

# BST Operation: Cases of Deletion

To **delete** an **entry** (with **key**  $k$ ) from a BST rooted at **node**  $n$ :

Let node  $p$  be the return value from `search`( $n$ ,  $k$ ).

*root*  
*key of entry to be deleted.*

○ **Case 1:** Node  $p$  is **external**.

$k$  is not an existing key  $\Rightarrow$  Nothing to remove

○ **Case 2:** Both of node  $p$ 's child nodes are **external**.

No "orphan" subtrees to be handled  $\Rightarrow$  Remove  $p$

[ Still BST? ]

○ **Case 3:** One of the node  $p$ 's children, say  $r$ , is **internal**.

- $r$ 's sibling is **external**  $\Rightarrow$  Replace node  $p$  by node  $r$

[ Still BST? ]

○ **Case 4:** Both of node  $p$ 's children are **internal**.

- Let  $r$  be the **right-most internal node**  $p$ 's **LST**.

$\Rightarrow r$  contains the **largest key**  $s.t.$   $key(r) < key(p)$ .

**Exercise:** Can  $r$  contain the **smallest key**  $s.t.$   $key(r) > key(p)$ ?

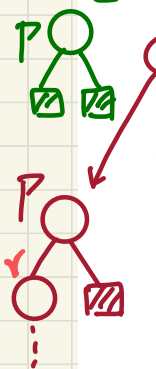
- Overwrite node  $p$ 's entry by node  $r$ 's entry.

[ Still BST? ]

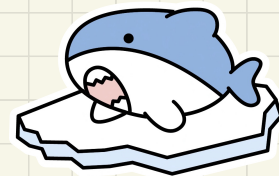
- $r$  being the **right-most internal node** may have:

- Two **external child nodes**  $\Rightarrow$  Remove  $r$  as in **Case 2**.

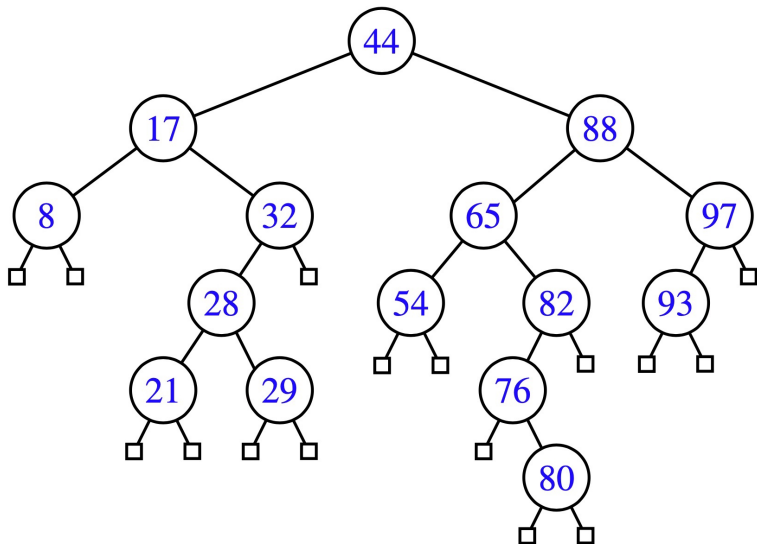
- An **external, RC** & an **internal LC**  $\Rightarrow$  Remove  $r$  as in **Case 3**.



