

LEC 16

**CSE 123**

# Binary Search Trees

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BEFORE WE START

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*Do you collect anything? What?*

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# Lecture Outline: Announcements

- **Announcements** 
- Binary Search Review
- Binary (Search) Trees Review
- More runtime!

# Announcements

- Quiz 2 Completed! 😴
- Programming Assignment 3 due **Friday** (5/29) at 11:59pm
- Resubmission Cycle 6 is open, due on Friday (5/29) at 11:59pm
  - P1, C2, P2 eligible

# Lecture Outline: Binary Search Review

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# contains() on Collections

- contains() checks if an element is in a collection.
- How fast is contains() on an ArrayList? LinkedList? IntTree?
- Is it possible to be faster?

# Looking through a dictionary

- How would you find your favorite word in the dictionary?
  - Look at every page?
  - That would take  $O(n)$  time where  $n$  is the size of the dictionary.
- Can you find a word more quickly?

# Looking through a dictionary pseudocode

- Assuming a *sorted order* of elements to search through **list**
- Suppose you're looking for a specific element **target**
- Return the index of the given **target**, or -1 if it's not in the **list**

```
begin with the dictionary, from the first to last word,  
    looking for target
```

```
search(dictionary, left, right, target):  
    if there are no more words to look through  
        give up  
    else  
        pick a midpoint between left and right  
        pick the word at that midpoint  
        if target is that word  
            found it!  
        else if target comes before that word  
            search(dictionary, left, midpoint-1, target)  
        else (target comes after that word)  
            search(dictionary, midpoint+1, right, target)
```

# Binary Search

- Assuming a *sorted order* of elements to search through **list**
- Suppose you're looking for a specific element **target**
- Return the index of the given **target**, or -1 if it's not in the **list**

```
begin with search(list, 0, list.size() - 1, target)
```

```
search(list, left, right, target):  
    if (left > right):  
        return -1  
    else:  
        mid = (left + right) / 2
```

How would we add an element to the array while retaining our ability to do binary search?

How fast is this add operation?

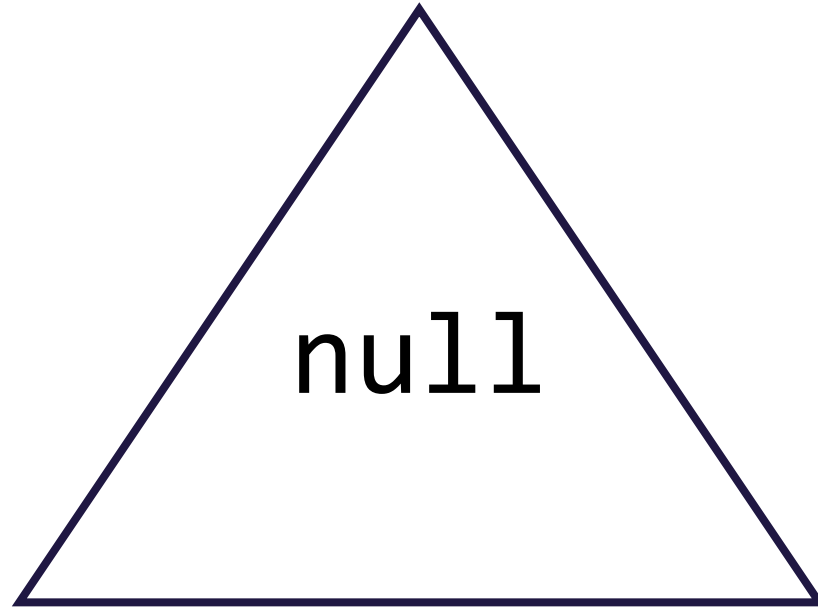
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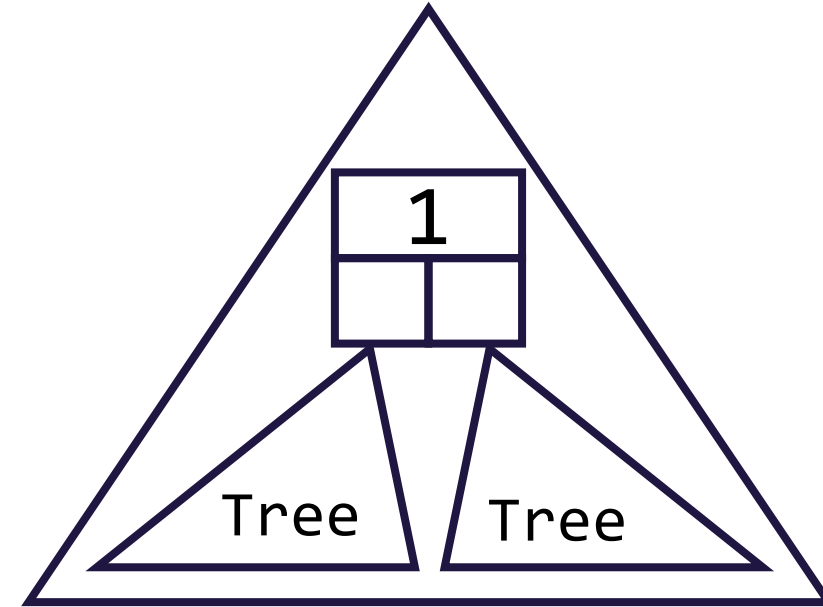
# Binary Trees [Review]

