SELF-BALANCING SEARCH TREES

Chapter Objectives

- To understand the impact that balance has on the performance of binary search trees
- To learn about the AVL tree for storing and maintaining a binary search tree in balance
- To learn about Red-Black trees for storing and maintaining a binary search tree in balance
- □ To learn about 2-3 trees, 2-3-4 trees, and B-trees and how they achieve balance
- To learn about skip-lists and their properties similar to balanced search trees properties
- To understand the process of search and insertion in each of these structures and to be introduced to removal

Self-Balancing Search Trees

- The performance of a binary search tree is proportional to the height of the tree
- \square A full binary tree of height k can hold 2^k -1 items
- □ If a binary search tree is full and contains n items, the expected performance is $O(\log n)$
- However, if a binary tree is not full, the actual performance is worse than expected
- To solve this problem, we introduce self-balancing trees to achieve a balance so that the heights of the right and left subtrees are equal or nearly equal
- We also look at other non-binary search trees and the skiplist

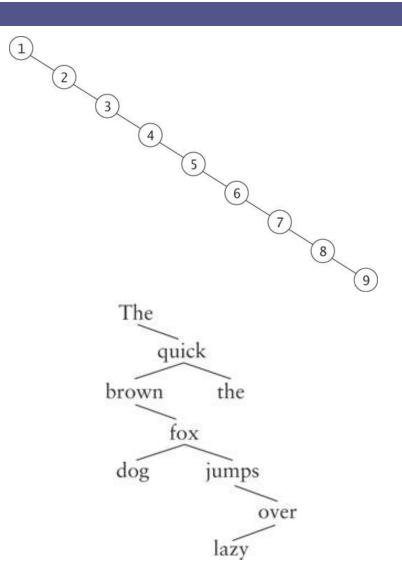
Tree Balance and Rotation

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Why Balance is Important

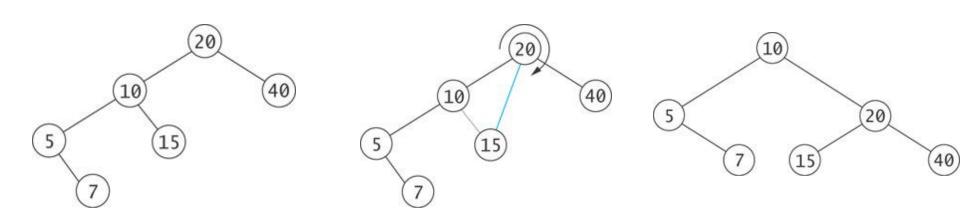
Searches into this
 unbalanced search tree
 are O(n), not O(log n)

 A realistic example of an unbalanced tree

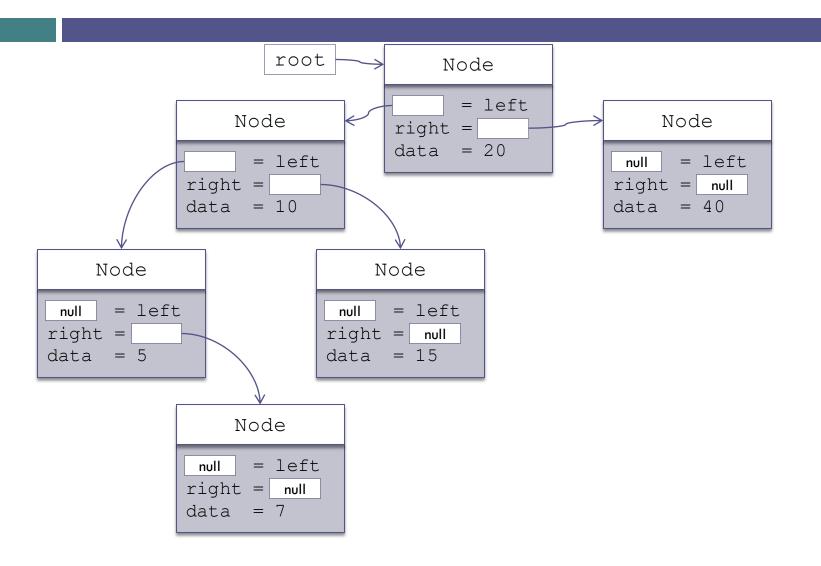


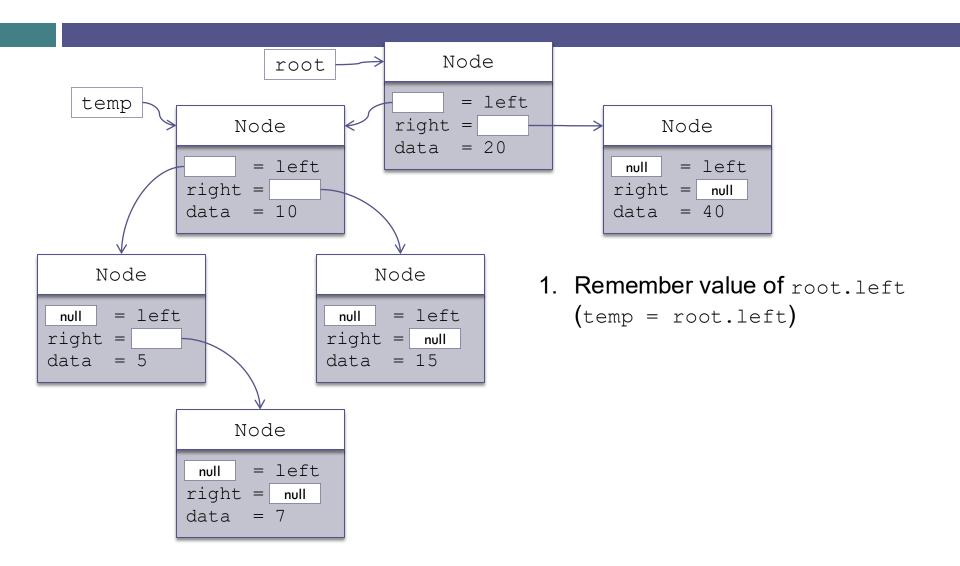
Rotation

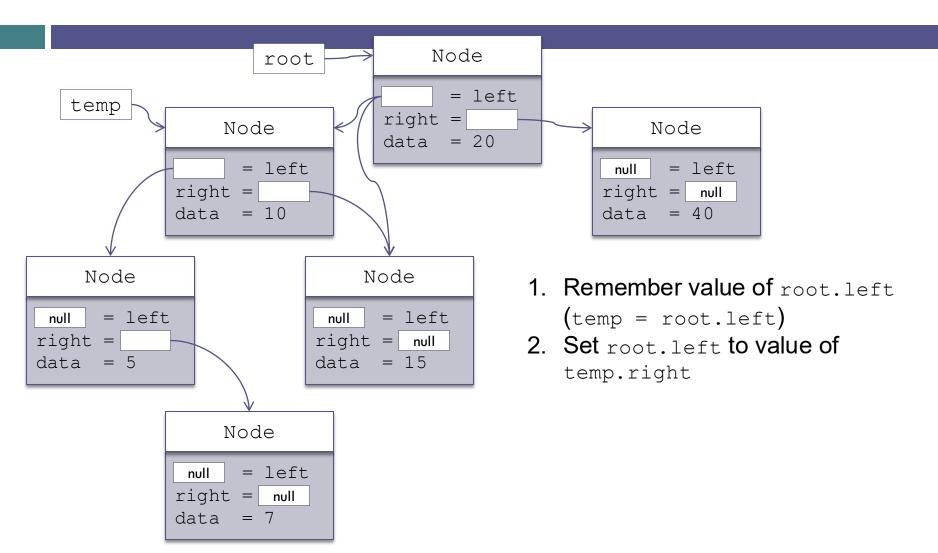
 We need an operation on a binary tree that changes the relative heights of left and right subtrees, but preserves the binary search tree property

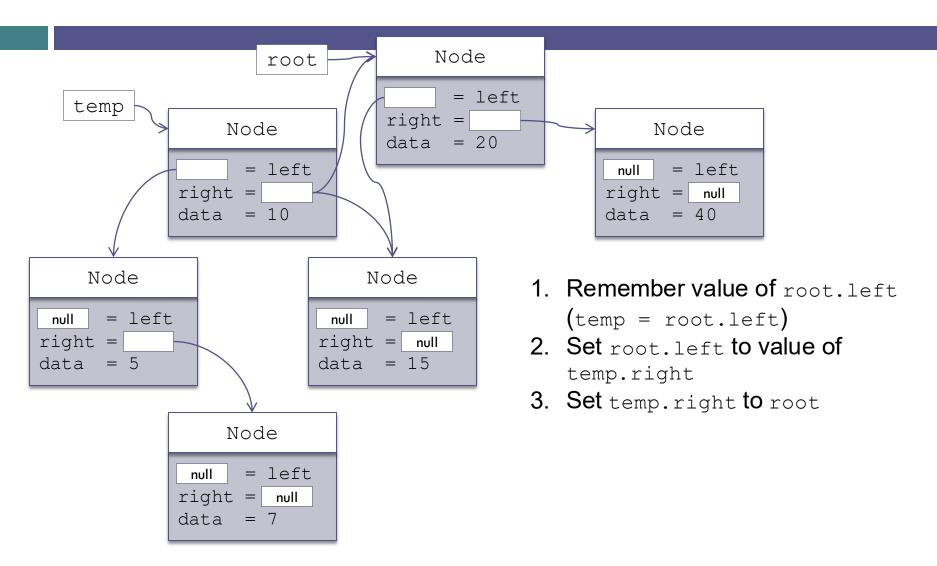


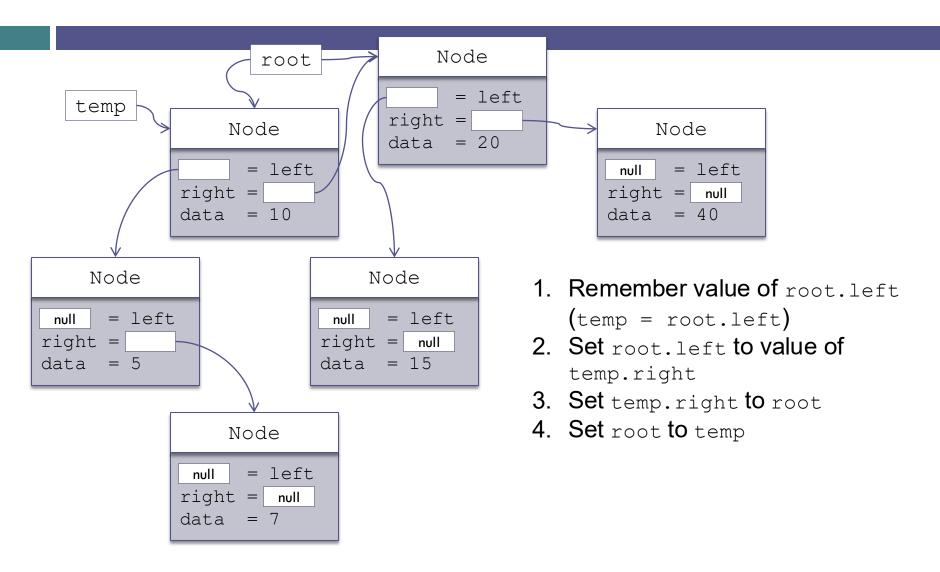
Algorithm for Rotation

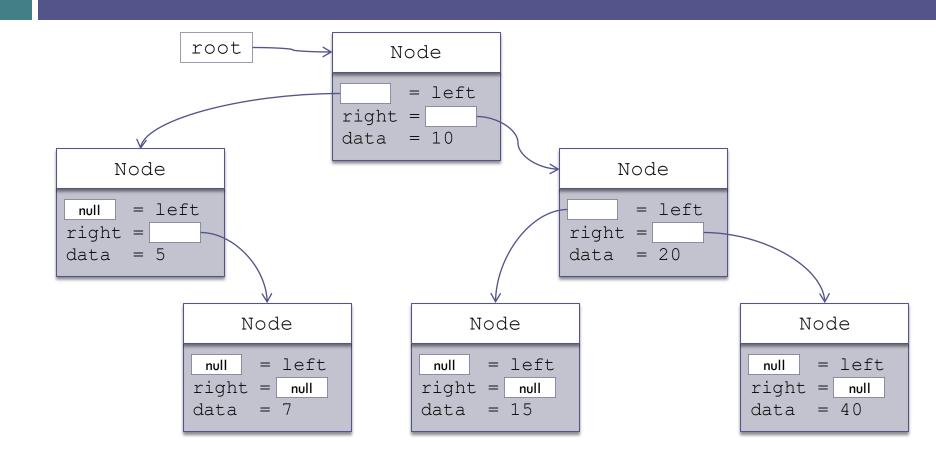




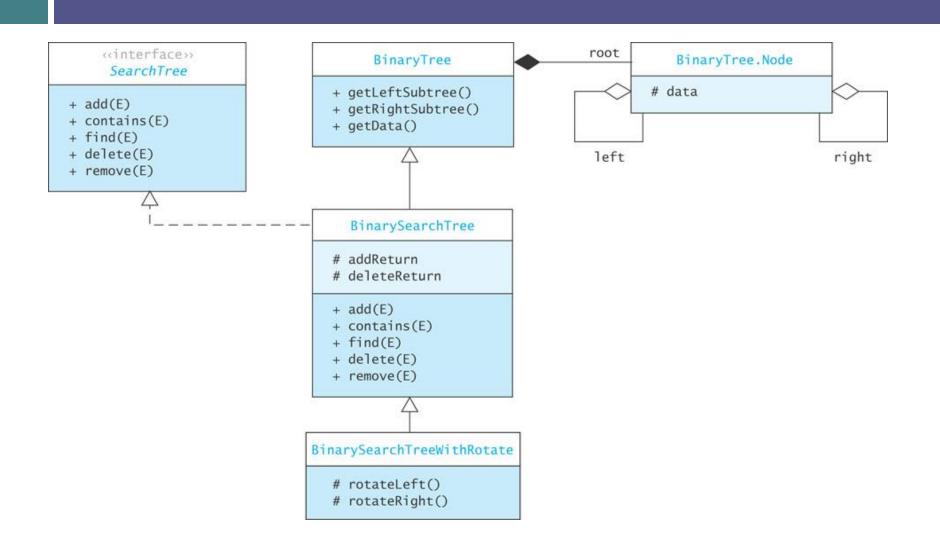








Implementing Rotation



Implementing Rotation (cont.)

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(BinarySearchTreeWithRotate.java,
page 476)
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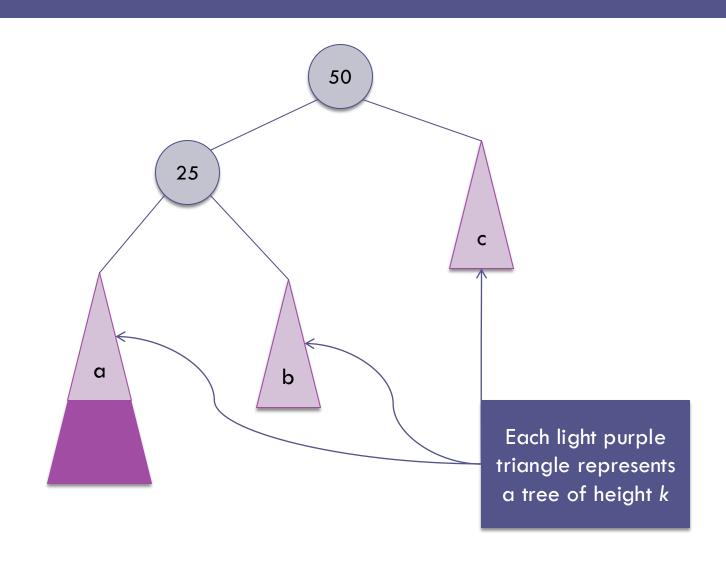
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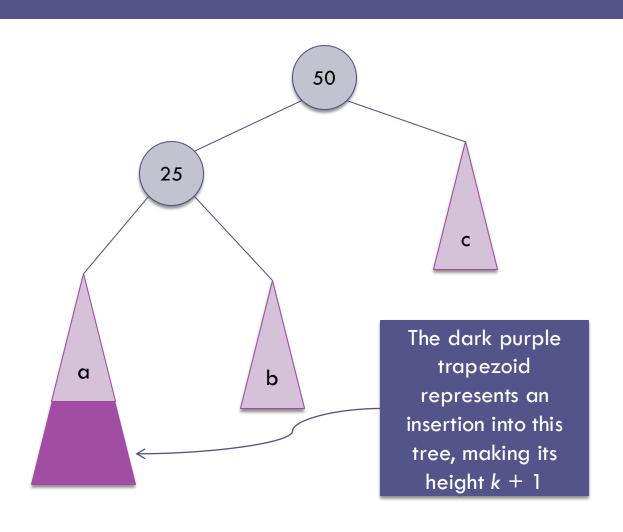
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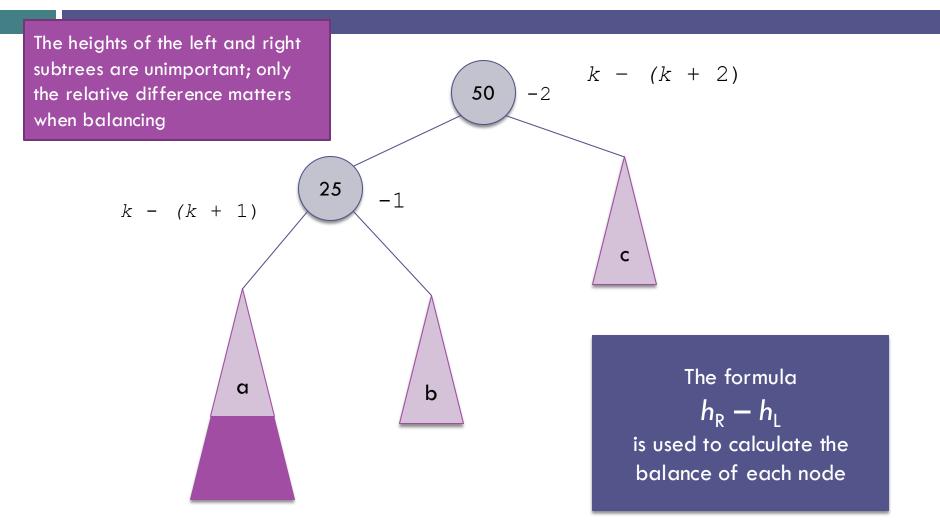
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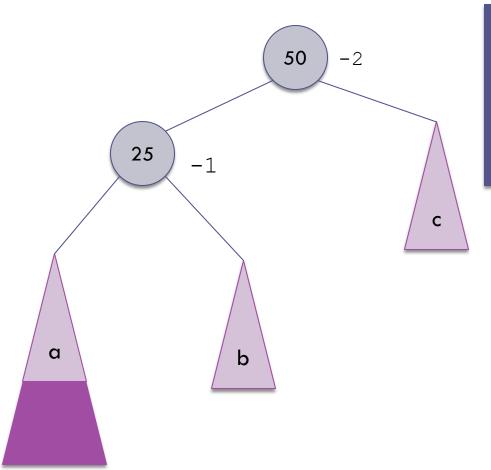
- In 1962 G.M. Adel'son-Vel'skiî and E.M. Landis developed a self-balancing tree. The tree is known by their initials: AVL
- The AVL tree algorithm keeps track of the difference in height of each subtree
- As items are added to or removed from a tree, the balance of each subtree from the insertion or removal point up to the root is updated
- □ If the balance gets out of the range -1 to +1, the tree is rotated to bring it back into balance

Balancing a Left-Left Tree

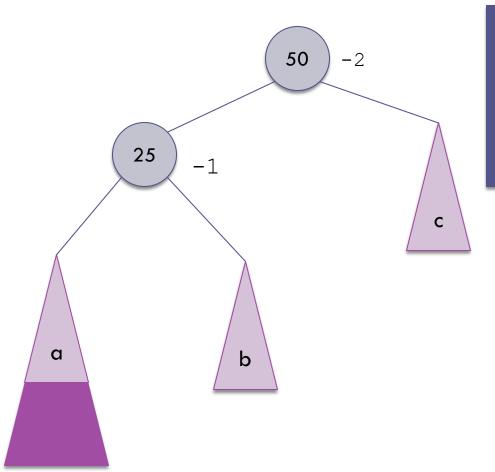




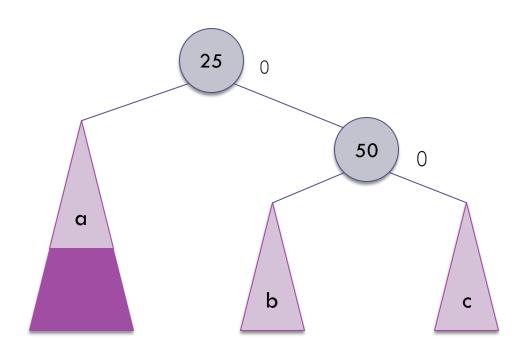




When the root and left subtree are both leftheavy, the tree is called a Left-Left tree

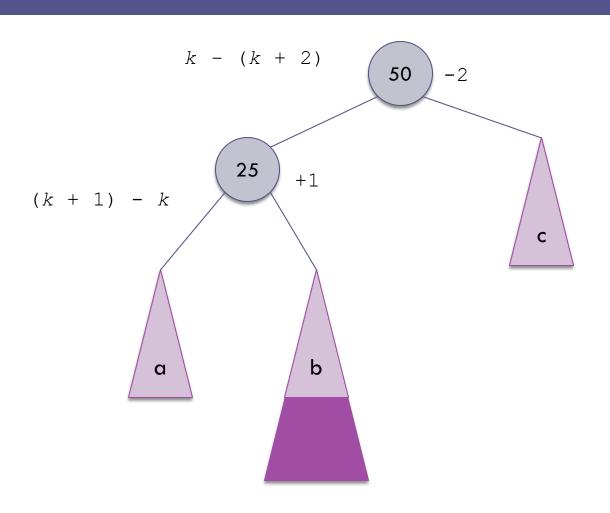


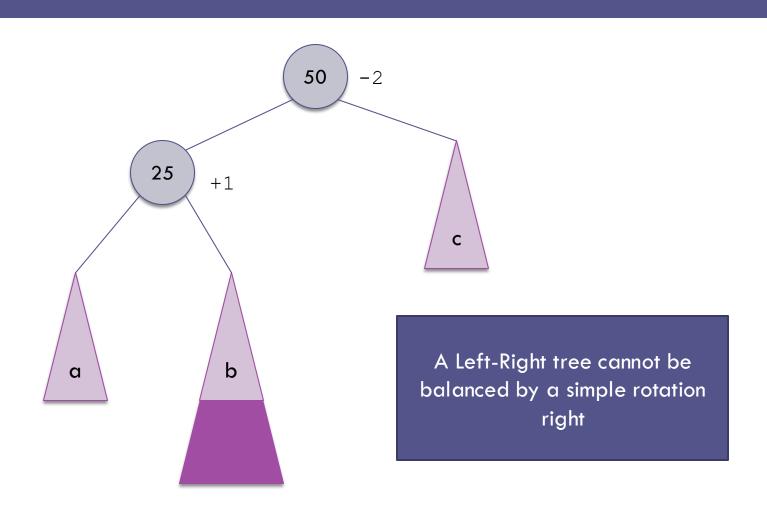
A Left-Left tree can be balanced by a rotation right

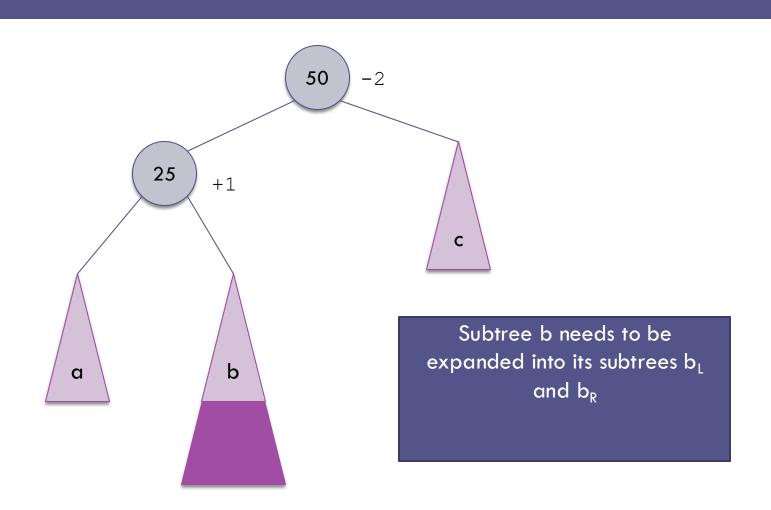


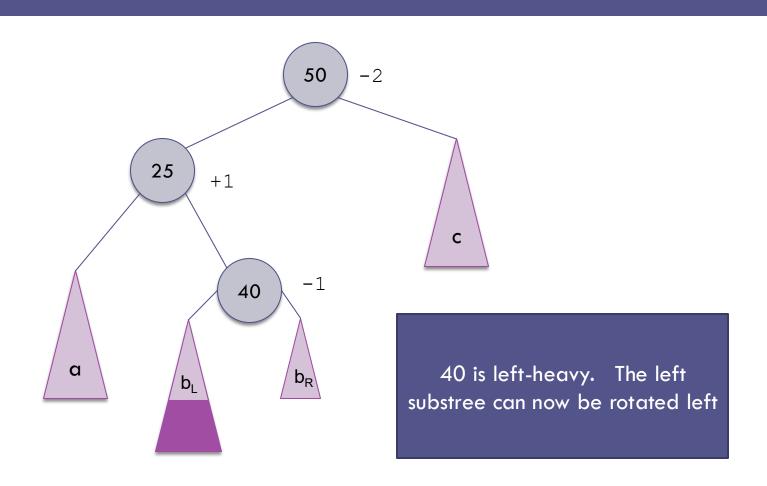
Even after insertion, the overall height has not increased

