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A Simplified Approach to Data Structures

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B TREE

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B-tree

A very important category of m-way trees is b-tree which was introduced by **R.Bayer** and **E.Mcgreight** B-tree of order m has following properties:

- Each node of tree except root node must have maximum of **m-1** keys and minimum of **m/2-1** keys.
- All leaf nodes in B-tree must be on same level.
- Each node of tree except root node and leaf nodes has maximum of m children and minimum of m/2 children.
- The key values in each node are stored in ascending order.
- The key in node separates the ranges of keys which are atored in each child of that node.

A B-tree of order m and height h has total number of elements =m^(h+1)-1.

Operations performed on B-tree.

- 1. Searching
- 2. Insertion
- 3. Deletion
- Searching:

if the B-tree is of order 4 then we have maximum of 4 children of each node and hence 4way choice to move to one of 4-children.the correct child is chosen by performing a linear search of keys in a node.



For example, consider a B tree of order 4.

Suppose we want to search 145 then first of all we go to root node and find that it is between 100-150, so we go to third child of this root node. In this node we again perform linear search. This time we find the desired key value in this node

Example of Insertion in B-Tree(1)



Example of Insertion in B-Tree(2)



Insert <60, 80, 35, 75, 43, 32, 78, 65, 55, 68, 99, 92, 96, 98, 94>





Now, we delete 2





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