

# Skip Lists

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# Chapter 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Background

The **skip list** is a **probabilistic data structure** that is built upon the general idea of a **linked list**. The skip list uses probability to build subsequent layers of linked lists upon an original linked list. Each additional layer of links contains fewer elements, but no new elements.

A skip list allows  $O(\log N)$  search complexity as well as  $O(\log N)$  insertion complexity within an ordered sequence of  $n$  elements. Thus it can get the best features of an **array** (for searching) while maintaining a linked list-like structure that allows **insertion**, which is not possible in an array. **Fast search** is made possible by maintaining a linked hierarchy of subsequences, with each successive subsequence skipping over fewer elements than the previous one (see the picture below on the right). Searching starts in the sparsest subsequence until two consecutive elements have been found, one smaller and one larger than or equal to the element searched for. Via the linked hierarchy, these two elements link to elements of the next sparsest subsequence, where searching is continued until finally we are searching in the full sequence. The elements that are skipped over may be chosen probabilistically or deterministically, with the former being more common.

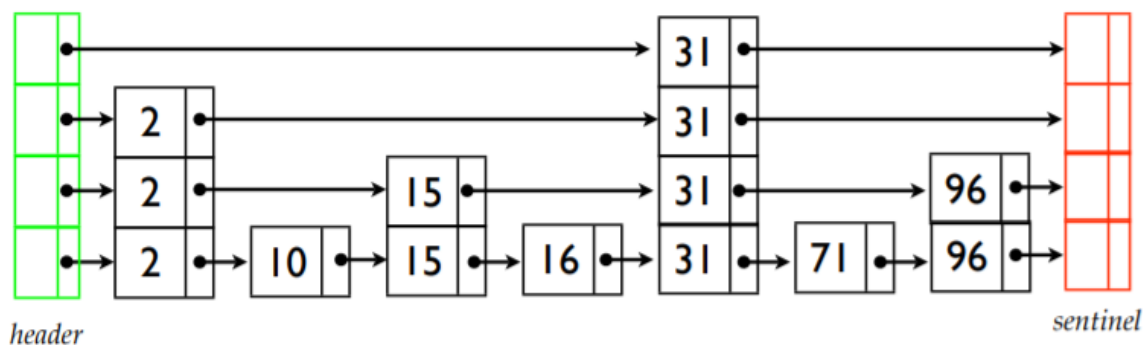
Skip lists are very useful when you need to be able to concurrently access your data structure. Imagine a **red-black tree**, an implementation of the **binary search tree**. If you insert a new node into the red-black tree, you might have to rebalance the entire thing, and you won't be able to access your data while this is going on. In a skip list, if you have to insert a new node, only the adjacent nodes will be affected, so you can still access large part of your data while this is happening.

## 1.2 Problem Description

In this project, we are required to introduce the skip lists, and to implement insertion, deletion, and searching of skip lists. A formal proof is also expected to show that the expected time for the skip list operations is  $O(\log N)$ . Test cases of different sizes need to be generated to illustrate the time bound.

A **skip list** starts with a basic, ordered, **linked list**. This list is sorted, but we can't do a binary search on it because it is a linked list and we cannot index into it. But the ordering will come in handy later. Then, another layer is added on top of the bottom list. This new layer will include any given element from the previous layer with probability  $p$ . This probability can vary, but often times  $\frac{1}{2}$  is used. Additionally, the first node in the linked list is often always kept, as a header for the new layer. Take a look at the following graphics and see how some elements are kept but others are discarded. Here, it just so happened that half of the elements are kept in each new layer, but it could be more or less—it's all probabilistic. In all cases, each new layer is still ordered.

Each element in the skip list has four pointers. It points to the node to its left, its right, its top, and its bottom. These **quad-nodes** will allow us to efficiently search through the skip list.



Graph 1 An example implementation of a skip list

**Insertions and deletions** are implemented much like the corresponding linked-list operations, except that "tall" elements must be inserted into or deleted from more than one linked list.  $O(N)$  operations, which force us to visit every node in ascending order (such as printing the entire list), provide the opportunity to perform a behind-the-scenes derandomization of the level structure of the skip-list in an optimal way, bringing the skip list to  $O(\log N)$  **search** time. (Choose the level of the  $i$ 'th finite node to be 1 plus the number of times we can repeatedly divide  $i$  by 2 before it becomes odd. Also,  $i = 0$  for the negative infinity header as we have the usual special case of choosing the highest possible level for negative and/or positive infinite nodes.) However this also allows someone to know where all of the higher-than-level 1 nodes are and delete them.

