

# Algorithms and datastructures I

## Lecture 9: RB-trees and hashing

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# Set datastructure

We would like to represent a **set** (or a dictionary) of some elements from an **universe**.  
We expect that elements of the universum in set can be assigned and compared in  $O(1)$ .

**INSERT**( $v$ ): Insert  $v$  to the set.

**DELETE**( $v$ ): Delete  $v$  from the set.

**FIND**( $v$ ): Find  $v$  in the set.

**MIN**: Return minimum.

**MAX**: Return maximum.

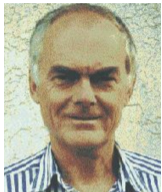
**SUCC**( $v$ ): Find successor.

**PRED**( $v$ ): Find predecessor.

## Basic implementations

	INSERT	DELETE	FIND	MIN/MAX	SUCC/PRED
Linked list	$O(n)$ or $O(1)$	$O(n)$ or $O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Array	$O(n)$ or $O(1)$	$O(n)$ or $O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Sorted array	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$ or $O(1)$
<b>binary search trees</b>	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
<b>AVL-trees</b>	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$
<b><math>(r, b)</math>-trees</b>	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$

# $(a, b)$ -trees (Bayer, McCreight)



Rudolf Bayer

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## Definition (Generalized search tree)

**Generalised search tree** is a rooted tree with specified order of sons and two types of vertices:

1. **Internal** vertices contains non-zero number of keys. If internal vertex has keys  $x_1 < \dots < x_k$  then it has  $k + 1$  sons  $s_0, \dots, s_k$ . Keys separate values in sons, so:  
$$T(s_0) < x_1 < T(s_1) < x_2 < \dots < x_{k-1} < T(s_{k-1}) < x_k < T(s_k)$$
2. **External** vertices contain no keys and are leaf.

## Definition ( $(a, b)$ -tree)

**$(a, b)$ -tree** for a given  $a \geq 2$ ,  $b \geq 2a - 1$  is a generalised search tree such that:

1. Root has 2 to  $b$  sons.
2. Other internal vertices have  $a$  to  $b$  sons.
3. All external vertices are in the level.

## Lemma

Every  $(a, b)$ -tree with  $n$  keys has depth  $\Theta(\log n)$ .

## Insert to $(a, b)$ -tree

### Insert( $v, x$ )

Let  $u$  be the last internal vertex visited by Find( $v, x$ ).

1. If  $u$  contains  $x$  return.
2. Otherwise add  $x$  into  $u$  and insert new external vertex
3. If  $u$  has more than  $b$  sons, split it possibly recursing to father.

It is possible to split preventively if  $b \geq 2a$ . We will use it today.

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Optimization: Color of edge may be stored in its destination vertex.



## Depth of LLRB-trees

### Lemma

Every LLRB-tree with  $n$  keys has depth  $\Theta(\log n)$ .

### Proof.

We know that every LLRB-tree tree corresponds to an  $(2, 4)$ -tree of height  $h = \Theta(\log n)$ .

The height  $h'$  of LLRB tree is  $h \leq h' \leq 2h$ . □

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### Theorem

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**And Now For Something  
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To store sets of integers one can see integers as words in some fixed base. Result is known as a **radix tree**.



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Performing  $n$  operations INSERT starting from the empty array will run in time  $\Theta(n)$ .

## Proof.

To insert  $2^i$  elements one needs  $2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^{i-1} = 2^i - 1$  copy operations. □

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$$\begin{aligned} h_1 &= x_1 \\ h_2 &= (h_1 a + x_2) \pmod{p} \\ h_3 &= (h_2 a + x_3) \pmod{p} \\ &\dots \\ h_{|x|} &= (h_{|x|-1} a + x_{|x|}) \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

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