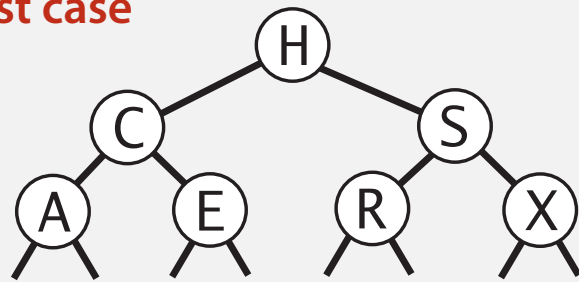


# Tree shape

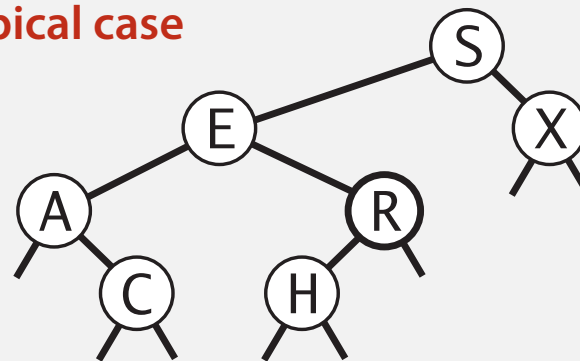
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- Many BSTs correspond to same set of keys.
- Number of compares for search/insert is equal to  $1 + \text{depth of node}$ .

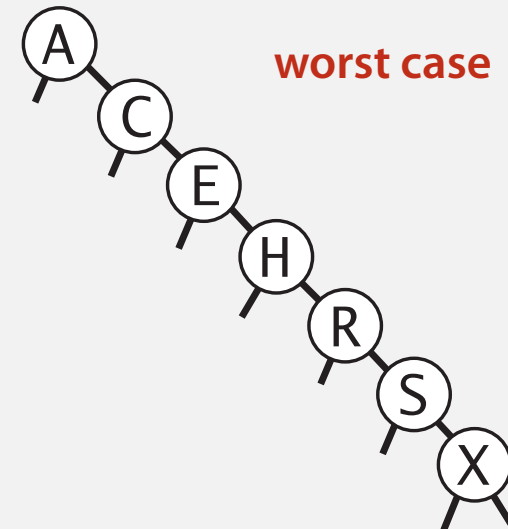
best case



typical case



worst case



**Bottom line.** Tree shape depends on order of insertion.