

# Algorithms and Data Structures (CSci 115)

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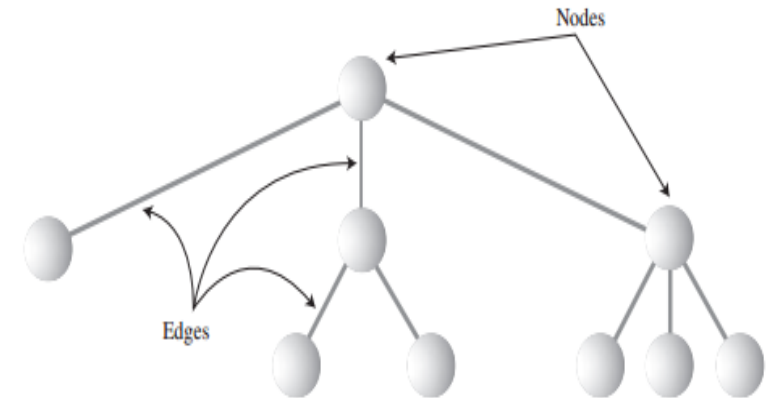
# Learning outcomes

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- Binary trees
  - Tree terminology
  - Binary tree structure
  - Binary Search Tree
  - Binary tree in C++

# Tree Terminology

- A **tree** (T) consists of
  - a collection of **nodes** connected by a number of **edges**
- There is one specially designated node called the **root** of the tree (denoted as **R**)
- There can be **zero** or more **subtrees** connected to the root node
- The root node of each subtree is a **child** of the root
- There is an **edge** from a node to each of its children, and a node is said to be the **parent** of its children



```
struct TreeNode {  
    int item;           // The data in this node.  
    TreeNode *left;     // Pointer to the left subtree.  
    TreeNode *right;    // Pointer to the right subtree.  
}
```

# Tree Terminology

- **Traversing**

- To traverse a tree means to “visit all the nodes in a specified order”.
- Example: you might visit all the nodes in order of ascending key value

- **Depth:** The depth of a node: the number of **edges from the root** to the **node**.

- **Height:** The height of a node: the number of **edges from the node** to the deepest leaf.
  - height of a tree == a height of the root.

- **Levels:**

- The **level** of a particular node refers to how many generations the node is **from** the root
  - The Root node is at Level 0 (start at 0)
  - The Root node’s children are at Level 1, the Root node’s grandchildren are at Level 2 etc.

- **Keys:**

- One data field in an object is usually designated a **key value**
- This key value is used to search for the item
- In tree diagrams the key value of the item is typically shown in the circle

- **Size:** the total number of nodes in that tree

# Tree Terminology

## ■ Example

### ➤ height of node **2** : 1

- from **2** there is a path to 2 leaf nodes (**4** and **5**)
- each of the 2 paths is only 1 edge long
- → the largest is 1.

### ➤ height of node **3** : 2

- from **3** there is a path to only 1 leaf node (**7**), and it has of 2 edges.

### ➤ height of the tree: 3

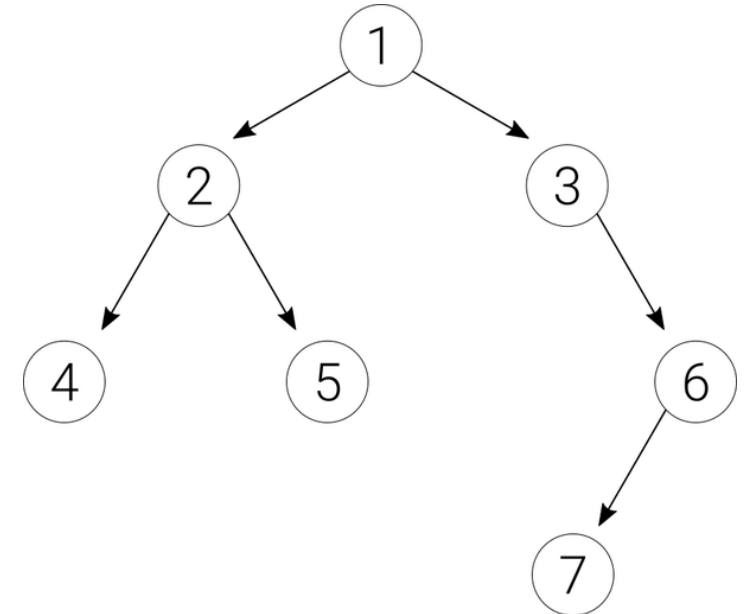
- from the root node **1** there is a path to 3 leaf nodes (**4**, **5**, and **7**)
- the path to the **4** and **5** consists of 2 edges while the path to the **7** consists of 3 edges
- → get the largest: 3.

### ➤ size of the tree: 7.

### ➤ depth of node **2** is 1

### ➤ depth of node **3** is 1; the depth node **6** is 2.

### ➤ depth of the binary tree == height of the tree == 3.



# Tree Terminology

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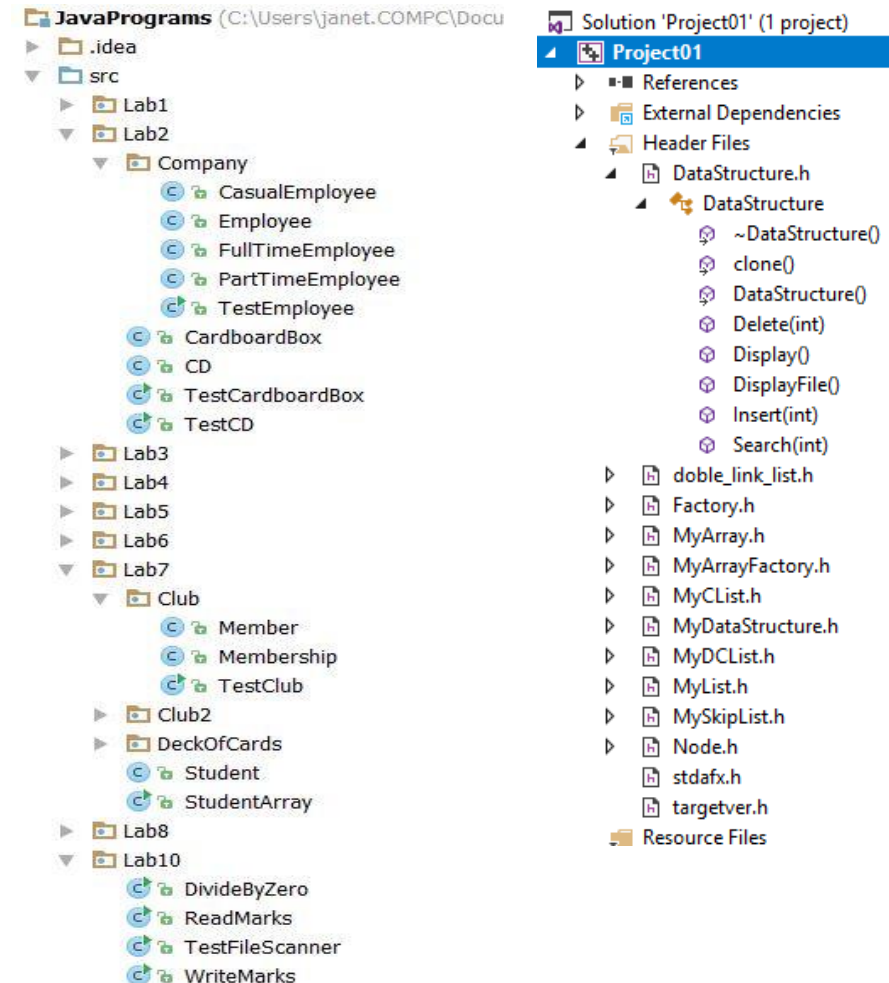
## ■ Definitions

### ➤ Warning

- Be careful for Midterm 2 and the final !!!
  - Number of edges vs. Number of nodes
  - What is what?

