

Maps and Dictionaries



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Map and Dictionary ADTs

The dictionary ADT models a searchable collection of key-element items

The main operations of a dictionary are searching, inserting, and deleting items

MAP: Multiple items with the same key are NOT allowed

DICTIONARY: Multiple items with the same key
ARE allowed

Applications:

- address book
- student-record database
- credit card authorization

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Dictionary ADT methods:

find(k): if the dictionary has an entry with key k, returns the entry; otherwise, returns null

insert(k, o): inserts an entry (k, o) into the dictionary

remove(e): removes entry e from the dictionary and returns the entry; otherwise, returns null if e not found

size(), isEmpty()

entries(): returns the key-value entries stored

findAll(k): returns an iterator of all entries with key k

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Map ADT methods:

get(k): if the map has an entry with key k, returns the entry; otherwise, returns null

put(k, o): adds an entry (k, o) into the map if it doesn't exist; otherwise, the old value is replaced

remove(k): removes entry with key k from the map and returns its value; otherwise, returns null if k not found

size(), isEmpty()

keys(): returns an iterator of keys stored in the map

values(): returns an iterator of values associated with keys stored in the map

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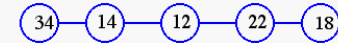
Dictionary ADTs

- Ordered dictionary: total order relation defined by some comparator for the keys
- Unordered dictionary: no order relation defined for keys

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Implementing a Dictionary with an Unordered Sequence

- *unordered sequence*

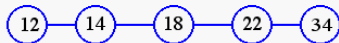


- searching and removing takes $O(n)$ time
- inserting takes $O(1)$ time
- applications to log files (frequent insertions, rare searches and removals)

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Implementing a Dictionary with an Ordered Sequence

- *array-based ordered sequence* (assumes keys can be ordered)

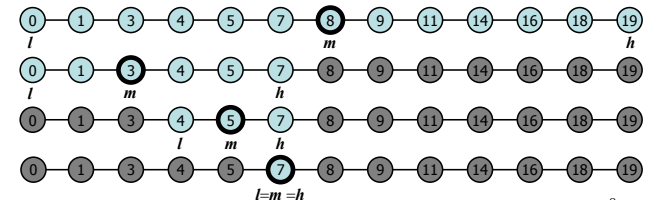


- searching takes $O(\log n)$ time (binary search)
- inserting and removing takes $O(n)$ time
- application to look-up tables (frequent searches, rare insertions and removals)

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Binary Search

- narrow down the search range in stages
- "high-low" game
- Example: find(7)

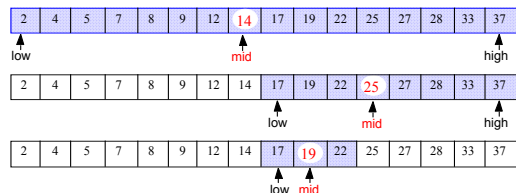


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Pseudocode for Binary Search

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Algorithm BinarySearch(S, k, low, high)
if low > high then
    return NO_SUCH_KEY
else
    mid ← (low+high) / 2
    if k = key(mid) then
        return key(mid)
    else if k < key(mid) then
        return BinarySearch(S, k, low, mid-1)
    else
        return BinarySearch(S, k, mid+1, high)
    
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Running Time of Binary Search

- The range of candidate items to be searched is *divided into half after each comparison*

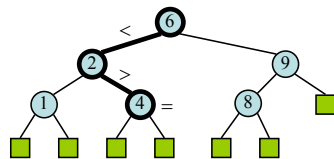
comparison	search range
0	n
1	$n/2$
2	$n/4$
...	...
2^i	$n/2^i$
$\log_2 n$	1

In the array-based implementation, access by rank takes $O(1)$ time, thus *binary search runs in $O(\log n)$ time*

