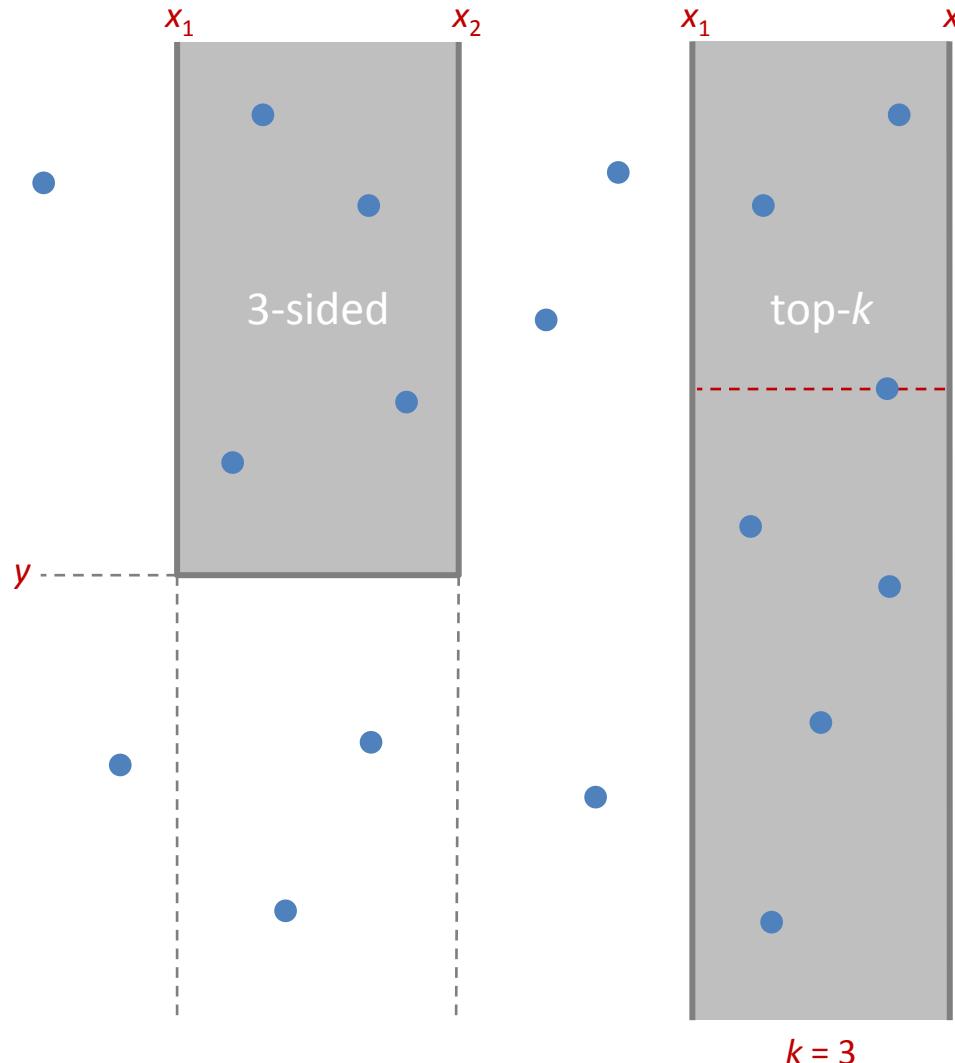


# External Memory Three-Sided Range Reporting and Top- $k$ Queries with Sublogarithmic Updates

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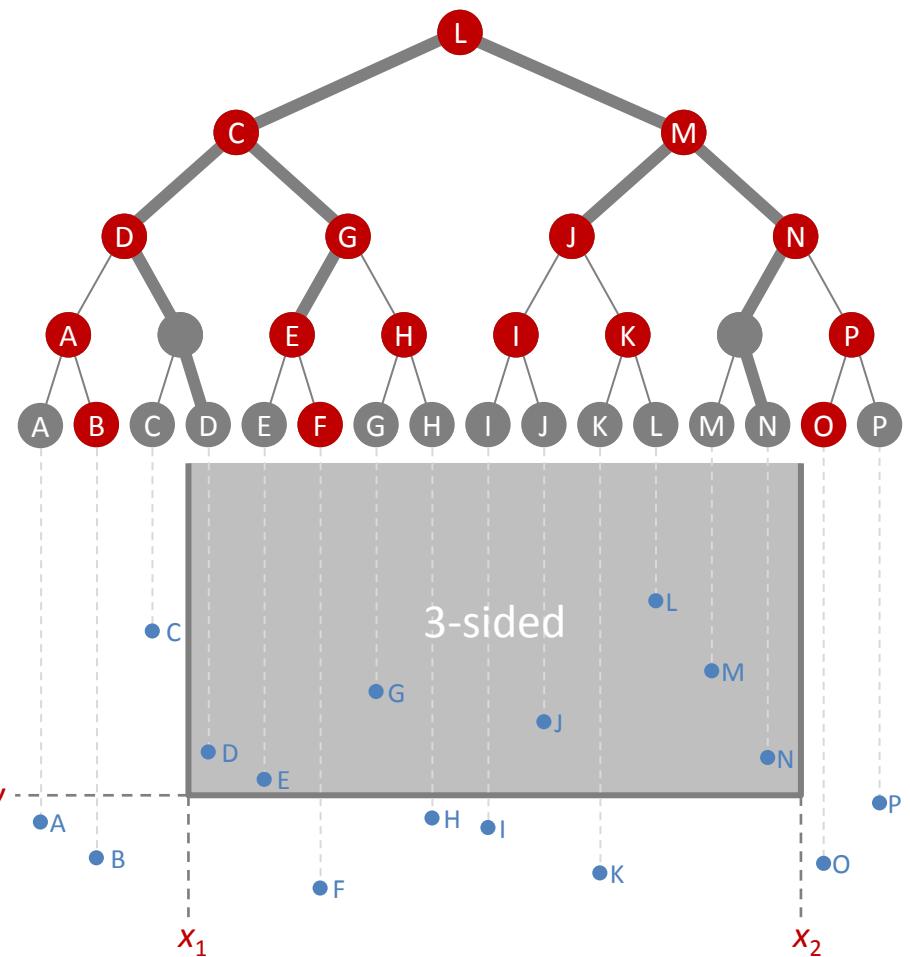
*"the result is obtained by combining already existing techniques (and no new techniques are introduced)"*

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# Internal Memory – Priority Search Trees

