

# VE281

Data Structures and Algorithms

Trie, M-way Search Trees, and 2-3  
Trees

# Announcement

- Programming Project Two will be announced by tonight.
- Due in 15 days by 11:59 pm on Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> , 2012.
- It is related to the materials taught in this and the next lecture, i.e., **2-3 tree**.
  - All the slides have been put online.
- Not easy. Start early!

# Review

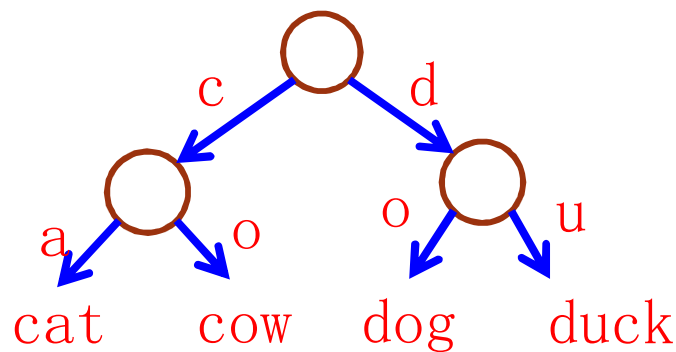
- Priority Queue
  - **getMin, enqueue, dequeueMin**
  - Implemented as a binary heap
- Min Heap and Its Operations
  - Properties
  - **enqueue**: Percolate up; Complexity:  $O(\log n)$
  - **dequeueMin**: Percolate down; Complexity:  $O(\log n)$
- Initializing a Min Heap
  - Complexity  $O(n)$

# Outline

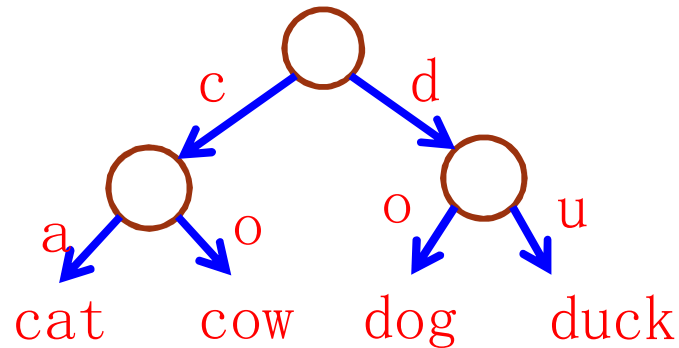
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# Trie

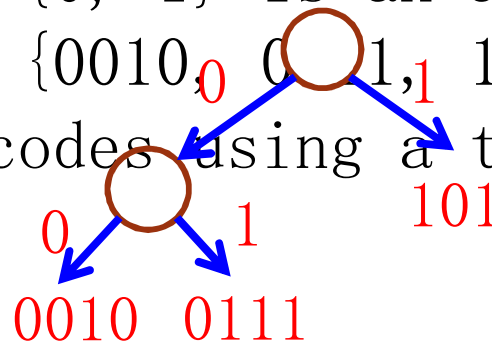
- A trie is a tree that uses parts of the key, as opposed to the whole key, to perform search.
- A trie stores data records only in **leaf** nodes. Internal nodes serve as placeholders to direct the search process.



# Trie

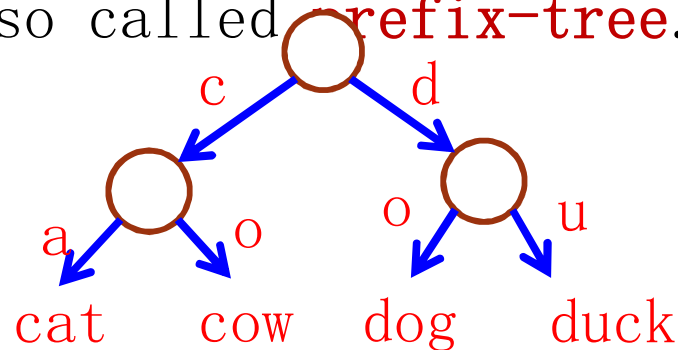


- Trie usually is used to store a set of strings from an **alphabet**.
  - The alphabet is in the general sense, not necessarily the English alphabet.
- For example,  $\{0, 1\}$  is an alphabet for binary codes  $\{0010, 0111, 101\}$ . We can store these three codes using a trie.



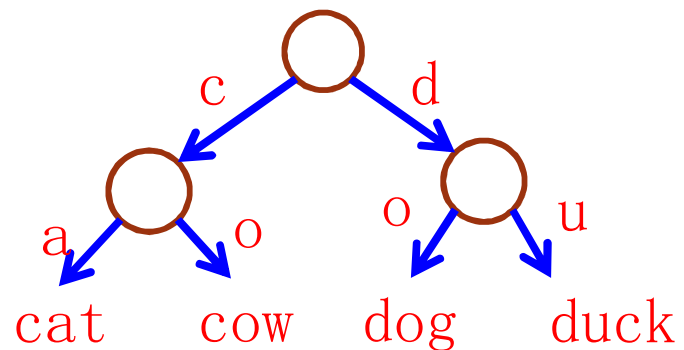
# Trie

- Each edge of the trie is labeled with symbols from the alphabet.
  - The labels can be stored either at the children nodes or at the parent node.
- Labels of edges on the path from the root to any leaf in the trie forms a **prefix** of a string in that leaf.
  - Trie is also called **prefix-tree**.



# Trie

- The most significant symbol in a string determines the branch direction at the root.
- Each internal node is a “**branch**” point.
- As long as there is only one key in a branch, we do not need any further internal node below that branch; we can put the word directly as the leaf of that branch.