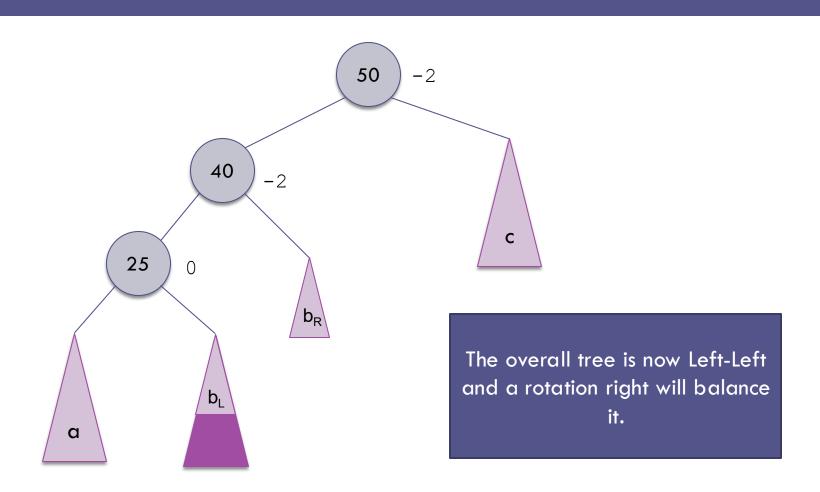
Balancing a Left-Right Tree

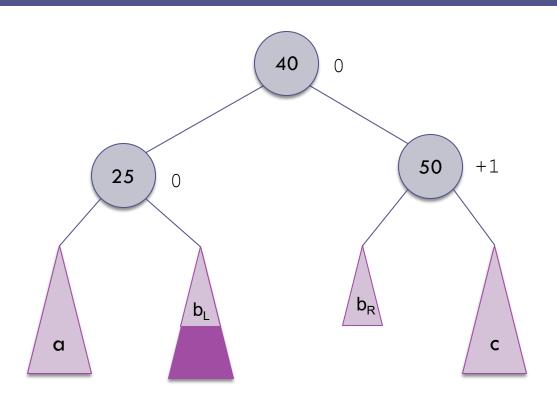


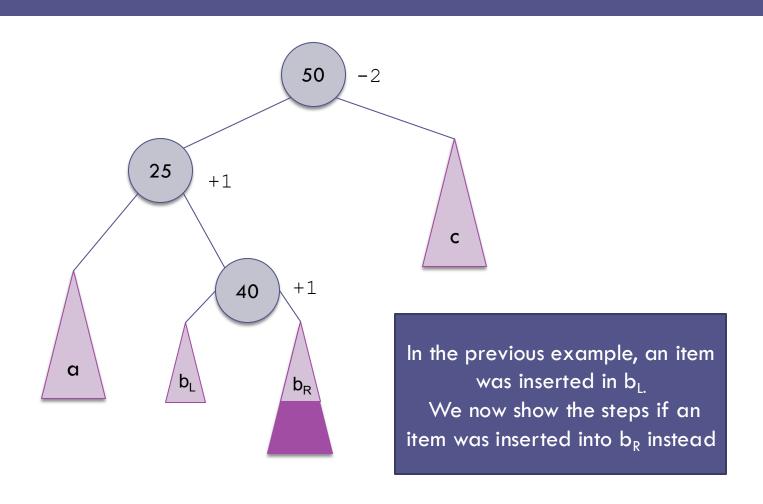


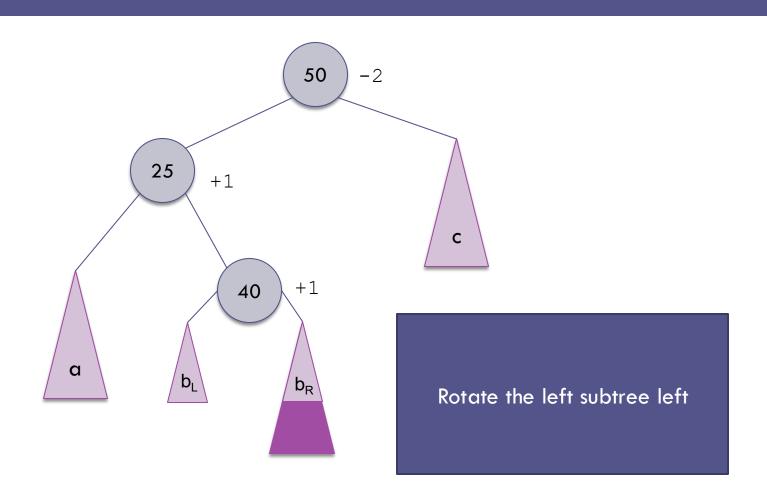


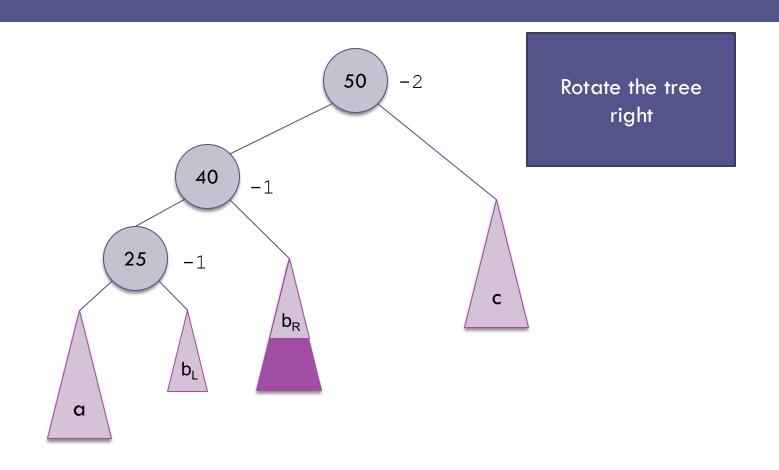


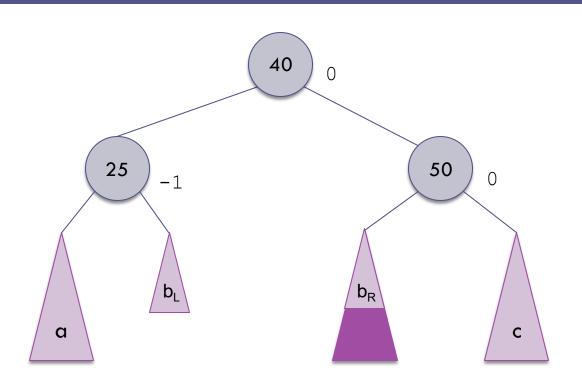












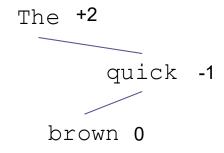
Four Kinds of Critically Unbalanced Trees

- □ Left-Left (parent balance is -2, left child balance is -1)
 - Rotate right around parent
- □ Left-Right (parent balance -2, left child balance +1)
 - Rotate left around child
 - Rotate right around parent
- \square Right-Right (parent balance +2, right child balance +1)
 - Rotate left around parent
- Right-Left (parent balance +2, right child balance -1)
 - Rotate right around child
 - Rotate left around parent

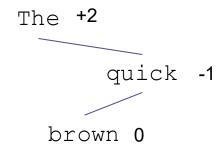
AVL Tree Example

Build an AVL tree from the words in
 "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog"

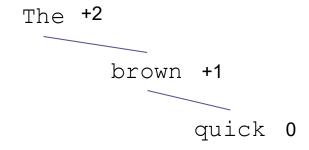
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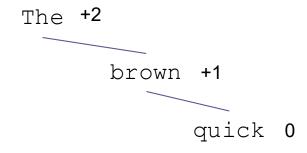
The overall tree is right-heavy
(Right-Left)
parent balance = +2
right child balance = -1



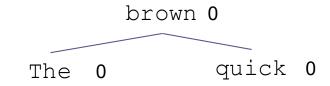
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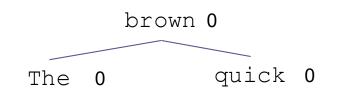
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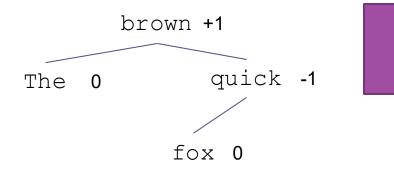
- 1. Rotate right around the child
- 2. Rotate left around the parent



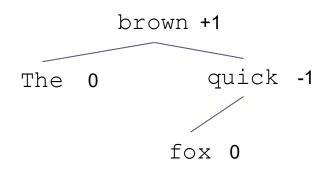
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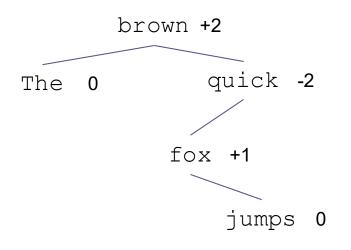
Insert fox



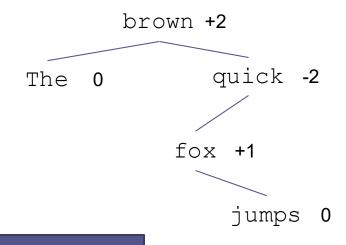
Insert fox



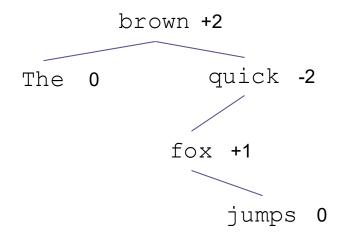
Insert jumps



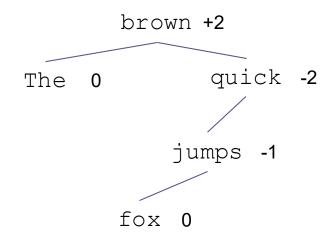
Insert jumps



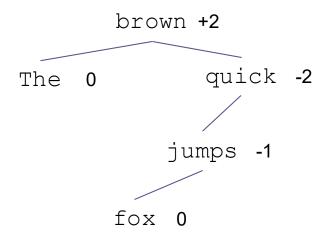
The tree is now left-heavy about quick (Left-Right case)



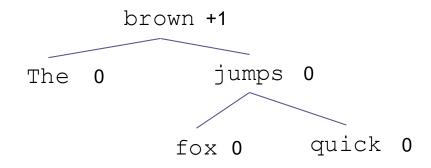
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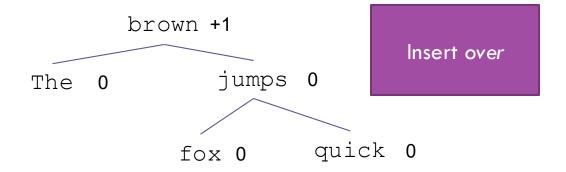
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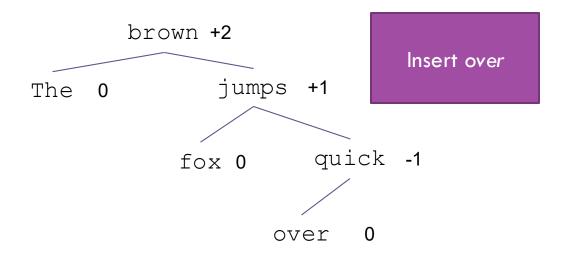


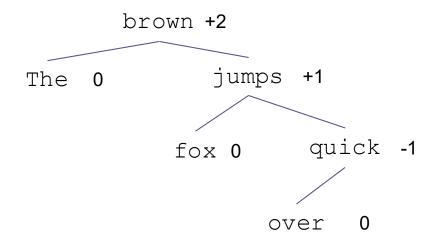
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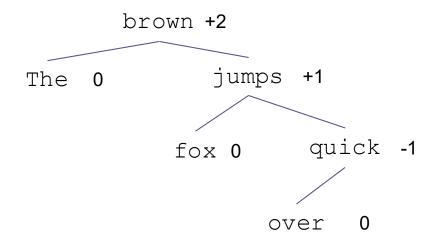
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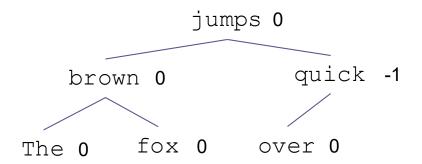




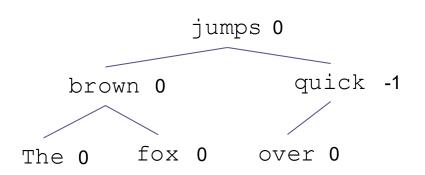
We now have a Right-Right imbalance



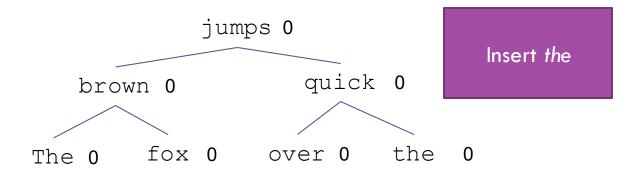
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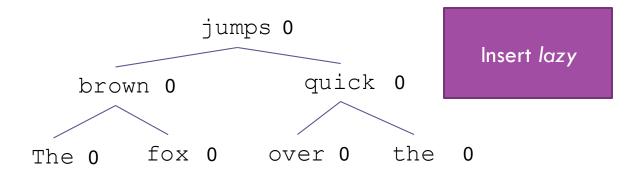


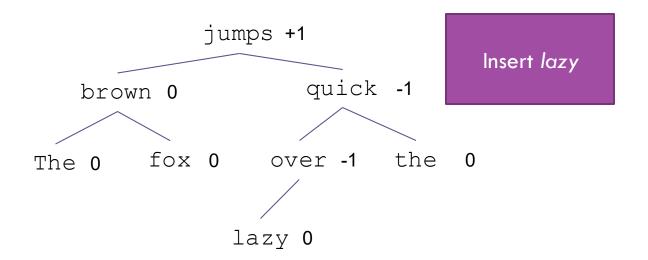
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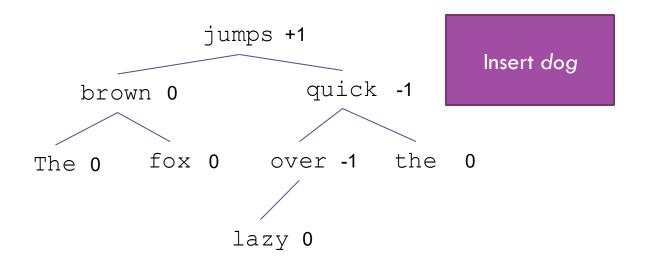


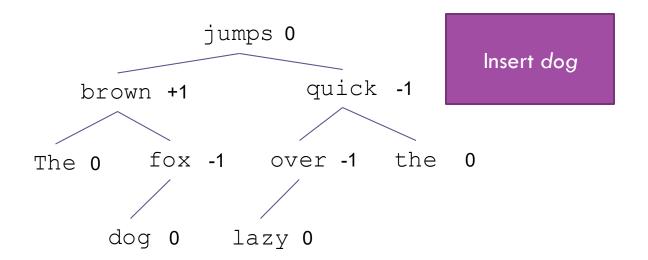
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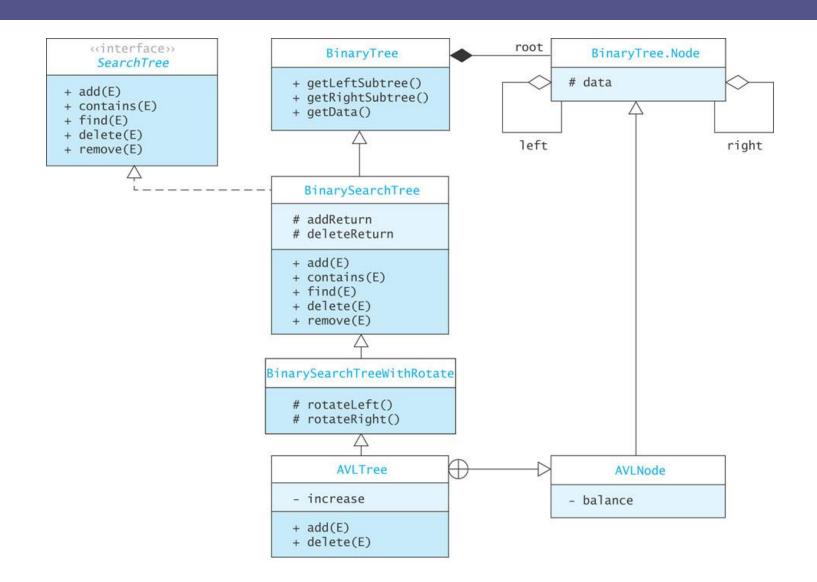








Implementing an AVL Tree



The AVLNode Class

□ Listing 9.2 (The AVLNode Class, pages 482-483)

Inserting into an AVL Tree

- The easiest way to keep a tree balanced is never to let it become unbalanced
- If any node becomes critical, rebalance immediately
- Identify critical nodes by checking the balance at the root node as you return along the insertion path

Inserting into an AVL Tree (cont.)

Algorithm for Insertion into an AVL Tree

is incremented if increase is true.

```
1. if the root is null
        Create a new tree with the item at the root and return true.
    else if the item is equal to root.data
        The item is already in the tree; return false.
    else if the item is less than root. data
        Recursively insert the item in the left subtree.
        if the height of the left subtree has increased (increase is true)
             Decrement balance.
             if balance is zero, reset increase to false.
             if balance is less than -1
                 Reset increase to false.
                 Perform a rebalanceLeft.
10.
    else if the item is greater than root.data
        The processing is symmetric to Steps 4 through 10. Note that balance
11.
```

add Starter Method

```
/** add starter method.
    pre: the item to insert implements the Comparable interface.
    Oparam item The item being inserted.
    @return true if the object is inserted; false
         if the object already exists in the tree
    Othrows ClassCastException if item is not Comparable
* /
@Override
public boolean add(E item) {
    increase = false;
    root = add((AVLNode<E>) root, item);
    return addReturn;
```

Recursive add method

```
/** Recursive add method. Inserts the given object into the tree.
     post: addReturn is set true if the item is inserted,
       false if the item is already in the tree.
     @param localRoot The local root of the subtree
     @param item The object to be inserted
     Greturn The new local root of the subtree with the item
       inserted
* /
private AVLNode<E> add(AVLNode<E> localRoot, E item)
if (localRoot == null) {
     addReturn = true;
     increase = true;
     return new AVLNode<E>(item);
  (item.compareTo(localRoot.data) == 0) {
     // Item is already in the tree.
     increase = false;
     addReturn = false;
     return localRoot;
```

Recursive add method (cont.)

```
else if (item.compareTo(localRoot.data) < 0) {
    // item < data
    localRoot.left = add((AVLNode<E>) localRoot.left, item);

...

if (increase) {
    decrementBalance(localRoot);
    if (localRoot.balance < AVLNode.LEFT_HEAVY) {
        increase = false;
        return rebalanceLeft(localRoot);
    }
}
return localRoot; // Rebalance not needed.</pre>
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Initial Algorithm for rebalanceLeft

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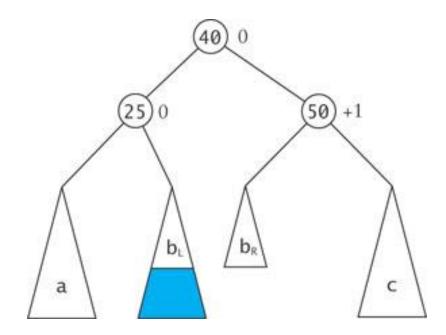
- 1. **if** the left subtree has positive balance (Left-Right case)
- 2. Rotate left around left subtree root.
- Rotate right.

Effect of Rotations on Balance

- The rebalance algorithm on the previous slide was incomplete as the balance of the nodes was not adjusted
- For a Left-Left tree the balances of the new root node and of its right child are 0 after a right rotation
- □ Left-Right is more complicated:
 - the balance of the root is 0

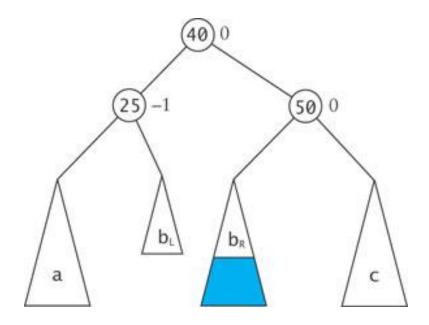
Effect of Rotations on Balance (cont.)

- if the critically unbalanced situation was due to an insertion into
 - subtree b_L (Left-Right-Left case), the balance of the root's left child is 0 and the balance of the root's right child is +1



Effect of Rotations on Balance (cont.)

- if the critically unbalanced situation was due to an insertion into
 - subtree b_R (Left-Right-Right case), the balance of the root's left child is -1 and the balance of the root's right child is 0



Revised Algorithm for rebalanceLeft

Revised Algorithm for rebalanceLeft

Rotate the local root right.

12.

```
if the left subtree has a positive balance (Left-Right case)
         if the left-left subtree has a negative balance (Left-Right-Left case)
2.
              Set the left subtree (new left subtree) balance to 0.
3.
4.
              Set the left-left subtree (new root) balance to 0.
5.
              Set the local root (new right subtree) balance to +1.
         else (Left-Right-Right case)
              Set the left subtree (new left subtree) balance to -1.
6.
7.
              Set the left-left subtree (new root) balance to 0.
8.
              Set the local root (new right subtree) balance to 0.
9.
         Rotate the left subtree left.
     else (Left-Left case)
10.
         Set the left subtree balance to 0.
11.
         Set the local root balance to 0.
```

Method rebalanceLeft

Listing 9.3 (The rebalanceLeft Method,
page 487)

Method rebalanceRight

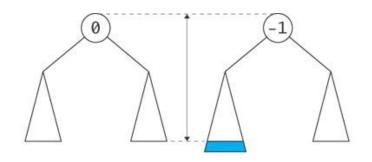
The rebalanceRight method is symmetric with respect to the rebalanceLeft method

Method decrementBalance

- As we return from an insertion into a node's left subtree, we need to decrement the balance of the node
- We also need to indicate if the subtree height at that node has not increased (setting increase to false)

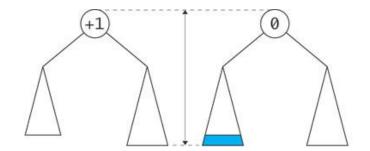
Method decrementBalance

(cont.)



balance before insert is 0

balance is decreased due to insert; overall height increased



balance before insert is +1

balance is decreased due to insert; overall height remains the same

□ Two cases to consider:

- a balanced node insertion into its left subtree will make it left-heavy and its height will increase by 1
- a right-heavy node insertion into its left subtree will cause it to become balanced and its height will not increase

Method decrementBalance (cont.)