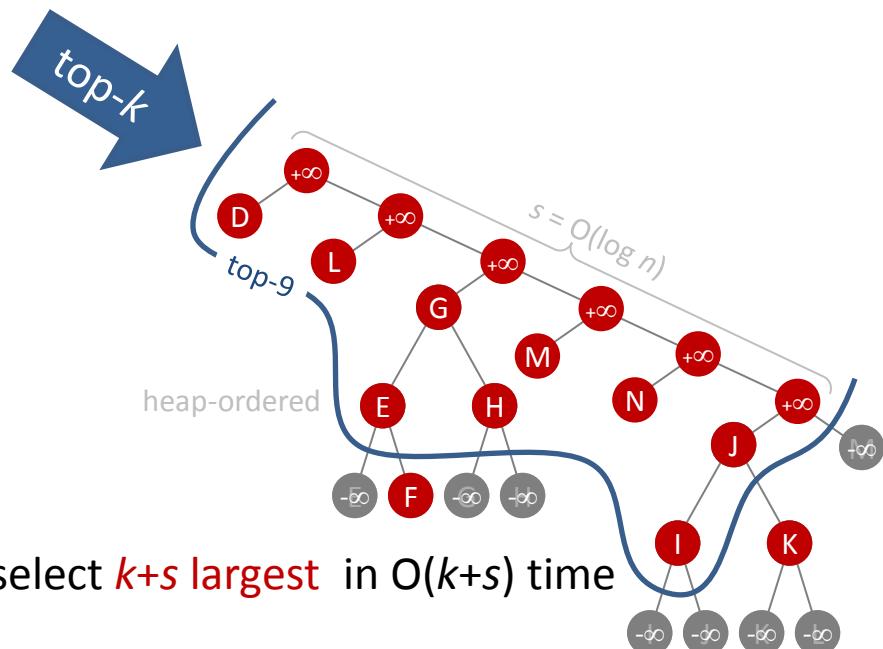
McCreight 1985  
Frederickson 1993



## Properties

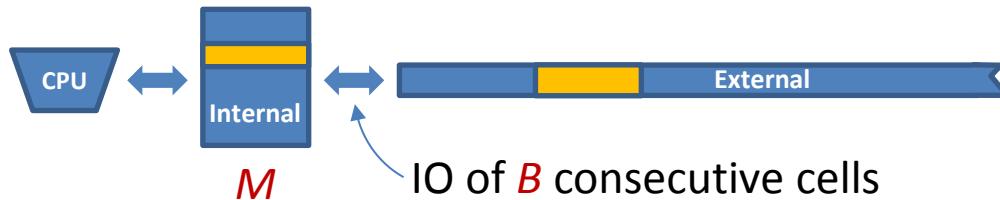
- leaves  $x$ -sorted
- point  $p$  stored on leaf  $p$ -to-root path
- $y$ -values satisfy heap-order