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Binary Search Trees

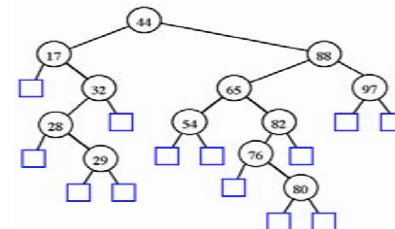
- Searching
- Cost of Searching
- Insertion
- Deletion



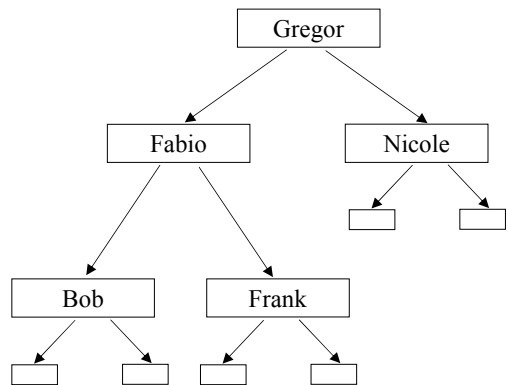
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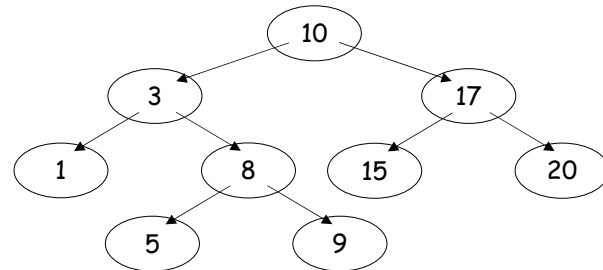
- A binary search tree is a binary tree T such that
 - each internal node stores an entry (k, e) of a dictionary.
 - keys stored at nodes in the left subtree of v are less than or equal to k .
 - keys stored at nodes in the right subtree of v are greater than or equal to k .
 - external nodes do not hold elements but serve as place holders.



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Question: How can we traverse the tree so that we visit the elements in increasing key order?

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Operations

Searching: `find(k)`

Inserting: `insert(k, o)`

Removing: `remove(k)`

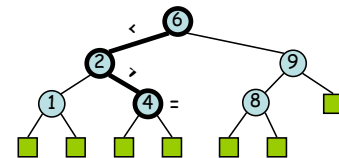
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Search

- To search for a key k , we trace a downward path starting at the root
- The next node visited depends on the outcome of the comparison of k with the key of the current node
- If we reach a leaf, the key is not found and we return `NO_SUCH_KEY`
- Example: `find(4)`
- call `TreeSearch(4, root)`

