

Object-Oriented Programming and Data Structures

COMP2012: Trees, Binary Trees, and Binary Search Trees

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Review of Complexity of Algorithms: Big O Notation

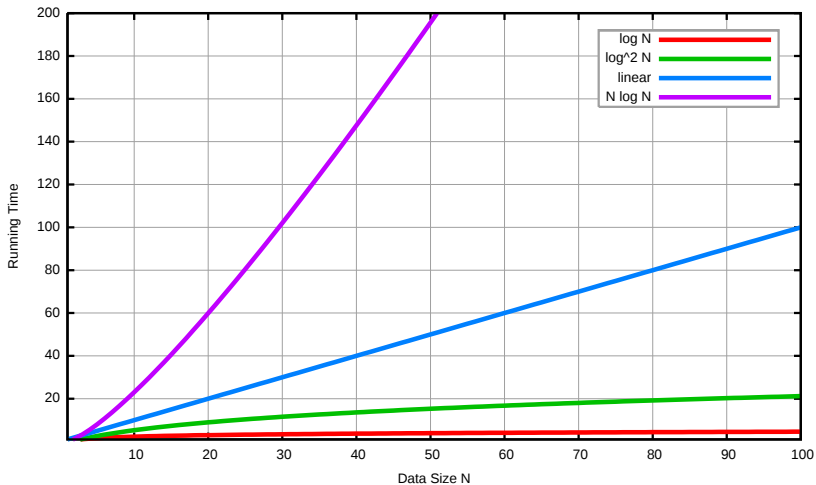
- Analyzing an algorithm allows us to predict the **resources** that it requires. **Resources** include
 - memory
 - communication bandwidth
 - **computational time** (usually most important)
- While the content of an input may affect the running time of an algorithm, typically, it is the **input size** (number of items in the input) that is the main consideration.
 - **sorting**: the number of items to be sorted.
 - **matrix multiplication**: the total number of elements in the two matrices.
- The big O notation: $O(f(N))$ gives the **asymptotic upper bound** of how the running time of an algorithm grows with the input size N .

Typical Growth Rates of Algorithm Running Time

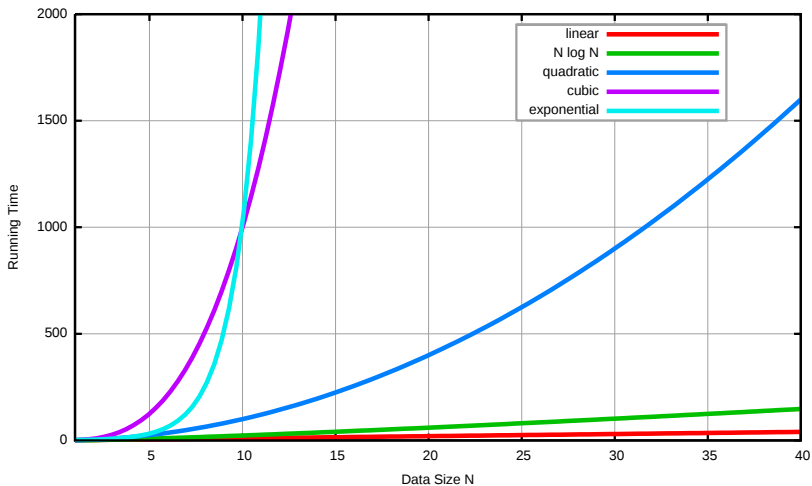
$$\text{Running time} = \alpha f(N) + \beta$$

Function f	Name
c	constant
$\log N$	logarithmic
$\log^2 N$	log-squared
N	linear
$N \log N$	
N^2	quadratic
N^3	cubic
2^N	exponential

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Part I

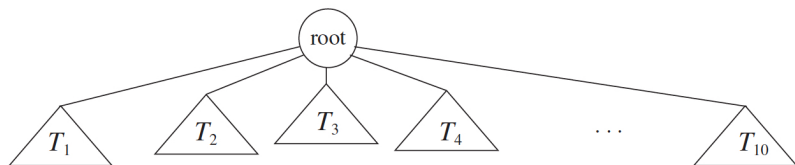
Tree Data Structure



- The linear access time $O(N)$ of **linked lists** is prohibitive for **large** amount of data.
- Does there exist any simple data structure for which the average running time of most operations (search, insert, delete) is $O(\log N)$?
- **Solution: Trees!**
- We are going to talk about
 - **basic concepts** of trees
 - tree **traversal**
 - (general) **binary trees**
 - **binary search trees** (BST)
 - **balanced trees** (AVL tree)



