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15-826: Multimedia Databases and Data Mining

Primary key indexing – B-trees

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Problem

Given a large collection of (multimedia) records, find similar/interesting things, ie:

- Allow fast, approximate queries, and
- Find rules/patterns

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Outline

Goal: ‘Find similar / interesting things’

- Intro to DB
- Indexing - similarity search
- Data Mining

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Indexing - Detailed outline

- primary key indexing
  - B-trees and variants
  - (static) hashing
  - extendible hashing
- secondary key indexing
- spatial access methods
- text
- ...

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Primary key indexing

- find employee with ssn=123

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B-trees

- the **most successful** family of index schemes (B-trees, B^+-trees, B^*-trees)
- Can be used for primary/secondary, clustering/non-clustering index.
- balanced "n-way" search trees

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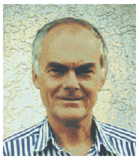

- Rudolf Bayer and Edward M. McCreight, *Organization and Maintenance of Large Ordered Indices*, Acta Informatica, 1:173-189, 1972.

- Received the *2001 SIGMOD innovations* award
- among the most cited db publications
  - www.informatik.uni-trier.de/~ley/db/about/top.html

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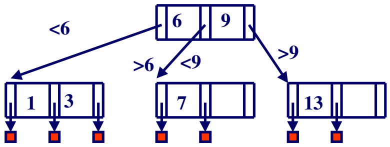
B-trees

Eg., B-tree of order 3:



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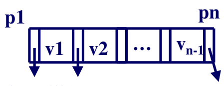
B - tree properties:

- each node, in a B-tree of order *n*:
  - Key order
  - at most *n* pointers
  - at least *n/2* pointers (except root)
  - all leaves at the same level
  - if number of pointers is *k*, then node has exactly k-1 keys
  - (leaves are empty)



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Properties

- “block aware” nodes: each node -> disk page
- O(log (N)) for everything! (ins/del/search)
- typically, if m = 50 - 100, then 2 - 3 levels
- utilization >= 50%, guaranteed; on average 69%

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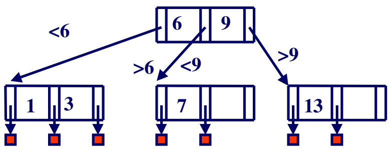

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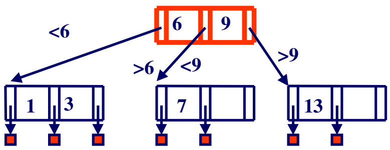

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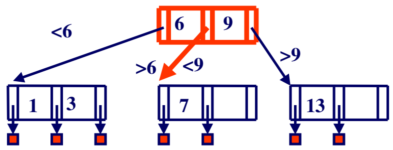

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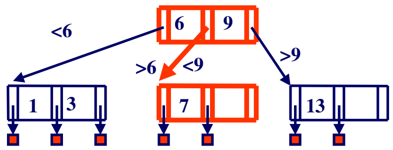

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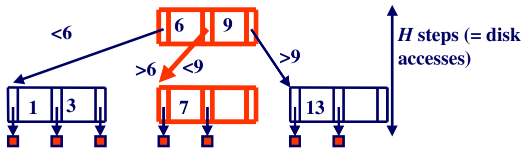

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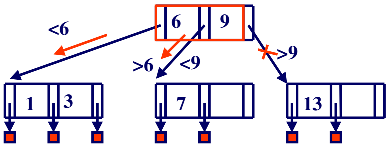

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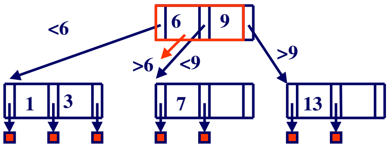

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B-trees: Insertion

- Insert in leaf; on overflow, push middle up (recursively)
- split: preserves B - tree properties

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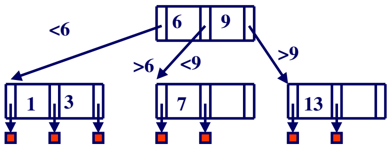

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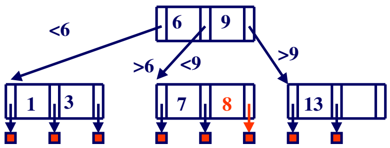

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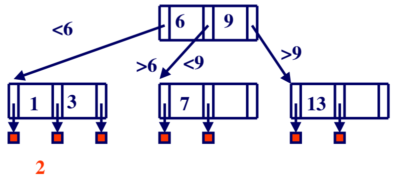

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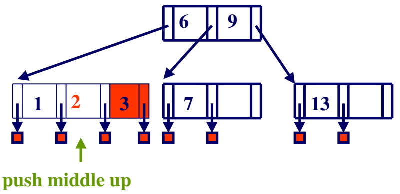