Updates  $O(\log n)$   
3-sided & top- $k$   $O(\log n + k)$



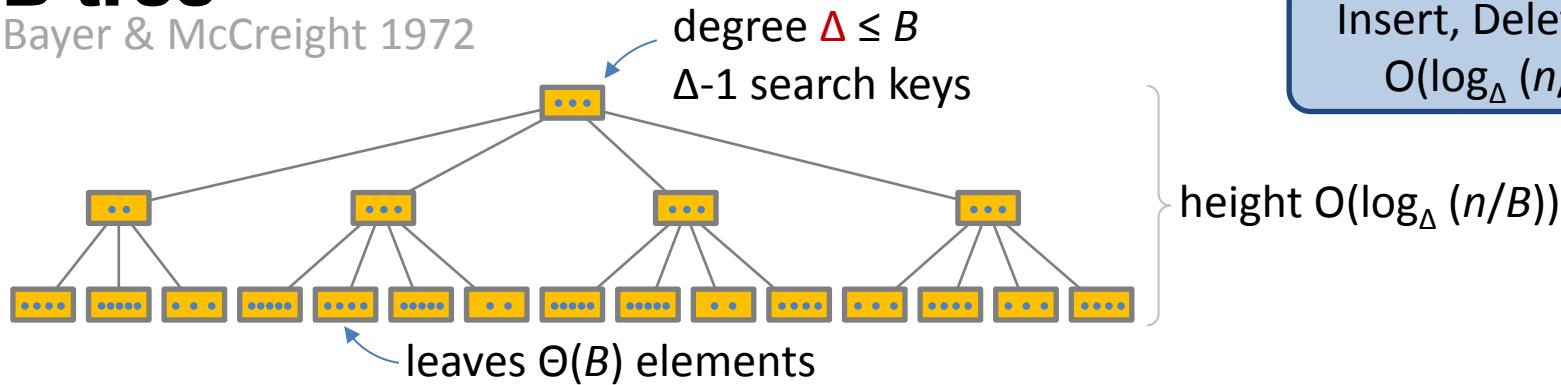
# External Memory Model

Aggarwal & Vitter 1988



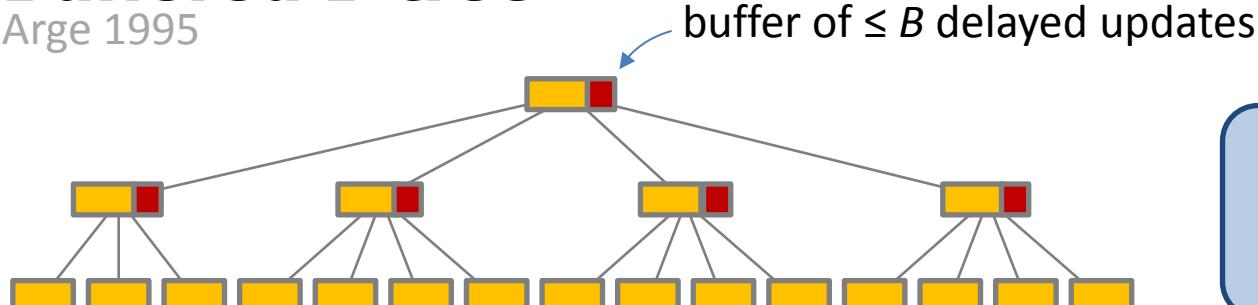