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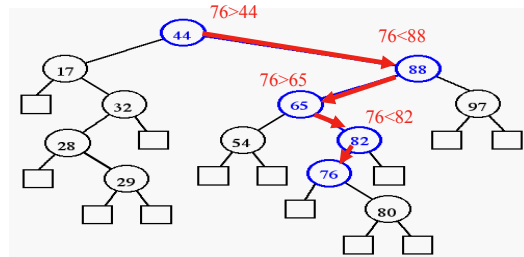
Algorithm TreeSearch(k, v)
  if T.isExternal(v)
    return NO_SUCH_KEY
  if k < key(v)
    return TreeSearch(k, T.left(v))
  else if k = key(v)
    return element(v)
  else { k > key(v) }
    return TreeSearch(k, T.right(v))
  
```



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Search Example I

Successful **find(76)**

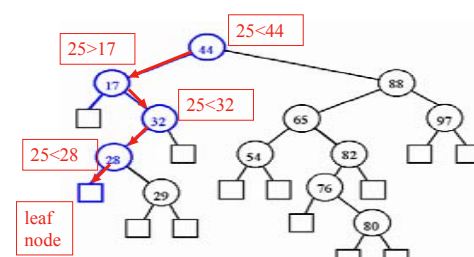


- A successful search traverses a path starting at the root and ending at an internal node

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Search Example II

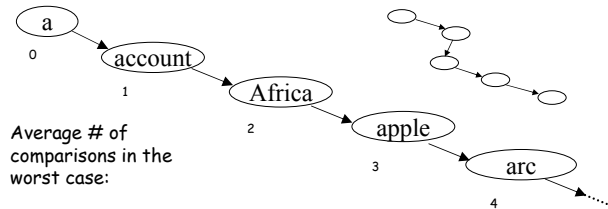
Unsuccessful **find(25)**



- An unsuccessful search traverses a path starting at the root and ending at an external node

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Cost of Search: Worst Case



Average # of comparisons in the worst case:

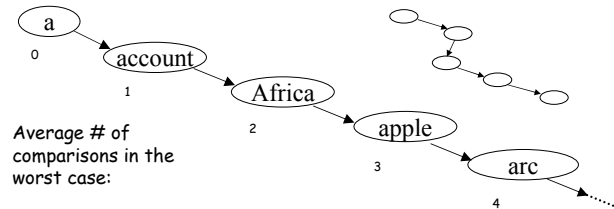
Successful search

Path to node i has length i , to get there we do $O(i)$ comparisons

$$\text{Avg cost} = (1/n) \sum O(i) = n$$

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Cost of Search: Worst Case



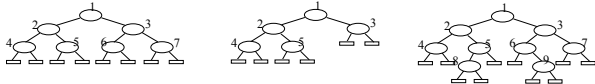
Average # of comparisons in the worst case:

Unsuccessful search

An unsuccessful search always takes $O(n)$ comparisons for n internal nodes

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Cost of Search: Best Case



Leaves are on the same level or on an adjacent level.

Length of path from root to node $i = \lfloor \log i \rfloor$

For a **successful** search, we do 2 comparisons at each node along the path plus one at the end.

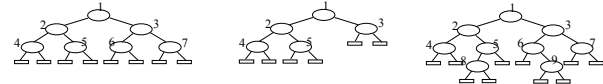
Comparisons to node i : $O(\log i)$

→ Average # of comparisons in the best case

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n O(\log i) = O((n \log n) / n) = O(\log n)$$

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Cost of Search: Best Case



Leaves are on the same level or on an adjacent level.

Length of path from root to node $i = \lfloor \log i \rfloor$

For a **failed** search, we do 2 comparisons at each node along the path plus two at the end.

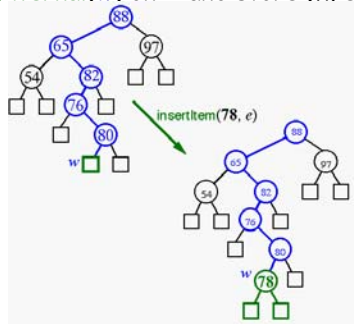
Only paths to external nodes count.

So, always $O(\log n)$

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Insertion I

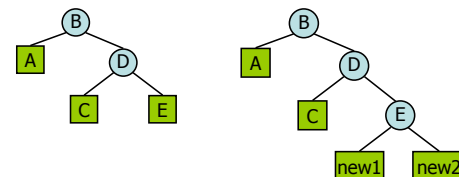
- To perform `insert(k,e)`, call `TreeInsert(k, e, T.root())`
- Let w be the node returned by `TreeSearch(k, T.root())`
- If w is external, we know that k is not stored in T . We call `insertAtExternal(w)` on T and store (k, e) in w



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insertAtExternal(v):

Transform v from an external node into an internal node by creating two new children



`insertAtExternal(v):`

`new1` and `new 2` are the new nodes

if `isExternal(v)`

`v.left` ← `new1`

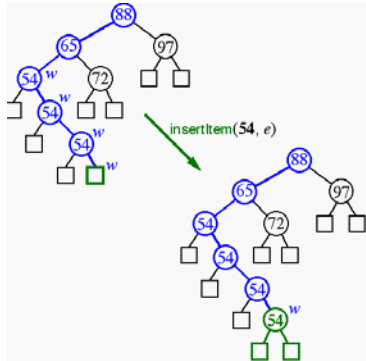
`v.right` ← `new2`

`size` ← `size + 2`

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Insertion II

- If w is internal, we know another item with key k is stored at w . We call the algorithm recursively starting at $T.\text{right}(w)$ or $T.\text{left}(w)$
- The idea is to store the new item in an external node which either precedes or follows the items with the same key in an inorder traversal.



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Construct a Tree

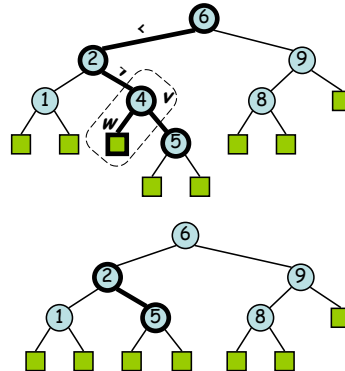
What would be the result of constructing a tree from repeated insertions of the following sequences?

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

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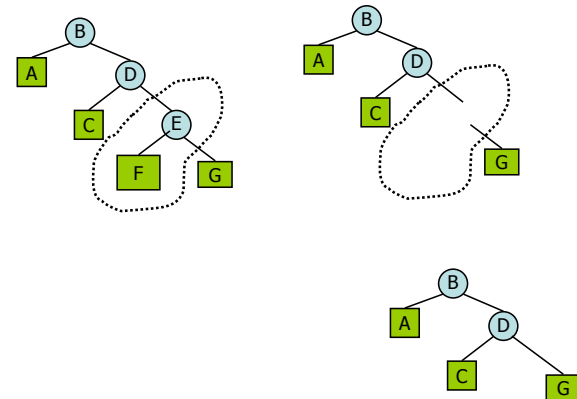
Deletion I

- To perform operation $\text{remove}(k)$, we search for key k
- Assume key k is in the tree, and let v be the node storing k
- If node v has a leaf child w , we remove v and w from the tree with operation $\text{removeExternal}(w)$
- Example: remove 4



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$\text{removeExternal}(v)$:



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removeExternal(v):
  if isExternal(v)
  { p ← parent(v)
    s ← sibling(v)
    if isRoot(v) s.parent ← null and root ← s
    else
      { g ← parent(p)
        if (p is leftChild(g)) g.left ← s
        else g.right ← s
        s.parent ← g
      }
    size ← size - 2 }
  
