

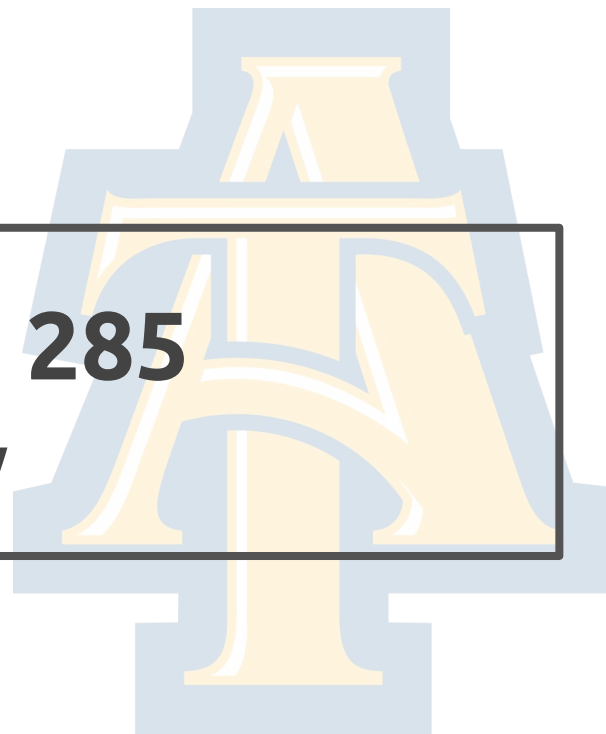
COMP - 285

Analysis of Algorithms

# **Welcome to COMP 285**

## **Lecture 13: Midterm Review**

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**T-2 days until Midterm!**

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**One-sided 8.5x11 cheat sheet allowed!**

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**Office hours!**

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**No office hours Thursday 3:30pm-4:30pm!**

**Practice Midterm  
Released last week!**  
(with solutions)

**No class Tuesday 10/11!**

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# **Thursday 10/13**

**Class will meet Zoom only, no in-person!**

# **HW4 Released!**

**Due 10/13 @ 11:59PM ET**

# Quiz!

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## What's Covered?

- Material from [Lecture 0](#) to [Lecture 11](#)
- Material from [Homework 1](#) to [Homework 4](#)
  - All solutions are available
- Material from [Quiz 0](#) to [Quiz 4](#)
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- The exam covers:
  - Big-Oh/Asymptotics
  - Sorting Algorithms
  - Divide & Conquer
  - Trees/Binary Search Trees
  - Recursion

## What's the format?

- In-Class, In-Person (**75 minutes**)
  - Bring a pencil! No tech
- You can start at **max(2:00pm, time you walk in)**
- We all stop at 3:15pm
- **44** questions, **75** points total
  - Multiple Choice
  - True/False
  - Pseudo-code
  - etc.

## Can you tell us more?

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- Mixture of **concept** and **interview practice**
- Concept Questions (~40 pt)
  - Similar to quizzes
  - Majority of questions
  - Eg, traverse a tree, can you sort faster than  $O(n \log n)$ , etc.
- Interview Practice (~35 pt):
  - Design an algorithm to do X
  - Answer questions about code, complexity analysis
  - Pseudo-code (similar to written homework, coding)



## Is it difficult?

- Extremely! I got a C when I first took it.
- Kidding lol I promise I made it reasonable
  - Similar to quizzes, homeworks, what you've seen before
- It's okay to:
  - Struggle with the exam/material
  - Guess at an answer, even if it's not right
- That sounds stressful!!
  - If you work hard and do your best
    - **you will not fail.**
  - **One-sided "cheat sheet"**

**Any questions?**

**Let's go over material :)**

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# **Asymptotic Analysis!**

# What is Big-O?

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- Algorithms are judged by their **correctness** and **efficiency** (time efficiency and space efficiency).
- Big-O is **how we quantify efficiency**; it gives us a way to compare different algorithms to say which are better than others.

