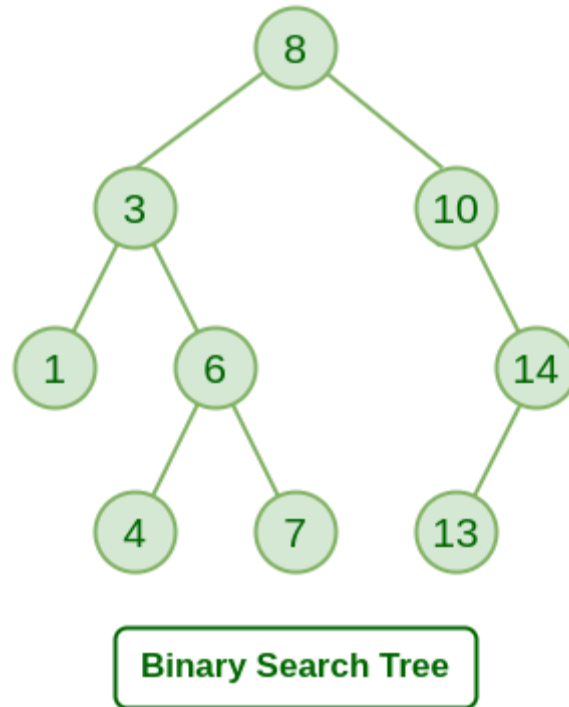


# Binary Search Tree

**Binary Search Tree** is a node-based binary tree data structure which has the following properties:

- The left subtree of a node contains only nodes with keys lesser than the node's key.
- The right subtree of a node contains only nodes with keys greater than the node's key.
- The left and right subtree each must also be a binary search tree.



Handling approach for Duplicate values in the Binary Search tree:

- You can not allow the duplicated values at all.
- We must follow a consistent process throughout i.e either store duplicate value at the left or store the duplicate value at the right of the root, but be consistent with your approach.
- We can keep the counter with the node and if we found the duplicate value, then we can increment the counter.

Below are the various operations that can be performed on a BST:

- **Insert a node into a BST:** A new key is always inserted at the leaf. Start searching a key from the root till a leaf node. Once a leaf node is found, the new node is added as a child of the leaf node.

```
import java.io.*;

// Java program for Inserting a node
```

```
class GFG {

    // Given Node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

        node temp = new node();

        temp.key = item;

        temp.left = temp.right = null;

        return temp;

    }

    // Function to insert a new node with

    // given key in BST

    static node insert(node node, int key)

    {

        // If the tree is empty, return a new node
```

```
    if (node == null)

        return newNode(key);

    // Otherwise, recur down the tree

    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

    // Return the node

    return node;

}

// Function to do inorder traversal of BST

static void inorder(node root)

{

    if (root != null) {

        inorder(root.left);

        System.out.print(" " + root.key);

        inorder(root.right);

    }

}
```

```

    }

}

// Driver Code

public static void main(String[] args)

{

    /* Let us create following BST

            50
           /  \
          30   70
         / \  / \
        20 40 60 80

    */

    node root = null;

    // inserting value 50

    root = insert(root, 50);

    // inserting value 30

    insert(root, 30);

```

```
// inserting value 20

insert(root, 20);


// inserting value 40

insert(root, 40);


// inserting value 70

insert(root, 70);


// inserting value 60

insert(root, 60);


// inserting value 80

insert(root, 80);


// print the BST

inorder(root);

}

}
```

## Output

20 30 40 50 60 70 80

**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Inorder traversal](#): In case of binary search trees (BST), Inorder traversal gives nodes in non-decreasing order. We visit the left child first, then the root, and then the right child.

```
import java.io.*;

// Java program for Inorder Traversal

class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

        node temp = new node();

        temp.key = item;

        temp.left = temp.right = null;

        return temp;

    }

}
```

```
// Function to insert a new node with

// given key in BST

static node insert(node node, int key)

{

    // If the tree is empty, return a new node

    if (node == null)

        return newNode(key);

    // Otherwise, recur down the tree

    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

    // Return the node

    return node;

}

// Function to do inorder traversal of BST

static void inorder(node root)
```

```

{

    if (root != null) {

        inorder(root.left);

        System.out.print(" " + root.key);

        inorder(root.right);

    }

}