- We'll say that any Binary Tree falls into one of the following categories:



Empty tree

`root == null`



Node w/ two subtrees

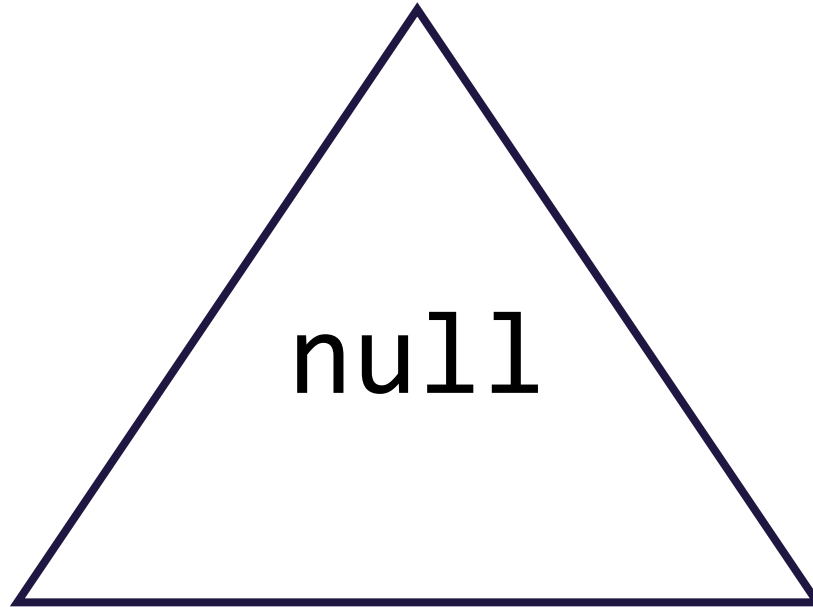
`root != null`

`root.left / root.right = Tree`

*This is a recursive definition! A tree is either empty or a node with two more trees!*

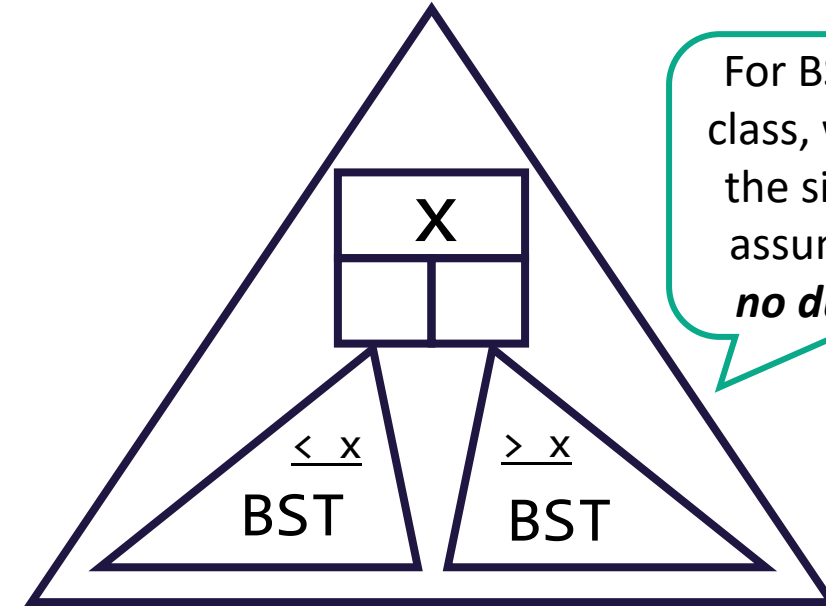
# Binary Search Trees (BSTs)

- We'll say that any Binary Search Tree falls into the following categories:



Empty BST

`root == null`



Node w/ two subBSTs

`root != null`

`root.left / root.right = Tree`

`max(root.left) < x && min(root.right) > x`

For BSTs in this class, we'll make the simplifying assumption of *no duplicates*

*Note that not all Binary Trees are Binary Search Trees*


# Why BSTs?

- Our IntTree implementation to `contains(int value)`

```
private boolean contains(int value, IntTreeNode root) {  
    if (root == null) {  
        return false;  
    } else {  
        return root.data == value ||  
            contains(value, root.left) ||  
            contains(value, root.right);  
    }  
}
```

