

# Binary Search Trees

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## Today's Outline

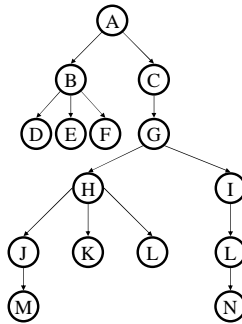
- **Announcements**
  - Assignment #1 due Thurs, Jan 15 at 11:45pm
  - Assignment #2 due Thurs, Jan 22, coming soon!
  - Midterm Dates:
    - Midterm #1: Friday, Jan 30<sup>th</sup>
    - Midterm #2: Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup>
- **Today's Topics:**
  - Asymptotic Analysis
  - Binary Search Trees

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## Tree Calculations Example

How high is this tree?



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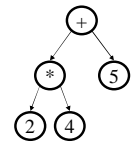
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## More Recursive Tree Calculations: Tree Traversals

A *traversal* is an order for visiting all the nodes of a tree

Three types:

- Pre-order: Root, left subtree, right subtree
- In-order: Left subtree, root, right subtree
- Post-order: Left subtree, right subtree, root



(an expression tree)

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## Traversals

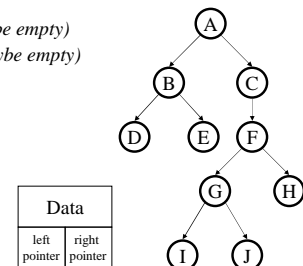
```
void traverse(BNode t){  
    if (t != NULL)  
        traverse (t.left);  
    print t.element;  
    traverse (t.right);  
}
```

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## Binary Trees

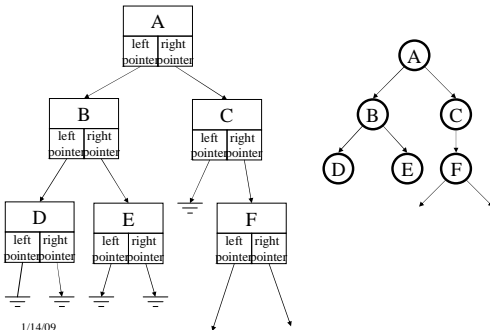
- Binary tree is
  - a root
  - left subtree (*maybe empty*)
  - right subtree (*maybe empty*)
- Representation:



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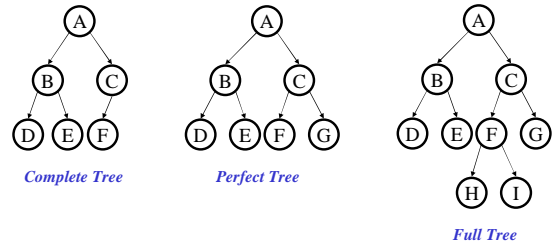
## Binary Tree: Representation



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## Binary Tree: Special Cases



Complete Tree

Perfect Tree

Full Tree

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## ADTs Seen So Far

- Stack
  - Push
  - Pop
- Queue
  - Enqueue
  - Dequeue

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## The Dictionary ADT

- Data:
  - a set of (key, value) pairs
- Operations:
  - Insert (key, value)
  - Find (key)
  - Remove (key)

insert(rea, ...)

find(sysliu)

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The Dictionary ADT is sometimes called the "Map ADT"

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## A Modest Few Uses

- Sets
- Dictionaries
- Networks : Router tables
- Operating systems : Page tables
- Compilers : Symbol tables

Probably the most widely used ADT!

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## Implementations

insert find delete

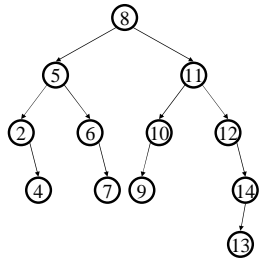
- Unsorted Linked-list
- Unsorted array
- Sorted array

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## Binary Search Tree Data Structure

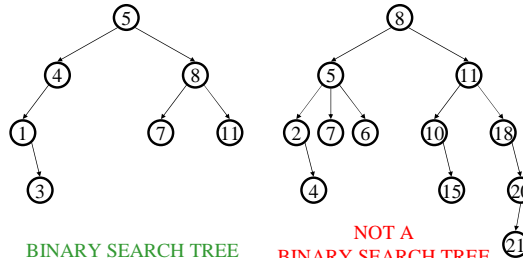
- Structural property
  - each node has  $\leq 2$  children
  - result:
    - storage is small
    - operations are simple
    - average depth is small
- Order property
  - all keys in left subtree smaller than root's key
  - all keys in right subtree larger than root's key
  - result: easy to find any given key
- What must I know about what I store?