# Chapter 2 Algorithm Specification

## 2.1 Data Structure

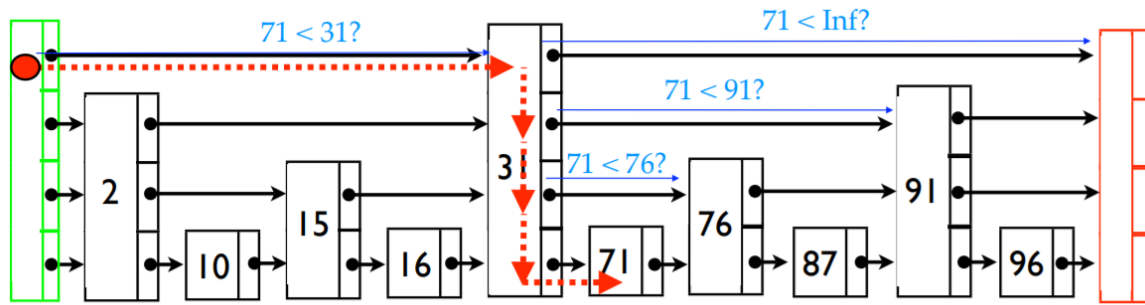
The data structure of the class **Entry** is:

```
1  class Entry
2  {
3  private:
4  public:
5      // The Constructor
6      Entry(int k, T v) : value(v), key(k), pNext(nullptr), pDown(nullptr) {}
7      // The Copy-constructor
8      Entry(const Entry &e) : value(e.value), key(e.key), pNext(nullptr), pDown(nullptr) {}
9      int key;
10     T value;
11     Entry *pNext;
12     Entry *pDown;
13
14 public:
15     /* overload operators */
16     bool operator<(const Entry &right)
17     {
18         return key < right.key;
19     }
20     bool operator>(const Entry &right)
21     {
22         return key > right.key;
23     }
24     bool operator<=(const Entry &right)
25     {
26         return key <= right.key;
27     }
28     bool operator>=(const Entry &right)
29     {
30         return key >= right.key;
31     }
32     bool operator==(const Entry &right)
33     {
34         return key == right.key;
35     }
36     Entry *&next()
37     {
38         return pNext;
39     }
40     Entry *&down()
41     {
42         return pDown;
43     }
44 };
```

## 2.2 Search

To find an item, we scan along the shortest list until we would “pass” the desired item. At that point, we drop down to a slightly more complete list at one level lower. Remember the searching process is **sorted sequential searching**. In other words, when search for  $k$ , if  $k = \text{key}$ , done. Else if  $k < \text{next key}$ , go down a level. If  $k \geq \text{next key}$ , go right.

An example of searching for 71 is given by the following graph. First we go to 31, and  $71 > 31$ , so we go right.  $71 < \text{Inf}$ , so we go down a level to 91.  $71 < 91$ , so we go down a level to 76.  $71 < 76$ , so we go down a level to 71. Then  $71 = 71$ , we finish our searching.



Graph 2 An example search of a skip list

The input to this function is a search value and the output of this function is true or false. True if the value can be found in the skip list and false otherwise.

The pseudocode of the search process is:

```

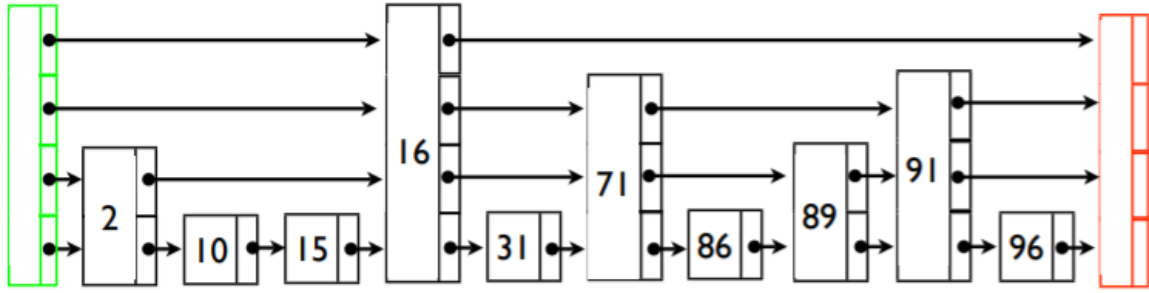
1  /* search element */
2  Function search(Entry<T> *entry) const{
3      if header->right == nullptr // judge is_null
4          return false;
5      // find the accessible point in the top layer
6      for i := 0 to levelNum-1
7          if *entry < *cur_header->right then
8              cur_header = cur_header->down;
9          end if
10         else then
11             Entry<T> *cursor := cur_header->right;
12             while cursor->down() != nullptr //scan down
13                 while cursor->next() != nullptr
14                     if *entry <= *cursor->next()
15                         break;
16                     cursor := cursor->next();
17                 end while
18                 cursor := cursor->down();
19             end while
20             while cursor->next() != nullptr //scan forward
21                 if *entry > *cursor->next() then
22                     cursor := cursor->next();
23                 else if *entry == *cursor->next() then
24                     return true;
25                 else then
26                     return false;
27                 end while
28             return false; // Node larger than the last element node, return false
29         end else
30             i:=i+1;
31         end for
32         return false; // no access point is found
33     }

