



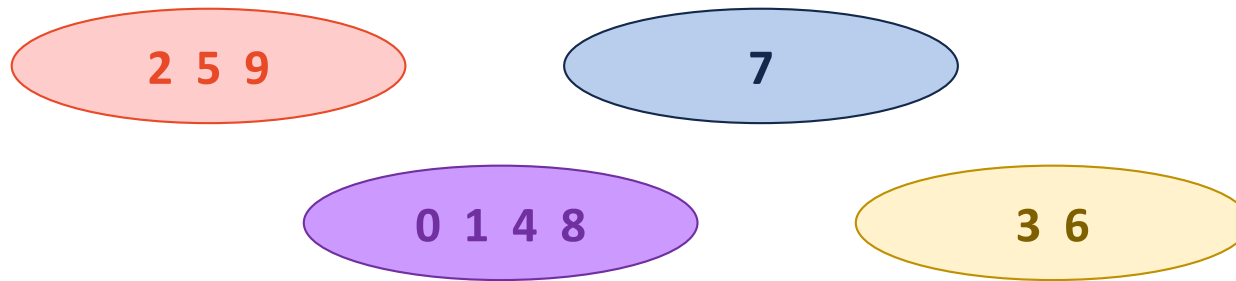
# CS 225

## Data Structures

*March 29 – Disjoint Sets*

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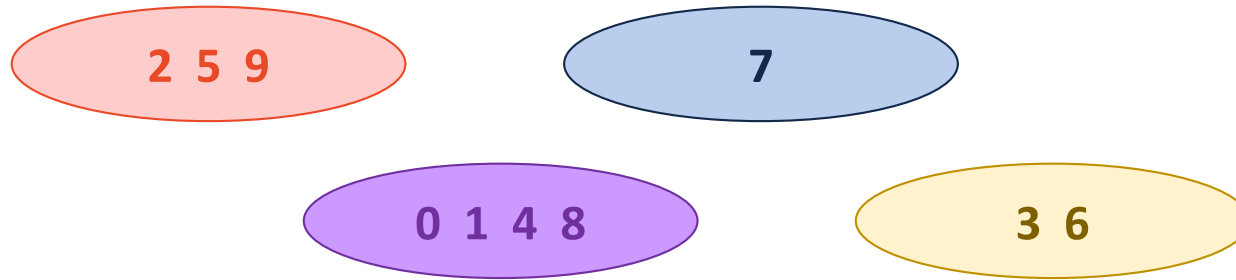
# Disjoint Sets



$S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$

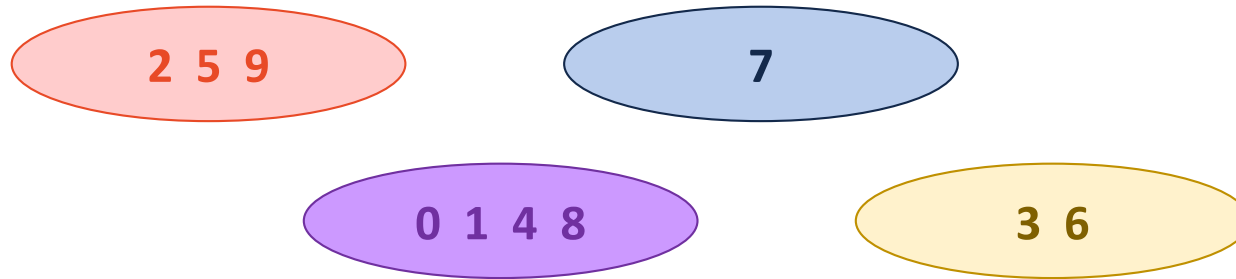
Partition of  $S = \{\{2, 5, 9\}, \{7\}, \{0, 1, 4, 8\}, \{3, 6\}\}$