```
private void decrementBalance(AVLNode<E> node) {
    // Decrement the balance.
    node.balance--;
    if (node.balance == AVLNode.BALANCED) {
        /** If now balanced, overall height has not increased. */
        increase = false;
    }
}
```

Removal from an AVL Tree

- Removal
 - from a left subtree, increases the balance of the local root
 - from a right subtree, decreases the balance of the local root
- The binary search tree removal method can be adapted for removal from an AVL tree
- A data field decrease tells the previous level in the recursion that there was a decrease in the height of the subtree from which the return occurred
- The local root balance is incremented or decremented based on this field
- If the balance is outside the threshold, a rebalance method is called to restore balance

Removal from an AVL Tree (cont.)

- Methods decrementBalance, incrementBalance, rebalanceLeft, and rebalanceRight need to be modified to set the value of decrease and increase after a node's balance is decremented
- Each recursive return can result in a further need to rebalance

Performance of the AVL Tree

- Since each subtree is kept as close to balanced as possible, the AVL has expected O(log n)
- \square Each subtree is allowed to be out of balance ± 1 so the tree may contain some holes
- In the worst case (which is rare) an AVL tree can be
 1.44 times the height of a full binary tree that contains the same number of items
- \square Ignoring constants, this still yields $O(\log n)$ performance
- □ Empirical tests show that on average $\log n + 0.25$ comparisons are required to insert the *n*th item into an AVL tree close to a corresponding complete binary search tree

Red-Black Trees

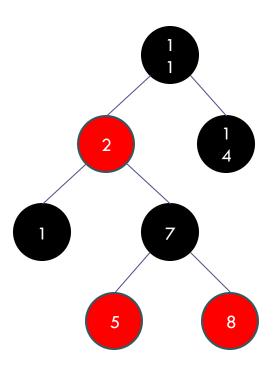
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Red-Black Trees

- Rudolf Bayer developed the red-black tree as a special case of his B-tree
- Leo Guibas and Robert Sedgewick refined the concept and introduced the color convention

Red-Black Trees (cont.)

- A red-black tree maintains the following invariants:
 - A node is either red or black
 - 2. The root is always black
 - 3. A red node always has black children (a null reference is considered to refer to a black node)
 - 4. The number of black nodes in any path from the root to a leaf is the same

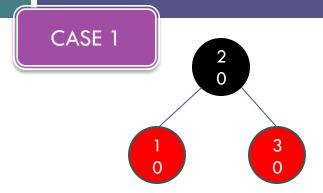


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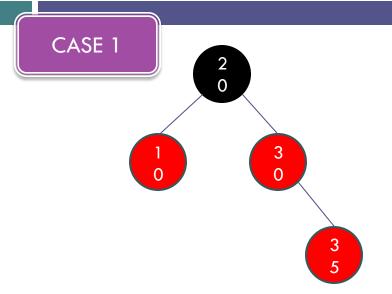
- Height is determined by counting only black nodes
- A red-black tree is always balanced because the root node's left and right subtrees must be the same height

Insertion into a Red-Black Tree

- The algorithm follows the same recursive search process used for all binary search trees to reach the insertion point
- When a leaf is found, the new item is inserted and initially given the color red
- If the parent is black, we are done; otherwise there is some rearranging to do
- We introduce three situations ("cases") that may occur when a node is inserted; more than one can occur after an insertion

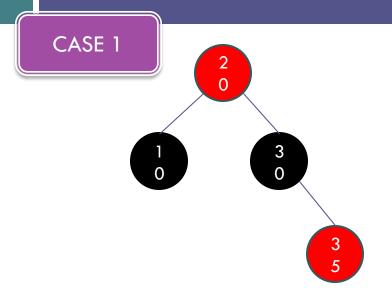


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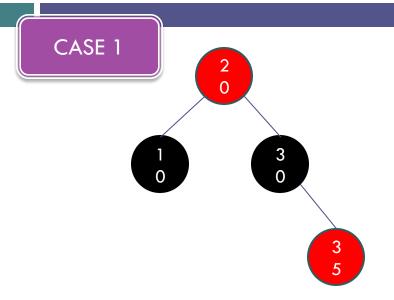
If a parent is red, and its sibling is also red, they can both be changed to black, and the grandparent to red

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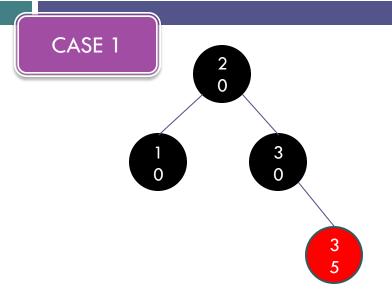
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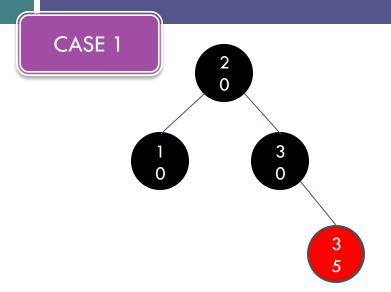
The root can be changed to black and still maintain invariant 4

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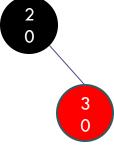
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Balanced tree

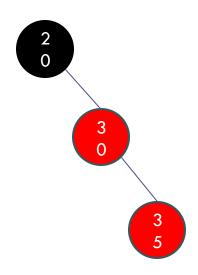
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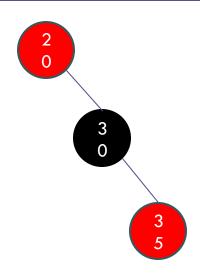
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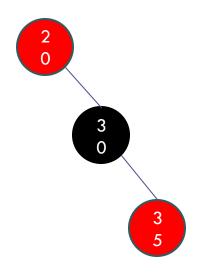
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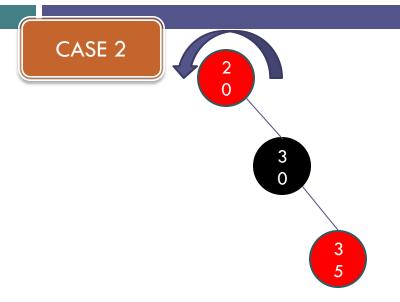
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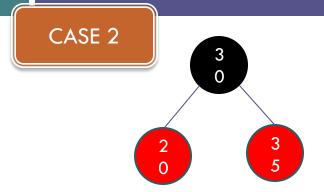
There is one black node on the right and none on the left, which violates invariant 4

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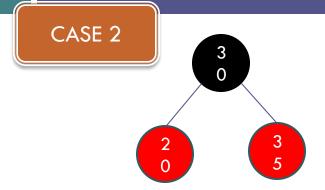
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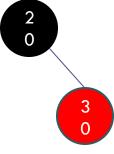
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Balanced tree

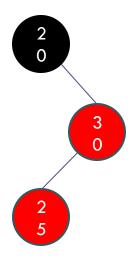
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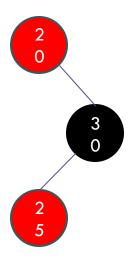
CASE 3



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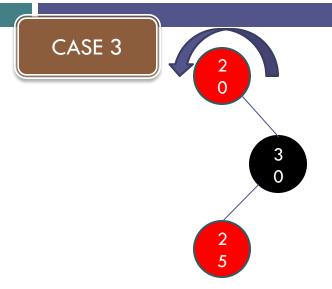
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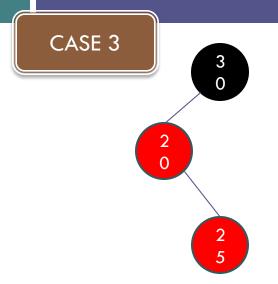
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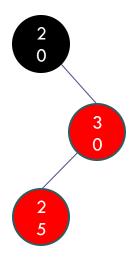
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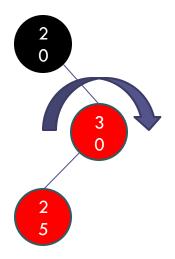
CASE 3



Back-up to the beginning (don't perform rotation or change colors)

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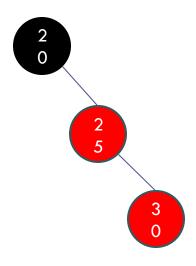
CASE 3



Rotate right about the parent so that the red child is on the same side of the parent as the parent is to the grandparent

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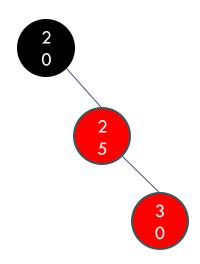
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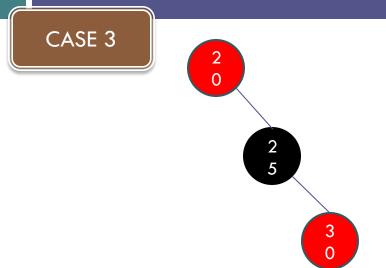
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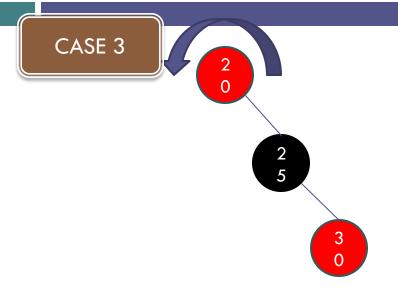
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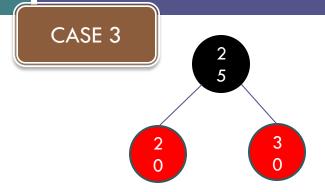
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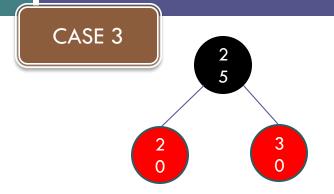
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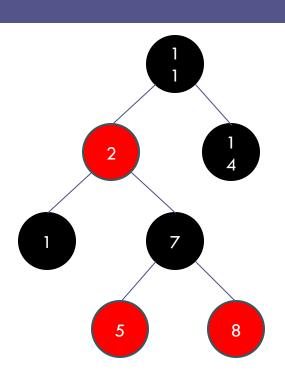
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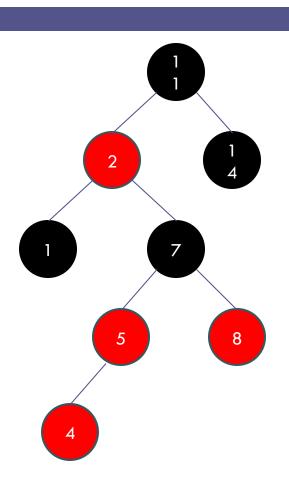


Balanced tree

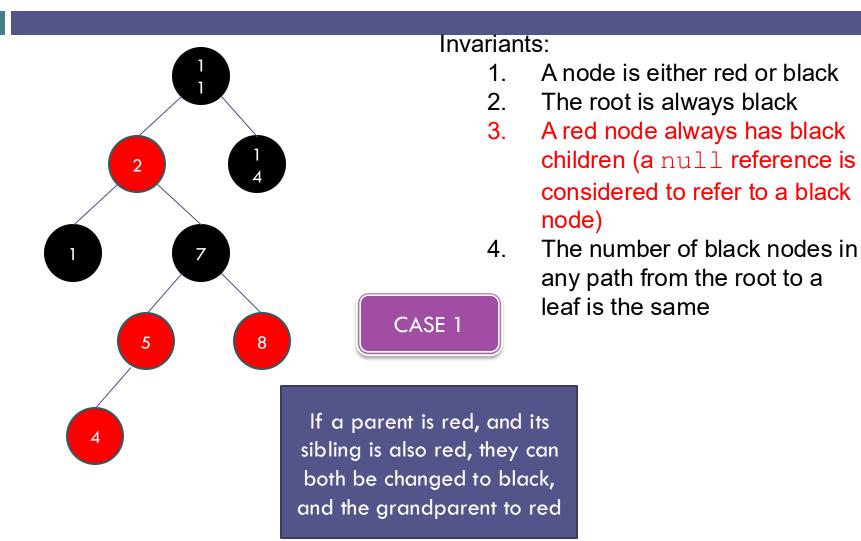
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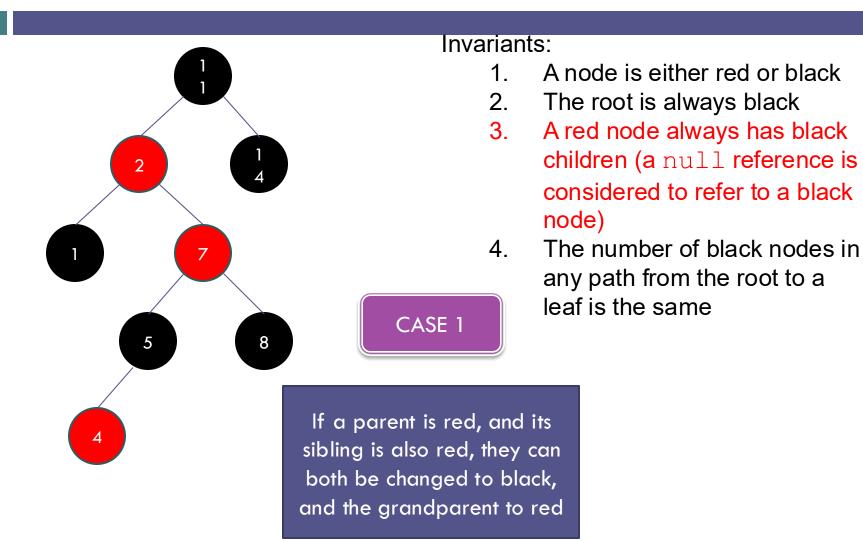


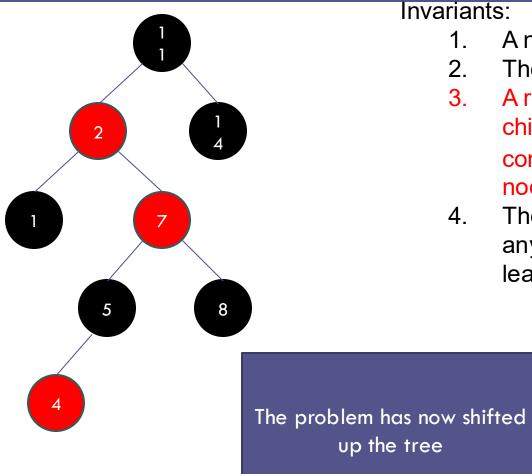
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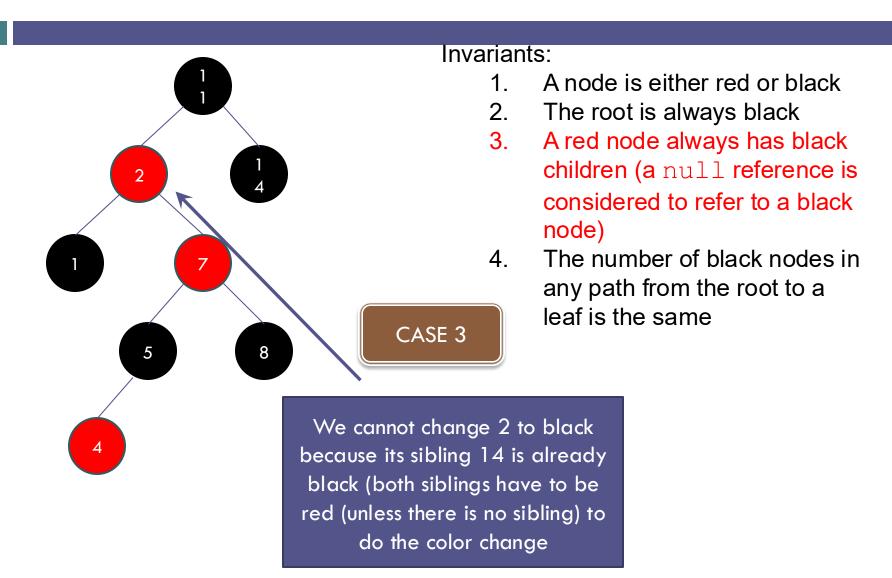
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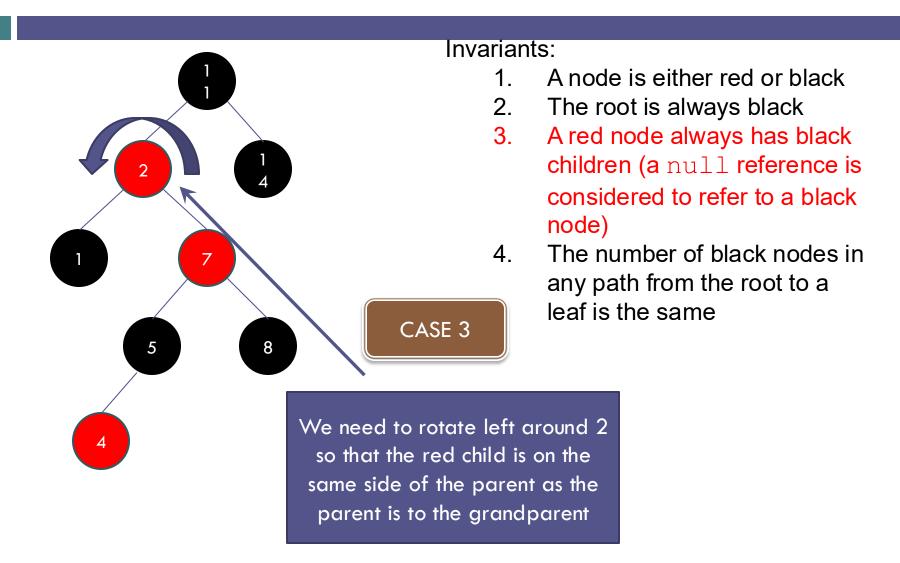


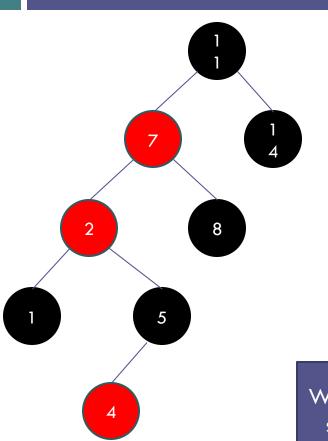




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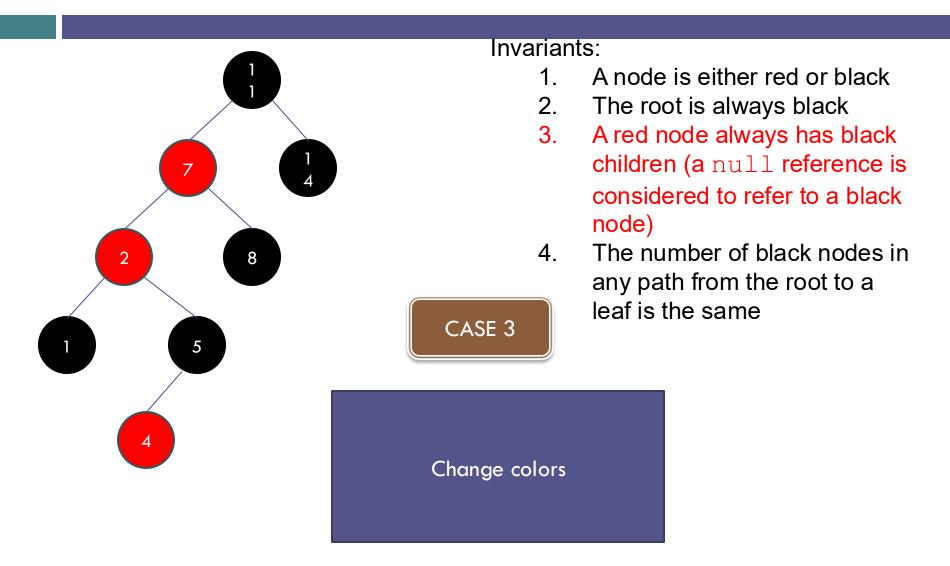


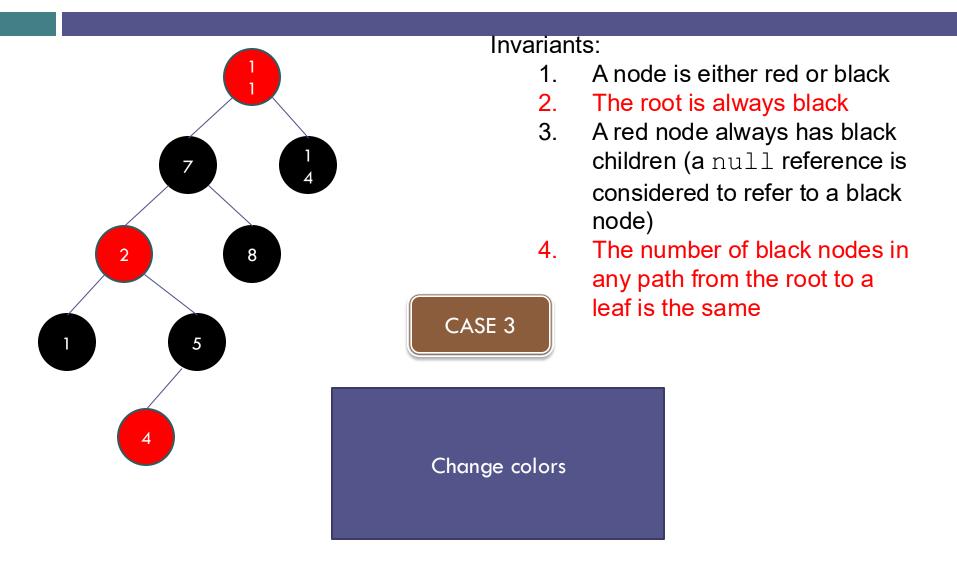
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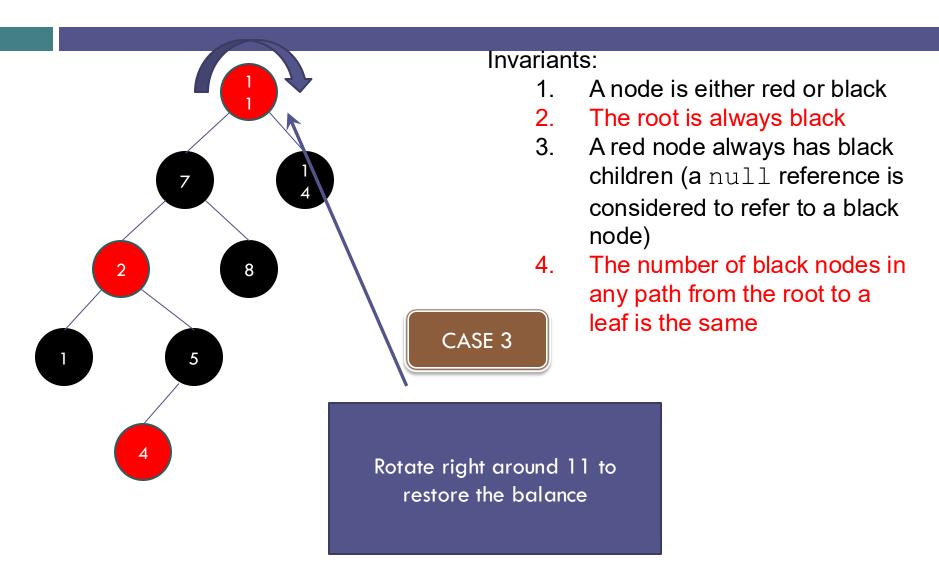
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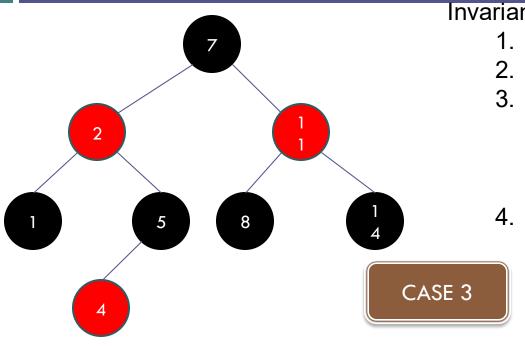
CASE 3

We need to rotate left around 2 so that the red child is on the same side of the parent as the parent is to the grandparent





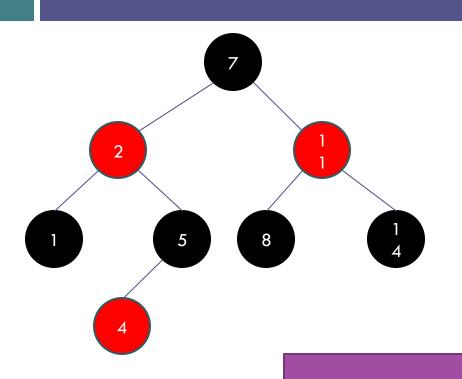




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Rotate right around 11 to restore the balance



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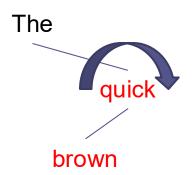
Balanced tree

Red-Black Tree Example

Build a Red-Black tree for the words in
 "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog"



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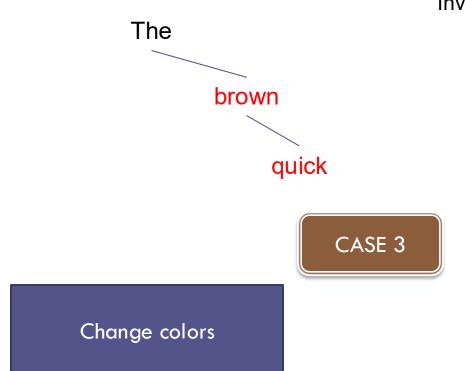


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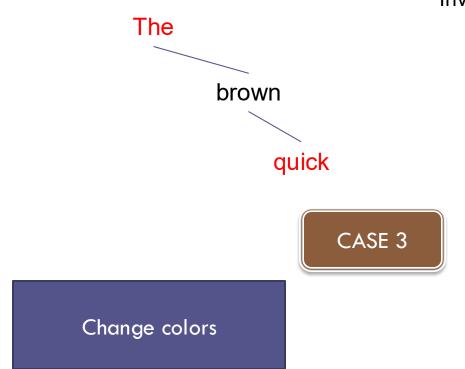
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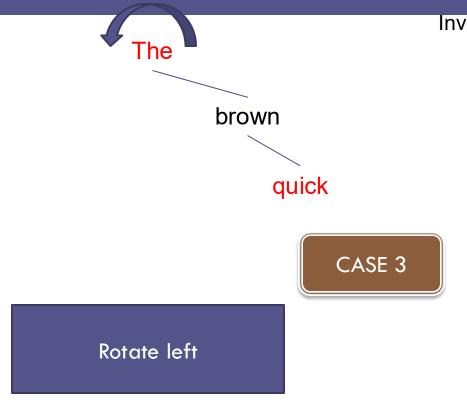
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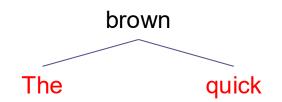
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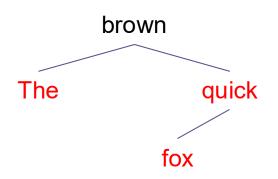
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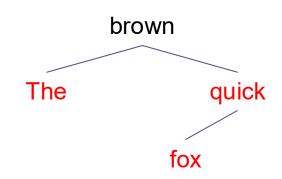
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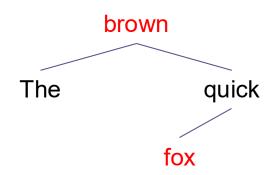
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CASE 1

fox's parent and its parent's sibling are both red. Change colors.

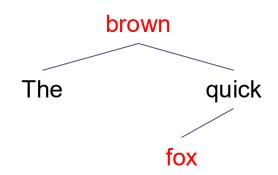
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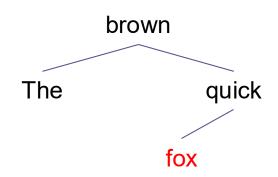
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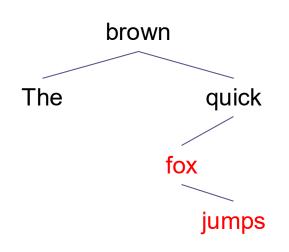
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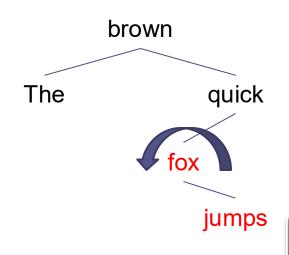
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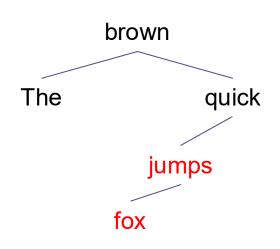
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CASE 3

Rotate so that red child is on same side of its parent as its parent is to the grandparent

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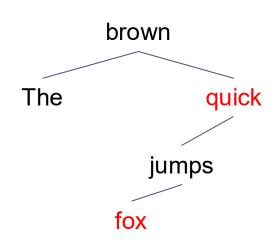


Change fox's parent and

grandparent colors

CASE 3

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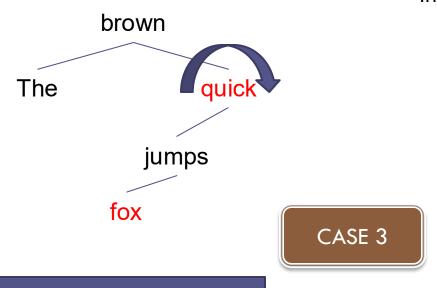


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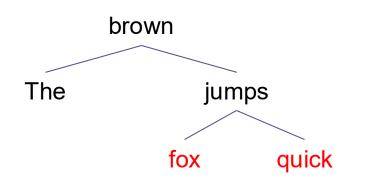
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Rotate right about quick

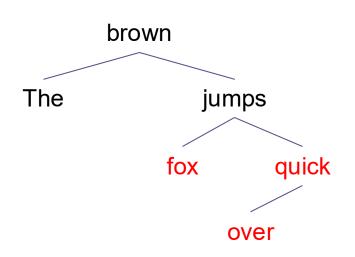


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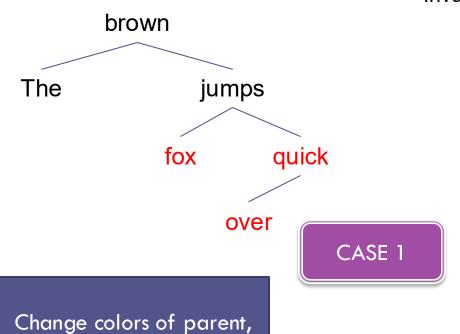
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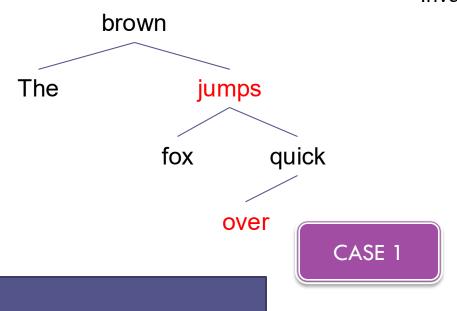
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parent's sibling and

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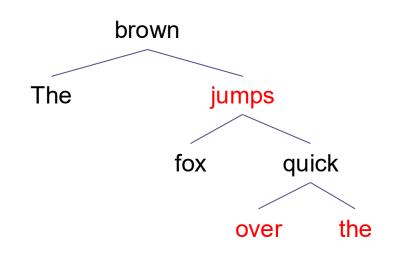


Change colors of parent,

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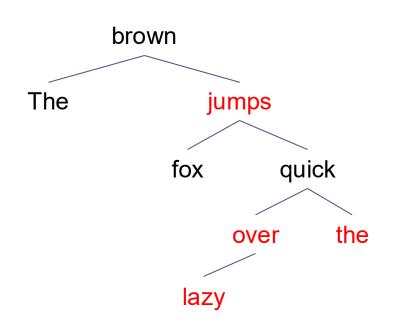
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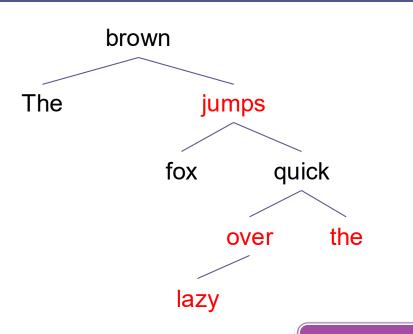
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No changes needed



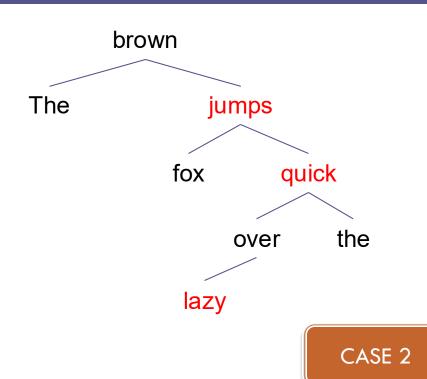
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- 2. The root is always black
- 3. A red node always has black children (a null reference is considered to refer to a black node)
- 4. The number of black nodes in any path from the root to a leaf is the same



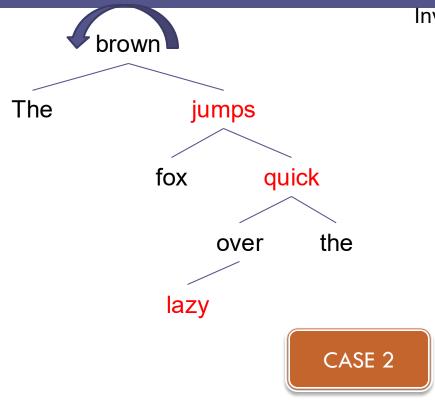
Because over and the are both red, change parent, parent's sibling and grandparent colors

CASE 1

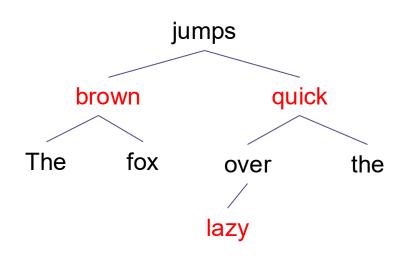
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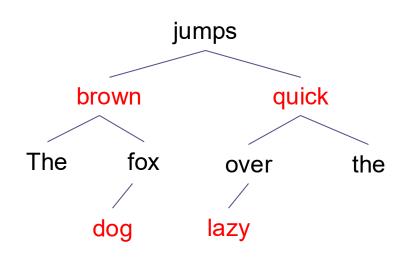
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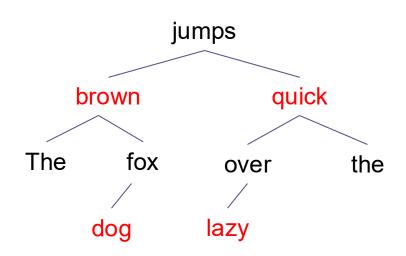
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- 4. The number of black nodes in any path from the root to a leaf is the same

CASE 2



- 1. A node is either red or black
- 2. The root is always black
- 3. A red node always has black children (a null reference is considered to refer to a black node)
- 4. The number of black nodes in any path from the root to a leaf is the same

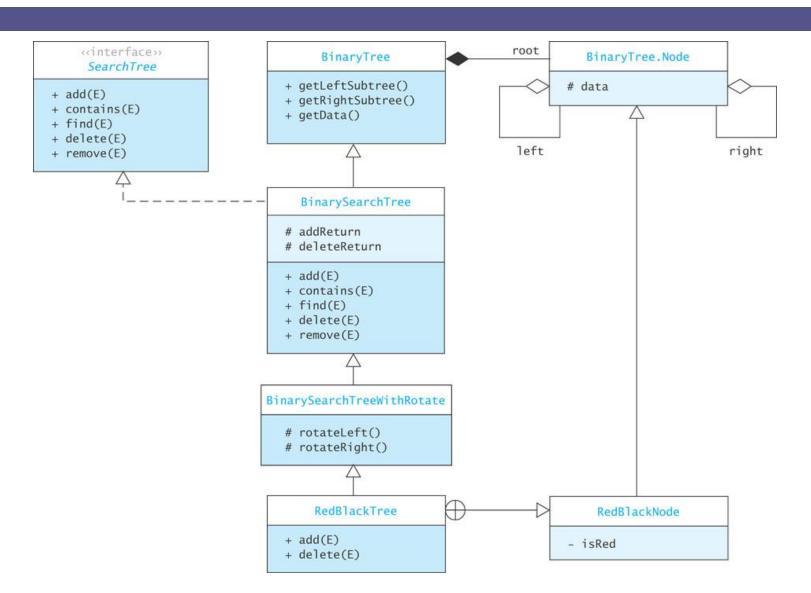


Invariants:

- 1. A node is either red or black
- 2. The root is always black
- 3. A red node always has black children (a null reference is considered to refer to a black node)
- 4. The number of black nodes in any path from the root to a leaf is the same

Balanced tree

Implementation of a Red-Black Tree Class



Implementation of a Red-Black Tree Class (cont.)

□ Listing 9.4 (RedBlackTree.java, page 497)

Algorithm for Red-Black Tree Insertion

- The insertion algorithm can be implemented with a data structure that has a reference to the parent of each node
- The following algorithm detects the need for fix-ups from the grandparent level
- Also, whenever a black node with two children is detected on the way down the tree, it is changed to red and the children are changed to black; any resulting problems can be fixed on the way back up

Algorithm for Red-Black Tree Insertion (cont.)

Algorithm for Red-Black Tree Insertion

Force its color to be black.

0	
1.	if the root is null
2.	Insert a new Red-Black node and color it black.
3.	Return true.
4.	else if the item is equal to root.data
5.	The item is already in the tree; return false.
6.	else if the item is less than root.data
7.	if the left subtree is null
8.	Insert a new Red-Black node as the left subtree and color it red.
9.	Return true.
0.	else
1.	1f both the left child and the right child are red
2.	Change the color of the children to black and change local root to red.
3.	Recursively insert the item into the left subtree.
4.	if the left child is now red
5.	1f the left grandchild is now red (grandchild is an "out- side" node)
6.	Change the color of the left child to black and change the local root to red.
7.	Rotate the local root right.
8.	else if the right grandchild is now red (grandchild is an "inside" node)
9.	Rotate the left child left.
0.	Change the color of the left child to black and
	change the local root to red.
1.	Rotate the local root right.
2.	else
3.	Item is greater than root.data; process is symmetric and is left as an exercise.
4.	if the local root is the root of the tree

add Starter Method

