

Today:

- a bit more on BSTs
- (balanced) 2-3 trees (not in book)

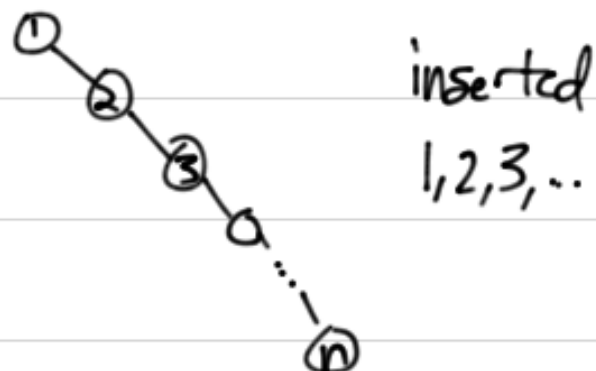
Def: a tree rooted at  $x$  is a BST if for all nodes  $y$  in  $x$ 's left subtree,  $y.key \leq x.key$  & for all  $y$  in  $x$ 's right subtree,  $y.key \geq x.key$ .

Building a BST:

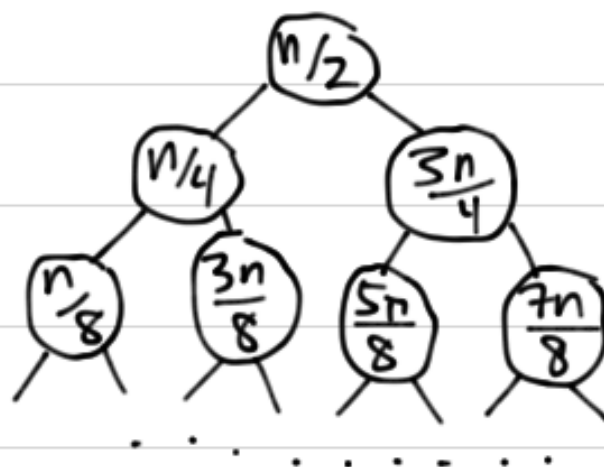
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TREE-INSERT( $x, z$ ) // assumes  $z.key$  set,  $z.left =$   
                      $z.right = NIL$   
    if  $z.key < x.key$   
        if  $x.left \neq NIL$  : TREE-INSERT( $x.left, z$ )  
        else  $x.left = z$ ,  $z.parent = x$   
    else <symmetric code>
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Depending on order of insertions, tree can have many forms:

UNBALANCED (bad)



BALANCED (good)



Something to think about: how does the balance of the tree for a certain insertion order relate to the runtime of QuickSort for a corresponding sequence of pivots?

Keeping a tree balanced: we don't have to stick with the tree we get from a particular insertion order! Since most ops are  $O(h)$  time, we want a balanced tree.

Balancing operation: "rotation".



Verify that this preserves BST property (and can be done in  $O(1)$  time.)

If  $\alpha$  is deeper than  $\beta$  and  $z$ , then right rotation improves overall depth. If  $z$  is deeper, then left rotation improves depth.

By carefully incorporating rotations into 'inserts and deletes, it's possible to guarantee  $O(\log n)$  height and  $O(\log n)$  operations (INS, DEL, SEARCH, MIN, MAX).

"Red-black trees" — in the book.

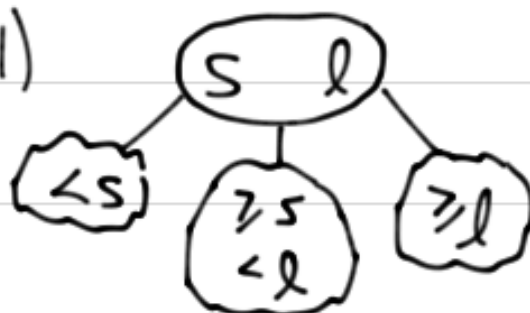
Another kind of balanced tree that's conceptually easier (but a bit harder to implement in practice).

"2-3 trees": no longer a strictly binary tree!

