



# DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

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## BST: Deletion Operations

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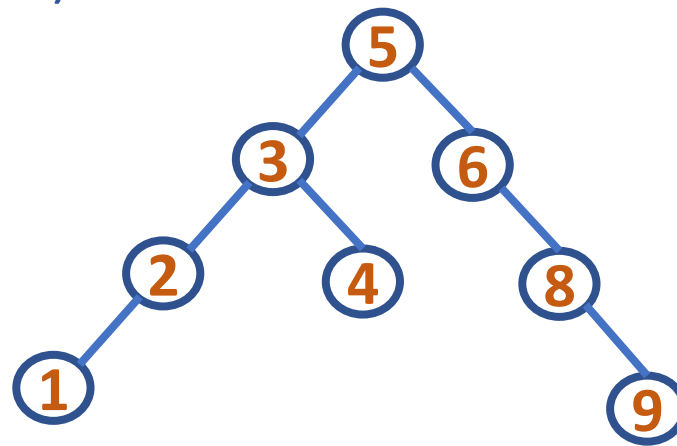
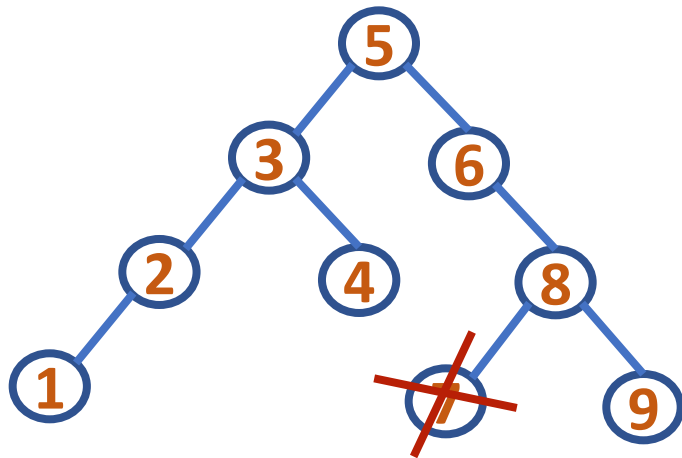
Deletion of a Node in Binary Search Tree

case1: Node with no child (leaf node)