```
public boolean add(E item) {
    if (root == null) {
        root = new RedBlackNode<E>(item);
        ((RedBlackNode<E>) root).isRed = false; // root is black.
        return true;
    }
    . . .

else {
    root = add((RedBlackNode<E>) root, item);
        ((RedBlackNode<E>) root).isRed = false; // root is always black.
        return addReturn;
}
```

The Recursive add Method

```
private Node<E> add(RedBlackNode<E> localRoot, E item) {
    if (item.compareTo(localRoot.data) == 0) {
          // item already in the tree.
          addReturn = false;
          return localRoot;
else if (item.compareTo(localRoot.data) < 0) {</pre>
    // item < localRoot.data.</pre>
    if (localRoot.left == null) {
          // Create new left child.
          localRoot.left = new RedBlackNode<E>(item);
          addReturn = true;
          return localRoot;
else { // Need to search.
    // Check for two red children, swap colors if found.
    moveBlackDown(localRoot);
    // Recursively add on the left.
   localRoot.left = add((RedBlackNode<E>) localRoot.left, item);
// See whether the left child is now red
    if (((RedBlackNode<E>) localRoot.left).isRed) {
```

The Recursive add Method (cont.)

```
if (localRoot.left.left != null
    && ((RedBlackNode<E>) localRoot.left.left).isRed) {
   // Left-left grandchild is also red.
// Single rotation is necessary.
((RedBlackNode<E>) localRoot.left).isRed = false;
localRoot.isRed = true;
return rotateRight(localRoot);
else if (localRoot.left.right != null
          && ((RedBlackNode<E>) localRoot.left.right).isRed) {
    // Left-right grandchild is also red.
   // Double rotation is necessary.
    localRoot.left = rotateLeft(localRoot.left);
    ((RedBlackNode<E>) localRoot.left).isRed = false;
    localRoot.isRed = true;
    return rotateRight(localRoot);
```

Removal from a Red-Black Tree

- Remove a node only if it is a leaf or has only one child
- Otherwise, the node containing the inorder predecessor of the value being removed is removed
- □ If the node removed is red, nothing further is done
- If the node removed is black and has a red child, then the red child takes its place and is colored black
- If a black leaf is removed, the black height becomes unbalanced
- A programming project at the end of the chapter describes other cases

Performance of a Red-Black Tree

- □ The upper limit in the height for a Red-Black tree is $2 \log_2 n + 2$ which is still $O(\log n)$
- As with AVL trees, the average performance is significantly better than the worst-case performance
- Empirical studies show that the average cost of searching a Red-Black tree built from random values is 1.002 log₂n
- Red-Black trees and AVL trees both give performance close to that of a complete binary tree

TreeMap and TreeSet Classes

- The Java API has a TreeMap class that implements a Red-Black tree
- □ It implements SortedMap so some of the methods it defines are:
 - get
 - put
 - □ remove
 - containsKey
- \square All are O(log n) operations
- TreeSet implements SortedSet and is an adapter of the TreeMap class

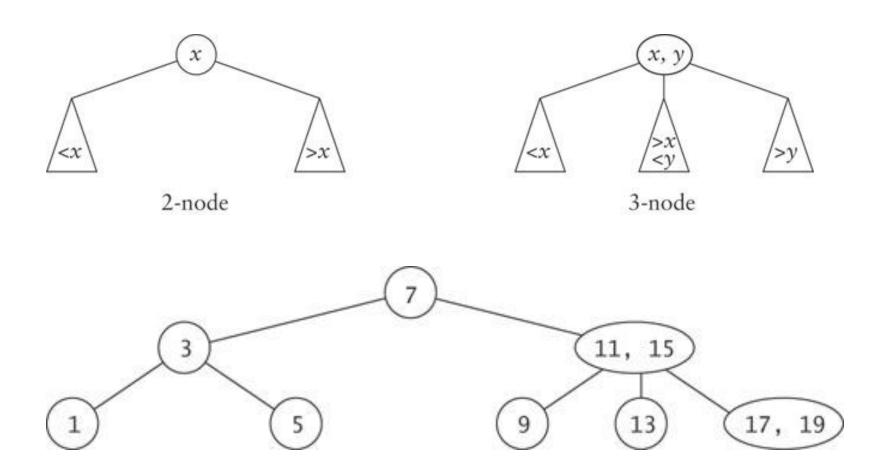
2-3 Trees

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2-3 Trees

- A 2-3 tree is made up of nodes designated as either 2nodes or 3-nodes
- □ A 2-node is the same as a binary search tree node:
 - it contains a data field and references to two child nodes
 - one child node contains data less than the node's data value
 - the other child contains data greater than the node's data value
- □ A 3-node
 - contains two data fields, ordered so that first is less than the second, and references to three children
 - One child contains data values less than the first data field
 - One child contains data values between the two data fields
 - One child contains data values greater than the second data field
- All the leaves of a 2-3 tree are at the lowest level

2-3 Trees (cont.)

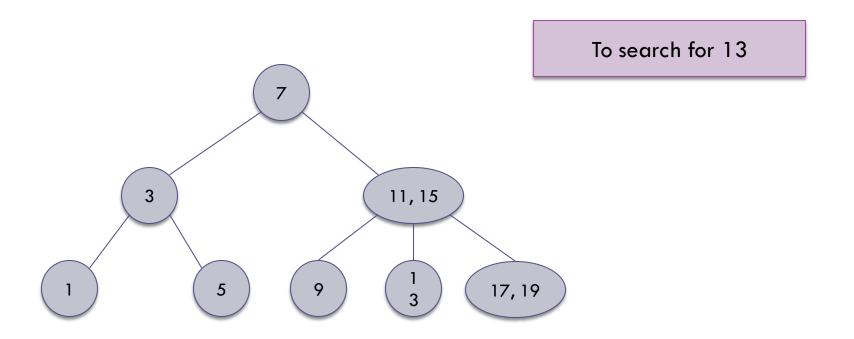


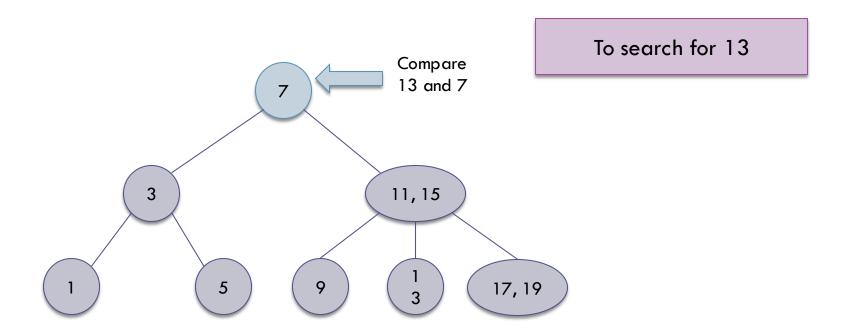
Searching a 2-3 Tree

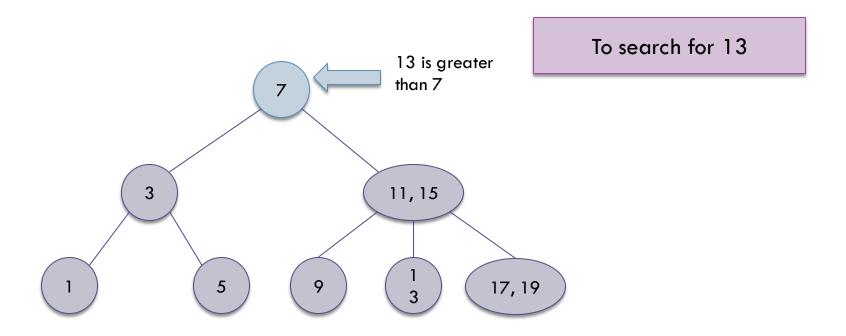
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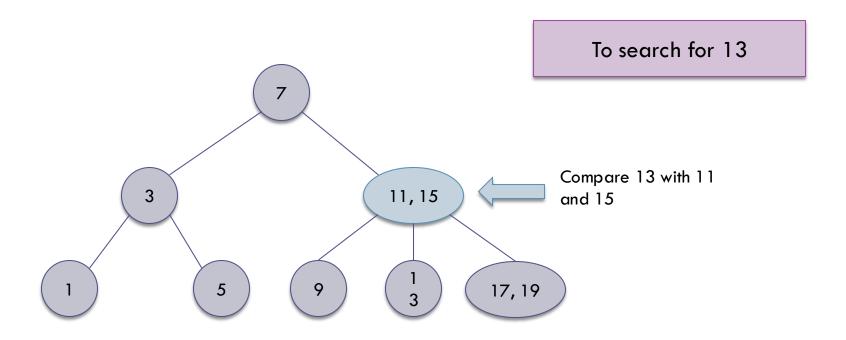
Searching a 2-3 tree is very similar to searching a binary search tree.

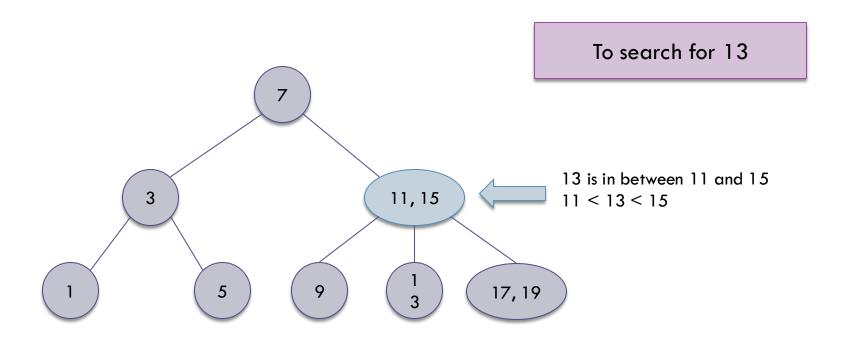
```
if the local root is null
 2.
            Return null; the item is not in the tree.
 3.
       else if this is a 2-node
 4.
            if the item is equal to the data1 field
                  Return the data1 field.
 5.
            else if the item is less than the data1 field
 6.
                  Recursively search the left subtree.
 8.
            else
 9.
                  Recursively search the right subtree.
       else // This is a 3-node
10.
            if the item is equal to the data1 field
11.
12.
                  Return the data1 field.
13.
            else if the item is equal to the data2 field
14.
                  Return the data2 field.
15.
            else if the item is less than the data1 field
16.
                  Recursively search the left subtree.
            else if the item is less than the data2 field
17.
18.
                  Recursively search the middle subtree.
19.
            else
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                  Recursively search the right subtree.
```

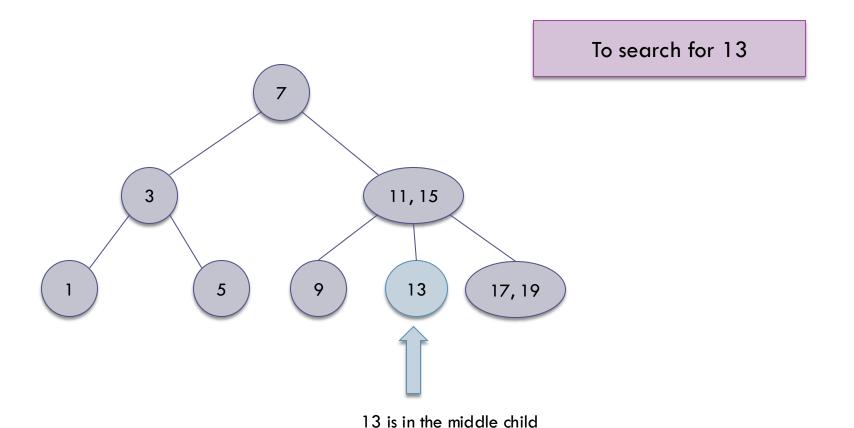






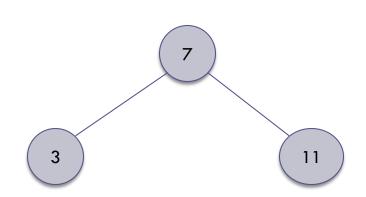






Inserting an Item into a 2-3 Tree

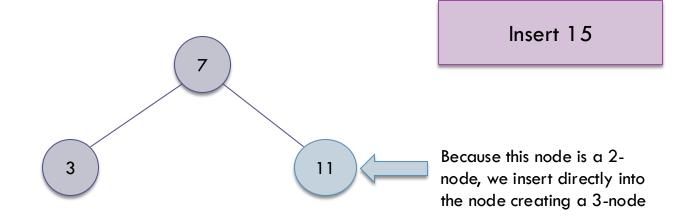
- A 2-3 tree maintains balance by being built from the bottom up, not the top down
- Instead of hanging a new node onto a leaf, we insert the new node into a leaf

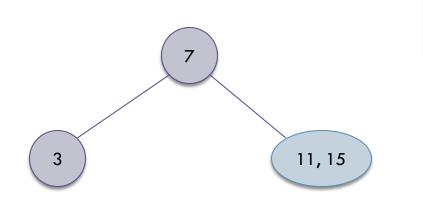


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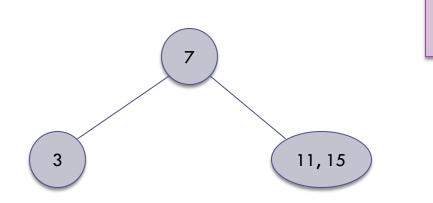
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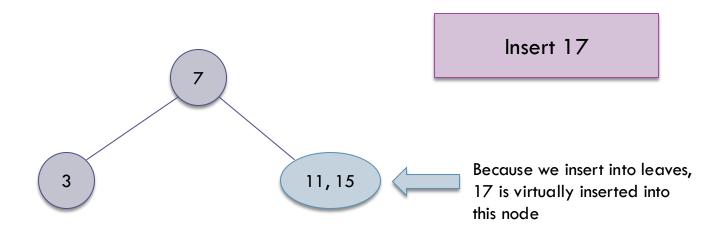




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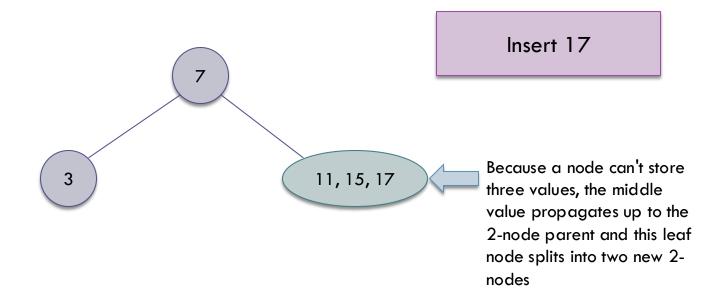


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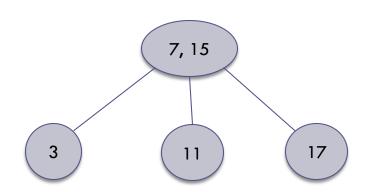


Inserting an Item into a 2-3 Tree

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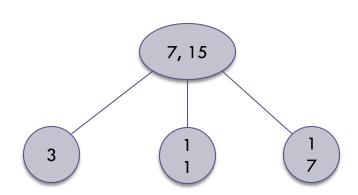


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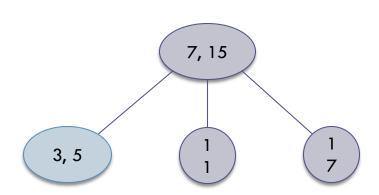


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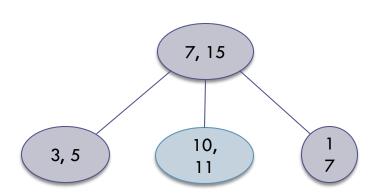
Inserting an Item into a 2-3 Tree (cont.)



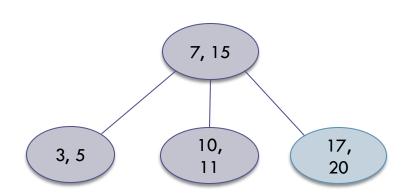
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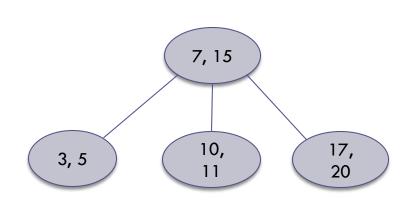
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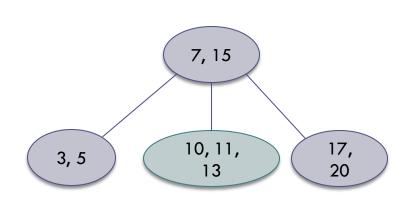


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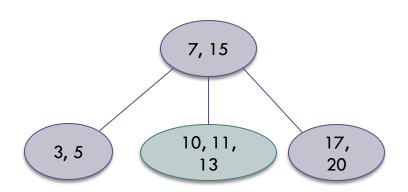
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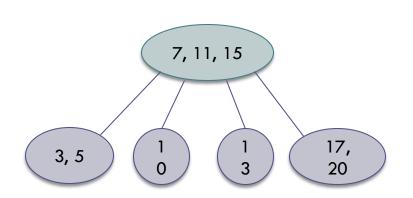
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Insert 13

Since a node with three values is a virtual node, move the middle value up and split the remaining values into two nodes

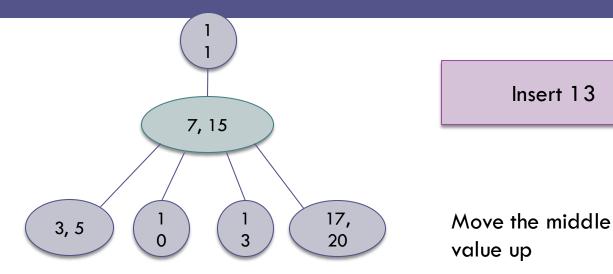
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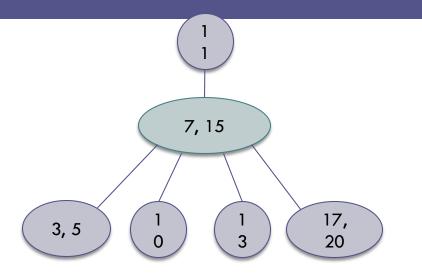
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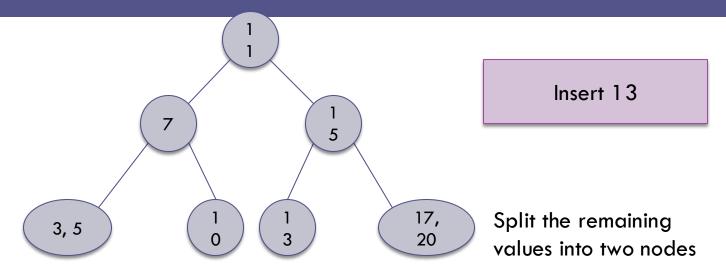
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Insert 13

Split the remaining values into two nodes

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Algorithm for Insertion into a 2-3 Tree

Algorithm for Insertion

1.	if the root is null
2.	Create a new 2-node that contains the new item.
3.	else if the item is in the local root
4.	Return false.
5.	else if the local root is a leaf
6.	if the local root is a 2-node
7.	Expand the 2-node to a 3-node and insert the item.
8.	else
9.	Split the 3-node (creating two 2-nodes) and pass the new paren back up the recursion chain.
10.	else
11.	1f the item is less than the smaller item in the local root
12.	Recursively insert into the left child.
13.	else if the local root is a 2-node
14.	Recursively insert into the right child.
15.	else if the item is less than the larger item in the local root
16.	Recursively insert into the middle child.
17.	else
18.	Recursively insert into the right child.
19.	if a new parent was passed up from the previous level of recursion
20.	if the new parent will be the tree root
21.	Create a 2-node whose data item is the passed-up parent, left child is the old root, and right child is the passed-up child. This 2-node becomes the new root.
22.	else
23.	Recursively insert the new parent at the local root.
24.	Return true.

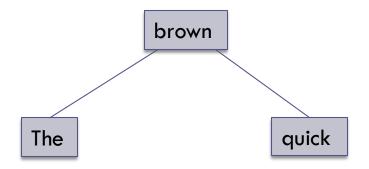
Insertion Example

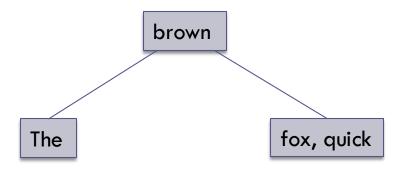
 Create a 2-3 tree using the words "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog"

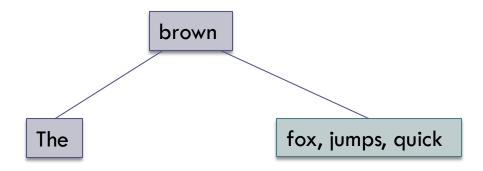
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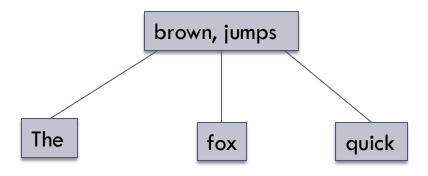
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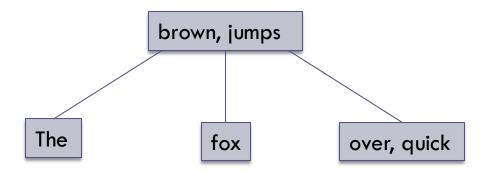
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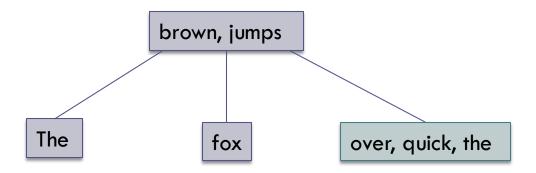


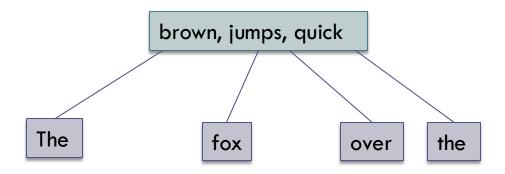


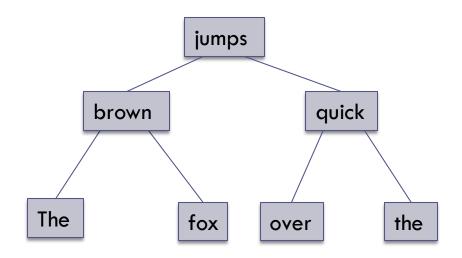


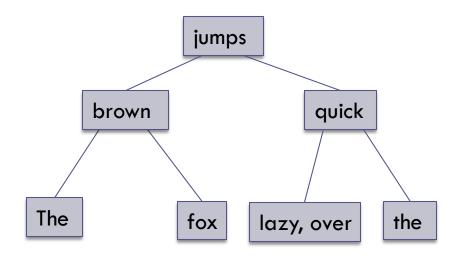


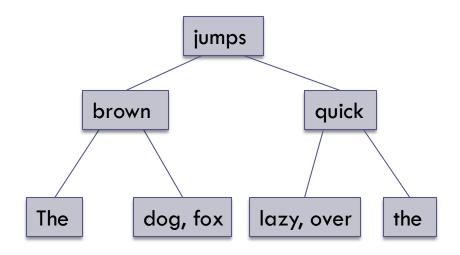










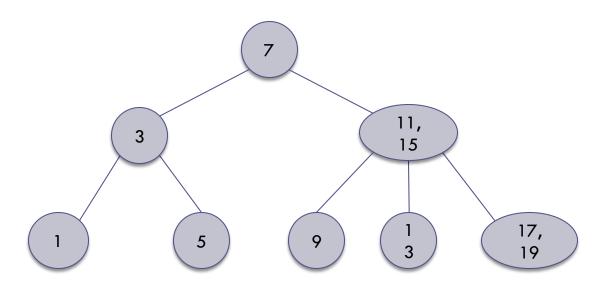


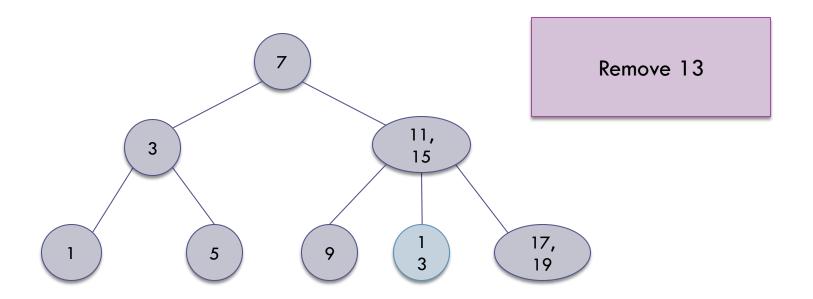
Analysis of 2-3 Trees and Comparison with Balanced Binary Trees

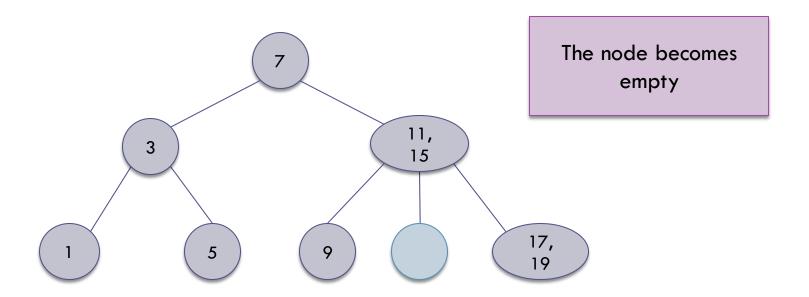
- 2-3 trees do not require the rotations needed for AVL and Red-Black trees
- □ The number of items that a 2-3 tree of height h can hold is between 2^h -1 (all 2 nodes) and 3^h 1 (all 3-nodes)
- Therefore, the height of a 2-3 tree is between log₃ n and log₂ n
- \square The search time is $O(\log n)$

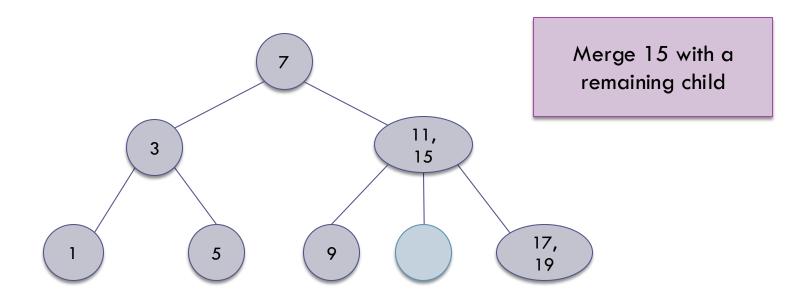
Removal from a 2-3 Tree

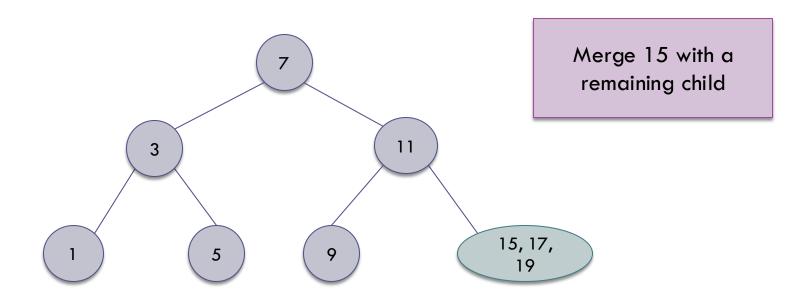
- □ Removing an item from a 2-3 tree is generally the reverse of the insertion process
- □ If the item to be removed is in a leaf, simply delete it
- If it's not in a leaf, remove it by swapping it with its inorder predecessor in a leaf node and deleting it from the leaf node
- If removing a node from a leaf causes the leaf to become empty,
 - items from the sibling and parent can be redistributed into that leaf
 - or the leaf can be merged with its parent and sibling nodes

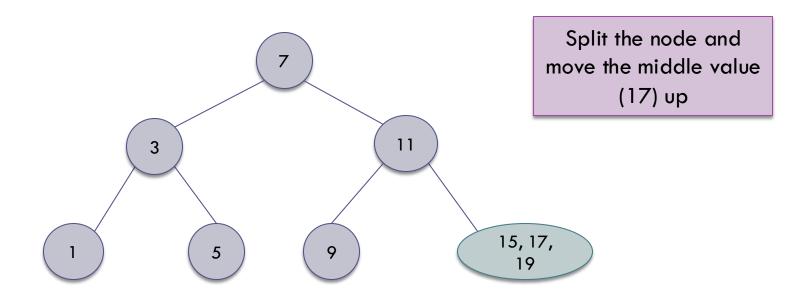


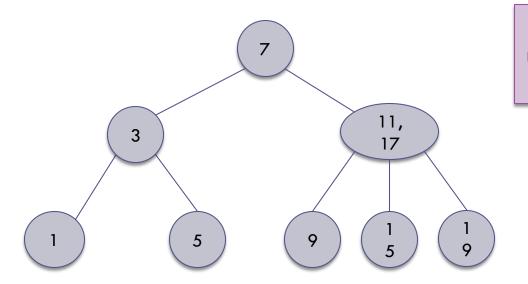




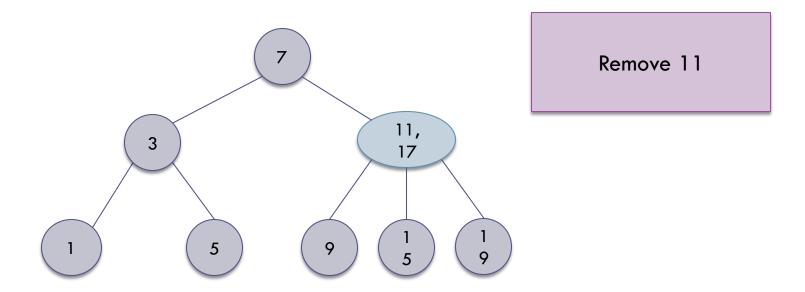


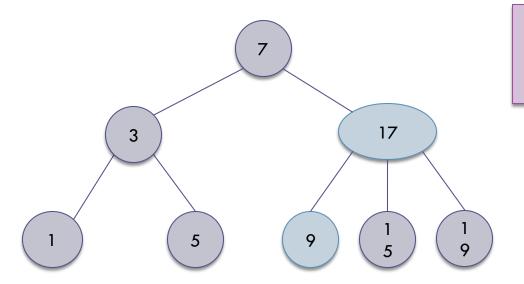




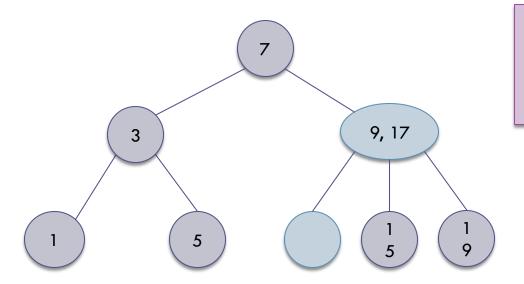


Split the node and move the middle value (17) up

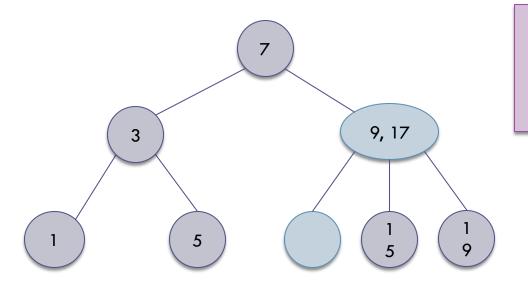




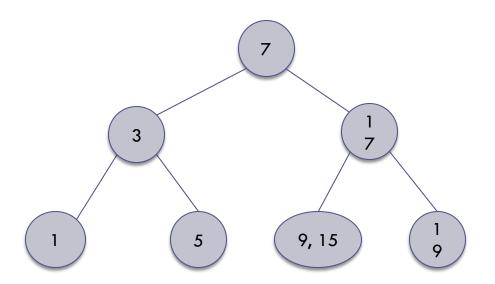
Because 11 is not in a leaf, replace it with its leaf predecessor (9)



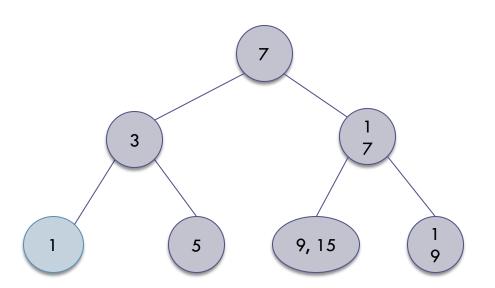
Because 11 is not in a leaf, replace it with its leaf predecessor (9)



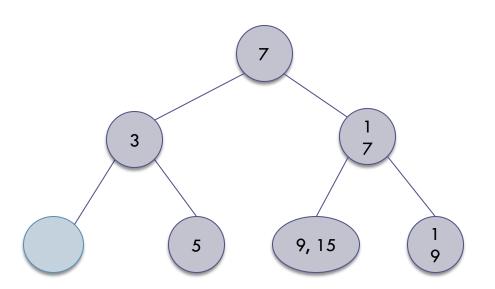
The left leaf is now empty. Merge the parent (9) into its right child (15)



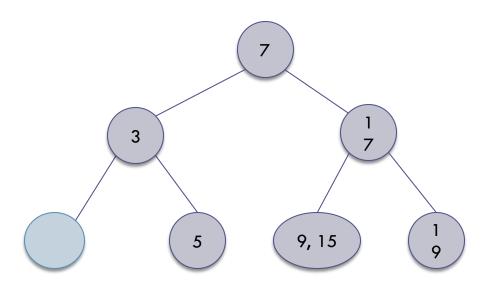
The left leaf is now empty. Merge the parent (9) into its right child (15)



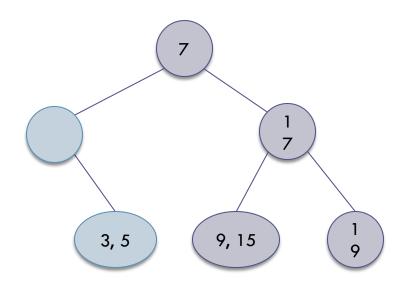
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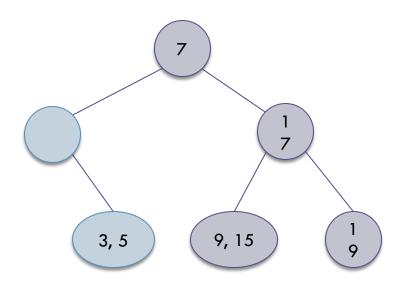
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Merge the parent (3) with its right child (5)

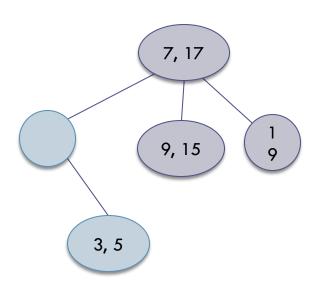


Merge the parent (3) with its right child (5)



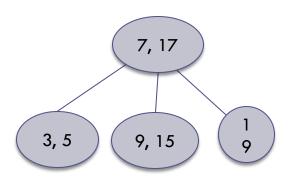
Repeat on the next level.

Merge the parent (7) with its right child (17)



Repeat on the next level.

Merge the parent (7) with its right child (17)



Repeat on the next level.

Merge the parent (7) with its right child (17)

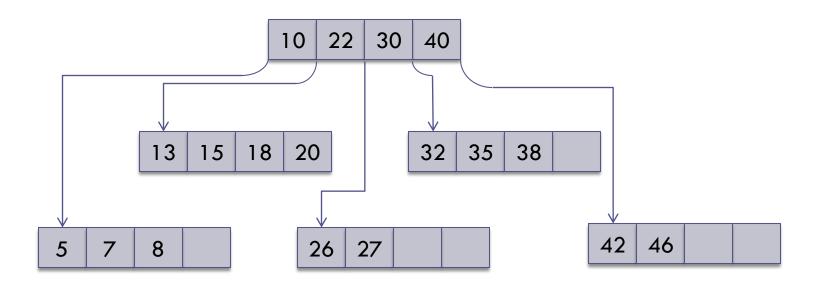
B-Trees and 2-3-4 Trees

Section 9.5

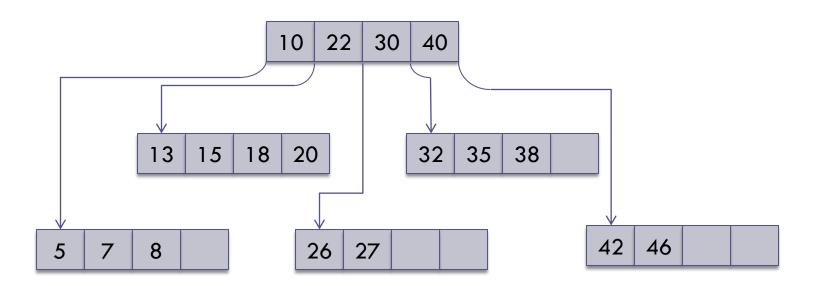
B-Trees and 2-3-4 Trees

- □ The 2-3 tree was the inspiration for the more general B-tree which allows up to n children per node
- The B-tree was designed for building indexes to very large databases stored on a hard disk
- □ The 2-3-4 tree is a specialization of the B-tree

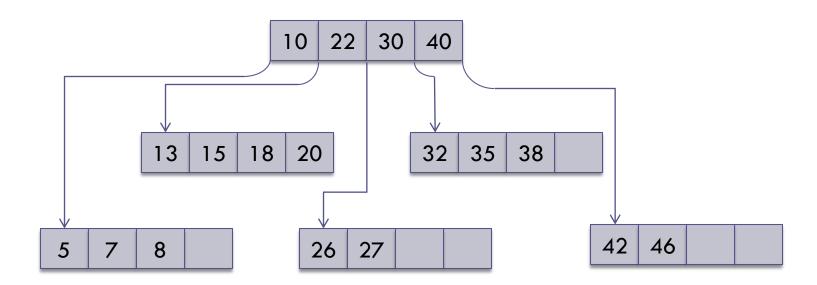
B-Trees



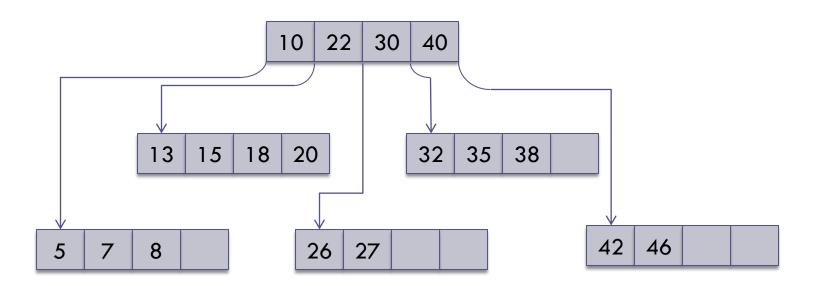
The maximum number of children is the *order* of the B-tree, which we represent as the variable order



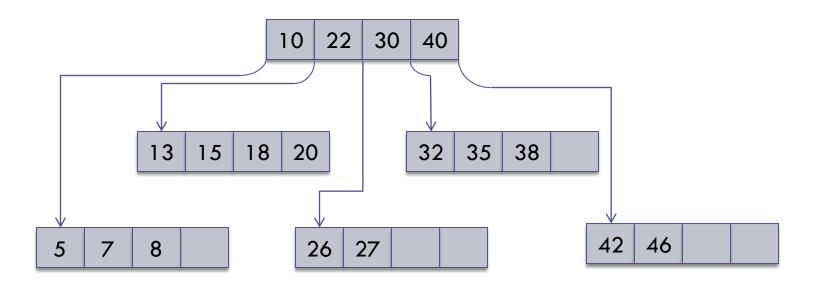
The order of the B-tree below is 5



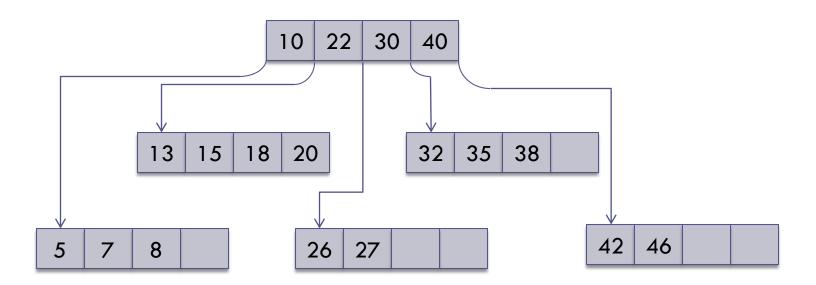
The number of data items in a node is 1 less than the number of children (the order)



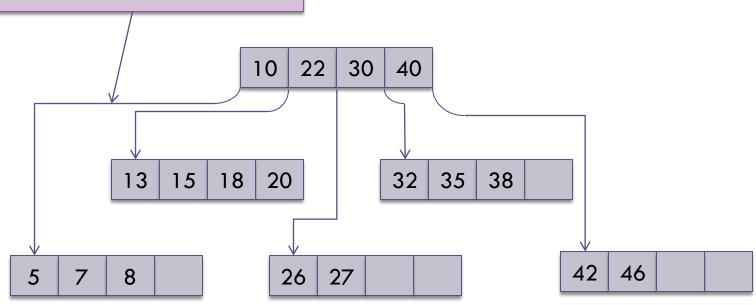
Other than the root, each node has between order/2 and order children

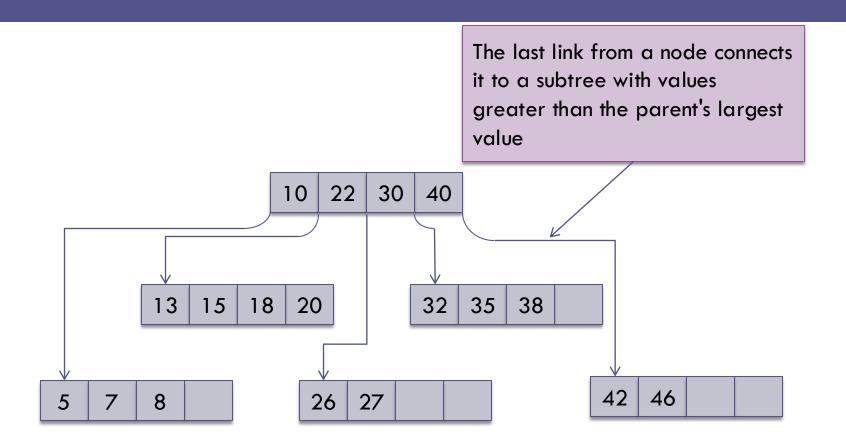


The data items in each node are in increasing order

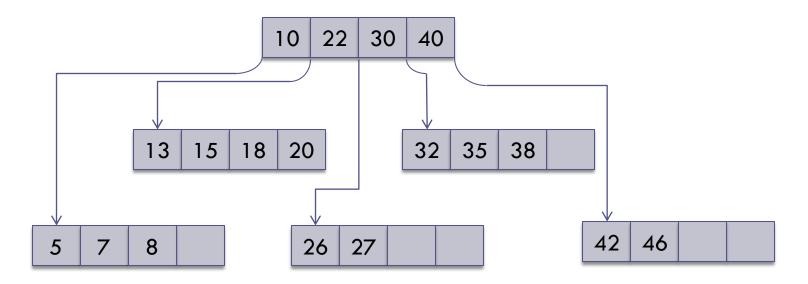


The first link from a node connects it to a subtree with values smaller than the parent's smallest value



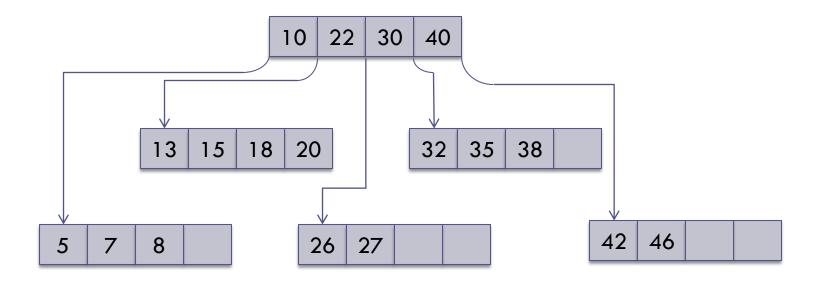


The other links are to subtrees with values between each pair of consecutive values in the parent node.

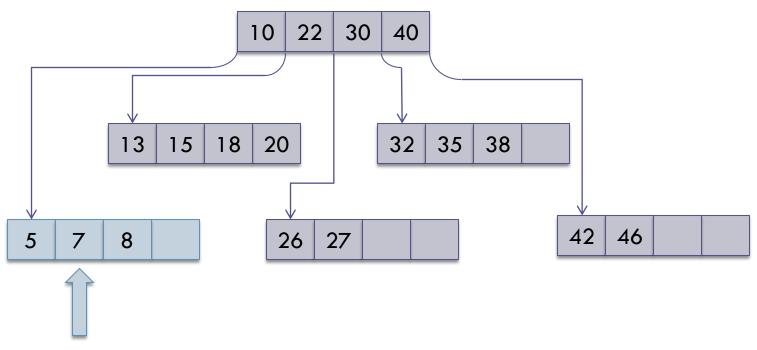


- B-Trees were developed to store indexes to databases on disk storage.
 - disk storage is broken into blocks
 - the nodes of a B-tree are sized to fit in a block
 - each disk access to the index retrieves exactly one B-tree node
 - the time to retrieve a block off the disk is large compared to the time to process it in memory
 - by making tree nodes as large as possible, we reduce the number of disk accesses required to find an item in the index
- Assuming a block can store a node for a B-tree of order
 200, each node would store at least 100 items.
- This enables 100⁴ or 100 million items to be accessed in a Btree of height 4

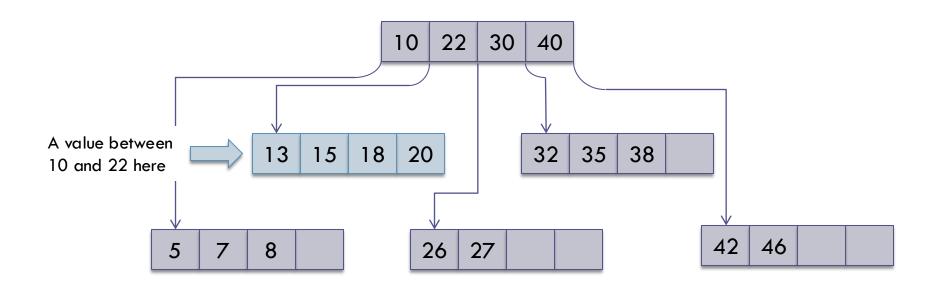
B-Tree Insertion

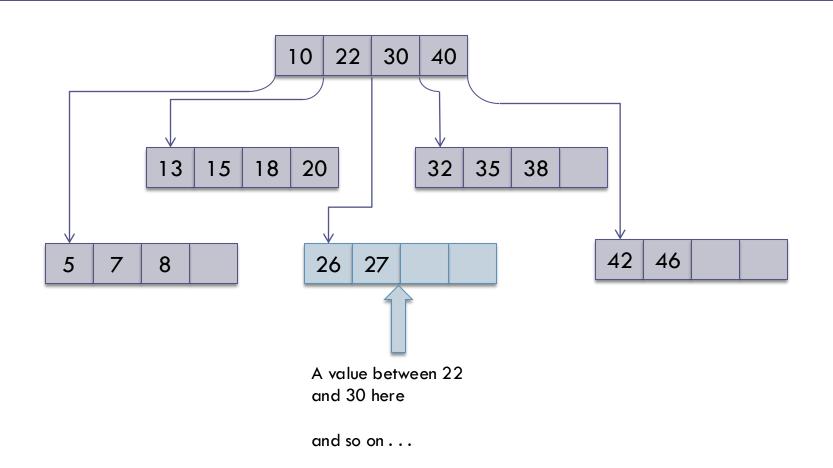


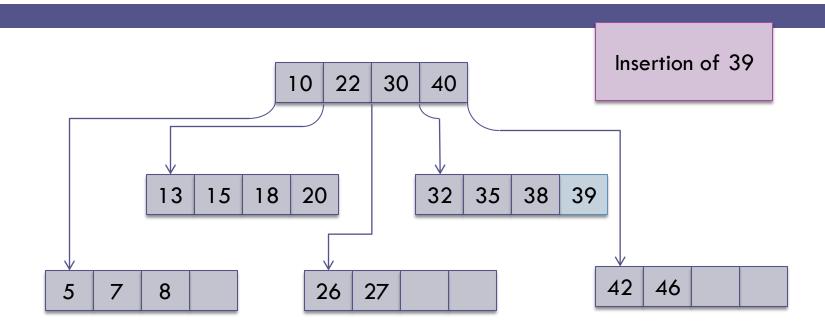
Similar to 2-3 trees, insertions take place in leaves

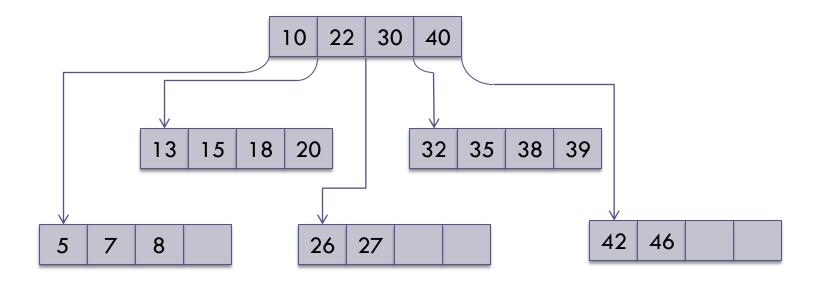


A value less than 10 would be inserted here

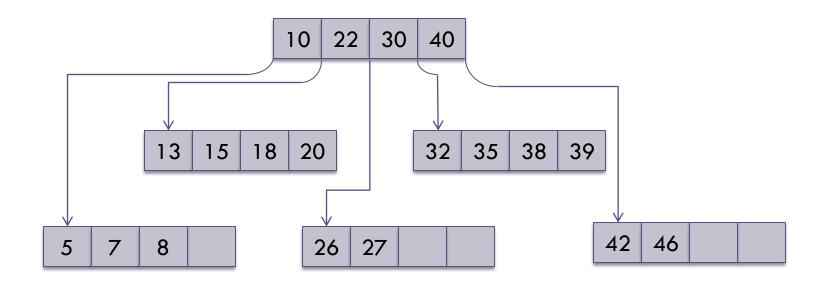






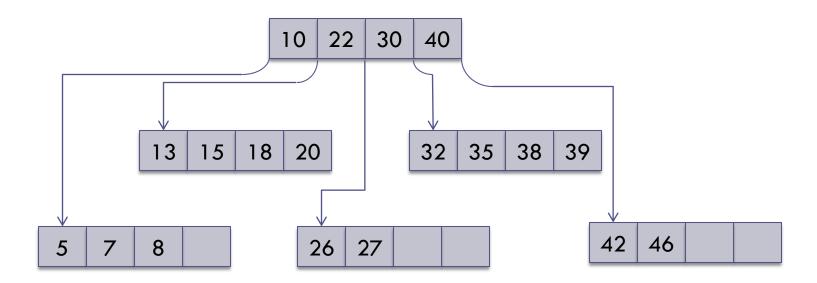


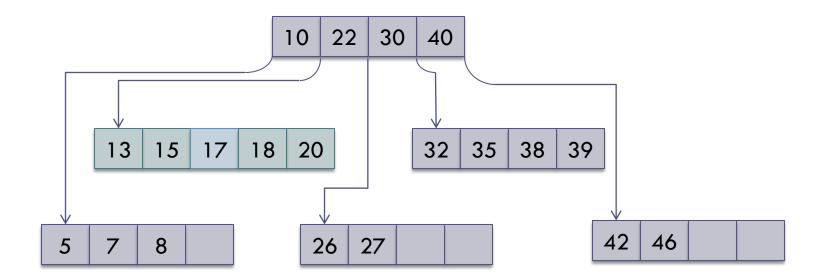
If a leaf to receive the insertion is full, it is split into two nodes, each containing approximately half the items, and the middle item is passed up to the split node's parents

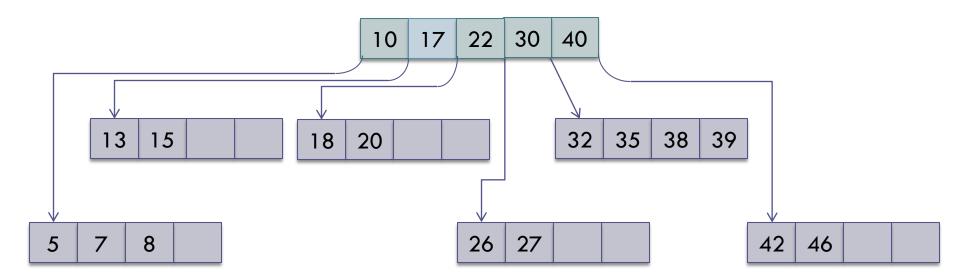


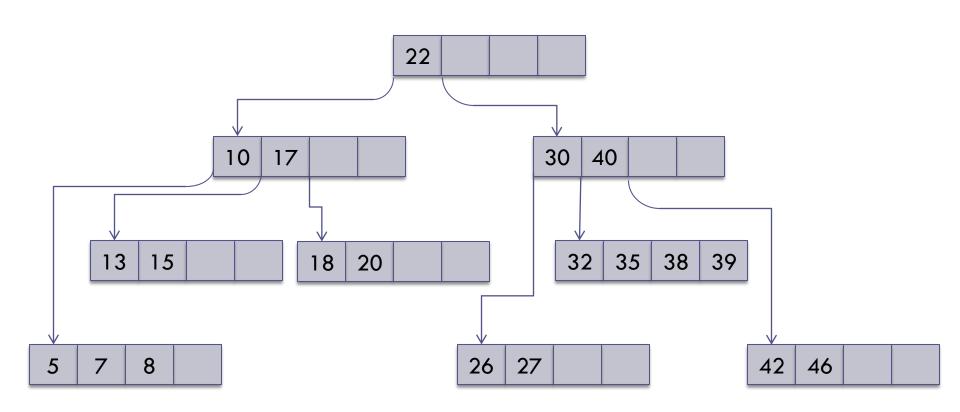
If the parent is full, it is split and its middle item is passed up to its parent, and so on

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Implementing the B-Tree

