

Data Structures

BTree Analysis

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Learning Objectives

Review BTree Properties

Analyze the performance of the BTree

BTree Properties

A **BTree** of order **m** is an m-way tree:

- All keys within a node are ordered
- All leaves contain no more than **m-1** keys.
- All internal nodes have exactly **one more child than keys**
- Root nodes can be a leaf or have **[2, m]** children.
- All non-root, internal nodes have **[ceil(m/2), m]** children.
- All leaves are on the same level

BTree Analysis

We saw for AVL that finding an upper bound on the height (given n) is the same as finding a lower bound on the nodes (given h).

We want to find a relationship for BTrees between the number of keys (n) and the height (h).

BTree Analysis

The height of the BTree determines maximum number of _____ possible in search data.

...and the height of the structure is: _____.

Therefore: The number of seeks is no more than _____.

...suppose we want to prove this!

BTree Analysis

Strategy:

We will first count the number of nodes, level by level.

Then, we will add the minimum number of keys per node (**n**).

The minimum number of nodes will tell us the largest possible height (**h**), allowing us to find an upper-bound on height.

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The minimum number of **nodes** for a BTree of order m **at each level:**

root:

level 1:

level 2:

level 3:

...

level h :

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$$t = \left\lceil \frac{m}{2} \right\rceil$$

The **total number of nodes** is the sum of all the levels:

$$1 + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{h-1} t^k$$

Summation Identity: $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x^i = \frac{x^n - 1}{x - 1}$

BTree Analysis


The **total number of nodes**:

$$1 + 2 \frac{t^h - 1}{t - 1}$$

$$t = \left\lceil \frac{m}{2} \right\rceil$$

The **total number of keys**:

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$$t = \left\lceil \frac{m}{2} \right\rceil$$


The **smallest total number of keys** is: $2t^h - 1$

So an inequality about **n**, the total number of keys:

Solving for **h**, since **h** is the max number of seek operations:

BTree Analysis

Given **m=101**, a tree of height **h=4** has:

Minimum Keys:

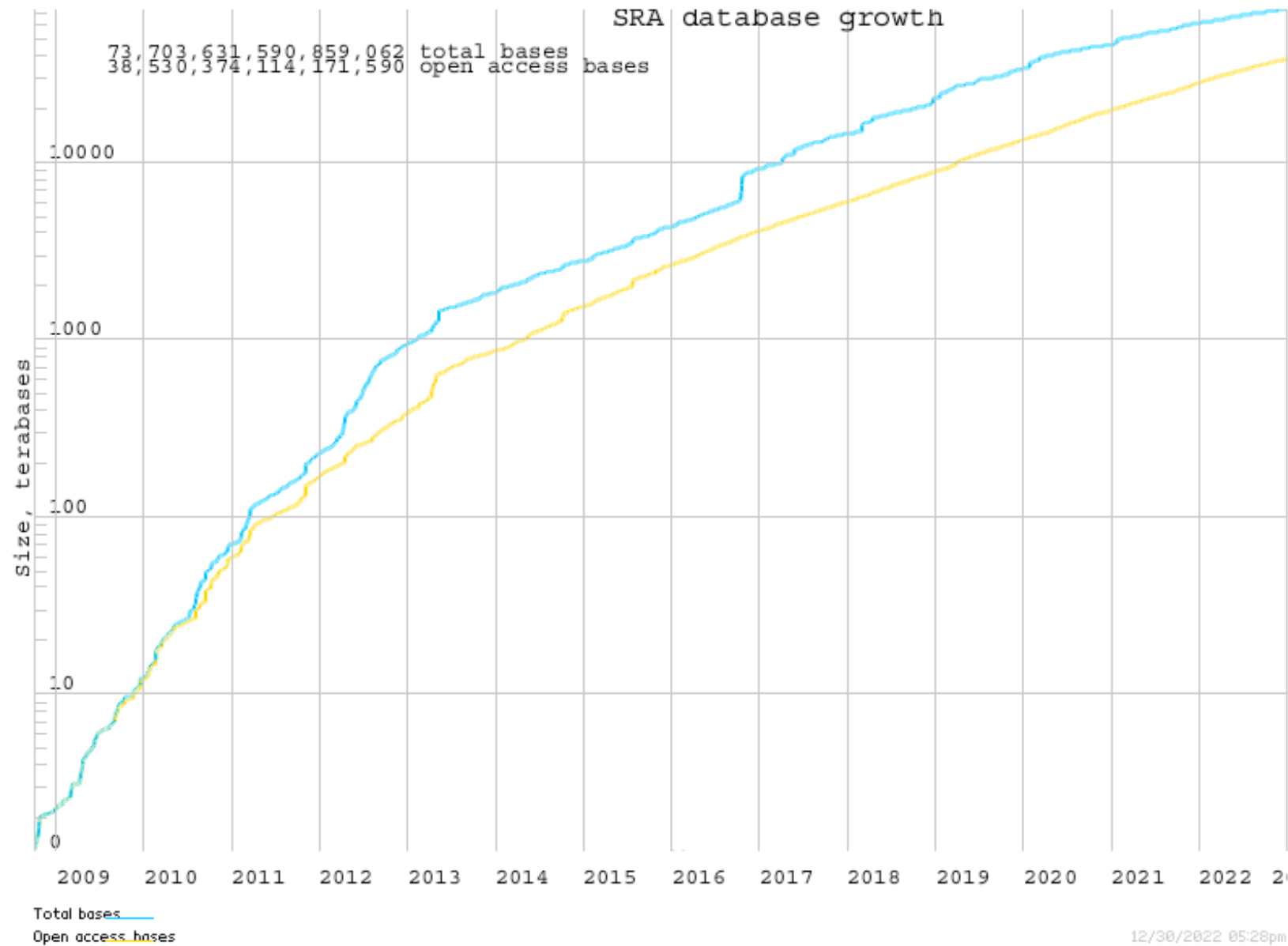
Maximum Keys:

BTree

The BTree is still used heavily today!

Improvements such as B+Tree and B*Tree exist far outside class scope

A story about BIG data



Thinking conceptually: Sorting a queue

How might we build a 'queue' in which our front element is the min?

Thinking conceptually: A tree without pointers

What class of (non-trivial) trees can we describe without pointers?