```

```

// Driver Code

```

```

public static void main(String[] args)

```

```

{

```

```

    /* Let us create following BST

```

```

        50

```

```

        /  \

```

```

       30    70

```

```

      /  \  /  \

```

```

     20   40 60   80

```

```

    */

```

```

    node root = null;

```

```

    // inserting value 50

```



```
root = insert(root, 50);
```

```
// inserting value 30
```

```
insert(root, 30);
```

```
// inserting value 20
```

```
insert(root, 20);
```

```
// inserting value 40
```

```
insert(root, 40);
```

```
// inserting value 70
```

```
insert(root, 70);
```

```
// inserting value 60
```

```
insert(root, 60);
```

```
// inserting value 80
```

```
insert(root, 80);
```

```
// print the BST
```

```
        inorder(root);

    }

}
```

## Output

20 30 40 50 60 70 80

**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Preorder traversal](#): Preorder traversal first visits the root node and then traverses the left and the right subtree. It is used to create a copy of the tree. Preorder traversal is also used to get prefix expression on of an expression tree.

```
import java.io.*;

// Java program for Preorder Traversal

class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)
```

```

{

    node temp = new node();

    temp.key = item;

    temp.left = temp.right = null;

    return temp;

}


// Function to insert a new node with
// given key in BST

static node insert(node node, int key)

{

    // If the tree is empty, return a new node

    if (node == null)

        return newNode(key);

    // Otherwise, recur down the tree

    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

}

```

```

        // Return the node

        return node;
    }

// Function to do preorder traversal of BST

static void preOrder(node root)

{

    if (root != null) {

        System.out.print(root.key + " ");

        preOrder(root.left);

        preOrder(root.right);

    }

}

// Driver Code

public static void main(String[] args)

{

    /* Let us create following BST

        50

        /  \
    
```

30        70  
  
/   \     /   \  
  
20    40   60    80

\*/

```
node root = null;
```

```
// inserting value 50
```

```
root = insert(root, 50);
```

```
// inserting value 30
```

```
insert(root, 30);
```

```
// inserting value 20
```

```
insert(root, 20);
```

```
// inserting value 40
```

```
insert(root, 40);
```

```
// inserting value 70
```

```
insert(root, 70);
```

```

        // inserting value 60

        insert(root, 60);

        // inserting value 80

        insert(root, 80);

        // print the BST

        preOrder(root);

    }

}

```

### Output

50 30 20 40 70 60 80

**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Postorder traversal](#): Postorder traversal first traverses the left and the right subtree and then visits the root node. It is used to delete the tree. In simple words, visit the root of every subtree last.

### Output

20 40 30 60 80 70 50

**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Level order traversal](#): Level order traversal of a BST is breadth first traversal for the tree. It visits all nodes at a particular level first before moving to the next level.

```
import java.io.*;
```

```
// Java program for Level Order Traversal

class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

        node temp = new node();

        temp.key = item;

        temp.left = temp.right = null;

        return temp;

    }

    // Function to insert a new node with

    // given key in BST

    static node insert(node node, int key)

    {

        // If the tree is empty, return a new node

        if (node == null)
```

```
        return newNode(key);

    // Otherwise, recur down the tree

    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

    // Return the node

    return node;

}

// Returns height of the BST

static int height(node node)

{

    if (node == null)

        return 0;

    else {

        // Compute the depth of each subtree

        int lDepth = height(node.left);

        int rDepth = height(node.right);
```



```

        // Use the larger one

        if (lDepth > rDepth)

            return (lDepth + 1);

        else

            return (rDepth + 1);

    }

}

// Print nodes at a given level

static void printGivenLevel(node root, int level)

{

    if (root == null)

        return;

    if (level == 1)

        System.out.print(" " + root.key);

    else if (level > 1) {

        // Recursive Call

        printGivenLevel(root.left, level - 1);

        printGivenLevel(root.right, level - 1);

    }

}

// Function to line by line print

// level order traversal a tree

