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# Estruturas de Informação

## Trees

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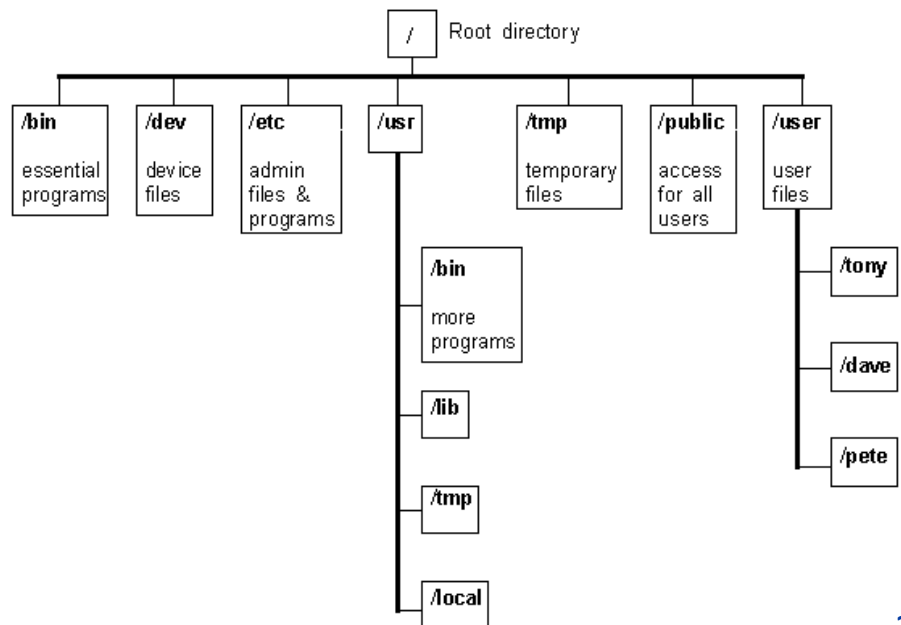
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# Trees

- In computer science, a tree is an ADT which stores elements **hierarchically**
- Tree consists of nodes with a **parent-child** relation

Applications:

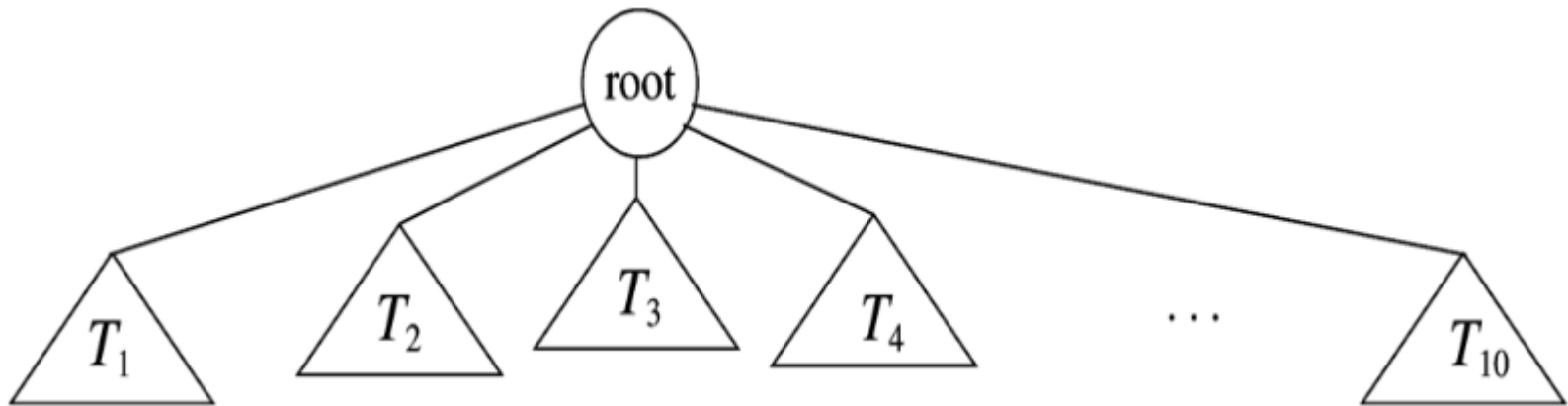
- File systems
- Programming environments
- Taxonomies
- Image Representation
- Database Indexes
- ....



# Tree – Definition

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- A tree is a set of nodes that **may be empty**
- If not empty, then there is a distinguished node **r**, called **root** and zero or more non-empty **subtrees**  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$ , each of whose roots are connected by a directed edge from **r**
- Every node in a tree is the root of a subtree
- Each node of the tree, different from the root, has a unique parent node

