# **CSSTs:** A Dynamic Data Structure for Partial Orders in Concurrent Execution Analysis

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- Concurrency is everywhere
- Concurrency bugs are also everywhere
  - $\hookrightarrow \mathsf{Data} \ \mathsf{races}$
  - $\, \hookrightarrow \, \mathsf{Deadlocks}$

 $\hookrightarrow$  ...

 $\hookrightarrow {\sf Atomicity\ violations}$ 



## **Dynamic Analyses for Detecting Concurrency Bugs**



- Popular approach for finding concurrency bugs
- Widely adopted (e.g., ThreadSanitizer, Helgrind)
- Performance is crucial

Overview



# Analysis is **slow**

Analysis is **fast** 



- Analyses require establishing a causal ordering among the events
- Causality is typically represented as a partial order























- Partial orders are essential for dynamic analyses
  - $\,\hookrightarrow\,$  Continuously queried and refined
  - $\,\hookrightarrow\,$  Plays a critical role in the overall performance

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#### Can we do better?

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	Insert	Query	<b>Delete</b>	
Vector Clocks	O(n)	O(1)	×	<i>n</i> : number of events
CSSTs	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	

- Input: (i) Chain DAG
  - (ii) Online sequence of operations

## • Update:

- $\hookrightarrow \text{insertEdge}(e_1, e_2)$
- $\hookrightarrow$  deleteEdge $(e_1, e_2)$

## $\circ~$ Query:

- $\hookrightarrow$  reachable $(e_1, e_2)$  $\hookrightarrow$  successor $(e_1, t)$  $\hookrightarrow$  predecessor $(e_1, t)$
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- Classic data structure
- Solves dynamic suffix minima problem efficiently
  - $\hookrightarrow O(\log n)$  per query and update



$$A = [6, 9, 8, 10]$$

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 $ext{successor}(\langle 0,1
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## **Sparse Segment Trees**

- Key observation: Arrays  $A_t^{t'}$  are typically sparse
- Improved complexity:  $O(min(\log n, d))$ 
  - $\hookrightarrow \mathsf{By} \text{ exploiting sparsity}$
  - $\, \hookrightarrow \, d$  is the maximum number of nodes in a chain that have an outgoing edge
- Sparsity is maintained in transitive closure



#### **Experimental Results**





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# Thank you!



GitHub: @hcantunc/cssts

## Appendix

## Streaming vs. Non-Streaming Dynamic Analyses

## **Streaming Analyses**

- No propagation
- Vector clocks are efficient
  - $\hookrightarrow$  Maintain the partial order in O(kn)
- *n*: number of events
  - $\hookrightarrow$  Very large in practice
- k: number of threads

## **Non-Streaming Analyses**

- Requires propagation
- Vector clocks are **inefficient** 
  - $\hookrightarrow$  Maintain the partial order in  $O(kn^2)$