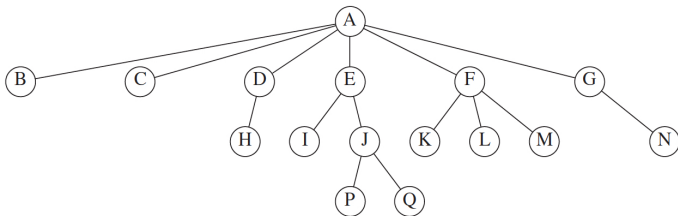
Recursive Definition of Trees



A **tree** T is a collection of **nodes** connected by **edges**.

- **base case**: T is empty
- **recursive definition**: If not empty, a tree T consists of
 - a **root node** r , and
 - zero or more non-empty **sub-trees**: $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$

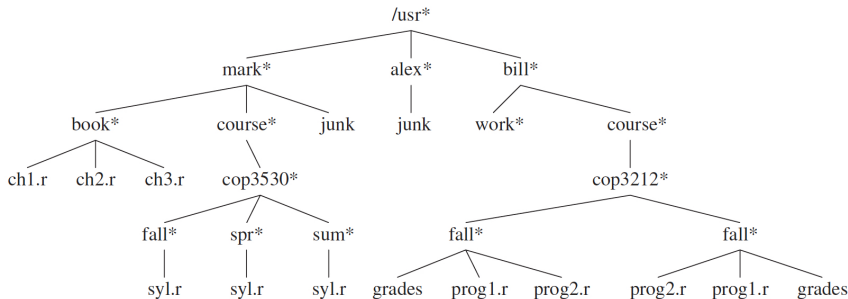
Tree Terminologies



- **Root**: the only node with **no** parents
- **Parent** and **child**
 - every node except the **root** has exactly only **1** parent
 - a node can have **zero or more** children
- **Leaves**: nodes with **no** children
- **Siblings**: nodes with the **same** parent
- **Path** from node n_1 to n_k : a **sequence of nodes** $\{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k\}$ such that n_i is the **parent** of n_{i+1} for $1 \leq i \leq k - 1$.

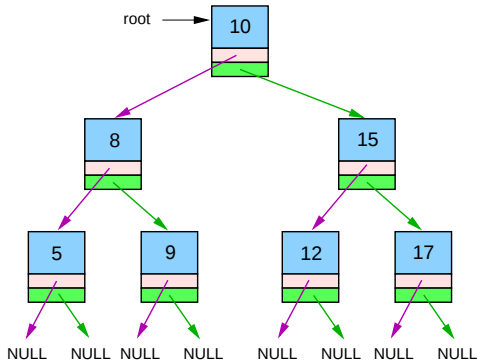
- **Length of a path**
 - number of **edges** on the path
- **Depth of a node**
 - length of the unique path from the **root** to that node
- **Height of a node**
 - length of the longest path from that node to a **leaf**
 - all leaves are at height 0
- **Height of a tree**
 - = **height** of the **root**
 - = **depth** of the **deepest** leaf
- **Ancestor and descendant**: If there is a path from n_1 to n_2
 - n_1 is an **ancestor** of n_2
 - n_2 is a **descendant** of n_1
 - if $n_1 \neq n_2$, **proper ancestor** and **proper descendant**

Example 1: Unix Directories in a Tree Structure

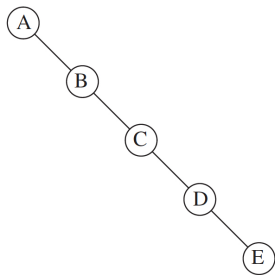
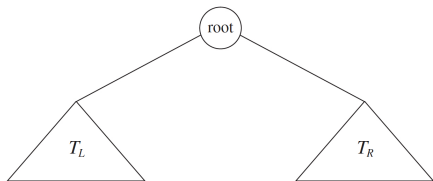


Part II

Binary Tree



Binary Trees



- Generic **binary tree**: A tree in which no node can have more than **two children**.
- The **height** of an 'average' **binary tree** with N nodes is considerably **smaller** than N .
- In the **best** case, a **well-balanced** tree has a height of $O(\log N)$.
- But, in the **worst** case, the height can be as large as $(N - 1)$.