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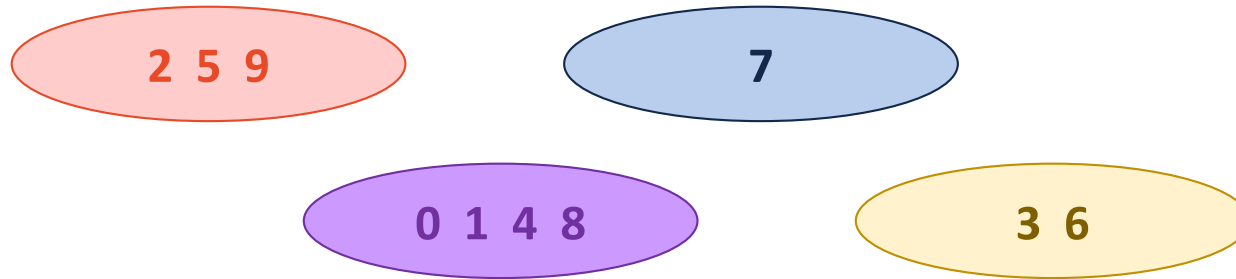
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# Disjoint Sets



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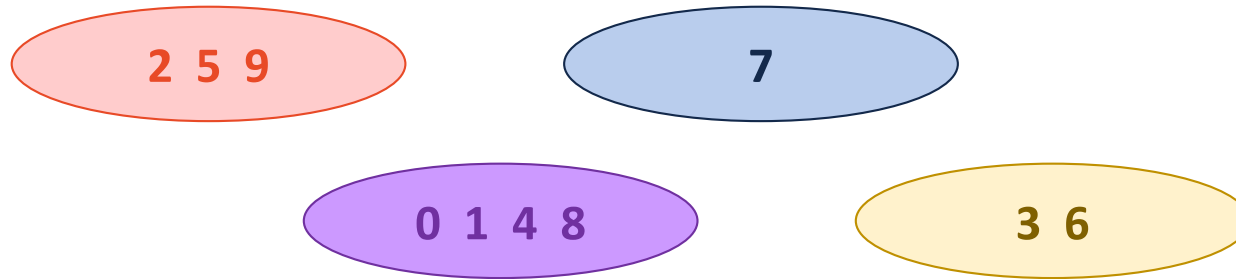
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## Operation:

```
if ( find(2) != find(7) ) {  
    union( find(2), find(7) );  
}
```

# Disjoint Sets



## Key Ideas:

- Each element exists in exactly one set.
- Every set is an equitant representation.
  - Mathematically:  $4 \in [0]_R \rightarrow 8 \in [0]_R$
  - Programmatically: `find(4) == find(8)`

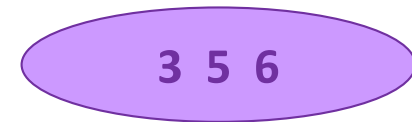
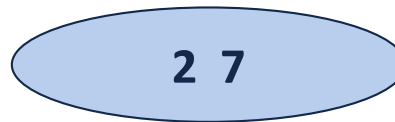


## Disjoint Sets ADT

- Maintain a collection  $S = \{s_0, s_1, \dots, s_k\}$
- Each set has a representative member.
- API: 

```
void addElements(int number);  
void union(int k1, int k2);  
int find(int k);
```

# Implementation #1



0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

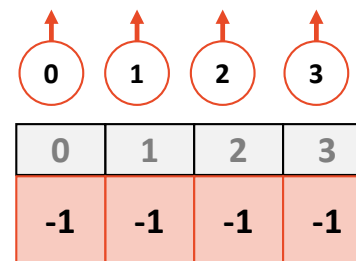
**Find(k):**

**Union(k1, k2):**

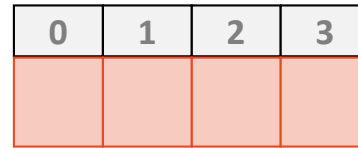
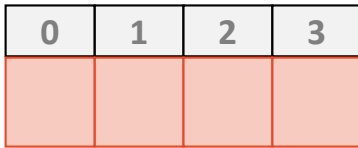
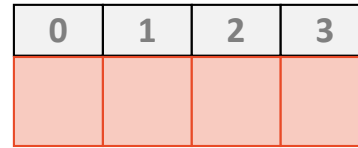
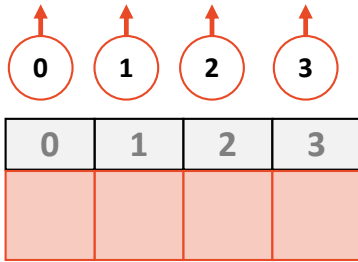