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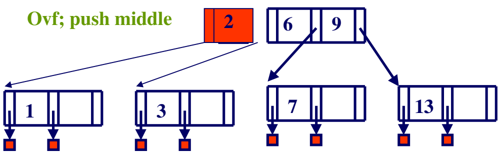

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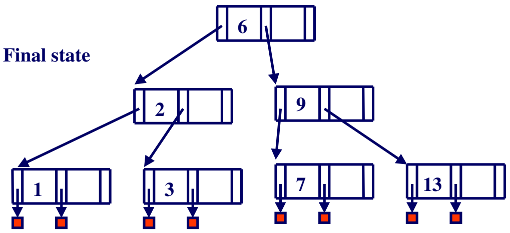

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B-trees: Insertion

- Q: What if there are two middles? (eg, order 4)
- A: either one is fine

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B-trees: Insertion

- Insert in leaf; on overflow, push middle up (recursively – 'propagate split')
- split: preserves all B - tree properties (!!)
- notice how it grows: height increases when root overflows & splits
- Automatic, incremental re-organization

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Overview

- B – trees
  - Dfn, Search, insertion, **deletion**
- B+ - trees
- hashing

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Deletion

Rough outline of algo:

- Delete key;
- on underflow, may need to merge

In practice, some implementors just allow underflows to happen…

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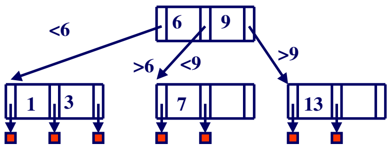

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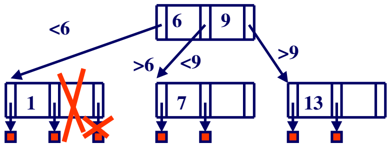

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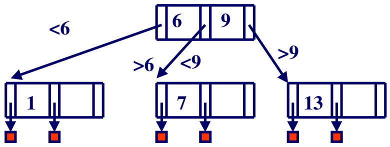

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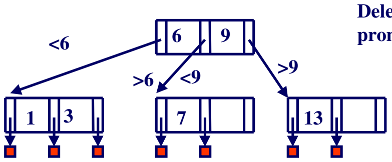

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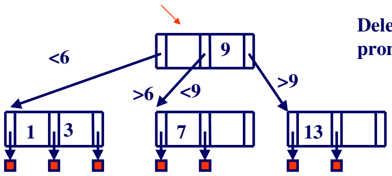

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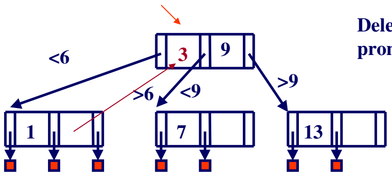

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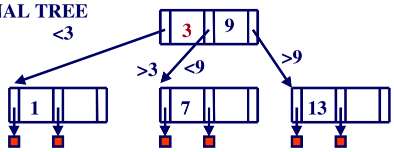

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- Case2: delete a key at a non-leaf – no underflow (eg., delete 6 from T0)
- Q: How to promote?
- A: pick the largest key from the left sub-tree (or the smallest from the right sub-tree)

- Observation: every deletion eventually becomes a deletion of a leaf key

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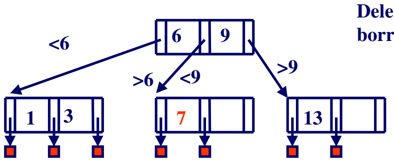

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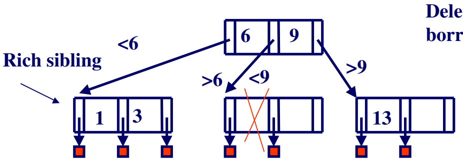

B-trees – Deletion

- Case3: underflow & ‘rich sibling’
- ‘rich’ = can give a key, without underflowing
- ‘borrowing’ a key: THROUGH the PARENT!

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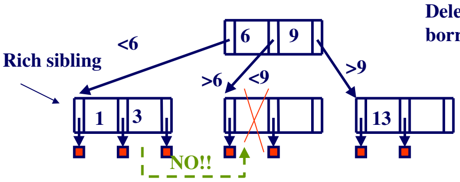

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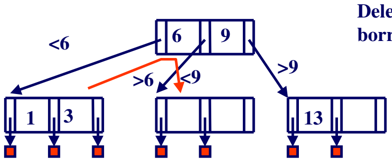

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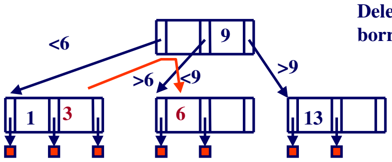

