally, we insert p into  $\mathcal{D}^b_s$ .

In each chunk we run the following background process. After each series of  $\delta = k_f^b/(\lg^{2\varepsilon} n_f \lg \lg n_f)$  insertions we identify the  $s^{\text{th}}$  sub-chunk with the largest number of inserted points and rebuild  $\mathcal{C}_s^b$  during the next  $\delta$  updates in that chunk. The re-building works as follows. We construct a semi-dynamic data structure  $\overline{\mathcal{C}}_s^b = \mathcal{C}_s^b \cup \mathcal{D}_s^b$ . If a point is inserted into this sub-chunk, we store it in the additional data structure  $\overline{\mathcal{D}}^b$ . When  $\overline{\mathcal{C}}_s^b$  is completed we set  $\mathcal{C}_s^b := \overline{\mathcal{C}}_s^b$  and  $\mathcal{D}_s^b := \overline{\mathcal{D}}^b$ . Thus at any time only one sub-chunk of a chunk is re-built. This method guarantees that the number of inserted elements into  $\mathcal{D}^b$  does not exceed  $k_f^b/\lg^\varepsilon n$  as follows from a Theorem of Dietz and Sleator:

**Lemma 51** ([26], Theorem 5). Suppose that  $x_1, \ldots, x_g$  are variables that are initially zero. Suppose that the following two steps are iterated:

- (i) we add a non-negative real value  $a_i$  to each  $x_i$  such that  $\sum a_i = 1$
- (ii) set the largest  $x_i$  to 0.

Then at any time  $x_i \leq 1 + h_{g-1}$  for all  $i, 1 \leq i \leq g$ , where  $h_i$  denotes the i-th harmonic number.

Let  $m_s$  be the number of inserted elements into  $\mathcal{D}_s^b$  and  $x_s = m_s/\delta$ . Every iteration of the background process sets the largest  $x_s$  to 0 and during each iteration  $\sum x_s$  increases by 1. Hence the value of  $x_s$  can be bounded from above by:  $x_s \leq 1 + h_{\lg^\varepsilon n_f}$  for all s at all times. Thus  $m_s = O((k_f^b/\lg^{2\varepsilon} n_f \lg \lg n_f) \lg \lg n_f) = O(k_f^b/\lg^{2\varepsilon} n_f)$  for all i because  $h_i = O(\lg i)$ , and the total size of the  $\mathcal{D}^b$  collection is  $O((k_f^b/\lg^{2\varepsilon} n_f) \lg^\varepsilon n_f) = O(k_f^b/\lg^\varepsilon n_f)$ .

Once the value of  $k_f^b$  becomes too big or too small we rebuild the whole chunk during the next  $k_f^b/\lg^{3\varepsilon} n_f$  updates (spending  $O(\lg^{4\varepsilon} n_f)$  time per update). The old chunk is locked such that only deletions are allowed. We rebuild the chunk with an updated value of  $k_f^b$  and as points are inserted into the new chunk we delete them from the old one to preserve space. If the size of the sub-chunk becomes too big we split it into two and update  $\mathcal{F}^b$  accordingly.

**Deletions** Deletions are similar to insertions. To delete a point p we compute the chunk  $b = \lfloor (p \lg^2 n_f)/n_f \rfloor$  that p belongs to. Then we check if any structure in the  $C^b$  collection is being rebuilt. In that case we spend  $\Theta(\lg^{3\varepsilon} n_f)$  time rebuilding it. Next, we determine the sub-chunk s that p belongs to using  $\mathcal{F}^b$ . Finally, we delete p from  $C^b_s$  and  $\mathcal{D}^b_s$ .

In each chunk we run a background process similar to the process run for insertions. After each series of  $\delta$  deletions, we identify the  $s^{\text{th}}$  sub-chunk with the largest number of deletions and rebuild  $C_s^b$  during the next  $\delta$  updates in that chunk. This method guarantees that the number of deleted elements in the  $C^b$  collection does not exceed  $k_f^b/\lg^{\varepsilon} n$ . If the size of a sub-chunk becomes too small we merge it with the neighboring sub-chunk and update  $\mathcal{F}^b$  accordingly. Moreover if a chunk becomes empty we delete its endpoints from B.