## What is Big-O? (pt. 2)

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- Big-O is a way to express the algorithm's efficiency in terms of the size of its input (which we often call "N").
- Big-O communicates an upper-bound on how many "operations" an algorithm will take.

## What's the runtime and space complexity?

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**$O(1)$  space**

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    }  
    return result;  
}
```

```
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    vector<int> result;  
    for (int i = 0; i < v.size(); i*=2) {  
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    }  
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**SF1 =  $O(N)$**

**SF2 =  $O(\log N)$**

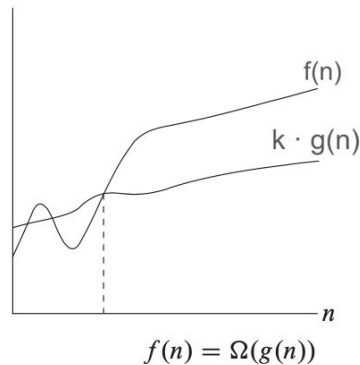
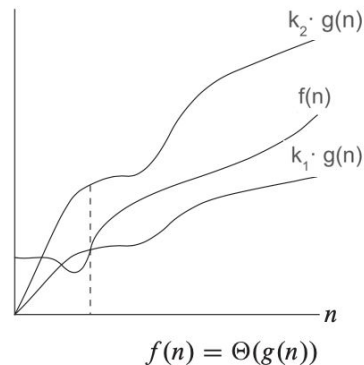
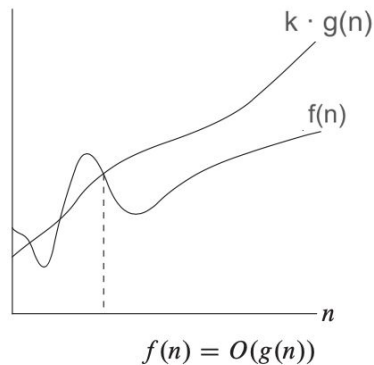
## Recap

**Upper-bound** |  $f = O(g)$  is similar to  $f \leq g$   
“f grows no faster than g”

**Tight-bound** |  $f = \Theta(g)$  is similar to  $f = g$   
“f grows as fast as g”

**Lower-bound** |  $f = \Omega(g)$  is similar to  $f \geq g$   
“f grows no slower than g”

If both  $f = O(g)$  and  $f = \Omega(g)$ , then  $f = \Theta(g)$   
If  $f = O(g)$ , then  $g = \Omega(f)$



## Asymptotic Analysis Practice

1.  $O(n/100 + \log(n) + 200)$  can be simplified to  $O(n)$ . True or False?
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True

**Sorting!**

# Sorting

When comparing different sorting algorithms, these are some of the properties we care about:

- **Best-case/worst-case/average-case time complexity**
- **In-place:** can we use only  $O(1)$  additional space?
- **Adaptive:** does it run faster if the array is partially sorted?
- **Stable:** will elements of the same value stay ordered relative to each other?

# Selection Sort Pseudocode

algorithm selectionSort

Input: `vector<int> vec` of size `N`

Output: `vector<int>` with sorted elements

for index `i = 0, 1, 2, ..., N-2`

`min_index = i`

    for `j = i+1, i+2, ..., N-1`

        if `vec[j] < vec[min_index]`

`min_index = j`

`temp = vec[i]`

`vec[i] = vec[min_index]`

`vec[min_index] = temp`

What's the tight upper-bound on the:

- Best-case runtime?  $O(n^2)$
- Worst-case runtime?  $O(n^2)$
- Average-case runtime?  $O(n^2)$
- Worst-case space complexity?  $O(1)$

Is this adaptive? No

# Insertion Sort In-Place Pseudocode

algorithm insertionSort

Input: `vector<int> vec` of size `N`

Output: `vector<int>` with sorted elements

```
for index i = 1, 2, ..., N-1
    next = vec[i]
    j = i-1
    while j >= 0 and vec[j] > next
        vec[j+1] = vec[j]
        j = j-1
    vec[j+1] = next
```

What's the tight upper-bound on the:

- Best-case runtime?  $O(n)$
- Worst-case runtime?  $O(n^2)$
- Average-case runtime?  $O(n^2)$
- Worst-case space complexity?  $O(1)$

Is this adaptive? Yes



# QuickSort: Pseudocode

```
algorithm quickSort
```

```
  Input: vector<int> vec of size N
```

```
  Output: vector<int> with sorted elements
```

```
  if N < 2
```

```
    return vec
```

```
  pivot = vec[N-1]
```

```
  left = new empty vec
```

```
  right = new empty vec
```

```
  for index i = 0, 1, 2, ... N-2
```

```
    if vec[i] <= pivot
```

```
      left.push_back(vec[i])
```

```
    else
```

```
      right.push_back(vec[i])
```

```
  return quickSort(left) + [pivot] + quickSort(right)
```

What's the tight upper-bound on the:

- Best-case runtime?  $O(n \log n)$
- Worst-case runtime?  $O(n^2)$
- Average-case runtime?  $O(n \log n)$
- Worst-case space complexity?  $O(n^2)$

Is it adaptive? NO

# MergeSort Pseudocode

algorithm mergeSort

Input: vector of ints vec of size N

Output: vec such that its elements are in sorted order

if  $N \leq 1$

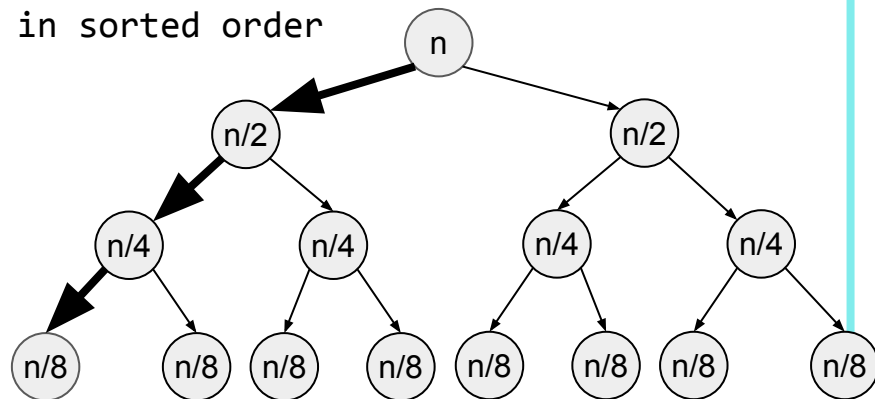
return vec

midpoint = floor( $N/2$ )

left = mergeSort(vec[0 to midpoint])

right = mergeSort(vec[midpoint to N])

return merge(left, right)



$n$  total work happening at each level,  
with  $\log(n)$  levels.

- Best-Case Runtime?  $O(n \log(n))$
- Average-Case Runtime?  $O(n \log(n))$
- Worst-Case Runtime?  $O(n \log(n))$
- Worst-Case Space complexity?  $O(n)$

input = {7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, ... , 7, 7}  
count = {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 999}

# Counting Sort Pseudocode

input = {7, 7, 7, 7, ... , 2, 2, 2, 2, ... 5, 5, 5, 5}  
count = {0, 0, 333, 0, 0, 333, 0, 333}

algorithm countingSort

Input: vector<int> vec and an integer k where every int in vec is between 0 and k

Output: vector<int> in sorted order

// count each element using buckets

```
for (int i = 0; i < vec.size(); i++) {
```

```
    elem = input[i];
```

```
    buckets[elem] += 1;
```

```
}
```

```
for (int i = 1; i < k; i++) {
```

```
    count[i] += count[i-1];
```

```
}
```

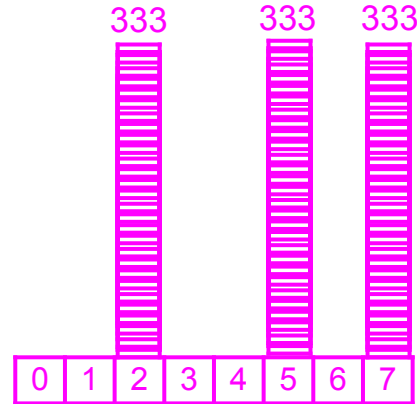
```
for (int i = input.size()-1; i >= 0; i--) {
```

```
    elem = input[i];
```

```
    count[i] -= 1;
```

```
    output[count[i]] = elem;
```

```
}
```



n is vec.size() and k is value of k.