## B-tree

Bayer & McCreight 1972



## Buffered B-tree

Arge 1995



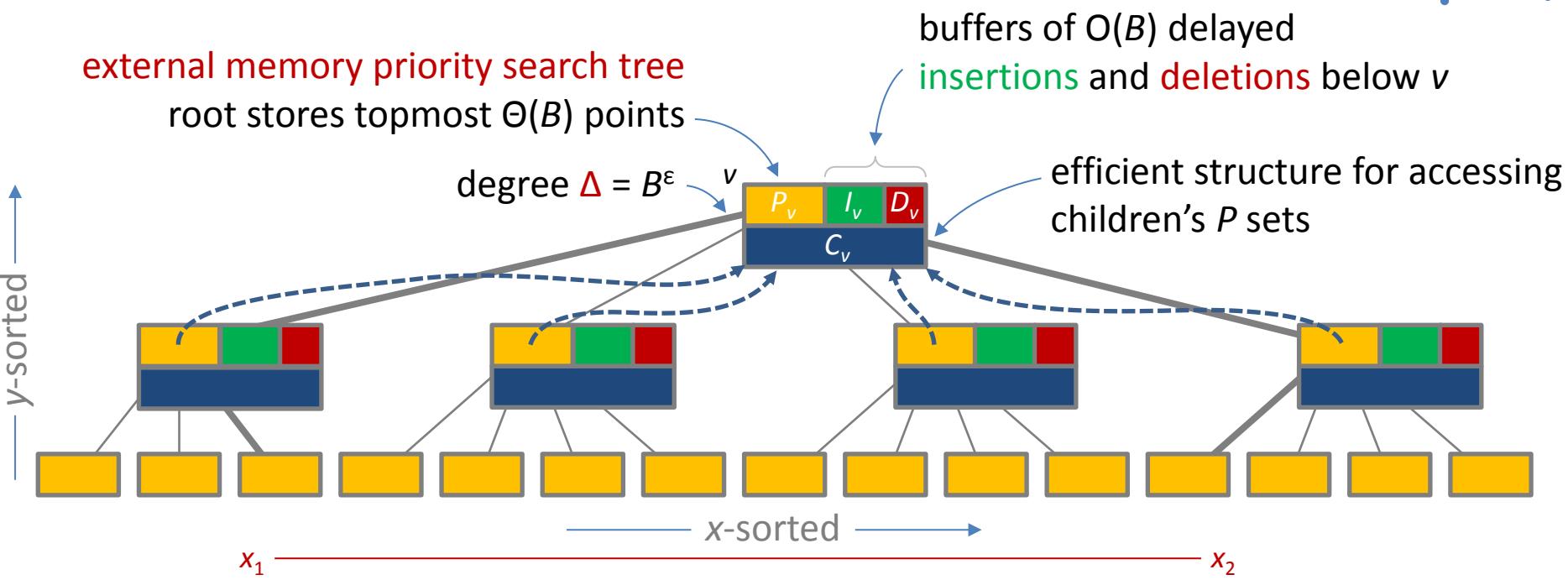
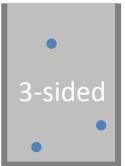
# External Memory Results