## Implementation #2

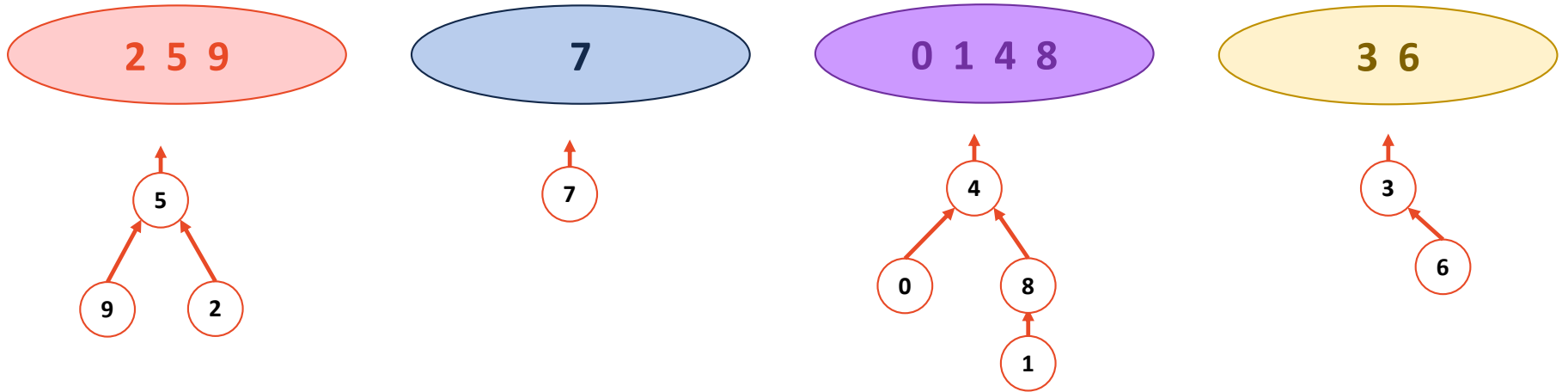
- We will continue to use an array where the index is the key
- The value of the array is:
  - **-1**, if we have found the representative element
  - **The index of the parent**, if we haven't found the rep. element
- We will call these **UpTrees**:



# UpTrees



# Disjoint Sets



0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
4	8	5	-1	-1	-1	3	-1	4	5

# Disjoint Sets Find

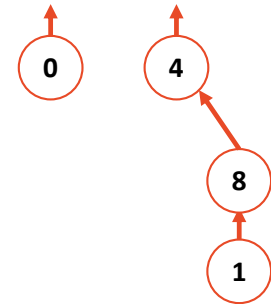
```
1 int DisjointSets::find(int i) {  
2     if ( s[i] < 0 ) { return i; }  
3     else { return _find( s[i] ); }  
4 }
```

Running time?

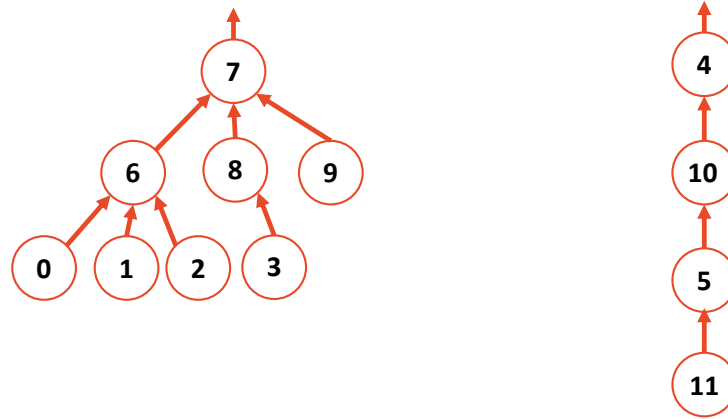
What is the ideal UpTree?