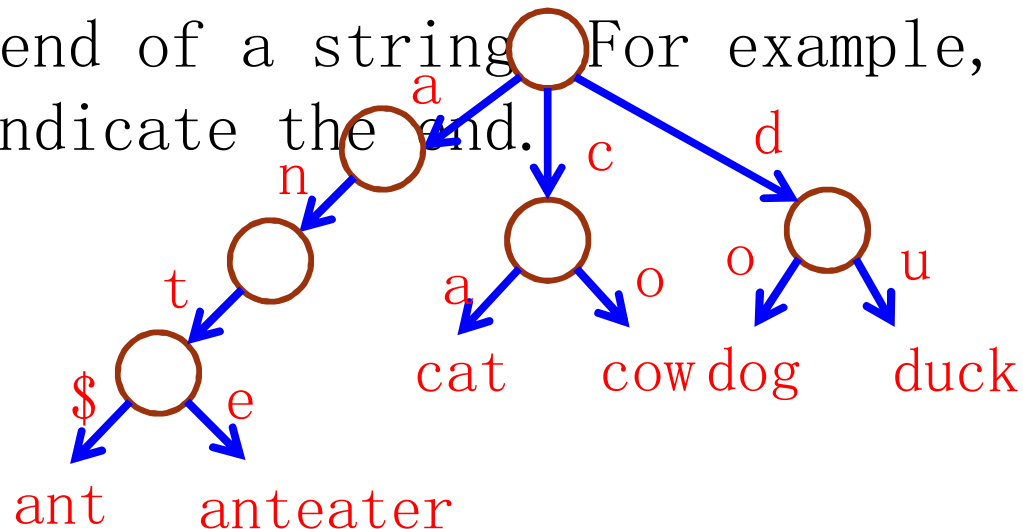




# Trie

## Implementation Issue

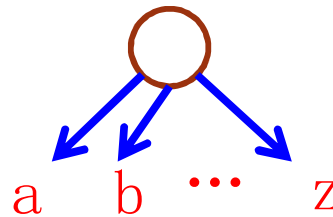
- Sometimes, a string in the set is exactly a **prefix** of another string.
  - For example, “ant” is a prefix of “anteater”.
  - How can we make “ant” as a leaf in the trie?
- We add a symbol to the alphabet to indicate the end of a string. For example, use “\$” to indicate the end.



# Trie

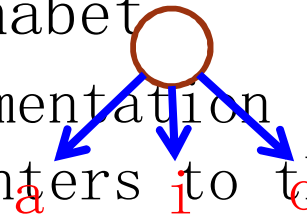
## Implementation Issue

- We can keep an array of pointers in a node, which corresponds to **all** possible symbols in the alphabet.



- However, most internal nodes have branches to only a small fraction of the possible symbols in the alphabet

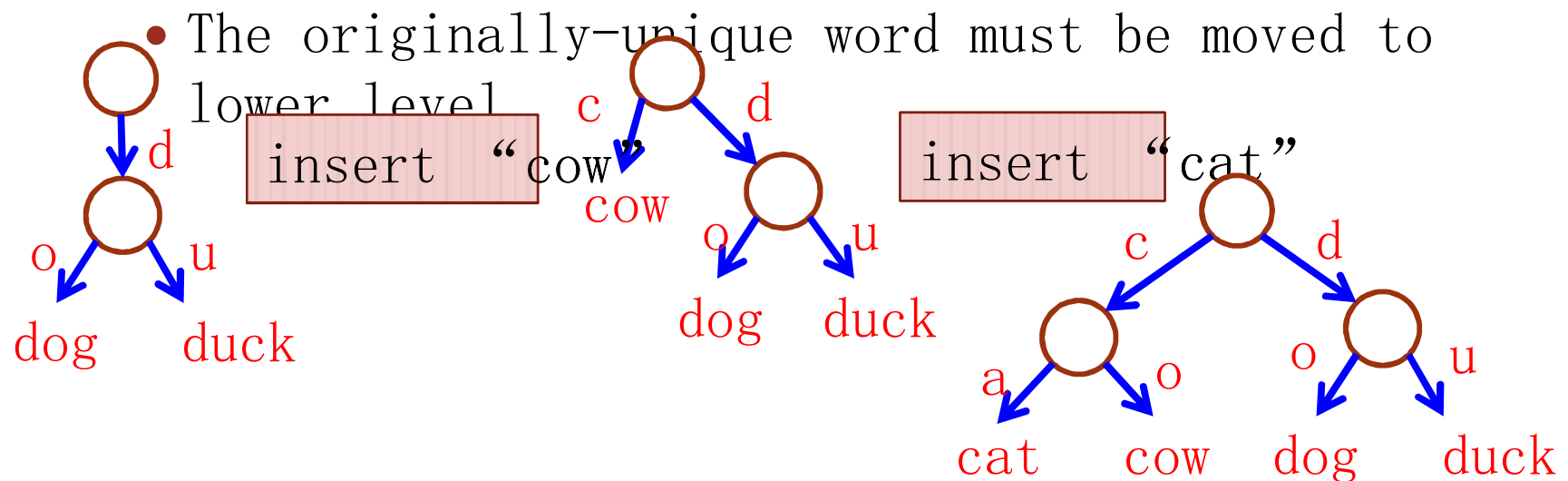
- An alternate implementation is to store a linked list of pointers to the child nodes.



# Trie

## Insertion

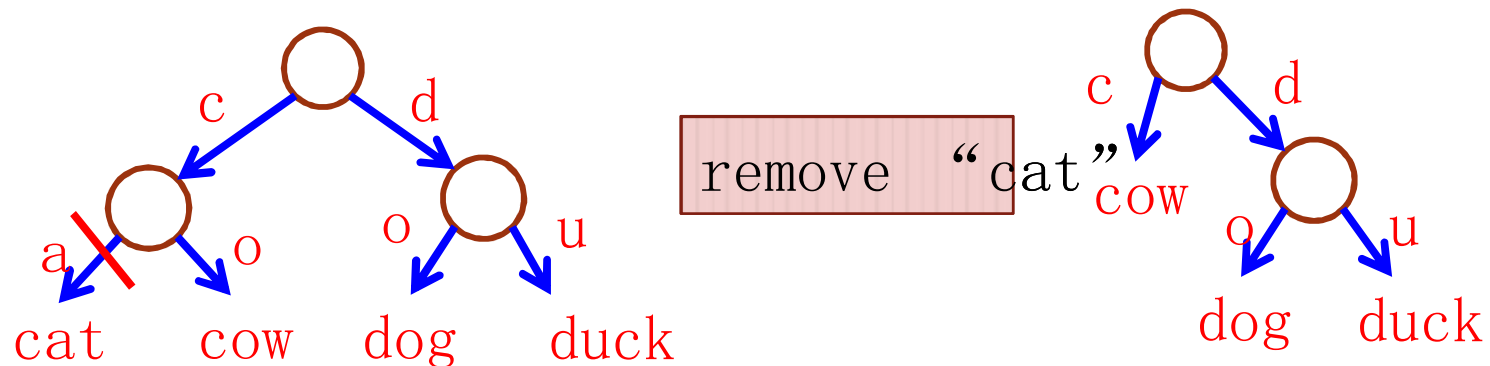
- Follow the search path, starting from the root.
- If a new branch is needed, add it.
- When the search leads to a leaf, a conflict occurs. We need to branch.