**Space Analysis** The space used by B is  $O(n/\lg n)$ . The space used by all the  $C_i$  structures in all chunks is  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits. The total size of all the  $\mathcal{D}$  structures is  $O(n_f/\lg^{\varepsilon} n_f)$  so they use at most:

$$O(n \lg (m \lg^2 n/n) / \lg^{\varepsilon} n) = O((n \lg (m/n) / \lg^{\varepsilon} n) + (n \lg \lg n / \lg^{\varepsilon} n))$$
  
=  $o(\mathcal{B}(n, m))$ .

The space used by the fusion trees in all chunks is:

$$O(n\lg^{\varepsilon} n\lg (m\lg^{2} n/n)/\lg^{2} n) = O((n\lg (m/n)/\lg^{2-\varepsilon} n) + (n\lg\lg n/\lg^{2-\varepsilon} n))$$
$$= o(\mathcal{B}(n,m)).$$

Thus the total space is  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits.

Once the value of  $n_f$  becomes too big or too small, we rebuild the whole data structure in the background during the next  $n_f/\lg^{3\varepsilon} n_f$  updates (spending  $O(\lg^{4\varepsilon} n_f)$  time per update). We replace the chunks from left to right. The chunk being replaced is locked such that only deletions are allowed. We rebuild that chunk with an updated value and as points are inserted into the new chunk we delete them from the old one to preserve space.

**Theorem 52.** There exist a dynamic succinct  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$ -bit data structure that supports one-dimensional range reporting queries in O(k+1) time where k is the number of points within the query, and updates in expected  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time.

# 7.5 Succinct Static One-Dimensional Point Reporting With Fast Construction Time

In this section we prove Theorem 48. Denote by T the classic binary tree with  $2^w$  leaves where all leaves have depth w as described in subsection 7.2.1. Let P be the set of nodes in T with non-empty subtrees and V the set of branching nodes in T union the leaves of T and its root. Let  $T_V$  be the tree formed from T by deleting all vertices in T - P then contracting all vertices in P - V. Given a node  $x \in T_V$  denote by T(x) its corresponding node in T, conversely, given a node  $x \in V$  denote by  $T_V(x)$  its corresponding node in  $T_V$ . We fix a constant  $\varepsilon = 1/k$ , and let  $H_i = \lg^{(k-i)/k} m$  where  $1 \le i < k$ . Finally, given a node u in T we define  $\pi_i(u)$  to be the nearest ancestor of u whose depth is a multiple of  $H_i$ .

**Data Structure** We store the coordinates of the points in  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits. Also we store  $T_V$  using 4n + o(n) bits using the tree representation of Navarro and Sadakane [80] which allows the following operations in constant time:

lmost-leaf(i) / rmost-leaf(i): given the preorder number of a node return the preorder number of the leftmost(rightmost) leaf of node i.

leaf-rank(i): given the preorder number of a leaf i returns the number of leafs to the left of i.

In addition we store in o(n) bits the index described in [44] that enables conversion between  $\tau$ -names of the nodes in  $T_V$  and their preorder numbers.

To maintain the mapping between the labels of the branching nodes in T with their preorder numbers in  $T_V$  we store the following tables using Corollary 47:

- $M_1$ : for each node  $x \in V$  with root  $(T_V(x)) = T_V(x)$  we store the value  $\tau_1(T_V(x))$  in a table  $M_1$ . Since  $T_V$  is a binary tree, it is possible that  $T_V(x)$  belongs to two different micro trees  $\mu_0$  and  $\mu_1$ . In that case we store both  $p(M_0)$  and  $p(M_1)$ .
- $M_2$ : for each node  $x \in V$  we store in a table  $M_2$  the values  $\tau_2(T_V(x))$ ,  $\tau_3(T_V(x))$ , and a bit that indicates to which micro tree does  $T_V(x)$  belongs to if root  $(T_V(x))$  belongs to two different micro trees.