- Best-Case Runtime?  $O(n + k)$
- Average-Case Runtime?  $O(n + k)$
- Worst-Case Runtime?  $O(n + k)$
- Worst-Case Space complexity?  $O(n + k)$

# Sorting Practice

10. Which array of the following will CountingSort take the most number of steps on? Select **ONE**.

- a. [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
- b. [5, 43, 3, 11, 6, 9]
- c. [3, 1, 34, 3, 4, 81]
- d. [4, 4754, 4, 24, 1, 33]

11. For each of the below, explain in 1 - 2 sentences what they mean with respect to sorting.

- Adaptive
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Stability
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
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- Adaptive

If a sorting algorithm is adaptive, it will run more efficiently if the array is more sorted.

- Stable

If a sorting algorithm is stable, elements of the same value will stay ordered relative to each other in the output. For example  $\{1, 4, 1^*, 2\} \rightarrow \{1, 1^*, 2, 4\}$  would be a stable sort, because the star 1 is to the right of the non-starred 1 in both the input and output.

- In-Place

If a sorting algorithm is in-place, we only use  $O(1)$  additional space.

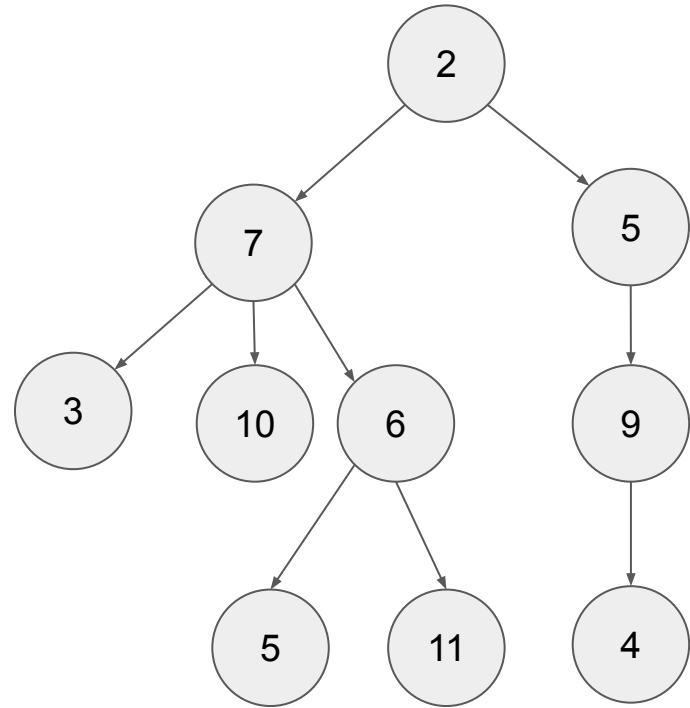
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**Trees!**

## Trees

- A Tree is a **hierarchical** data structure that has a value and children. Each child is also a Tree, making this data structure **recursive** in nature.
- Don't confuse general N-ary Trees with Binary Trees (a special kind of tree where each node has at most two children) or Binary Search Trees (a special kind of binary tree where left subtree is less and right subtree is greater).



## Binary tree terminology

Each node has two **children**.