A Typical Implementation of Binary Tree

```
#include <iostream>      /* File: btree.h */
using namespace std;

template <class T> class BTreeNode
{
public:
    BTreeNode(const T& x, BTreeNode* L = nullptr, BTreeNode* R = nullptr)
        : data(x), left(L), right(R) { }

    ~BTreeNode()
    {
        delete left;
        delete right;
        cout << "delete the node with data = " << data << endl;
    }

    const T& get_data() const { return data; }
    BTreeNode* get_left() const { return left; }
    BTreeNode* get_right() const { return right; }

private:
    T data;                // Stored information
    BTreeNode* left;       // Left child
    BTreeNode* right;      // Right child
};
```

Binary Tree: Inorder Traversal

```
/* File: btree-inorder.cpp
 *
 * To traverse a binary tree in the order of:
 *   left subtree, node, right subtree
 * and do some action on each node during the traversal.
 */

template <class T>
void btree_inorder(BTnode<T>* root,
    void (*action)(BTnode<T>* r)) // Expect a function on r->data
{
    if (root)
    {
        btree_inorder(root->get_left(), action);
        action(root);                // e.g. print out root->data
        btree_inorder(root->get_right(), action);
    }
}
```

Binary Tree: Preorder Traversal

```
/* File: btree-preorder.cpp
 *
 * To traverse a binary tree in the order of:
 *   node, left subtree, right subtree
 * and do some action on each node during the traversal.
 */

template <class T>
void btree_preorder(BTnode<T>* root,
    void (*action)(BTnode<T>* r)) // Expect a function on r->data
{
    if (root)
    {
        action(root);           // e.g. print out root->data
        btree_preorder(root->get_left(), action);
        btree_preorder(root->get_right(), action);
    }
}
```

Binary Tree: Postorder Traversal

```
/* File: btree-postorder.cpp
 *
 * To traverse a binary tree in the order of:
 *   left subtree, right subtree, node
 * and do some action on each node during the traversal.
 */

template <class T>
void btree_postorder(BTnode<T>* root,
    void (*action)(BTnode<T>* r)) // Expect a function on r->data
{
    if (root)
    {
        btree_postorder(root->get_left(), action);
        btree_postorder(root->get_right(), action);
        action(root);           // e.g. print out root->data
    }
}
```

Example 2: Binary Tree Creation & Traversal

```
#include "btree.h"          /* File: test-btree.cpp */
#include "btree-preorder.cpp"
#include "btree-inorder.cpp"
#include "btree-postorder.cpp"

template <typename T>
void print(BTnode<T>* root) { cout << root->get_data() << endl; }

int main() // Build the tree from bottom up
{
    // Create the left subtree
    BTnode<int>* node5 = new BTnode<int>(5);
    BTnode<int>* node9 = new BTnode<int>(9);
    BTnode<int>* node8 = new BTnode<int>(8, node5, node9);
    // Create the right subtree
    BTnode<int>* node12 = new BTnode<int>(12);
    BTnode<int>* node17 = new BTnode<int>(17);
    BTnode<int>* node15 = new BTnode<int>(15, node12, node17);
    // Create the root node
    BTnode<int>* root = new BTnode<int>(10, node8, node15);

    cout << "\nInorder traversal result:\n"; btree_inorder(root, print);
    cout << "\nPreorder traversal result:\n"; btree_preorder(root, print);
    cout << "\nPostorder traversal result:\n"; btree_postorder(root, print);
    cout << "\nDeleting the binary tree ...\n"; delete root; return 0;
}
```