# Trie

## Removal

- The key to be removed is always at the leaf.
- After deleting the key, if the parent of that key now has only one child  $C$ , remove the parent node and move key  $C$  one level up.
- If key  $C$  is the only child of its new parent, repeat the above procedure again.



# Time Complexity of Trie

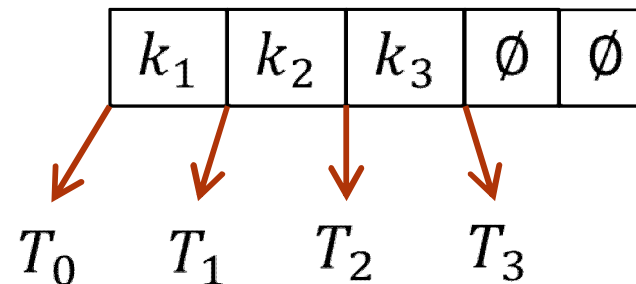
- In the worst case, inserting or finding a key that consists of  $k$  symbols is  $O(k)$ .
  - This does not depend on the number of keys  $N$ .
  - Comparison: storing 32 integers in the range  $[0, 127]$  using a trie versus using a BST. What are heights in the worst case?
- Sometimes we can access records even faster.
  - A key is stored at the depth which is enough to distinguish it with others.
  - For example, in dictionary, we can find the word “qwerty” with just “qw”.

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# M-Way Search Trees

- M-way search tree is a generalization of binary search tree.
- Every node in the M-way search tree contains  $n - 1$  keys and  $n$  subtrees, where  $2 \leq n \leq M$ .
  - Example: an internal node of a 6-way search tree

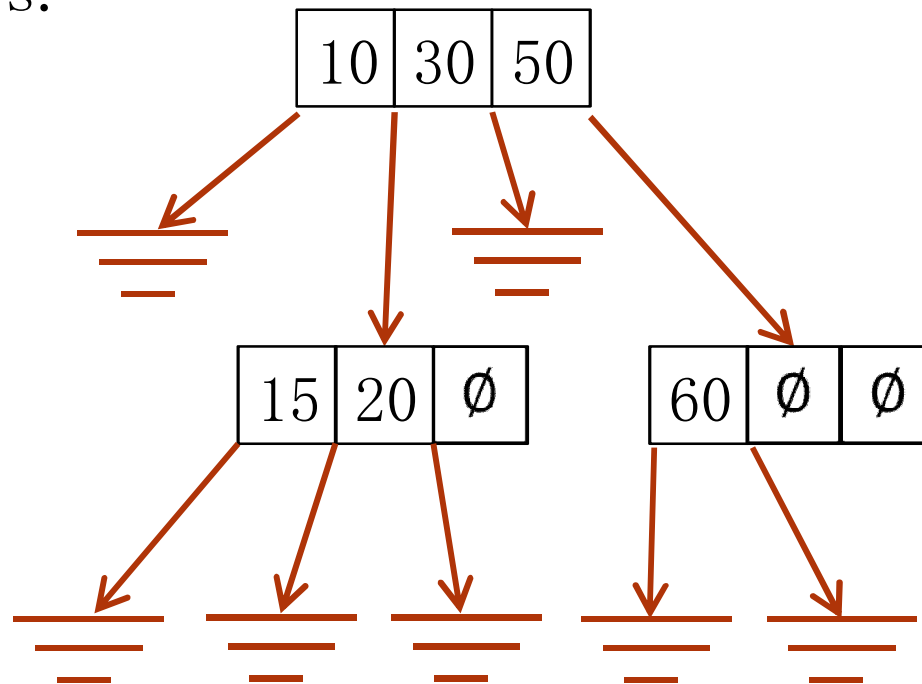


- Suppose the  $n - 1$  keys are  $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_{n-1}$  and the  $n$  subtrees are  $T_0, T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}$ .
  - All the keys in subtree  $T_{i-1}$  are smaller than  $k_i$ .
  - All the keys in subtree  $T_i$  are larger than  $k_i$ .

# M-Way Search Trees

## Example

- A 4-way search tree
  - Each node has at most 3 keys and 4 subtrees.
  - However, each node does not need to have 3 keys.

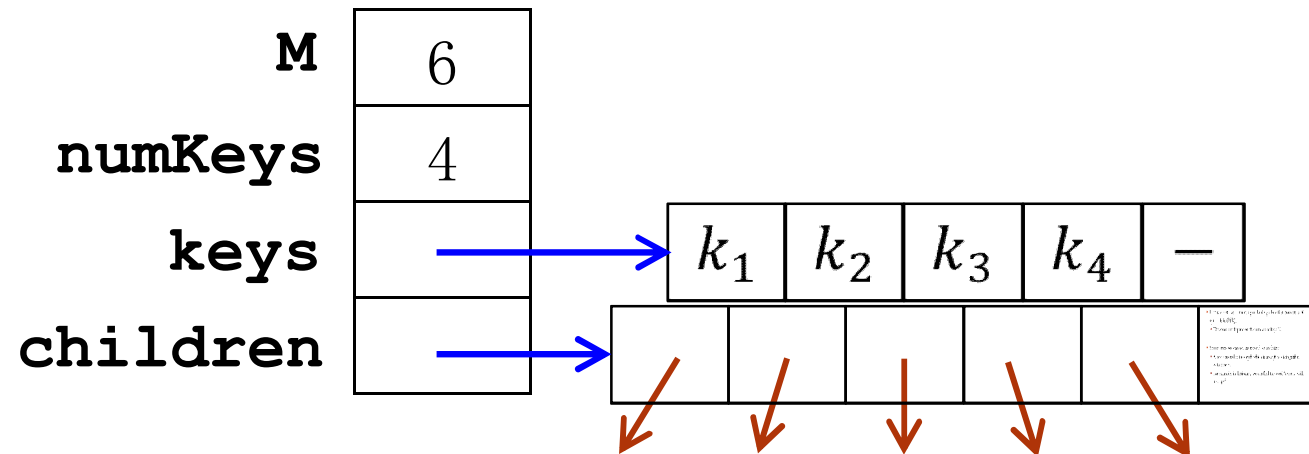




# M-Way Search Trees

## Representation

```
struct mnode {  
    int M;  
    int numKeys;  
    Key keys[M-1];  
    mnode *children[M];  
}
```



# M-Way Search Trees

## Search

- Similar to search on BST with more than one comparison per node.
- Complexity analysis: Consider an M-way search tree with  $K$  keys and  $N$  nodes.
  - $N$  satisfies  $\frac{K}{M-1} \leq N \leq K$ .
  - The average height is  $\Theta(\log_M N) = \Theta(\log_M K)$ .
  - If all nodes have  $M - 1$  keys, with linear search on each node, the time complexity is  $\Theta(M \log_M K)$ .
  - With binary search on each node, it takes  $\Theta(\log_2 M \log_M K)$  time.