case2: Node with 1 child

case3: Node with 2 children

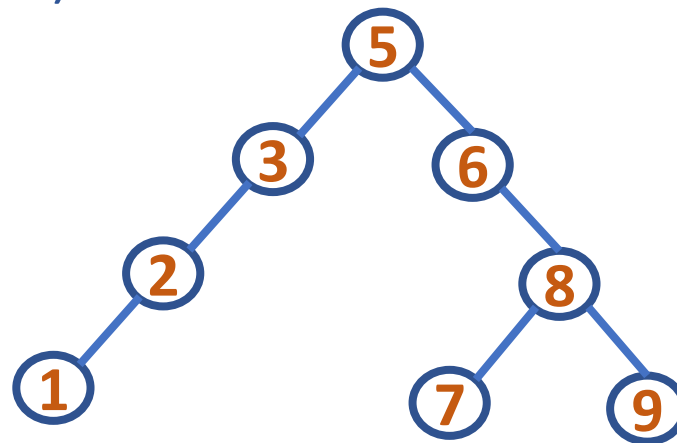
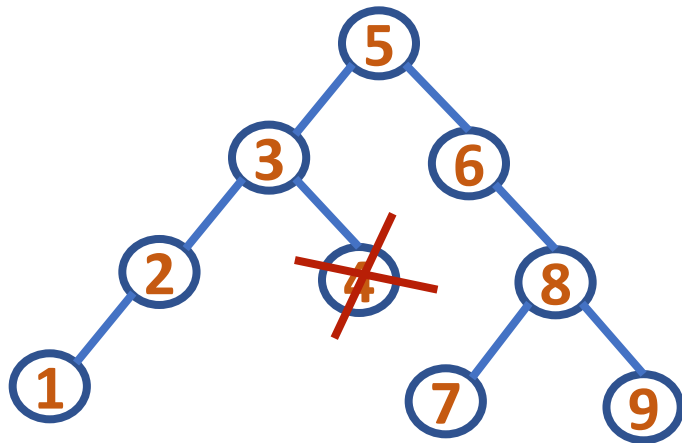
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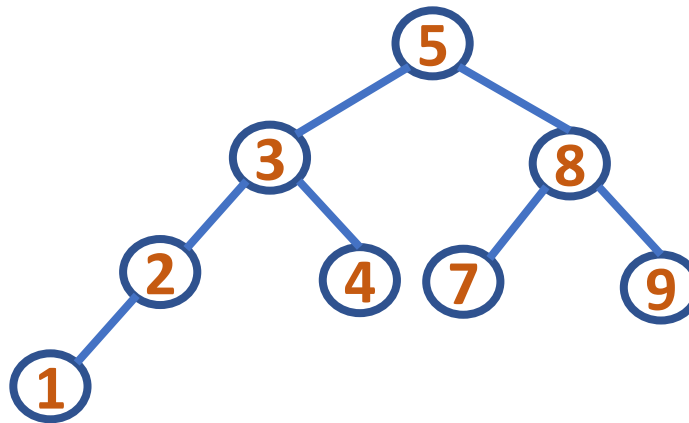
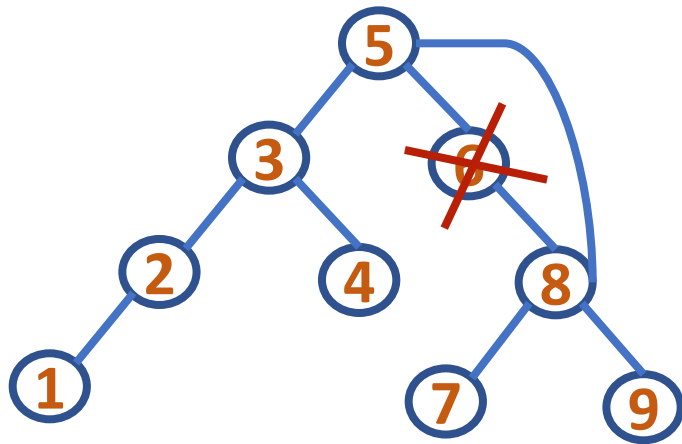
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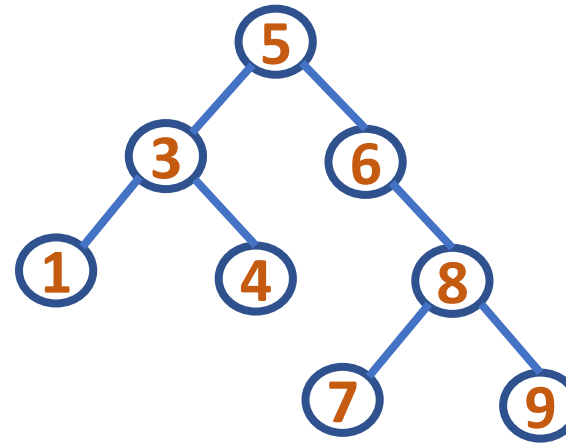
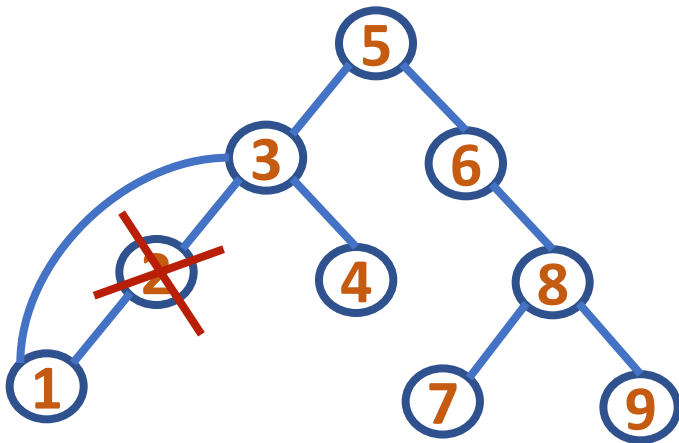
case2: Node with 1 child



To delete the node with info 6:

- Set its parent's right child field to point to its only child
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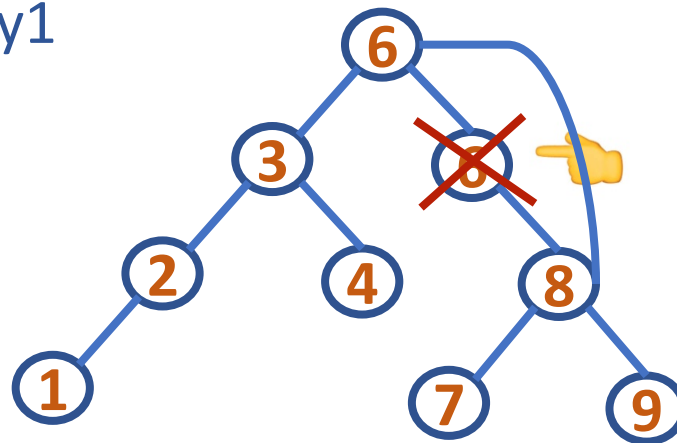
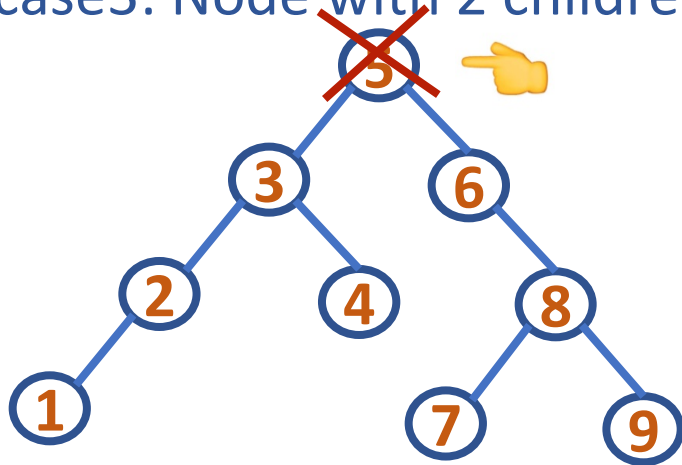
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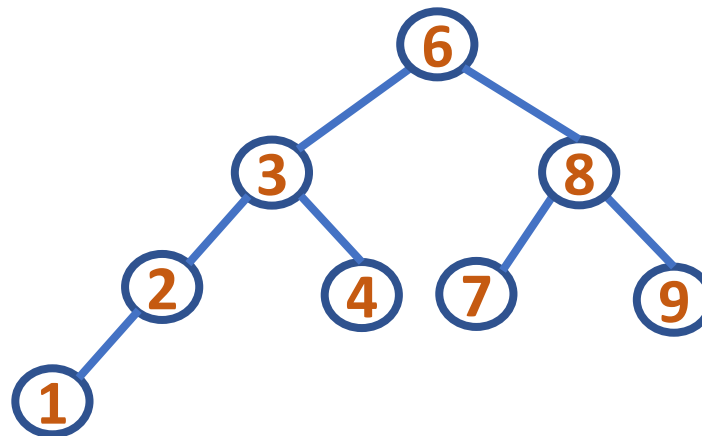
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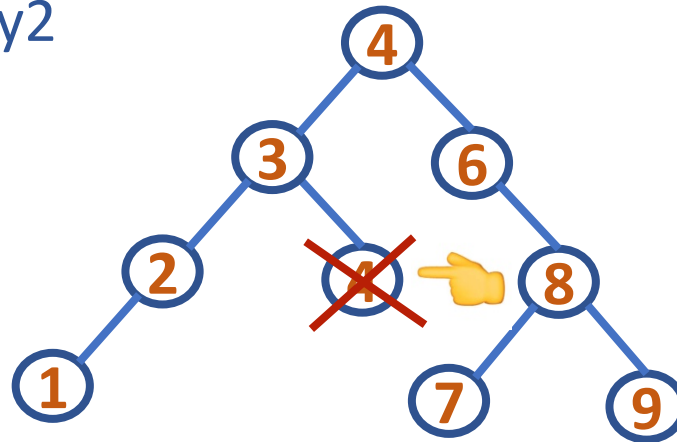
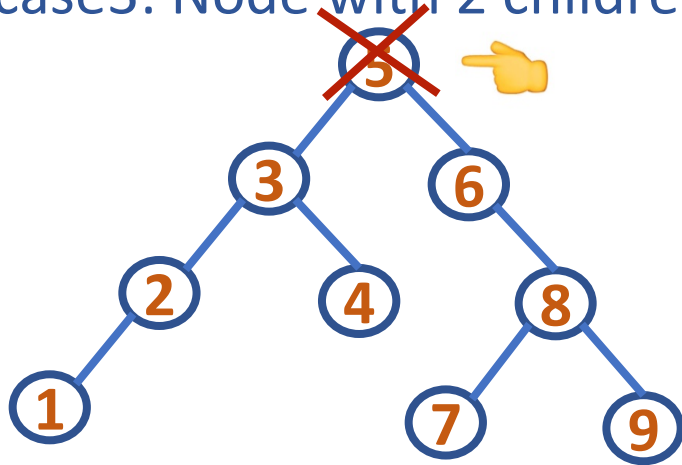
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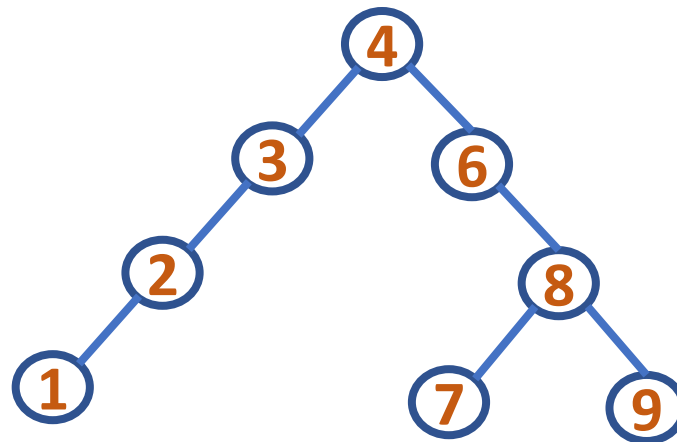


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