

Binary Search Trees

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Outline

Topics and Learning Objectives

- Compare binary search trees with sorted arrays
- Discuss the importance of a binary search tree's height
- Discuss common search tree algorithms

Exercise

- Search tree exercise

Extra Resources

- Introduction to Algorithms, 3rd, chapter 12

Sorted Arrays

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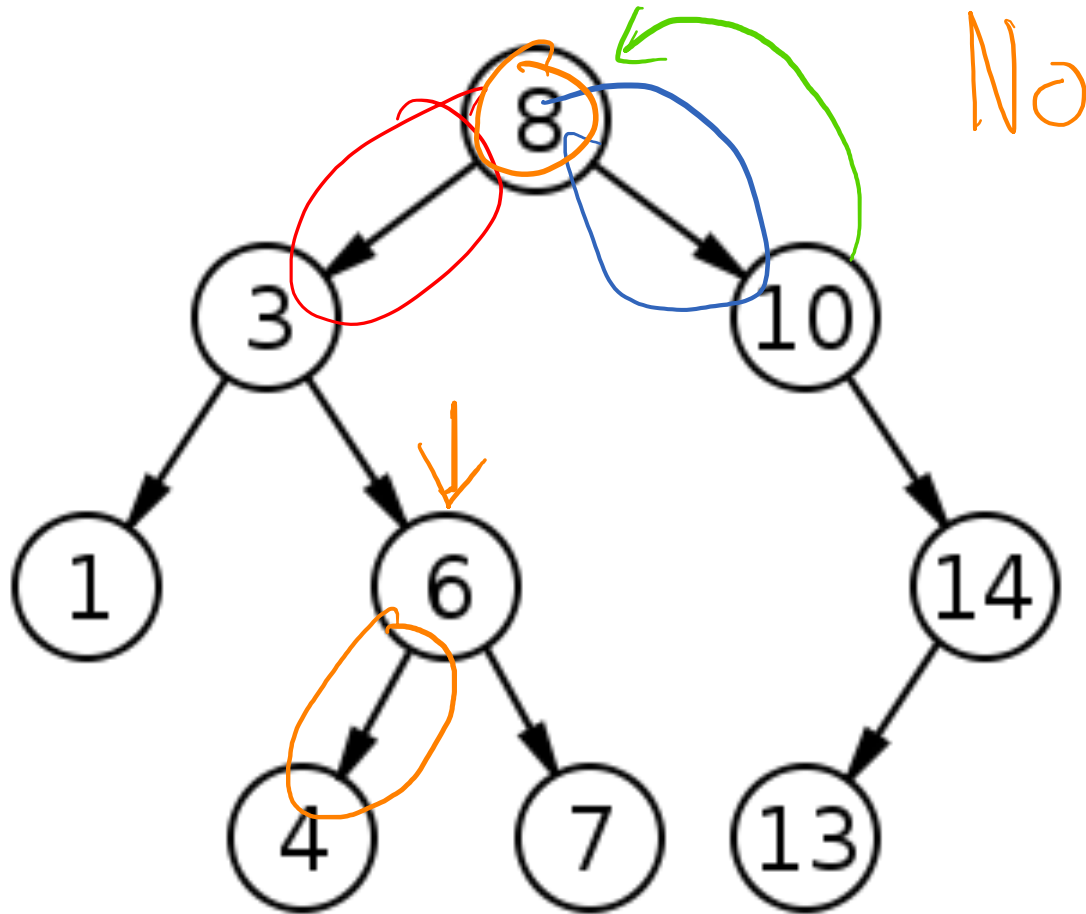
Operation

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Search
Selection
Predecessor
Successor
Output (print)
Insert
Delete
Extract-Min

Running Time

$O(1)$
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Given a set of **key** values, is a BST unique?
(ignore ties)



Binary Search Tree

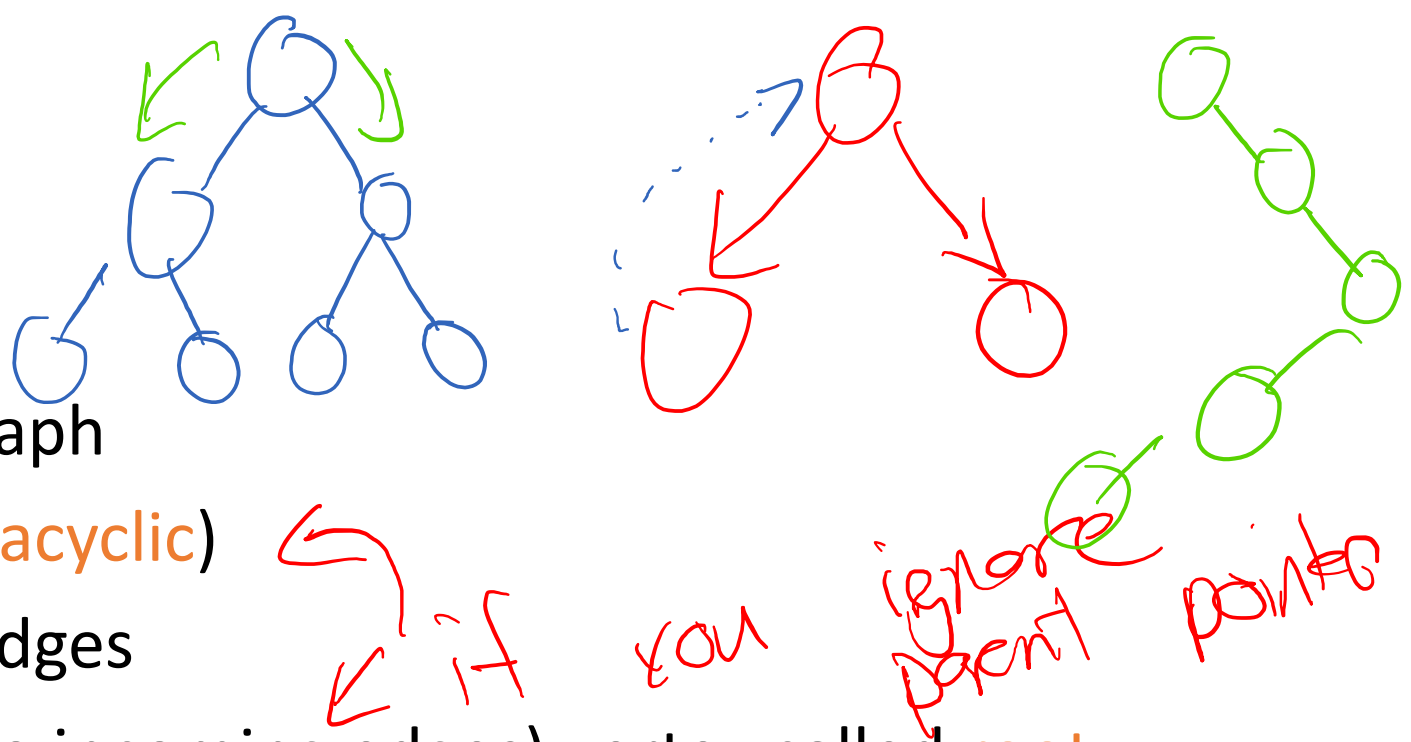
Each node has:

- A pointer to a left subtree
- A pointer to a right subtree
- A pointer to a parent node
- A piece of data (the key value)

Search tree property:

- All keys found in a left subtree must be less than the key of the current node
- All keys found in a right subtree must be greater than the key of the current node

Trees and Graphs

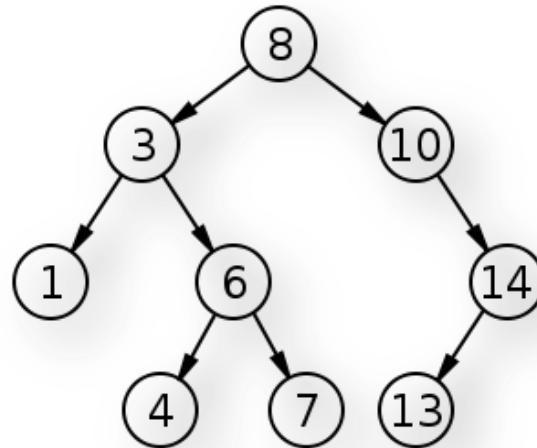


- Trees are a special type of graph
- Trees cannot contain cycles (**acyclic**)
- Trees always have directed edges
- Trees have a single source (no incoming edges) vertex called **root**
- All tree vertices have one **parent** (except **root**, which has no parents)
- Trees always have $n-1$ edges
- BST compared to Heap?
 - Heap is always balanced, BSTs are not necessarily balanced
 - They have different properties (where are lesser values?)

Balanced Binary Search Tree (vs Sorted Array)

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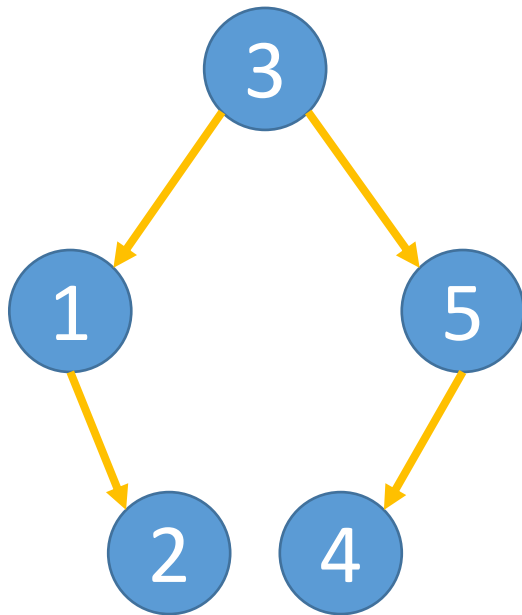
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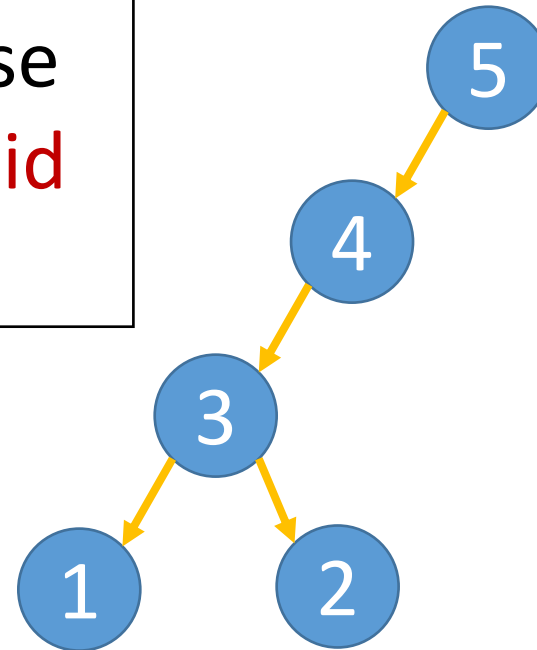
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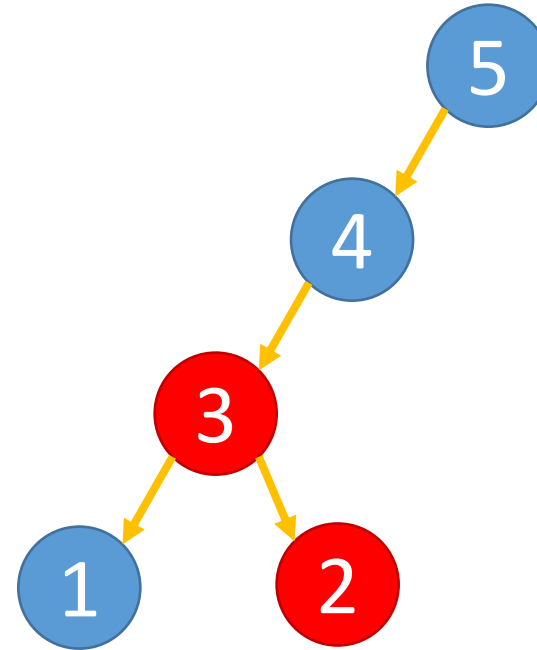
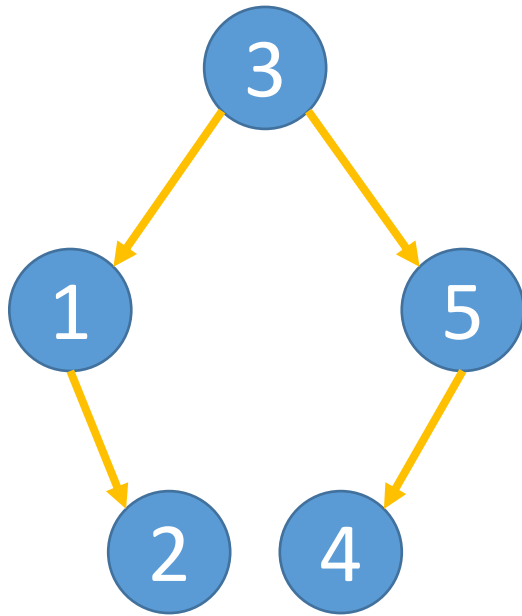


Are these
both **valid**
BSTs?