Example 3: Unix Directory Traversal

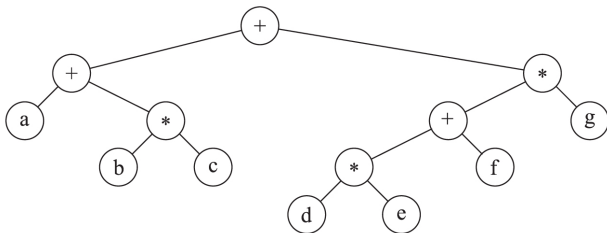
Preorder Traversal

```
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  mark
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        spr
          syl.r
        sum
          syl.r
      junk
    alex
      junk
    bill
      work
      course
        cop3212
          fall
            grades
            prog1.r
            prog2.r
          fall
            prog2.r
            prog1.r
            grades
```

Postorder Traversal

```
ch1.r
ch2.r
ch3.r
  book
    syl.r
  fall
    syl.r
  spr
    syl.r
  sum
    cop3530
      course
      junk
    mark
      junk
    alex
      work
      grades
      prog1.r
      prog2.r
    fall
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      grades
    fall
      cop3212
        course
        bill
      /usr
```

Example 4: Expression (Binary) Trees

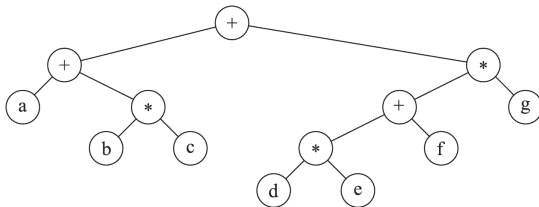


- Above is the tree representation of the expression:

$$(a + b * c) + ((d * e + f) * g)$$

- **Leaves** are **operands** (constants or variables).
- **Internal nodes** are **operators**.
- The **operators** must be either unary or binary.

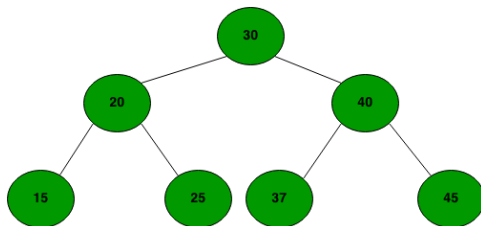
Expression Tree: Different Notations



- **Preorder** traversal: node, left sub-tree, right sub-tree.
⇒ **Prefix** notation: $++a*bc*+*defg$
- **Inorder** traversal: left sub-tree, node, right sub-tree.
⇒ **Infix** notation: $a + b * c + d * e + f * g$
- **Postorder** traversal: left sub-tree, right sub-tree, node.
⇒ **Postfix** notation: $abc * + de * f + g * +$

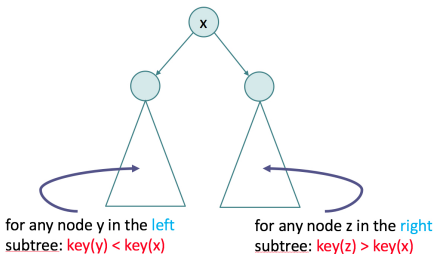
Part III

Binary Search Tree (BST)



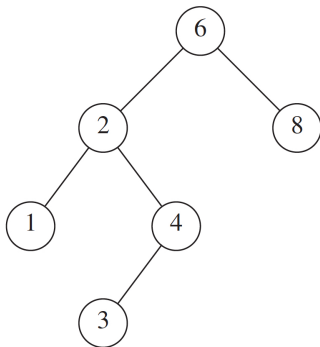
Properties of a Binary Search Tree

- **BST** is a data structure for efficient **searching**, **insertion** and **deletion**.
- **BST** property: For every node x
- All the keys in its **left** sub-tree are **smaller** than the key value in node x .
- All the keys in its **right** sub-tree are **larger** than the key value in node x .

