3.1 SYMBOL TABLES



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- sequential search
- binary search
- ordered operations

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Symbol tables

Key-value pair abstraction.

- Insert a value with specified key.
- Given a key, search for the corresponding value.

Ex. DNS lookup.

- Insert URL with specified IP address.
- Given URL, find corresponding IP address.

URL	IP address				
www.cs.princeton.edu	128.112.136.11				
www.princeton.edu	128.112.128.15				
www.yale.edu	130.132.143.21				
www.harvard.edu	128.103.060.55				
www.simpsons.com	209.052.165.60				
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key	value				

Symbol table applications

application	purpose of search	key	value
dictionary	find definition	word	definition
book index	find relevant pages	term	list of page numbers
file share	find song to download	name of song	computer ID
financial account	process transactions	account number	transaction details
web search	find relevant web pages	keyword	list of page names
compiler	find properties of variables	variable name	type and value
routing table	ble route Internet packets destination		best route
DNS	NS find IP address given URL URL		IP address
reverse DNS	find URL given IP address	IP address	URL
genomics	find markers	DNA string	known positions
file system	find file on disk	filename	location on disk

Symbol table API

Associative array abstraction. Associate one value with each key.



Conventions

- Values are not null.
- Method get() returns null if key not present.
- Method put () overwrites old value with new value.

Intended consequences.

• Easy to implement contains ().

```
public boolean contains(Key key)
{ return get(key) != null; }
```

• Can implement lazy version of delete().



Value type. Any generic type.

specify Comparable in API.

Key type: several natural assumptions.

- Assume keys are Comparable, USE compareTo().
- Assume keys are any generic type, use equals() to test equality.
- Assume keys are any generic type, use equals() to test equality;

use hashCode () to scramble key.

built-in to Java (stay tuned)

Best practices. Use immutable types for symbol table keys.

- Immutable in Java: String, Integer, Double, java.io.File, ...
- Mutable in Java: stringBuilder, java.net.URL, arrays, ...

Equality test

All Java classes inherit a method equals().

Java requirements. For any references x, y and z:

- Reflexive: x.equals(x) is true.
- Symmetric: x.equals(y) iff y.equals(x).
- Transitive: if x.equals(y) and y.equals(z), then x.equals(z).

do x and y refer to

• Non-null: x.equals(null) iS false.

the same object?
Default implementation. (x == y)
Customized implementations. Integer, Double, String, File, URL, ...
User-defined implementations. Some care needed.

equivalence

relation

Implementing equals for user-defined types

Seems easy.

```
class Date implements Comparable<Date>
public
Ł
   private final int month;
   private final int day;
   private final int year;
   . . .
   public boolean equals (Date that)
   {
      if (this.day != that.day ) return false;
                                                             check that all significant
      if (this.month != that.month) return false; <
                                                             fields are the same
      if (this.year != that.year ) return false;
      return true;
   }
}
```

Implementing equals for user-defined types



Equals design

"Standard" recipe for user-defined types.

- Optimization for reference equality.
- Check against null.
- Check that two objects are of the same type and cast.
- Compare each significant field:
 - if field is a primitive type, use == apply rule recursively
 - if field is an object, use equals()
 - if field is an array, apply to each entry
- alternatively, use Arrays.equals(a, b) Or Arrays.deepEquals(a, b), but not a.equals(b)

Best practices.

- Compare fields mostly likely to differ first.
- No need to use calculated fields that depend on other fields.
- Make compareTo() consistent with equals().



ST test client for traces

Build ST by associating value i with i^{th} string from standard input.