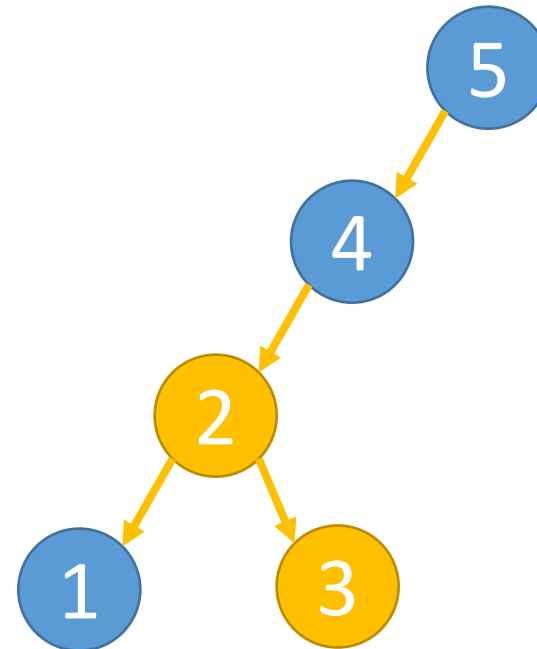
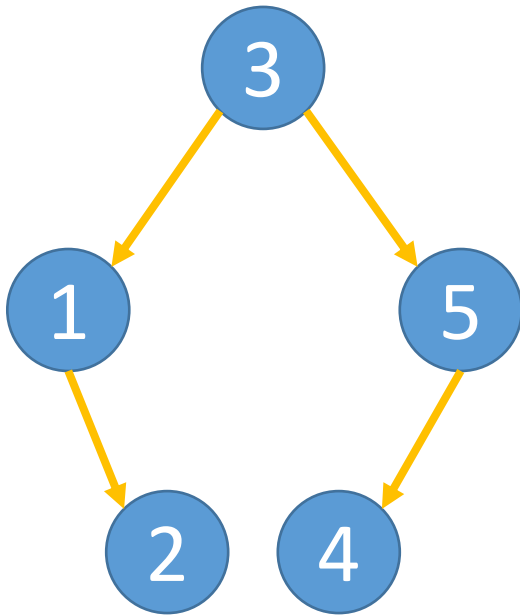
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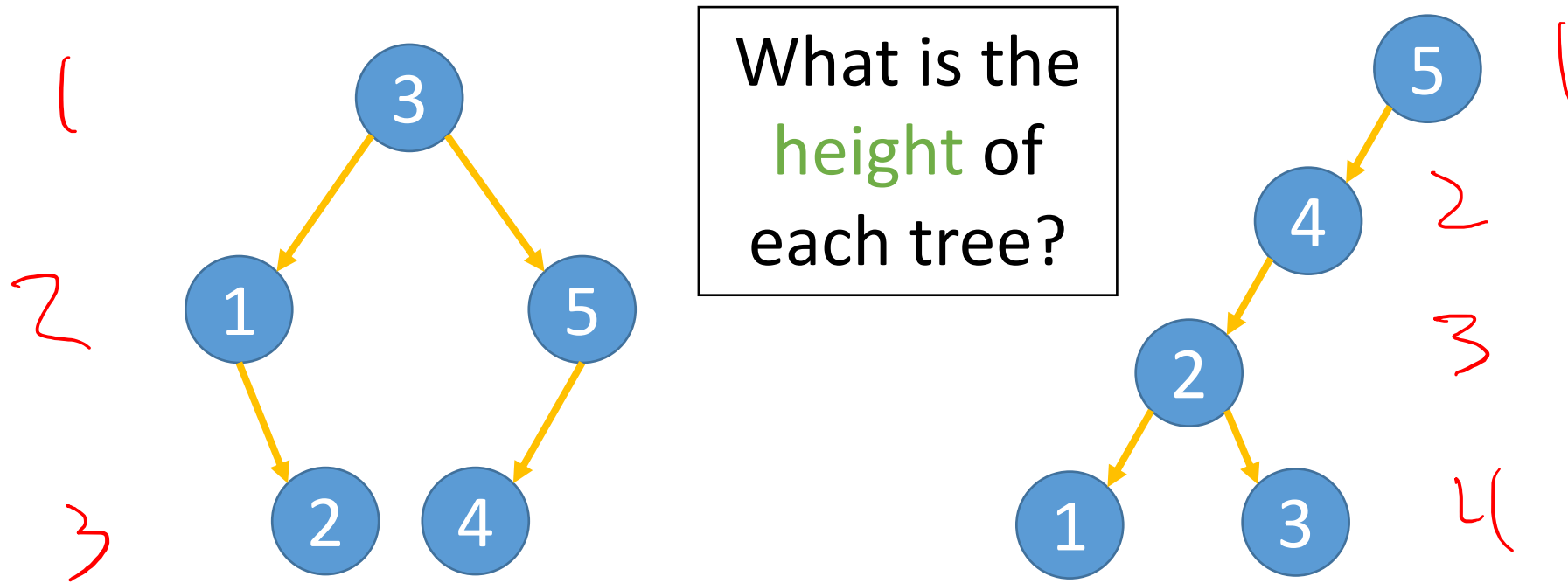
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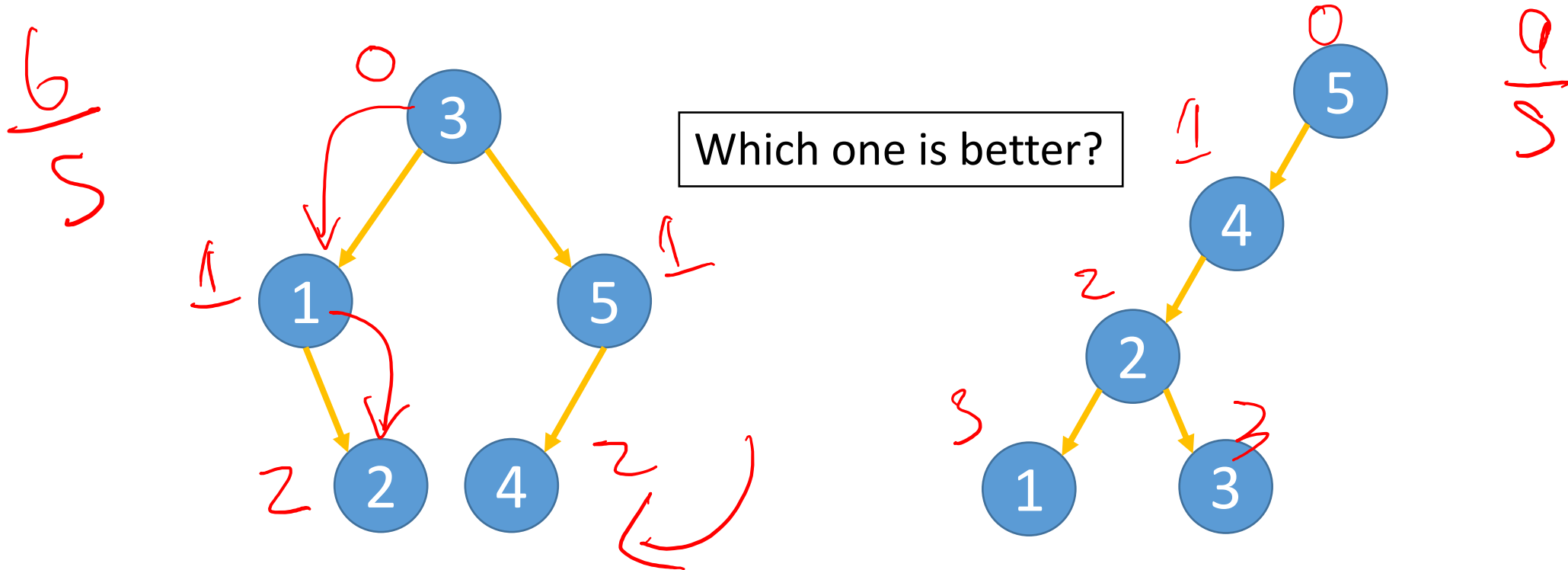
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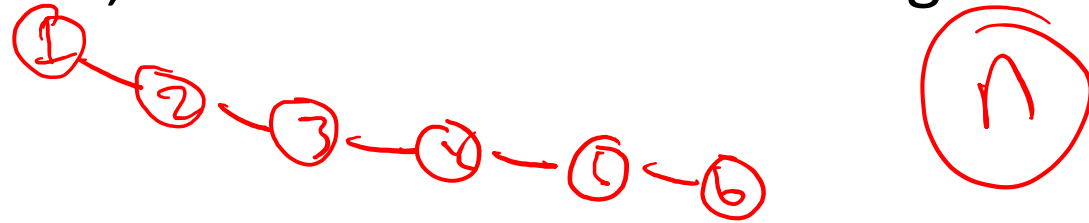
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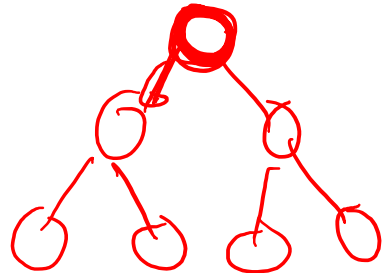
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- If we have n nodes, what is the maximum height of the tree?



