



This function initializes a return parabola par as eL1->right = p1,p3. Since p1,p3 is not a leaf node (indicated in the diagram as a circle), then the while iterator sets par = p1,p3->left = eL3...the while iterator iterates until having reached the left most p1 node and returns this since this is a leaf node.

getLeftChild and getRightChild functions always return leaf nodes or circle nodes as depicted in the diagram. These contain site data but not edge breakpoint data.

