

5. An idea for finding the max value would be to traverse the nodes furthest to the right until the right-most leaf node is reached and then returning a reference to that node as well as the key in the right-most position inside the node.

An idea for finding the predecessor of a given node would be to use the previous max function with the input being a reference to the given node/key index's pointer on the left side while checking all edge and special cases.

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B_tree_max(root){
         Node n1 = root;
         Node n2;
         while (n1!=null)
                  n2=n1;
                  n1=n1. pointers [pointers.length -1];
         return n2, n2.keys[keys.length -1];
}
B_tree_predecessor(node, i){
         if (node.pointers [i-1]!=null) {
                  return B_{\text{tree\_max}}(\text{node.pointers}[i-1]);
         Node y = node.parent;
         key k = node.keys[i];
         int index = i;
         while (y != null) {
         for (int i=0; i < y . keys . length -1; <math>i++;){
                  if(y.keys[i]>k){
                           if (i==0) {break; } else {//breaks while loop
                           index=i-1;
                  }
         }
             node = y;
             y = y.parent;
         return y, index;
}
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6. An idea would be to create a B-Tree and load the data into nodes with each node containing at most 1 page of data (2t-1=number of elements in a page) and then utilize the in-order traversal funtion to display the data in each node in a sorted order. Because of the definition of a B-Tree, the nodes will still be visited in order using that function, however, one would have to put the recursive calls and print statement in a loop in order to reach all of the nodes in the pointer array and keys in the keys array.