```

```

static void printLevelOrder(node root)

{

    int h = height(root);

    int i;

    for (i = 1; i <= h; i++) {

        printGivenLevel(root, i);

        System.out.println();

    }

}

// Driver Code

public static void main(String[] args)

{

    /* Let us create following BST

            50

          /  \

        30    70

       / \   / \

      20  40 60  80

    */

    node root = null;

    // inserting value 50

    root = insert(root, 50);

```

```
        // inserting value 30

        insert(root, 30);

        // inserting value 20

        insert(root, 20);

        // inserting value 40

        insert(root, 40);

        // inserting value 70

        insert(root, 70);

        // inserting value 60

        insert(root, 60);

        // inserting value 80

        insert(root, 80);

        // Function Call

        printLevelOrder(root);

    }

}
```

## Output

50

30 70

20 40 60 80

**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST  
**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Print nodes at given Level](#) : It prints all the nodes at a particular level of the BST.

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```
import java.io.*;

// Java program for Printing nodes at given level

class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

        node temp = new node();

        temp.key = item;

        temp.left = temp.right = null;

        return temp;

    }

    // Function to insert a new node with

    // given key in BST

    static node insert(node node, int key)
```

```

{

    // If the tree is empty, return a new node

    if (node == null)

        return newNode(key);

    // Otherwise, recur down the tree

    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

    // Return the node

    return node;

}

// Print nodes at a given level

static void printGivenLevel(node root, int level)

{

    if (root == null)

        return;

    if (level == 1)

        System.out.print(" " + root.key);

    else if (level > 1) {

```

```

        // Recursive Call

        printGivenLevel(root.left, level - 1);

        printGivenLevel(root.right, level - 1);

    }

}

// Driver Code

public static void main(String[] args)

{

    /* Let us create following BST

            50

          /   \

        30     70

       / \   / \

      20  40 60  80

    */

    node root = null;

    // inserting value 50

    root = insert(root, 50);

    // inserting value 30

    insert(root, 30);

```

```

        // inserting value 20

insert(root, 20);

        // inserting value 40

insert(root, 40);

        // inserting value 70

insert(root, 70);

        // inserting value 60

insert(root, 60);

        // inserting value 80

insert(root, 80);

        // Function Call

printGivenLevel(root, 2);

    }

}

```

## Output

30 70

**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Print all leaf nodes](#): A node is a leaf node if both left and right child nodes of it are NULL.
- 

```

import java.io.*;

// Java program for Printing all leaf nodes

```

```
class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

        node temp = new node();

        temp.key = item;

        temp.left = temp.right = null;

        return temp;

    }

    // Function to insert a new node with

    // given key in BST

    static node insert(node node, int key)

    {

        // If the tree is empty, return a new node

        if (node == null)

            return newNode(key);

        // Otherwise, recur down the tree
```



```
    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

    // Return the node

    return node;

}

// Function to print leaf nodes

// from left to right

static void printLeafNodes(node root)

{

    // If node is null, return

    if (root == null)

        return;

    // If node is leaf node,

    // print its data

    if (root.left == null && root.right == null) {

        System.out.print(" " + root.key);

        return;

    }

}
```

```

        // If left child exists,

        // check for leaf recursively

        if (root.left != null)

            printLeafNodes(root.left);

        // If right child exists,

        // check for leaf recursively

        if (root.right != null)

            printLeafNodes(root.right);

    }

    // Driver Code

    public static void main(String[] args)

