

INTRODUCTION

This week we cover the following subjects

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8.1 TREES

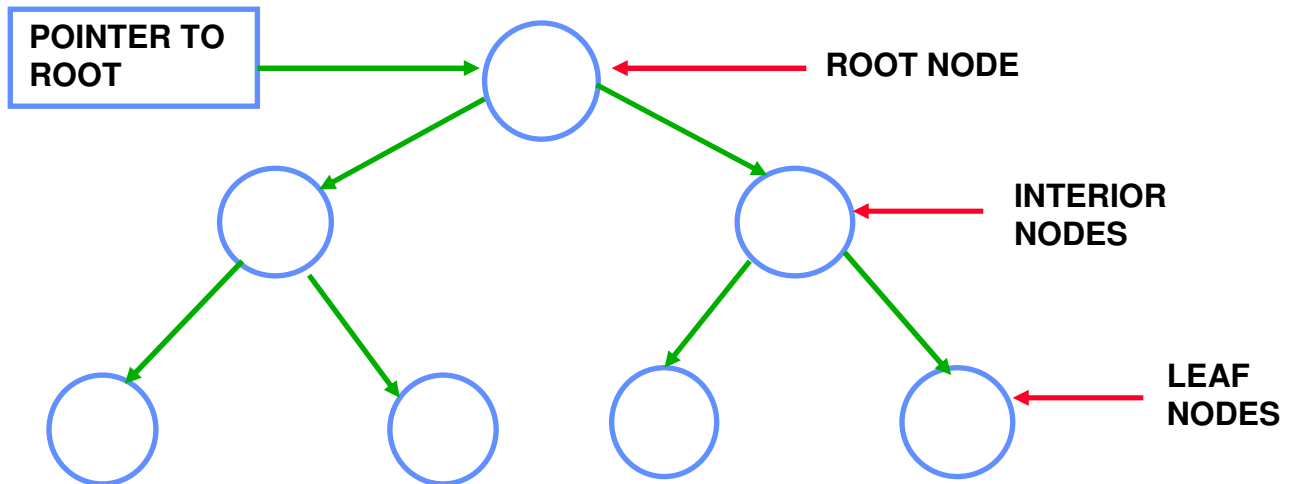
- Lists are very useful, but have limitations
- This lecture, introduce *trees*
 - Concepts
 - Introduce implementation

8.1.1 Why Trees?

- The list data structure can be used for any data processing task.
- But isn't always the best choice:
 - Simple arrays are better for many problems
 - Lists are slow for random access to large data volumes.
- Consider a small database of 100,000 items
 - The only way to search a linked list is by starting from one end
 - Average search time proportional to $n/2$, so 50,000 in this case
 - Trees provide more complex but more efficient searching

8.1.2 Terminology

- Basic decisions:
 - How many children can an interior node have?
 - Do interior nodes contain data, or search information only?

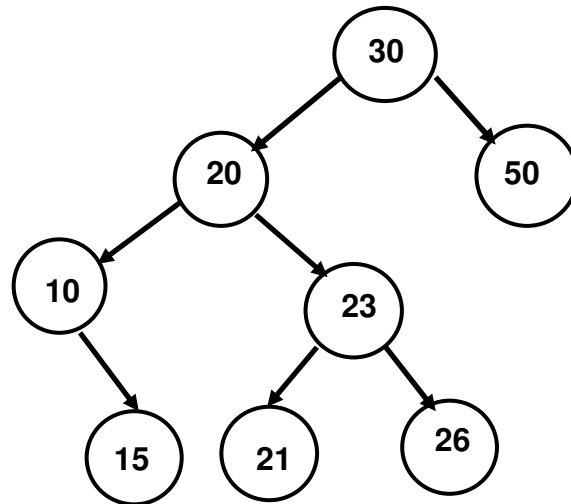


8.1.3 Binary Trees

- Each node is a structure that points to at most two other nodes and contains a key value plus any data we want to store in the tree that is associated with the key.
- Key need not be an integer; used here for simplicity.
- Every node has the following properties. All nodes in the left sub-branch will have a key value less than the one in the node. All nodes in the right sub-branch will have a key value greater than the one in node.