```

## 2.3 Insertion

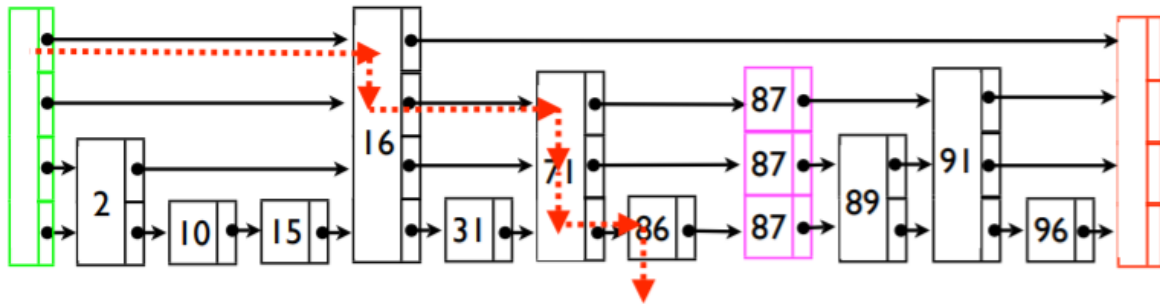
To find an item, we scan along the shortest list until we would “pass” the desired item. At that point, we drop down to a slightly more complete list at one level lower. Remember the searching process is **sorted sequential searching**. In other words, when search for  $k$ , if  $k = \text{key}$ , done. Else if  $k < \text{next key}$ , go down a level. If  $k \geq \text{next key}$ , go right.

To insert or delete an item, we might need to rearrange the entire list. The original **Perfect Skip List** is too structured to support efficient updates so we turn it into **Randomized Skip List**. Relax the requirement that each level have exactly half the items of the previous level. Instead design structure so that we expect  $1/2$  the items to be carried up to the next level. Because Skip Lists are a randomized data structure, the same sequence of inserts / deletes may produce different structures depending on the outcome of random coin flips.



Graph 3 An example implementation of a randomized skip list

An example of deletion of 87 is given by the following graph. First we need to find 87 and insert node in level 0, then let  $i = 1$ . While  $\text{FLIP}() == \text{"heads"}$ , insert node into level  $i$  and  $i++$ . Just insertion into a linked list after last visited node in level  $i$ . Finally we get our insertion done.



Graph 4 An example insertion of a skip list

The input to this function is also a value and the output of this function is the topmost position at which the input is inserted. We are using the **Search** method from above.

First, we always insert the key into the bottom list at the correct location. Then, we have to promote the new element. We do so by flipping a fair coin. If it comes up heads, we promote the new element. By flipping this fair coin, we are essentially deciding how big to make the tower for the new element. We scan backwards from our position until we can go up, and then we go up a level and insert our key right after our current position.

While we are flipping our coin, if the number of heads starts to grow larger than our current height, we have to make sure to create new levels in our skip list to accommodate this.

The pseudocode of the insertion process is:

```

1  /* Insert new element */
2  Function insert(Entry<T> *entry) {
3      // Insertion is a series of bottom-up operations
4      struct Endpoint *cur_header := header;
5      // use the linked list header to get to the bottom
6      while cur_header->down != nullptr
7          cur_header := cur_header->down;
8
9      // It is necessary to insert elements at the bottom
10     // Whether to insert the jumping layers above is determined by random */
11     do while random() != 0
12         Copy new objects
13         // determine whether the current layer already exists. If not, add it
14         cur_lvl := cur_lvl + 1;
15         if levelNum < cur_lvl then
16             levelNum := levelNum + 1;
17             Endpoint *new_header := new Endpoint();
18             new_header->down := header;
19             header->up := new_header;
20             header := new_header;
21         end if
22         // !=1 Represents cur_ The header needs to move up and connect to the underlying pointer
23         if cur_lvl != 1 then
24             cur_header := cur_header->up;
25             cur_cp_entry->down() := temp_entry;

```

```

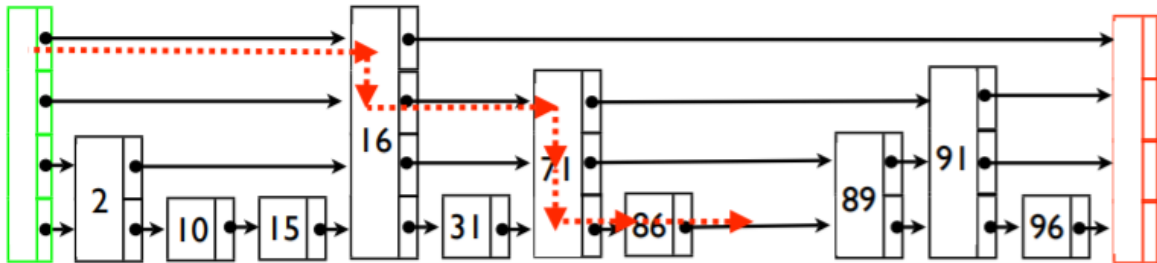
26     end if
27     temp_entry := cur_cp_entry;
28     // Whether there is an element node in the current linked list.
29     // If it is an empty linked list, assign a value to the right pointer and jump out of the loop
30     if cur_header->right == nullptr then
31         cur_header->right = cur_cp_entry;
32         break;
33     end if
34     else
35         Create a cursor
36         while true
37             //Find the right insertable point in the current link list cycle
38             //jump out of the current cycle after finding it
39             if *cur_cp_entry < *cursor then
40                 //Element is smaller than all elements of the current linked list
41                 //insert the chain header
42                 cur_header->right := cur_cp_entry;
43                 cur_cp_entry->next() := cursor;
44                 break;
45             else if cursor->next() == nullptr then
46                 //Element is larger than all elements of the current list, insert the end of the list
47                 cursor->next() := cur_cp_entry;
48                 break;
49             end else if
50             else if *cur_cp_entry < *cursor->next() then
51                 // Insert in the middle of the list
52                 cur_cp_entry->next() := cursor->next();
53                 cursor->next() := cur_cp_entry;
54                 break;
55             end else if
56             cursor := cursor->next(); // Move cursor right
57         end while
58     end else
59 end while
60 }