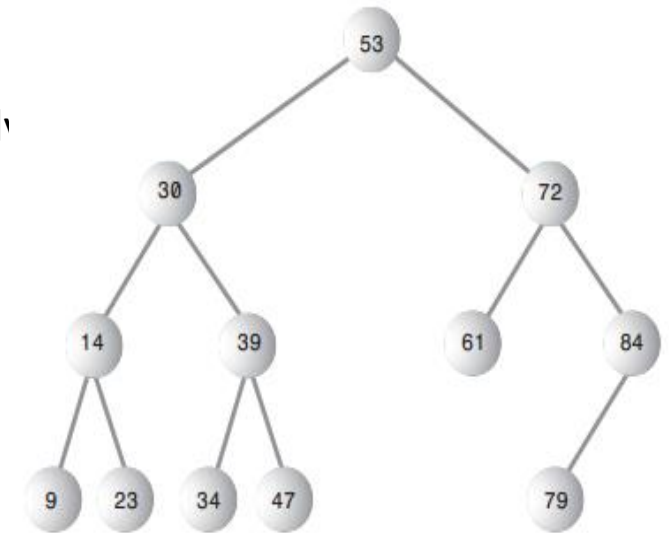
# Tree Topology

- Typically
  - There is **one node** in the **top row of a tree**
    - with lines connecting to more nodes on the second row, even more on the third row, and so on...
- Why might you want to use a tree?
  - Usually, because it combines the advantages of two other structures:
    - An ordered array, and
    - A linked list



# Binary Tree

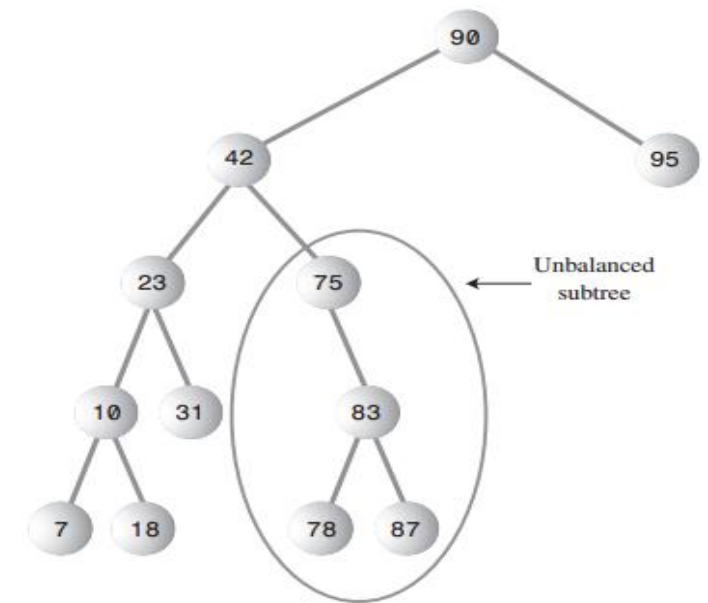
- A **Binary Tree** is a tree in which any given node can have a maximum of 2 children
- The 2 children of each node in a binary tree: **left child** and the **right child**
- A node in a binary tree does **not** have to have exactly 2 children. It may have only
  - A left child (e.g. node 84 only has a left child),
  - A right child (no examples in diagram), or
  - No children at all (leaf nodes) (e.g. 9, 23, 61 ...)
- Defining characteristics of a **Binary Search Tree** :
  - A node's left child has a key **less than** its parent, and
  - A node's right child has a key **greater than or equal** to its parent





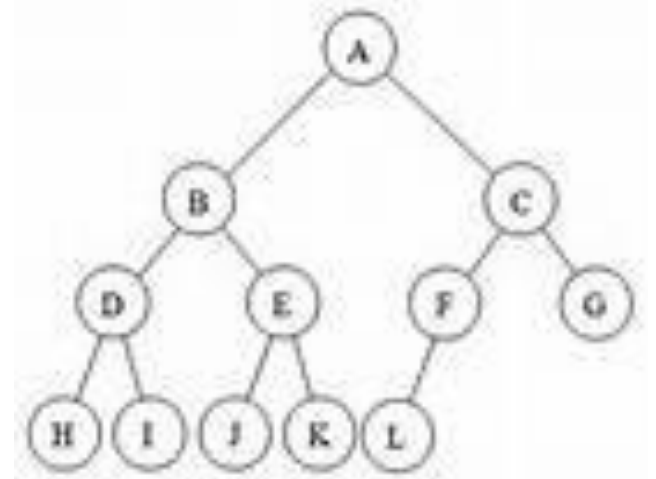
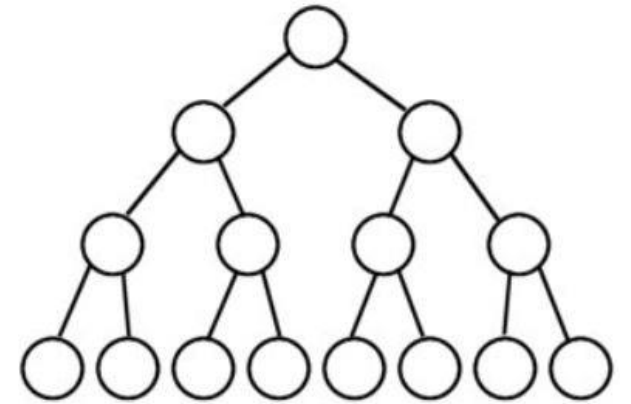
# Unbalanced Trees

- An **unbalanced** tree has most of its nodes to 1 side of the root node
  - Either to the left or to the right of the root
  - Individual subtrees may also be unbalanced
- Trees become unbalanced because of the order in which the data items are inserted
  - If the key values are inserted randomly, the tree is likely to be more or less balanced
- If an ascending sequence or a descending sequence is generated the tree will be unbalanced.
  - Why?



# Complete binary trees

- In a **complete binary tree**
  - All the nodes at one level must have values before starting the next level
  - All the nodes in the last level must be completed from left to right
- Warning
  - This notion will come back with the **Heaps**

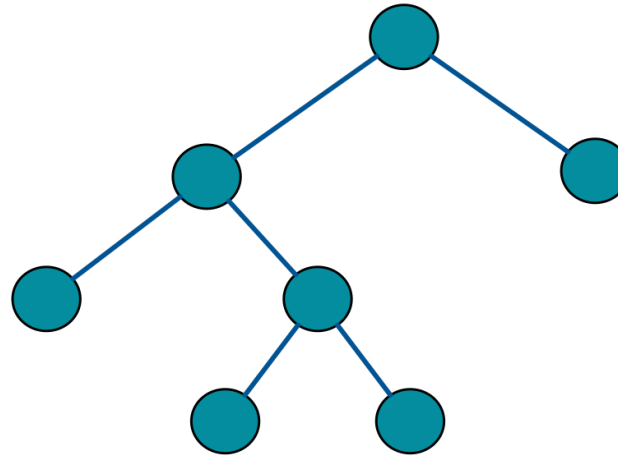


# Full binary trees

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- Definition:

- A binary tree in which every node has either **0 or 2 children**

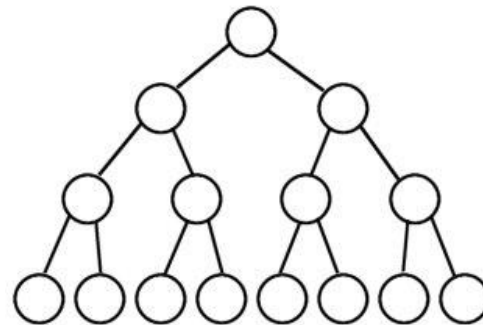


# Perfect binary trees

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## ■ Definition

- A binary tree in which all interior nodes have **2 children** and all leaves have the **same** depth or same level
  1. It is a full binary tree
  2. All leaf nodes are at the same level



# Perfect binary trees

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## ■ Definitions

- # nodes at depth  $d = 2^d$
- A perfect binary tree of height  $h$  has:  $2^{h+1} - 1$  nodes
- Number of leaf nodes in a perfect binary tree of height  $h = 2^h$
- Number of internal nodes in a perfect binary tree of height  $h = 2^h - 1$