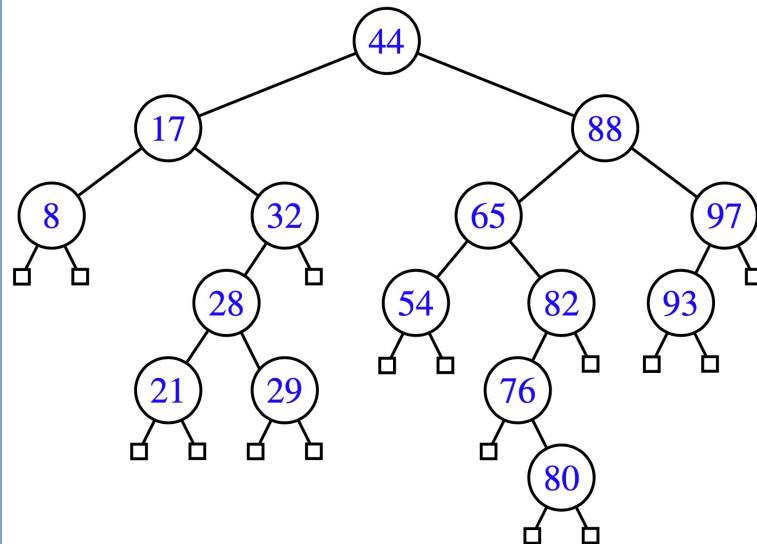
# Visualizing BST Operation: Deletion



## Case 4.1: Delete Entry with Key 17



## Case 4.2: Delete Entry with Key 88



# After Deletion: Continuous Trinode Restructuring

- **Recall**: **Deletion** from a BST results in removing a node with zero or one **internal** child node.
- After **deleting** an existing node, say its child is  $n$ :
  - Case 1**: Nodes on  $n$ 's **ancestor path** remain **balanced**.  $\Rightarrow$  No rotations
  - Case 2**: At least one of  $n$ 's **ancestors** becomes **unbalanced**.
    1. Get the **first/lowest** **unbalanced** node  $a$  on  $n$ 's **ancestor path**.
    2. Get  $a$ 's **taller** child node  $b$ . [  $b \notin n$ 's **ancestor path** ]
    3. Choose  $b$ 's child node  $c$  as follows:
      - $b$ 's two child nodes have **different** heights  $\Rightarrow c$  is the **taller** child
      - $b$ 's two child nodes have **same** height  $\Rightarrow a, b, c$  slant the **same** way
    4. Perform rotation(s) based on the **alignment** of  $a, b$ , and  $c$ :
      - Slanted the **same** way  $\Rightarrow$  **single rotation** on the **middle** node  $b$
      - Slanted **different** ways  $\Rightarrow$  **double rotations** on the **lower** node  $c$
- As  $n$ 's **unbalanced ancestors** are found, keep applying **Case 2**, until **Case 1** is satisfied. [ **rotations** ]

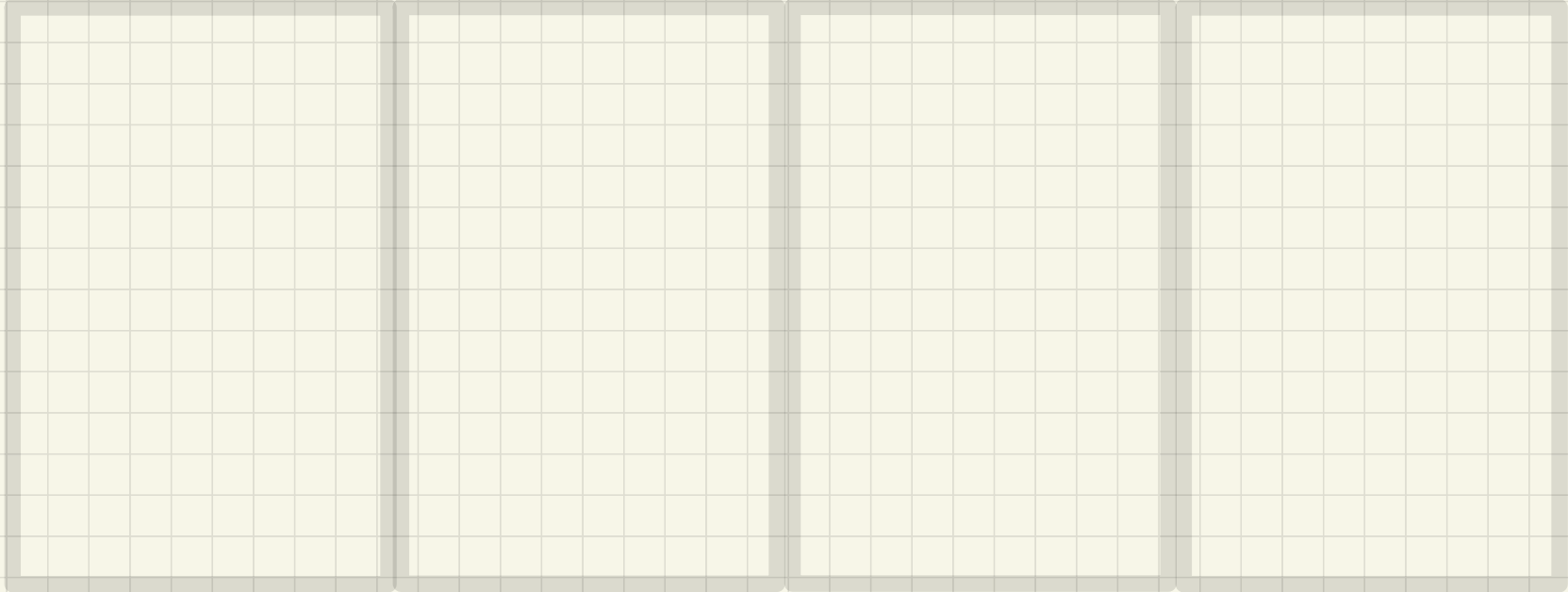
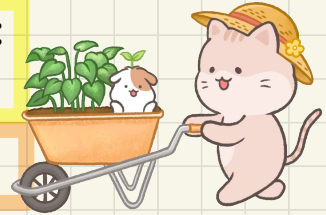
## Trinode Restructuring after Deletion: Single Rotation