 $M_3$ : for each node  $x \in V$  we store the distance from x to  $T(\text{root}(T_V(x)))$  in a table  $M_3$ .

Finally, given a node in P we need to compute its nearest branching ancestor. To achieve this we use the same technique as in [4] but with bootstrapping. We store k-1 tables  $D_1, \ldots, D_{(k-1)}$  using Corollary 47.  $D_1$  contains the distances to the nearest branching ancestor for all nodes u in P satisfying  $\pi_1(u) = u$ .  $D_i$   $(2 \le i < k-1)$  contains the distances to the nearest branching ancestor for all nodes u in P satisfying the conditions  $\pi_{(i-1)}(u)$  is closer to u than the nearest branching ancestor of u and  $\pi_i(u) = u$ . Finally,  $D_{(k-1)}$  contains the distances to the nearest branching ancestor for all nodes u in P satisfying the conditions:  $\pi_{(k-2)}(u)$  is closer to u than the nearest branching ancestor of u and  $\pi_{(k-1)}(u) = u$ , or  $\pi_{(k-1)}(u)$  and  $\pi_{(k-2)}(u)$  are closer to u than the nearest branching ancestor of u. More formally we define:

$$B_1$$
:  $B_1(z) = 1$  if  $\pi_1(z) = z$  and  $\exists u \in V$  such that  $\pi_1(u) = z$ , otherwise  $B_1(z) = 0$ .

$$B_i(1 < i < k)$$
:  $B_i(z) = 1$  if  $B_{(i-1)}(\pi_{(i-1)}(z)) = 1$ ,  $\pi_i(z) = z$ , and  $\exists u \in V$  such that  $\pi_i(u) = z$ , otherwise  $B_i(z) = 0$ 

and store the following tables using Corollary 47:

- $D_1$ : which contain the distance to the nearest branching ancestor for all nodes u in P satisfying  $\pi_1(u) = u$ .
- $D_i$  ( $2 \le i < k-1$ ): which contain the distance to the nearest branching ancestor for all nodes u in P satisfying:  $B_{(i-1)}(\pi_{(i-1)}(u)) = 1$  and  $\pi_i(u) = u$ .
- $D_{(k-1)}$ : which contain the distance to the nearest branching ancestor for all nodes u in P satisfying:  $B_{(k-2)}(\pi_{(k-2)}(u)) = 1$  and  $(\pi_{(k-1)}(u) = u$  or  $B_{(k-1)}(\pi_{(k-1)}(u)) = 1)$ .

Query Given a query FindAny(a, b) we first find the nearest common ancestor p of a and b. Then we get k-1 candidate nearest branching ancestor  $v_1, \ldots, v_{(k-1)}$  of p using  $D_1, \ldots, D_{(k-1)}$ . Afterwards for each  $v_i$  we need to compute the preorder number of  $v_i$  in  $T_V$ . To achieve this goal we get  $\tau_2(T_V(v_i)), \tau_3(T_V(v_i))$ , and the bit b indicating which micro tree  $v_i$  belongs to from  $M_2$ . Next, we compute  $u_i = T(\text{root}(T_V(v)))$  after obtaining its distance from  $v_i$  using  $M_3$ . Afterwards we query  $M_1$  for  $\tau_1(T_V(u_i)) = p(\mu_b)$ . After obtaining the  $\tau$ -name of  $T_V(v_i)$  we get its preorder number, and then we check the ranks of the leftmost and rightmost leaves of  $v_i$ 's left and right child. If one of them is within [a, b] we return its value. If for all  $v_i$  no element was found within [a, b] we return that  $S \cap [a, b]$  is empty.