```

## 2.4 Deletion

Deletion takes advantage of the **Search** operation and is simpler than the **Insertion** operation.

An example of deletion of 87 is given by the following graph. Similar to insertion, mainly we need to do is to find 87, delete 87 and restore the other nodes.



Graph 5 An example deletion of a skip list

The input to this function is a deletion value. Since we know when we find our first instance of key, it will be connected to all others instances of key, and we can easily delete them all at once.

The pseudocode of the deletion process is:

```

1  /* delete */
2  Function remove(Entry<T> *entry) {
3      if header->right == nullptr then
4          return;
5      int lvl_counter := levelNum; // Obtain the number of llevels before entering the cycle
6      for i = 0 to levelNum-1
7          if *entry == *cur_header->right then
8              Entry<T> *delptr := cur_header->right;
9              cur_header->right := cur_header->right->next();
10             delete delptr;
11         end if
12     else then
13         Entry<T> *cursor := cur_header->right;
14         while (cursor->next() != nullptr)
15             if (*entry == *cursor->next()) then
16                 find the node;

```



```

17         delete delptr;
18         break;
19     end if
20     cursor := cursor->next();
21 end while
22 end else
23 // When moving down the chain header pointer
24 // determine whether there is an entry node in the current chain list
25 if cur_header->right == nullptr then
26     Endpoint *delheader := cur_header;
27     cur_header := cur_header->down;
28     header := cur_header;
29     delete delheader;
30     levelNum := levelNum - 1;
31 end if
32 else then
33     cur_header := cur_header->down;
34 end else
35 i:=i+1;
36 end for
37 }

```

# Chapter 3: Testing Results

In the testing part, we generated 50,000 random integers in range from 1 to 99,999. There are 14 cases of different input size in each test. For every size in these tests, we repeated the process for 7 times and then calculate the average data as the result. For every test, each operation is done for 1,000 times. This is because fewer operations can't be caught by the program.

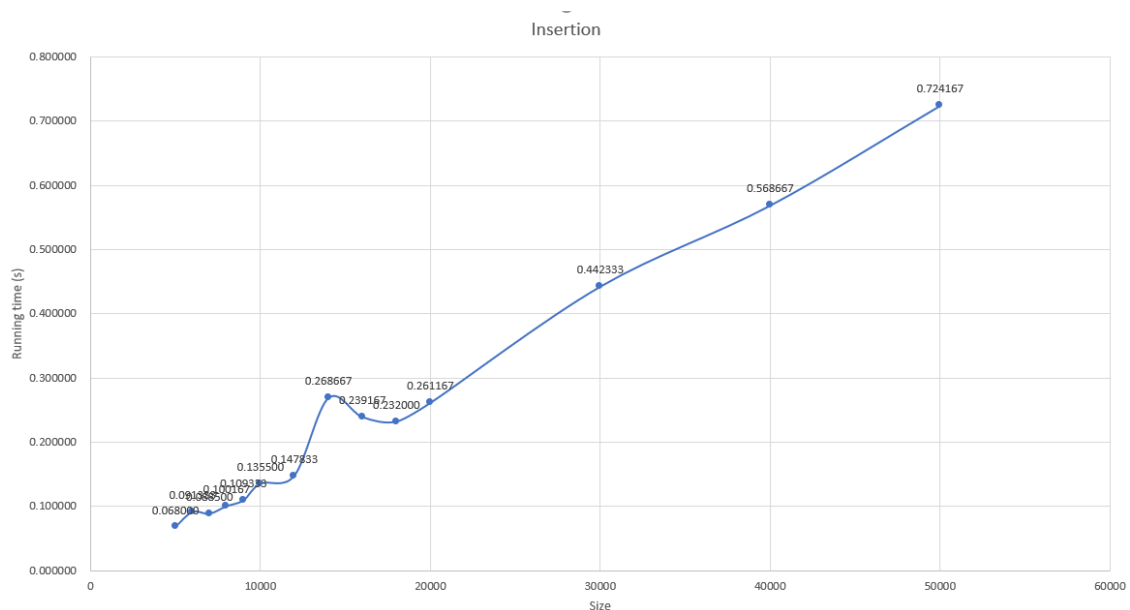
## 3.1 Insertion Testing Results

In this part, we are going to do 5000, 6000, ... ,50000 insertions. The same size of insertions will be done for seven times and then get the average time.