    {

        /* Let us create following BST

            50

            /  \

           30   70

          / \  / \

         20 40 60 80

        */

        node root = null;

```

```
// inserting value 50

root = insert(root, 50);

// inserting value 30

insert(root, 30);

// inserting value 20

insert(root, 20);

// inserting value 40

insert(root, 40);

// inserting value 70

insert(root, 70);

// inserting value 60

insert(root, 60);

// inserting value 80

insert(root, 80);

// Function Call

printLeafNodes(root);

}

}
```

### Output

20 40 60 80

**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Print all non leaf node](#): A node is a non leaf node if either of its left or right child nodes are not NULL.

```
import java.io.*;

// Java program for Printing all non leaf nodes

class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

        node temp = new node();

        temp.key = item;

        temp.left = temp.right = null;

        return temp;

    }

    // Function to insert a new node with

    // given key in BST

    static node insert(node node, int key)
```

```

{

    // If the tree is empty, return a new node

    if (node == null)

        return newNode(key);

    // Otherwise, recur down the tree

    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

    // Return the node

    return node;

}

// Function to print all non-leaf

// nodes in a tree

static void printNonLeafNode(node root)

{

    // Base Cases

    if (root == null

        || (root.left == null && root.right == null))

        return;

```

```

        // If current node is non-leaf,

        if (root.left != null || root.right != null) {

            System.out.print(" " + root.key);

        }

        // If root is Not NULL and its one
        // of its child is also not NULL

        printNonLeafNode(root.left);

        printNonLeafNode(root.right);

    }

    // Driver Code

    public static void main(String[] args)

    {

        /* Let us create following BST

            50

            /  \

           30   70

          /  \  /  \

         20  40 60  80

        */

        node root = null;

```

```
        // inserting value 50

        root = insert(root, 50);

        // inserting value 30

        insert(root, 30);

        // inserting value 20

        insert(root, 20);

        // inserting value 40

        insert(root, 40);

        // inserting value 70

        insert(root, 70);

        // inserting value 60

        insert(root, 60);

        // inserting value 80

        insert(root, 80);

        // Function Call

        printNonLeafNode(root);

    }

}
```

## Output

50 30 70

**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Height of BST](#): It is recursively calculated using height of left and right subtrees of the node and assigns height to the node as max of the heights of two children plus 1.

```
import java.io.*;

// Java program for Height of BST

class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

        node temp = new node();

        temp.key = item;

        temp.left = temp.right = null;

        return temp;

    }

    // Function to insert a new node with

    // given key in BST

    static node insert(node node, int key)
```



```

{

    // If the tree is empty, return a new node

    if (node == null)

        return newNode(key);

    // Otherwise, recur down the tree

    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

    // Return the node

    return node;

}

// Returns height of the BST

static int height(node node)

{

    if (node == null)

        return 0;

    else {

        // Compute the depth of each subtree

        int lDepth = height(node.left);

```

```

        int rDepth = height(node.right);

        // Use the larger one

        if (lDepth > rDepth)

            return (lDepth + 1);

        else

            return (rDepth + 1);

    }

}

// Driver Code

public static void main(String[] args)

{

    /* Let us create following BST

            50

          /  \

        30    70

       / \   / \

      20  40 60  80

    */

    node root = null;

    // inserting value 50

    root = insert(root, 50);

    // inserting value 30

```

```

        insert(root, 30);

        // inserting value 20

        insert(root, 20);

        // inserting value 40

        insert(root, 40);

        // inserting value 70

        insert(root, 70);

        // inserting value 60

        insert(root, 60);

        // inserting value 80

        insert(root, 80);

        // Function Call

        System.out.println(" " + height(root));

    }

}

```

## Output

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**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Delete a Node of BST](#): It is used to delete a node with specific key from the BST and return the new BST.

Different scenarios for deleting the node:

1. Node to be deleted is the leaf node : Its simple you can just null it out.
2. Node to be deleted has one child : You can just replace the node with the child node.
3. Node to be deleted has two child :

- Need to figure out what will be the replacement of the node to be deleted.
- Want minimal disruption to the existing tree structure
- Can take the replacement node from the deleted nodes left or right subtree.
- If taking it from the left subtree, we have to take the largest value in the left subtree.
- If taking it from the right subtree, we have to take the smallest value in the right subtree.
- Choose one approach and stick to it.