# Number of nodes

- Example:

- C++ code

```
int countNodes( TreeNode *root ) {  
    // Count the nodes in the binary tree to which  
    // root points, and return the answer.  
    if ( root == NULL )  
        return 0; // The tree is empty. It contains no nodes.  
    else {  
        int count = 1; // Start by counting the root.  
        count += countNodes(root->left); // Add the number of nodes  
                                         // in the left subtree.  
        count += countNodes(root->right); // Add the number of nodes  
                                         // in the right subtree.  
        return count; // Return the total.  
    }  
} // end countNodes()
```

# Binary Trees

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- The first thing needed to represent the tree
  - **Class to represent the Node objects**
- These **Node** objects contain
  - **Data**
    - Representing the objects being stored (int, double, string,...)
    - Example
      - The employees in an employee database
  - **Pointers to**
    - Each of the node's two children

# Finding a Node

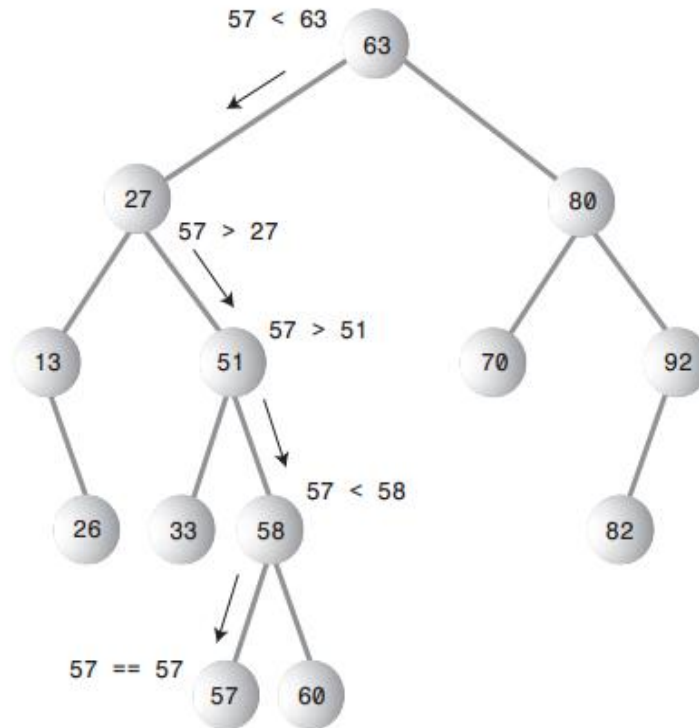
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- Remember that the Nodes in a **Binary Search Tree** correspond to objects that contain information
- Example, the Nodes might be:
  - **Person objects**
    - With an *employee number* as the key
    - Perhaps *name, address, telephone number, salary* etc.
  - **Car part objects**
    - With a *part number* as the key value
    - Fields for *quantity available, price* etc.
- A Node is therefore created with these characteristics, which are kept throughout its life



# Finding the Node 57

- Find the Node representing the item with key value 57



# Finding a Node - Technique

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- This method uses a variable called **current** to hold the node it is currently examining
- The parameter **key** is the value to be found
- The routine starts at the **root** – why?

Set **current** to point to the root

DO

IF ((**current** = null) OR (**current.data** = key))

Set finished to true

ELSE

IF (key < **current.data**)

Go to the LEFT (Set **current** to **current.left**)

ELSE

Go to the RIGHT (Set **current** to **current.right**)

WHILE (! finished)

return **current**

# Finding a Node

## ■ C++

```
bool treeContainsNR( TreeNode *root, string item ) {
    // Return true if item is one of the items in the binary
    // sort tree to which root points.  Return false if not.
    TreeNode *runner; // For "running" down the tree.
    runner = root;    // Start at the root node.
    while (true) {
        if (runner == NULL) {
            return false; // fallen off the tree without finding item.
        }
        else if ( item == runner->item ) {
            return true; // We've found the item.
        }
        else if ( item < runner->item ) {
            // If the item occurs, it must be in the left subtree,
            // So, advance the runner down one level to the left.
            runner = runner->left;
        }
        else {
            // If the item occurs, it must be in the right subtree.
            // So, advance the runner down one level to the right.
            runner = runner->right;
        }
    }
}
```

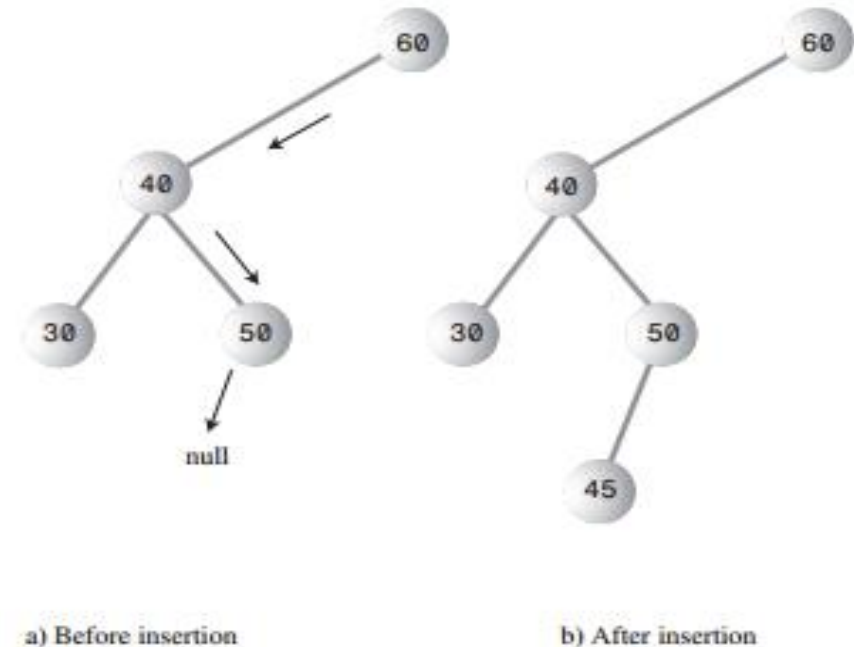
# Inserting a Node

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- We must find the correct place to insert the node
- We use a similar technique as trying to find a node that turns out not to exist
- The **path** from the **root** to the **appropriate node** is followed
  - This will be the **parent** of the new node
  - The new node is connected as its left or right child
    - This depends on whether the new node's key is less than or greater than that of the parent

# Inserting a Node

- Assume we are trying to insert a new Node with the key 45
  - The value **45** is less than **60** and then greater than **40**, we arrive at node **50**
  - As **45** is less than **50** we would now expect to go left BUT **50** has no left child; its leftChild field is null.
  - On seeing this null, the insertion routine has found the place to insert the new node
  - **The algorithm creates a new node with the value 45 and connects it as the left child of 50**
- A place to insert a new node will always be found
  - Unless you run out of memory
    - When a place is found, and the new node is attached



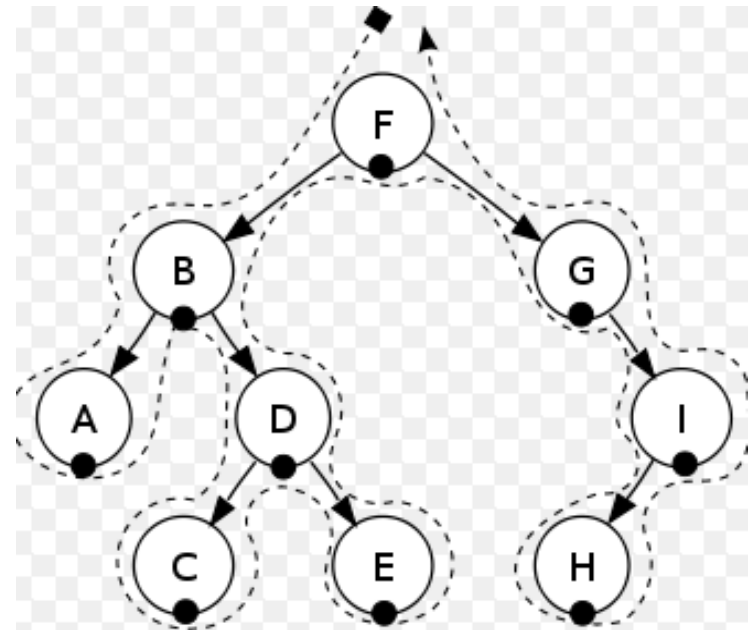
# Traversing the Tree

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- Traversing a tree means **visiting each node in a specified order**
- This process is not as common as finding, inserting or deleting nodes
  - Traversal is not particularly fast
- 3 ways to traverse a tree:
  1. **Pre-order**
  2. **In-order**
  3. **Post-order**
- The order most commonly used for binary search trees is **in-order**