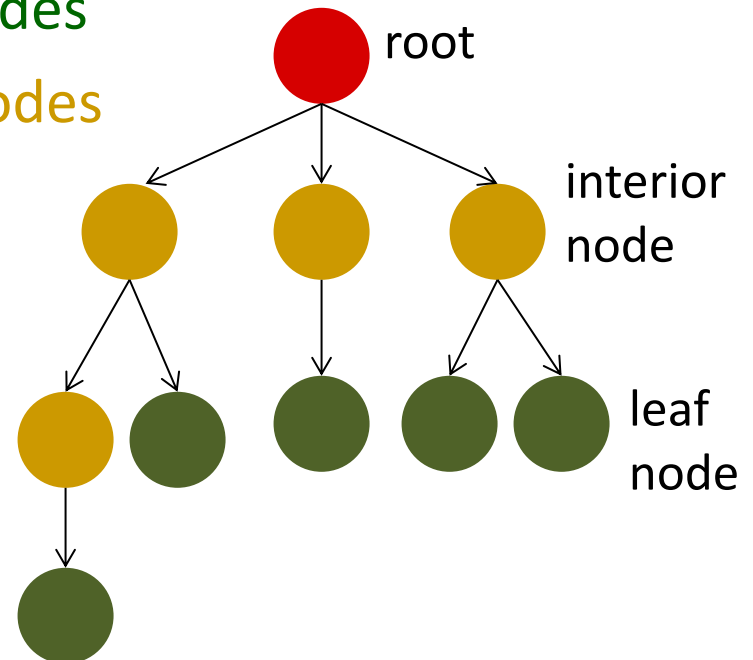


Generic tree

# Tree Terminology

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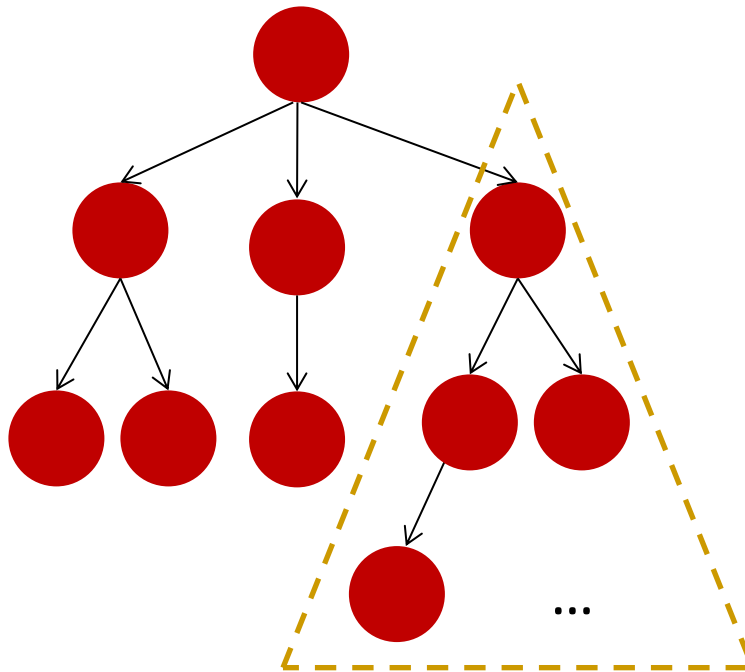
- Tree = Set of **nodes** connected by **arcs** (or **edges**)
- Every tree has a single **root** node – node without parent node
- A parent node points to (one or more) other nodes
- Nodes pointed to are **children**
- Every node (except the root) has exactly one parent
- Nodes with no children are **leaf nodes**
- Nodes with children are **interior nodes**



# Tree Terminology

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- Any node can be considered the root of a **subtree**

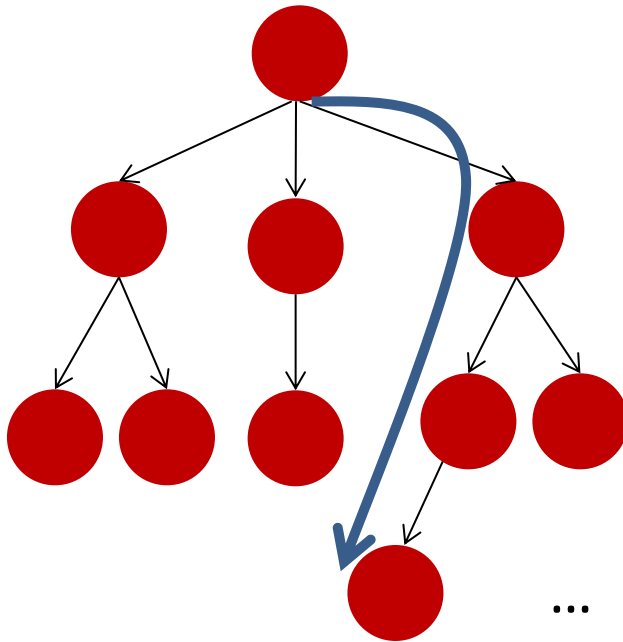


How many subtrees are there?

# Tree Terminology

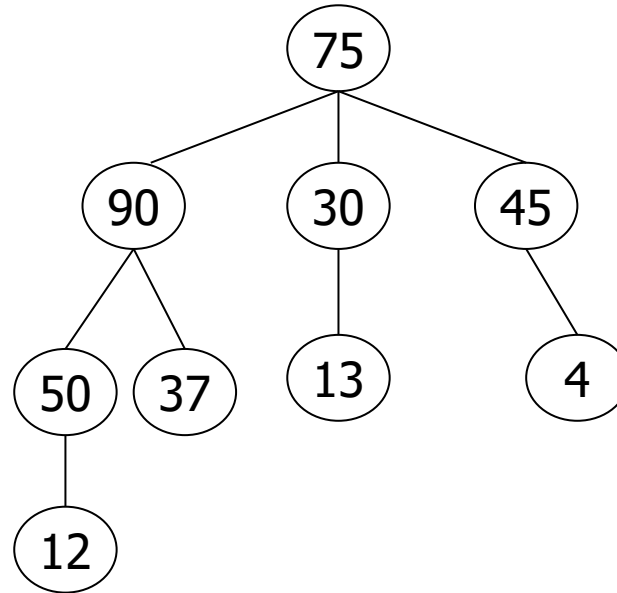
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- There is a single, unique **path** from the root to any node
- A path's **length** is equal to the number of arcs traversed



# Ascendants and descendants of a Node

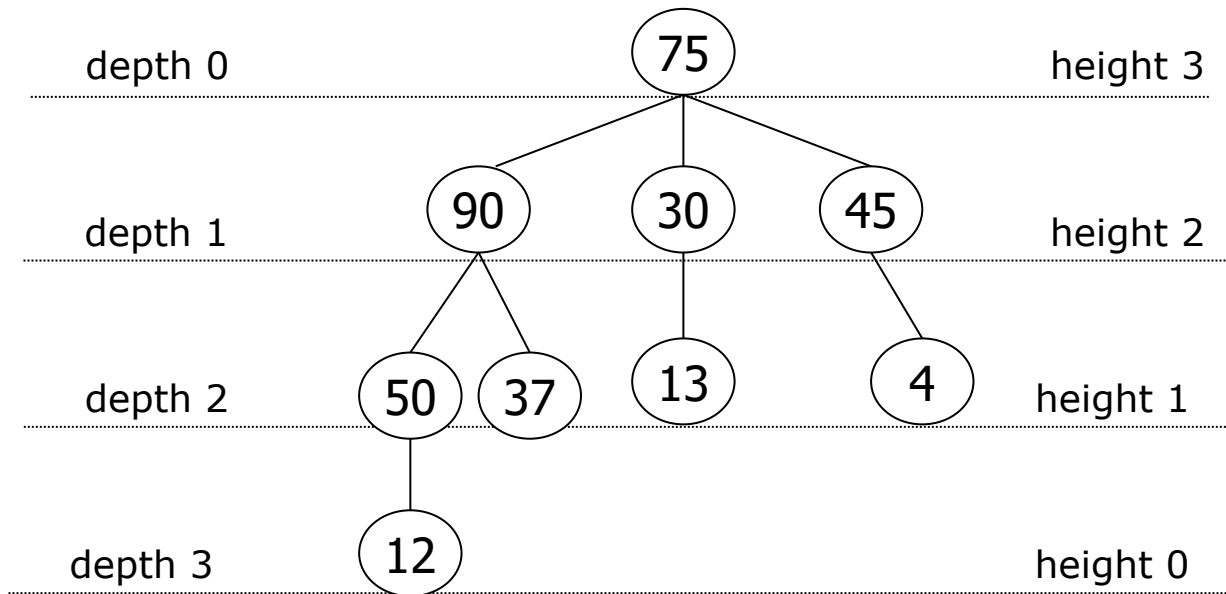
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- The ascendants of a node are the nodes that are in the path from the node to the root of the tree. **Ascendants of node 12:** 50, 90, 75
- The descendants of a node are all the nodes reachable from that node. **Descendants of node 90:** 50, 37, 12
- All nodes in a tree are descendants of the root (except for the root)