```
import java.io.*;

// Java program for Delete a Node of BST

class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

        node temp = new node();

        temp.key = item;

        temp.left = temp.right = null;

        return temp;

    }

}
```

```

// Function to insert a new node with

// given key in BST

static node insert(node node, int key)

{

    // If the tree is empty, return a new node

    if (node == null)

        return newNode(key);

    // Otherwise, recur down the tree

    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

    // Return the node

    return node;

}

// Function to do inorder traversal of BST

static void inorder(node root)

{

    if (root != null) {

        inorder(root.left);


```

```

        System.out.print(" " + root.key);

        inorder(root.right);

    }

}

// Function that returns the node with minimum

// key value found in that tree

static node minValueNode(node node)

{

    node current = node;

    // Loop down to find the leftmost leaf

    while (current != null && current.left != null)

        current = current.left;

    return current;

}

// Function that deletes the key and

// returns the new root

static node deleteNode(node root, int key)

{

    // base Case

    if (root == null)

        return root;

```

```
// If the key to be deleted is

// smaller than the root's key,

// then it lies in left subtree

if (key < root.key) {

    root.left = deleteNode(root.left, key);

}

// If the key to be deleted is

// greater than the root's key,

// then it lies in right subtree

else if (key > root.key) {

    root.right = deleteNode(root.right, key);

}

// If key is same as root's key,

// then this is the node

// to be deleted

else {

    // Node with only one child

    // or no child

    if (root.left == null) {

        node temp = root.right;

        return temp;

    }
```

```

        else if (root.right == null) {

            node temp = root.left;

            return temp;

        }

        // Node with two children:

        // Get the inorder successor(smallest

        // in the right subtree)

        node temp = minValueNode(root.right);

        // Copy the inorder successor's

        // content to this node

        root.key = temp.key;

        // Delete the inorder successor

        root.right = deleteNode(root.right, temp.key);

    }

    return root;

}

// Driver Code

public static void main(String[] args)

{

    /* Let us create following BST

```



```

        50
      /   \
    30     70
   / \   / \
  20  40 60  80

```

```
*/
```

```
node root = null;

// inserting value 50
root = insert(root, 50);

// inserting value 30
insert(root, 30);

// inserting value 20
insert(root, 20);

// inserting value 40
insert(root, 40);

// inserting value 70
insert(root, 70);

// inserting value 60
insert(root, 60);

// inserting value 80
insert(root, 80);
```

```

        // Function Call

        root = deleteNode(root, 60);

        inorder(root);

    }

}

```

## Output

20 30 40 50 70 80

**Time Complexity:**  $O(\log N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Smallest Node of the BST](#): It is used to return the node with the smallest value in the BST.

```

import java.io.*;

// Java program for Smallest Node in the BST

class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

```

```

    node temp = new node();

    temp.key = item;

    temp.left = temp.right = null;

    return temp;
}

// Function to insert a new node with
// given key in BST

static node insert(node node, int key)
{
    // If the tree is empty, return a new node

    if (node == null)

        return newNode(key);

    // Otherwise, recur down the tree

    if (key < node.key) {

        node.left = insert(node.left, key);

    }

    else if (key > node.key) {

        node.right = insert(node.right, key);

    }

    // Return the node

    return node;
}

```

```

// Function that returns the node with minimum
// key value found in that tree

static node minValueNode(node node)
{
    node current = node;