### 3.1.1 Testing Table

Size of Input	Average Time (1,000 times; in seconds)
5000	0.068000
6000	0.091333
7000	0.088500
8000	0.100167
9000	0.109333
10000	0.135500
12000	0.147833
14000	0.268667
16000	0.239167
18000	0.232000
20000	0.261167
30000	0.442333
40000	0.568667
50000	0.724167

### 3.1.2 Testing Graph



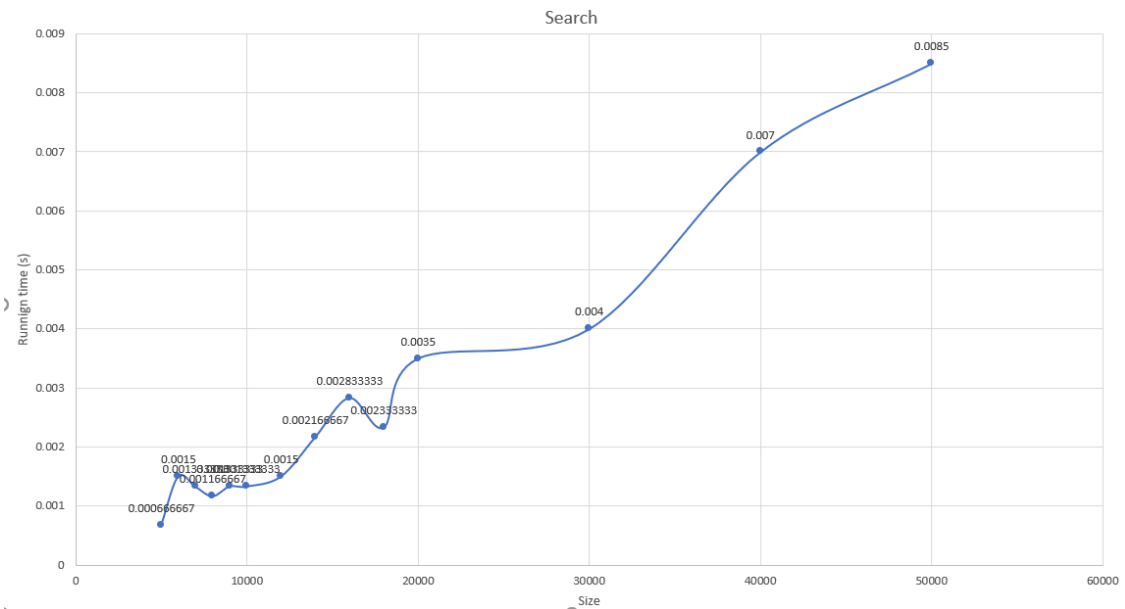
## 3.2 Search Testing Results

In this part, we are going to do 5000, 6000, ... ,50000 searches. The same size of searches will be done for seven times and then get the average time.

### 3.1.1 Testing Table

Size of Input	Average Time (1,000 times; in seconds)
5000	0.00067
6000	0.00150
7000	0.00133
8000	0.00117
9000	0.00133
10000	0.00133
12000	0.00150
14000	0.00217
16000	0.00283
18000	0.00233
20000	0.00350
30000	0.00400
40000	0.00700
50000	0.00850

### 3.2.2 Testing Graph



## 3.3 Deletion Testing Results

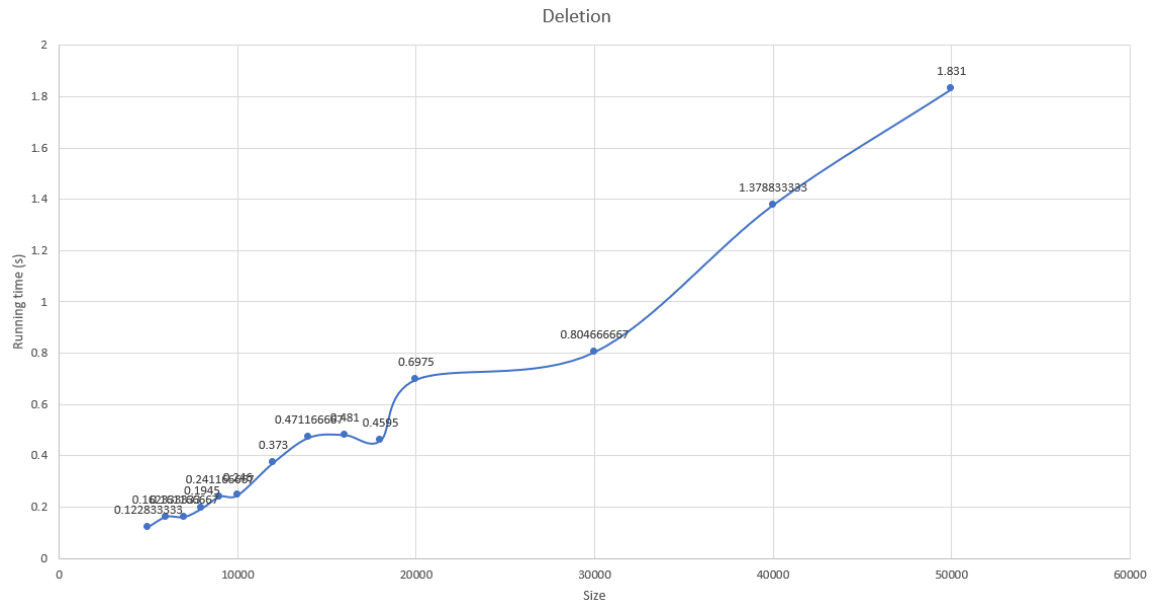
In this part, we are going to do 5000, 6000, ... ,50000 deletions. The same size of deletions will be done for seven times and then get the average time.

