Binary Search Trees

Recall the simple insertion method into a binary search tree that inserts the key k into the tree:

- 1. If the tree is empty, create the root and set its key to be equal to k
- 2. Otherwise, find the insertion point by following the path from the root to a leaf where at each node n, the left child is taken if k < n.key, otherwise the right child is taken. The insertion point is the last node n which doesn't have the appropriate child.
- 3. Insert a new node as a left child of the insertion point n if k < n.key, otherwise as a right child.

Recall the simple method to remove key k:

- 1. Find the node n that holds the key k.
- 2. If there is no left child of n, replace n with its right child (may be nothing).
- 3. Otherwise, find the node m with the maximum key in the subtree rooted at m.left. Move m.key to n.key. Then remove m and replace it with its left child (may be nothing).

Problems

1. Draw the binary search tree resulting from inserting the keys 49, 79, 44, 41, 64, 80, 48 into the empty tree in this order with the simple insertion method. Let T be the resulting tree.

The items being stored with the keys are not relevant for this exercise, just show the keys.

- 2. Give the range of numbers that can could insert T as a left child of the node whose key is 48:
- 3. Give the range of numbers that can be inserted into T as a right child of the node whose key is 64:

4. Draw the sequence of trees obtained by removing the keys in this order: 44, 46, 49, 79, 41, 80, 64. Use the removal method described above.

5. What order could you insert keys 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 to get a BST with the following shape?