- Insert the following sequence of **keys** into an empty BST:  
    <44, 17, 62, 32, 50, 78, 48, 54, 88>
- Delete 32 from the BST.



## Trinode Restructuring after Deletion: Multiple Rotations

- Insert the following sequence of **keys** into an empty BST:  
<50, 25, 10, 30, 5, 15, 27, 1, 75, 60, 80, 55>
- Delete 80 from the BST.



## Exercise: BST Construction

Study: *constructExampleTree*

```
public class BSTNode<E> {  
    private int key;  
    private E value;  
  
    private BSTNode<E> parent;  
    private BSTNode<E> left;  
    private BSTNode<E> right;  
  
    . . .  
  
    public void setLeft(BSTNode<E> left) {  
        this.left = left;  
        left.setParent(this);  
    }  
  
    public void setRight(BSTNode<E> right) {  
        this.right = right;  
        right.setParent(this);  
    }  
}
```

```
BSTNode<String> n44 = new BSTNode<>(44, "Yuna");  
BSTNode<String> extN1 = new BSTNode<>();  
BSTNode<String> extN2 = new BSTNode<>();  
n44.setLeft(extN1);  
n44.setRight(extN2);
```

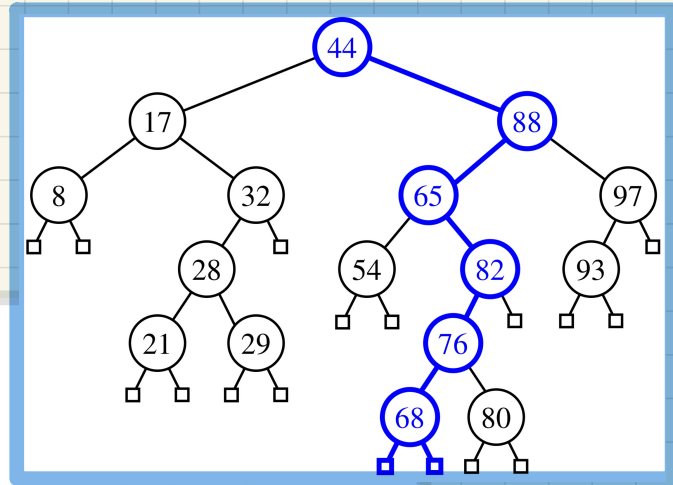
# Exercise: BST In-Order Traversal

@Test

```
public void test_bst_in_order_traversal() {  
    constructExampleTree();
```

```
    BSTUtilities<String> u = new BSTUtilities<>();  
    ArrayList<BSTNode<String>> inOrderList = u.inOrderTraversal(n44);  
    assertTrue(inOrderList.size() == 16 + 17); /* 16 internal nodes + 17 external nodes */  
    ArrayList<BSTNode<String>> expectedOrder = new ArrayList<>(Arrays.asList(  
        extN1, n8, extN2,  
        n17,  
        extN10, n21, extN11, n28, extN12, n29, extN13, n32, extN3,  
        n44,  
        extN5, n54, extN6, n65, extN14, n68, extN15, n76, extN16, n80, extN17, n82, extN7,  
        n88,  
        extN8, n93, extN9, n97, extN4  
    ));  