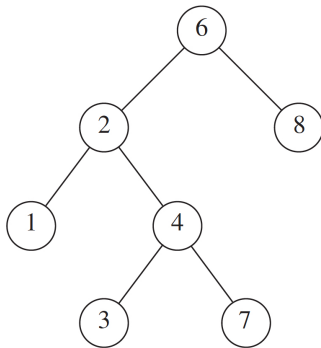


BST Example and Counter-Example

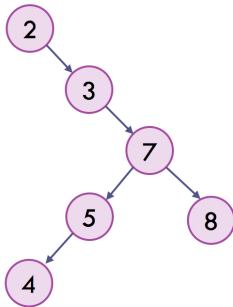
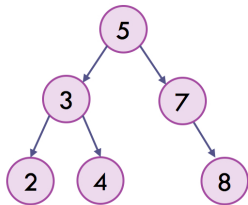
BST



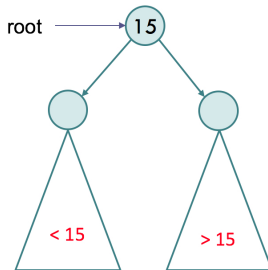
Not a BST but a Binary Tree



BSTs May Not be Unique



- The same set of values may be stored in **different** **BST**s.
- **Average depth** of a node on a BST is $O(\log N)$.
- **Maximum depth** of a node on a BST is $O(N)$.

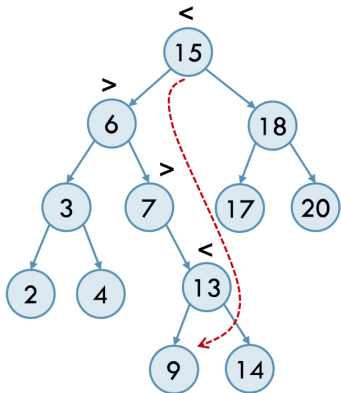


For the above BST, if we search for a value

- of 15, we are done at the root.
- < 15, we would **recursively** search it with the **left sub-tree**.
- > 15, we would **recursively** search it with the **right sub-tree**.

Example 5: BST Search

- Let's search for the value 9 in the following BST.



Compare	Action
9 vs. 15	continue with the <u>left</u> subtree
9 vs. 6	continue with the <u>right</u> subtree
9 vs. 7	continue with the <u>right</u> subtree
9 vs. 13	continue with the <u>left</u> subtree
9 vs. 9	eureka!

Our BST Implementation (different from textbook's)

```
template <typename T> class BST /* File: bst.h */
{
private:
    struct BSTnode          // A node in a binary search tree
    {
        T value;
        BST left;           // Left sub-tree or called left child
        BST right;          // Right sub-tree or called right child
        BSTnode(const T& x) : value(x) { } // Assume a copy cons. for T
        // same as: BSTnode(const T& x) : value(x), left(), right() { }
        BSTnode(const BSTnode&) = default; // Copy constructor
        ~BSTnode() { cout << "delete: " << value << endl; }
    };

    BSTnode* root = nullptr;

public:
    BST() = default;          // Empty BST
    ~BST() { delete root; }   // Actually recursive
}
```

Our BST Implementation (different from textbook's) ..

```
// Shallow BST copy using move constructor
BST(BST&& bst) { root = bst.root; bst.root = nullptr; }

BST(const BST& bst) // Deep copy using copy constructor
{
    if (bst.is_empty())
        return;

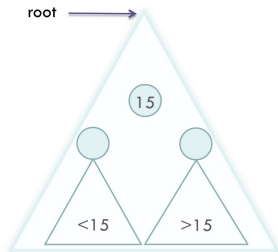
    root = new BSTnode(*bst.root); // Recursive
}

bool is_empty() const { return root == nullptr; }
bool contains(const T& x) const;
void print(int depth = 0) const;
const T& find_max() const; // Find the maximum value
const T& find_min() const; // Find the minimum value

void insert(const T&); // Insert an item with a policy
void remove(const T&); // Remove an item
};
```

Our BST Implementation

- Our implementation really implements a BST as an **object**.
- It has a root pointing to a BST node which has
 - a value (of any type)
 - a **left BST object**: a sub-tree with values **smaller** than that of the root.
 - a **right BST object**: a sub-tree with values **greater** than that of the root.