# Height and depth of a tree

- Height of a node = max. path length from the node to a leaf
  - Height of a leaf node = 0 (greater depth)
  - Height of the tree = Height of the root
- Depth of a node = path length from the root to that node
  - Depth of the root = 0

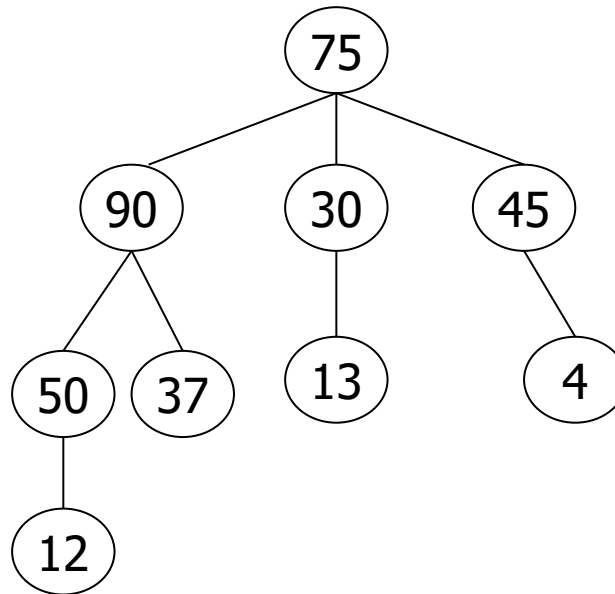




# Degree of a tree

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- Degree of a tree is the maximum degree of its nodes
- Degree of a node is equal the number of its children's



Degree of node 90: 2

Degree of a leaf node: 0

Degree of the tree: 3

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# Binary Trees

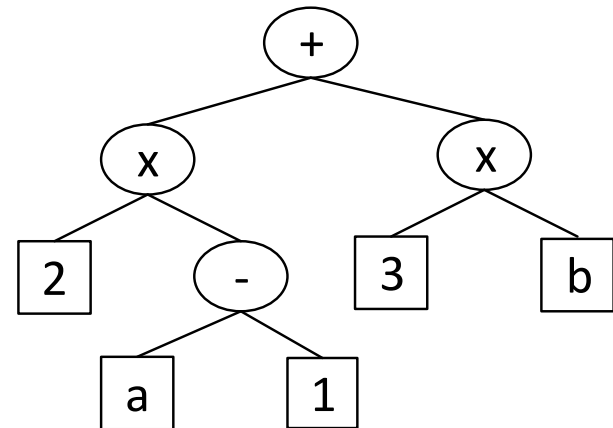
# Binary Tree – Definition

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- A binary tree is a **special case of a K-ary** tree whose nodes have exactly two child references
- A binary tree is a rooted tree in which no node can have **more than two children** AND the children are distinguished as **left** and **right**

## Applications:

- Arithmetic expressions
- Decision processes
- Searching
- ....



Arithmetic expression:  $((2 \times (a - 1)) + (3 \times b))$

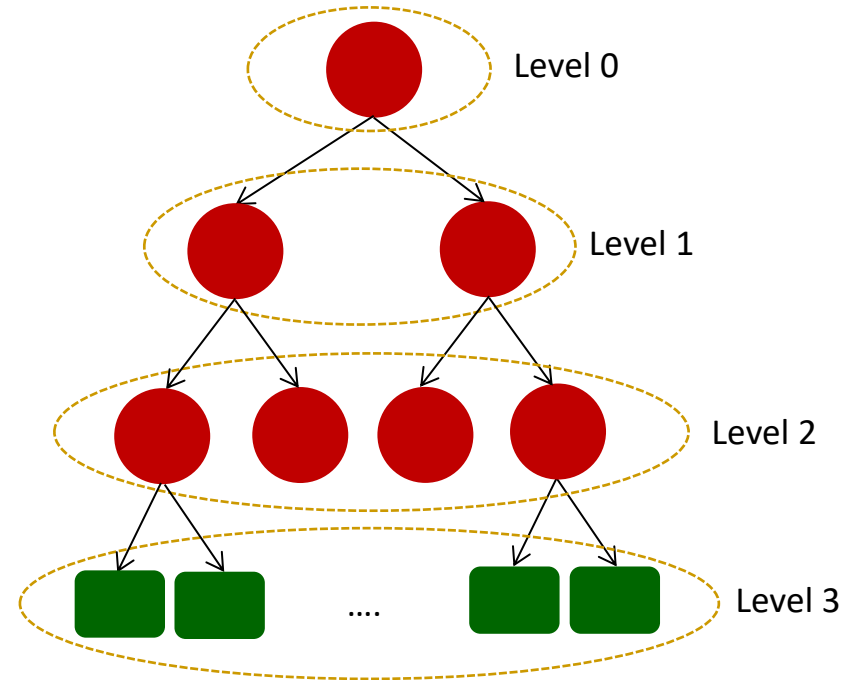
# Binary Tree – Properties

In a binary tree

- level 0 has at most  $1 = 2^0$  node
- level 1 has at most  $2 = 2^1$  nodes
- level 2 has at most  $4 = 2^2$  nodes
- ...
- level d has at most  $2^d$  nodes

A binary tree of height h has:

- minimum:  $h + 1$  nodes
- maximum:  $2^{h+1} - 1$  nodes

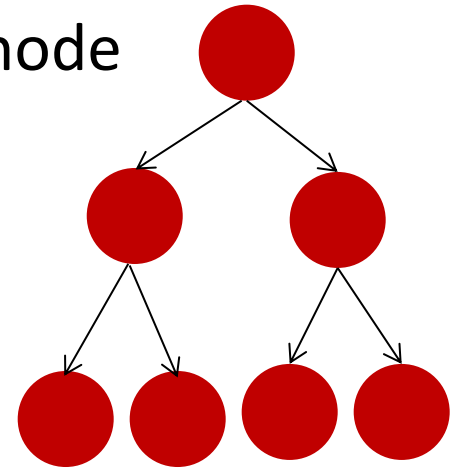


# Binary Tree – Properties

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A **full binary tree** is a binary tree in which every node is a leaf or has exactly two children

- A full binary tree with  **$n$  internal nodes** has  **$n + 1$  leaves**



A **perfect binary tree** is a full binary tree in which all leaves have the same depth

