

# BINARY SEARCH TREES (11.1)

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## Example Application

- Application: database of employee records
  - keys: social insurance numbers
  - add employee based on key
  - remove employee using key
  - search employee using key

## Data Structure Choices

Operation	Doubly Linked List (unsorted)	Array (unsorted)
add	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
remove	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
search	$O(1)$	$O(1)$

Operation	Doubly Linked List (sorted)	Array (sorted)
add	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
remove	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
search	$O(1)$	$O(1)$

## Map ADT (10.1.1)

- The Map ADT models a searchable collection of key-value items
- The main operations of a map are searching, inserting, and deleting items
- Keys must be unique.
- Applications:
  - credit card database
  - SIN database
  - student/employee database

We are interested in the following Map ADT methods:

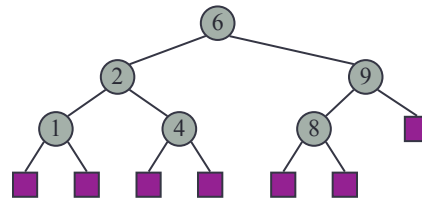
- **get(k)**: if the map has an item with key k, returns its value, else, returns NULL
- **put(k, e)**: inserts item (k, e) into the map
- **remove(k)**: if the map has an item with key k, removes it from the dictionary and returns its value, else returns NULL
- **size()**, **isEmpty()**

## Binary Search Trees

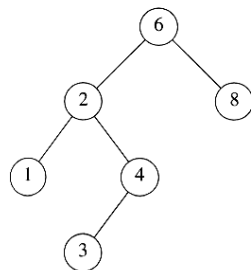
- A binary search tree is a binary tree storing keys (or key-element pairs) at its internal nodes and satisfying the following property:
- An inorder traversal of a binary search tree visits the keys in increasing order
- The left-most child has the smallest key
- The right-most child has the largest key

Let  $u$ ,  $v$ , and  $w$  be three nodes such that  $u$  is in the left subtree of  $v$  and  $w$  is in the right subtree of  $v$ . We have  $key(u) \leq key(v) \leq key(w)$

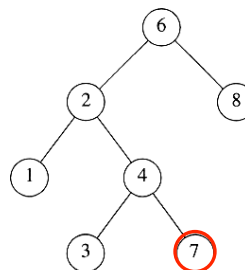
- External nodes (dummies) do not store items (non-empty proper binary trees, for coding simplicity)



## Example of BST



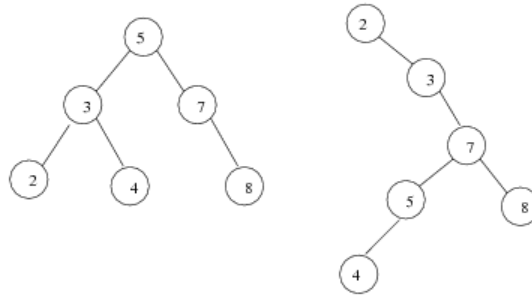
A binary search tree



Not a binary search tree

## More Examples of BST

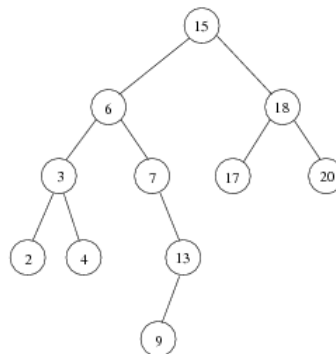
The same set of keys may have different BSTs.



- Average depth of a node is  $O(\log N)$ .
- Maximum depth of a node is  $O(N)$ .
- Where is the smallest key? largest key?

## Inorder Traversal of BST

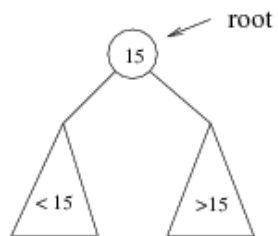
- Inorder traversal of BST prints out all the keys in sorted order.



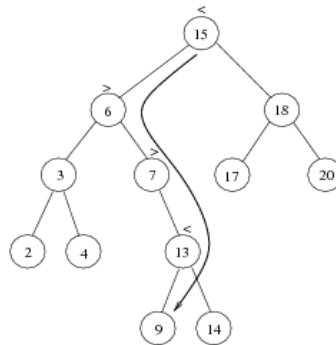
**Inorder: 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 13, 15, 17, 18, 20**

## Searching BST

- If we are searching for 15, then we are done.
- If we are searching for a key  $< 15$ , then we should search in the left subtree.
- If we are searching for a key  $> 15$ , then we should search in the right subtree.



Example: Search for 9 ...



Search for 9:

1. compare 9:15(the root), go to left subtree;
2. compare 9:6, go to right subtree;
3. compare 9:7, go to right subtree;
4. compare 9:13, go to left subtree;
5. compare 9:9, found it!