BST Code: Search

```
/* Goal: To check if the BST contains the value x.
 * Return: (bool) true or false
 * Time complexity: O(height of BST)
 */

template <typename T>          /* File: bst-contains.cpp */
bool BST<T>::contains(const T& x) const
{
    if (is_empty())            // Base case #1
        return false;

    if (root->value == x)       // Base case #2
        return true;

    else if (x < root->value) // Recursion on the left sub-tree
        return root->left.contains(x);

    else                        // Recursion on the right sub-tree
        return root->right.contains(x);
}
```

BST Code: Print by Rotating it -90 Degrees

```
/* Goal: To print a BST
 * Remark: The output is the BST rotated -90 degrees
 */

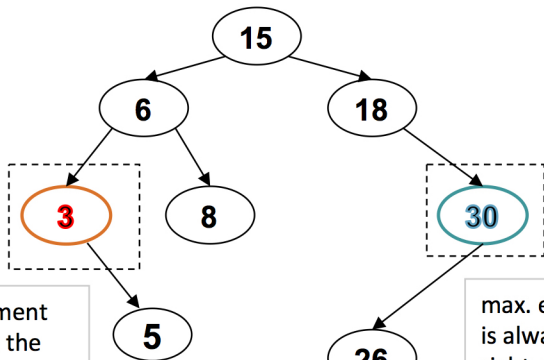
template <typename T>                                /* File: bst-print.cpp */
void BST<T>::print(int depth) const
{
    if (is_empty())                                  // Base case
        return;

    root->right.print(depth+1);                       // Recursion: right sub-tree

    for (int j = 0; j < depth; j++) // Print the node value
        cout << '\t';
    cout << root->value << endl;

    root->left.print(depth+1);                         // Recursion: left sub-tree
}
```

BST: Find the Minimum/Maximum Stored Value



min. element
is always the
left-most node

max. element
is always the
right-most node

BST Code: Find the Minimum Stored Value

```
/* Goal: To find the min value stored in a non-empty BST.
 * Return: The min value
 * Remark: The min value is stored in the leftmost node.
 * Time complexity: O(height of BST)
 */

template <typename T>    /* File: bst-find-min.cpp */
const T& BST<T>::find_min() const
{
    const BSTnode* node = root;

    while (!node->left.is_empty()) // Look for the leftmost node
        node = node->left.root;

    return node->value;
}
```

BST Code: Find the Maximum Stored Value

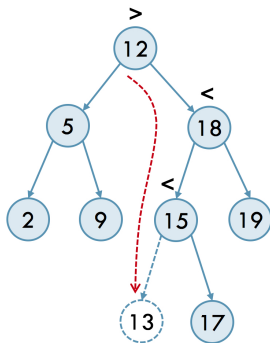
```
/* Goal: To find the max value stored in a non-empty BST.
 * Return: The max value
 * Remark: The max value is stored in the rightmost node.
 * Time complexity: O(height of BST)
 */

template <typename T>    /* File: bst-find-max.cpp */
const T& BST<T>::find_max() const
{
    const BSTnode* node = root;

    while (!node->right.is_empty()) // Look for the rightmost node
        node = node->right.root;

    return node->value;
}
```

BST: Insert a Node of Value x



- E.g., insert 13 to the BST.
- Proceed down the tree as you would with a **search**.
- If x is found, **do nothing** (or update something).
- Otherwise, insert x at the **last spot** on the path traversed.
- Time complexity = $O(\text{height of the tree})$

