

1. Tree 2-3-4

Tree 2-3-4 is one that does not contain nodes or has nodes like:

2-node: 1 key (A) and 2 indicators (for a descendant with a key smaller than A and for a descendant with a key greater than A),

3-node: 2 keys (A, B) and 3 indicators (for the descendant: with a key smaller than A, with a key between A and B, with a key greater than B),

4-node: 3 keys (A, B, C) and 4 indicators (for descendants with keys defined by ranges of keys A, B and C).

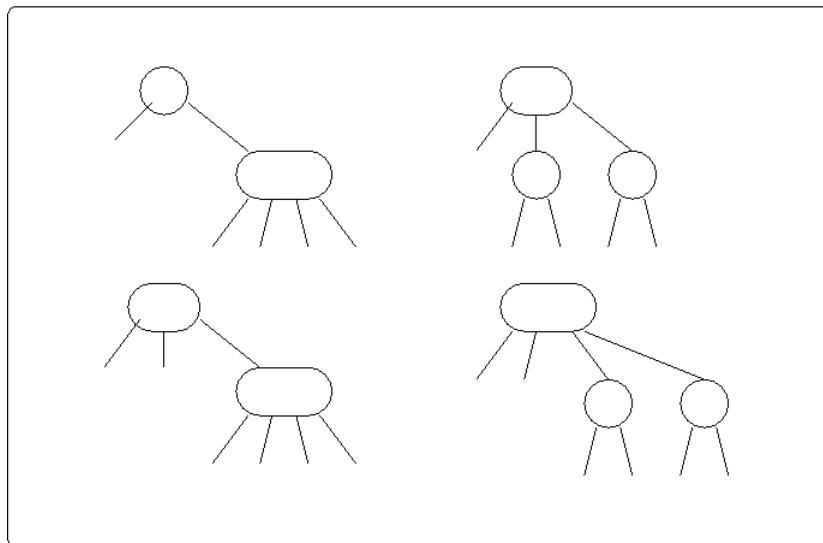
Creating a 2-3-4 tree:

If a new node is attached to the 2-node, it should be replaced with a 3-node.

Similarly, when a new node is attached to the 3-node, turn it into a 4-node.

In the case of encounter a 4-node on the way down the tree, divide it into two 2-nodes with the middle key passed to the father of the 4-node.

In every time when the root of a tree becomes a 4-node, turn it into a triangle consisting of three 2-nodes.



Picture 1. Conversion of a 4-node into two 2-nodes with passing the key to the father (which we change into a 3-node; upper part of the drawing), Conversion the 4-node into two 2-nodes with passing the key to the father (which we change into a 4-node; bottom part of the drawing).

Example 1 (C++). Implementation of 2-3-4 tree.

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//tree234.cpp
//demonstrates 234 tree
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
///////////////////////////////
class DataItem
{
public:
    double dData; //one piece of data
//----- DataItem() : dData(0.0) //default constructor
//----- DataItem(double dd) : dData(dd) //1-arg constructor
//----- void displayItem() //format "/27"
//----- { cout << "/" << dData; }
}; //end class DataItem
/////////////////////////////
class Node
{
private:
    enum {ORDER=4};
    int numItems;
    Node* pParent;
    Node* childArray[ORDER]; //array of ptrs to nodes
    DataItem* itemArray[ORDER-1]; //array of ptrs to data
public:
//----- Node() : numItems(0) //constructor
//----- { for(int j=0; j<ORDER; j++) //initialize arrays
//-----     childArray[j] = NULL;
//-----     for(int k=0; k<ORDER-1; k++)
//-----         itemArray[k] = NULL;
//----- }
//----- //connect child to this node
void connectChild(int childNum, Node* pChild)
{
    childArray[childNum] = pChild;
    if(pChild != NULL)
        pChild->pParent = this;
}
//----- //disconnect child from this node, return it
Node* disconnectChild(int childNum)
{
    Node* pTempNode = childArray[childNum];
    childArray[childNum] = NULL;
    return pTempNode;
}
//----- Node* getChild(int childNum)
//----- { return childArray[childNum]; }
//----- Node* getParent()
//----- { return pParent; }
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//-----
    bool isLeaf()
    { return (childArray[0]==NULL) ? true : false; }
//-----
    int getNumItems()
    { return numItems; }
//-----
    DataItem getItem(int index)           //get DataItem at index
    { return *( itemArray[index] ); }
//-----
    bool isFull()
    { return (numItems==ORDER-1) ? true : false; }
//-----
    int findItem(double key)           //return index of
    {                                 //item (within node)
        for(int j=0; j<ORDER-1; j++)
        {
            if(itemArray[j] == NULL)      //if found,
                break;                   //otherwise,
            else if(itemArray[j]->dData == key)
                return j;
        }
        return -1;
    } //end findItem
//-----
    int insertItem(DataItem* pNewItem)
    {
        //assumes node is not full
        numItems++;                      //will add new item
        double newItem = pNewItem->dData; //key of new item

        for(int j=ORDER-2; j>=0; j--)   //start on right,
        {
            if(itemArray[j] == NULL)      //if item null,
                continue;               //go left one cell
            else
            {
                double itsKey = itemArray[j]->dData;
                if(newItem < itsKey)       //if it's bigger
                    itemArray[j+1] = itemArray[j]; //shift it right
                else
                {
                    itemArray[j+1] = pNewItem; //insert new item
                    return j+1;             //return index to
                }                         //new item
            } //end else (not null)
        } //end for                     //shifted all items,
        itemArray[0] = pNewItem;         //insert new item
        return 0;
    } //end insertItem()
//-----
    DataItem* removeItem()           //remove largest item
    {
        //assumes node not empty
        DataItem* pTemp = itemArray[numItems-1]; //save item
        itemArray[numItems-1] = NULL;             //disconnect it
        numItems--;                            //one less item
        return pTemp;                          //return item
    }
//-----
    void displayNode()              //format "/24/56/74/"

