



# Midterm Review

Recurrences, B-Trees, and More

# Section Feedback

Please put any notes on the index card!

Ideas:

- Balance of practice problems vs. TA mini-presentations
- Technical stuff (handwriting, organization, clarity of speaking)
- Any other ways you notice section could be improved!

# Survey Results

Recurrence Relations, B-Trees, AVL Trees, Big-Oh...

# Solving Recurrences: Theory

1. **Look for tricks!** (try to understand what the code is doing)
2. **Write the recurrence** (read the code, fill in the template)

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \text{Base Work} & \text{if } n \text{ Small Enough} \\ \text{Recursive Work} + \text{Non-Recursive Work} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

3. **Solve the recurrence** (tree or expansion to find a closed form)

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\text{levels in tree}} (\text{Work Per Node on Level } i) \cdot (\text{Number of Nodes on Level } i)$$

4. **Simplify** (probably using the summations, which will be given on the exam)

# Solving Recurrences: Shortcuts & Sanity Checks

$T(n) = O(1) + T(n/2)$	logarithmic
$T(n) = O(1) + 2T(n/2)$	linear
$T(n) = O(1) + T(n-1)$	linear
$T(n) = O(n) + T(n-1)$	quadratic
$T(n) = O(1) + 2T(n-1)$	exponential
$T(n) = O(n) + T(n/2)$	linear
$T(n) = O(n) + 2T(n/2)$	$O(n \log n)$

# Solving Recurrences: Example 1 (18wi)

Give a base case and a recurrence for the runtime of the following function. Use variables appropriately for constants (e.g.  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$ , etc.) in your recurrence (you do not need to attempt to count the exact number of operations). **YOU DO NOT NEED TO SOLVE** this recurrence.

```
int mystery(int n) {
    int x = 0;
    if (n <= 1) {
        for (int i = 7 * n; i > 0; i -= n) {
            x += 8;
        }
        return x;
    } else {
        x = 5 * mystery(n - 1);
        for (int i = 0; i < n * n; i += n) {
            x += 7;
        }
        return x + mystery(n - 1) * mystery(n - 3);
    }
}
```

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \underline{\text{Base Work}} & \text{if } n \underline{\text{Small Enough}} \\ \underline{\text{Recursive Work}} + \underline{\text{Non-Recursive Work}} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Solving Recurrences: Example 2 (17au)

Suppose that the running time of an algorithm satisfies the recurrence relationship:

$$T(1) = 9.$$

and

$$T(N) = 2 * T(N/2) + 7N \quad \text{for integers } N > 1$$

Find the closed form for  $T(N)$ . **You may assume that  $N$  is a power of 2.** Your answer should *not* be in Big-Oh notation – show the relevant exact constants in your answer (e.g. don't use “ $c_1$ ,  $c_2$ ” in your answer). You should not have any summation symbols in your answer. The list of summations on the last page of the exam may be useful. **Show your work.**

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$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\text{levels in tree}} (\text{Work Per Node on Level } i) \cdot (\text{Number of Nodes on Level } i)$$

# B-Trees: Theory

## Problem:

For data structures that don't fit in memory, every node access means another (slow) page access.

## Solution:

A shallow tree with big nodes that take up *almost* all of a page, but **not two pages**.

## Tree Properties:

### Internal Nodes:

Have at least  $\lceil M / 2 \rceil$  pointers (children)

Only contain keys, which are the smallest key of the right subtree.

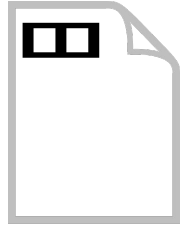
### Leaf Nodes:

Have at least  $\lceil L / 2 \rceil$  key-value pairs

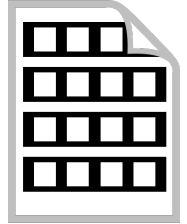
All at the same depth

**Root Node:** is a leaf *or* has between 2 and  $M$  children

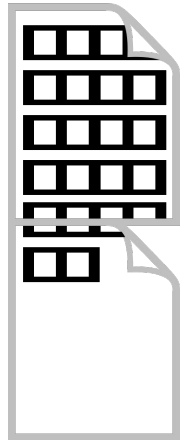
**M Too Small:** tree has many small nodes, requiring many page accesses to traverse the tree 😞



**M Just Right:** tree has few large nodes, requiring few page accesses to traverse the tree ❤️



**M Too Big:** tree has few large nodes, but each one requires multiple page accesses, so traversing the tree requires many page accesses 😞





# B-Trees: Example 1 (M & L) (13wi)

a) (4 pts) Given a B-tree (as defined in lecture and in Weiss) with  $M = 3$  and  $L = 20$ , if you have inserted 100 items into the tree, what is **the minimum and maximum height of the tree**? Give an exact number, not a formula for your answer.

b) (4 pts) Given the following parameters for a B-tree with  $M = 37$  and  $L = 5$ :

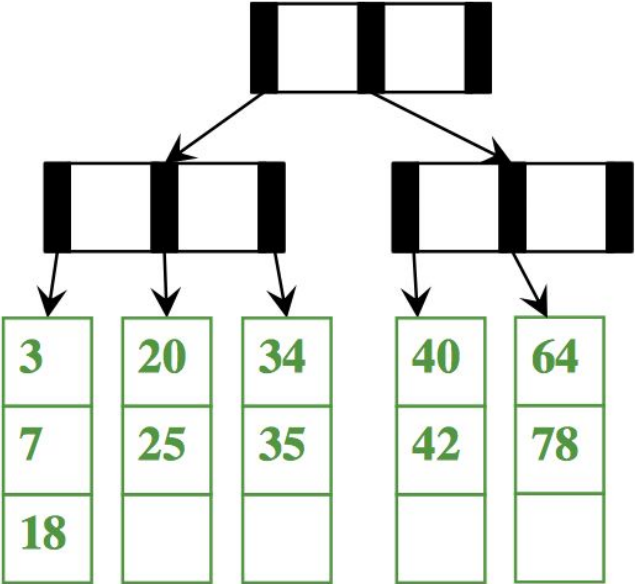
Key Size = 6 bytes

Pointer Size = 8 bytes

Data Size = 100 bytes per record (*includes* the key)

Assuming that  $M$  and  $L$  were chosen appropriately, **what is the likely size of a disk block** on the machine where this implementation will be deployed? Give a numeric answer and a short justification based on one or more equations using the parameter values above.

# B-Trees: Example 2 (Insert & Delete) (13wi)



- (2pts) In the B-Tree shown on the left, please write in the appropriate values for the interior nodes.
- (4 pts) Starting with the B-tree shown on the left, insert **9**. Draw and circle the resulting tree (*including values for interior nodes*) below. Use the method for insertion described in lecture.
- (4 pts) Starting with the *original* B-tree shown above on the left (***before inserting 9***), delete **78**. Draw and circle the resulting tree (*including values for interior nodes*) below. Use the method for deletion described in lecture.



**Good Luck!**