# In-order Tree Traversal

- An **in-order** traversal of a binary search tree will cause all the nodes to be visited in **ascending order**, based on their key values
  - If you want to create a sorted list of the data in a binary tree, this is one way to do it
- **The simplest way to carry out a traversal is the use of recursion**
  - A recursive method to traverse the entire tree is called with a node as a parameter



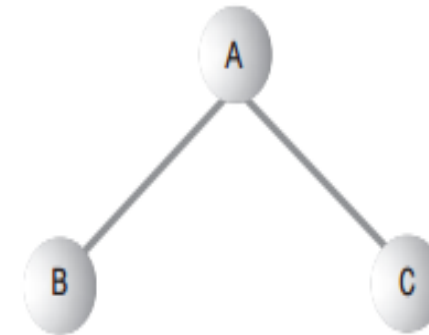
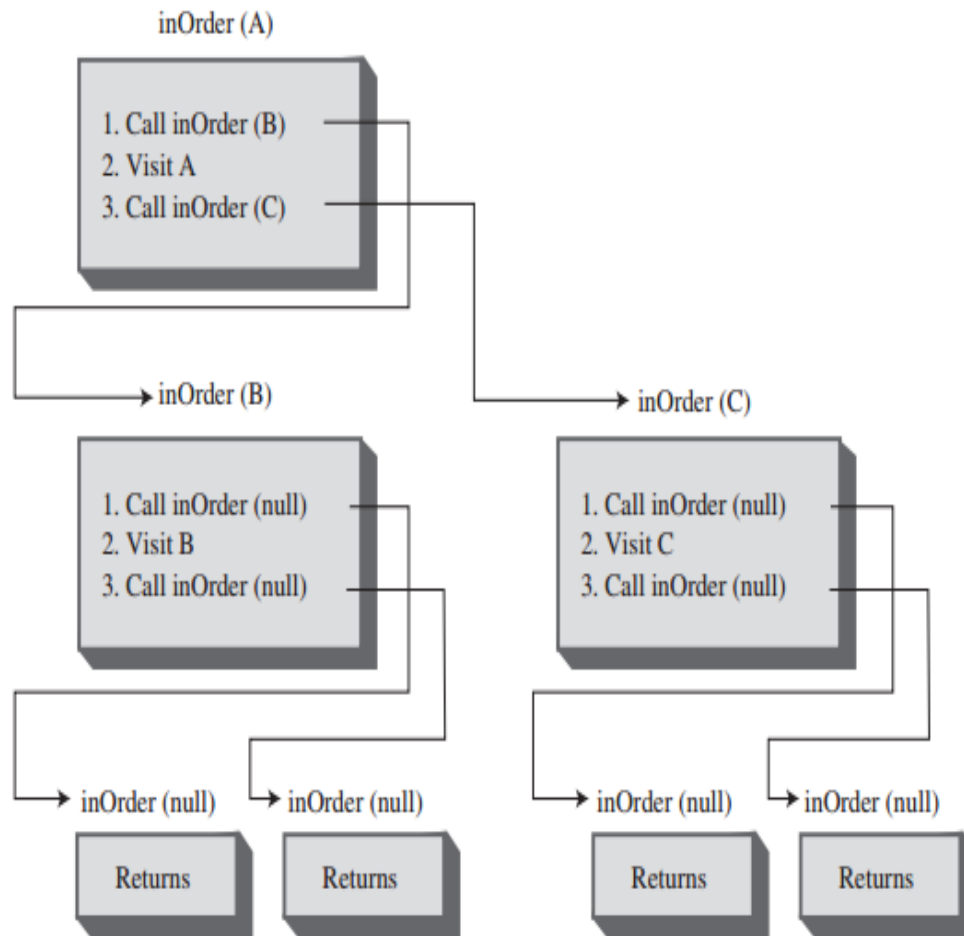
# In-order Tree Traversal

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- Start at the root
- The **inorder(...)** method needs to do only 3 things:
  1. Call itself to traverse the Node's **LEFT** subtree
  2. **VISIT THE NODE**
  3. Call itself to traverse the Node's **RIGHT** subtree
- **Visiting** a Node
  - → doing something to it such as displaying the key, writing it to a file, etc.
- The traversal mechanism does not pay any attention to the key values of the Nodes - it only concerns itself with whether a node has children



# Traversing a 3-Node Tree



# Pre-order and Post-order Tree Traversals

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- You can traverse the tree in 2 other ways:
  - **Pre-order**
  - **Post-order**
- Consider a binary tree that represents an algebraic expression involving the binary arithmetic operators  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $/$ , and  $*$
- The root node holds an operator, and the other nodes hold either
  - a variable name (like A, B, or C), or
  - another operator
- Each **subtree** is a valid algebraic expression

# Tree Representing an Algebraic Expression

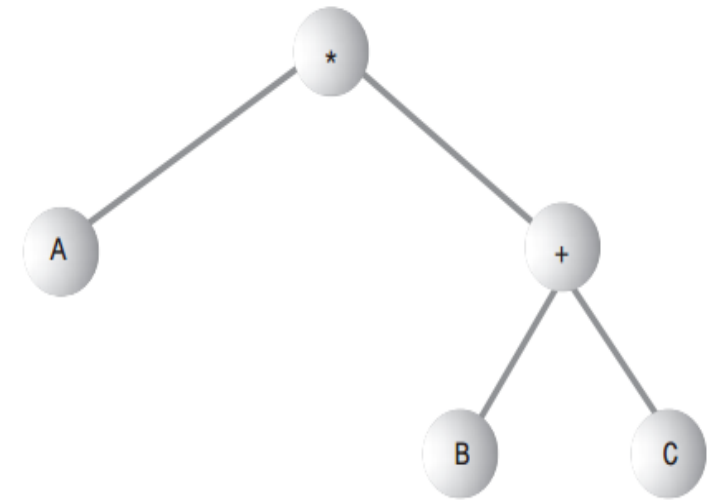
- The binary tree shown represents the algebraic expression

$$A * (B + C)$$

- This is called **infix notation** - the notation normally used in algebra
- Using in-order traversal of the tree will generate the correct in-order sequence:

$$A * B + C$$

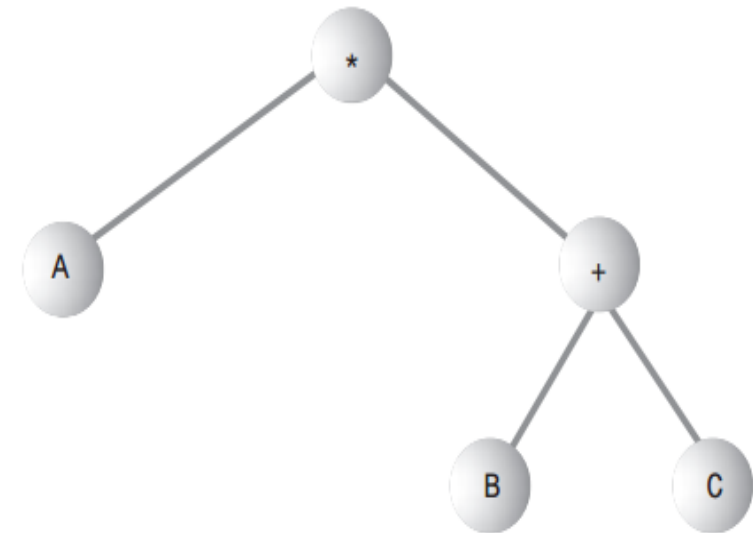
- You need to insert the parentheses yourself