### 3.3.1 Testing Table

Size of Input	Average Time (1,000 times; in seconds)
5000	0.12283
6000	0.16233
7000	0.16117
8000	0.19450
9000	0.24117
10000	0.02460
12000	0.03730
14000	0.47117

Size of Input	Average Time (1,000 times; in seconds)
16000	0.48100
18000	0.45950
20000	0.69750
30000	0.80467
40000	1.37883
50000	1.83100

### 3.3.2 Testing Graph



# Chapter 4: Analysis and Comments

## 4.1 Analysis

### 4.1.1 Time Complexity Analysis

#### Insertion

In the best case, the skip list is empty. In this case, time complexity is  $O(1)$

In the worst case, the skip list is only one level and the inserted one is larger than any data in the skip list. In this case, time complexity is  $O(N)$

In the average case, the move between adjacent levels is  $O(1)$ . Since each node is of 50% possibility to generate a lower level, the average comparisons are  $O(\log N)$ . After that, the update step is  $O(\log N)$  because there are at most  $\log N$  levels and the move between adjacent levels is  $O(1)$ . To conclude, the time complexity is  $O(\log N)$ .

#### Search

As we discussed in the insertion time complexity analysis, the move between adjacent levels is  $O(1)$ . Since each node is of 50% possibility to generate a lower level, the average comparisons are  $O(\log N)$ . To conclude, the time complexity is  $O(\log N)$ .

#### Deletion

Since deletion is almost the same as insertion, we omit the analysis here.

### 4.1.2 Space Complexity Analysis

In our designation, for any node at  $i$  level, it may generate a node at  $i - 1$  level with the possibility of 50%.

Suppose the base list at  $i$  level contains  $n$  nodes. Then the average space consumption is

$$Space = n + \frac{1}{2}n + \frac{1}{2^2}n + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k}n + 1$$

On average,  $k < \log n$

Therefore, the average space complexity is  $O(N)$

However, in the worst case, every node generates a lower level. Therefore, the worst space complexity is  $O(N \log N)$

## 4.2 Comments

At first, the size of data were chosen from 100 to 100,000. But it took too long to give an output, and the result will be too intensive at the beginning. Therefore, we selected the middle part of the previous testing result. Simply from the graph we cannot tell whether the result is linear or logarithmic (However, it is interesting that when we constructing the graph, it appeared as logarithm).

Another thing that we discovered is that skip lists behave randomly, thus, the specific running time may differ from others. Therefore, it is important to calculate the average running time basing on couples of tests.

From the graphs we can also discover that the positions of the very first points of each test are not so smooth. This is because the first several test sizes are relatively small and this random algorithm may create different cases of the lists. Therefore, it can be implied that when the testing size growing, the plot will be more like logarithm.

