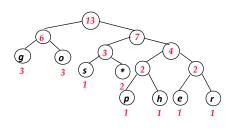
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Compression and Coding

- What gets compressed?
 - Save on storage, why is this a good idea?
 - Save on data transmission, how and why?
- What is information, how is it compressible?
 - Exploit redundancy, without that, hard to compress
- Represent information: code (Morse cf. Huffman)
 - Dots and dashes or 0's and 1's
 - How to construct code?

Announcements

- Boggle due today
- APT Wordladder due Tuesday
 - Lab this week work on Wordladder
- Test 2 is April 14
 - Will review next time
 - Try writing answers for Test 2 CompSci 100 Fall 2010

Huffman Coding

- D.A Huffman in early 1950's: story of invention
 - Analyze and process data before compression
 - Not developed to compress data "on-the-fly"
- Represent data using variable length codes
 - Each letter/chunk assigned a codeword/bitstring
 - Codeword for letter/chunk is produced by traversing the Huffman tree
 - Property: No codeword produced is the prefix of another
 - Frequent letters/chunk have short encoding, while those that appear rarely have longer ones
- Huffman coding is optimal per-character coding method

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Coding/Compression/Concepts

- For ASCII we use 8 bits, for Unicode 16 bits
 - Minimum number of bits to represent N values?
 - Representation of genomic data (a, c,g, t)?
 - What about noisy genomic data?
- We can use a variable-length encoding, e.g., Huffman
 - How do we decide on lengths? How do we decode
 - Values for Morse code encodings, why?
 - ... ---...



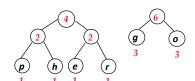
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Huffman coding: go go gophers

```
ASCII 3 bits g 103 1100111 000 ?? o 111 1101111 001 ?? p 112 1110000 010 h 104 1101000 011 te 101 1100101 100 r 114 1110010 101 s 115 1110011 110 sp. 32 1000000 111
```

- choose two smallest weights
 - combine nodes + weights
 - Repeat
 - Priority queue?
- Encoding uses tree:
 - 0 left/1 right
 - How many bits?



ASCII

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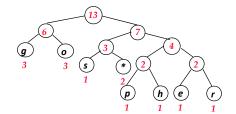
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- Encoding uses tree/trie:
 - 0 left/1 right
 - "g" code is
 - · left left
 - 00
 - "p" code is
 - · right right left left
 - 1100

Compress to bits – "go go gophers"

- 13 characters total
- 3 bits/char is 39 bits
- 8 bits/char is 104 bits
- Huff: characters that appear more often have shorter codes
- Huffman coding is 37 bits
- Variable length of bits/char
- "go go gophers"
- 0001101000110100011100110111101111100

Building a Huffman tree

- Begin with a forest of single-node trees/tries (leaves)
 - Each node/tree/leaf is weighted with character count
 - Node stores two values: character and count
- Repeat until there is only one node left: root of tree
 - Remove two minimally weighted trees from forest
 - Create new tree/internal node with minimal trees as children,
 - Weight is sum of children's weight (no char)
- How does process terminate? Finding minimum?
 - Remove minimal trees, hummm......

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How do we create Huffman Tree/Trie?

- Insert weighted values into priority queue
 - What are initial weights? Why?
 - _
- Remove minimal nodes, weight by sums, re-insert
 - Total number of nodes?

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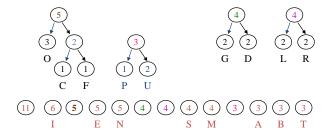






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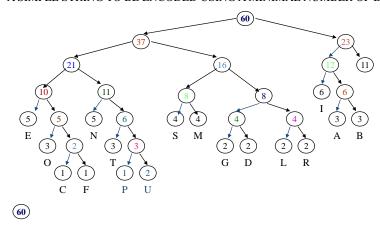


Creating compressed file

- Once we have new encodings, read every character
 - Write encoding, not the character, to compressed file
 - Why does this save bits?
 - What other information needed in compressed file?
- How do we uncompress?
 - How do we know foo.hf represents compressed file?
 - Is suffix sufficient? Alternatives?
- Why is Huffman coding a two-pass method?
 - Alternatives?

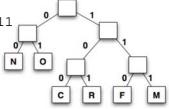
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Uncompression with Huffman

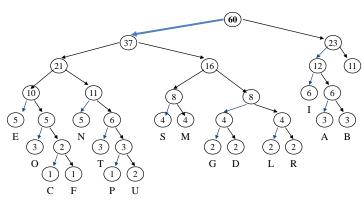
- We need the trie to uncompress
 - -000100100010011001101111
 - What is this?
- As we read a bit, what do we do?
 - Go left on 0, go right on 1
 - When do we stop? What to do?



- How do we get the trie?
 - How did we get it originally? Store 256 int/counts
 - How do we read counts?
 - How do we store a trie? 20 Questions relevance?
 - Reading a trie? Leaf indicator? Node values?

Decoding a message

01100000100001001101



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Other Huffman Issues

- What do we need to decode?
 - How did we encode? How will we decode?
 - What information needed for decoding?
- · Reading and writing bits: chunks and stopping
 - Can you write 3 bits? Why not? Why?
 - PSEUDO_EOF
 - BitInputStream and BitOutputStream: API
- What should happen when the file won't compress?
 - Silently compress bigger? Warn user? Alternatives?

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Huffman Complexities

- How do we measure? Size of input file, size of alphabet
 - Which is typically bigger?
- Accumulating character counts:
 - How can we do this in O(1) time, though not really
- Building the heap/priority queue from counts _____
 - Initializing heap guaranteed
- Building Huffman tree _____
 - Why?
- Create table of encodings from tree _____
 - Why?
- Write tree and compressed file _____

Good Compsci 100 Assignment?