# Pre-order Tree Traversal

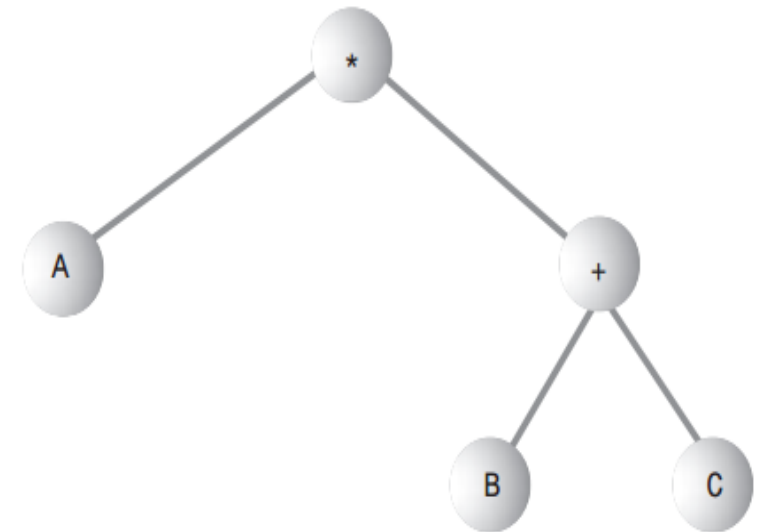
- What does this have to do with pre-order and post-order traversals?
- For these traversals the same 3 steps are used as for in-order, but in a different sequence
- The sequence for a **preorder** (...) method is:
  - Visit the node
  - Call itself to traverse the node's **left subtree**
  - Call itself to traverse the node's **right subtree**
- Traversing the tree using **preorder** would generate the expression:

\* A + B C



# Post-order Tree Traversal

- The sequence for a **postorder** (...) method is as follows:
  - Call itself to traverse the node's **left subtree**
  - Call itself to traverse the node's **right subtree**
  - Visit the node
- For the tree presented, this would generate the expression:  
**A B C + \***
- This is called **postfix notation**
- It means “apply the last operator in the expression, \*, to the first and second things”
- The first thing is A, and the second thing is BC+

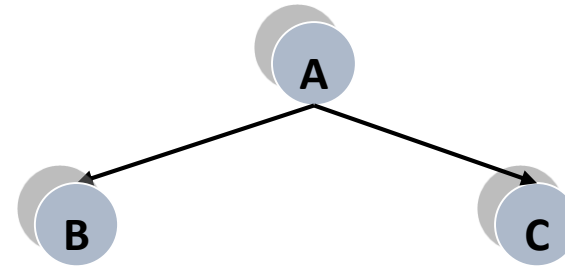


# Tree traversal

## ■ Order:

➤ Start with the root

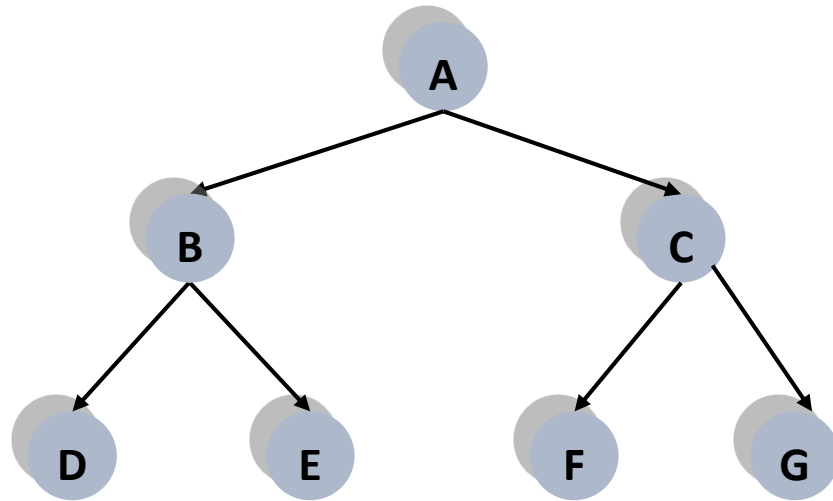
- **Pre:** Root **before**
- **In:** Root in the **middle**
- **Post:** Root **after**, at the end



Traversal	Order of Node Visitation			
<i>Pre-Order</i>	<b>A</b>	B	C	<b>Root</b> → Left → Right
<i>In-Order</i>	B	<b>A</b>	C	Left → <b>Root</b> → Right
<i>Post-Order</i>	B	C	<b>A</b>	Left → Right → <b>Root</b>

# Tree traversal

- Example



Traversal	Order of Node Visitation						
<i>PreOrder</i>	A	B	D	E	C	F	G
<i>InOrder</i>	D	B	E	A	F	C	G
<i>PostOrder</i>	D	E	B	F	G	C	A

# Tree traversal

## ■ C++ code

```
void preorderPrint( TreeNode *root ) {
    // Print all the items in the tree to which root points.
    // The item in the root is printed first, followed by the
    // items in the left subtree and then the items in the
    // right subtree.
    if ( root != NULL ) {
        cout << root->item << " ";    // Print the root item.
        preorderPrint( root->left );    // Print items in left subtree.
        preorderPrint( root->right );    // Print items in right subtree.
    }
}

void inorderPrint( TreeNode *root ) {
    // Print all the items in the tree to which root points.
    // The items in the left subtree are printed first, followed
    // by the item in the root node, followed by the items in
    // the right subtree.
    if ( root != NULL ) {
        inorderPrint( root->left );    // Print items in left subtree.
        cout << root->item << " ";    // Print the root item.
        inorderPrint( root->right );    // Print items in right subtree.
    }
}

void postorderPrint( TreeNode *root ) {
    // Print all the items in the tree to which root points.
    // The items in the left subtree are printed first, followed
    // by the items in the right subtree and then the item in the
    // root node.
    if ( root != NULL ) {
        postorderPrint( root->left );    // Print items in left subtree.
        postorderPrint( root->right );    // Print items in right subtree.
        cout << root->item << " ";    // Print the root item.
    }
}
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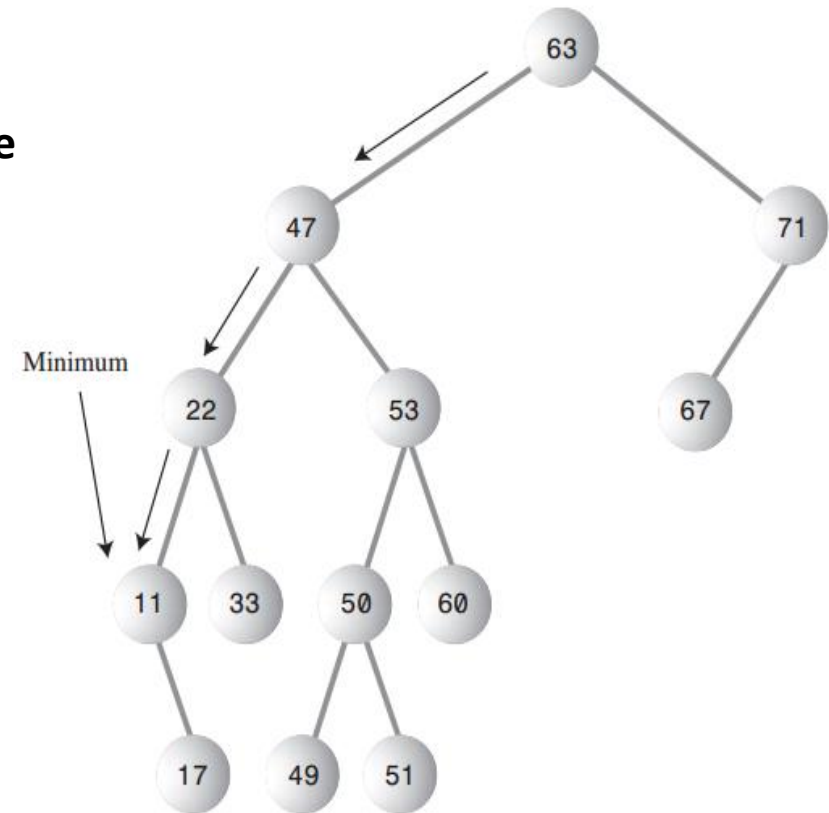
# Finding the Minimum Value in a Tree

For the **minimum**,

- Go to the left child of the root;
- Then go to the left child of that child, and so on, until **you come to a node that does not have a left child**.

**This node is the minimum.**