Space Analysis Storing the points coordinates uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m)$  bits. The tree  $T_V$  uses 4n + o(n) bits. The tables  $M_2$ ,  $M_3$  contain O(n) entries each of size  $O(\lg\lg m)$  so they use  $O(n\lg\lg m)$  bits. The table  $M_1$  contains  $O(n/\lg n)$  entries each of size  $O(\lg n)$  so it uses O(n) bits. The table  $D_1$  contains  $O(n\lg m/\lg^{(k-1)/k}m) = O(n\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  entries of size  $O(\lg\lg m)$  bits each so it uses  $O(n\lg^{\varepsilon} m\lg\lg m)$  bits. Moreover each table  $D_i$  (1 < i < k-1) contains  $O(n(H_{(i-1)}/H_i)) = O(n\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  entries each of size  $O(\lg\lg m)$  bits so they use a total of  $O(n\lg^{\varepsilon} m\lg\lg m)$  bits. Finally, we need to bound the size of  $D_{k-1}$ . The number of entries due to  $\pi_{k-1}(u) = u$  is  $O(n(H_{(k-1)}/H_k)) = O(n\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$ . To bound the entries due to  $B_{k-1}(\pi_{k-1}(u)) = 1$  notice that the subtree  $T_z$  of height  $H_{(k-1)}$  rooted at  $z = \pi_{(k-1)}(u)$  will contain s > 1 entries, and will have at most s + 1 < 2s leaves that are nodes in s > 1 the total number of entries due to  $B_{(k-1)}(\pi_{(k-1)}(u)) = 1$  is  $2H_{(k-1)}n = O(n\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$ .  $D_{k-1}$  uses  $O(n\lg^{\varepsilon} m\lg\lg m)$  bits because each entry in  $D_{(k-1)}$  is of size  $O(\lg\lg m)$  bits. In total the space used is  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + O(n\lg^{\varepsilon} m\lg\lg m)$  bits.

Construction Time In a manner similar to [4] we can identify V in O(n) time, and then construct  $T_V$  also in O(n) time. The tables  $M_1, M_2,$  and  $M_3$  can be constructed in expected  $O(n(\lg \lg m))$  time. Finally, the tables  $B_i$  where  $1 \le i < k$  can be constructed in expected  $O(n \lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time by identifying the  $O(n \lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  entries and building the tables. The workspace is O(n) words.

Reducing Space To further reduce the space we use a well known trick and split the universe [m] into n ranges  $r_1, \ldots, r_n$  each of size m/n. We construct a bit vector Bof size 2n bits with rank and select queries. B stores a zero for each range  $r_i$  followed by  $n_i$  ones where  $n_i$  is the number of points in the range  $r_i$ . To count the number of points before a range  $r_i$  we use a select query to get the position of the  $i^{th}$  zero in B, and then use a rank query to count the number of ones before that position. We store a separate data structure for each range. To locate the data structures for any range  $r_i$  within A we count the number of points in the ranges  $r_j$  for j < i, and then scale that number. Given a query FindAny(a, b) we check if [a, b] spans a non-empty range as follows. We use a rank query to get the number of ones k before the  $\lfloor (an/m) \rfloor$  zero. Then we check if the  $(k+1)^{\text{th}}$  element is within [a,b] and return it in that case. Otherwise we query the data structure corresponding to the  $(\lceil (an/m) \rceil)^{\text{th}}$  range. The total space used is  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + O(n(\lg (m/n))^{\varepsilon} \lg \lg (m/n)) = \mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m)) + O(n)$  bits.

If O(n) is not a lower order term then n > m/c for some constant c. In that case we adopt a different approach and store the points in a compressed bit vector of size m. To answer a query FindAny(a,b) we use a rank query to get the number of ones k before position a, and then we use a select query to get the position of the (k+1)<sup>th</sup> one. If that position is within [a,b] we return it otherwise  $S \cap [a,b]$  is empty. The space used is now  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits.

**Reducing Construction Workspace** To further improve the construction workspace we divide n into  $\lg^2 m$  ranges each containing  $n/\lg^2 m$  points and build a separate data structure for each of them. We note that the universe size in each range may vary. Additionally we store a fusion tree F on the endpoints of each range. Given a query FindAny(a, b), we check if the successor of a in F is within [a, b] and return it in that case. Otherwise we query the range containing the successor of a.

