

CSE373: Data Structures \& Algorithms Lecture 6: Binary Search Trees

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## Announcements

- HW2 due start of class Wednesday April 13 on paper.


## Previously

- Dictionary ADT
- stores (key, value) pairs
- find, insert, delete
- Trees
- Terminology
- Binary Trees


## Reminder: Tree terminology



## Example Tree Calculations

Recall: Height of a tree is the maximum number of edges from the root to a leaf.

What is the height of this tree?


Height $=0$


What is the depth of node G? Depth $=2$

What is the depth of node L? Depth $=4$


## Binary Trees

- Binary tree: Each node has at most 2 children (branching factor 2 )
- Binary tree is
- A root (with data)
- A left subtree (may be empty)
- A right subtree (may be empty)


## What is full?

Every node has 0 or 2 children.

- Special Cases


Complete Tree


Perfect Tree


Full Tree

## Tree Traversals

A traversal is an order for visiting all the nodes of a tree
(an expression tree)

- Pre-order: root, left subtree, right subtree

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+* 245
$$

- In-order: left subtree, root, right subtree

$$
2 * 4+5
$$



- Post-order: left subtree, right subtree, root

$$
24 * 5+
$$

## More on traversals

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Sometimes order doesn't matter

- Example: sum all elements

Sometimes order matters

- Example: evaluate an expression tree


## Binary Search Tree (BST) Data Structure

- Structure property (binary tree)
- Each node has $\leq 2$ children
- Result: keeps operations simple
- Order property
- All keys in left subtree smaller than node's key
- All keys in right subtree larger than node's key
- Result: easy to find any given key


A binary search tree is a type of binary tree (but not all binary trees are binary search

## Are these BSTs?

## Activity! What nodes violate the BST properties?



## Find in BST, Recursive



```
Data find(Key key, Node root){
    if(root == null)
        return null;
    if(key < root.key)
        return find(key,root.left);
    if(key > root.key)
        return find(key,root.right);
    return root.data;
}
```

What is the time complexity? Worst case.
Worst case running time is $\mathrm{O}(\mathrm{n})$.

- Happens if the tree is very lopsided (e.g. list)



## Find in BST, Iterative

Let's look for 16.


```
Data find(Key key, Node root)\{
    while(root != null
        \&\& root.key != key) \{
        if(key < root.key)
        root \(=\) root.left;
        else(key > root.key)
        root = root.right;
    \}
    if(root == null)
        return null;
    return root.data;
\}
```

Worst case running time is $\mathrm{O}(\mathrm{n})$.

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## Bonus: Other BST "Finding" Operations

- FindMin: Find minimum node
- Left-most node
- FindMax: Find maximum node
- Right-most node


How would we implement?

## Bonus: Other BST "Finding" Operations

- FindMin: Find minimum node
- Left-most node



## Insert in BST Find the right spot and hook on a new node.



> insert(13) insert(8) insert(31)
(New) insertions happen only at leaves - easy!

Again... worst case running time is $\mathrm{O}(\mathrm{n})$, which may happen if the tree is not balanced.

## Deletion in BST



Why might deletion be harder than insertion?
Removing an item may disrupt the tree structure!

## Deletion in BST

- Basic idea: find the node to be removed, then "fix" the tree so that it is still a binary search tree
- Three potential cases to fix:
- Node has no children (leaf)
- Node has one child
- Node has two children


## Deletion - The Leaf Case



## Deletion - The One Child Case



## Deletion - The One Child Case



## Deletion - The Two Child Case



What can we replace 5 with?

## Deletion - The Two Child Case

Idea: Replace the deleted node with a value guaranteed to be between the two child subtrees

Options:

- successor minimum node from right subtree findMin(node.right)* the text does this
- predecessor maximum node from left subtree findMax(node.left)

Now delete the original node containing successor or predecessor

## Deletion: The Two Child Case (example)



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## Deletion: The Two Child Case (example)



## Deletion: The Two Child Case (example)



Success! ©

## Deletion: The Two Child Case (exercise)



## Lazy Deletion

- Lazy deletion can work well for a BST
- Simpler
- Can do "real deletions" later as a batch
- Some inserts can just "undelete" a tree node
- But
- Can waste space and slow down find operations
- Make some operations more complicated:
- e.g., findMin and findMax?


## BuildTree for BST

- Let's consider buildTree
- Insert all, starting from an empty tree
- Insert keys 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 into an empty BST

- If inserted in given order, what is the tree?
- What big-O runtime for this kind of sorted input?

$$
1+2+3+\ldots+n=n(n+1) / 2
$$

Not a happy place

- Is inserting in the reverse order any better?


## BuildTree for BST

- Insert keys 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8,9 into an empty BST
- What if we could somehow re-arrange them
- median first, then left median, right median, etc.
- 5, 3, 7, 2, 1, 4, 8, 6, 9
- What tree does that give us?
- What big-O runtime?

O(n $\log n$ ), definitely better

- So the order the values come in is important!



## Exercise

Build a binary search tree from the following ordered input. If you get a duplicate, just ignore it as already there.

1. The month of your birthday.
2. The day of your birthday.
3. The number of siblings you have.
4. The number of courses you are taking.
5. Your age.
6. Your weight divided by 10 rounded down.
7. The rightmost digit of your social security number or student number.
8. The hour that your last class on Mondays ends.

What is the height of your tree?

## Complexity of Building a Binary Search Tree

- Worst case: O(n²)
- Best case: O(n log n)
- We do better by keeping the tree balanced.
- How are we going to do that?