    assertEquals(expectedOrder, inOrderList);
```

```
}
```



# Exercise: Trinode Restructuring via a Right Rotation

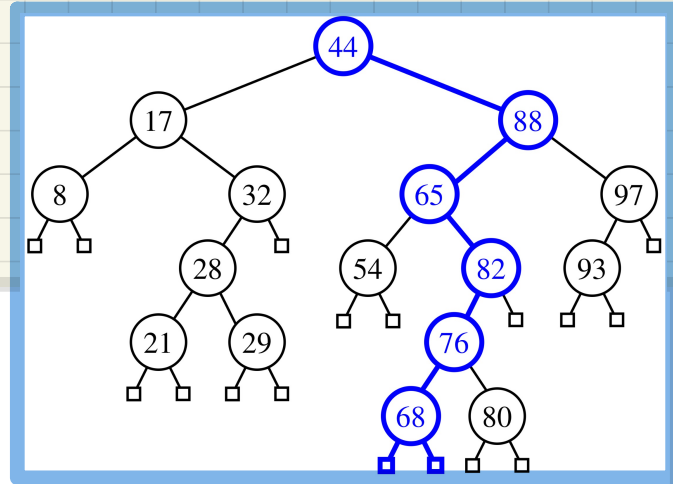
@Test

```
public void test_bst_right_rotation_1() {  
    constructExampleTree();
```

```
    BSTUtilities<String> u = new BSTUtilities<>();  
    u.rightRotate(n44, n17, n8);
```

```
    ArrayList<BSTNode<String>> inOrderList = u.inOrderTraversal(n17);  
    assertTrue(inOrderList.size() == 16 + 17); /* 16 internal nodes + 17 external nodes */  
    ArrayList<BSTNode<String>> expectedOrder = new ArrayList<>(Arrays.asList(  
        extN1, // T1  
        n8, // c  
        extN2, // T2  
        n17, // b  
        extN10, n21, extN11, n28, extN12, n29, extN13, n32, extN3, // T3  
        n44, // a  
        extN5, n54, extN6, n65, extN14, n68, extN15, n76, extN16, n80, extN17, n82, extN7, n88, extN8, n93, extN9, n97, extN4 // T4  
    ));  
    assertEquals(expectedOrder, inOrderList);
```

```
}
```





# Exercise: Trinode Restructuring via a Right Rotation

```
@Test
public void test_bst_right_rotation_2() {
    constructExampleTree();

    BSTUtilities<String> u = new BSTUtilities<>();
    u.rightRotate(n32, n28, n21);

    ArrayList<BSTNode<String>> inOrderList = u.inOrderTraversal(n44);
    assertTrue(inOrderList.size() == 16 + 17); /* 16 internal nodes + 17 external nodes */
    ArrayList<BSTNode<String>> expectedOrder = new ArrayList<>(Arrays.asList(
        extN1, n8, extN2, n17,
        extN10, // T1
        n21, // c
        extN11, // T2
        n28, // b
        extN12, n29, extN13, // T3
        n32, // a
        extN3, // T4
        n44, extN5, n54, extN6, n65, extN14, n68, extN15, n76, extN16, n80, extN17, n82, extN7, n88, extN8, n93, extN9, n97, extN4
    ));
    assertEquals(expectedOrder, inOrderList);
}
```