## Chapter 8

## Conclusion

In conclusion, we studied various combinatorial objects from the perspective of succinct and compact data structures.

We started this thesis in Chapter 3 by presenting compact representations for unlabeled permutations. Given an arbitrary unlabeled permutation  $\pi$ , we store it compactly such that  $\pi^k(i)$  can be computed quickly for any i and any integer power k. We considered the problem in several scenarios.

In the first scenario we assigned labels to elements so that queries are answered by just examining the labels of the queried elements. We showed that a label space of  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lfloor \frac{n}{i} \rfloor \cdot i$  is necessary and sufficient. In other words,  $2 \lg n$  bits of space are necessary and sufficient for representing each of the labels. In the second scenario we assigned labels to the n elements from the label set  $\{1,\ldots,cn\}$  where  $c\geq 1$  is a constant. We showed that  $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$  bits are necessary and sufficient to represent the permutation. Moreover, we supported queries in such a structure in O(1) time. Finally, in the third scenario we assigned labels to the n elements from the label set  $\{1,\ldots,cn^{1+\varepsilon}\}$  where c is a constant and  $0<\varepsilon<1$ . We showed that  $\Theta(n^{(1-\varepsilon)/2})$  bits are necessary and sufficient to represent the permutation. We also supported queries in such a structure in O(1) time.

Then in Chapter 4 we covered the problem of powering permutations in place. Given a permutation of n elements, stored as an array, we addressed the problem of replacing the permutation by its  $k^{\text{th}}$  power while using o(n) bits of extra storage. We presented an algorithm whose worst case running time is  $O(n \lg n)$  and uses  $O(\lg^2 n + \min\{k \lg n, n^{3/4+\varepsilon}\})$  additional bits.

Afterwards, we covered a bunch of data structures for range reporting problems. In Chapter 5, we present a data structure for multi-dimensional range mode queries that that

uses  $O(s_n + (n/\Delta)^{2d}/w)$  words and answers queries in  $O(\Delta \cdot t_n)$  time, where  $s_n$  and  $t_n$  are the space and query time of a data structure that supports orthogonal range counting queries, thus improving a result in [20].

In Chapter 6, we presented a succinct data structure for static one-dimensional approximate color counting that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits, Thus we showed, somewhat counter-intuitively, that it is not necessary to store colors of the points in order to answer approximate color counting queries. Moreover, our structure answers queries in constant time, thus, solving an open problem from [86].

We then extended the techniques presented to describe a data structure for the one dimensional approximate median reporting problem. We present a data structure that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + O(n) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits and answers queries in constant time. In the special case where the points are in the rank space our data structure uses only O(n) bits, thus improving a result from [16].

Then we turned to succinct data structures for color reporting. We described a data structure that uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + nH_d(S) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m)) + o(n\lg\sigma)$  bits and answers queries in O(k+1) time, where k is the number of colors in the answer, and  $nH_d(S)$  ( $d = \log_\sigma n$ ) is the d-th order empirical entropy of the color sequence. We also presented a succinct dynamic data structure with constrained updates that uses  $nH_d(S) + o(n\lg\sigma)$  bits for one-dimensional color reporting, restricted to the case when the points are in the rank space.

Finally, in Chapter 7 we presented a succinct dynamic data structure for the onedimensional range reporting problem. Our data structure uses  $\mathcal{B}(n,m) + o(\mathcal{B}(n,m))$  bits, supports updates in  $O(\lg^{\varepsilon} m)$  time, and answers queries in optimal O(k) time where k is the number of points in the answer and m is the universe size.

As future work, we aim to focus on the succinct and compact representation of other combinatorial objects. We are currently investigating the compact representation of other types of range queries such as approximate range mode and approximate  $k^{\text{th}}$  selection for arbitrary k.

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