# Balanced $M$ -Way Search Trees

- M-way search tree is not guaranteed to be “balanced.”
  - Its height in the worst case is  $\Theta(N)=\Theta(K)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes and  $K$  is the number of keys.
- Recall that AVL tree is a balanced binary search tree. We also have “**balanced**” M-way search trees.
  - They need extra operations to maintain balance.
- We will study a balanced 3-way tree: **2-3 tree**.

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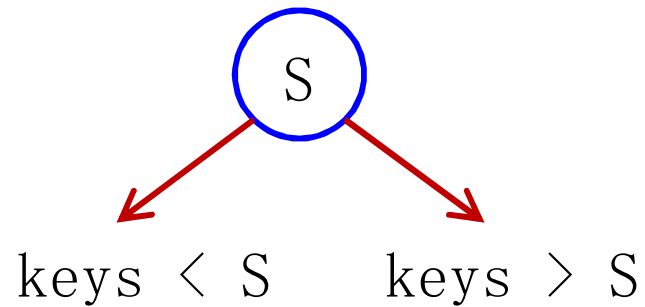
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# Properties of 2-3 Trees

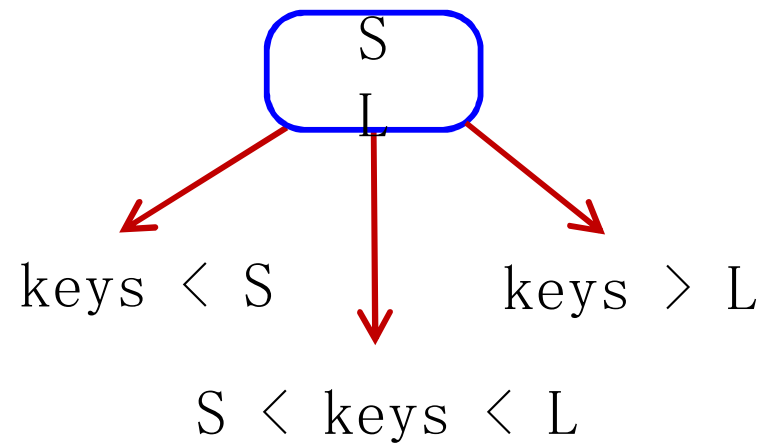
- It is a 3-way search tree, i.e., each node contains 1 key or 2 keys.
  - A node with 1 key has 2 subtrees. It is called a **2-node**.
  - A node with 2 keys has 3 subtrees. It is called a **3-node**.
- All leaf nodes (i.e., nodes whose subtrees are all empty) are **at the same level**.
- The two subtrees of any **internal** 2-node are non-empty.
- The three subtrees of any **internal** 3-node are non-empty.