# Appendix

## I Source Code in C++

```
1  #pragma once
2  #ifndef SKIPLIST_H_
3  #define SKIPLIST_H_
4  #include <ctime>
5  #include <cstdlib>
6  #include <iostream>
7  using namespace std;
8  template<typename T>
9  class Entry {
10 private:
11 public:
12     // The Constructor
13     Entry(int k, T v) :value(v), key(k), pNext(nullptr), pDown(nullptr) {}
14     // The Copy-constructor
15     Entry(const Entry& e) :value(e.value), key(e.key), pNext(nullptr), pDown(nullptr) {}
16     int key;
17     T value;
18     Entry* pNext;
19     Entry* pDown;
20
21 public:
22     /* overload operators */
23     bool operator<(const Entry& right) {
24         return key < right.key;
25     }
26     bool operator>(const Entry& right) {
27         return key > right.key;
28     }
29     bool operator<=(const Entry& right) {
30         return key <= right.key;
31     }
32     bool operator>=(const Entry& right) {
33         return key >= right.key;
34     }
35     bool operator==(const Entry& right) {
36         return key == right.key;
37     }
38     Entry*& next() {
39         return pNext;
40     }
41     Entry*& down() {
42         return pDown;
43     }
44 };
45 template<typename T>
46 class SkipList_Entry {
47 private:
48     struct Endpoint {
49         Endpoint* up;
50         Endpoint* down;
51         Entry<T>* right;
52     };
53     struct Endpoint* header;
54     int levelNum; // level_number 已存在的层数
55     unsigned int seed;
56     bool random() {
57         srand(seed);
58         int ret = rand() % 2;
59         seed = rand();
60         return ret == 0;
61     }
62 public:
63     SkipList_Entry() :levelNum(1), seed(time(0)) {
64         header = new Endpoint();
65     }
66     /* Insert new element */
67     void insert(Entry<T>* entry) { // Insertion is a series of bottom-up operations
68         struct Endpoint* cur_header = header;
69         // use the linked list header to get to the bottom
70         while (cur_header->down != nullptr) {
71             cur_header = cur_header->down;
72         }
73         // It is necessary to insert elements at the bottom
74         // Whether to insert the jumping layers above is determined by random */
75         int cur_lvl = 0; // current_level
76         Entry<T>* temp_entry = nullptr; // Temporarily save a node pointer that has finished inserting
77         do {
```

```

78     Entry<T>* cur_cp_entry = new Entry<T>(*entry); // Copy new objects
79     // determine whether the current layer already exists. If not, add it
80     cur_lvl++;
81     if (levelNum < cur_lvl) {
82         levelNum++;
83         Endpoint *new_header = new Endpoint();
84         new_header->down = header;
85         header->up = new_header;
86         header = new_header;
87     }
88     // !=1 Represents cur_ The header needs to move up and connect to the underlying pointer
89     if (cur_lvl != 1) {
90         cur_header = cur_header->up;
91         cur_cp_entry->down() = temp_entry;
92     }
93     temp_entry = cur_cp_entry;
94     // Whether there is an element node in the current linked list.
95     // If it is an empty linked list, assign a value to the right pointer and jump out of the loop
96     if (cur_header->right == nullptr) {
97         cur_header->right = cur_cp_entry;
98         break;
99     }
100    else {
101        Entry<T>* cursor = cur_header->right; // create a cursor
102        while (true) {
103            //Find the right insertable point in the current link list cycle
104            //jump out of the current cycle after finding it
105            if (*cur_cp_entry < *cursor) {
106                //Element is smaller than all elements of the current linked list, insert the chain header
107                cur_header->right = cur_cp_entry;
108                cur_cp_entry->next() = cursor;
109                break;
110            }
111            else if (cursor->next() == nullptr) {
112                //Element is larger than all elements of the current list, insert the end of the list
113                cursor->next() = cur_cp_entry;
114                break;
115            }
116            else if (*cur_cp_entry < *cursor->next()) { // Insert in the middle of the list
117                cur_cp_entry->next() = cursor->next();
118                cursor->next() = cur_cp_entry;
119                break;
120            }
121            cursor = cursor->next(); // Move cursor right
122        }
123    }
124    } while (random());
125 }
126
127 /* search element */
128 bool search(Entry<T>* entry) const {
129     if (header->right == nullptr) { // judge is_null
130         return false;
131     }
132     Endpoint* cur_header = header;
133     // find the accessible point in the top layer
134     for (int i = 0; i < levelNum; i++) {
135         if (*entry < *cur_header->right) {
136             cur_header = cur_header->down;
137         }
138         else {
139             Entry<T>* cursor = cur_header->right;
140             while (cursor->down() != nullptr) {
141                 while (cursor->next() != nullptr) {
142                     if (*entry <= *cursor->next()) {
143                         break;
144                     }
145                     cursor = cursor->next();
146                 }
147                 cursor = cursor->down();
148             }
149             while (cursor->next() != nullptr) {
150                 if (*entry > *cursor->next()) {
151                     cursor = cursor->next();
152                 }
153                 else if (*entry == *cursor->next()) {
154                     return true;
155                 }
156                 else {
157                     return false;
158                 }
159             }
160             return false; // Node larger than the last element node, return false
161         }
162     }
163     return false; // no access point is found
164 }

```



```

165     /* delete */
166     void remove(Entry<T>* entry) {
167         if (header->right == nullptr) {
168             return;
169         }
170         Endpoint* cur_header = header;
171         Entry<T>* cursor = cur_header->right;
172         int lvl_counter = levelNum; // Obtain the number of llevels before entering the cycle
173         for (int i = 0; i < levelNum; i++) {
174             if (*entry == *cur_header->right) {
175                 Entry<T>* delptr = cur_header->right;
176                 cur_header->right = cur_header->right->next();
177                 delete delptr;
178             }
179             else {
180                 Entry<T>* cursor = cur_header->right;
181                 while (cursor->next() != nullptr) {
182                     if (*entry == *cursor->next()) { // find the node
183                         Entry<T>* delptr = cursor->next();
184                         cursor->next() = cursor->next()->next();
185                         delete delptr;
186                         break;
187                     }
188                     cursor = cursor->next();
189                 }
190             }
191             // When moving down the chain header pointer
192             // determine whether there is an entry node in the current chain list
193             if (cur_header->right == nullptr) {
194                 Endpoint* delheader = cur_header;
195                 cur_header = cur_header->down;
196                 header = cur_header;
197                 delete delheader;
198                 levelNum--;
199             }
200             else {
201                 cur_header = cur_header->down;
202             }
203         }
204     }
205     void printList() {
206         if (header->right == nullptr) { // Judge whether the right side of the chain header is a null pointer
207             return;
208         }
209         Endpoint* cur_header = header;
210         for (int i = 0; i < levelNum; i++) {
211             Entry<T>* cursor = cur_header->right;
212             cout << "Level" << i << "\t";
213             while (cursor->next() != nullptr) {
214                 cout << cursor->key << ":" << cursor->value<<" ";
215                 cursor = cursor->next();
216             }
217             cout << cursor->key << ":" << cursor->value<<endl;
218             cur_header = cur_header->down;
219         }
220         cout << endl;
221     }
222 };
223 #endif // !SKIPLIST_H