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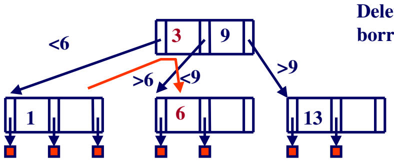

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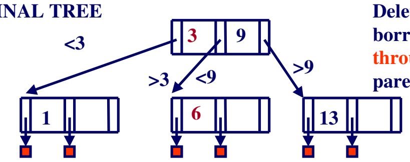

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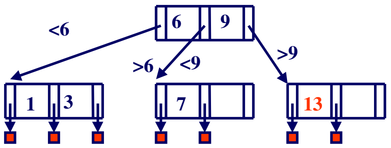

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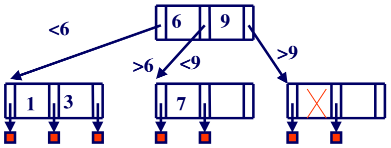

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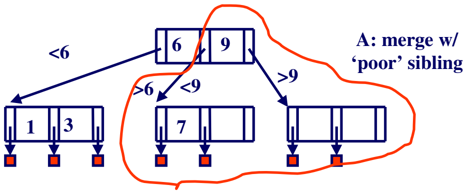

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- Merge, by pulling a key from the **parent**
- exact reversal from insertion: ‘split and push up’, vs. ‘merge and pull down’
- Ie.:

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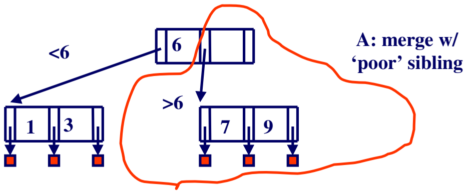

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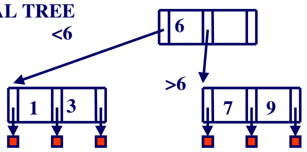

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B-trees – Deletion

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- -> ‘pull key from parent, and merge’
- Q: What if the parent underflows?

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- A: repeat recursively

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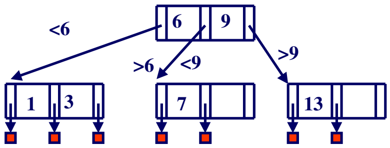
B+ trees - Motivation

B-tree – print keys in sorted order:



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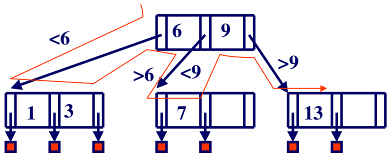
B+ trees - Motivation

B-tree needs back-tracking – how to avoid it?



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Solution: B^+ - trees

- facilitate sequential ops
- They string all leaf nodes together
- AND
- replicate keys from non-leaf nodes, to make sure every key appears at the leaf level

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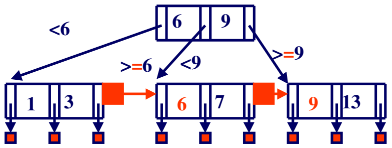
B+ trees



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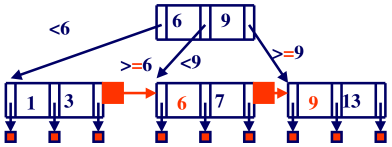
B+ trees - insertion

Eg., insert '8'



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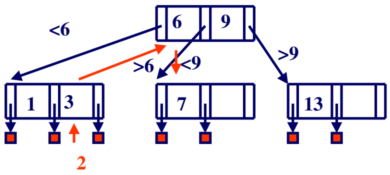
B*-trees

- splits drop util. to 50%, and maybe increase height
- How to avoid them?

B*-trees: deferred split!

- Instead of splitting, LEND keys to sibling!

(through PARENT, of course!)



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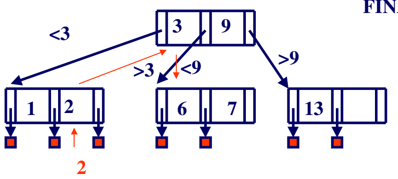

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B*-trees: deferred split!

- Notice: shorter, more packed, faster tree
- It's a rare case, where space utilization and speed improve together
- BUT: What if the sibling has no room for our 'lending'?

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B*-trees: deferred split!

- BUT: What if the sibling has no room for our 'lending'?
- A: 2-to-3 split: get the keys from the sibling, pool them with ours (and a key from the parent), and split in 3.
- Details: too messy (and even worse for deletion)

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Conclusions

- Main ideas: recursive; block-aware; on overflow -> split; **defer** splits
- All B-tree variants have excellent, **O(logN) worst-case performance for ins/del/search**
- B+ tree is the prevailing indexing method
- More details: [Knuth vol 3.] or [Ramakrishnan & Gehrke, 3rd ed, ch. 10]

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