## 2-Nodes and 3-Nodes

2-Node

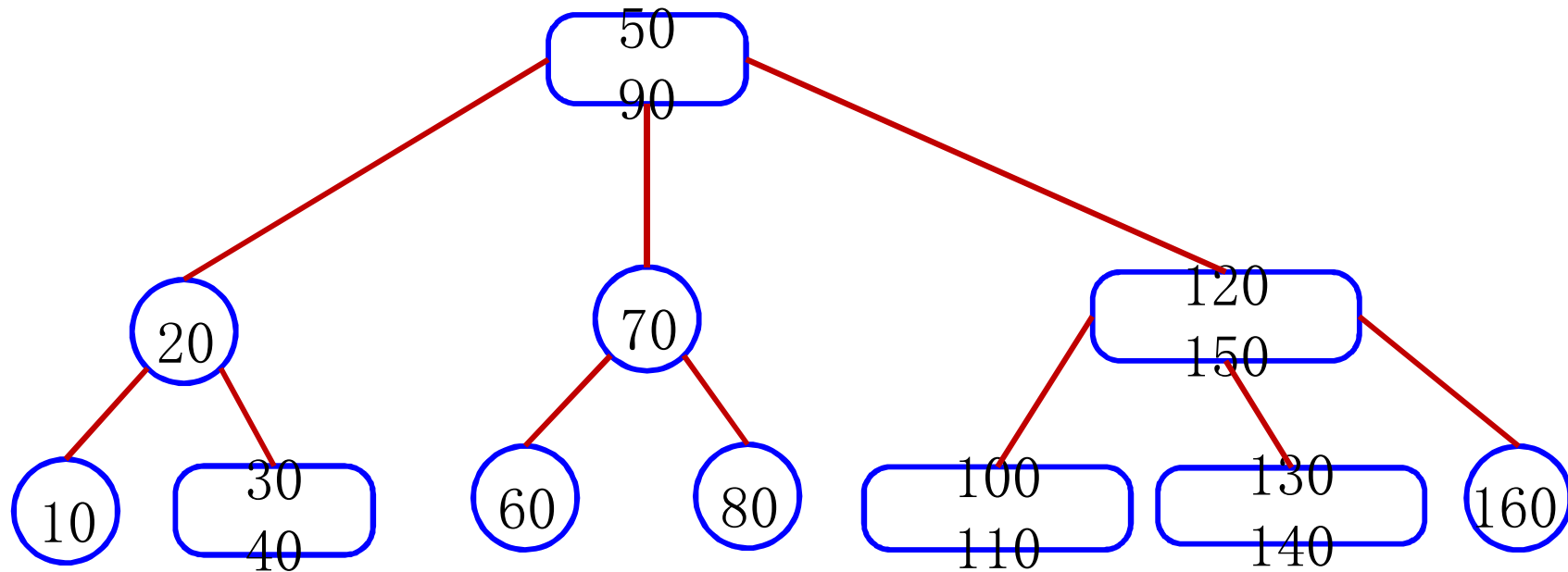


3-Node



# 2-3 Trees

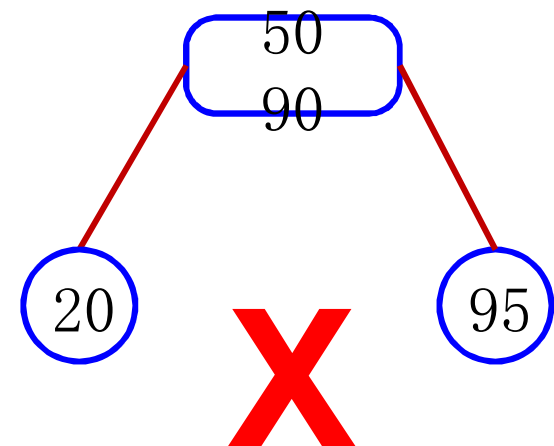
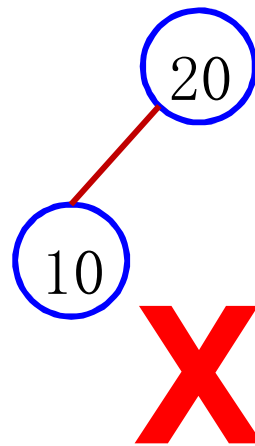
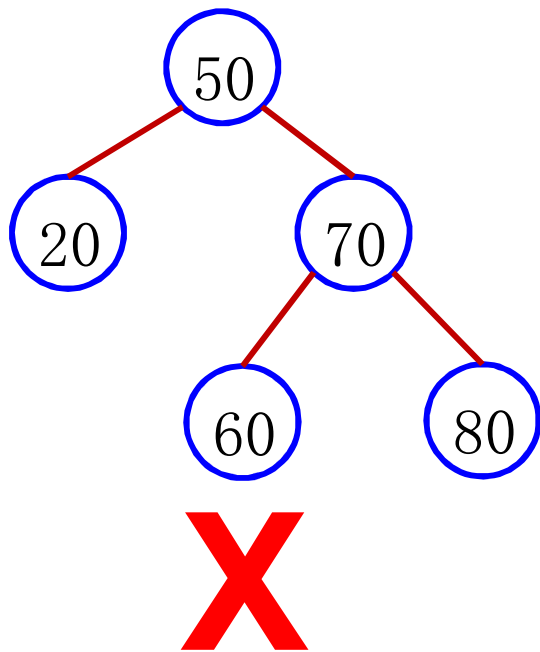
Example



# 2-3 Trees

Example

- Are they 2-3 trees?





# Number of Keys versus Height

- Consider a 2-3 tree of height  $h$ .
- When does the tree contain minimum number of keys?
  - All the nodes are 2-nodes.
  - The number of nodes is  $\sum_{i=0}^h 2^i = 2^{h+1} - 1$ .
  - The number of keys is  $2^{h+1} - 1$ .
- When does the tree contain maximum number of keys?
  - All the nodes are 3-nodes.
  - The number of nodes is  $\sum_{i=0}^h 3^i = (3^{h+1} - 1)/2$ .
  - The number of keys is  $3^{h+1} - 1$ .
- The height of a 2-3 tree with  $N$  keys is  $\Theta(\log N)$ .

# Representation of 2-3 Tree Node

```
struct Node {  
    Key lkey, rkey;  
    Node *left, *center, *right;  
};
```

- Representing both a 2-node and a 3-node.
- For a 2-node, set **rkey = emptyKey** and **right = NULL**

## 2-3 Trees

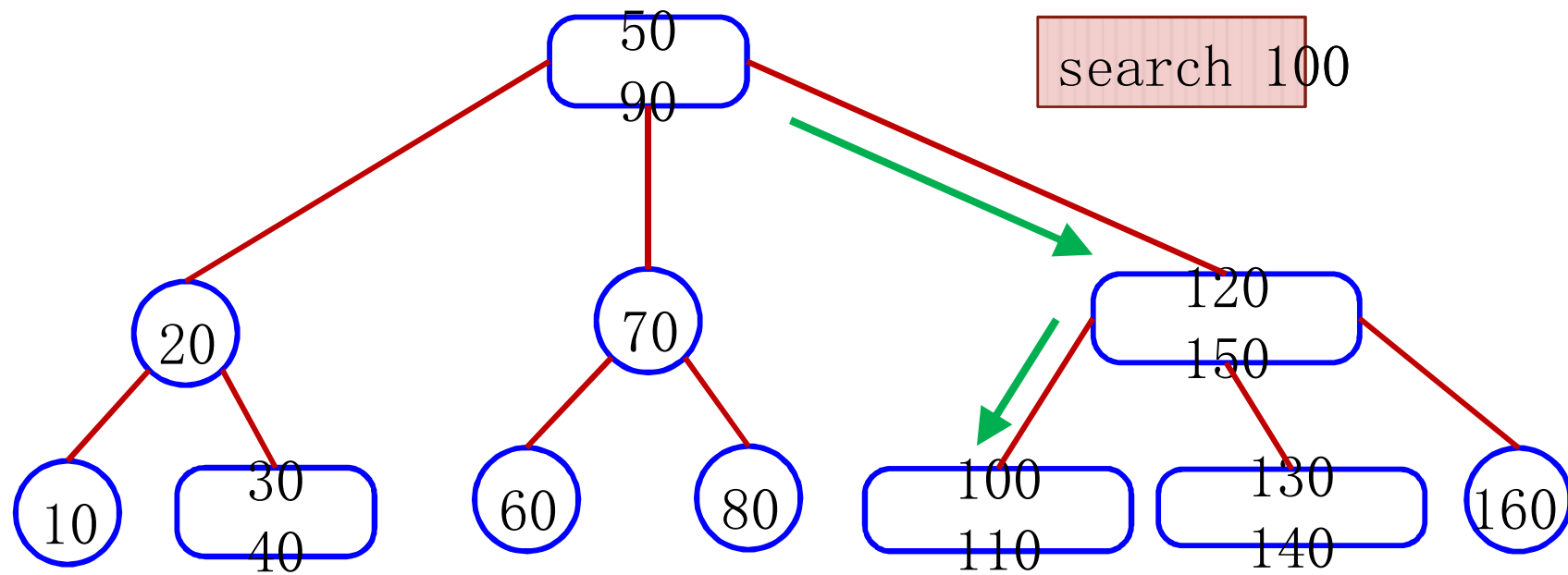
### In-Order Traversal

- Visit left subtree
- Visit left key
- Visit center subtree
- If a 3-node
  - Visit right key
  - Visit right subtree

```
void inOrder(Node *node) {  
    if(!node) return;  
    inOrder(node->left);  
    visit(node->lkey);  
    inOrder(node->center);  
    if(isThreeNode(node)) {  
        visit(node->rkey);  
        inOrder(node->right);  
    }  
}
```