```
protected Node minimum() {  
    Node current = root, last = null;  
    while (current != null) {  
        last = current;  
        current = current.getLeft();  
    } //while  
    return last;  
} //minimum()
```



# Finding the Maximum value in a Tree

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- For the maximum value in the tree
- follow the same procedure as for the minimum value
- **Go from right child to right child, until you find a node without a right child**
- **This node is the maximum**
- The code is the same except that the last statement in the loop is:  
**`current = current.getRight();`**

# Finding Minimum and Maximum

## ■ C++ code

```
int FindMin(TreeNode *root) {  
    if (root == NULL) {  
        return INT_MAX; // or undefined.  
    }  
    if (root->left != NULL) {  
        return FindMin(root->left); // left tree is smaller  
    }  
    return root->data;  
}  
  
int FindMax(TreeNode *root) {  
    if (root == NULL) {  
        return INT_MAX; // or undefined.  
    }  
    if (root->right != NULL) {  
        return FindMax(root->right); // right tree is bigger  
    }  
    return root->data;  
}
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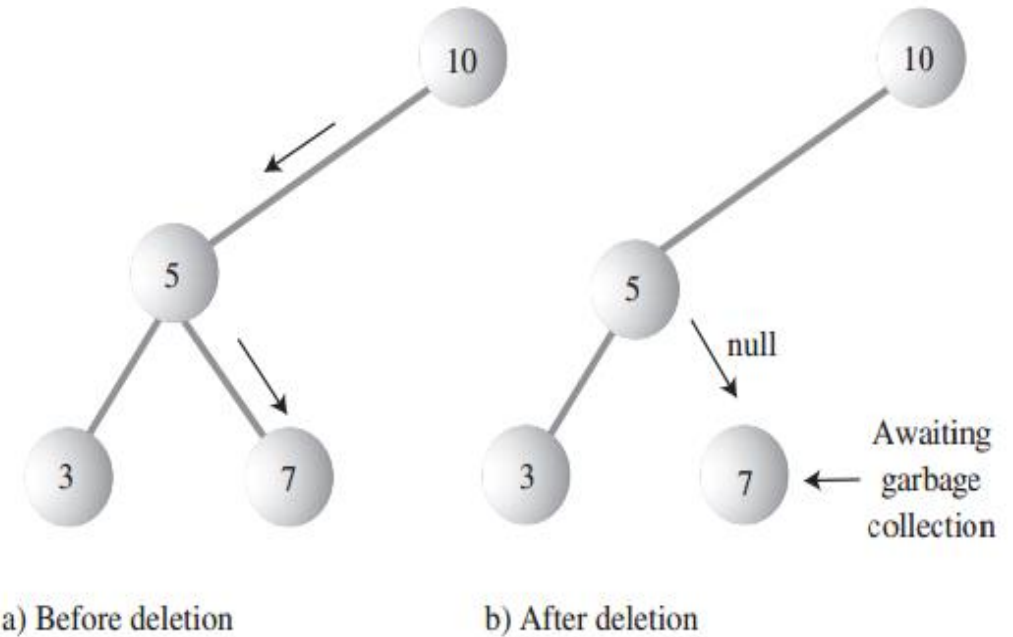
# Deleting a Node

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- Deleting a node
  - the most complicated common operation required for binary search trees
- You start by finding the node you want to delete
  - using the same approach in **find()** and **insert()**
- Once the node to be deleted has been found
  - 3 cases to consider:
    1. The node to be deleted is a leaf (does not have any children)
    2. The node to be deleted has one child
    3. The node to be deleted has two children

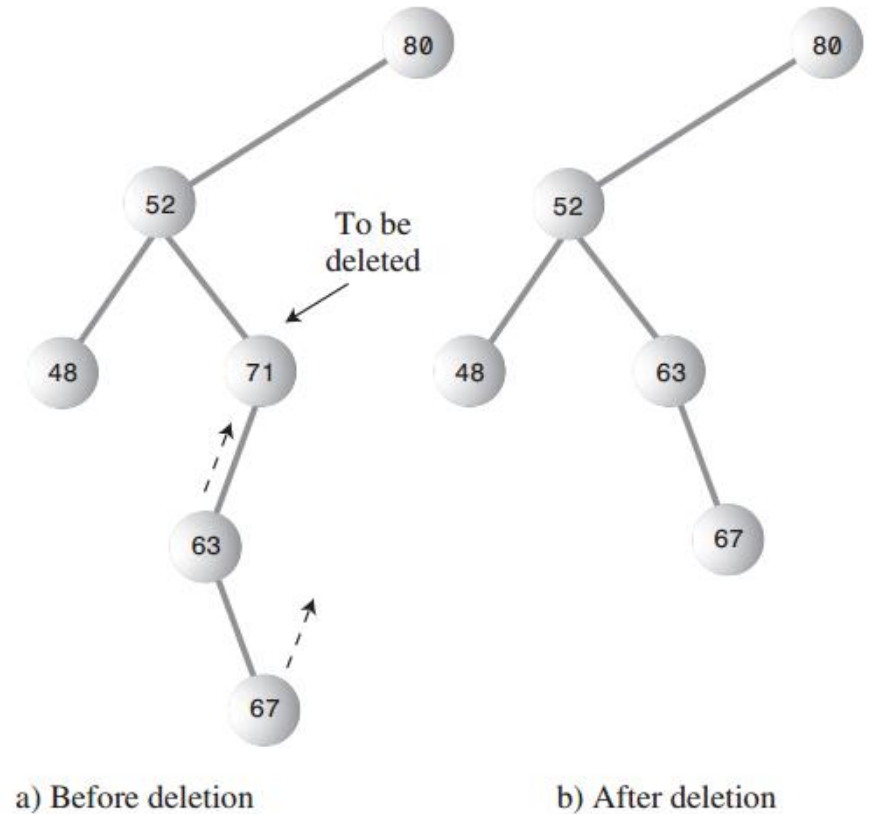
# Node to be Deleted – No Children

- To delete a leaf node with NO CHILDREN, change the appropriate child field in the node's parent to point to null, instead of to the node
- The node will still exist
  - but it will no longer be part of the tree



# Node to be Deleted – One Child

- In this case, the node only has 2 connections:
  1. to its parent, and
  2. to its only child
- **You need to “snip” the node out of this sequence by CONNECTING its PARENT directly to its CHILD**
- This process involves changing the appropriate reference in the parent (leftChild or rightChild) to point to the deleted node's child



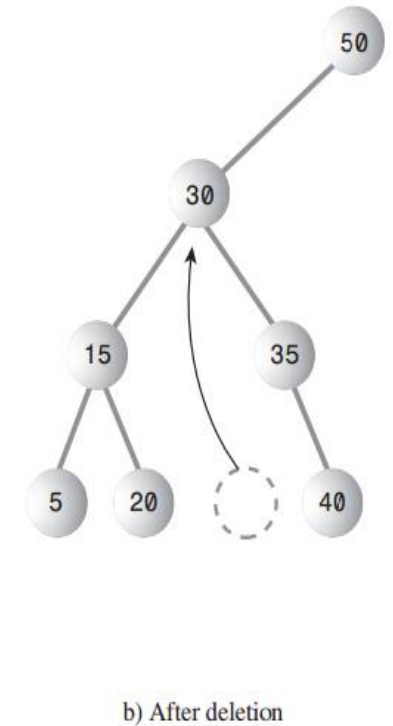
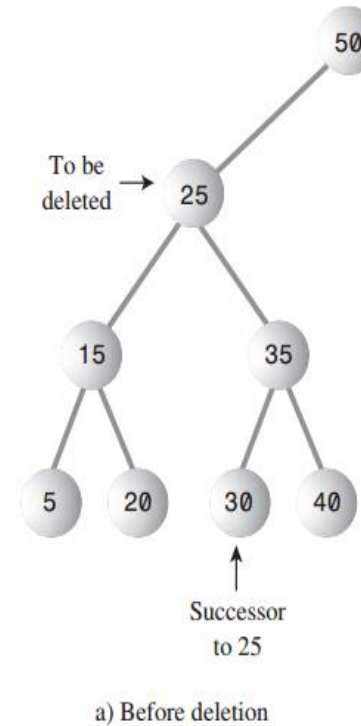
# Node to be Deleted – One Child