## Search Algorithm

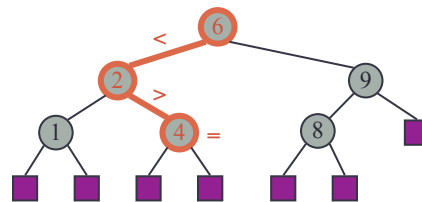
- To search for a key  $k$ , we trace a downward path starting at the root
- The next node visited depends on the outcome of the comparison of  $k$  with the key of the current node
- If we reach a leaf, the key is not found and we return  $v$  (where the key should be if it will be inserted)
- Example:  
 $\text{TreeSearch}(4, \text{root}())$
- Running time: ?

**Algorithm**  $\text{TreeSearch}(k, v)$

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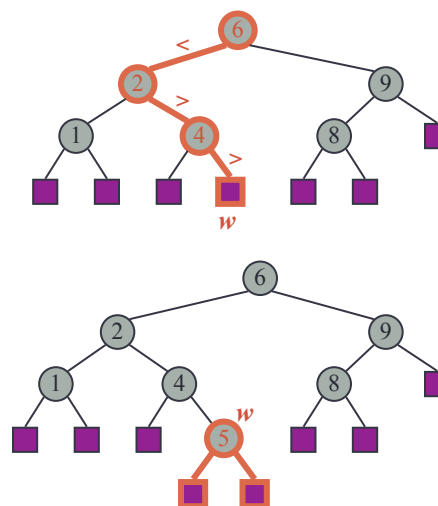
if  $\text{isExternal}(v)$ 
  return  $(v)$ ; // or return  $\text{NO\_SUCH\_KEY}$ 
if  $k < \text{key}(v)$ 
  return  $\text{TreeSearch}(k, \text{left}(v))$ 
else if  $k = \text{key}(v)$ 
  return  $v$ 
else  $\{ k > \text{key}(v) \}$ 
  return  $\text{TreeSearch}(k, \text{right}(v))$ 

```



## Insertion (distinct keys)

- To perform operation  $\text{put}(k, e)$ , we first search for key  $k$
- Assume  $k$  is not already in the tree, and let  $w$  be the leaf reached by the search
- We insert  $k$  at node  $w$  and expand  $w$  into an internal node using  $\text{expandExternal}(w, (k, e))$
- Example:  
 $\text{expandExternal}(w, (5, e))$   
with  $e$  having key 5
- Running time: ?



## Insertion Algorithm (distinct keys)

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Algorithm TreeInsert( k, e ) {
    w = TreeSearch( k, root( ) );
    if ( k == key(w) )
        change w's value to e;
    else
        expandExternal( w, (k, e) );
}

