# Analysis of Algorithms B-Trees 

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## Minimum Degree

- A fixed integer $t \geq 2$ is called the minimum degree or branching of the tree:
- if $x \neq$ root $\rightarrow t-1 \leq x . n \leq 2 t-1$
- If $x=\operatorname{root} \rightarrow 1 \leq x . n \leq 2 t-1$


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## The example above

- It can hold over one billion keys.
- the height is only 2 (Assuming root at height 0 ), so we can find any key with only two disk accesses (Compared to red-black trees, where the branching factor is 2 ).
- Then, disk accesses are minimal!!!


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## Note <br> Search $(\operatorname{root}[t], k)$ returns $(x, i)$ or $N I L$ if no such key.

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\text { 2. } & y=x . c_{i} \\
\text { 3. } & z . l e a f=y . l e a f \\
\text { 4. } & z . n=t-1 \\
\text { 5. } & \text { for } j=1 \text { and } t-1 \\
\text { 6. } & z . k e y ~
\end{array} j\right]=y . \text { key }[j+t] .
$$

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& \text { 11. for } j=x . n+1 \text { downto } i+1 \\
& \text { 12. } \quad x . c[j+1]=x . c[j] \\
& \text { 13. } \\
& \text { 14.c }[i+1]=z \\
& \text { 14. for } j=x . n \text { downto } i \\
& \text { 15. } \quad x . k e y[j+1]=x . k e y[j] \\
& \text { 16. } \\
& \text { 17.key }[i]=y . k e y[t] \\
& \text { 18. } \\
& \text { 18.n }=x . n+1 \\
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& \text { Disk-Write }(y) \\
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## Detailed Explanation

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Lines 1-4 creates node $z$

1. $z=$ Allocate-Node()
2. $y=x . c_{i}$
3. z.leaf $=y . l e a f$
4. $z . n=t-1$


Lines 1-4


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14. for $j=x$.n downto $i$
15.

$$
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$$



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## Then

Line $16-17$ copy the key to the correct place and increase the counter of $x$
16. $x . k e y[i]=y . k e y[t]$
17. $x . n=x . n+1$


## Detailed Explanation

## Then

Line 18-20 Write everything to the hard drive
18. Disk-Write $(y)$
19. Disk-Write $(z)$
20. Disk-Write $(x)$

## Cost of Split-Child

## Complexity

- $\Theta(t)$ CPU time the for loop to go through the keys
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& \text { 2. if } x . l e a f \\
& \text { 3. while } i \geq 1 \text { and } k<x \text {.key }[i] \\
& \text { 4. } x . k e y[i+1]=x . k e y[i] \\
& \text { 5. } \quad i=i-1 \\
& \text { 6. } x . k e y[i+1]=k \\
& \text { 7. } \quad x . n=x . n+1 \\
& \text { 8. } \quad \text { Disk-Write }(x)
\end{aligned}
$$

9. else while $i \geq 1$ and $k<x$.key $[i]$
10. $\quad i=i-1$
11. $\quad i=i+1$
12. Disk-Read (x.c [i])
13. if $x . c[i] . n==2 t-1$
14. 
15. 
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B-Tree-Insert-Nonfull(x.c [i], $k$ )

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3.
while $i \geq 1$ and $k<x$.key $[i]$
4.

$$
x . k e y[i+1]=x . k e y[i]
$$

5. 

$$
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$$
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i=i+1
\end{array}
$$

After that, we insert in a non-full element
17. B-Tree-Insert-Nonfull (x.c $[i], k)$

## Cost of Insertion

## Worst case

- $\Theta\left(\log _{t} n\right)$ disk writes.
- $\Theta\left(t \log _{t} n\right)$ CPU time.


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Add 60 to a leaf node, it is necessary to split by promoting 28 to the root


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## Add 24 to the leaf



## Constructing a B-Tree

## Add 22 by splitting a leaf node and promoting 25



## Constructing a B-Tree

## Add 11 to the leaf node by adding a empty root node



## Constructing a B-Tree

Split the old root by promoting 25


## Constructing a B-Tree

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## Case 3.B

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If $x . c_{i}$ and both of $x . c_{i}$ 's immediate siblings have $t-1$ keys, merge $x . c_{i}$ with one sibling, which involves moving a key from $x$ down into the new merged node to become the median key for that node.


## Delete Example

## Delete 14 - Case 3.B



## Delete Example

## Delete 14 - move 25 down from the root and join the children nodes



## Delete Example

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## Delete Example

Delete 28 - Case 2.C


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## Join the left and right children of 28 and move it down



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