BST Code: Insertion

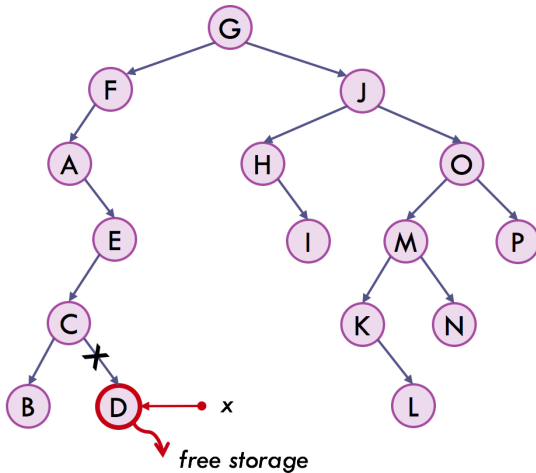
```
template <typename T>          /* File: bst-insert.cpp */
void BST<T>::insert(const T& x)
{
    if (is_empty())             // Find the spot
        root = new BSTnode(x);

    else if (x < root->value)
        root->left.insert(x);    // Recursion on the left sub-tree

    else if (x > root->value)
        root->right.insert(x);   // Recursion on the right sub-tree

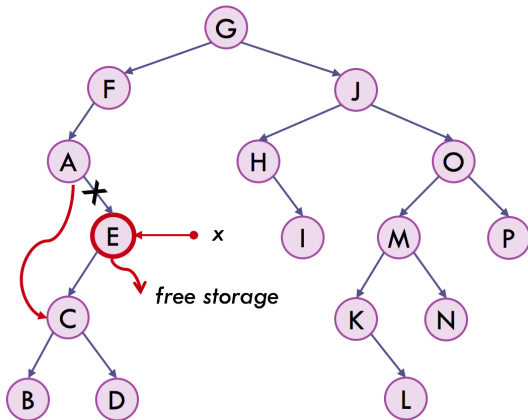
    else // This line is optional; just for illustration
        ;                        // x == root->value; do nothing
}
```

BST: Delete a Leaf



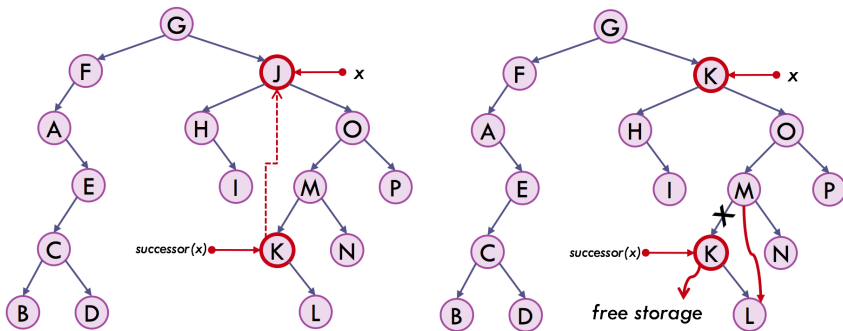
- Delete the leaf node immediately.

BST: Delete a Node with 1 Child



- Adjust a **pointer** from its parent to **bypass** the deleted node.

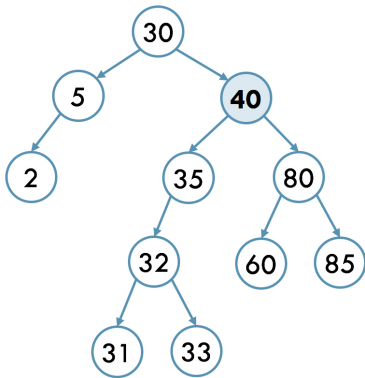
BST: Delete a Node with 2 Children



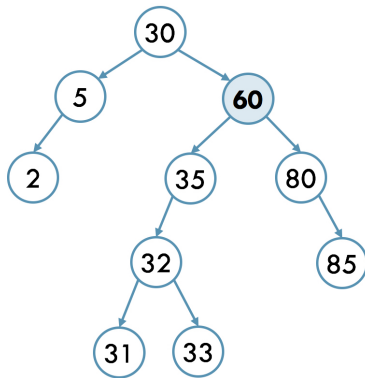
- You will have 2 choices: **replace** the deleted node with the
 - **maximum** node in its **left sub-tree**, or
 - **minimum** node in its **right sub-tree** (as in the above figure).
- **Remove** the **max/min node** depending on the choice above.

Example 6.1: BST Deletions

- Removing 40 from BST(a), replacing it with the **min. value** in its **right sub-tree** results in the BST(b).



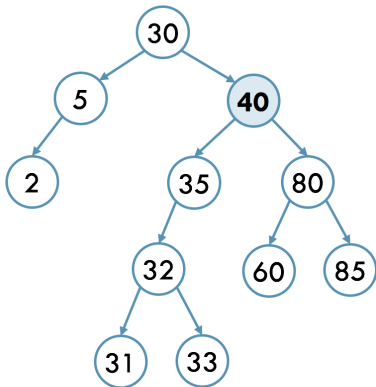
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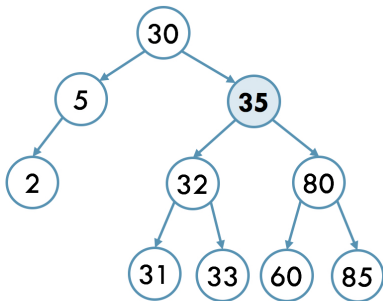
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Example 6.2: BST Deletions

- Removing 40 from BST(a), replacing it with the **max. value** in its **left sub-tree** results in the BST(c).