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
  ST<String, Integer> st = new ST<String, Integer>();
  for (int i = 0; !StdIn.isEmpty(); i++)
  ſ
    String key = StdIn.readString();
    st.put(key, i);
                                                            output
  }
  for (String s : st.keys())
     StdOut.println(s + " " + st.get(s));
                                                            A 8
}
                                                            C 4
                                                            E 12
                                                            H 5
                                                            L 11
                                                            M 9
   keys SEARCHEXAMPLE
                                                            P 10
   values 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
                                                            R 3
                                                            S 0
```

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ST test client for analysis

Frequency counter. Read a sequence of strings from standard input and print out one that occurs with highest frequency.



Frequency counter implementation



sequential searchbinary search

Sequential search in a linked list

Data structure. Maintain an (unordered) linked list of key-value pairs.

Search. Scan through all keys until find a match.

Insert. Scan through all keys until find a match; if no match add to front.



Elementary ST implementations: summary

CT implementation	worst case		average	e case	ordered	operations	
51 implementation	search	insert	search hit	insert	iteration?	on keys	
sequential search (unordered list)	Ν	Ν	N / 2	N	no	equals()	

Challenge. Efficient implementations of both search and insert.

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binary search

ordered symbol table ops

Binary search

Data structure. Maintain an ordered array of key-value pairs.

Rank helper function. How many keys < k?



```
public Value get(Key key)
{
    if (isEmpty()) return null;
    int i = rank(key);
    if (i < N && keys[i].compareTo(key) == 0) return vals[i];
    else return null;
}</pre>
```

```
private int rank(Key key)
{
    int lo = 0, hi = N-1;
    while (lo <= hi)
    {
        int mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        int cmp = key.compareTo(keys[mid]);
        if (cmp < 0) hi = mid - 1;
        else if (cmp > 0) lo = mid + 1;
        else if (cmp == 0) return mid;
    }
    return lo;
}
```

Binary search: mathematical analysis

Proposition. Binary search uses $\sim \lg N$ compares to search any array of size N.

Pf. T(N) = number of compares to binary search in a sorted array of size N. $\leq T(\lfloor N/2 \rfloor) + 1$ f left or right half

Recall lecture 2.

Binary search: trace of standard indexing client

Problem. To insert, need to shift all greater keys over.



ST implementation	worst case		average	e case	ordered	operations	
31 implementation	search	insert	search hit	insert	iteration?	on keys	
sequential search (unordered list)	Ν	Ν	N / 2	N	no	equals()	
binary search (ordered array)	log N	Ν	log N	N / 2	yes	compareTo()	

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API
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ordered operations

Ordered symbol table API

	keys	values
$\min() \longrightarrow$	09:00:00	Chicago
	09:00:03	Phoenix
	09:00:13	-Houston
get(09:00:13)	09:00:59	Chicago
	09:01:10	Houston
floor(09:05:00)→	09:03:13	Chicago
	09:10:11	Seattle
$select(7) \longrightarrow$	09:10:25	Seattle
	09:14:25	Phoenix
	09:19:32	Chicago
	09:19:46	Chicago
keys(09:15:00, 09:25:00)→	09:21:05	Chicago
	09:22:43	Seattle
	09:22:54	Seattle
	09:25:52	Chicago
ceiling(09:30:00)→	09:35:21	Chicago
	09:36:14	Seattle
$max() \rightarrow$	09:37:44	Phoenix
<pre>size(09:15:00, 09:25:00) is 5 rank(09:10:25) is 7</pre>	i	
Examples of ordered symbo	ol-table opera	tions

Ordered symbol table API

public class	ST <key comparabl<="" extends="" td=""><td>eKey>, Value></td></key>	eKey>, Value>
	ST()	create an ordered symbol table
void	put(Key key, Value val)	put key-value pair into the table (remove key from table if value is nu11)
Value	get(Key key)	value paired with key (null if key is absent)
void	delete(Key key)	remove key (and its value) from table
boolean	contains(Key key)	<i>is there a value paired with</i> key?
boolean	isEmpty()	is the table empty?
int	size()	number of key-value pairs
Кеу	min()	smallest key
Кеу	max()	largest key
Кеу	floor(Key key)	largest key less than or equal to key
Кеу	ceiling(Key key)	smallest key greater than or equal to key
int	rank(Key key)	number of keys less than key
Кеу	<pre>select(int k)</pre>	key of rank k
void	deleteMin()	delete smallest key
void	deleteMax()	delete largest key
int	size(Key lo, Key hi)	number of keys in [lohi]
Iterable <key></key>	keys(Key lo, Key hi)	keys in [lohi], in sorted order
Iterable <key></key>	keys()	all keys in the table, in sorted order

Binary search: ordered symbol table operations summary

	sequential search	binary search
search	Ν	lg N
insert	1	N
min / max	Ν	1
floor / ceiling	Ν	lg N
rank	Ν	lg N
select	Ν	1
ordered iteration	N log N	Ν

order of growth of the running time for ordered symbol table operations

3.2 BINARY SEARCH TREES



BSTs

- ordered operations
- deletion

► BSTs

ordered operationsdeletion

Binary search trees

Definition. A BST is a binary tree in symmetric order.

A binary tree is either:

- Empty.
- Two disjoint binary trees (left and right).

Symmetric order. Each node has a key, and every node's key is:

- Larger than all keys in its left subtree.
- Smaller than all keys in its right subtree.



Anatomy of a binary tree



Anatomy of a binary search tree

BST representation in Java

Java definition. A BST is a reference to a root Node.

A Node is comprised of four fields:

- A key and a value.
- A reference to the left and right subtree.

smaller keys

larger keys

private class Node
{
 private Key key;
 private Value val;
 private Node left, right;
 public Node(Key key, Value val)
 {
 this.key = key;
 this.val = val;
 }
}



Key and Value are generic types; Key is Comparable

BST implementation (skeleton)