		Updates	Query
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$O_A$  = amortized

NEW result : Combination of Arge 1995, Arge et al. 1999, Frederickson 1993, Blum et al. 1973

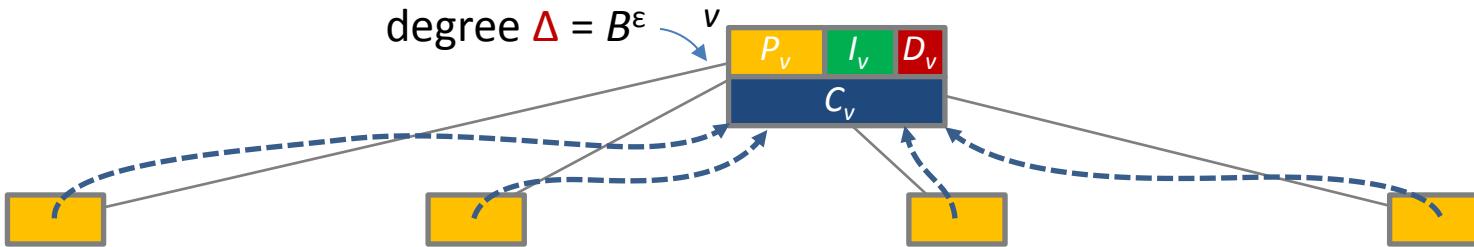
# External Memory 3-sided Data Structure



- **Insertions / deletions** : Update root  $P_v$ , or add to delayed update buffer  $I_v / D_v$
- **Update buffer overflow** : Flush recursively to child with most updates ( $\geq B^{1-\varepsilon}$ )
- **Leaf overflow** : split leaf, and recursively split ancestors of degree  $\Delta+1$
- **Underflowing point buffer  $P_v$**  : pull elements recursively from children using  $C_v$
- **3-sided query** : *i*) Identify nodes to visit using  $C_v$  structures. *ii*) flush updates down from ancestors of visited nodes. *iii*) report from nodes using  $P_v$ ,  $C_v$  and update buffers