- "2 node" (internal - nonleaf)



- "3 node" (internal)

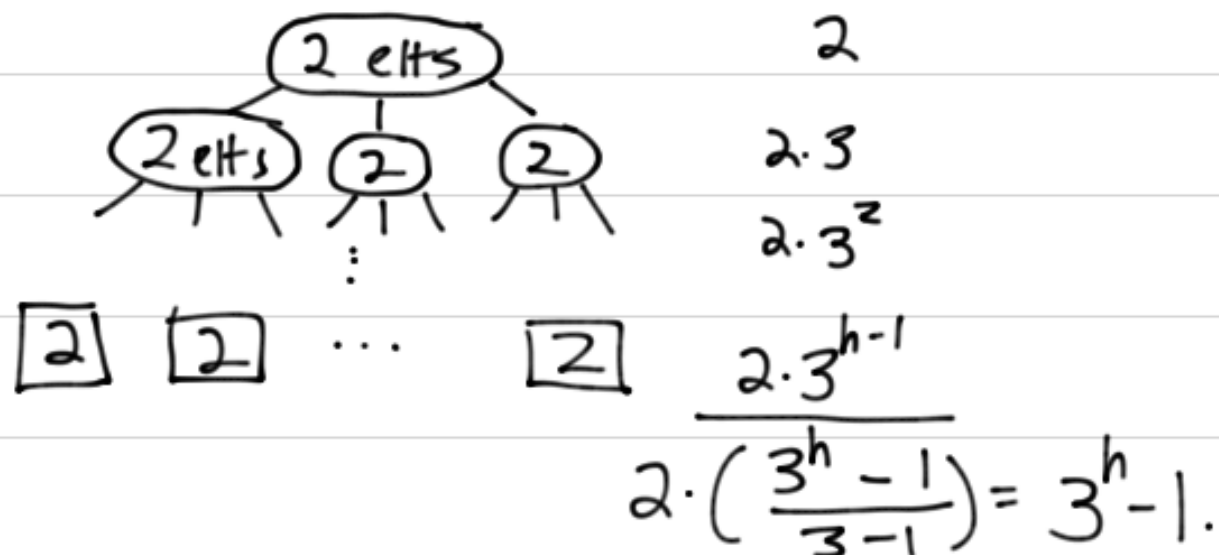


- leaf can have 1 or 2 elements
- A 2-3 tree must remain perfectly balanced: every root → leaf path must have exact same length.

TREE-WALK and -SEARCH are essentially the same as with BSTs; just have to deal w/ 3-nodes and 2-leaves.

How does height relate to # elements in tree?

Max # nodes for height  $h$ :



Min # of nodes is

$2^h - 1$ , just as in BST. So:  $2^h - 1 \leq n \leq 3^h - 1$

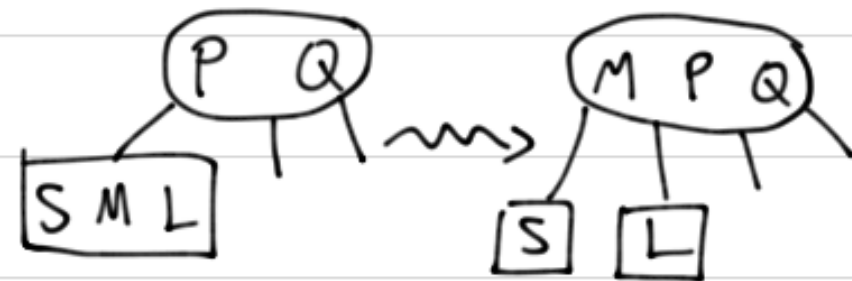
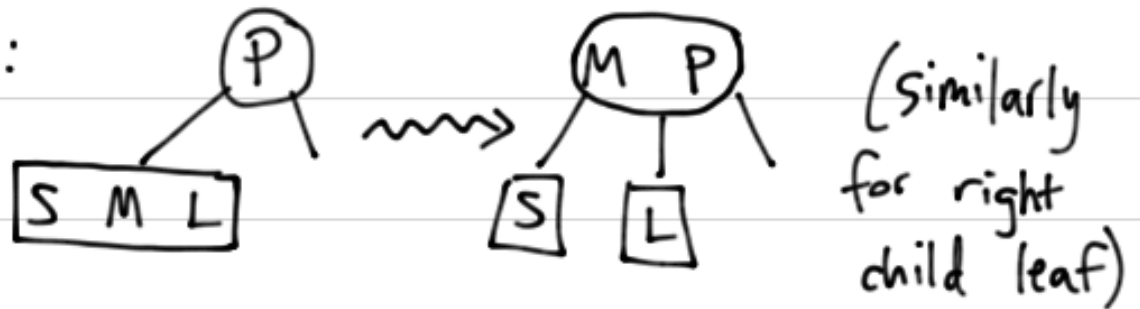
$$\Leftrightarrow \log_3(n+1) \leq h \leq \log_2(n+1)$$