# 2-3 Trees

Search



## 2-3 Trees

### Search

```
Node *search(Node *cur, Key sKey)
// Illustration for the 3-nodes. Need
// to modify this for the 2-nodes.
// EFFECTS: return the node contains sKey
{
    if(!cur) return NULL;
    if(sKey==cur->lkey || sKey==cur->rkey)
        return cur;
    if(sKey < cur->lkey)
        return search(cur->left, sKey);
    if(sKey > cur->rkey)
        return search(cur->right, sKey);
    return search(cur->center, sKey);
}
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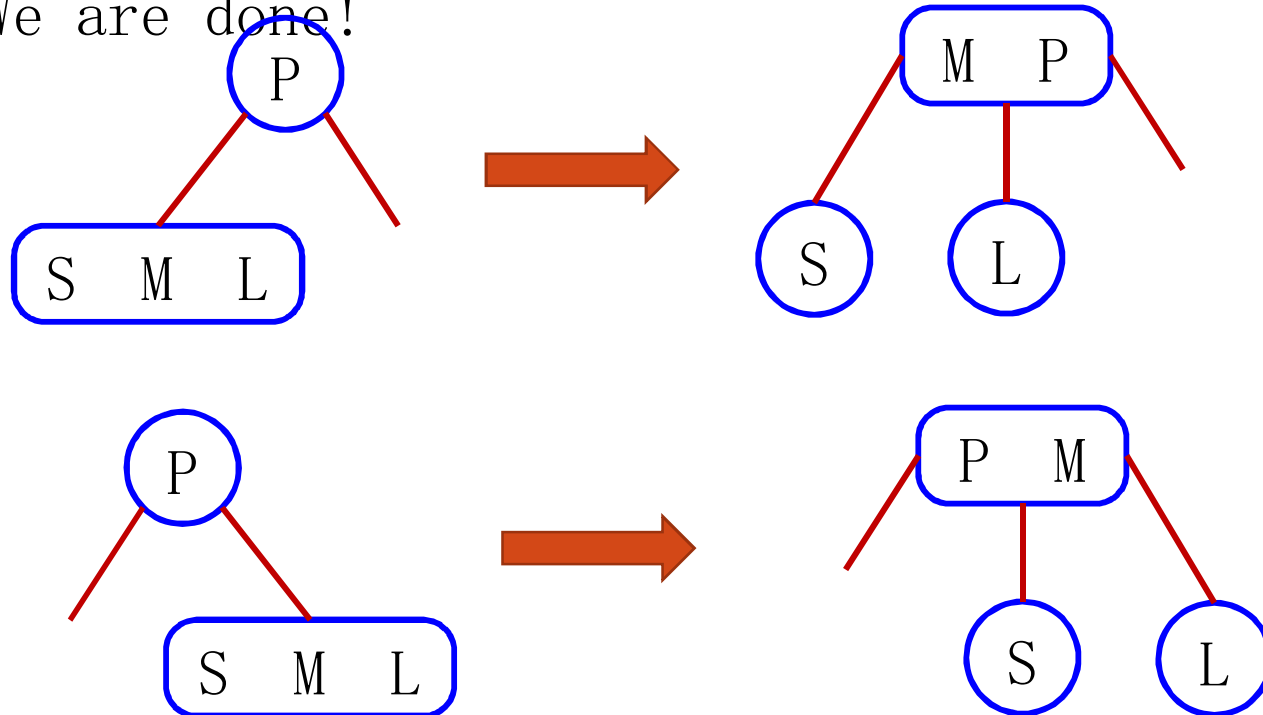