8.1.4 Search Example

- Consider the tree below, search for keys 21, 40



- Basic operation: search (add, delete, etc, require being able to search first)
- Search is *recursive*: If the key is less than the node then search the left sub-tree. If the key equals the node key then search is found. If the key is greater than the node key then search the right sub-branch.

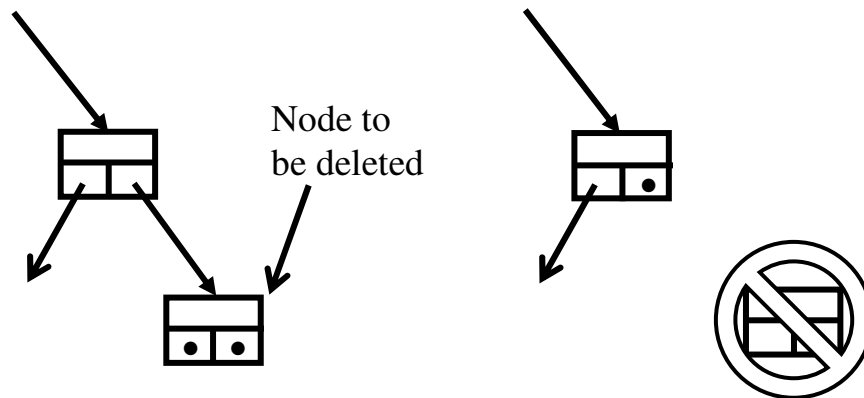
8.1.5 Adding A Node

- To add a node we search through the tree looking for the correct node to add the new node too.
- The new node will become a new leaf node in the tree.

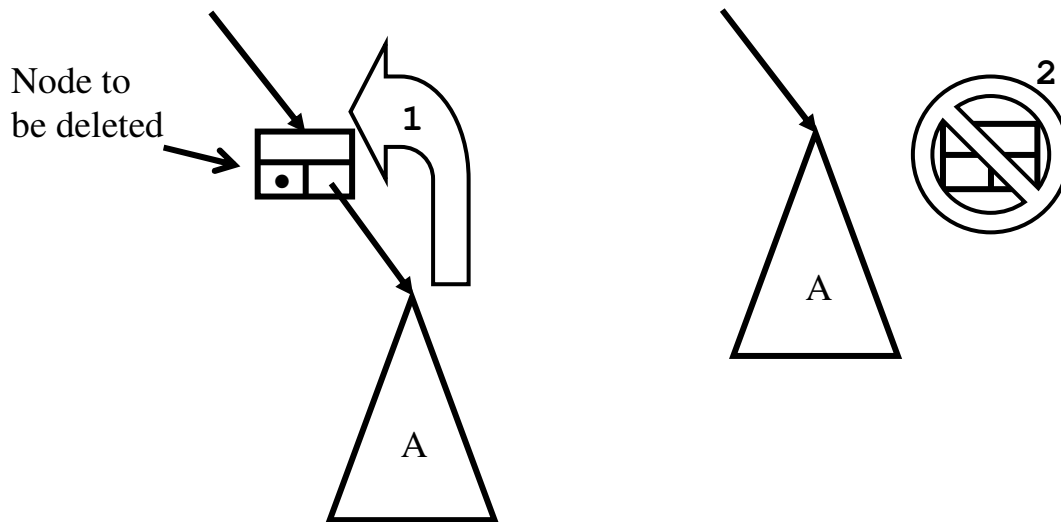
8.1.6 Deleting A Node

- While adding nodes to a tree is fairly easy the same cannot be said for deleting nodes.
- The problem lies with the root and interior nodes, which may have two sub-trees hanging off them.