Good:  $h = \Theta(\log n)$ . Now we just need to

maintain the 2-3, fixed height property  
upon insertions and deletions.

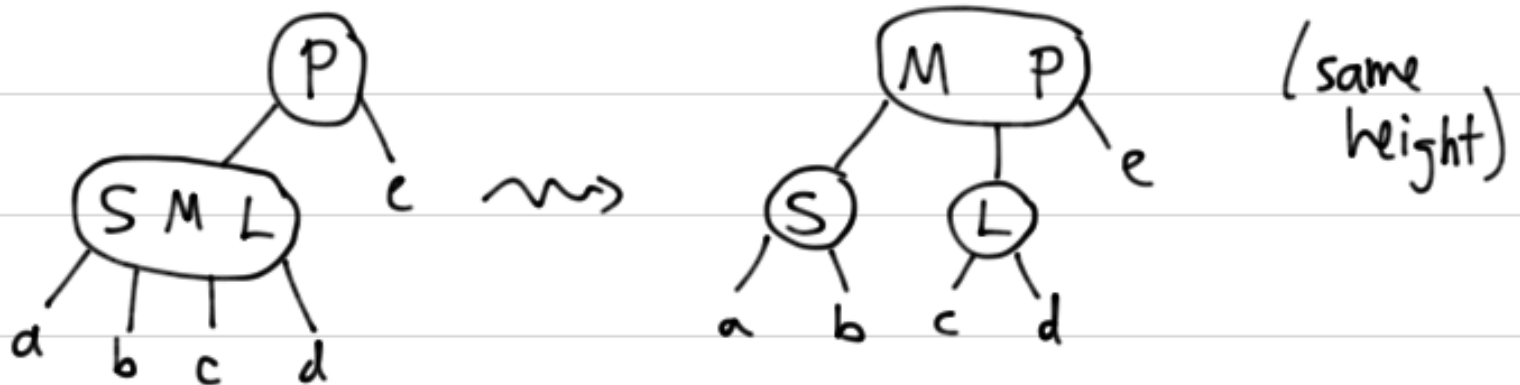
INSERTION: follow root  $\rightarrow$  leaf path and put element in a leaf. IF leaf now has 3 elements ....

SPLIT leaf:

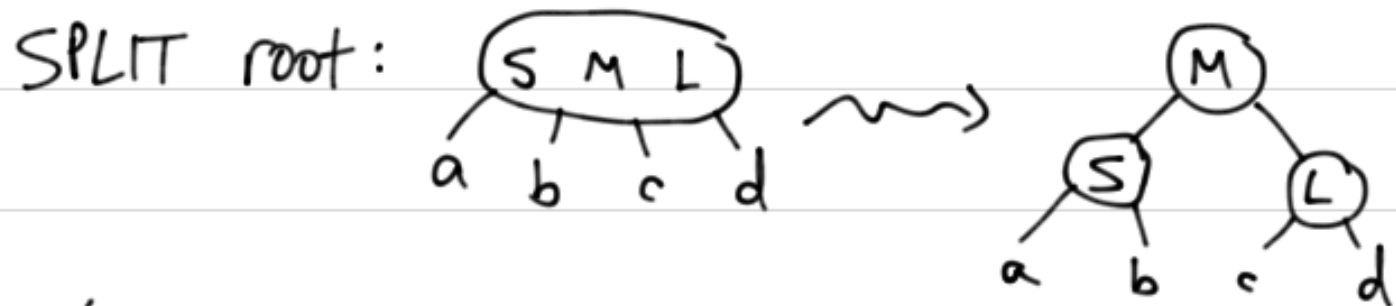


Uh oh! Node has 3 elts and 4 children, so ....