# 2-3 Trees

## Insertion

- Search with the key until you reach a leaf
  - If the leaf is a 2-node, put the key in that node. The leaf now becomes a 3-node.
  - If the leaf is a 3-node, we need to **split** the leaf and move the middle key to the parent.

# Splitting a Leaf Node

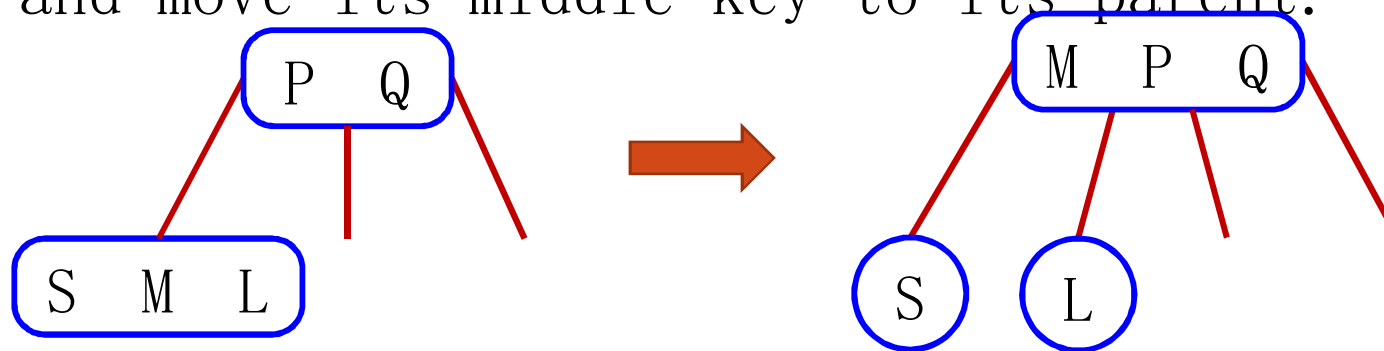
- If the parent is a 2-node, it becomes a 3-node.
  - We are done!



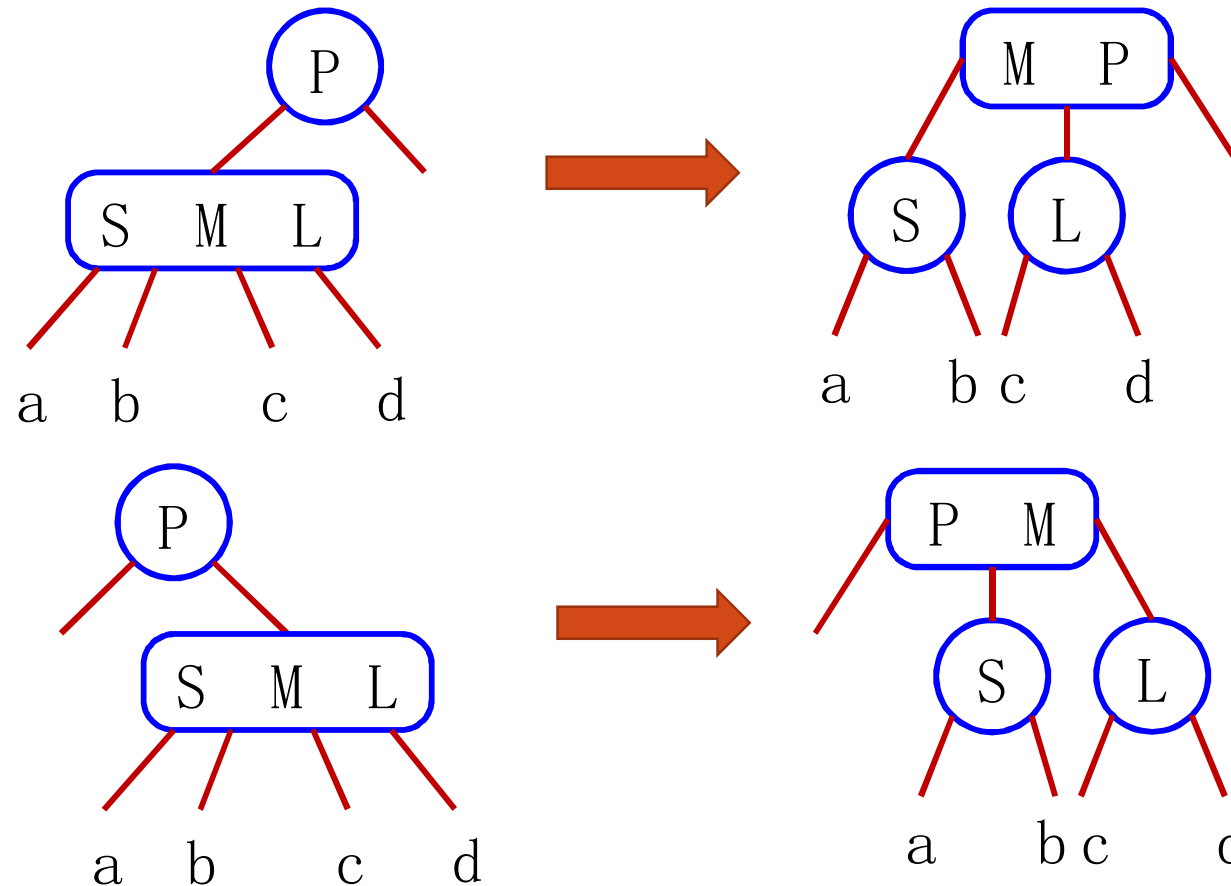


# Splitting a Leaf Node

- If the parent is a 3-node, it now contains 3 keys.
  - It violates the 2-3 tree property!
- We need to further split an **internal** node and move its middle key to its parent.



