



CS 225

Data Structures

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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

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

In our AVL Analysis, we saw 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

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.



BTree Analysis

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

root:

level 1:

level 2:

level 3:

...

level h :



BTree Analysis

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



BTree Analysis

The **total number of keys:**



BTree Analysis

The **smallest total number of keys** is:

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

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