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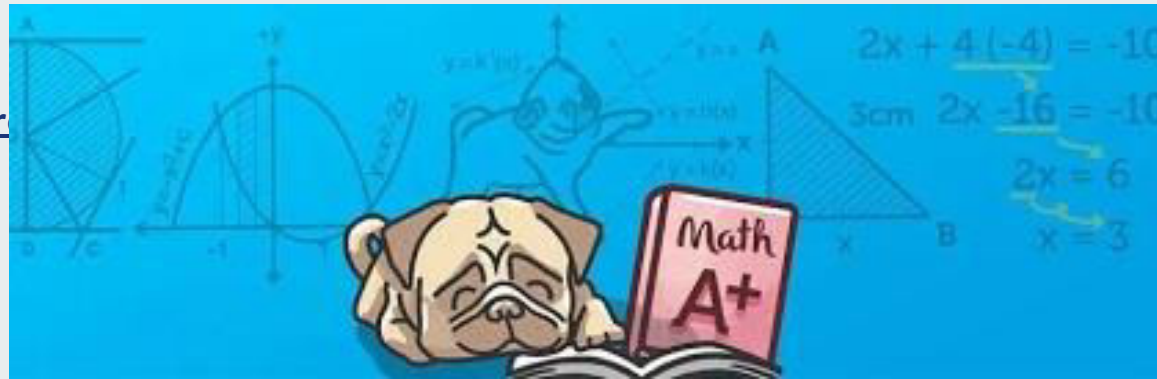
Debriefing

Randomized Data Structures: Skip Lists

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Grup Teams:





Debriefing

- Smalltalk about second half of the course
- presentation schedule for Tema 1 & Tema 2
- future lab work
- smalltalk about final exam

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Skip lists are a probabilistic data structure that seem likely to supplant balanced trees as the implementation method of choice for many applications. Skip list algorithms have the same asymptotic expected time bounds as balanced trees and are simpler, faster and use less space.

— William Pugh, Concurrent Maintenance of Skip Lists (1989)



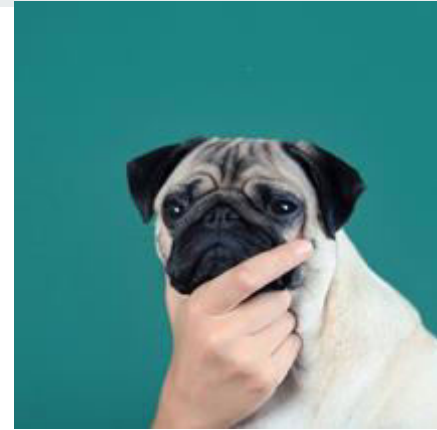
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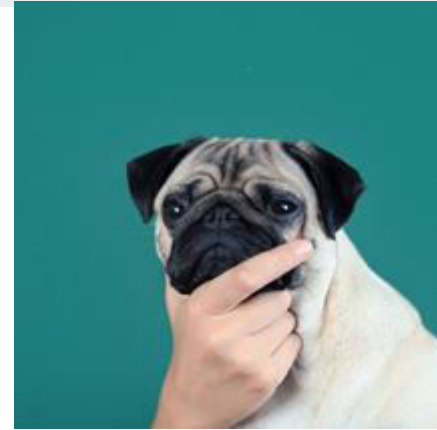