- If we have n nodes, what is the minimum height of the tree?

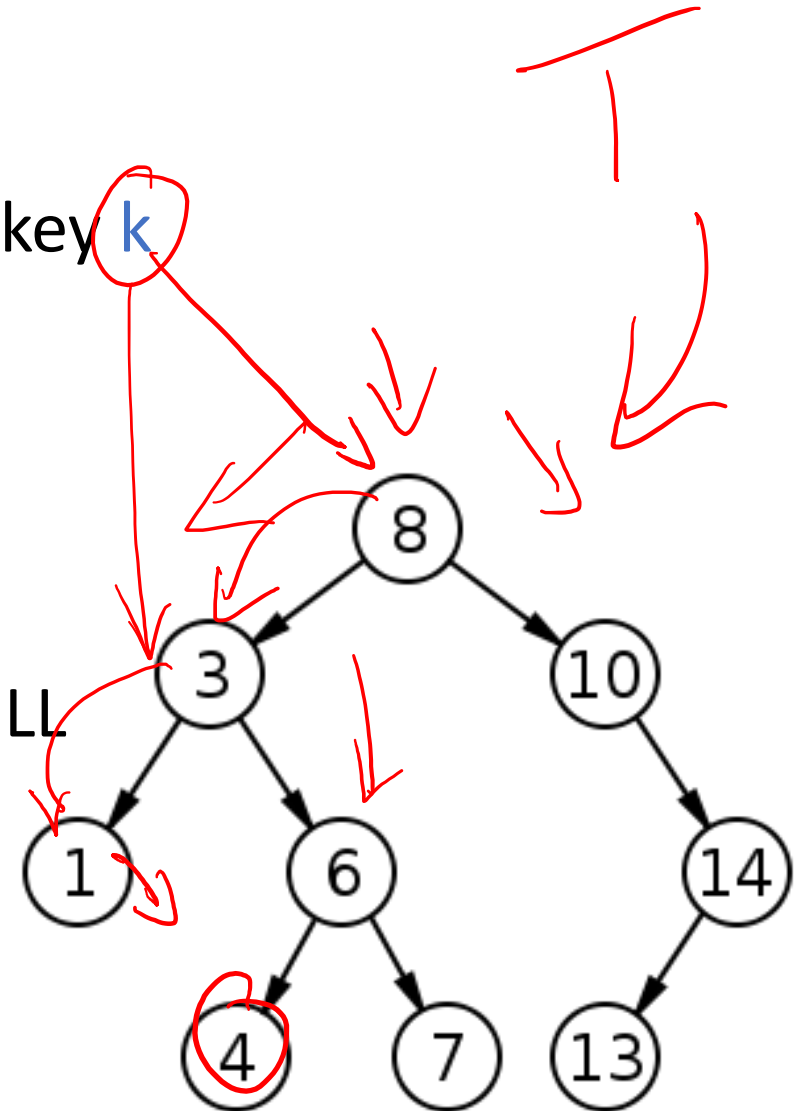


$\lg n$

Searching a BST

Search the tree **T** for the key **k**

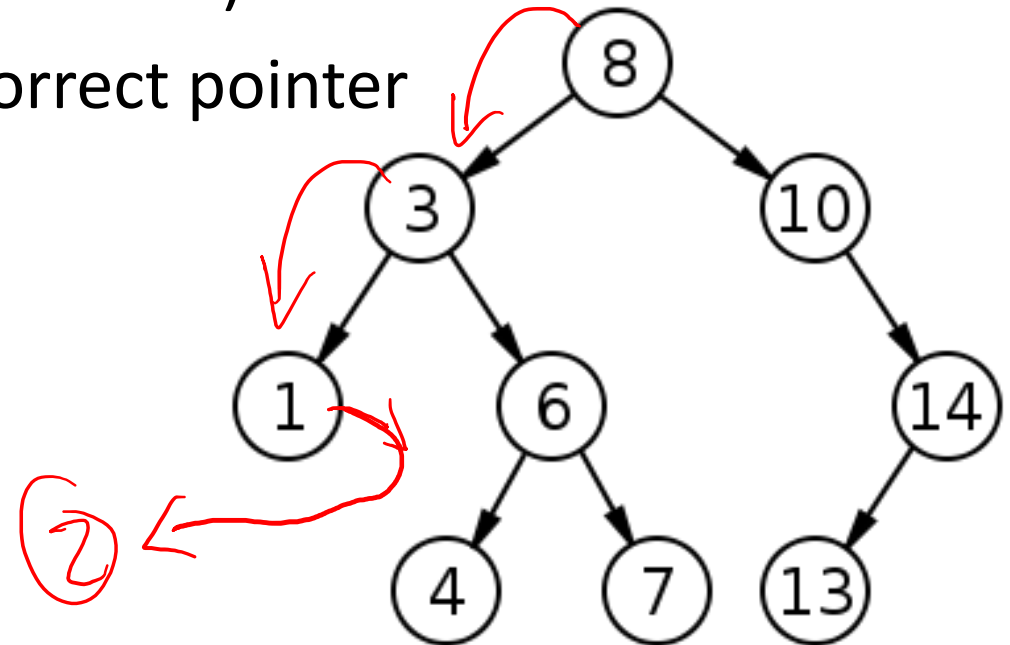
1. Start at the root node
2. Recursively:
 1. Traverse left if $k < \text{current key}$
 2. Traverse right if $k > \text{current key}$
3. Return the node when found or return NULL



Inserting into a BST

Insert the key **k** into the tree **T**

1. Start at the root node
2. Search for the key **k** (probably won't find it)
3. Create a new node and setup the correct pointer