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## Example and Counter-Example



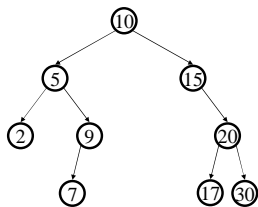
BINARY SEARCH TREE

NOT A BINARY SEARCH TREE

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## Find in BST, Recursive



Runtime:

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```
Node Find(Object key,
           Node root) {
    if (root == NULL)
        return NULL;

    if (key < root.key)
        return Find(key,
                    root.left);
    else if (key > root.key)
        return Find(key,
                    root.right);
    else
        return root;
}
```

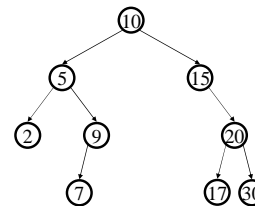
## Find in BST, Iterative

```
Node Find(Object key,
           Node root) {
    while (root != NULL &&
           root.key != key) {
        if (key < root.key)
            root = root.left;
        else
            root = root.right;
    }
    return root;
}
```

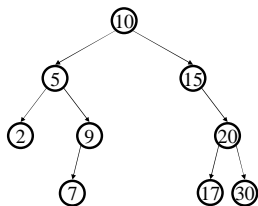
Runtime:

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## Insert in BST



Insert(13)  
Insert(8)  
Insert(31)

Insertions happen only at the leaves – easy!

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## BuildTree for BST

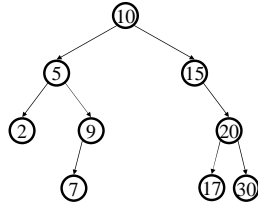
- Suppose keys 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 are inserted into an initially empty BST.
  - in given order
  - in reverse order
  - median first, then left median, right median, etc.

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## Bonus: FindMin/FindMax

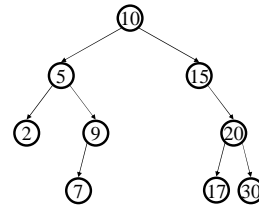
- Find minimum
- Find maximum



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## Deletion in BST



Why might deletion be harder than insertion?

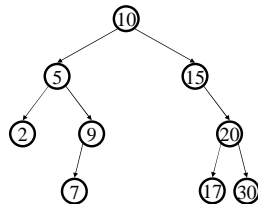
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## Lazy Deletion

Instead of physically deleting nodes, just mark them as deleted

- + simpler
- + physical deletions done in batches
- + some adds just flip deleted flag
- extra memory for deleted flag
- many lazy deletions slow finds
- some operations may have to be modified (e.g., min and max)



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## Non-lazy Deletion

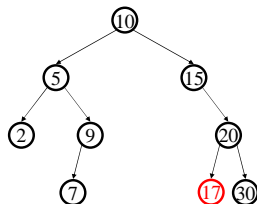
- Removing an item disrupts the tree structure.
- Basic idea: **find** the node that is to be removed. Then “fix” the tree so that it is still a binary search tree.
- Three cases:
  - node has no children (leaf node)
  - node has one child
  - node has two children

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## Non-lazy Deletion – The Leaf Case

Delete(17)

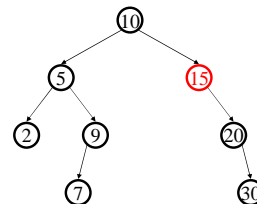


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## Deletion – The One Child Case

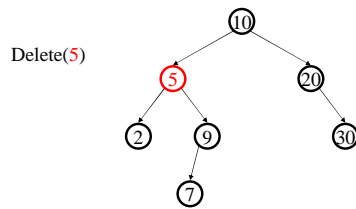
Delete(15)



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## Deletion – The Two Child Case



What can we replace 5 with?

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## Deletion – The Two Child Case

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

Options:

- *succ* from right subtree: `findMin(t.right)`
- *pred* from left subtree : `findMax(t.left)`

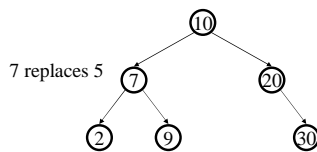
Now delete the original node containing *succ* or *pred*

- Leaf or one child case – easy!

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## Finally...



Original node containing 7 gets deleted

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## Balanced BST

### Observation

- BST: the shallower the better!
- For a BST with  $n$  nodes
  - Average height is  $\Theta(\log n)$
  - Worst case height is  $\Theta(n)$
- Simple cases such as `insert(1, 2, 3, ..., n)` lead to the worst case scenario

### Solution: Require a **Balance Condition** that

1. ensures depth is  $\Theta(\log n)$  – strong enough!
2. is easy to maintain – not too strong!

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## Potential Balance Conditions

1. Left and right subtrees of the root have equal number of nodes
2. Left and right subtrees of the root have equal *height*

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## Potential Balance Conditions

3. Left and right subtrees of *every node* have equal number of nodes
4. Left and right subtrees of *every node* have equal *height*

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