The **left child** of **3** is **2**

The **right child** of **3** is **4**

The **parent** of **3** is **5**

**2** is a **descendant** of **5**

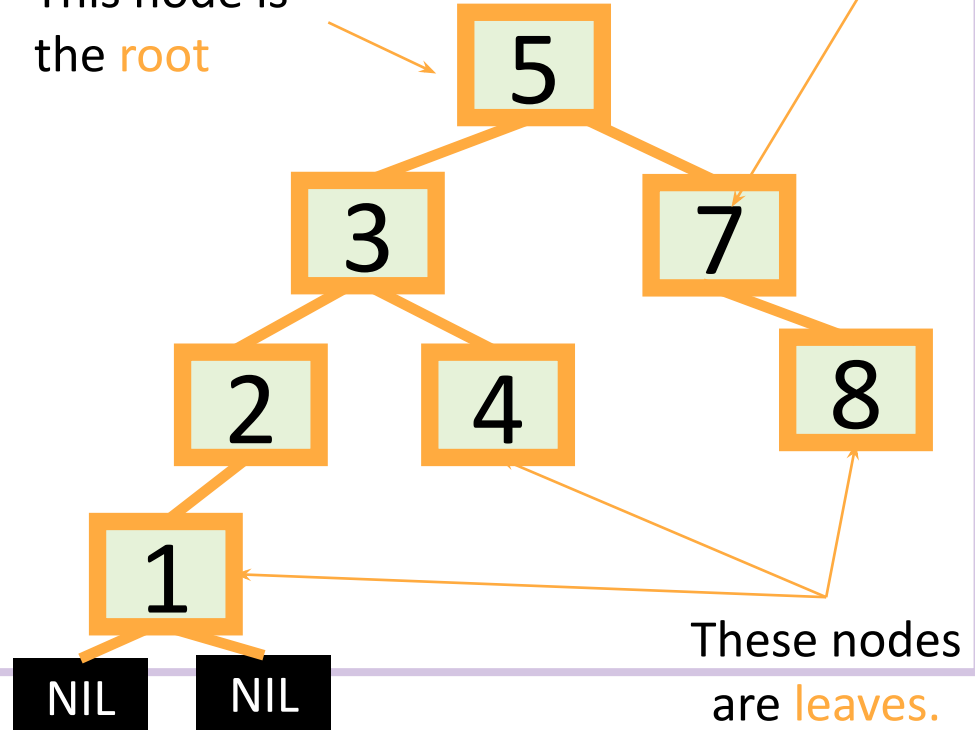
Each node has a pointer to its left child, right child, and parent.

Both **children** of **1** **NIL**.  
(I won't usually draw them).

The **height** of this tree is 3. (Max number of edges from the root to a leaf).

This node is the **root**

This is a **node**.  
It has a **key** (7).