```

```

Algorithm expandExternal( w, k, e ) {
    if ( isExternal( w ) ) {
        make w an internal node, store k and e into w;
        add two dummy nodes as w's children;
    } else { error condition };
}

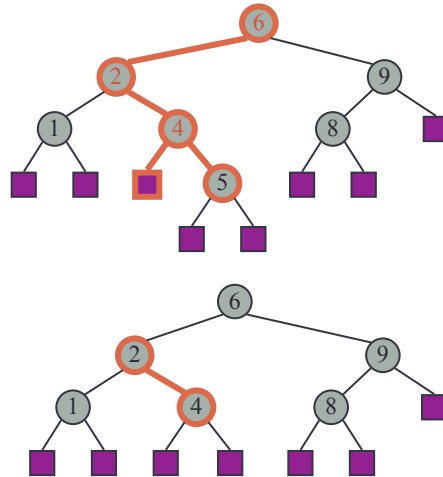
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## Deletion

- To perform operation *remove*(*k*), we first search for key *k*
- Assume key *k* is in the tree, and let *v* be the node storing *k*
- Three cases:
  - Case 1: *v* has no internal children
  - Case 2: *v* has exactly one internal child
  - Case 3: *v* has two internal children

## Deletion: Case 1

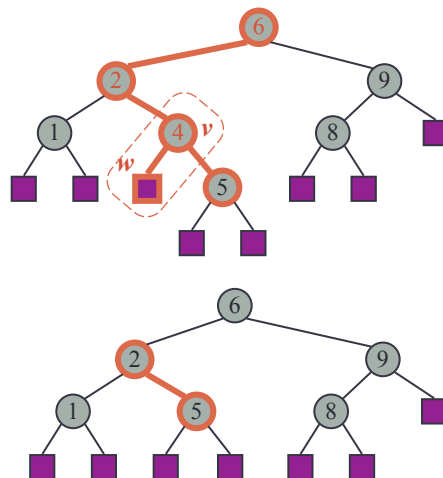
- Case 1:  $v$  has no children
- We simply remove  $v$  and its 2 dummy leaves.
- Replace  $v$  by a dummy node.
- Example: remove 5



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## Deletion: Case 2

- Case 1:  $v$  has exactly one child
- $v$ 's parent will "adopt"  $v$ 's child.
- We connect  $v$ 's parent to  $v$ 's child, effectively removing  $v$  and the dummy node  $w$  from the tree.
- Example: remove 4



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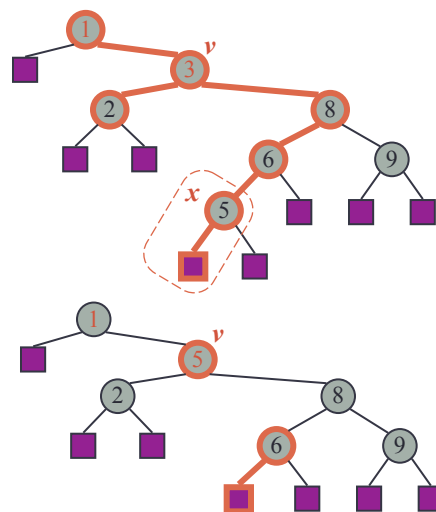
## Deletion: Case 3

- Case 3:  $v$  has two children (and possibly grandchildren, great-grandchildren, etc.)
- Identify  $v$ 's "heir": either one of the following two nodes:
  - the node  $x$  that immediately precedes  $v$  in an inorder traversal (right-most node in  $v$ 's left subtree)
  - the node  $x$  that immediately follows  $v$  in an inorder traversal (left-most node in  $v$ 's right subtree)
- Two steps:
  - copy content of  $x$  into node  $v$  (heir "inherits" node  $v$ );
  - remove  $x$  from the tree (use either case 1 or case 2 above).

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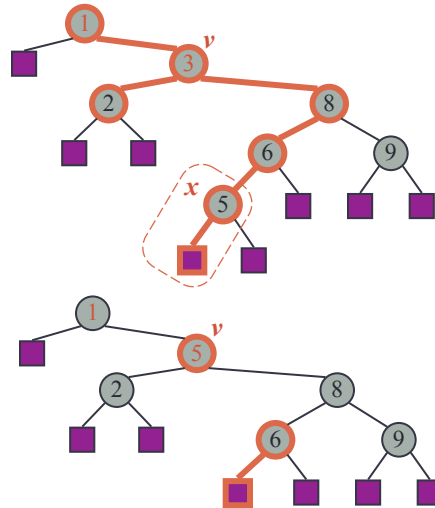
## Deletion: Case 3 Example

- Example: remove 3
- Heir = ?
- Running time of deletion algorithm: ?



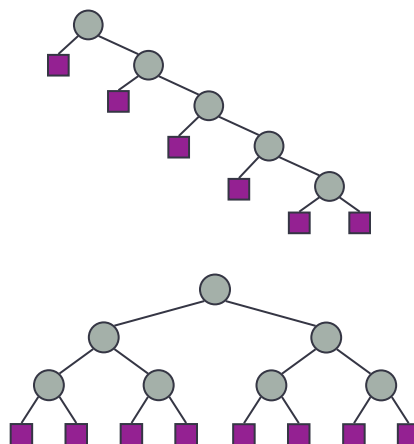
## Deletion: Case 3 Steps

- Two steps of case 3:
  - copy content of  $x$  into node  $v$  (heir “inherits” node  $v$ );
  - remove  $x$  from the tree
    - if  $x$  has no child: call case 1
    - if  $x$  has one child: call case 2
    - $x$  cannot have two children (why?)



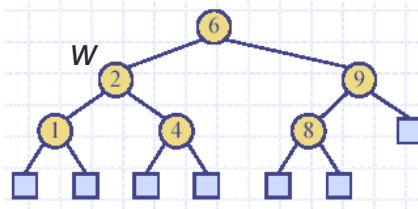
## Performance

- Consider a map with  $n$  items implemented by means of a binary search tree of height  $h$ 
  - the space used is  $O(n)$
  - methods `get(k)`, `put(k,e)` and `remove(k)` take  $O(h)$  time
- The height  $h$  is  $O(n)$  in the worst case and  $O(\log n)$  in the best case



## Appendix: Insertion with Duplicate Keys

- To perform operation *put*(*k*, *e*), we first search for key *k*
- Assume *k* is already in the tree, for example, *k* = 2
- Let *w* be the node returned by *TreeSearch*(*k*, *root*( ))

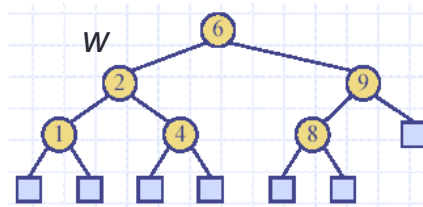


## Insertion (duplicate keys)

- Call *TreeSearch*(*k*, *left*(*w*)) to find the leaf node for insertion
- Can insert to either the left subtree or the right subtree
- Call *TreeSearch*(*k*, *right*(*w*)) to insert to the right subtree
- If there are more duplicate keys in the subtree, call *TreeSearch* for each key found, until reaching a leaf node for insertion.

Running time: ?

*Note:* if inserting the duplicate key into the *left* subtree, keep searching the *left* subtree after a key has been found.



## Summary

- Methods `get(k)` , `put(k,e)` and `remove(k)` take  $O(h)$  time.
- The insertion order and removal order determine  $h$ .
- The height  $h$  is
  - $O(n)$  in the worst case
  - $O(\log n)$  in the best case
- Need self-balanced trees to achieve  $O(\log n)$  time.

## Next lecture ...

- AVL trees (11.3)