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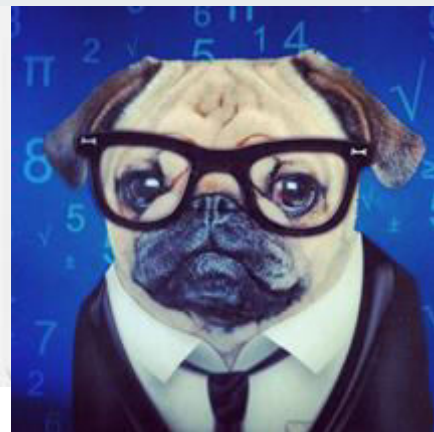
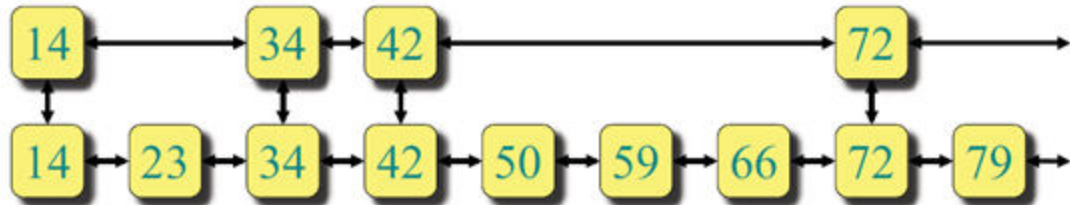
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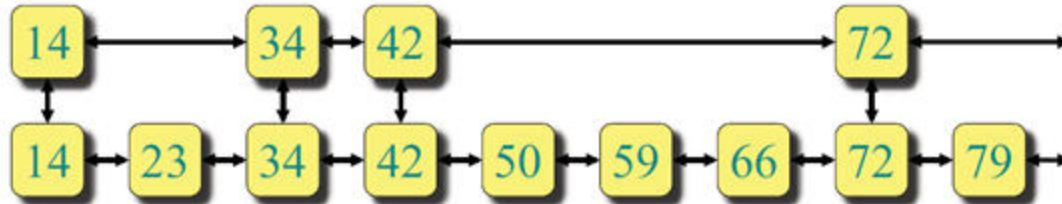
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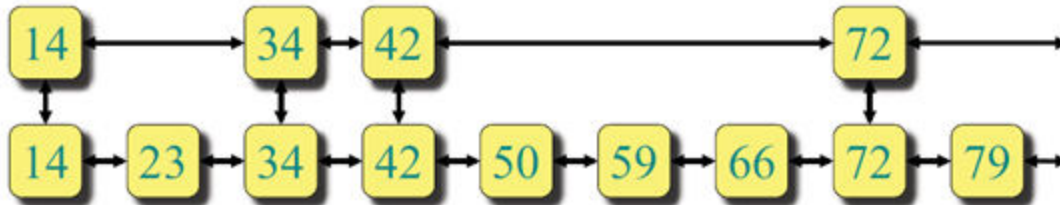
SEARCH(x):

- Walk right in top linked list (L1) until going right would go too far
- Walk down to bottom linked list (L2)
- Walk right in L2 until element found (or not)



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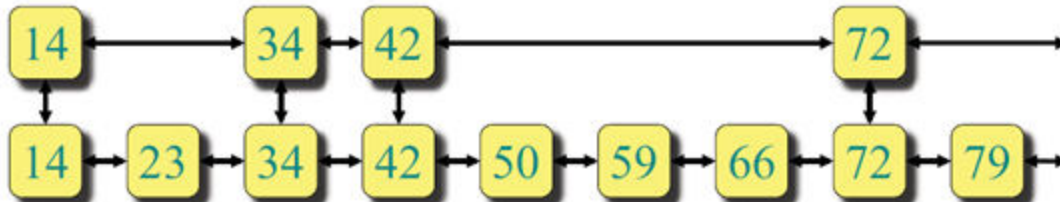
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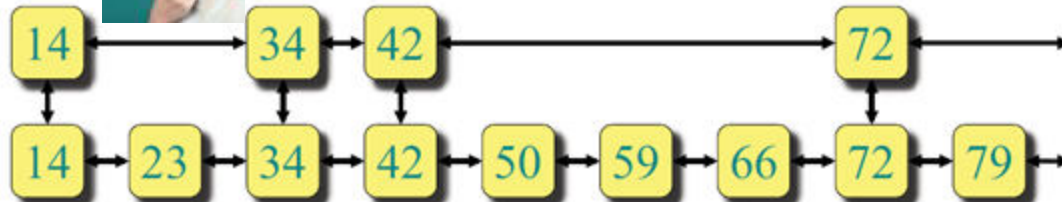
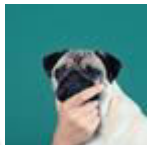
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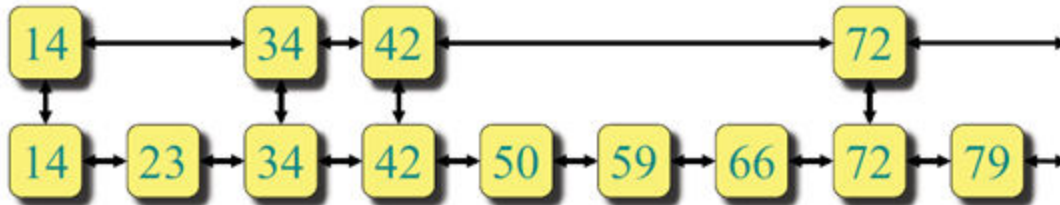
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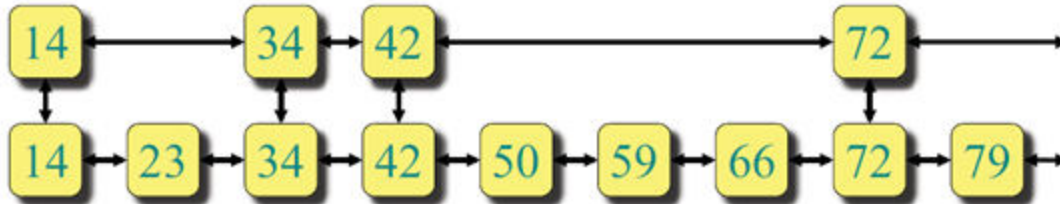
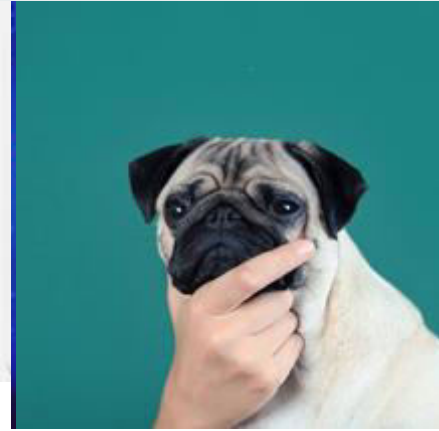