```
/** A Node represents a node in a B-tree. */
private static class Node<E> {
    // Data Fields
    /** The number of data items in this node */
    private int size = 0;
    /** The information */
    private E[] data;
    /** The links to the children. child[i] refers to
        the subtree of children < data[i] for i < size
        and to the subtree of children > data[size-1]
        for i == size */
    private Node<E>[] child;
    /** Create an empty node of size order
        @param order The size of a node
    */
    @SuppressWarnings("unchecked")
    public Node(int order) {
        data = (E[]) new Comparable[order - 1];
        child = (Node<E>[]) new Node[order];
        size = 0;
```

Implementing the B-Tree (cont.)

```
/** An implementation of the B-tree. A B-tree is a
    search tree in which each node contains n data items where
   n is between (order-1)/2 and order-1. (For the root, n may be
   between 1 and order-1.) Each node not a leaf has n+1 children. The
   tree is always balanced in that all leaves are on the same level,
   i.e., the length of the path from the root to a leaf is constant.
   @author Koffman and Wolfgang
*/
   public class BTree<E extends Comparable<E>>
   // Nested class
   /** A Node represents a node in a B-tree. */
   private static class Node<E> {
   /** The root node. */
   private Node<E> root = null;
   /** The maximum number of children of a node */
   private int order;
   /** Construct a B-tree with node size order
    @param order the size of a node
   public BTree(int order) {
   this.order = order:
   root = null;
```

Implementing the B-Tree (cont.)

Algorithm for insertion

```
if the root is null
         Create a new Node that contains the inserted item
      else search the local root for the item
         if the item is in the local root
              return false
         else
              if the local root is a leaf
                 if the local root is not full
9.
                    insert the new item
                    return null as the new child
10.
                    and true to indicate successful insertion
11.
                  else
12.
                    split the local root
                    return the newParent and a newChild
13.
                    and true to indicate successful insertion
14.
               else
15.
                    recursively call the insert method
                  if the returned newChild is not null
16.
                        if the local root is not full
17.
                             insert the newParent and newChild into the
18.
                             local root
                             return null as the newChild
19.
                             and true to indicate successful insertion
20.
                        else
                             split the local root
21.
                             return the newParent and the newChild
22.
                             and true to indicate successful insertion
23.
                    else
                      return the success/fail indicator for the insertion
24.
```

Code for the insert Method

```
if (root.size < order - 1) {
    insertIntoNode(root, index, item, null);
    newChild = null;
} else {
    splitNode(root, index, item, null);
return true;
boolean result = insert(root.child[index], item);
if (newChild != null) {
    if (root.size < order - 1) {
       insertIntoNode(root, index, newParent, newChild);
       newChild = null;
    } else {
       splitNode(root, index, newParent, newChild);
return result;
```

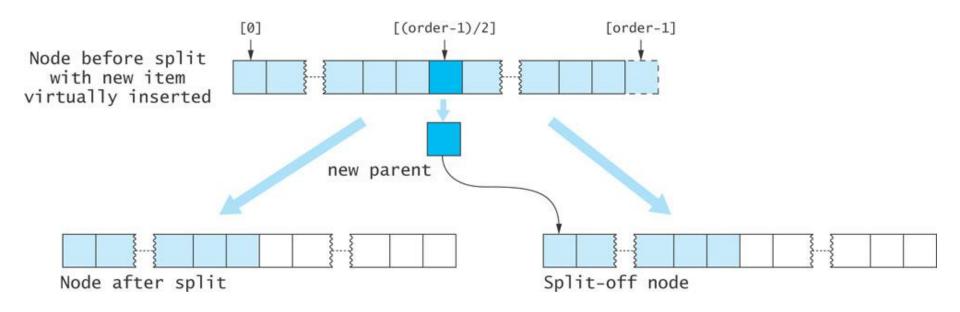
Code for the insert Method (cont.)

□ Listing 9.5 (The insert Method, page 515)

The insertIntoNode Method

