# B-tree examples

## Inserting a Data Entry into a B+ Tree

- Find correct leaf *L*.
- Put data entry onto L.
  - If *L* has enough space, *done*!
  - Else, must <u>split</u> L (into L and a new node L2)
    - Redistribute entries evenly, <u>copy up</u> middle key.
    - Insert index entry pointing to *L2* into parent of *L*.
- This can happen recursively
  - To split index node, redistribute entries evenly, but <u>push up</u> middle key. (Contrast with leaf splits.)
- Splits "grow" tree; root split increases height.
  - Tree growth: gets *wider* or *one level taller at top.*

# Inserting 8\* into Example B+ Tree

- Observe how minimum occupancy is guaranteed in both leaf and index pg splits.
- Note difference between *copy-up* and *push-up*; be sure you understand the reasons for this.



17

30

24

13

5

Entry to be inserted in parent node. (Note that 5 is copied up and continues to appear in the leaf.)

Entry to be inserted in parent node.

(Note that 17 is pushed up and only

appears once in the index. Contrast

this with a leaf split.)

# Example B+ Tree After Inserting 8\*



✤ Notice that root was split, leading to increase in height.

In this example, we can avoid split by re-distributing entries; however, this is usually not done in practice.

## Deleting a Data Entry from a B+ Tree

- Start at root, find leaf *L* where entry belongs.
- Remove the entry.
  - If L is at least half-full, done!
  - If L has only d-1 entries,
    - Try to re-distribute, borrowing from <u>sibling</u> (adjacent node with same parent as L).
    - If re-distribution fails, <u>merge</u> L and sibling.
- If merge occurred, must delete entry (pointing to *L* or sibling) from parent of *L*.
- Merge could propagate to root, decreasing height.

# Example Tree After (Inserting 8\*, Then) Deleting 19\* and 20\* ...



- Deleting 19\* is easy.
- Deleting 20\* is done with re-distribution. Notice how middle key is *copied up*.

## ... And Then Deleting 24\*

- Must merge.





# Example of Non-leaf Redistribution

- Tree is shown below *during deletion* of 24\*. (What could be a possible initial tree?)
- In contrast to previous example, can re-distribute entry from left child of root to right child.



# After Re-distribution

- Intuitively, entries are re-distributed by `pushing through' the splitting entry in the parent node.
- It suffices to re-distribute index entry with key 20; we've re-distributed 17 as well for illustration.



## Another B+Tree Insertion Example

#### **INITIAL TREE**



Next slides show the insertion of (125) into this tree

#### Step 1: Split L to create L'



#### Insert the lowest value in L' (130) upward into the parent P

#### Step 2: Insert (130) into P by creating a temp node T



#### Step 3: Create P'; distribute from T into P and P'



New P has only 1 key, but two pointers so it is OKAY. This follows the last 4 lines of Figure 12.13 (note that "n" = 4) K" = 130. Insert upward into the root

#### Step 4: Insert (130) into the parent (R); create R'



Once again following the insert\_in\_parent() procedure, K'' = 1000

#### **Step 5: Create a new root**



## From the book

• Exercises 10.1, 10.5, 10.11