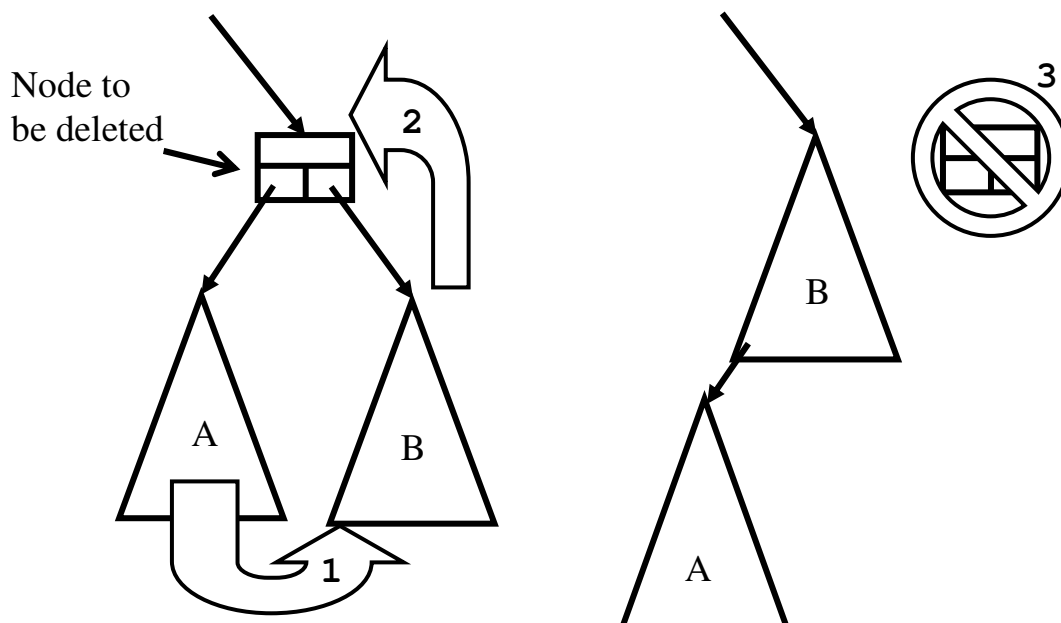
Deleting a leaf node

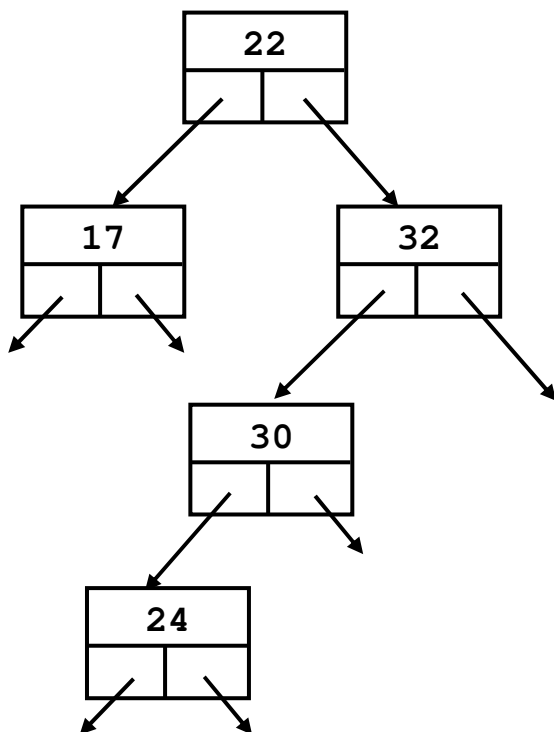
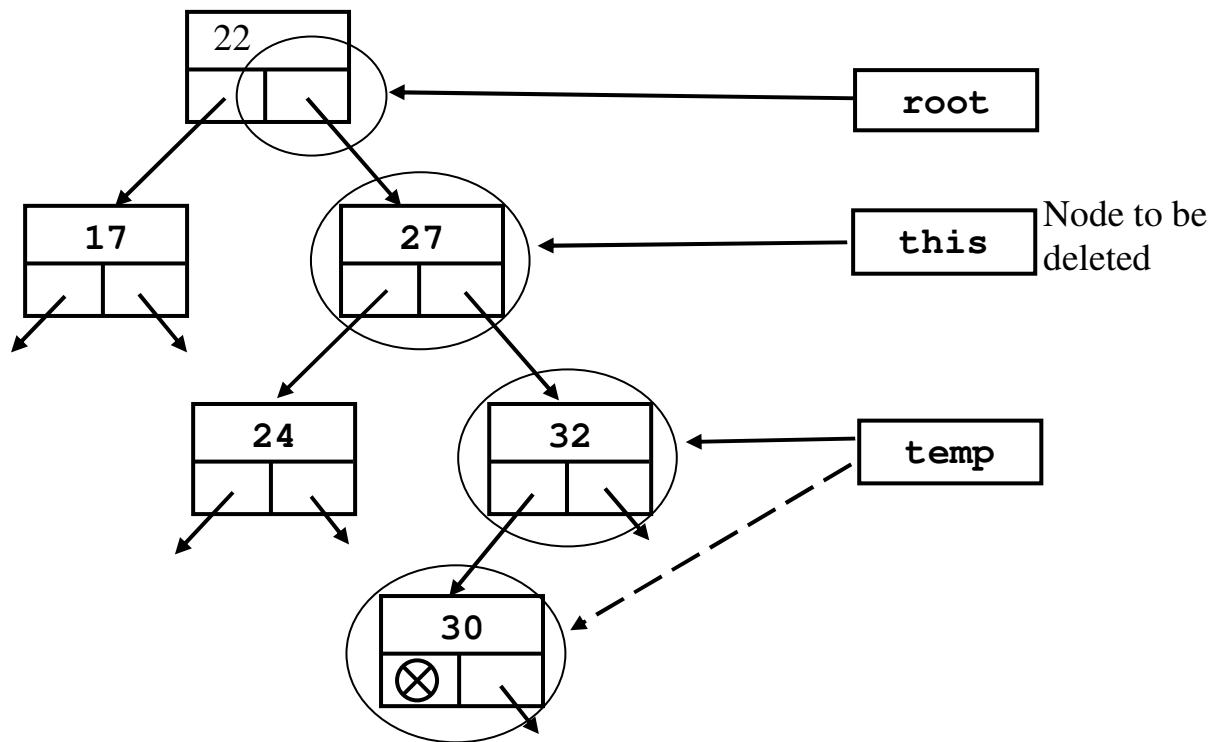