```
/** Method to insert a new value into a node
    pre: node.data[index-1] < item < node.data[index];</pre>
    post: node.data[index] == item and old values are moved
       right one position
    @param node The node to insert the value into
    Oparam index The index where the inserted item is to be placed
    Oparam item The value to be inserted
    @param child The right child of the value to be inserted
* /
private void insertIntoNode(Node<E> node, int index,
                             E obj, Node<E> child) {
    for (int i = node.size; i > index; i--) {
       node.data[i] = node.data[i - 1];
       node.child[i + 1] = node.child[i];
    node.data[index] = obj;
    node.child[index + 1] = child;
    node.size++;
```

The splitNode Method

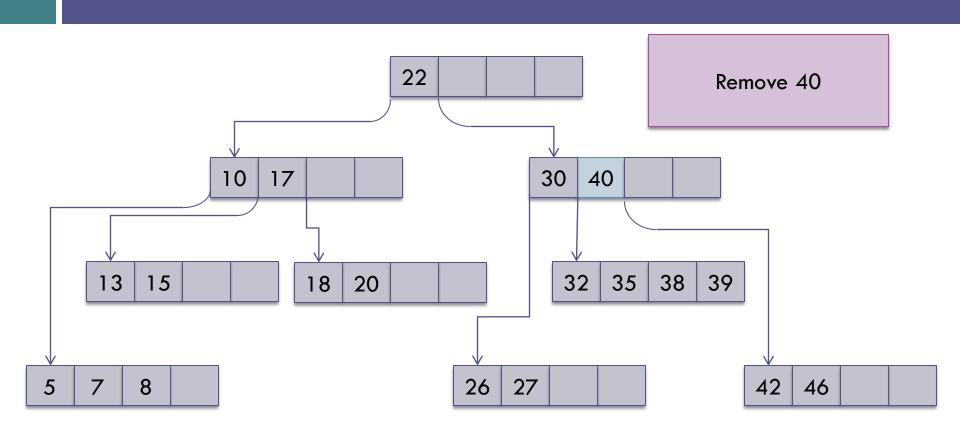


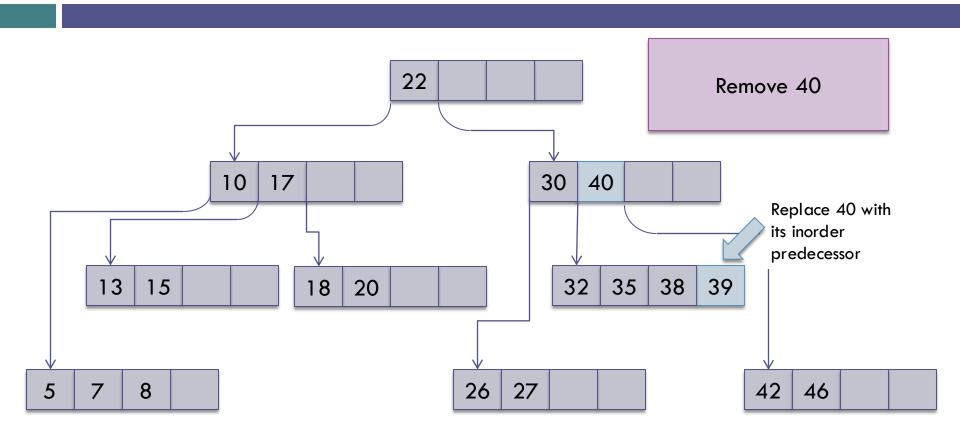
The splitNode Method (cont.)

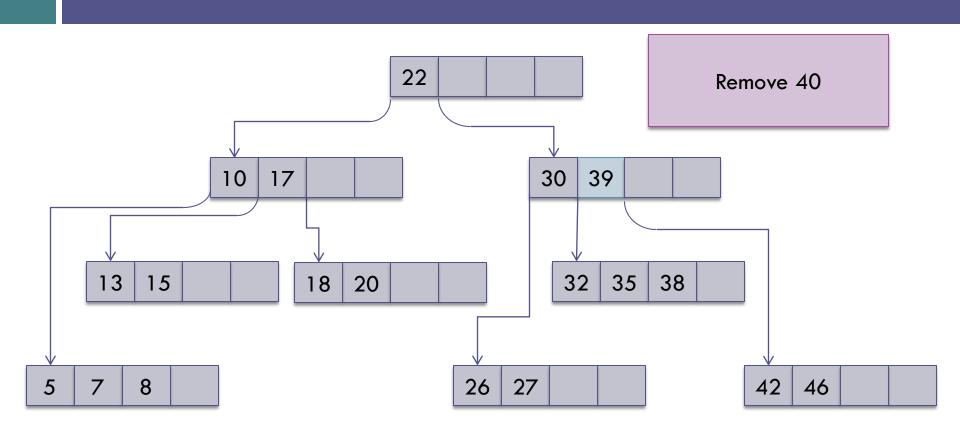
□ Listing 9.6 (The splitNode Method, pages 517-18)

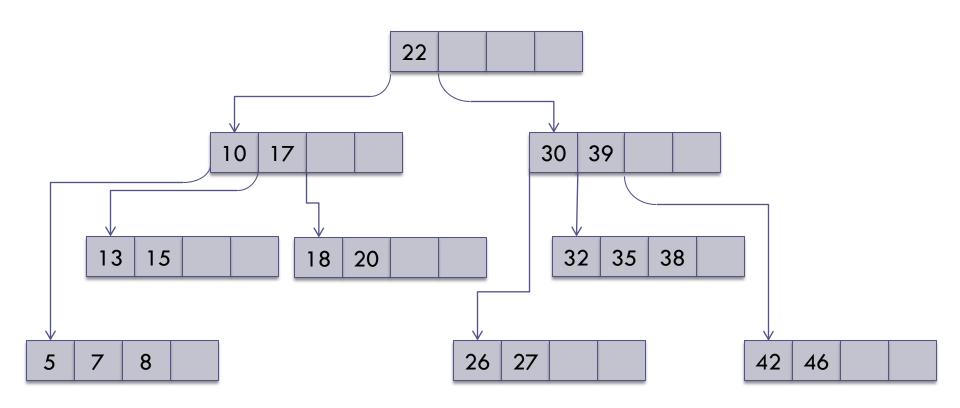
Removal from a B-Tree

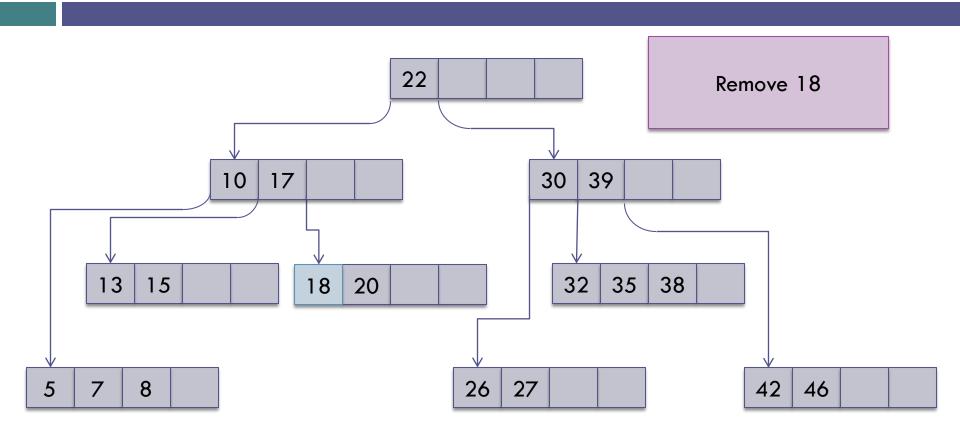
- Removing an item is a generalization of removing an item from a 2-3 tree
- □ The simplest removal is deletion from a leaf
- When an item is removed from an interior node, it must be replaced by its inorder predecessor (or successor) in a leaf
- If removing an item from a leaf results in the leaf being less than half full, redistribution needs to occur

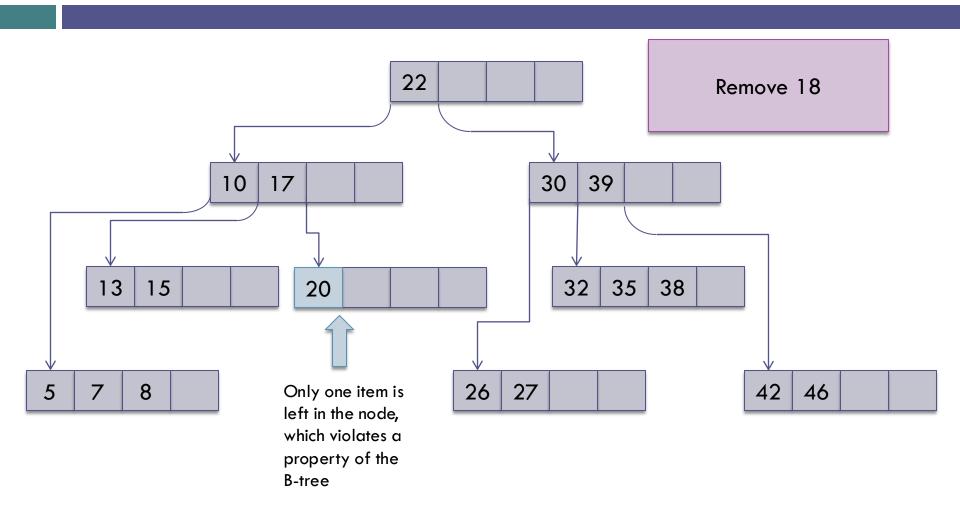


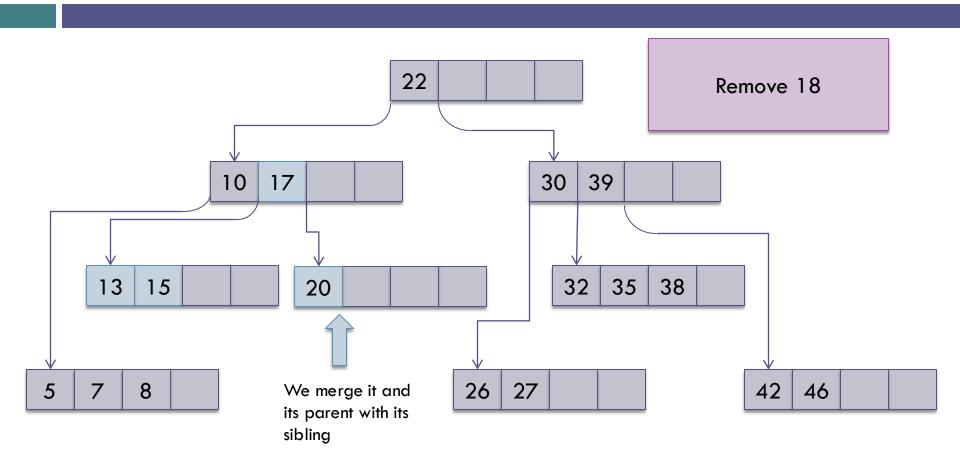


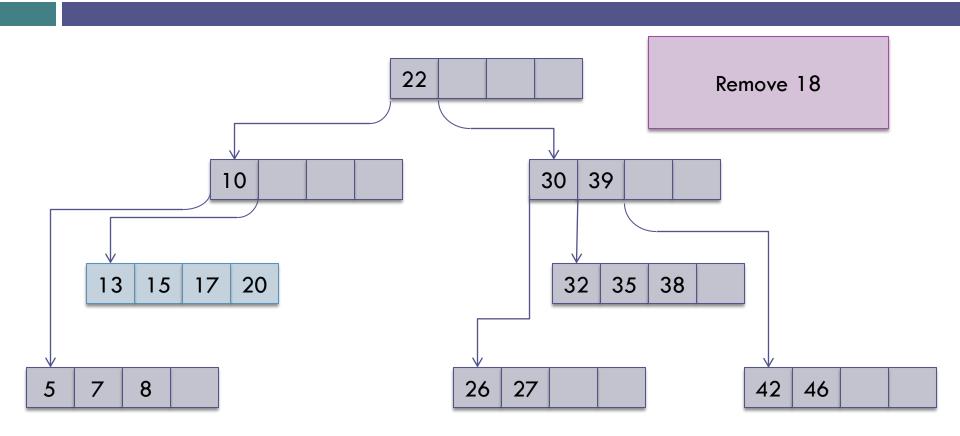


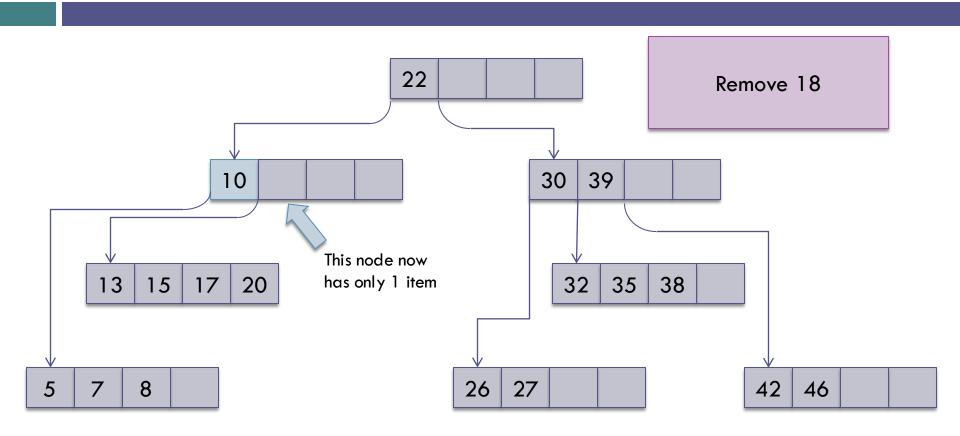


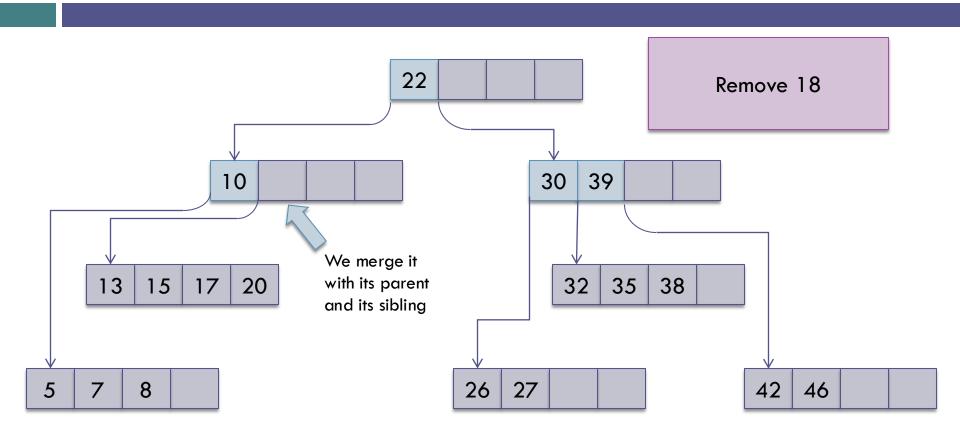


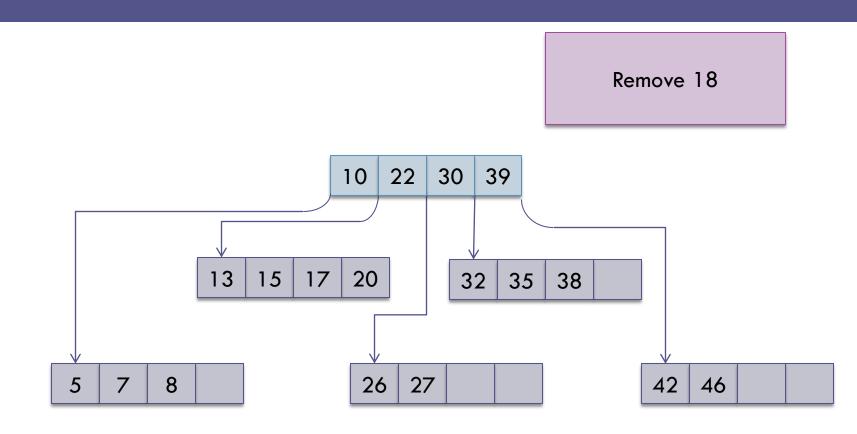


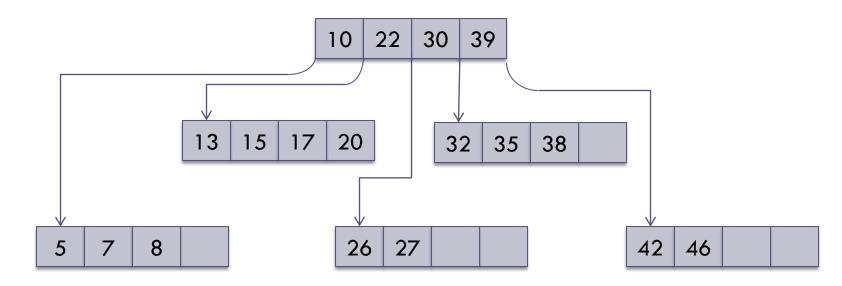












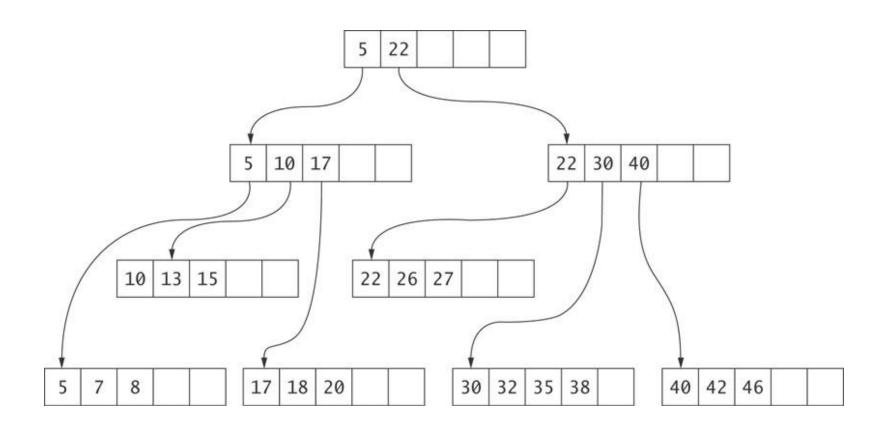
B+ Trees

- The B-tree was developed to create indexes for databases
 - the Node is stored on a disk block
 - the Node pointers are pointers to disk blocks instead of memory addresses
 - the E is a key-value pair where the value is also a pointer to a disk block
- Since in the leaf nodes all child pointers are null,
 there is a significant waste of space

B+ Trees (cont.)

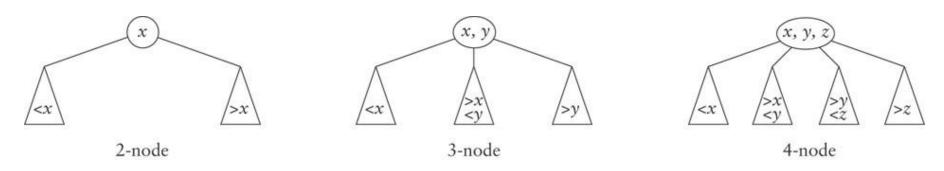
- □ A B+ tree addresses this wasted space
- \square In a B+ tree,
 - the leaves contain the keys and pointers to their corresponding values
 - the internal nodes contain only keys and pointers to the children
 - the parent's value is repeated as the first value
 - there are order pointers and order values

B+ Trees (cont.)

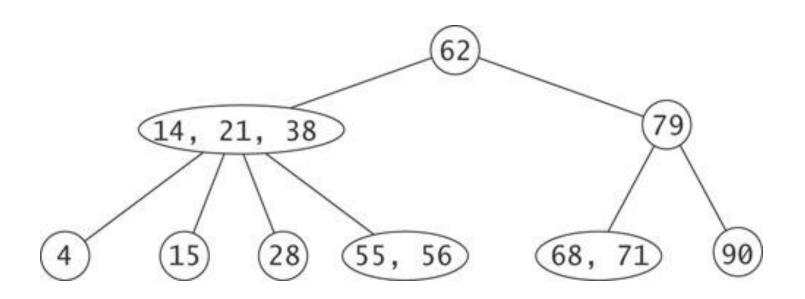


2-3-4 Trees

- 2-3-4 trees are a special case of the B-tree where
 order is fixed at 4
- □ A node in a 2-3-4 tree is called a 4-node
- A 4-node has space for three data items and four children



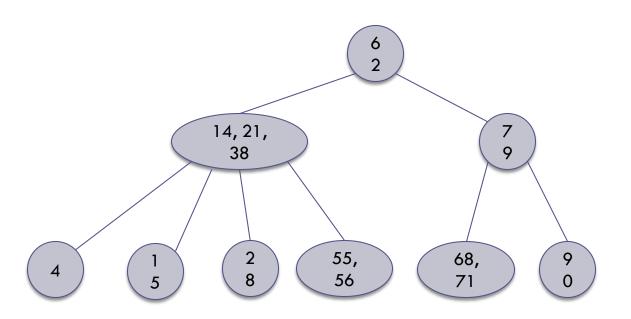
2-3-4 Tree Example

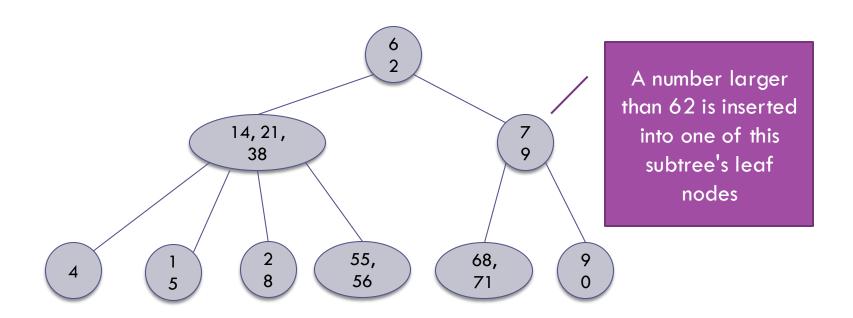


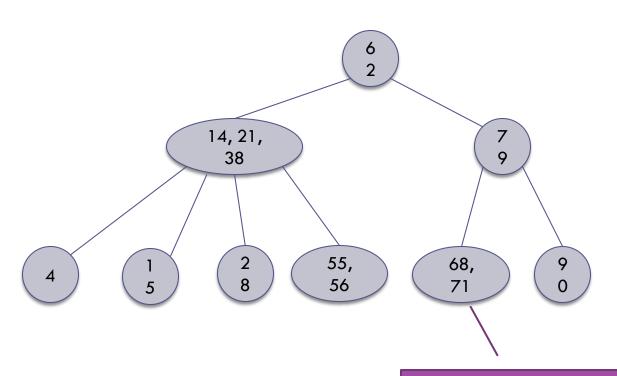
2-3-4 Trees (cont.)

- Fixing the capacity of a node at three data items simplifies the insertion logic
- A search for a leaf is the same as for a 2-3 tree or B-tree
- □ If a 4-node is encountered, we split it
 - When we reach a leaf, we are guaranteed to find room to insert an item

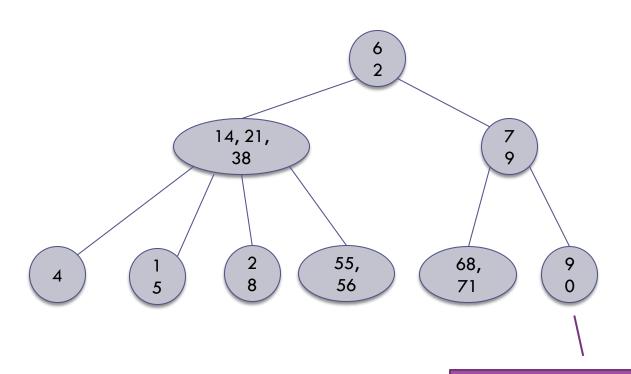
Insertion into a 2-3-4 Tree



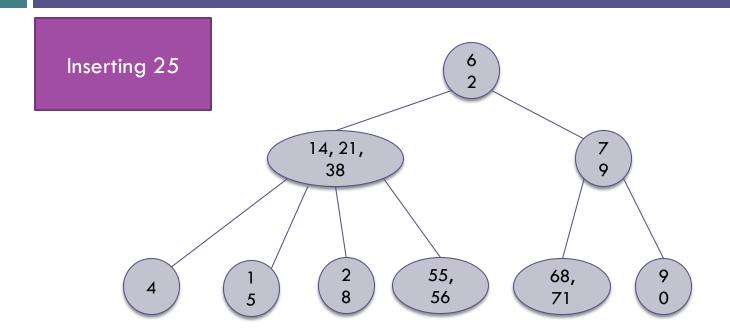


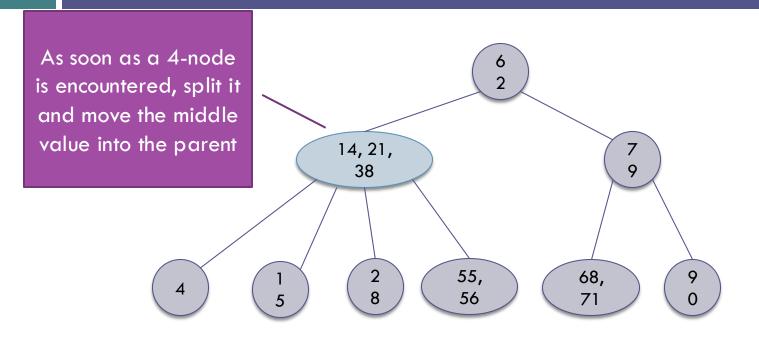


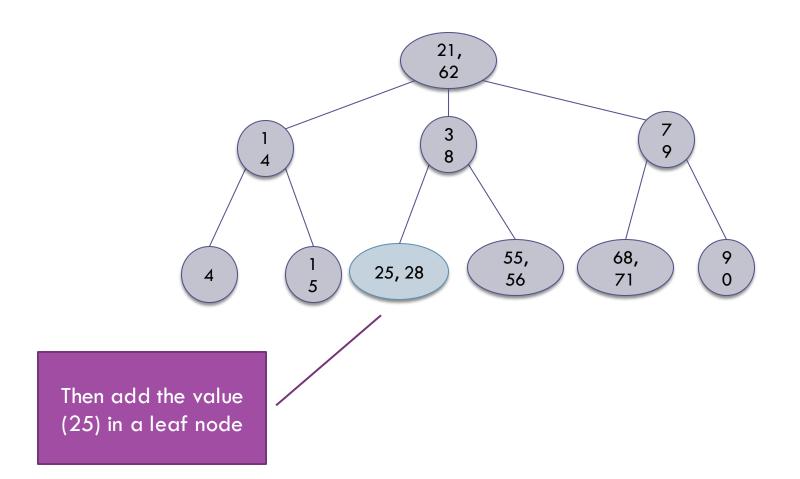
A number between 63 and 78, inclusive, is inserted into this 3-node making it a 4-node

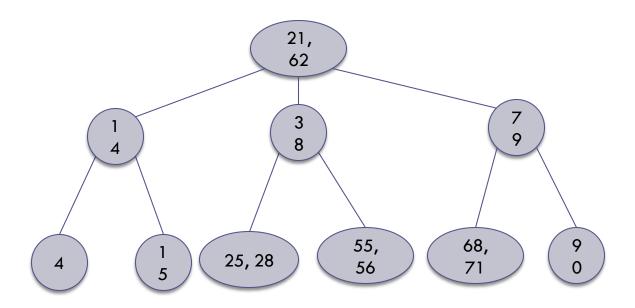


A number larger than 79 is inserted into this 2-node making it a 3-node

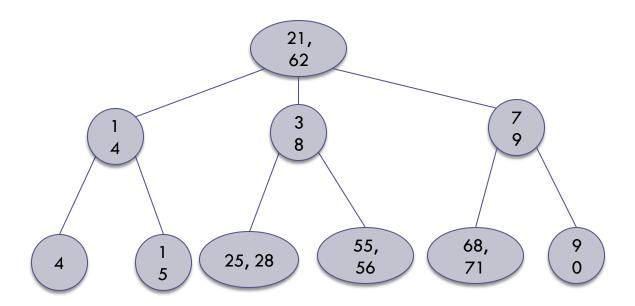






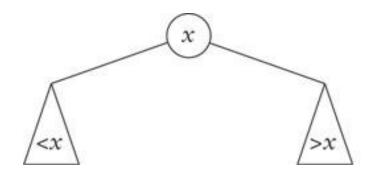


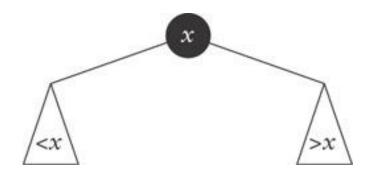
This immediate split guarantees that a parent will not be a 4-node, and we will not need to propagate a child or its parent back up the recursion chain. The recursion becomes tail recursion.



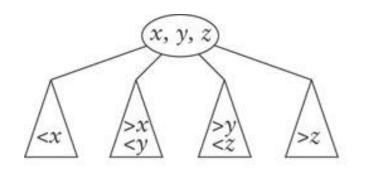
25 could have been inserted into the leaf node without splitting the parent 4-node, but always splitting a 4-node when it is encountered simplifies the algorithm with minimal impact on overall performance

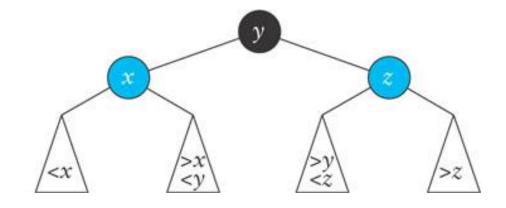
- A Red-Black tree is a binary-tree equivalent of a 2-3-4 tree
- □ A 2-node is a black node



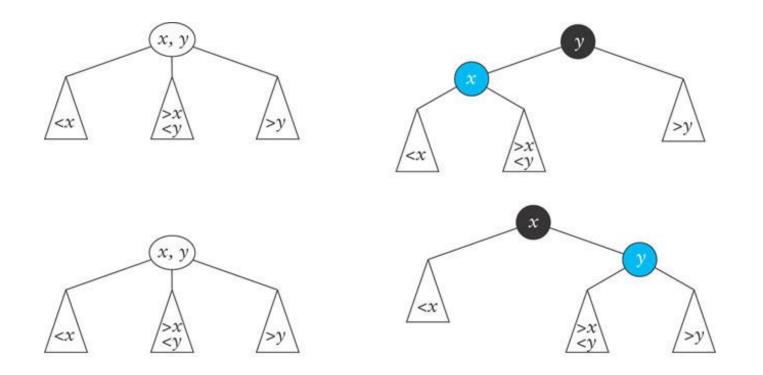


A 4-node is a black node with two red (blue)
 children

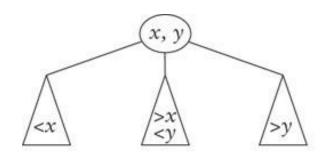




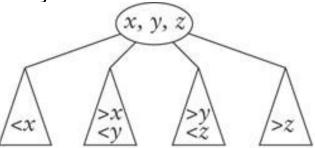
 A 3-node can be represented as either a black node with a left red (blue) child or a black node with a right red (blue) child

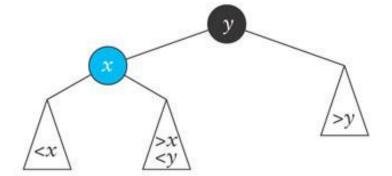


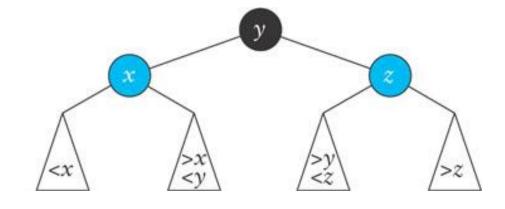
Inserting a value *z* greater than *y* in this tree:



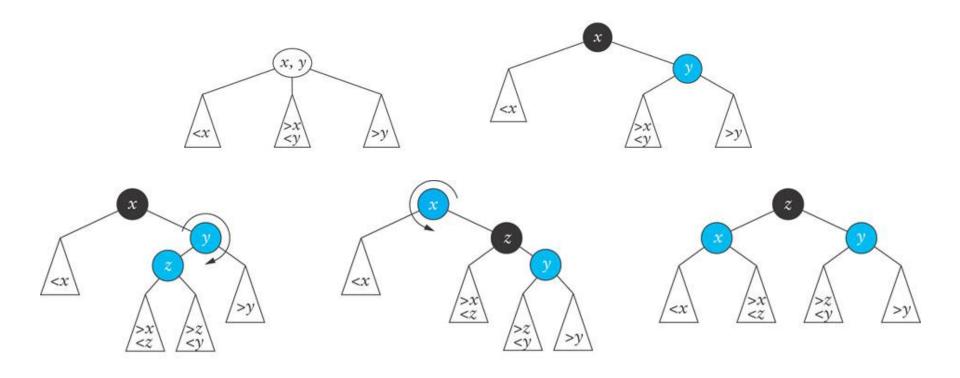
yields this tree:







Inserting value z that is between x and y



Skip-Lists

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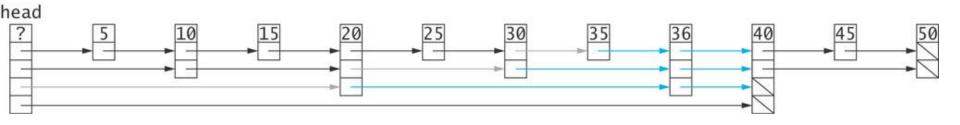
Skip-Lists

- □ A skip-list is another data structure that can be used as the basis for the NavigableSet or NavigableMap and as a substitute for a balanced tree
- \square It provides $O(\log n)$ search, insert, and remove