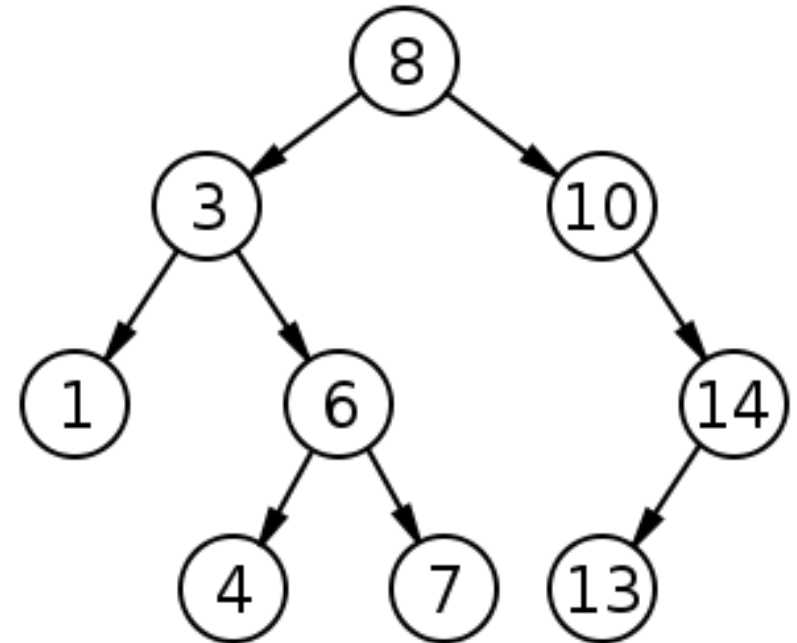


Question

Given a binary search tree that is not necessarily **balanced** or **unbalanced**, what is the **maximum number of hops** needed to search the tree or insert a new node?

Options:

- a. 1
- b. $\lg n$
- c. tree height
- d. n



1

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6

7

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10

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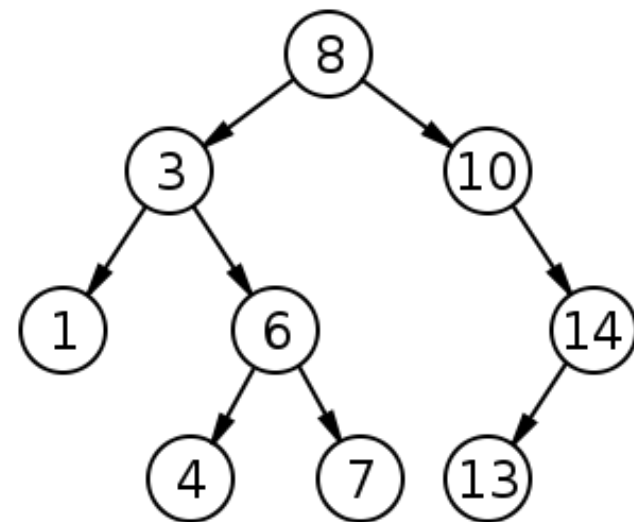
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- Min
- Max
- Predecessor (k)
- Successor (k)

Exercise

- What is the running time?

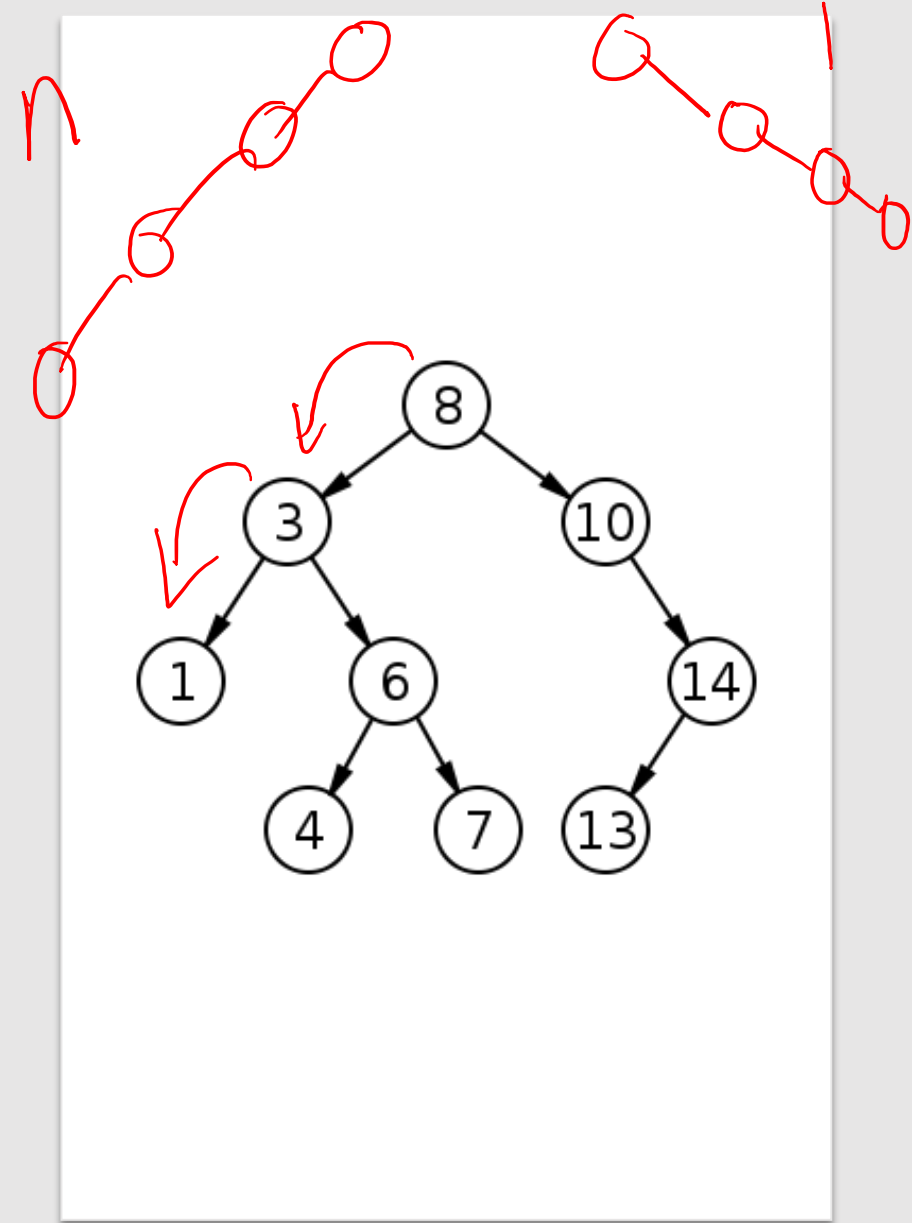


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 $O(\text{tree height})$



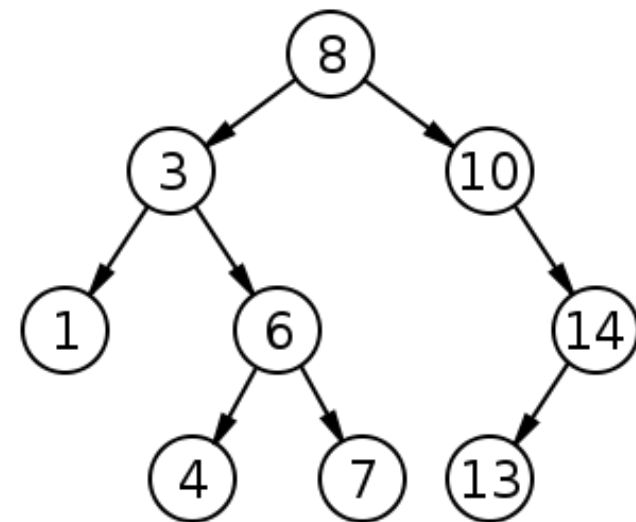
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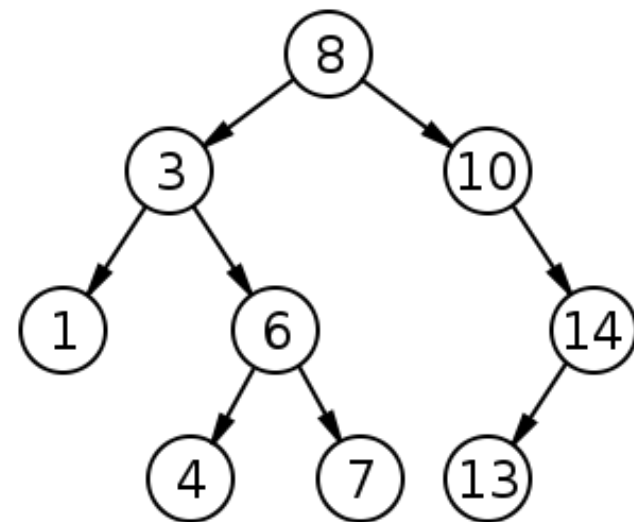
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How do you find:

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- Successor (k)

OR Max First of left
OR First of right
OR Successor
OR Ancestor

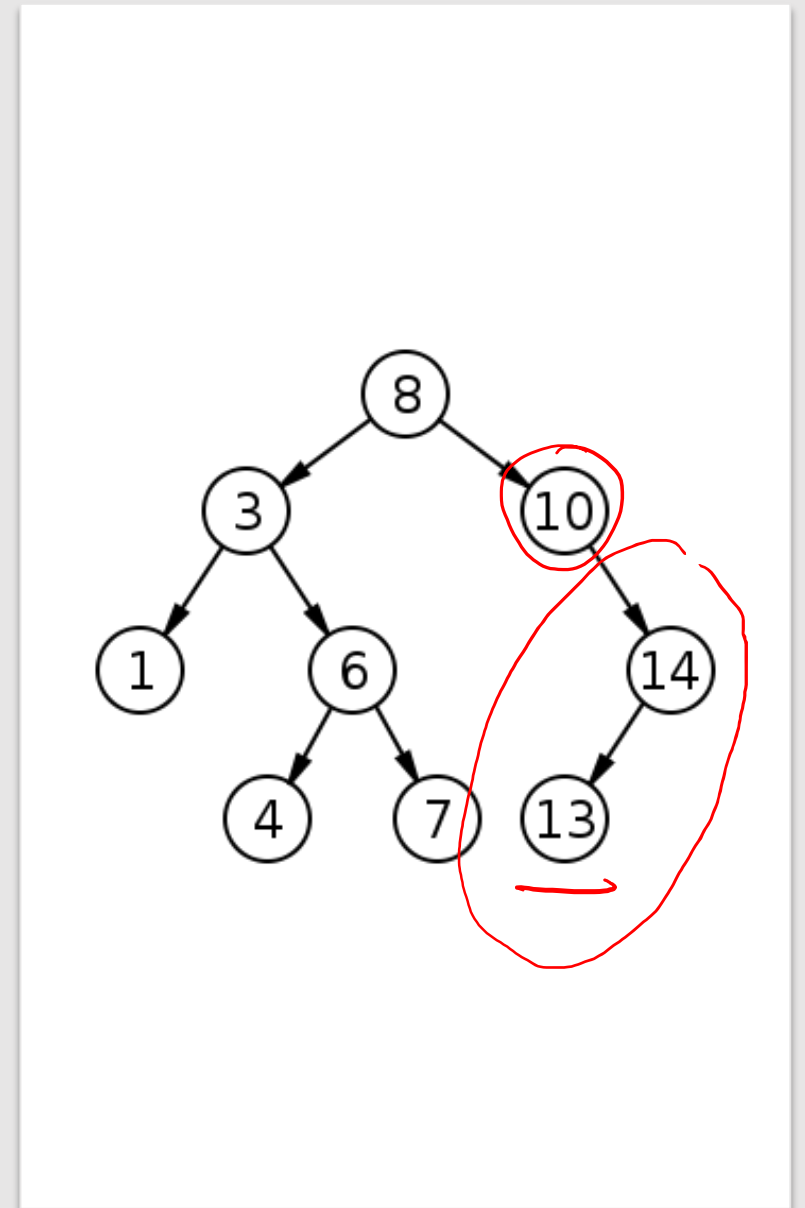
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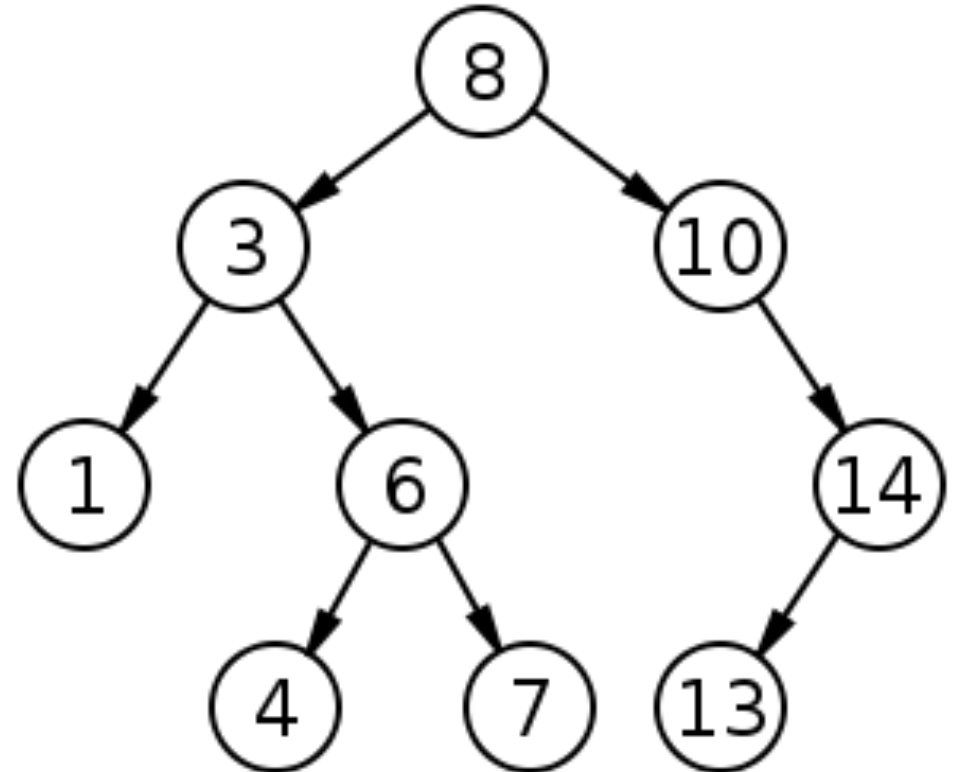
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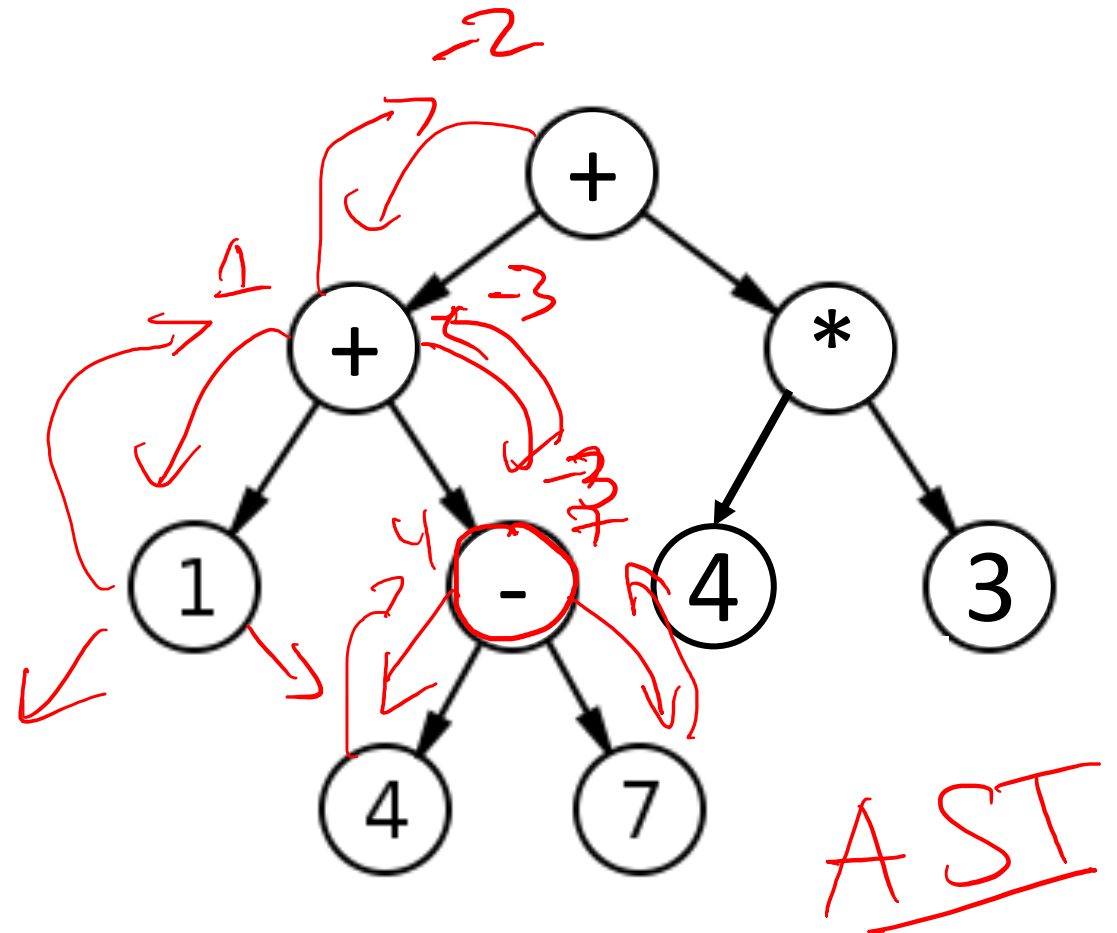
How would you print all nodes **in order**?