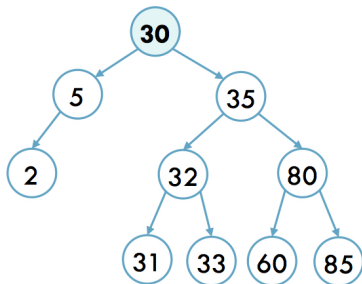
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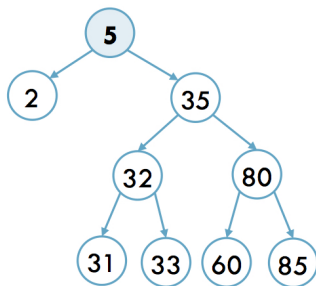
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Example 6.3: BST Deletions

- Removing 30 from BST(c) and moving 5 from its left sub-tree result in BST(d).



(c)



(d)

BST Code: Deletion

```
template <typename T>          /* File: bst-remove.cpp */
void BST<T>::remove(const T& x) // leftmost item of its right subtree
{
    if (is_empty())            // Item is not found; do nothing
        return;

    if (x < root->value)        // Remove from the left subtree
        root->left.remove(x);
    else if (x > root->value)    // Remove from the right subtree
        root->right.remove(x);
    else if (root->left.root && root->right.root) // Found node has 2 children
    {
        root->value = root->right.find_min(); // operator= defined?
        root->right.remove(root->value); // min is copied; can be deleted now
    }
    else                        // Found node has 0 or 1 child
    {
        BSTnode* deleting_node = root; // Save the root to delete first
        root = (root->left.is_empty()) ? root->right.root : root->left.root;

        // Set subtrees to nullptr before removal due to recursive destructor
        deleting_node->left.root = deleting_node->right.root = nullptr;
        delete deleting_node;
    }
}
```

BST Testing Code

```
#include <iostream>      /* File: test-bst.cpp */
using namespace std;
#include "bst.h"
#include "bst-contains.cpp"
#include "bst-print.cpp"
#include "bst-find-max.cpp"
#include "bst-find-min.cpp"
#include "bst-insert.cpp"
#include "bst-remove.cpp"

int main()
{
    BST<int> bst;
    while (true)
    {
        char choice; int value;
        cout << "Action: d/f/i/m/M/p/q/r/s "
              << "(deep-cp/find/insert/min/Max/print/quit/remove/shallow-cp): ";
        cin >> choice;

        switch (choice)
        {
```

BST Testing Code ..

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case 'd': // Deep copy
{
    BST<int>* bst2 = new BST<int>(bst);
    bst2->print(); delete bst2;
}
break;
case 'f': // Find a value
    cout << "Value to find: "; cin >> value;
    cout << boolalpha << bst.contains(value) << endl;
    break;
case 'i': // Insert a value
    cout << "Value to insert: "; cin >> value;
    bst.insert(value);
    break;
case 'm': // Find the minimum value
    if (bst.is_empty())
        cerr << "Can't search an empty tree!" << endl;
    else
        cout << bst.find_min() << endl;
    break;
case 'M': // Find the maximum value
    if (bst.is_empty())
        cerr << "Can't search an empty tree!" << endl;
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        else
            cout << bst.find_max() << endl;
        break;
    case 'p': // Print the whole tree
    default:
        cout << endl; bst.print();
        break;
    case 'q': // Quit
        return 0;
    case 'r':
        cout << "Value to remove: "; cin >> value;
        bst.remove(value);
        break;
    case 's': // Shallow copy
    {
        BST<int> bst3 { std::move(bst) };
        bst3.print();
        bst.print();
    }
        break;
    }
}
```