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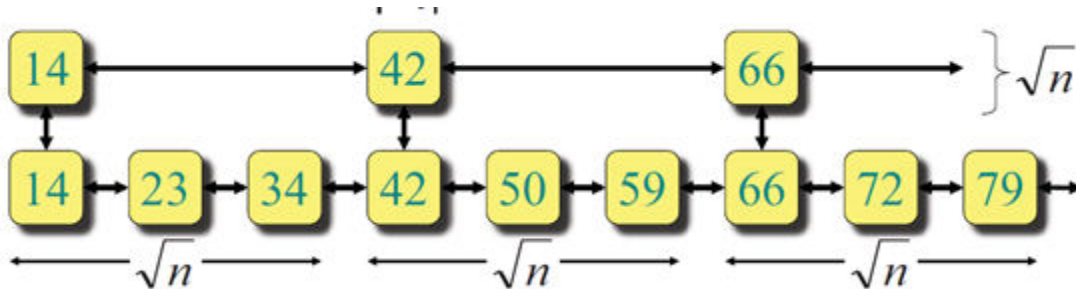
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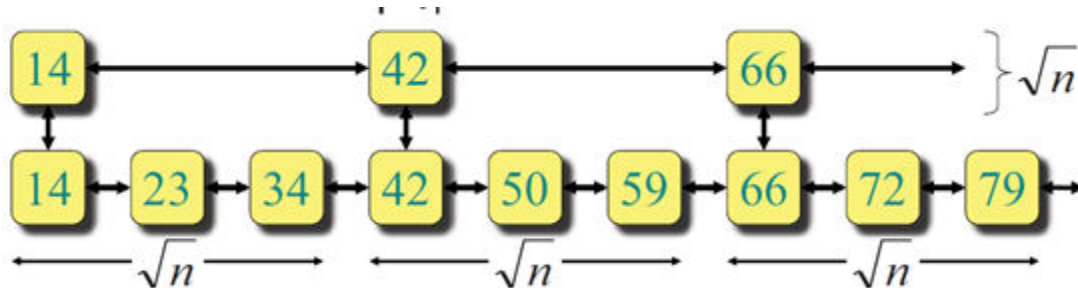
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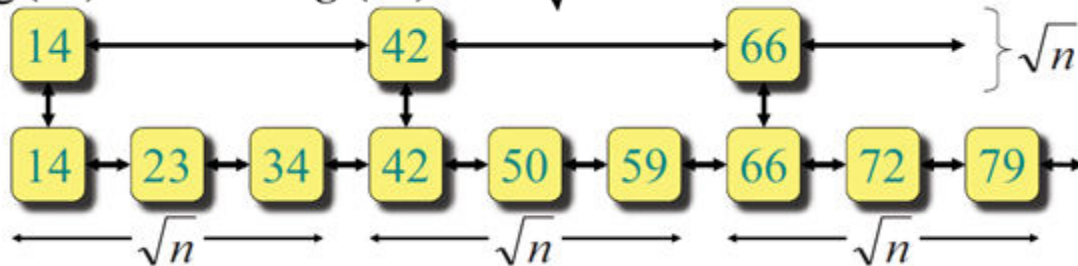
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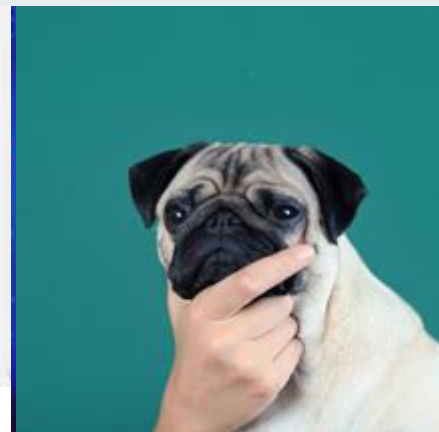
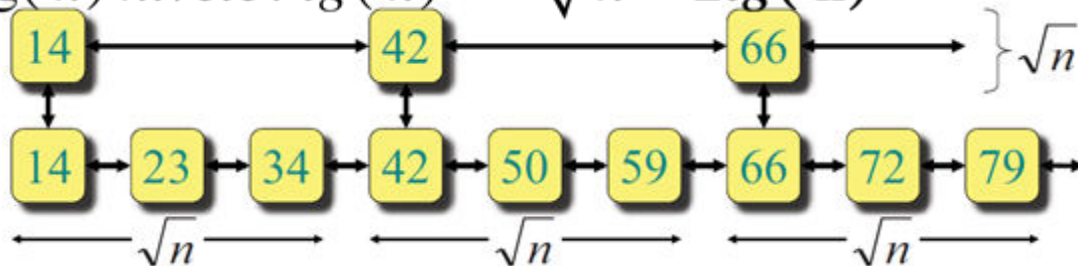
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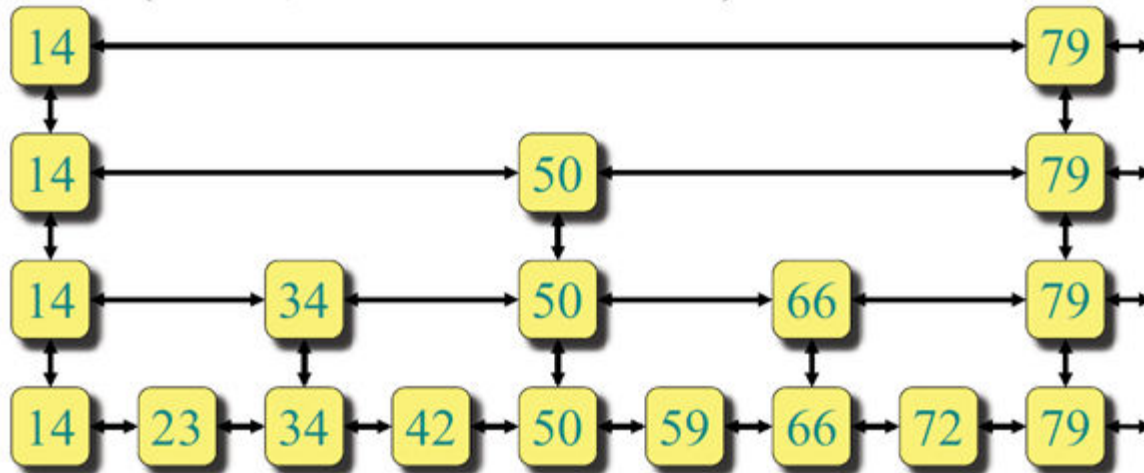
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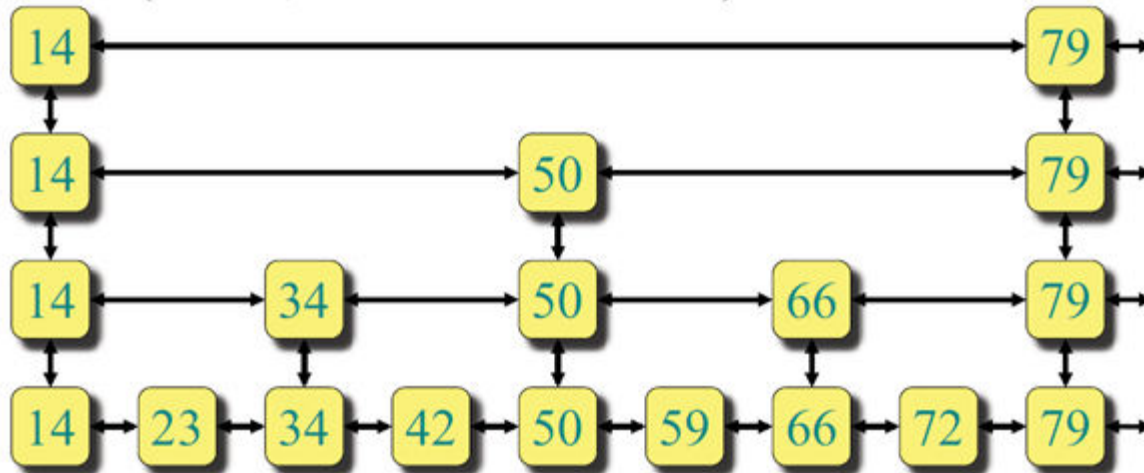