```

## II Performance and Run Time Testing Program in C++

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <cstdlib>
3  #include <ctime>
4  #include "SkipList.h"
5  #define MAX_LEVEL 16
6  #define MAX_NUM 100000
7  using namespace std;
8
9  int main()
10 {
11     clock_t start, total;
12     clock_t insertion[14] = {0}, search[14] = {0}, deletion[14] = {0};
13     int Test_set[MAX_NUM] = {0};
14     int size[14] = {5000, 6000, 7000, 8000, 9000, 10000, 12000, 14000, 16000, 18000, 20000, 30000, 40000, 50000};
15
16     //read in test set
17     freopen("test_set.in", "r", stdin);
18     freopen("test_result.out", "w", stdout);
19

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```

20 //performance test
21 SkipList_Entry<int> mysl;
22 printf("Start performance test:\n");
23 for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
24 {
25     Entry<int> my(i, i);
26     mysl.insert(&my);
27     cout << "after insert key=" << i << " value=" << i << endl;
28     mysl.printList();
29 }
30
31 for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
32 {
33     Entry<int> my(i, i);
34     mysl.remove(&my);
35     cout << "after delete key=" << i << " value=" << i << endl;
36     mysl.printList();
37 }
38
39 for (int i = 6; i < 12; i++)
40 {
41     Entry<int> my(i, i);
42     bool exist = mysl.search(&my);
43     cout << "after search key=" << i << " value=" << i << endl;
44     if (exist)
45         cout << "exist!" << endl;
46     else
47         cout << "not exist!" << endl;
48 }
49
50 //run time test
51 printf("\nStart run time test:\n");
52 for (int i = 0; i < MAX_NUM; i++)
53     scanf("%d", &Test_set[i]);
54 for (int i = 0; i < 14; i++)
55 {
56     SkipList_Entry<int> Test;
57
58     for (int j = 0; j < size[i]; j++)
59     {
60         Entry<int> my(Test_set[j], j);
61         Test.insert(&my);
62     }
63     start = clock();
64     for (int j = 99000; j > 98000; j--)
65     {
66         Entry<int> my(Test_set[j], j);
67         Test.insert(&my);
68     }
69     total = clock();
70     insertion[i] = total - start;
71
72     start = clock();
73     for (int j = 99000; j > 98000; j--)
74     {
75         Entry<int> my(Test_set[j], j);
76         Test.remove(&my);
77     }
78     total = clock();
79     deletion[i] = total - start;
80
81     start = clock();
82     for (int j = 0; j < 1000; j++)
83     {
84         Entry<int> my(Test_set[j], j);
85         Test.search(&my);
86     }
87     total = clock();
88     search[i] = total - start;
89
90     printf("Now handling %d\n", i);
91 }
92
93 printf("Search:-----\n");
94 for (int i = 0; i < 14; i++)
95 {
96     printf("%.3f\n", (double)search[i] / (double)CLOCKS_PER_SEC);
97 }
98 printf("Insertion:-----\n");
99 for (int i = 0; i < 14; i++)
100 {
101     printf("%.3f\n", (double)insertion[i] / (double)CLOCKS_PER_SEC);
102 }
103 printf("Deletion:-----\n");
104 for (int i = 0; i < 14; i++)
105 {
106     printf("%.3f\n", (double)deletion[i] / (double)CLOCKS_PER_SEC);

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```

107     }
108
109     fclose(stdin);
110     fclose(stdout);
111     system("pause");
112
113     return 0;
114 }

```

### III Testing Set Generating Script in PHP

```

1  <?php
2  $file = fopen("test.txt", "w+");
3  $set_array = array();
4  $size = array(100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1500, 2000, 2500, 3000, 3500, 4000, 4500, 5000,
5  6000, 7000, 8000, 9000, 10000, 12000, 14000, 16000, 18000, 20000, 30000, 40000, 50000, 60000, 70000, 80000, 90000, 100000);
6  for ($fill = 0; $fill < 100000; $fill++) {
7      $random = mt_rand(1, 99999);
8      array_push($set_array, $random);
9  }
10
11  fwrite($file, "int Test_set[100000] = {");
12  for ($sat = 0; $sat < 100000; $sat++) {
13      if ($sat != 99999) $string = $set_array[$sat]. ", ";
14      else $string = $set_array[$sat];
15      fwrite($file, $string);
16      if ($sat > 0 && $sat % 50 == 0) {
17          fwrite($file, "\n");
18      }
19      flush();
20  }
21  fwrite($file, "}");
22  fclose($file);
23  echo "done.";
24  ?>

```

### IV Declaration

We hereby declare that all the work done in this project titled "*Skip Lists*" is of our independent effort as a group.

### V Duty Assignments

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