- The number of nodes in a perfect binary tree is  **$2^{h+1} - 1$  nodes**, where  $h$  is height

$$n = 2^{h+1} - 1$$

$$2^{h+1} = n + 1$$

$$\log_2 (2^{h+1}) = \log_2 (n + 1)$$

$$h = \log_2 (n + 1) - 1$$

# Tree Traversals

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## Depth-First Traversals

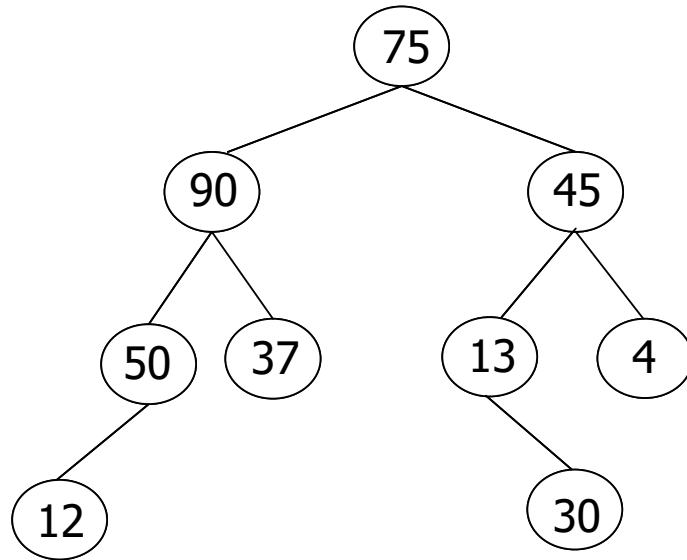
- Pre-order – root, left subtree, right subtree
- In-order – left subtree, root, right subtree
- Pos-order – left subtree, right subtree, root

## Breadth-First Traversal

- Level-order – all the positions at depth  $d$  *are visited* before the positions at depth  $d + 1$
- A breadth-first traversal is a common approach used in software for playing games

# Tree Traversals - Exemplification

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## Depth-First

- Pre-order 75, 90, 50, 12, 37, 45, 13, 30, 4
- In-order 12, 50, 90, 37, 75, 13, 30, 45, 4
- Pos-order 12, 50, 37, 90, 30, 13, 4, 45, 75

## Breath-First

- Level-order 75, 90, 45, 50, 37, 13, 4, 12, 30

# Pre-Order Traversal

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In a preorder traversal the node is visited before both its subtrees, left and right

```
Algorithm void preOrder(Node<E> node){  
    if (node == null)  
        return;  
    visit(node)  
    preOrder(node.getLeft())  
    preOrder(node.getRight())  
}
```

Time Complexity:  $O(?)$

If  $\text{visit}(\text{node})$  is  $O(1)$ , then the complexity of  $\text{preOrder}$  is  $O(n)$

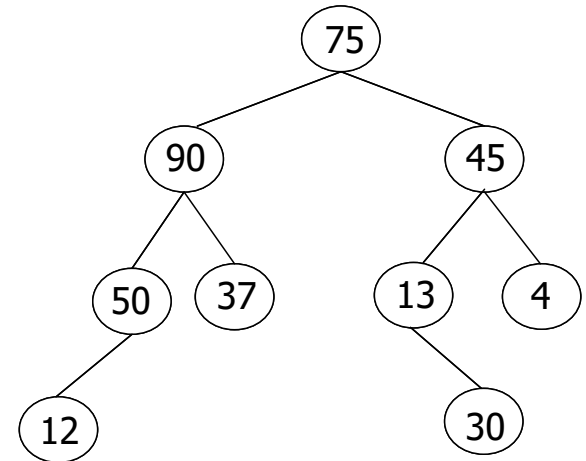


# Pre-Order Traversal – iterative algorithm

The iterative algorithm needs an auxiliary stack

Algorithm void IterativepreOrder(Node<E> node){

```
    r = node
    do {
        while (r != null){
            visit(r)
            stk.push(r)
            r=r.getLeft()
        }
        if (!stk.isEmpty()){
            stk.pop()
            r=r.getRight()
        }
    } while (stk.isEmpty() && r != null)
}
```



# In-Order Traversal

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In an in-order traversal a node is visited after its left subtree and before its right subtree

```
Algorithm void inOrder(Node<E> node){  
    if (node == null)  
        return;  
    inOrder(node.getLeft())  
    visit(node)  
    inOrder(node.getRight())  
}
```

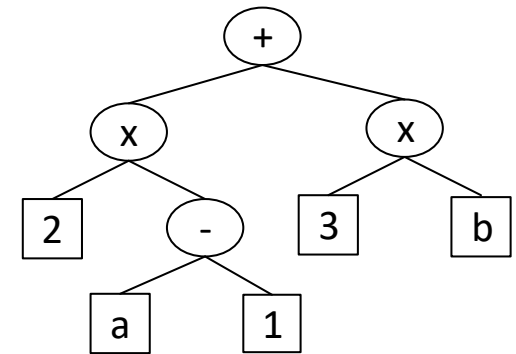
Specialization of In-Order Traversal:

writing of an arithmetic expression

# Specialization of In-Order Traversal

## Write an Arithmetic Expression

- write operand or operator when visiting node
- write "(" before traversing left subtree
- write ")" after traversing right subtree



$((2 \times (a - 1)) + (3 \times b))$

**Algorithm** void writeExpression(Node<String> node, String str){

```
    if (node.getLeft()){
        str += "("
        writeExpression(node.getLeft(),str)
    }
    str += node.getElement()
    if (node.getRight()){
        writeExpression(node.getRight(),str)
        str += ")"
    }
}
```

# Pos-Order Traversal

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In a pos-order traversal a node is visited after both its subtrees, left and right

```
Algorithm void posOrder(Node<E> node){  
  
    if (node == null)  
        return;  
  
    posOrder(node.getLeft())  
    posOrder(node.getRight())  
    visit(node)  
}
```

**Iterative Algorithm:** needs two stacks

Specialization of a Pos-Order Traversal:

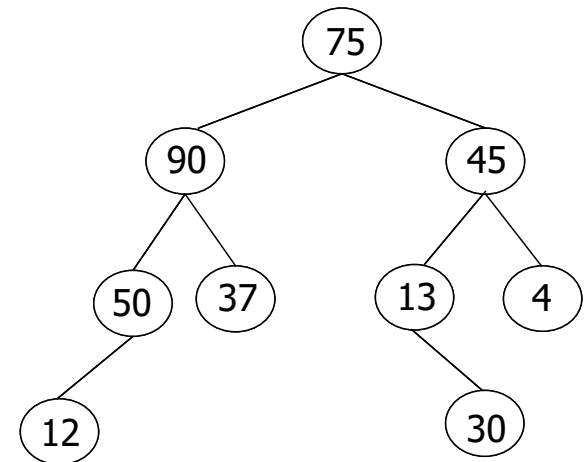
evaluation an arithmetic expression

# Breadth First Traversal

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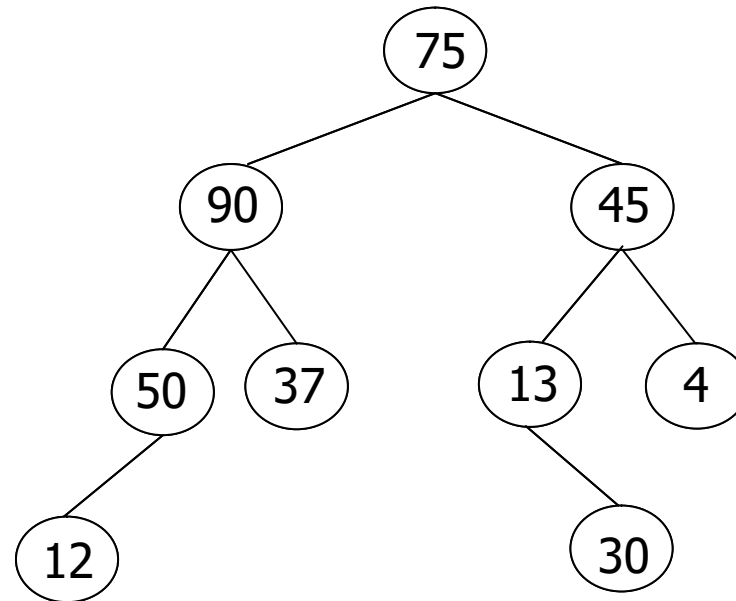
In a breadth first traversal the nodes of the tree are visited level by level

```
Algorithm void breadthfirst (){  
    Initialize queue Q to contain root()  
    while (Q not empty) {  
        p = Q.dequeue()  
        visit(p)  
        for (each child c in children(p))  
            Q.enqueue(c)  
    }  
}
```



# Search an Element

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Time Complexity:  $O(?)$

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# Binary Search Trees

# Binary Search Tree (BST)

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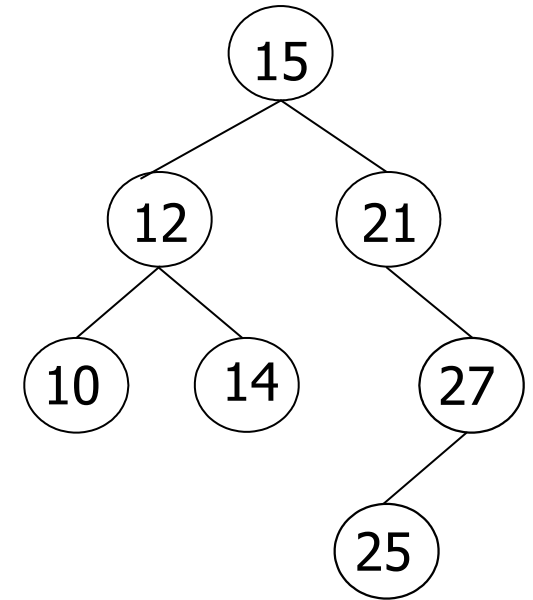
Is a binary tree where every node value is:

- **Greater than** all its **left descendants**
- **Less than** to all its **right descendants**

The elements in the BST must be comparable

Duplicates are not allowed

Each subtree of a BST is also a BST



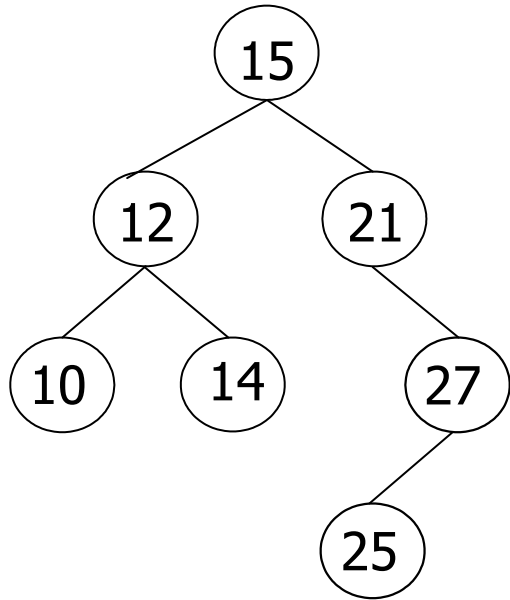
Applications:

- Symbol tables in compilers, "assemblers"
- Used in implementing efficient priority-queues (heaps)
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# Binary Search Tree

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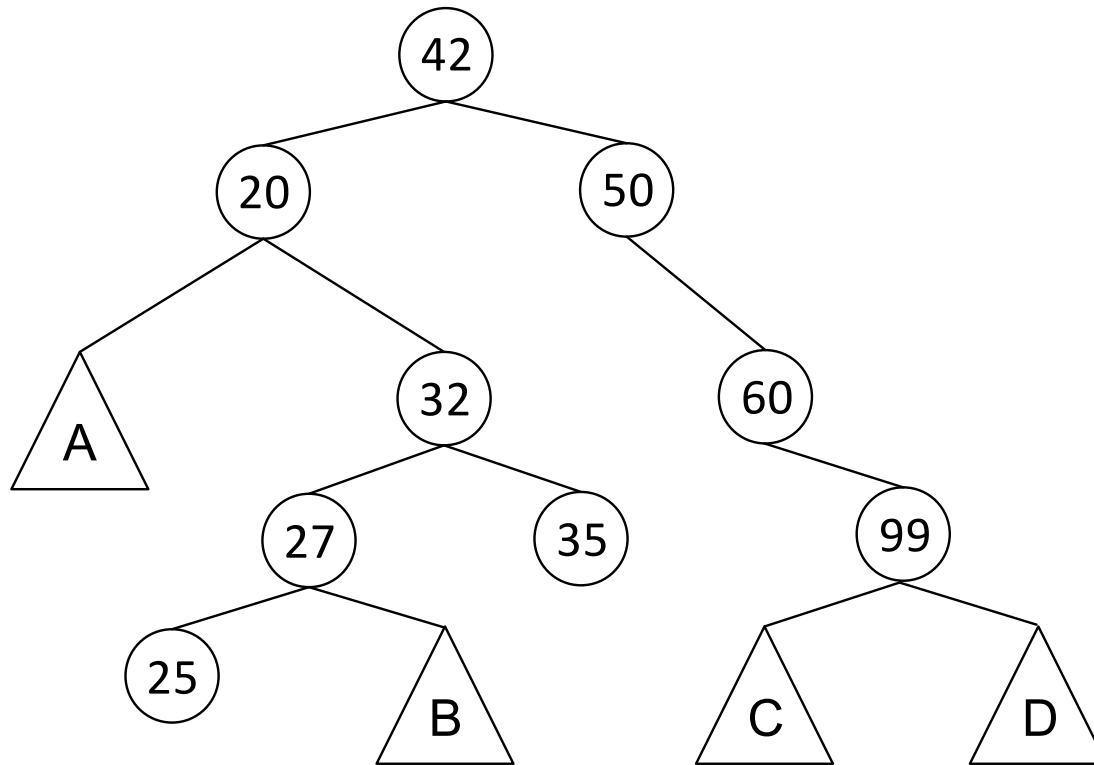