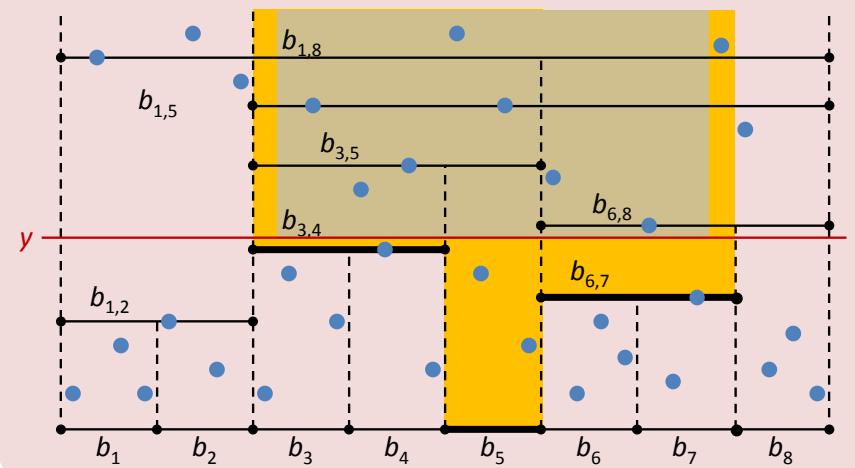
# Child Structure $C_v$

Arge et al. 1999

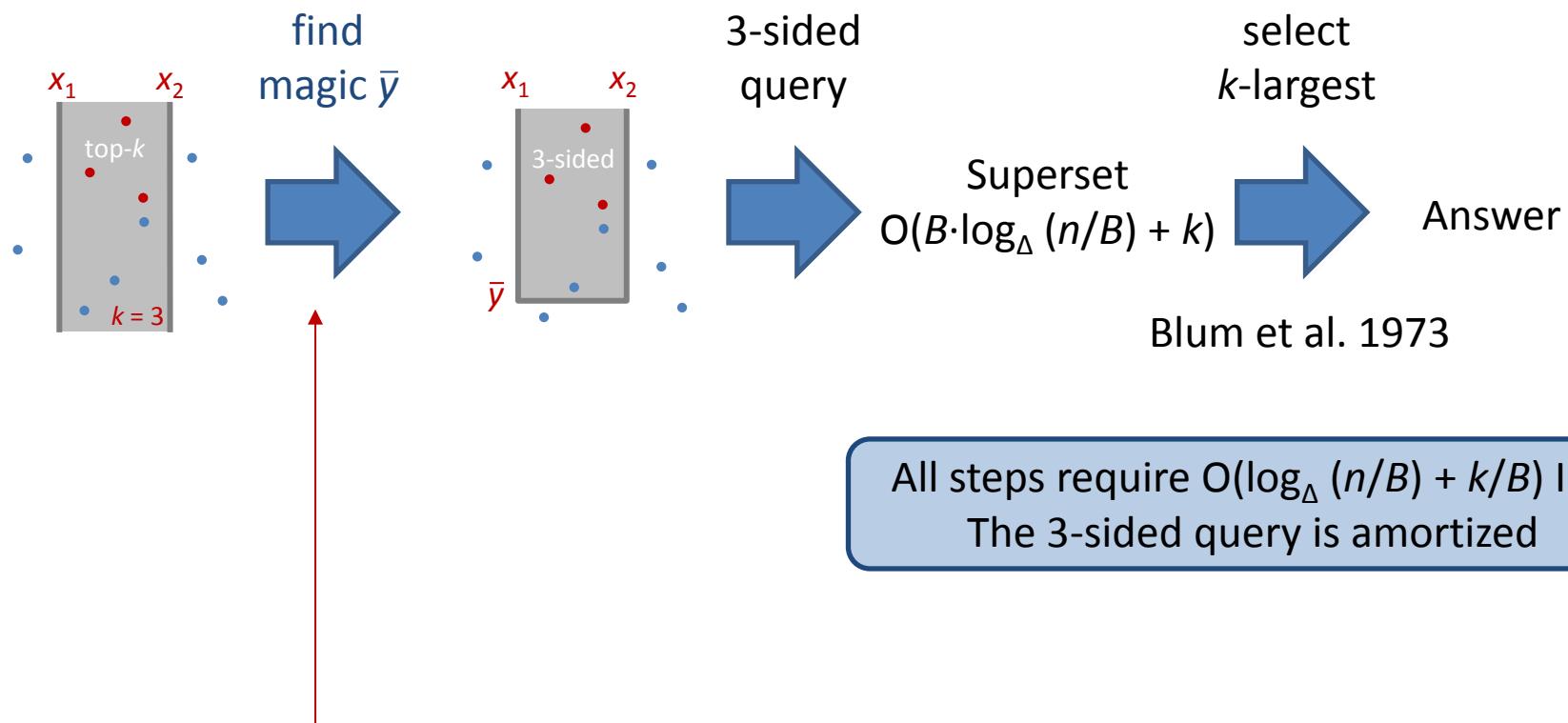


Insert / delete  $s$  points :  $O(1 + s/B^{1-\varepsilon})$  IOs  
3-sided query :  $O(1 + k/B)$  IOs  
 $y$ -samples for range  $[x_1, x_2]$  :  $O(1)$  IOs (new)

- Capacity :  $B^{1+\varepsilon}$
- Insertion / deletion buffer  $O(B)$  points
- $O(B^\varepsilon)$  blocks
- Catalog block
- $y$ -samples block (new)



## **External Memory Top- $k$ – Overall Approach**



Construct (on demand) a **binary heap** over the samples of every  $\Theta(B)$ 'th element in the  $C_v$  structures – and select the  $\Theta(\log_{\Delta}(n/B) + k/B)$ 'th element using Frederickson 1993

# Summary – The End

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Open problem :  
Remove amortization ?