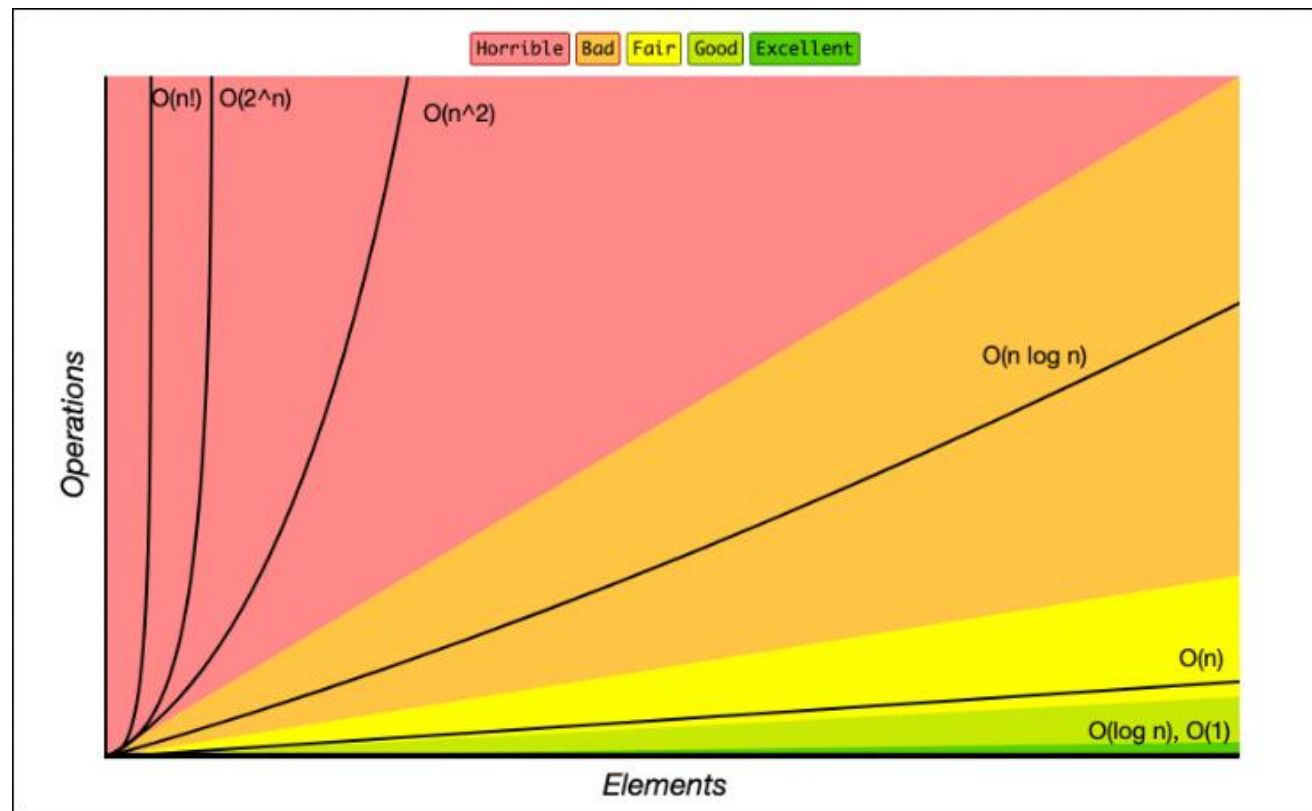
- Which direction(s) do we travel if `root.data != value`?
  - Both left and right
- In a Binary Search Tree, should we check both sides?
  - Remember, additional constraint: `max(root.left) < root.data && min(root.right) > root.data`

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# BSTs & Runtime (1)

- Contains operation on a balanced BST runs in  $O(\log(n))$ 
  - Leverages removing half of the values at each step
  - *New runtime class unlocked!*



# BSTs & Runtime (2)

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Operation	ArrayIntList	LinkedIntList	IntSearchTree
contains(x)	$O(N)$	$O(N)$	$O(\log(N))$ ?

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$O(\log(N))$  runtime is only guaranteed for **BALANCED** BSTs. If your tree isn't balanced, we see  $O(N)$  runtime!

# BSTs In Java

- Self-balancing BST implementations (AVL / Red-black) exist
  - AVL better at contains, Red-black better at adding / removing
- Both the TreeMap / TreeSet implementations use self-balancing BSTs
  - Determines said ordering via the Comparable interface / compareTo method
  - Printing out shows natural ordering – preorder traversal
- Complete table comparing data structures:

Operation	ArrayList	LinkedList	TreeSet
contains(x)	$O(N)$	$O(N)$	$O(\log(N))$
add(x)	$O(1^*)$	$O(1)$	$O(\log(N)^*)$
remove(x)	$O(N)$	$O(N)$	$O(\log(N)^*)$

*\*It's slightly more complicated but we'll leave that for a higher level course*