- It has the advantage over a Red-Black tree-based TreeSet in that concurrent references resulting from multiple threads are easier to achieve
- The concurrency features are beyond the scope of the course, and deal with multiple threads making modifications on a data set

Skip-List Structure

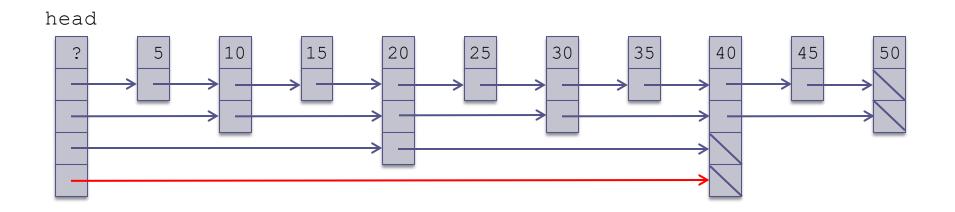
- □ A skip-list is a list of lists
 - Each node contains a data element with a key
 - The elements in each list are in increasing order by key
 - The nodes can contain a varying number of forward links determined by the level of the node
 - A level-m node has m forward links
 - The level of a new node is chosen randomly in such a way that, for a 4-level skip-list, approximately 50% are level 1 (one forward link), 25% are level 2 (2 forward links), 12.5% are level 3 (3 forward links), and so on

Skip-List Structure (cont.)



- The level of a skip-list is defined as its highest node level, or 4, in this list
- The list above is an ideal skip-list; most skip-lists will not have exactly this structure, but will behave similarly

Searching a Skip-List

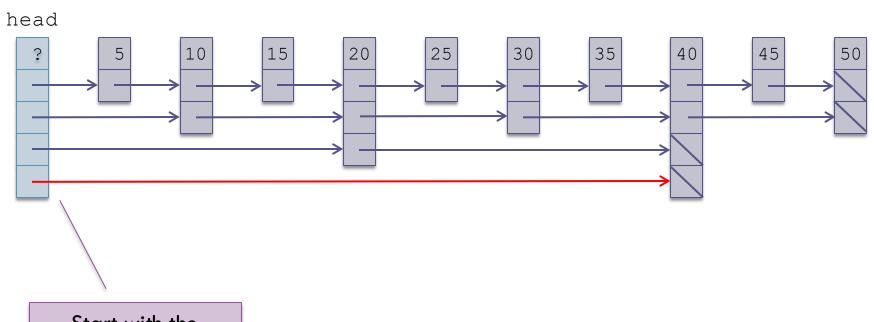


A search always begins in the highest level list (the list with the fewest elements)

Search for 35

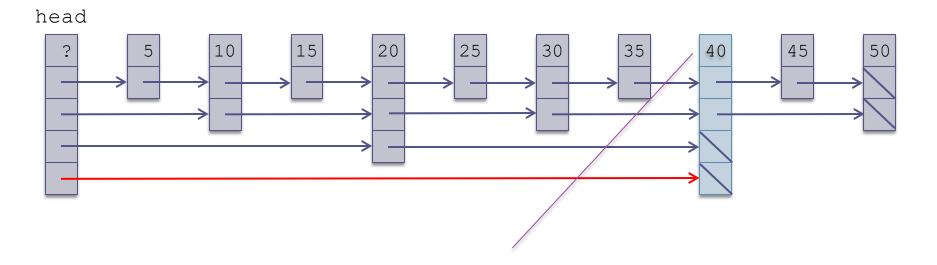
head ? 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50

Search for 35



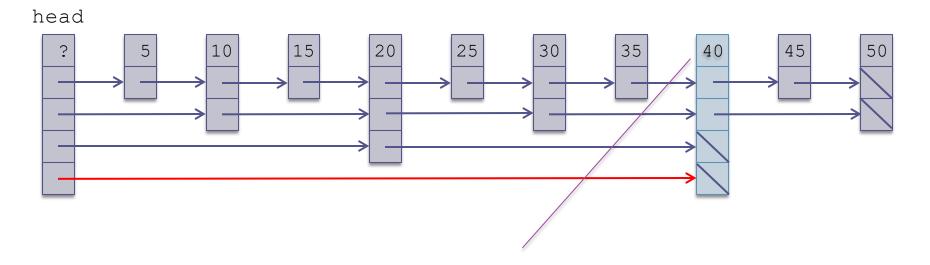
Start with the highest list, in this case, level 4

Search for 35



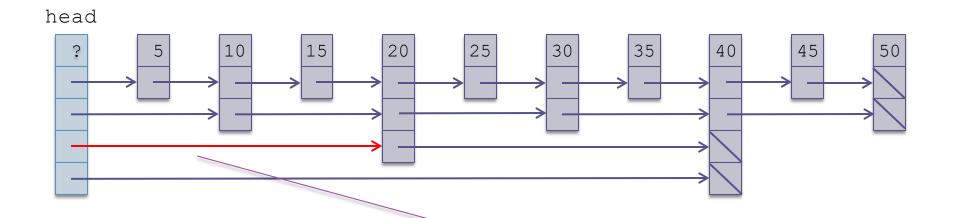
The value of this node is 40 (we have also reached the end of this list)

Search for 35



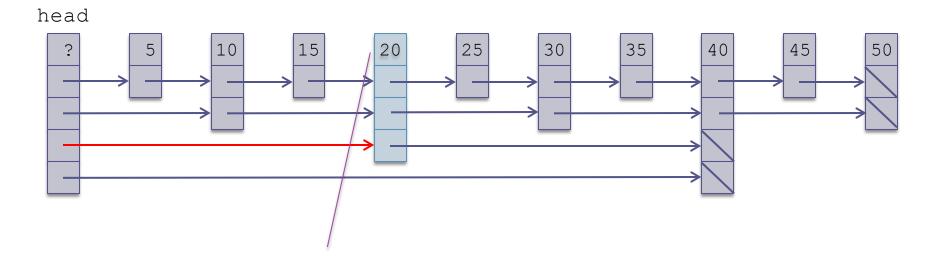
Since 35 < 40, we move back to the predecessor node and search the next lower level

Search for 35



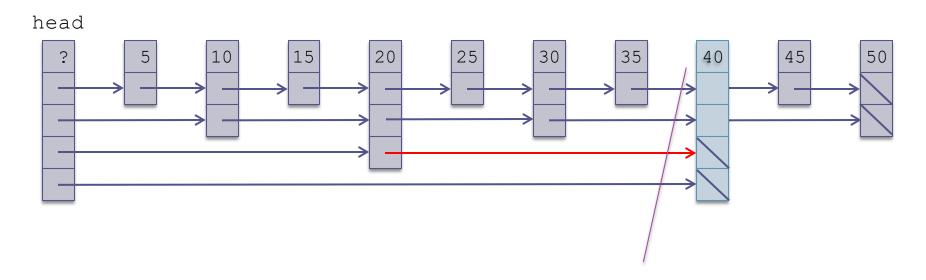
Since 35 < 40, we move back to the predecessor node and search the next lower level

Search for 35



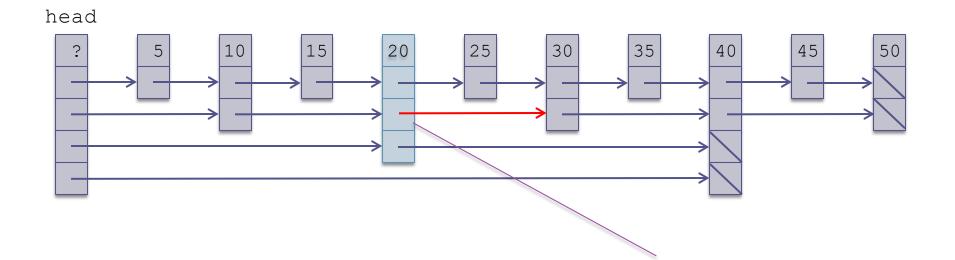
The value of the next node is 20. 35 > 20, so we move to the next node on this level

Search for 35



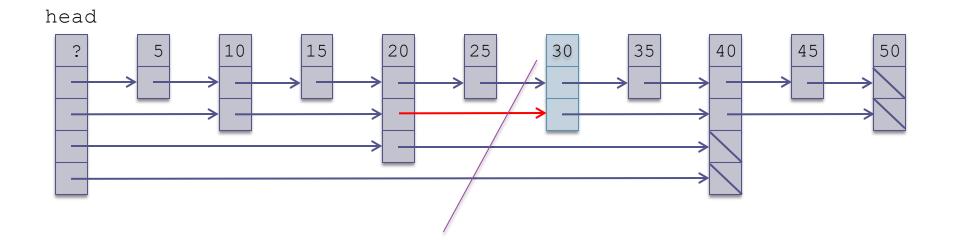
35 < 40 so we move to the predecessor and search the next lower level

Search for 35



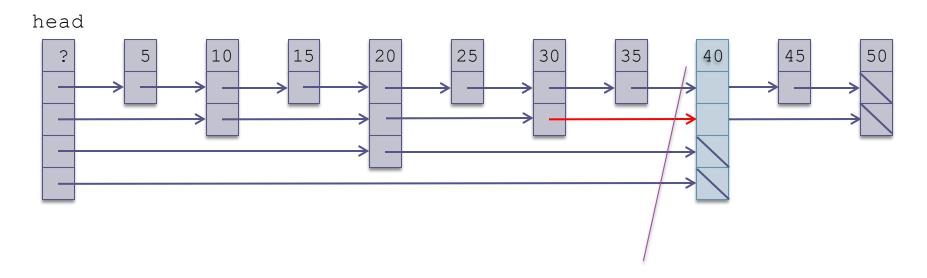
35 < 40 so we move to the predecessor and search the next lower level

Search for 35



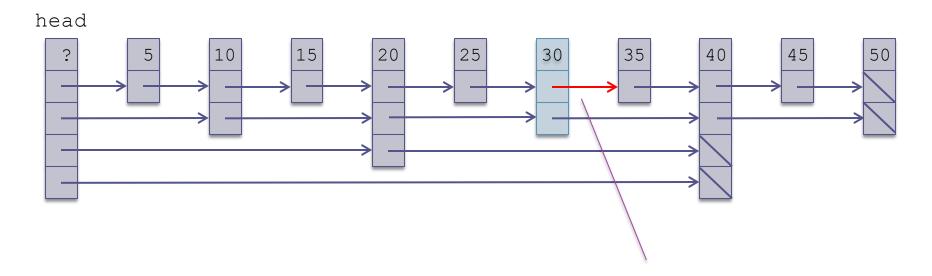
35 > 30, so we move to the next node

Search for 35



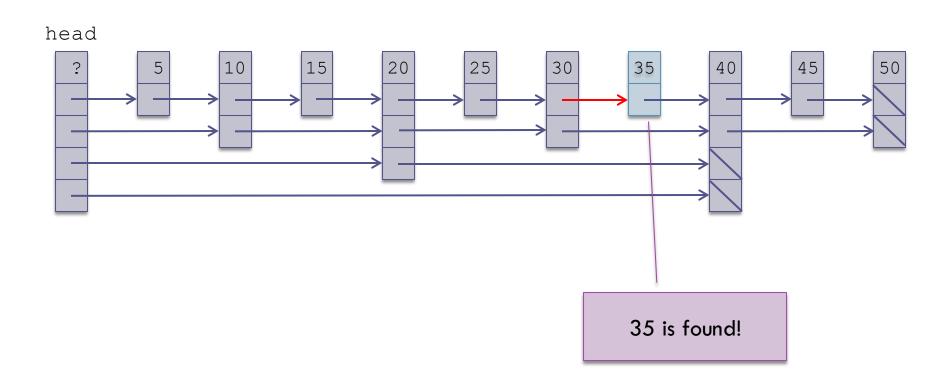
35 < 40, so we stop and move to the predecessor and search the next lower level

Search for 35

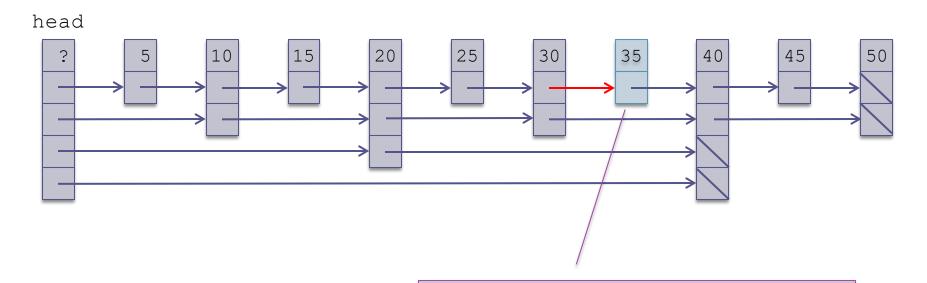


35 < 40, so we stop and move to the predecessor and search the next lower level

Search for 35



Search for 35



If we reach a value greater than our search target on the lowest level, the search target is not in the list

Searching a Skip-List Algorithm

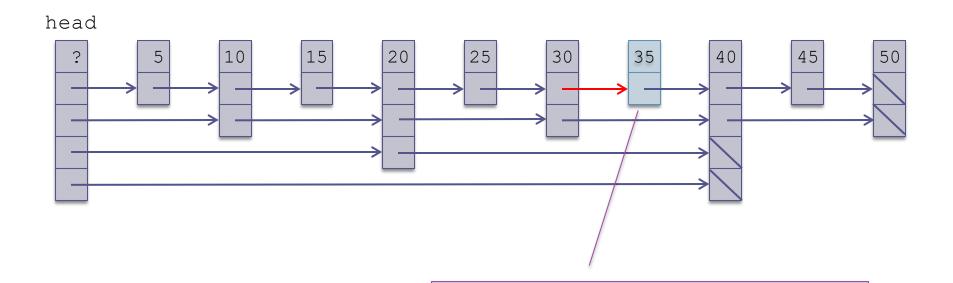
- Let m be the highest-level node.
- 2. while m > 0
- Following the level-*m* links, find the node with the largest value that is less than or equal to the target.
- 4. If it is equal to the target, the target has been found—exit loop.
- 5. Set *m* to *m* 1
- 6. If m = 0, the target is not in the list.

Performance of a Skip-List Search

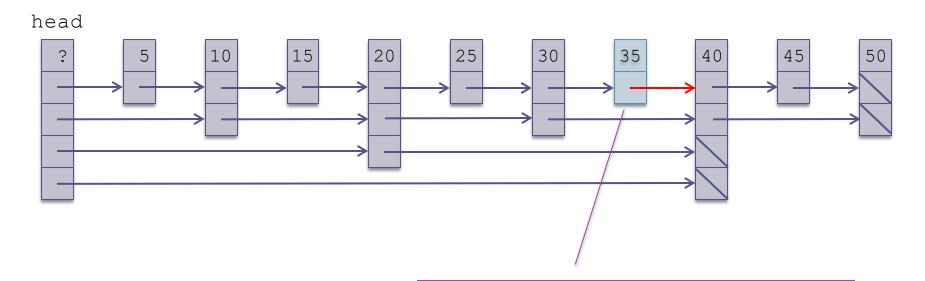
□ Because the first list searched has the fewest elements, and each subsequent-level list has approximately half as many elements as the current list, the search performance is O(log n), which is similar to that of a binary search

Insertion into a Skip-List

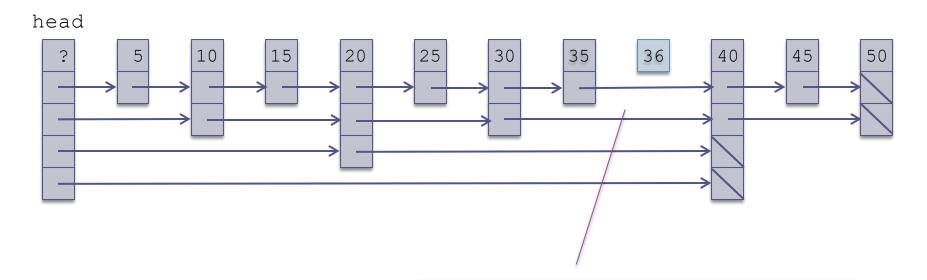
- If the search algorithm fails to find the target, it will find its predecessor in the level-1 list, which is the target's insertion point
- □ While we know the insertion point, we need to determine the level of the new node
- The level is chosen at random based on the number of items currently in the skip-list
- The random number is chosen with a logarithmic distribution; for a level-4 skip-list
 - □ half the time a level-1 node is chosen
 - a quarter of the time a level-2 node is chosen
 - \blacksquare And, generally, $1/2^m$ of the time a level-m node is chosen



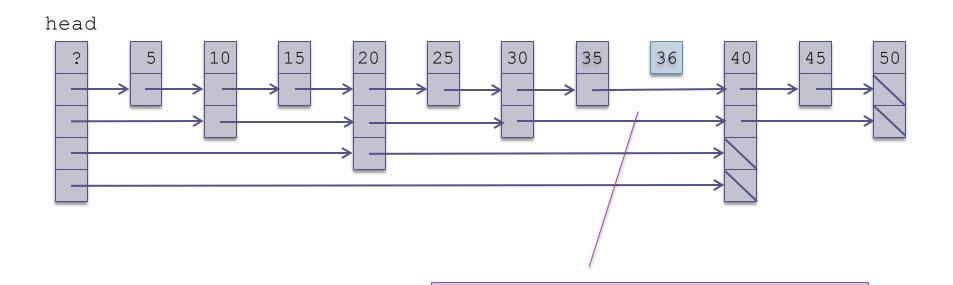
Previously we searched for 35. The same search would be run to insert 36



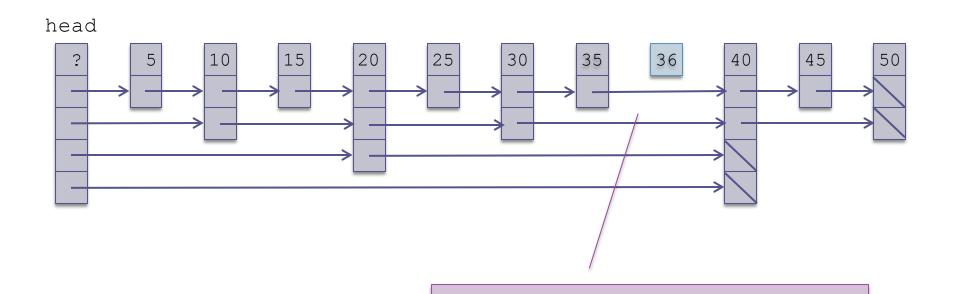
The next node's value is 40, which is greater than 36, so the insertion point is after predecessor (35)



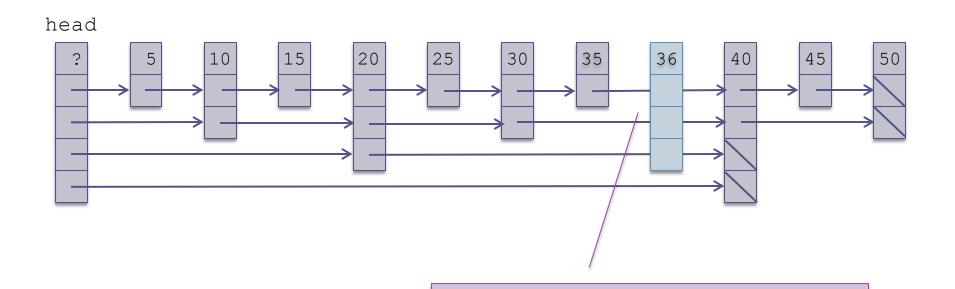
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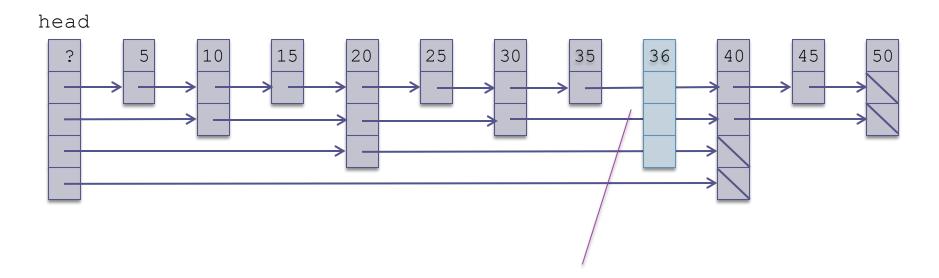
The random number generator returns 3



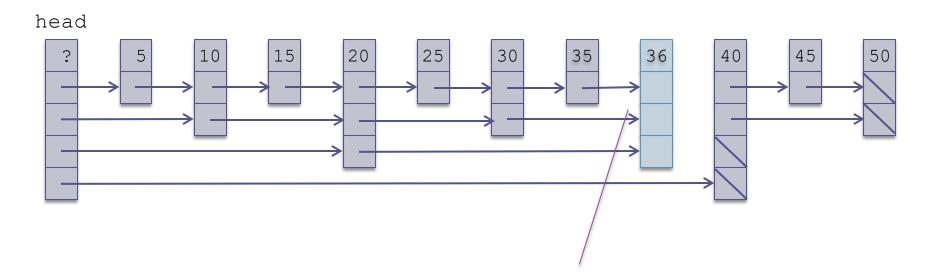
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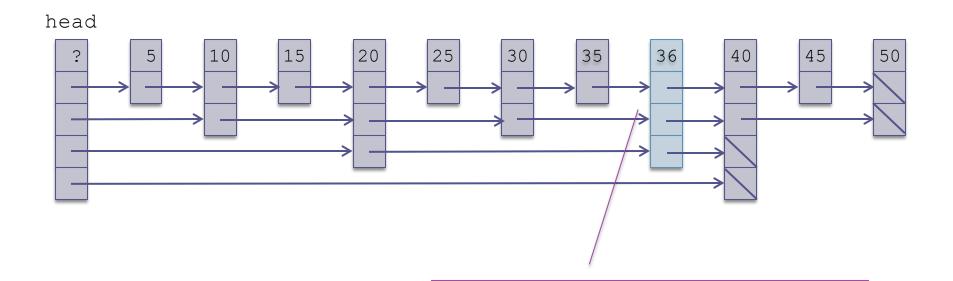
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and to point the new node to their previous targets

Increasing the Height of a Skip-List

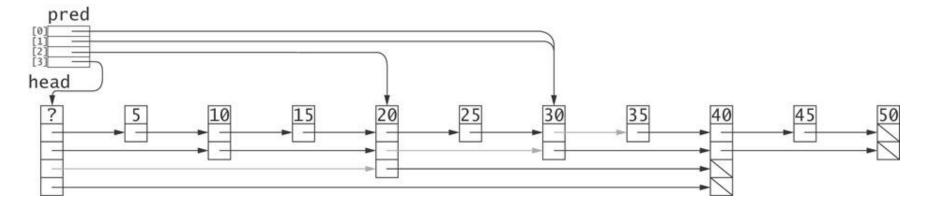
- \square A level-m skip-list can hold between 2^{m-1} and 2^m 1 items
- □ A level-4 skip-list, as in our example,
 - \square can efficiently hold up to 15 items (2⁴ -1)
 - When a 16th item is inserted, the level is increased by 1

Implementing a Skip-List