```
public class BST<Key extends Comparable<Key>, Value>
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                                                            root of BST
    private Node root;
  private class Node
   { /* see previous slide */ }
   public void put(Key key, Value val)
   { /* see next slides */ }
   public Value get(Key key)
   { /* see next slides */ }
   public void delete(Key key)
   { /* see next slides */ }
   public Iterable<Key> iterator()
   { /* see next slides */ }
}
```

BST search and insert demo

BST search

Get. Return value corresponding to given key, or null if no such key.



BST search: Java implementation

Get. Return value corresponding to given key, or null if no such key.

```
public Value get(Key key)
{
    Node x = root;
    while (x != null)
    {
        int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
        if (cmp < 0) x = x.left;
        else if (cmp > 0) x = x.right;
        else if (cmp == 0) return x.val;
    }
    return null;
}
```

Cost. Number of compares is equal to 1 + depth of node.

BST insert

Put. Associate value with key.

Search for key, then two cases:

- Key in tree \Rightarrow reset value.
- Key not in tree \Rightarrow add new node.



BST insert: Java implementation

Put. Associate value with key.

```
concise, but tricky,
                                             recursive code;
public void put(Key key, Value val)
                                             read carefully!
{ root = put(root, key, val); }
private Node put (Node x, Key key, Value val)
{
   if (x == null) return new Node(key, val);
   int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
   if
            (cmp < 0)
      x.left = put(x.left, key, val);
   else if (cmp > 0)
      x.right = put(x.right, key, val);
   else if (cmp == 0)
      x.val = val;
   return x;
```

Cost. Number of compares is equal to 1 + depth of node.

BST trace: standard indexing client



Tree shape

- Many BSTs correspond to same set of keys.
- Number of compares for search/insert is equal to 1 + depth of node.



Remark. Tree shape depends on order of insertion.

BST insertion: random order

Observation. If keys inserted in random order, tree stays relatively flat.



BST insertion: random order visualization





Correspondence between BSTs and quicksort partitioning



Remark. Correspondence is 1-1 if array has no duplicate keys.

BSTs: mathematical analysis

Proposition. If keys are inserted in random order, the expected number of compares for a search/insert is ~ $2 \ln N$.

Pf. 1-1 correspondence with quicksort partitioning.

Proposition. [Reed, 2003] If keys are inserted in random order, expected height of tree is ~ $4.311 \ln N$.

But... Worst-case height is N.

(exponentially small chance when keys are inserted in random order)

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BST	Ν	Ν	1.39 lg N	1.39 lg N	?	compareTo()

BSTs

ordered operations

deletion

Minimum and maximum

Minimum. Smallest key in table. Maximum. Largest key in table.



Q. How to find the min / max?

Floor and ceiling

Floor. Largest key \leq to a given key. Ceiling. Smallest key \geq to a given key.



Q. How to find the floor /ceiling?

Computing the floor

Case 1. [k equals the key at root] The floor of k is k.

Case 2. [k is less than the key at root] The floor of k is in the left subtree.

Case 3. [k is greater than the key at root] The floor of k is in the right subtree (if there is any key $\leq k$ in right subtree); otherwise it is the key in the root.



Computing the floor