# Disjoint Sets Union

```
1 void DisjointSets::union(int r1, int r2) {  
2  
3  
4 }
```

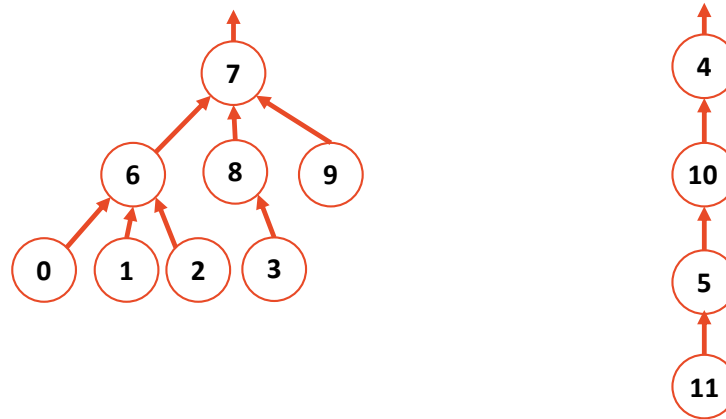


# Disjoint Sets – Union



0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
6	6	6	8	-1	10	7	-1	7	7	4	5

# Disjoint Sets – Smart Union

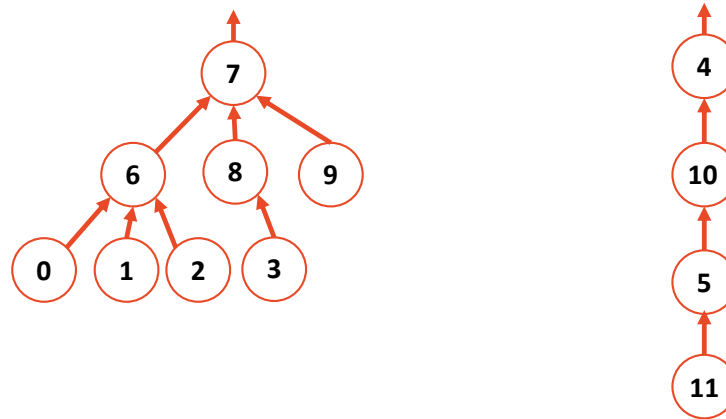


Union by height

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*Idea: Keep the height of the tree as small as possible.*

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**Union by size**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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*Idea: Minimize the number of nodes that increase in height*

Both guarantee the height of the tree is: \_\_\_\_\_.

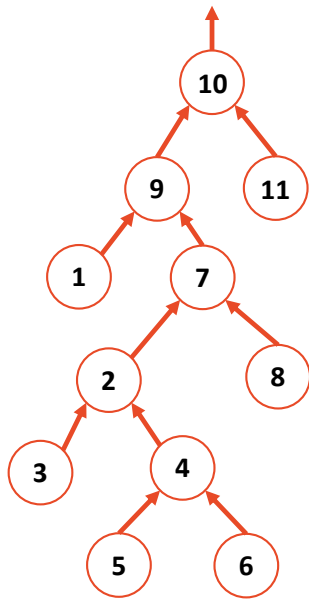


# Disjoint Sets Find

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```
1 void DisjointSets::unionBySize(int root1, int root2) {
2     int newSize = arr_[root1] + arr_[root2];
3
4     // If arr_[root1] is less than (more negative), it is the larger set;
5     // we union the smaller set, root2, with root1.
6     if ( arr_[root1] < arr_[root2] ) {
7         arr_[root2] = root1;
8         arr_[root1] = newSize;
9     }
10
11     // Otherwise, do the opposite:
12     else {
13         arr_[root1] = root2;
14         arr_[root2] = newSize;
15     }
16 }
```

# Path Compression





# Disjoint Sets Analysis

The **iterated log** function:

*The number of times you can take a log of a number.*

$\log^*(n) =$

0 ,  $n \leq 1$

$1 + \log^*(\log(n))$  ,  $n > 1$

What is  $\lg^*(2^{65536})$ ?



## Disjoint Sets Analysis

In a Disjoint Sets implemented with smart **unions** and path compression on **find**:

Any sequence of **m union** and **find** operations result in the worse case running time of  $O(\text{_____})$ ,  
where **n** is the number of items in the Disjoint Sets.