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- There are 4 variations of this code:
  - The **SINGLE CHILD OF THE NODE TO BE DELETED** may be either
    - a **LEFT CHILD** or
    - a **RIGHT CHILD**
  - For each of these 2 cases, the **NODE TO BE DELETED** may be either
    - The left or
    - The right child of its parent
- Special case
  - The node to be deleted may be the root
  - This has no parent and is simply replaced by the appropriate subtree

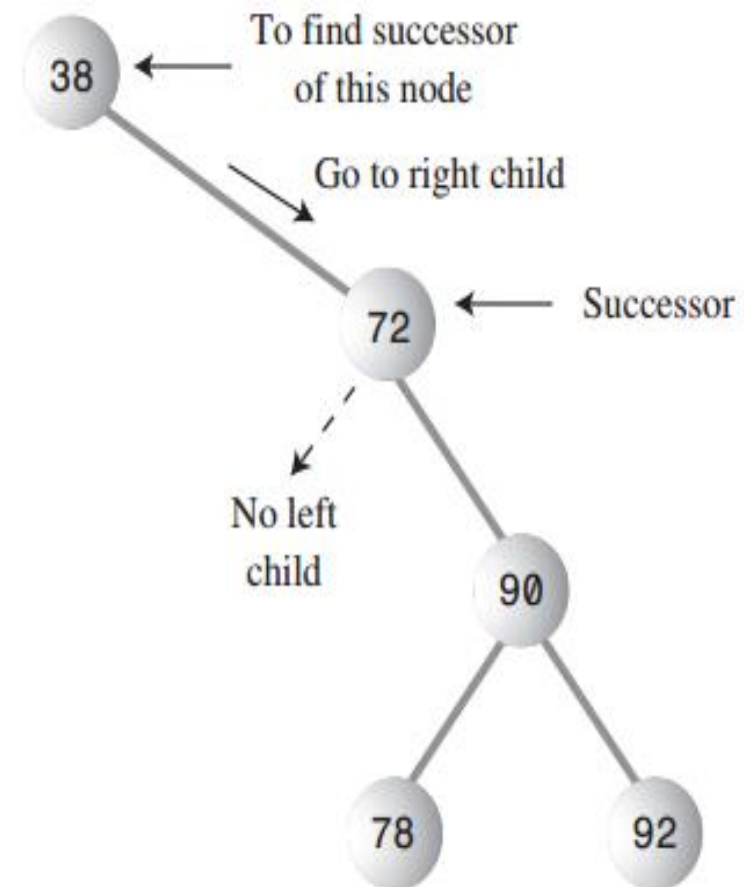
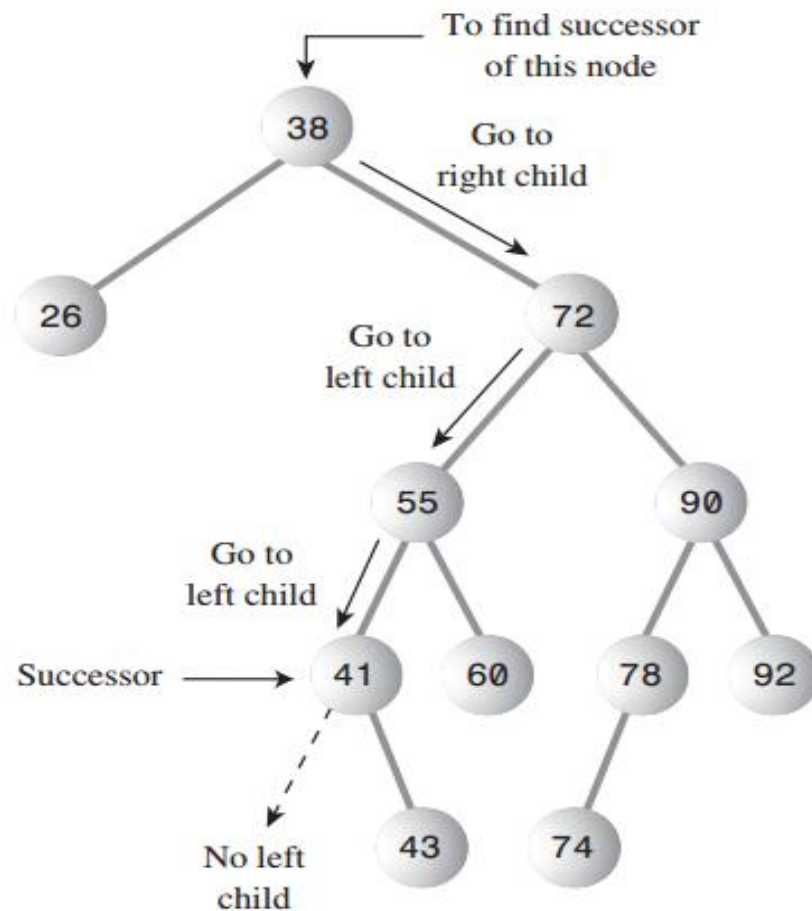
# Node to be Deleted – Two Children

- In a **Binary Search Tree** the nodes are arranged in order of ascending keys
- For each node
  - the node with the next-highest key is called its **in-order successor**, or simply its **successor**
    - “Next element if they are ordered in an array”
- To delete the node with two children, replace the **node** with its **in-order successor**





# Finding the (InOrder) Successor of a Node



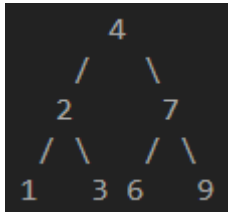
# Delete a Node

## ■ C++ code

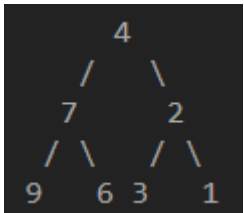
```
struct TreeNode* Delete(struct TreeNode *root, int data) {
    if (root == NULL) {
        return NULL;
    }
    if (data < root->data) { // data is in the left sub tree.
        root->left = Delete(root->left, data);
    } else if (data > root->data) { // data is in the right sub tree.
        root->right = Delete(root->right, data);
    } else {
        // case 1: no children
        if (root->left == NULL && root->right == NULL) {
            delete(root);
            root = NULL;
        }
        // case 2: 1 child (right)
        else if (root->left == NULL) {
            struct TreeNode *temp = root; // save current node as a backup
            root = root->right;
            delete temp;
        }
        // case 3: 1 child (left)
        else if (root->right == NULL) {
            struct TreeNode *temp = root; // save current node as a backup
            root = root->left;
            delete temp;
        }
        // case 4: 2 children
        else {
            struct TreeNode *temp = FindMin(root->right); // find minimal value of right sub tree
            root->data = temp->data; // duplicate the node
            root->right = Delete(root->right, temp->data); // delete the duplicate node
        }
    }
    return root; // parent node can update reference
}
```

# Invert a tree

## ■ Input



## ■ Output



## C++ code

auto: the compiler will deduce the type

```
TreeNode* invertTree(TreeNode* root) {  
    if (root == NULL) {  
        return NULL; // terminal condition  
    }  
    auto left = invertTree(root->left); // invert left sub-tree  
    auto right = invertTree(root->right); // invert right sub-tree  
    root->left = right; // put right on left  
    root->right = left; // put left on right  
    return root;  
}
```

# Max Depth

- Find the maximum depth of a binary tree

➤ Useful to check if the tree is balanced or not!