    // Loop down to find the leftmost leaf
    while (current != null && current.left != null)
        current = current.left;

    return current;
}

// Driver Code

public static void main(String[] args)
{
    /* Let us create following BST
        50
       /  \
      30   70
     / \   / \
    20 40 60 80
    */

    node root = null;

```

```

        // inserting value 50

        root = insert(root, 50);

        // inserting value 30

        insert(root, 30);

        // inserting value 20

        insert(root, 20);

        // inserting value 40

        insert(root, 40);

        // inserting value 70

        insert(root, 70);

        // inserting value 60

        insert(root, 60);

        // inserting value 80

        insert(root, 80);

        // Function Call

        System.out.println(" " + minValueNode(root).key);

    }

}

```

## Output

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**Time Complexity:**  $O(\log N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST  
**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

- [Total number of nodes in a BST](#): The function returns the total count of nodes in the BST.

```
import java.io.*;

// Java program for Total number of nodes in BST

class GFG {

    // Given Node node

    static class node {

        int key;

        node left, right;

    };

    // Function to create a new BST node

    static node newNode(int item)

    {

        node temp = new node();

        temp.key = item;

        temp.left = temp.right = null;

        return temp;

    }

    // Function to insert a new node with

    // given key in BST

    static node insert(node node, int key)

    {
```

```

        // If the tree is empty, return a new node

        if (node == null)

            return newNode(key);

        // Otherwise, recur down the tree

        if (key < node.key) {

            node.left = insert(node.left, key);

        }

        else if (key > node.key) {

            node.right = insert(node.right, key);

        }

        // Return the node

        return node;

    }

    // Function to get the total count of

    // nodes in a binary tree

    static int nodeCount(node node)

    {

        if (node == null)

            return 0;

        else

            return nodeCount(node.left)

                + nodeCount(node.right) + 1;
    }

```

```

}

// Driver Code

public static void main(String[] args)

{

    /* Let us create following BST

            50

          /   \

        30     70

       /  \   /  \

      20  40 60  80

    */

    node root = null;

    // inserting value 50

    root = insert(root, 50);

    // inserting value 30

    insert(root, 30);

    // inserting value 20

    insert(root, 20);

    // inserting value 40

    insert(root, 40);

    // inserting value 70

```



```

        insert(root, 70);

        // inserting value 60

        insert(root, 60);

        // inserting value 80

        insert(root, 80);

        // print the BST

        System.out.print(" " + nodeCount(root));

    }

}

```

## Output

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**Time Complexity:**  $O(N)$ , where  $N$  is the number of nodes of the BST

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(1)$

## Applications of BST:

- **Graph algorithms:** BSTs can be used to implement graph algorithms, such as in minimum spanning tree algorithms.
- **Priority Queues:** BSTs can be used to implement priority queues, where the element with the highest priority is at the root of the tree, and elements with lower priority are stored in the subtrees.
- **Self-balancing binary search tree:** BSTs can be used as a self-balancing data structures such as AVL tree and Red-black tree.
- **Data storage and retrieval:** BSTs can be used to store and retrieve data quickly, such as in databases, where searching for a specific record can be done in logarithmic time.

## Advantages:

- **Fast search:** Searching for a specific value in a BST has an average time complexity of  $O(\log n)$ , where  $n$  is the number of nodes in the tree. This is much faster than searching for an element in an array or linked list, which have a time complexity of  $O(n)$  in the worst case.
- **In-order traversal:** BSTs can be traversed in-order, which visits the left subtree, the root, and the right subtree. This can be used to sort a dataset.
- **Space efficient:** BSTs are space efficient as they do not store any redundant information, unlike arrays and linked lists.

## Disadvantages:

- **Skewed trees:** If a tree becomes skewed, the time complexity of search, insertion, and deletion operations will be  $O(n)$  instead of  $O(\log n)$ , which can make the tree inefficient.
- **Additional time required:** Self-balancing trees require additional time to maintain balance during insertion and deletion operations.
- **Efficiency:** BSTs are not efficient for datasets with many duplicates as they will waste space.