Deleting an interior node with only one sub-tree filled.



Deleting an interior node with both sub-trees filled.





8.1.7 bintree.h

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#ifndef BINNODE_H
#define BINNODE_H

/*****\
    template node class for binary tree
\*****/

template <typename dataType> class binNode
{
    private:
        dataType nodeData;
        binNode<dataType> *left, *right;

        void deleteNode(binNode<dataType> **root) {

            if (left == NULL && right == NULL) {
                // leaf node
                *root = NULL;
            } else if (left == NULL) {
                // right branch but no left branch
                *root = right;
            } else if (right == NULL) {
                // left branch but no right branch
                *root = left;
            } else {
                // has left and right branch
                binNode<dataType> *temp = right;

                // find left most node of right
                // branch
                while (temp->left != NULL)
                    temp = temp->left;

                // attach left branch to left side of
                // right branch
                temp->left = left;
            }
        }
    };
};
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        // make root point to right branch
        *root = right;
    }
    delete (this);
}

public:
    // constructors
    binNode() : left(NULL), right(NULL) {}

    binNode(const dataType& dataItem) :
        nodeData(dataItem),
        left(NULL), right(NULL) {
    }

    // destructor
    ~binNode() {
        if (left != NULL) delete left;
        if (right != NULL) delete right;
    }

    void insert(const dataType& dataItem) {

        if (nodeData == dataItem) {
            throw std::invalid_argument(
                "dataItem already in tree");
        }

        if (dataItem < nodeData) {
            if (left == NULL) {
                left = new binNode(dataItem);
            } else {
                left->insert(dataItem);
            }
        } else {
            if (right == NULL) {
                right = new binNode(dataItem);
            } else {
                right->insert(dataItem);
            }
        }
    }
}

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void erase(binNode<dataType> **root,
          const dataType &delData) {

    if (delData == nodeData) {
        deleteNode(root);
    } else {
        if (delData < nodeData) {
            if (left == NULL) {
                throw std::invalid_argument(
                    "delItem not in tree");
            } else {
                left->erase(&left, delData);
            }
        } else {
            if (right == NULL) {
                throw std::invalid_argument(
                    "delItem not in tree");
            } else {
                right->erase(&right, delData);
            }
        }
    }
}

bool findData(const dataType &data,
              dataType &found) {
    if (data == nodeData) {
        found = nodeData;
        return true;
    } else if (data < nodeData) {
        if (left == NULL) return false;
        else return
            left->findData(data, found);
    } else {
        if (right == NULL) return false;
        else return
            right->findData(data, found);
    }
}