- **In-order** traversal:
 - Recursively visit nodes on the left
 - **Print out the current node**
 - Recursively visit nodes on the right
- What is the running time?



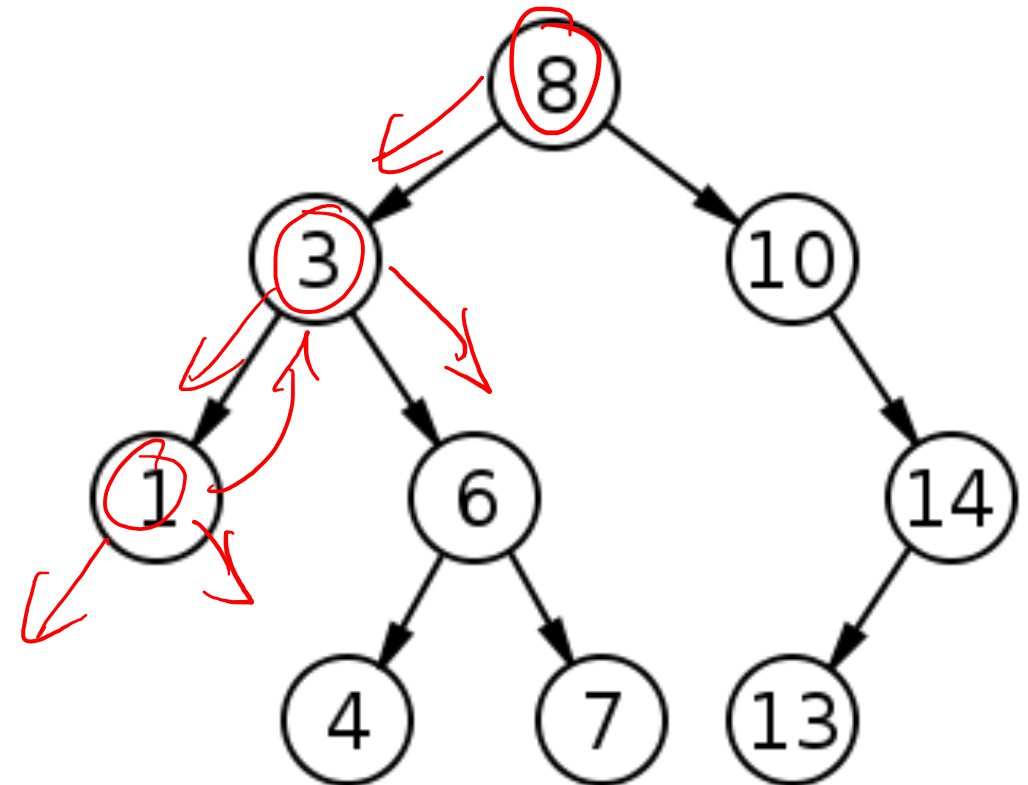
Post-Order Traversal

- Recursively visit nodes on the left
- Recursively visit nodes on the right
- **“Visit” the current node**



Pre-Order Traversal

- “Visit” the current node
- Recursively visit nodes on the left
- Recursively visit nodes on the right



1. What kind of traversal is this?
2. What is the output?

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>DOM Walk Demo</title>
</head>
<body>
  <header>140</header>
  <main>
    <h1>Hello CSCI 140 P0</h1>
    <ul>
      <li>MergeSort</li>
      <li>Breadth First Search</li>
      <li>Dijkstra's Algorithm</li>
      <li>Binary Search Trees</li>
      <li>Conquer The World</li>
    </ul>
  </main>
  <footer>Prof. Clark</footer>
</body>
</html>
```

