#### *m*-way Search Trees

m-way Search Tree: Empty, or if not empty then:

- Each internal node has q children and q-1 elements, for  $2 \le q \le m$ .
- Nodes with p elements have exactly p + 1 children.
- Suppose a node has p elements. Let k<sub>1</sub>, k<sub>2</sub>, ... k<sub>p</sub> be the keys of these elements. Then k<sub>1</sub> < k<sub>2</sub> < ... < k<sub>p</sub>. Let c<sub>0</sub>, c<sub>1</sub>, ..., c<sub>p</sub> be the p+1 children of the node.
  - The elements in the subtree with root  $c_0$ have keys smaller than  $k_1$ .
  - The elements in the subtree rooted at  $c_i$ have keys larger than  $k_i$  and smaller than  $k_{i+1}, 1 \leq i < p$ .
  - The elements in the subtree rooted at  $c_p$ have keys larger than  $k_p$ .





### Properties

- m > 2 because they cannot represent all possible sets.
- B-Tree of order 3 is a 2-3 tree.
- B-Tree of order 4 is a 2-3-4 tree (Same as RB-Tree).

**Lemma 11.3:** Let T be a B-tree of order m and height h. Let  $d = \lceil m/2 \rceil$  and let n be the number of elements in T.

1. 
$$2d^{h-1} - 1 \le n \le m^h - 1$$

2.  $log_m(n+1) \le h \le log_d(\frac{n+1}{2}) + 1.$ 

**Proof:** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). (1) follows from the fact that the minimum number of nodes on levels 1, 2, 3, 4, ..., *h* is 1, 2, 2*d*, 2*d*<sup>2</sup>, ..., 2*d*<sup>*h*-2</sup>, and the maximum num. is 1, *m*, *m*<sup>2</sup>, ..., *m*<sup>*h*-1</sup>. The number of null pointers = n + 1.

- A B-tree of order 200 and height 3 has at least 19,999 elements and therefore can represent all UCSB students.
- A B-tree of order 200 and height 5 has at least 199,999,999 and therefore can represent all U.S. voters.
- The order of a B-Tree is determined by the disk block size and size of individual elements.
- For obvious reasons all the B-tree examples have small order.
- Searching is like in an *m*-way search tree.







## Insertion

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Nodes are of the form n,c_0,(e_1,c_1),...,(e_n,c_n), where
    the e's are the values or keys and the c's are the pointers.
Procedure Insert(t,e) {// t points to root, and e will be inserted
    e = NULLy // (e e) is to be inserted in leaf node
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if not found {
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while P != NULL & not Done do
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{Insert (c,e) into appropriate position in node P;

Let the resulting node be P  $\rightarrow$  n,c\_0,(e\_1,c\_1),...,(e\_n/c\_n)

}

}

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if P->n <= m-1 {Output P to Disk; Done = true;}
    else { e = P \rightarrow e_{ceil(m/2)};
           d = ceil(m/2);
           Split P into two nodes (in main memory)
             P: d-1,c_0,(e_1,c_1),...,(e_{d-1},c_{d-1})
             Q: m-d,c_d,(e_{d+1},c_{d+1}),...,(e_m,c_m)
             Output P and Q to Disk;
             c = Q:
             P = Parent(P); // Parent may be obtained from a
                // stack that is built by the Search procedure;
          }
}
if not Done { Create new node Q in memory;
                Q: 1,t,(e,c);
              t = Q:
              Output t to Disk;
            }
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# Deletion

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Nodes are of the form n,c_0,(e_1,c_1),...,(e_n,c_n), where
the e's are the values or keys and the c's are the pointers.
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Procedure Delete(t,e) {

// t points to root, and e will be deleted

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Search(t,x,P,found); // returns found=true if e in the tree
    // and P will point to the node in main memory that has e;
    // Returns false if e is not in the B-tree and P will point
    // to the last node visited (leaf node) during the search;
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if found {
   Let P point to node n,c_0,(e_1,c_1),\ldots,(e_n,c_n),
         and e_i has value e;
   if P \rightarrow c_0 != 0 // P is not a leaf node
     { Q = P->c_i; // Reads from Disk P->c_i and
                      // stores it in memory node Q
       While Q is not a leaf node do
         Q = Q->c_0; //Reads from Disk P->c_i and
                      // stores it in memory node Q
       P \rightarrow e_i = Q \rightarrow e_1
       Write P on Disk;
       P = Q;
       i = 1;
     }
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delete (P->e\_i, P->c\_i) from P: n,c 0,(e 1,c 1),...,(e n,c n) and replace  $P \rightarrow n$  by  $P \rightarrow n-1$ ; while  $(P \rightarrow n < Ceil(m/2) - 1) \&\& (P != t) do$ { if P has a nearest right sibling Y {Let Z point to the parent of P and Y; Let j be such that  $Z \rightarrow c_{j-1} = P \&\& Z \rightarrow c_j = Y;$ if  $Y \rightarrow n \geq ceil(m/2)$ { // can borrow from right sibling  $P \rightarrow e_{P \rightarrow n+1} = Z \rightarrow e_j; //move from Z to P$  $P \rightarrow c \{P \rightarrow n+1\} = Y \rightarrow c 0:$ P - > n = P - > n + 1:  $Z \rightarrow e_j = Y \rightarrow e_1; //move e_1 \text{ from } Y \text{ to } Z$ Y->(n,c\_0,(e\_1,c\_1),...) => Y->(n-1,c\_1,(e\_2,c\_2),...); //e\_1 is deleted Output nodes P, Z & Y on Disk; return;





#### Extensions

- Above material from Horowitz and Sahni Fundamentals of DS (CS Press). But the algorithms were modified by Prof. Gonzalez to be more OO.
- A B'-Tree is like the B-Tree, but the values are at the failure nodes (instead of a null pointer we have a pointer to the data).
  Internal nodes have keys to direct the search.
  The Textbook [W] covers B'-Trees, but calls them B-Trees.
- B\*-Tree: The root has at least two children and at most 2[(2m − 2)/3] + 1. Internal nodes have at least [(2m − 2)/3] and at most m children. (Saves space).