SPLIT INTERNAL NODE:



If parent is  $(P, Q)$ , proceed similarly but then that node will have 3 elts, so split it ....



(height increases, but still perfectly balanced)

- Each split takes  $O(1)$  time, and we do at most  $h = O(\log n)$  per INSERT.

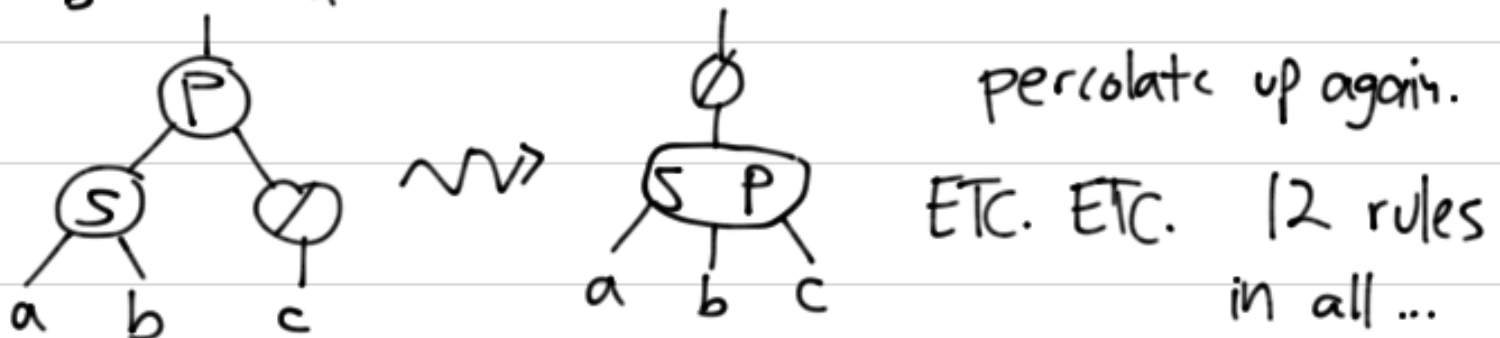
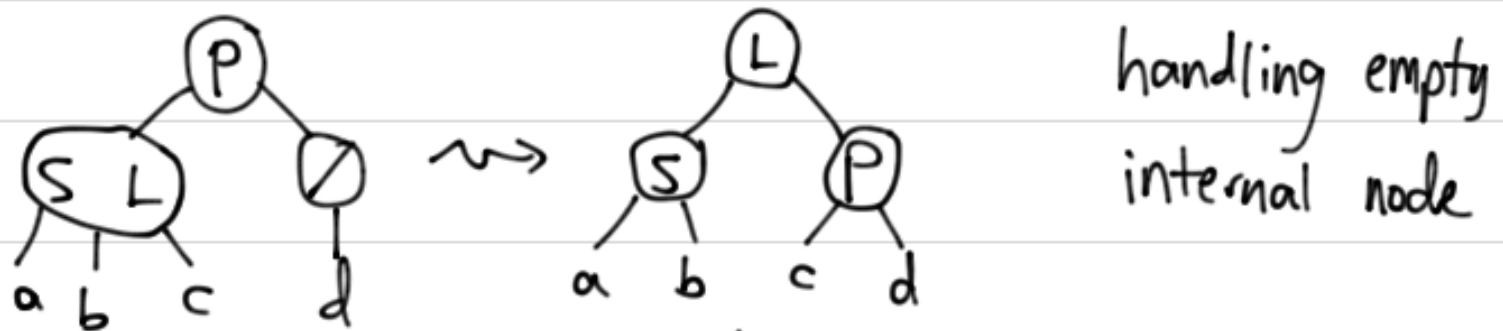
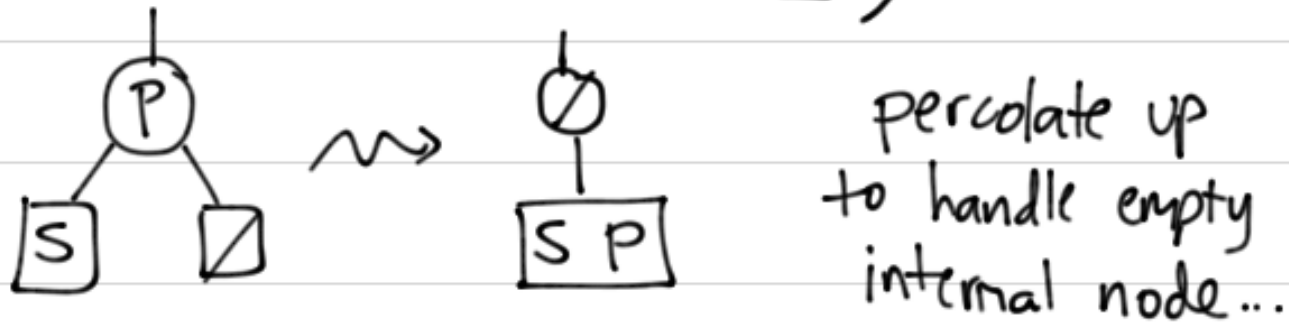
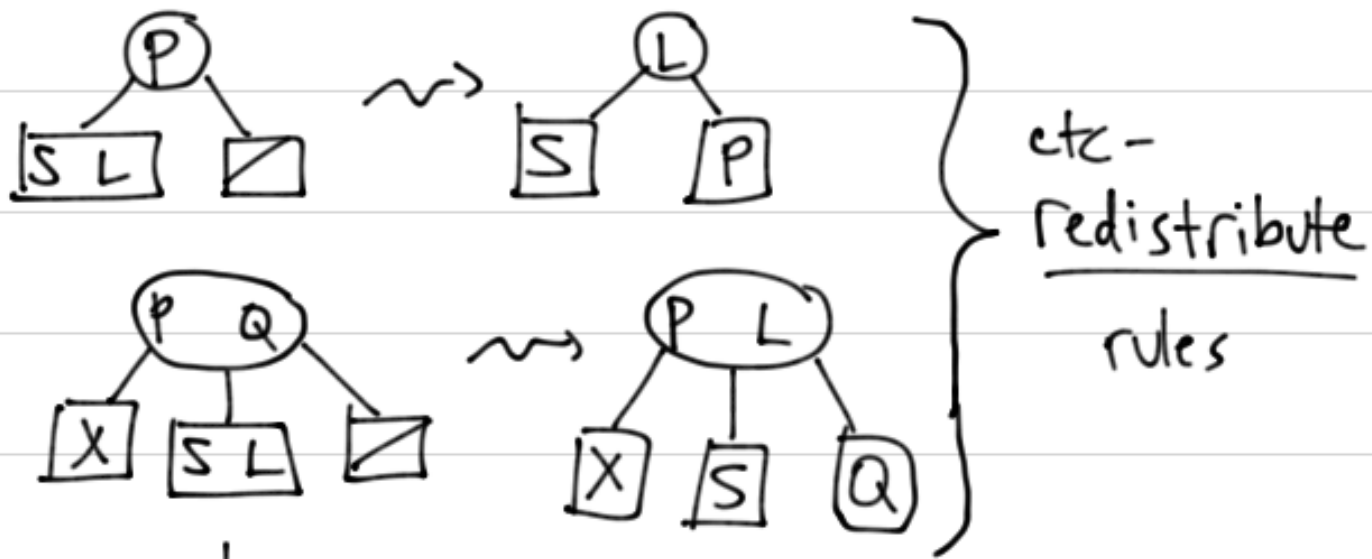
DELETION mainly reverses the process by MERGING.

One twist: we may be deleting an elt in an internal node.

Step ①: find elt. If in an internal node, swap w/ SUCCESSOR, which must exist, and be in a leaf because it's the MIN of some subtree.

So now we're always deleting from a leaf.

If we leave a leaf empty, several cases...





Bottom line: each merge/redistribute takes  $O(1)$  time, and we do at most  $h = O(\log n)$  per delete.

Therefore, 2-3 trees have  $O(\log n)$  time operations where  $n$  is current # elts in tree.