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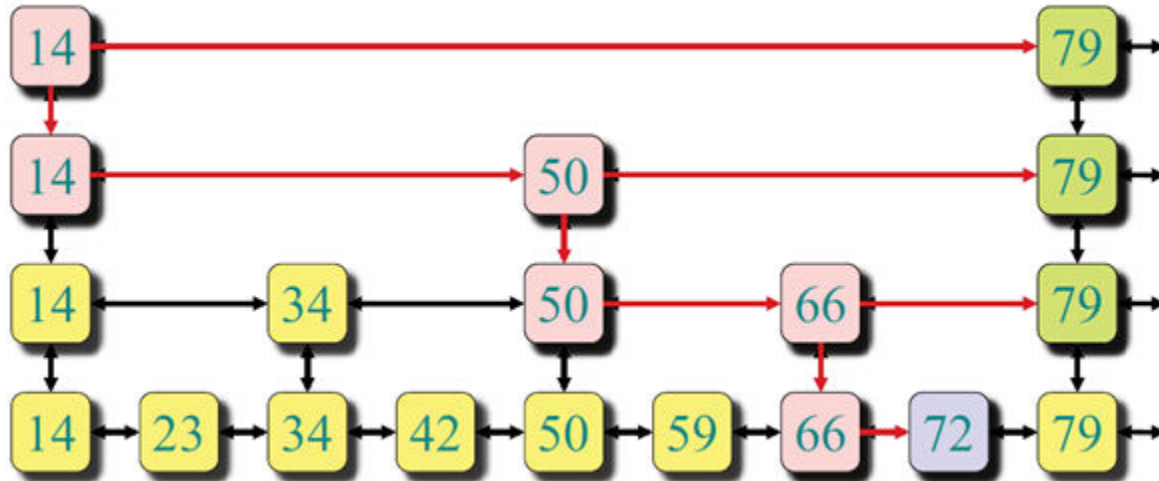
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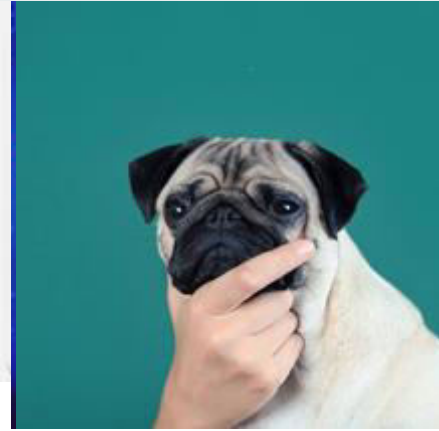
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Un arbore!