- C++ code

➤ 2 versions

```
int MaxDepth(TreeNode *root) {
    if (root == NULL)
        return 0;
    else
        return 1 + max(MaxDepth(root->left), MaxDepth(root->right));
}

int MaxDepth(struct TreeNode* root) {
    if (root==NULL) {
        return 0;
    }
    else {
        // compute the depth of each subtree
        int leftDepth = MaxDepth(root->left);
        int rightDepth = MaxDepth(root->right);
        // use the larger subtree
        if (leftDepth > rightDepth)
            return leftDepth+1;
        else
            return rightDepth+1;
    }
}
```

# Min Depth

- Find the minimum depth of a binary tree
  - Useful to check if the tree is balanced or not!
- C++ code

```
int MinDepth(TreeNode *root) {  
    if (root == NULL)  
        return 0;  
    // Base case : Leaf Node. This accounts for height = 1.  
    if (root->left == NULL && root->right == NULL)  
        return 1;  
    // If left subtree is NULL, recur for right subtree  
    if (!root->left)  
        return MinDepth(root->right)+1;  
    // If right subtree is NULL, recur for right subtree  
    if (!root->right)  
        return MinDepth(root->left)+1;  
    return min(MinDepth(root->left), MinDepth(root->right)) + 1;  
}
```

# Comparison of Trees

- Check if 2 data structures contain the same information
  - → Compare 2 binary trees.
- C++ code

```
int SameTrees(struct TreeNode* a, struct TreeNode* b)
{
    // both empty
    if (a==NULL && b==NULL)
        return 1;
    // both non-empty
    if (a!=NULL && b!=NULL) {
        return
        (
            (a->data == b->data) && // same data in the current node
            (SameTrees(a->left,b->left)) && // same left tree
            (SameTrees(a->right,b->right)) // same right tree
        );
    }
    // one empty, one not -> false
    return 0;
}
```

# Find if it is a Binary Search Tree

- Verify that the relationships between the different nodes is correct
- C++ code
  - 2 versions

```
int isBSTv1(struct TreeNode* root) {
    if (root==NULL) return(true);
    // false if the max of the left is > than us
    // (bug -- an earlier version had min/max backwards here)
    if (root->left!=NULL && maxValue(root->left) > root->data)
        return(false);
    // false if the min of the right is <= than us
    if (root->right!=NULL && minValue(root->right) <= root->data)
        return(false);
    // false if, recursively, the left or right is not a BST
    if (!isBST(root->left) || !isBST(root->right))
        return(false);
    // passing all that, it's a BST
    return(true);
}
```

```
int isBSTv2(struct TreeNode* root) {
    return(isBSTUtil(root, INT_MIN, INT_MAX));
}
// Returns true if the given tree is a BST and its
// values are >= min and <= max.
int isBSTUtil(struct TreeNode* node, int min, int max) {
    if (node==NULL) return(true);
    // false if this node violates the min/max constraint
    if (node->data < min || node->data > max) return(false);
    // otherwise check the subtrees recursively,
    // tightening the min or max constraint
    return
        isBSTUtil(node->left, min, node->data) &&
        isBSTUtil(node->right, node->data+1, max)
};
}
```

# Searching a Tree

- Number of comparisons to find each value:

➤ 748                      1        ➔ 1

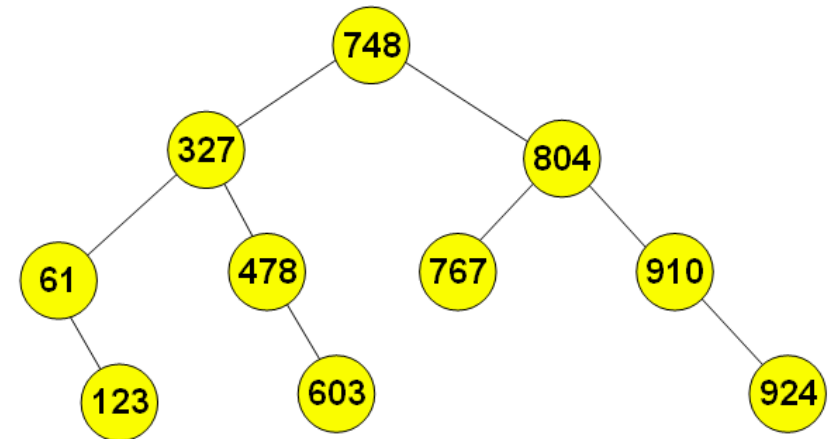
➤ 327 & 804              2 each ➔ 4

➤ 61, 478, 767 & 910    3 each ➔ 12

➤ 123, 603 & 924        4 each ➔ 12

- Total comparisons to find ALL values:

1 + 4 + 12 + 12        ➔        29





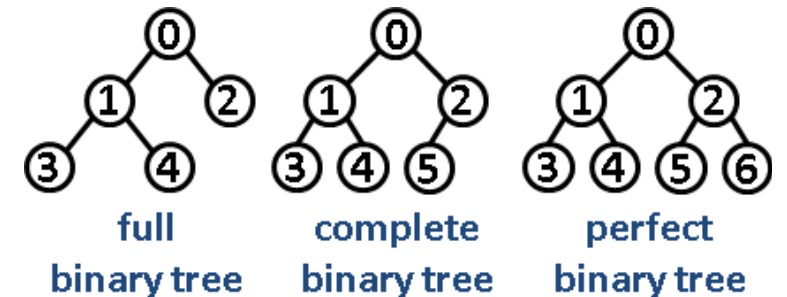
# Average Number of Comparisons

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- Average Number of Comparisons
  - **Total number of comparisons / Number of values**
- In our example:
  - **29 / 10**
  - **2.9** comparisons per search

# Summary

- Trees consist of nodes (circles) connected by edges (lines)
- The root node is the topmost node in a tree
  - It has no parent
- In a binary tree
  - A node has at most 2 children
  - All the nodes that are left descendants of node A have key values less than A;
  - All the nodes that are A's right descendants have key values greater than (or equal to) A
- Nodes represent the data objects being stored in the tree
- Edges are most commonly represented in a program by references to a node's children
  - sometimes to its parent
- Traversing a tree means visiting all its nodes in some order



# Summary

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- The simplest traversals:
  - pre-order, in-order and post-order
- An in-order traversal visits nodes in order of ascending keys
- Pre-order and post-order traversals are useful for parsing algebraic expressions
  - When you have to take into account brackets
- Unbalanced tree
  - one whose root has many more left descendants than right descendants (or vice-versa)
- Searching for a node involves
  - Comparing the value to be found with the key value of a node
  - Visiting that node's left child (if the key search value is less)
  - Visiting node's right child (if the search value is greater)
- Insertion involves finding the place to insert the new node and then changing a child field in its new parent to refer to it

# Summary

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- Deleting a node has 0 children
  - Set the child field in its parent to null
- Deleting a node with 1 child
  - Set the child field in its parent to point to its child
- Deleting a node with 2 children
  - Replace it with its successor
- The successor to a node A can be found
  - by finding the minimum node in the subtree whose root is A's right child
- In a deletion of a node with 2 children, different situations arise, depending on whether the successor is the right child of the node to be deleted or one of the right child's left descendants
- Trees can be represented in the computer's memory as an array although the reference-based approach is more common

# Before you finish

## ■ Properly delete your binary tree /!\

### ➤ Delete each node!

- Each node can contain a pointer to an object that you have created
- Example
  - Binary Tree of images, Binary Tree of arrays, ...

## ■ C++

```
void DestroyTree(TreeNode *root) {  
    if(root!=NULL) {  
        DestroyTree(root->left);  
        DestroyTree(root->right);  
        delete root;  
    }  
}  
  
void MyBinaryTree::~MyBinaryTree() {  
    DestroyTree(root);  
}
```

# Questions ?

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- Reading
  - CSci 115 book - Section 7.1
  - Chapter 12, Binary Search Trees, Introduction to Algorithms, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition.