- Array of character/chunk counts, or is this a map?
 - Map character/chunk to count, why array?
- Priority Queue for generating tree/trie
 - Do we need a heap implementation? Why?
- Tree traversals for code generation, uncompression
 - One recursive, one not, why and which?
- Deal with bits and chunks rather than ints and chars
 - The good, the bad, the ugly
- Create a working compression program
 - How would we deploy it? Make it better?
- Benchmark for analysis
 - What's a corpus?

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Other methods

- · Adaptive Huffman coding
- Lempel-Ziv algorithms
 - Build the coding table on the fly while reading document
 - Coding table changes dynamically
 - Protocol between encoder and decoder so that everyone is always using the right coding scheme
 - Works well in practice (compress, gzip, etc.)
- More complicated methods
 - Burrows-Wheeler (bunzip2)
 - PPM statistical methods

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Data Compression

Year	Scheme	Bit/Char	Why is data
1967	ASCII	7.00	compression important?
1950	Huffman	4.70	•
1977	Lempel-Ziv (LZ77)	3.94	How well can you
1984	Lempel-Ziv-Welch (LZW) – Unix compress	3.32	compress files losslessly?
1987	(LZH) used by zip and unzip	3.30	— Is there a limit?
1987	Move-to-front	3.24	– How to compare?
1987	gzip	2.71 •	How do you
1995	Burrows-Wheeler	2.29	measure how much
1997	BOA (statistical data compression)	1.99	information?

From bit to byte to char to int to long

- Ultimately everything is stored as either a 0 or 1
 - Bit is binary digit a byte is a binary term (8 bits)
 - We should be grateful we can deal with Strings rather than sequences of 0's and 1's.
 - We should be grateful we can deal with an int rather than the 32 bits that comprise an int
- If we have 255 values for R, G, B, how can we pack this into an int?
 - Why should we care, can't we use one int per color?
 - How do we do the packing and unpacking?

More information on bit, int, long

- int values are stored as two's complement numbers with 32 bits, for 64 bits use the type long, a char is 16 bits
 - Standard in Java, different in C/C++
 - Facilitates addition/subtraction for int values
 - We don't need to worry about this, except to note:
 - Infinity + 1 = Infinity (see Integer . MAX_VALUE)
 - Math.abs(-Infinity) > Infinity
- Java byte, int, long are signed values, char unsigned
 - What are values for 16-bit char? 8-bit byte?
 - Why will this matter in Burrows Wheeler?

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Signed, unsigned, and why we care

- Some applications require attention to memory-use
 - Differences: one-million bytes, chars, and int
 - First requires a megabyte, last requires four megabytes
 - When do we care about these differences?
 - Memory is cheaper, faster, ...But applications expand to use it
- Java signed byte: -128..127, # bits?
 - What if we only want 0-255? (Huff, pixels, ...)
 - Convert negative values or use char, trade-offs?
- Java char unsigned: 0..65,536 # bits?
 - Why is char unsigned? Why not as in C++/C?

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More details about bits

How is 13 represented?

$$- \dots \underline{0} \quad \underline{0} \quad \underline{1} \quad \underline{1} \quad \underline{0} \quad \underline{1}$$

- Total is 8+4+1=13
- What is bit representation of 32? Of 15? Of 1023?
 - What is bit-representation of 2^n 1?
 - What is bit-representation of 0? Of -1?
 - Study later, but -1 is all 1's, left-most bit determines < 0
- Determining what bits are on? How many on?
 - Understanding, problem-solving

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How are data stored?

- To facilitate Huffman coding we need to read/write one bit
 - Why do we need to read one bit?
 - Why do we need to write one bit?
 - When do we read 8 bits at a time? 32 bits?
- We can't actually write one bit-at-a-time. We can't really write one char at a time either.
 - Output and input are buffered, minimize memory accesses and disk accesses
 - Why do we care about this when we talk about data structures and algorithms?
 - Where does data come from?

How do we buffer char output?

- Done for us as part of InputStream and Reader classes
 - InputStreams are for reading bytes
 - Readers are for reading char values
 - Why do we have both and how do they interact?

```
Reader r = new
InputStreamReader(System.in);
```

- Do we need to flush our buffers?
- In the past Java IO has been notoriously slow
 - Do we care about I? About O?
 - This is changing, and the java.nio classes help
 - Map a file to a region in memory in one operation

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Buffer bit output

- To buffer bits we store bits in a buffer (duh)
 - When the buffer is full, we write it.
 - The buffer might overflow, e.g., in process of writing
 10 bits to 32-bit capacity buffer that has 29 bits in it
 - How do we access bits, add to buffer, etc.?
- We need to use bit operations
 - Mask bits -- access individual bits
 - Shift bits to the left or to the right
 - Bitwise and/or/negate bits

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Bit masks and shifts

```
void process(int pixel){
  int blue = pixel & 0xff;
  int green = (pixel >> 8) & 0xff;
  int red = (pixel >> 16) & 0xff;
}
```

- Hexadecimal number: 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,a,b,c,d,e,f
 - f is 15, in binary this is 1111, one less than 10000
 - The hex number 0xff is an 8 bit number, all ones
- Bitwise & operator creates an 8 bit value, 0—255
 - Must use an int/char, what happens with byte?
 - -1&1 == 1, otherwise we get 0 like *logical and*
 - Similarly we have |, bitwise or

Representing pixels

- Pixel typically stores RGB and alpha/transparency values
 - Each RGB is a value in the range 0 to 255
 - The alpha value is also in range 0 to 255

 Pixel red = new Pixel(255,0,0,0);

 Pixel white = new Pixel(255,255,255,0);
- A picture is simply an array of int values

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