// overloaded dereference operator
const dataType& operator * () const {
    return nodeData;
}

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};

#endif

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#ifndef BINTREE_H_
#define BINTREE_H_

#include <stdexcept>

#include "binnode.h"

/*****\
    template class for a binary tree
\*****/

template <typename dataType> class bintree
{
    private:
        binNode<dataType> *root;
        int numItems;

    public:
        /*****\
            constructors & destructors
        \*****/

        // constructor
        bintree() : root(NULL), numItems(0) {}

        // destructor
        ~bintree() {
            if (root != NULL) delete root;
        }

        /*****\
            misc functions
        \*****/

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bool empty() const {
    return (root == NULL);
}

int size() const {
    return numItems;
}

/*****\
    insertion and erasure functions
\*****/

void insert(const dataType& newData) {
    if (root == NULL) {
        root =
            new binNode<dataType>(newData);
    } else {
        root->insert(newData);
    }
    numItems++;
}

void erase(const dataType& delData) {

    if (root == NULL) {
        throw std::invalid_argument("data
            does not exist in tree to erase");
    }

    root->erase(&root, delData);

    numItems--;
}

bool findData(const dataType &data,
              dataType &found) {
    if (root == NULL) return false;
    else return root->findData(data, found);
}

};

#endif

// #####

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/******\
    Test program for demonstrating
    container types
\*****/
#include <sys/time.h>
#include <time.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

#include <iostream>
#include <algorithm>

#include "dataobject.h"
#include "bintree.h"

using namespace std;

double difUtime(struct timeval *first,
                struct timeval *second);

double difUtime(struct timeval *first,
                struct timeval *second)
{
    // return the difference in seconds,
    // including milli seconds

    double difsec =
        second->tv_sec - first->tv_sec;
    double udifse =
        second->tv_usec - first->tv_usec;

    return (difsec + udifsec / 1000000.0);
}

int main()
{
    const int MAXDATA = 1000000;
    dataObject *doPtr, data;
    int i, keyvals[MAXDATA];
    bintree<dataObject> testContainer;
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// data for calculating timing
struct timeval first, second;
double usecs;

try {
    /*****\
        Initialise things to demonstrate the
        container
        - fill keyvals and scramble it
    *****/

    for (i=0; i<MAXDATA; i++) keyvals[i] = i;
    srand(time(NULL));
    for (i=0; i<MAXDATA; i++)
        swap(keyvals[i],
            keyvals[random() % MAXDATA]);
    int middle = keyvals[MAXDATA/2];

    /*****\
        test inserting MAXDATA data pieces into
        the container with keyval 0 to
        MAXDATA-1 in random order
    *****/

    gettimeofday(&first, NULL);
    for (i=0; i<MAXDATA; i++) {
        doPtr = new dataObject(keyvals[i]);
        testContainer.insert(*doPtr);
    }
    cout << "\n";
    gettimeofday(&second, NULL);
    usecs = difftime(&first, &second);
    cout << MAXDATA << " items in container in
        random order\n";
    cout << "time taken to push data into
        container = " << usecs << " seconds\n\n";

    /*****\
        test finding data in the container
    *****/

    gettimeofday(&first, NULL);
    testContainer.findData(
        dataObject(0), data);

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gettimeofday(&second, NULL);
usecs = difUtime(&first, &second);
cout << "time taken to find first item in
        container = " << usecs << " seconds\n";

gettimeofday(&first, NULL);
testContainer.findData(
        dataObject(keyvals[middle]), data);
gettimeofday(&second, NULL);
usecs = difUtime(&first, &second);
cout << "time taken to find item in middle
        of container = " << usecs << " seconds\n";

gettimeofday(&first, NULL);
testContainer.findData(
        dataObject(MAXDATA), data);
gettimeofday(&second, NULL);
usecs = difUtime(&first, &second);
cout << "time taken to find item doesn't
        exit in container = " << usecs <<
        "seconds\n\n";

