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## **B-tree**

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Defines order

A  $\textit{B-tree of} \ m$  is a <code>http://planetmath.org/BalancedTree</code> balanced search tree in which

- $\bullet$  every node has at most m children,
- $\bullet\,$  every node, other than a root or leaf, has at least m/2 children,
- the root has at least 2 children if it is not a leaf,
- all leaf nodes appear on the same level
- a nonleaf node with k children has k-1 keys.

If the tree has n nodes its height is  $O(log_2(n))$ .