Skip Lists: Search (X)



Search(72)



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Consecinta: $\frac{1}{2}$ dintre elemente vor fi doar pe nivelul 0. $\frac{1}{4}$ dintre elemente vor fi doar pe nivelele 0 si 1. $\frac{1}{8}$ vor fi doar pe nivelele 0, 1 si 2, etc...

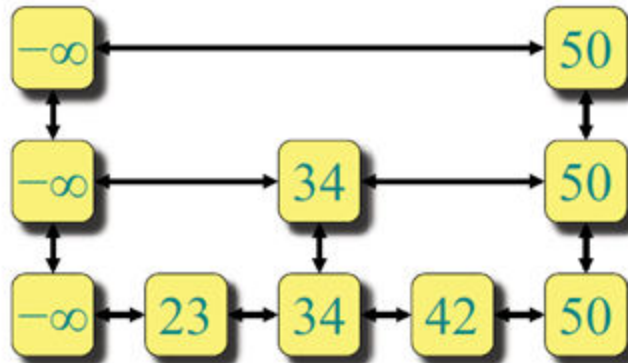


Skip Lists: Exercitui

EXERCISE: Try building a skip list from scratch by repeated insertion using a real coin

Small change:

- Add special $-\infty$ value to *every* list \Rightarrow can search with the same algorithm



Skip Lists: Delete (x)

Se cauta elementul x in lista (se gaseste pe cel mai de sus nivel).

Se sterge eelemntul de pe toate nivelele!



Skip Lists: How good are they?

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