```
var indentLevel = 0;
var walk_the_DOM = function walk(node, func)
  func(node);
  indentLevel++;
  node = node.firstChild;
  while (node) {
    if (node.nodeName !== "#text") {
      walk(node, func);
    }
    node = node.nextSibling;
  }
  indentLevel--;
```

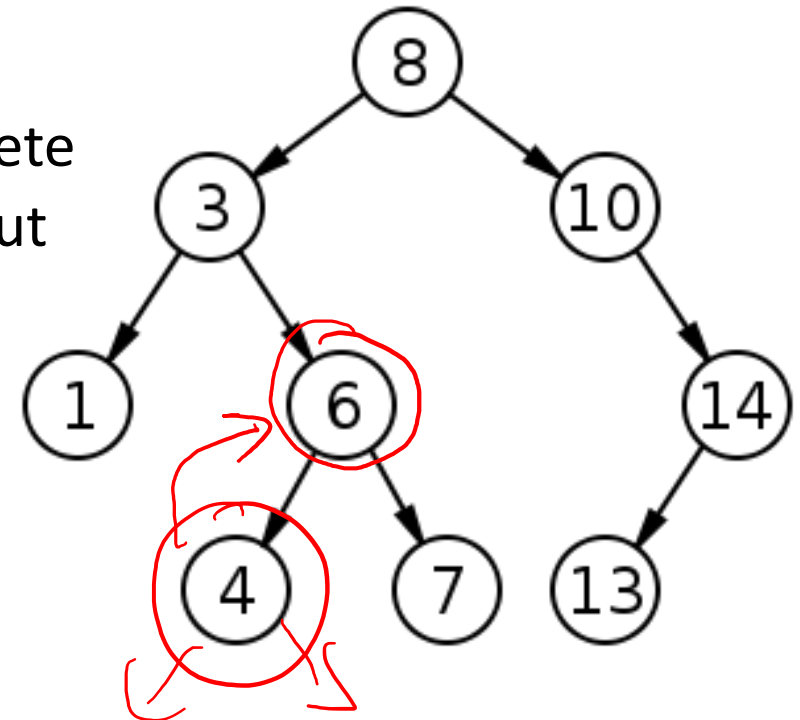
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walk_the_DOM(document.body, function (node) {
  console.log(" ".repeat(indentLevel) + node.nodeName);
});
```

```
BODY
  HEADER
    MAIN
      H1
      UL
        LI
        LI
        LI
        LI
        LI
      FOOTER
```

Deleting a node from a BST

Deletion is often the most difficult task for tree-like structures

- Search for the key
 - Case 1: If the node has no children then just delete
 - Case 2: If the node has one child then splice it out
 - Case 3: if the node has both children
 - Find the node's predecessor
 - Swap the node with its predecessor
 - Delete the node



Selection and Rank with a BST

How would you compute the i^{th} order statistic using a BST?

Idea: store some metadata at each node

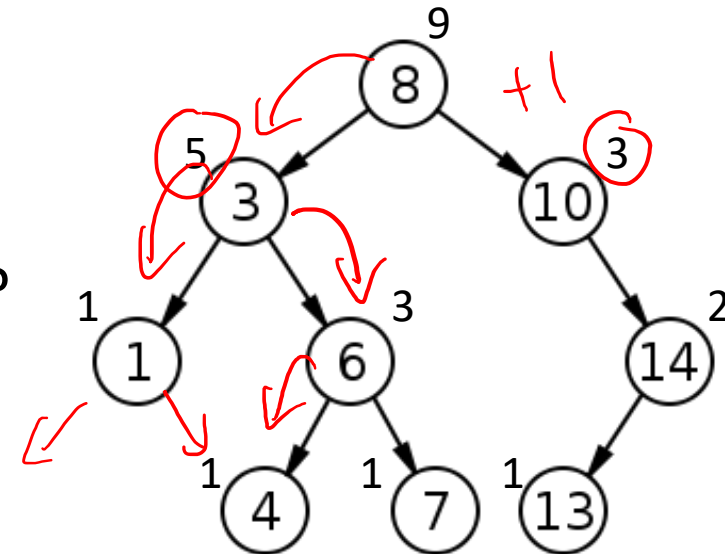
- Let $\text{size}(x)$ = the number of nodes rooted at x (the number of nodes that can be reached via the left and right children pointers)

How would you calculate $\text{size}(x)$?

- What kind of traversal would this use (in order, pre, or post)?
- $\text{size}(x) = \text{size}(\text{left}) + \text{size}(\text{right}) + 1$

null
0

null
0



FUNCTION UpdateSizes (bst_node)

IF bst_node **!=** NONE

UpdateSizes (bst_node.left)

UpdateSizes (bst_node.right)

bst_node.size = bst_node.left.size
+ bst_node.right.size
+ 1

ELSE

RETURN 0

Post
order

7th

Selection and Rank with a BST

FUNCTION `GetIthOrderStatistic(bst_node, i)`

`left_child_size = bst_node.left.size`

IF `left_child_size == (i - 1)`

RETURN `bst_node.value`

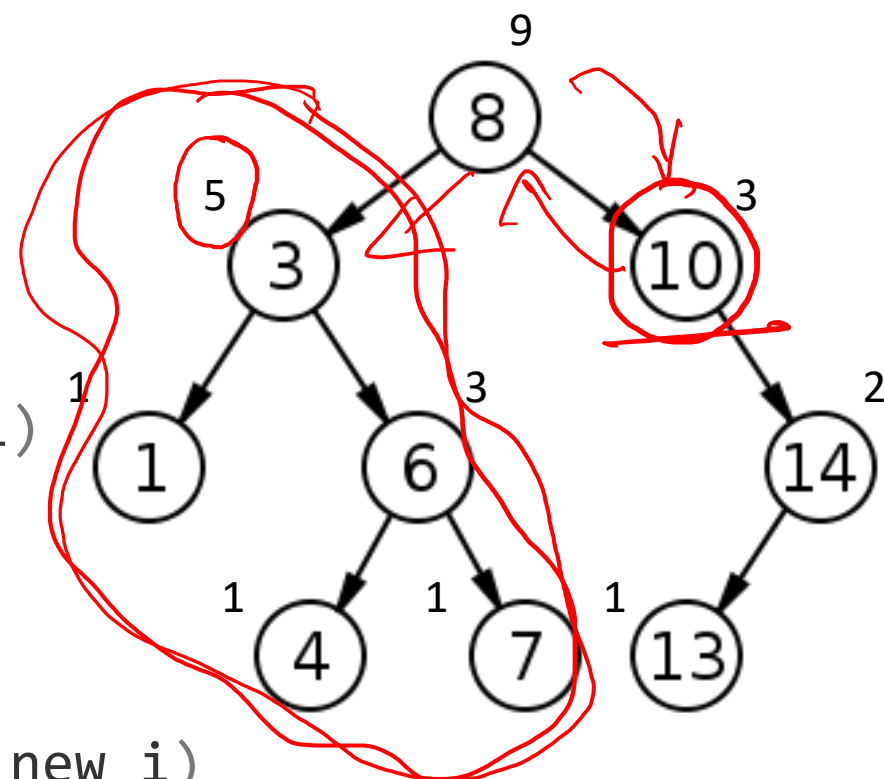
ELSE IF `left_child_size ≥ i`

RETURN `GetIthOrderStatistic(bst_node.left, i)`

ELSE

`new_i = i - left_child_size - 1`

RETURN `GetIthOrderStatistic(bst_node.right, new_i)`



Balanced Binary Search Trees

- Why is balancing important?
- What is the worst-case height for a binary tree?
- Balanced tree: the height of a balanced tree stays $O(\lg n)$ after insertions and deletions
- Many different types of balanced search trees:
 - AVL Tree, Splay Tree, B Tree, Red-Black Tree

↳ All ops depend on the height of the tree
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