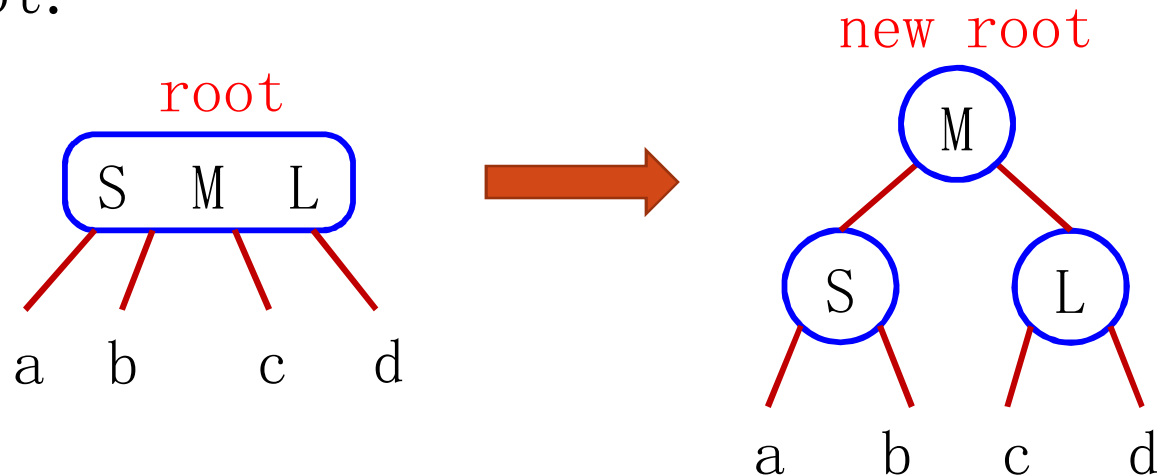
# Splitting an Internal Node



Note: the order on keys is preserved

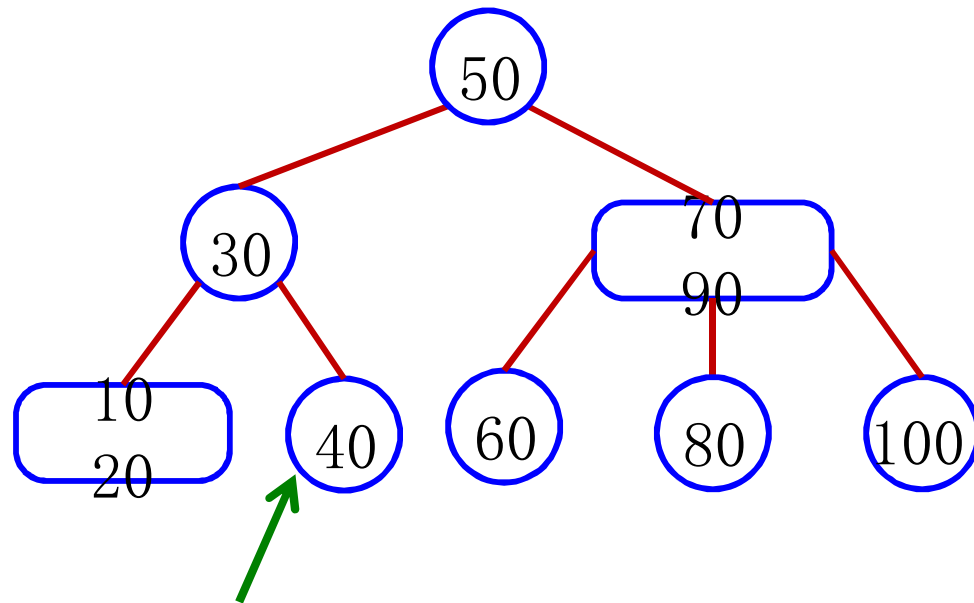
# Splitting a Root

- We may **repeat** splitting an internal node and moving its middle key to its parent.
- In the extreme case, we may split the root and move its middle key up, creating a new root.

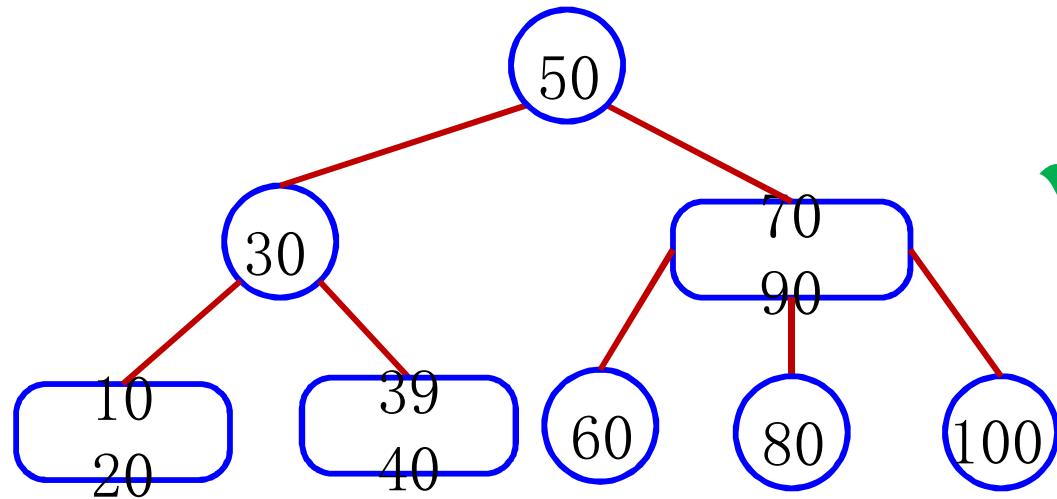


# 2-3 Trees Insertion

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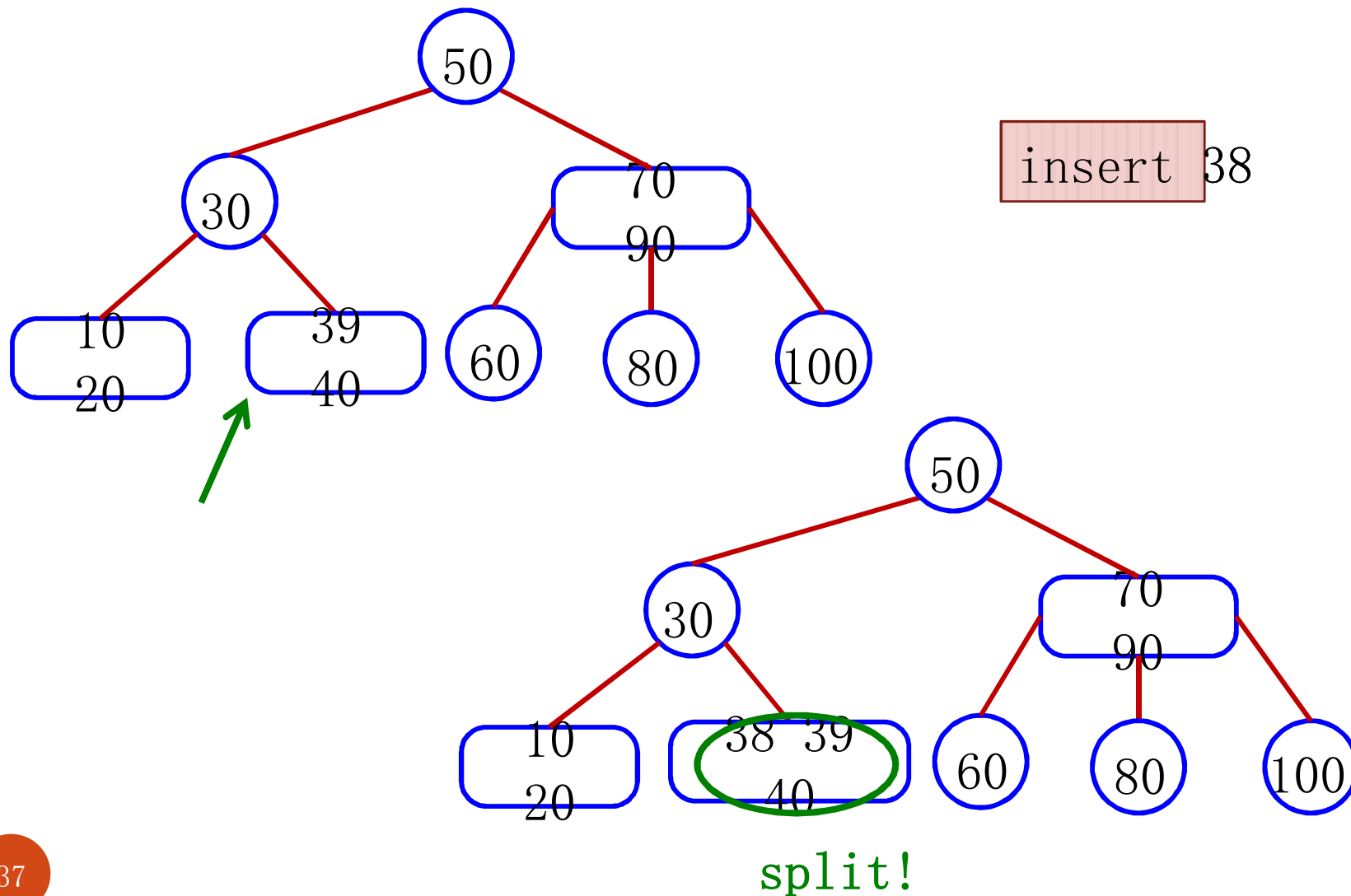


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