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    {
        for(int j=0; j<numItems; j++)
            itemArray[j]->displayItem();           //format "/56"
        cout << "/";
    }
//-----
}; //end class Node
///////////////////////////////
class Tree234
{
private:
    Node* pRoot;                         //root node
public:
//-----
Tree234()
    { pRoot = new Node; }
//-----
int find(double key)
{
    Node* pCurNode = pRoot;             //start at root
    int childNumber;
    while(true)
    {
        if(( childNumber=pCurNode->findItem(key) ) != -1)
            return childNumber;           //found it
        else if( pCurNode->isLeaf() )
            return -1;                  //can't find it
        else
            pCurNode = getNextChild(pCurNode, key);
    } //end while
}
//-----
void insert(double dValue)           //insert a DataItem
{
    Node* pCurNode = pRoot;
    DataItem* pTempItem = new DataItem(dValue);

    while(true)
    {
        if( pCurNode->isFull() )          //if node full,
        {
            split(pCurNode);             //split it
            pCurNode = pCurNode->getParent(); //back up
                                         //search once
            pCurNode = getNextChild(pCurNode, dValue);
        } //end if(node is full)

        else if( pCurNode->isLeaf() )      //if node is leaf,
            break;                         //go insert
        //node is not full, not a leaf; so go to lower level
        else
            pCurNode = getNextChild(pCurNode, dValue);
    } //end while

    pCurNode->insertItem(pTempItem);     //insert new item
} //end insert()
//-----
void split(Node* pThisNode)          //split the node
{
    //assumes node is full
    DataItem *pItemB, *pItemC;
}

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Node *pParent, *pChild2, *pChild3;
int itemIndex;

pItemC = pThisNode->removeItem(); //remove items from
pItemB = pThisNode->removeItem(); //this node
pChild2 = pThisNode->disconnectChild(2); //remove children
pChild3 = pThisNode->disconnectChild(3); //from this node

Node* pNewRight = new Node; //make new node

if(pThisNode==pRoot) //if this is the root,
{
    pRoot = new Node(); //make new root
    pParent = pRoot; //root is our parent
    pRoot->connectChild(0, pThisNode); //connect to parent
}
else //this node not the root
    pParent = pThisNode->getParent(); //get parent

//deal with parent
itemIndex = pParent->insertItem(pItemB); //item B to parent
int n = pParent->getNumItems(); //total items?

for(int j=n-1; j>itemIndex; j--) //move parent's
{ //connections
    Node* pTemp = pParent->disconnectChild(j); //one child
    pParent->connectChild(j+1, pTemp); //to the right
}
//connect newRight to parent
pParent->connectChild(itemIndex+1, pNewRight);

//deal with newRight
pNewRight->insertItem(pItemC); //item C to newRight
pNewRight->connectChild(0, pChild2); //connect to 0 and 1
pNewRight->connectChild(1, pChild3); //on newRight
} //end split()
//----- //gets appropriate child of node during search for value
Node* getNextChild(Node* pNode, double theValue)
{
    int j;
    //assumes node is not empty, not full, not a leaf
    int numItems = pNode->getNumItems();
    for(j=0; j<numItems; j++) //for each item in node
    {
        //are we less?
        if( theValue < pNode->getItem(j).dData )
            return pNode->getChild(j); //return left child
        } //end for //we're greater, so
    return pNode->getChild(j); //return right child
}
//----- void displayTree()
{
    recDisplayTree(pRoot, 0, 0);
}
//----- void recDisplayTree(Node* pThisNode, int level,
                           int childNumber)
{
    cout << "level=" << level
        << " child=" << childNumber << " ";
}

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pThisNode->displayNode();           //display this node
cout << endl;

//call ourselves for each child of this node
int numItems = pThisNode->getNumItems();
for(int j=0; j<numItems+1; j++)
{
    Node* pNextNode = pThisNode->getChild(j);
    if(pNextNode != NULL)
        recDisplayTree(pNextNode, level+1, j);
    else
        return;
}
} //end recDisplayTree()
//-----
}; //end class Tree234
///////////
int main()
{
    double value;
    Tree234* pTree = new Tree234;
    pTree->insert(50);
    pTree->insert(40);
    pTree->insert(60);
    pTree->insert(30);
    pTree->insert(70);

    while(true)
    {
        int found;

        cout << "Enter first letter of show, insert, or find: ";
        char choice;
        cin >> choice;
        switch(choice)
        {
            case 's':
                pTree->displayTree();
                break;
            case 'i':
                cout << "Enter value to insert: ";
                cin >> value;
                pTree->insert(value);
                break;
            case 'f':
                cout << "Enter value to find: ";
                cin >> value;
                found = pTree->find(value);
                if(found != -1)
                    cout << "Found " << value << endl;
                else
                    cout << "Could not find " << value << endl;
                break;
            default:
                cout << "Invalid entry\n";
        } //end switch
    } //end while
    delete pTree;
    return 0;
} //end main()

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Task 1. Insert to the 2-3-4 tree 300000 randomly generated keys. Repeat that operation (creation of 2-3-4 tree with inserting 300000 keys) 100 times (100 rounds). For each round, save a time which is required to insert these 300000 keys. Basing on these (100) operation times calculate the mean, median and standard deviation.

Task 2. Perform a similar measurement of operation times as in task nr 1 but with using Red-Black tree.

Based on:

Robert Lafore - "Teach Yourself Data Structures And Algorithms In 24 Hours"