/*****\
        test removing data from the container
*****/

gettimeofday(&first, NULL);
testContainer.erase(dataObject(0));
gettimeofday(&second, NULL);
usecs = difUtime(&first, &second);
cout << "time taken to erase first item
        in container = " << usecs << " seconds\n";

gettimeofday(&first, NULL);
dataObject temp(keyvals[middle]);
testContainer.erase(temp);
gettimeofday(&second, NULL);
usecs = difUtime(&first, &second);
cout << "time taken to erase middle item in
        container = " << usecs << " seconds\n";

gettimeofday(&first, NULL);
testContainer.erase(dataObject(MAXDATA-1));
gettimeofday(&second, NULL);

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        usecs = difftime(&first, &second);
        cout << "time taken to erase last item in
            container = " << usecs << " seconds\n";
    } catch (out_of_range &ex) {
        cout << "\nERROR - Out of Range Exception
            thrown\n" << ex.what() << "\n";
        exit(1);
    } catch (invalid_argument &ex) {
        cout << "\nERROR - Invalid Argument
            Exception thrown\n" << ex.what() << "\n";
        exit(1);
    } catch(...) {
        cout << "\nERROR - undefined Exception
            thrown\n";
        exit(1);
    }

    return 0;
}

// #####

sally %cat makefile

CC = g++
prog: testmain.o
    $(CC) testmain.o -Wall -o testmain
testmain.o: testmain.cpp bintree.h dataobject.h
    $(CC) -Wall -c testmain.cpp

sally% testmain

1000000 items in container in random order
time taken to push data into container = 28.5358
seconds

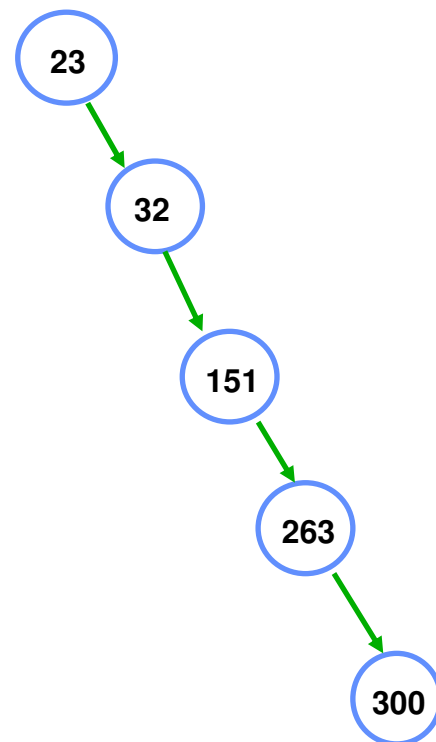
time taken to find first item in container =
2.6e-05 seconds
time taken to find item in middle of container =
3.7e-05 seconds
time taken to find item doesn't exist in container
= 2e-05 seconds

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time taken to erase first item in container = 6e-05 seconds
time taken to erase middle item in container = 3.5e-05 seconds
time taken to erase last item in container = 1.8e-05 seconds

8.1.8 Maintenance

- Tree performs best if it is *balanced*.
- If we just add entries as they arrive, tree can get very unbalanced.
- Thus, tree needs maintenance.
- Code can be quite complex.
- Tree can be re-organised with each addition.
- Or do it “off-line” occasionally.



8.1.9 Performance

- If tree is properly balanced, then for n entries, average no. of checks = $\lg_2(n) - 1$. Therefore $O(\lg_2 n)$
- But for linear search, average = $n / 2$.

- Thus, if $n = 100,000$, checks = 17 for balanced tree, compared to 50,000 for linear search
- $\lg_2(n) - 1$ is a *lower bound*.
- Bound is approached, even if tree is somewhat unbalanced.

8.1.10 Other Schemes

- Binary tree with embedded data is well understood:
 - Lots of theoretical analysis
 - Popular as an introductory data structure
- But other approaches have been developed:
 - > 2 children per interior node
 - Data only in leaf nodes; interior nodes contain only search information (index values and pointers)
 - Thus, different structures for interior nodes and leaf nodes
 - Leaf nodes might be records on disk, interior nodes in memory
- More branching per node gives shorter searches:
 - for k entries per node, average hits = $\lg_k(n)$
 - For $k = 5$, $n = 100,000$, average hits = 7