- In-order: 10, 12, 14, 15, 21, 25, 27
- Pre-order: 15, 12, 10, 14, 21, 27, 25
- Pos-order: 10, 14, 12, 25, 27, 21, 15
- Level-order: 15, 12, 21, 10, 14, 27, 25

BST in-order traversal returns elements in sorted order

# A Binary Search Tree of Integers

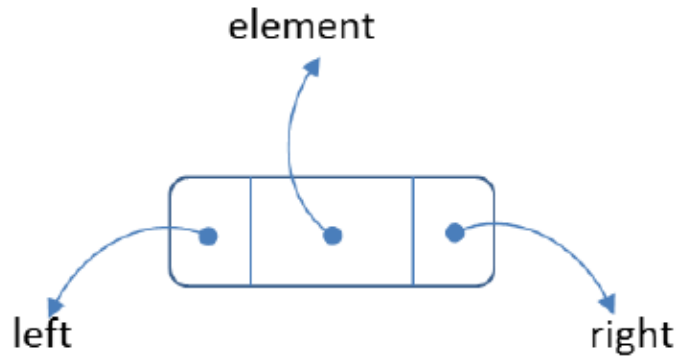
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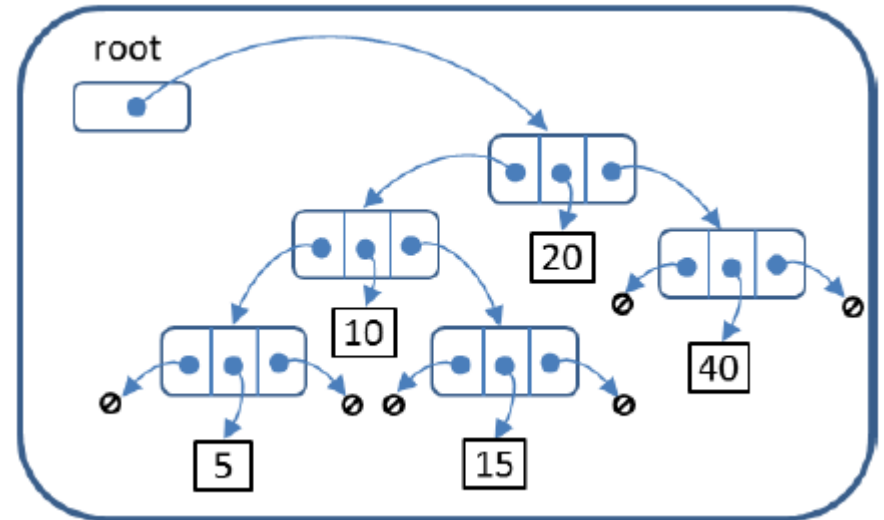
Describe the values which might appear in the subtrees labeled A, B, C, and D

# Binary Search Tree ADT

## Node



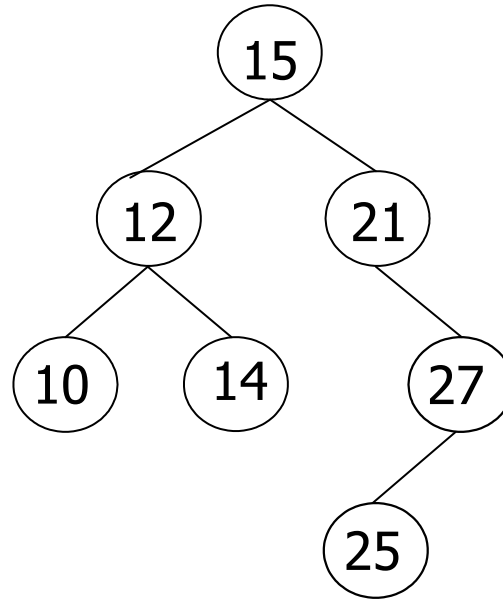
## BST



```
public BST()  
public boolean isEmpty()  
public int size()  
public void insert(E element)  
public void remove(E element)
```

# Search for an Element

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- Start at root
- At each node, compare value to node value:
  - Return true if match
  - If value is less than node value, go to left child (and repeat)
  - If value is greater than node value, go to right child (and repeat)
  - If node is null, return false

# Time Complexity

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The **maximum number of comparisons** to conclude whether or not the key is in the tree is the maximum height of tree:  **$h$**

If the tree is (more or less) **balanced**, all the leaf nodes with the same depth, the height of the tree can be relate with the total number of elements  $n$

$$n = 2^{(h+1)} - 1$$

$$2^{(h+1)} = n + 1$$

$$h+1 = \log_2 (n+1)$$

$$h = \log_2 (n+1) - 1$$

For all values of  $n \geq 1$ , there is a constant  $C$ , such that:

$$\log_2 (n+1) - 1 \leq C \times \log_2 n$$

$$T(n) = O(\log n)$$

# Search for an Element

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```
Algorithm Node<E> search(Node<E> node, E elem){  
    if (node == null)  
        return null  
    if (node.getElement() == elem)  
        return node  
    if (node.getElement() > elem)  
        return search(node.getLeft(),elem)  
    else  
        return search(node.getRight(),elem)  
}
```

Time Complexity:  $O(?)$

- **Best case:** the element is at the root
- **Average Case:** the tree is balanced
- **Worst Case:** the element doesn't exist, the tree degenerates in a list<sub>31</sub>

# Search for an Element – iterative version

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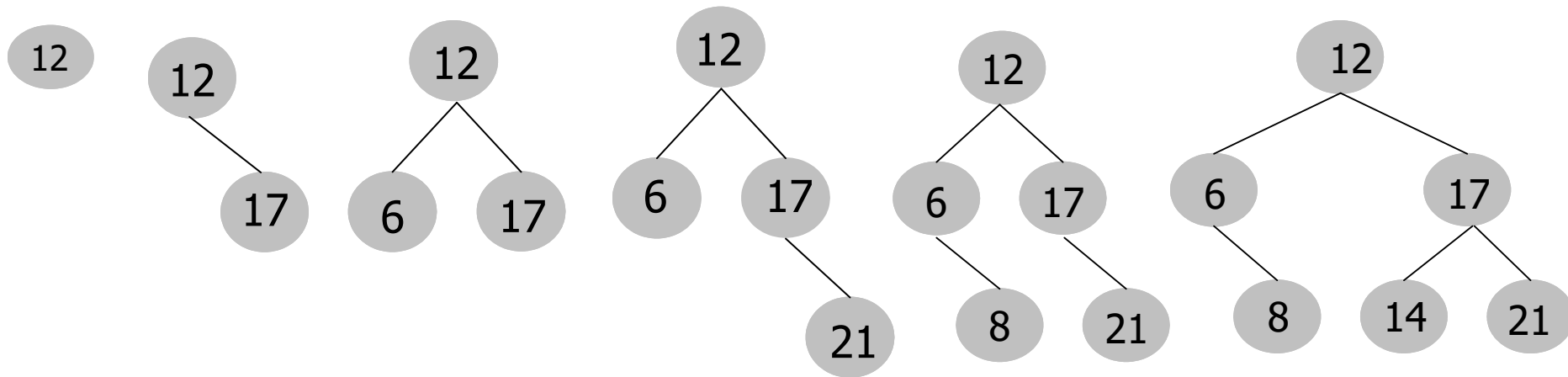
```
Algorithm boolean search(E elem) {  
    node = root  
    find = false  
    while (node != null && !find){  
        if (node.getElement() == elem)  
            find = true  
        if (node.getElement() > elem)  
            node = node.getLeft()  
        if (node.getElement() < elem)  
            node = node.getRight()  
    }  
    return find  
}
```

# Insertion

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- Start at the root
- successively down the tree from the root choosing the appropriate sub-tree
- Arriving in a leaf, insert in the appropriate side

The shape of the tree depends on the order of elements insertion:  
12, 17, 6, 21, 8, 14



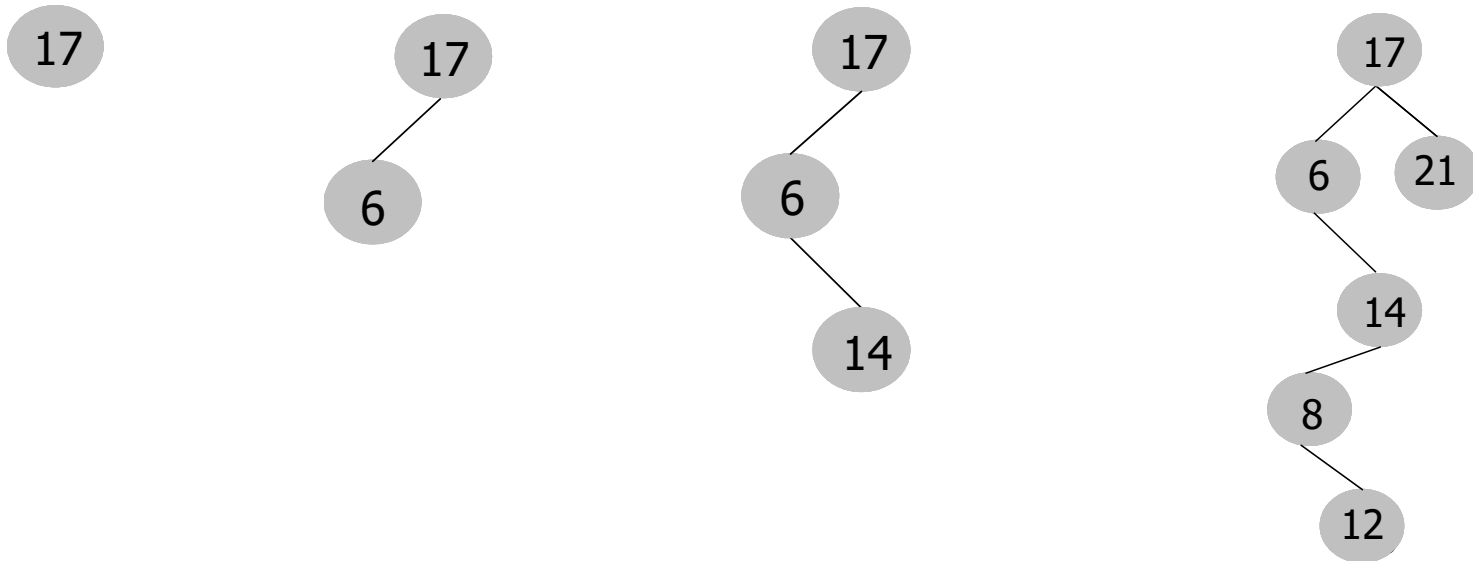


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What happens if the elements are inserted into the tree in ascending or descending order?

# Insertion

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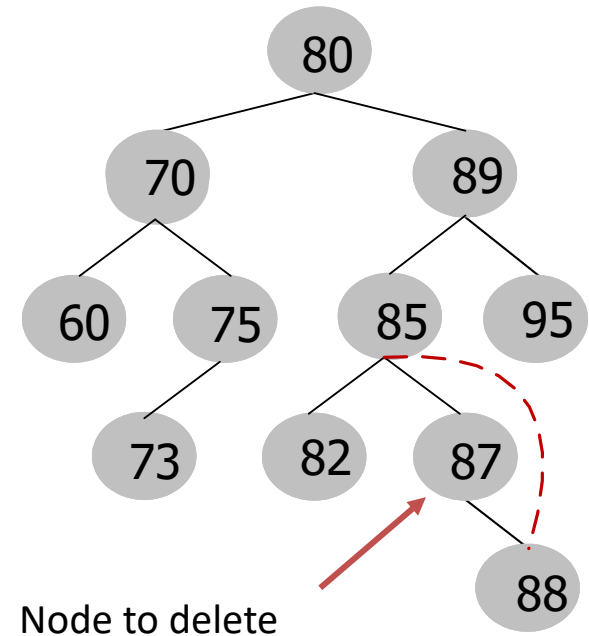
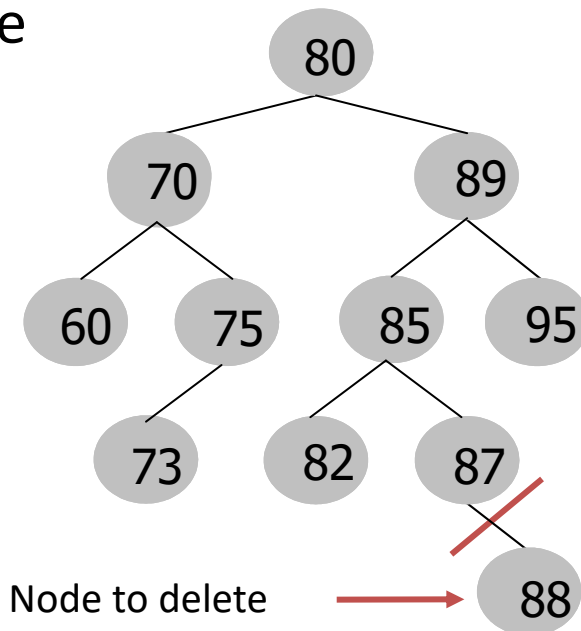
```
Algorithm Node<E> insert(Node<E> node, E elem){  
    if (node == null)  
        return new Node(elem, null, null)  
  
    if (node.getElement() > elem)  
        node.setLeft(insert(node.getLeft(),elem))  
    else  
        if (node.getElement() < elem)  
            node.setRight(insert(node.getRight(),elem))  
  