```
/** Static class to contain the data and the links */
static class SLNode<E> {
    SLNode<E>[] links;
    E data;

    /** Create a node of level m */
    SLNode (int m, E data) {
        links = (SLNode<E>[]) new SLNode[m]; // create links
        this.data = data;
    }
}
```

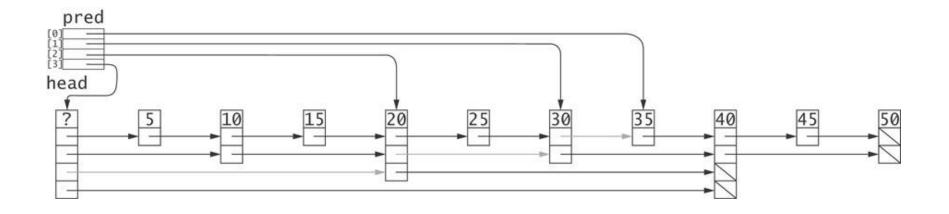
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Method search will return an array pred which holds references to the predecessors at each level

Listing 9.7 (Methods for Searching a Skip-List, pages 528-529)

Insertion



```
newNode.links[i] = pred[i].links[i];
pred[i].links[i] = newNode;
```

Determining the Size of the Inserted Node

```
/** Natural Log of 2 */
static final double LOG2 = Math.log(2.0);
/** Method to generate a logarithmic distributed integer between
    1 and maxLevel. i.e., 1/2 of the values returned are 1, 1/4
    are 2, 1/8 are 3, etc.
    @return a random logarithmic distributed int between 1 and
       maxLevel
* /
private int logRandom() {
    int r = rand.nextInt(maxCap);
    int k = (int) (Math.log(r + 1) / LOG2);
    if (k > maxLevel - 1) {
       k = maxLevel - 1;
    return maxLevel - k;
```

Completing the Insertion Process

```
if (size > maxCap) {
    maxLevel++;
    maxCap = computeMaxCap(maxLevel); // maximum capacity
    head.links = Arrays.copyOf(head.links, maxLevel);
    pred = Arrays.copyOf(update, maxLevel);
    pred[maxLevel - 1] = head;
}
```

Performance of a Skip-List

- □ In an ideal skip-list, every other node is at level 1,
 and every 2^mth node is at least level m
- With this ideal structure, performance matches that of a binary search at O(log n)
- By randomly choosing the levels of inserted nodes to have an exponential distribution, the skip-list will have the desired distribution of nodes
- However, the nodes are randomly positioned throughout the skip-list—making the average time for search and distribution O(log n)