```

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Deletion II

- We consider the case where the key k to be removed is stored at a node v whose children are both internal
 - we find the internal node w that follows v in an inorder traversal
 - we copy $key(w)$ into node v
 - we remove node w and its left child z (which must be a leaf) by means of operation `removeExternal(z)`
- Example: remove 3

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Practice, practice, practice...

- Delete the 3 from the tree you got in the (a).
- Now delete node 5.

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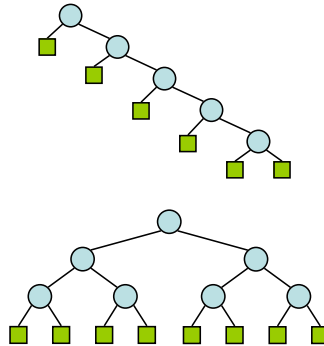
Cost of Inserting and Deleting = Cost of Search

Summary:

Consider a dictionary with n items implemented by means of a binary search tree of height h

- the space used is $\mathcal{O}(n)$
- methods *find*, *insert* and *remove* take $\mathcal{O}(h)$ time

The height h is $\mathcal{O}(n)$ in the worst case and $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$ in the best case



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Conclusion

- To achieve good running time, we need to keep the tree **balanced**, i.e., with $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$ height.
- Various balancing schemes will be explored next.

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