```
public Key floor(Key key)
{
    Node x = floor(root, key);
    if (x == null) return null;
    return x.key;
}
private Node floor(Node x, Key key)
{
    if (x == null) return null;
    int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
    if (cmp == 0) return x;
    if (cmp < 0) return floor(x.left, key);
    Node t = floor(x.right, key);</pre>
```

if (t != null) return t;

else return x;

}



Subtree counts

In each node, we store the number of nodes in the subtree rooted at that node. To implement size(), return the count at the root.



Remark. This facilitates efficient implementation of rank() and select().

BST implementation: subtree counts



Rank

Rank. How many keys < k?

Easy recursive algorithm (4 cases!)



```
public int rank(Key key)
{ return rank(key, root); }
private int rank(Key key, Node x)
{
    if (x == null) return 0;
    int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
    if (cmp < 0) return rank(key, x.left);
    else if (cmp > 0) return 1 + size(x.left) + rank(key, x.right);
    else if (cmp == 0) return size(x.left);
}
```

Selection

Select. Key of given rank.

```
public Key select(int k)
    if (k < 0) return null;
    if (k >= size()) return null;
    Node x = select(root, k);
    return x.key;
}
private Node select(Node x, int k)
   if (x == null) return null;
   int t = size(x.left);
           (t > k)
   if
      return select(x.left, k);
   else if (t < k)
      return select(x.right, k-t-1);
   else if (t == k)
      return x;
}
```



Inorder traversal

- Traverse left subtree.
- Enqueue key.
- Traverse right subtree.



Property. Inorder traversal of a BST yields keys in ascending order.

Inorder traversal

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BST: ordered symbol table operations summary



worst-case running time of ordered symbol table operations

► BSTs

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Next. Deletion in BSTs.

BST deletion: lazy approach

To remove a node with a given key:

- Set its value to null.
- Leave key in tree to guide searches (but don't consider it equal to search key).



Cost. ~ $2 \ln N'$ per insert, search, and delete (if keys in random order), where N' is the number of key-value pairs ever inserted in the BST.

Unsatisfactory solution. Tombstone overload.

Deleting the minimum

To delete the minimum key:

- Go left until finding a node with a null left link.
- Replace that node by its right link.
- Update subtree counts.

```
public void deleteMin()
{ root = deleteMin(root); }
private Node deleteMin(Node x)
{
    if (x.left == null) return x.right;
    x.left = deleteMin(x.left);
    x.N = 1 + size(x.left) + size(x.right);
    return x;
}
```



Hibbard deletion

To delete a node with key k: search for node t containing key k.

Case 0. [O children] Delete t by setting parent link to null.



Hibbard deletion

To delete a node with key k: search for node t containing key k.

Case 1. [1 child] Delete t by replacing parent link.



Hibbard deletion

To delete a node with key k: search for node t containing key k.

Case 2. [2 children]

- Find successor *x* of *t*.
- Delete the minimum in *t*'s right subtree.
- Put x in t's spot.



——— but don't garbage collect x

← still a BST



```
public void delete(Key key)
{ root = delete(root, key); }
private Node delete(Node x, Key key) {
   if (x == null) return null;
   int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
   if
            (cmp < 0) x.left = delete(x.left, key);</pre>
                                                                  search for key
   else if (cmp > 0) x.right = delete(x.right, key);
   else {
                                                                  no right child
      if (x.right == null) return x.left;
      Node t = x;
      x = min(t.right);
                                                                  replace with
      x.right = deleteMin(t.right);
                                                                   successor
      x.left = t.left;
   }
                                                                 update subtree
   x.N = size(x.left) + size(x.right) + 1;
                                                                    counts
   return x;
}
```

Hibbard deletion: analysis

Unsatisfactory solution. Not symmetric.



Surprising consequence. Trees not random (!) \Rightarrow sqrt (N) per op. Longstanding open problem. Simple and efficient delete for BSTs.

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other operations also become √N if deletions allowed								

Next lecture. Guarantee logarithmic performance for all operations.