    return node  
}
```

# Deletion

When delete a node three cases can happen:

1. the node is a leaf (it hasn't subtrees)
2. the node has only one subtree
3. the node contains two subtrees (left and right)

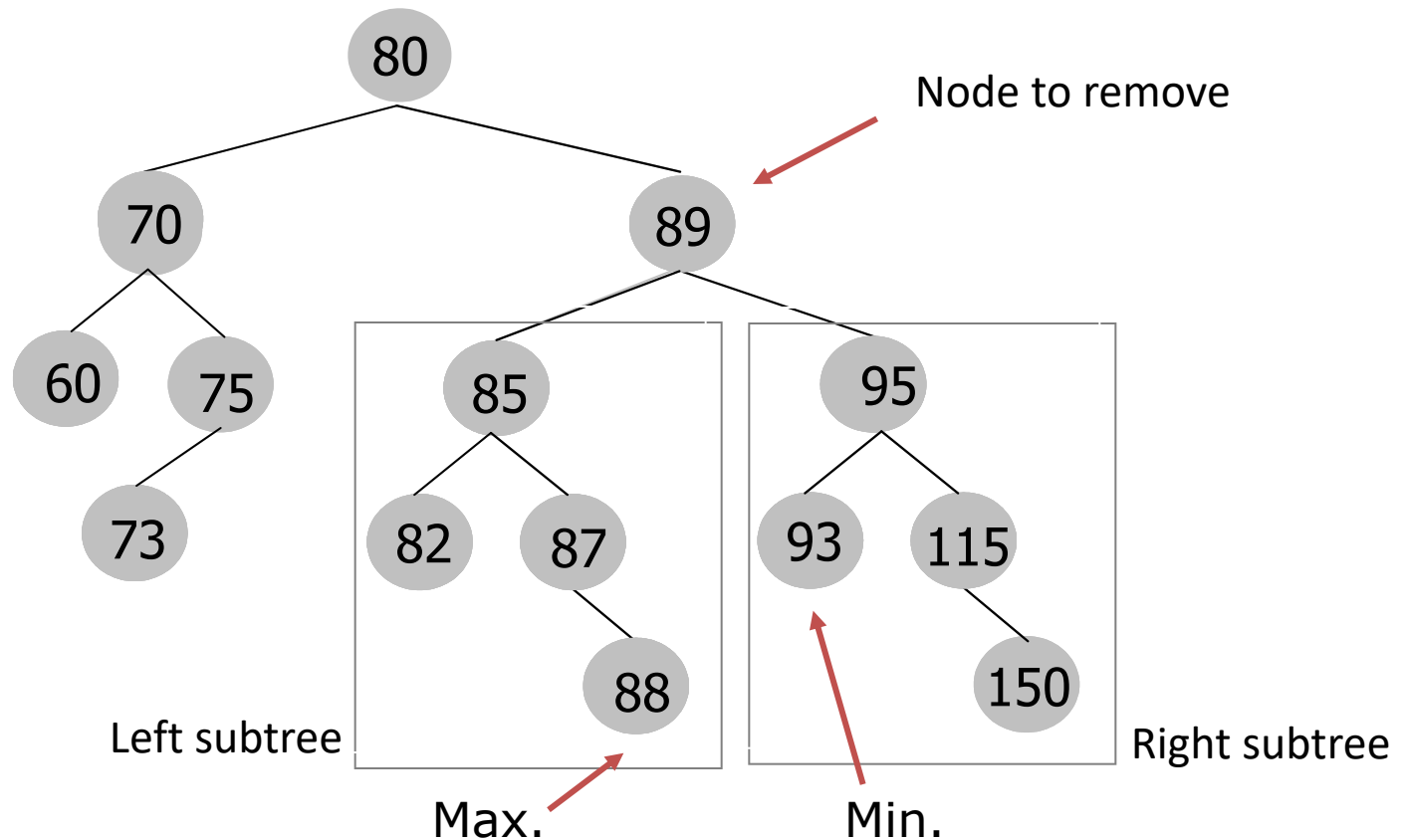
The first two cases (1 and 2) are solved by adjusting the pointer of the previous node (parent node) that points to the node we want to eliminate



# Deletion

## Case 3:

- replace the node to eliminate with the greatest node of the left subtree of the node to delete
- or
- replace the node to eliminate with the smaller node of the right subtree of the node to delete



# Deletion

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```
Algorithm Node<E> remove(E elem, Node<E> node) {  
    if (node == null)  
        return null  
  
    if (node.getElement() == elem) {  
        if (node.getLeft() == null && node.getRight() == null)  
            return null  
  
        if (node.getLeft() == null)  
            return node.getRight()  
  
        if (node.getRight() == null)  
            return node.getLeft()  
  
        E min = smallestElement(node.getRight())  
        node.setElement(min)  
        node.setRight(remove(min, node.getRight()))  
    }  
    else if (node.getElement() > elem)  
        node.setLeft(remove(elem, node.getLeft()))  
    else  
        node.setRight(remove(elem, node.getRight()))  
    return node }  
}
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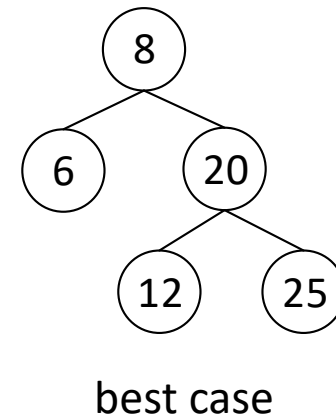
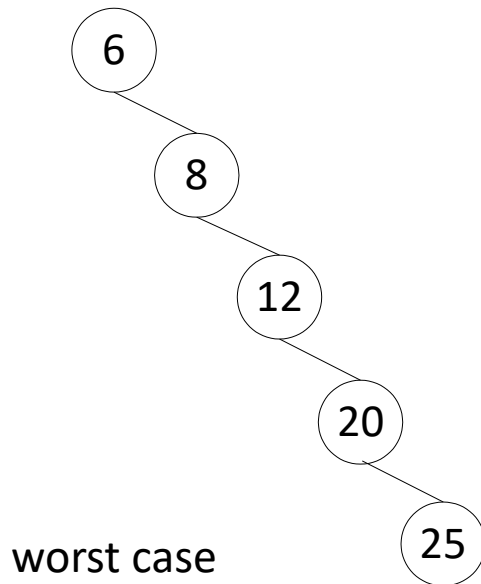
# Performance BST methods

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The analysis of search, insert and remove is similar

- In each case,  $h$  nodes are visited
- If each node is visited at  $O(1)$
- The methods take  $O(h)$  time

The height  $h$  is  $O(n)$  in the worst case and  $O(\log n)$  in the best case



To make sure height  $h$  of a tree is always  $O(\log n)$ , the **tree must be balanced**