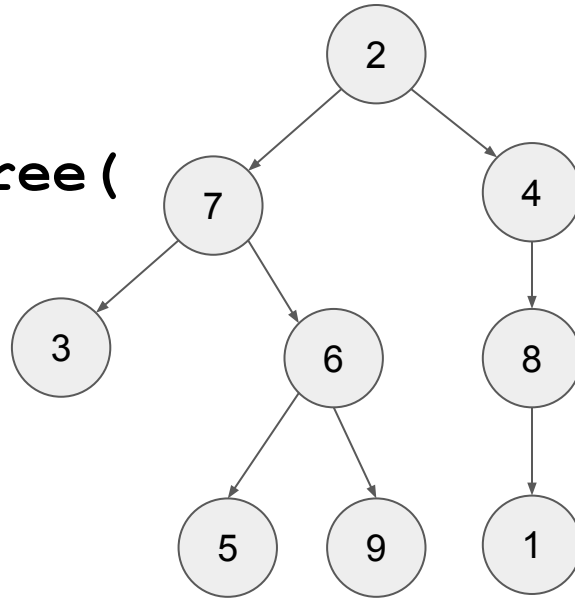




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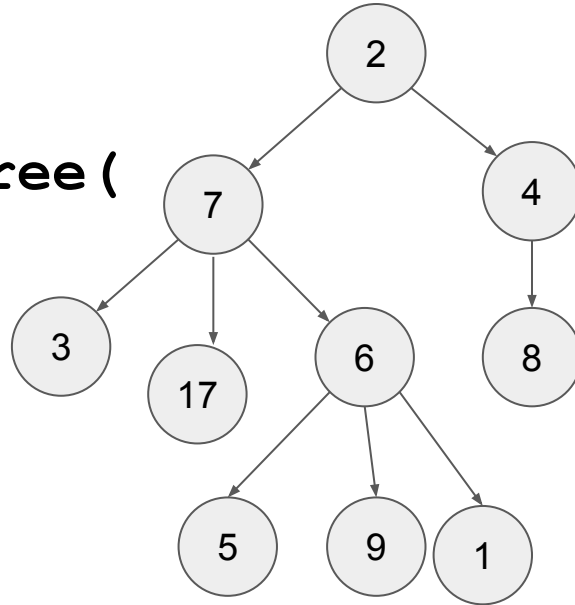
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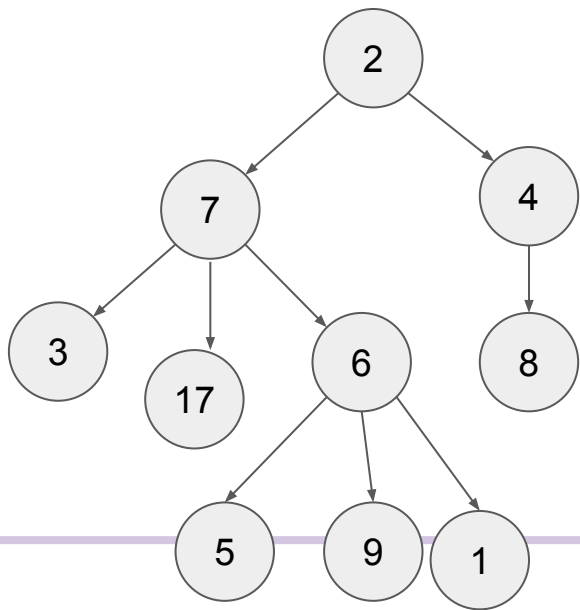
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## findHeightOfNAryTree

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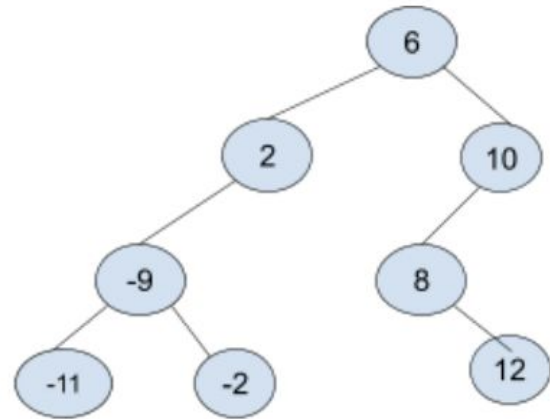


```
int findHeightOfTree(TreeNode<int> *root) {  
    if (root == nullptr || root->isLeaf()) {  
        return 0;  
    }  
  
    return std::max(???) + 1;  
}
```

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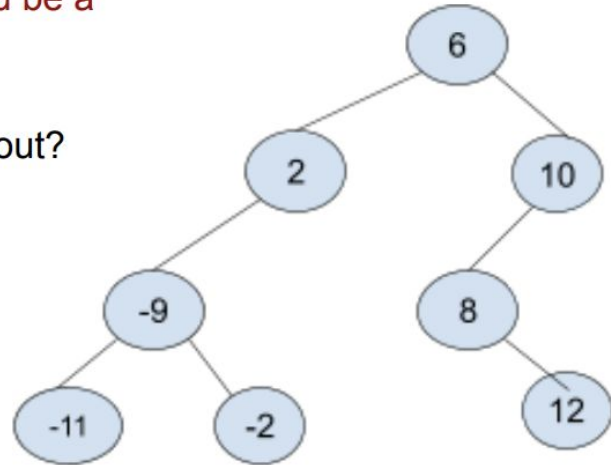
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No. The left subtree of 10 contains 12, which is greater than it. If the 12 were a 9, for example, then it would be a Binary Search Tree.

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-11, -6, -9, -2, 12, 8, 10, 6



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