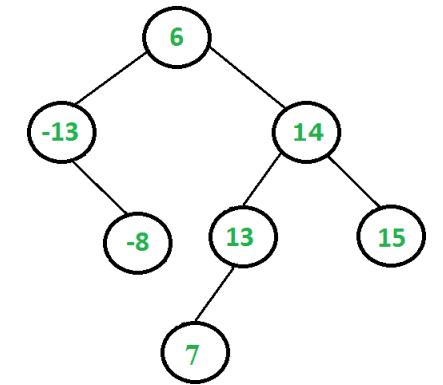
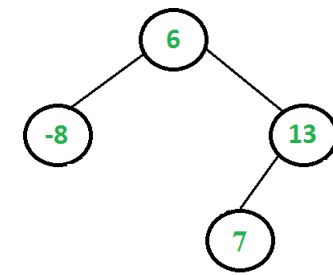


## Remove BST keys outside the given range

Given a Binary Search Tree (BST) and a range [min, max], remove all keys which are outside the given range. The modified tree should also be BST. For example, consider the following BST and range [-10, 13].



The given tree should be changed to following. Note that all keys outside the range [-10, 13] are removed and modified tree is BST.



There are two possible cases for every node.

**1)** Node's key is outside the given range. This case has two sub-cases.

.....**a)** Node's key is smaller than the min value.

.....**b)** Node's key is greater than the max value.

**2)** Node's key is in range.

We don't need to do anything for case 2. In case 1, we need to remove the node and change root of sub-tree rooted with this node.

The idea is to fix the tree in Postorder fashion. When we visit a node, we make sure that its left and right sub-trees are already fixed. In case 1.a), we simply remove root and return right sub-tree as new root. In case 1.b), we remove root and return left sub-tree as new root.

Following is C++ implementation of the above approach.

```
// A C++ program to remove BST keys outside the given range
#include<stdio.h>
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

// A BST node has key, and left and right pointers
struct node
{
    int key;
    struct node *left;
    struct node *right;
};

// Removes all nodes having value outside the given range and returns the root
// of modified tree
node* removeOutsideRange(node *root, int min, int max)
{
    // Base Case
    if (root == NULL)
        return NULL;
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return NULL;

// First fix the left and right subtrees of root
root->left = removeOutsideRange(root->left, min, max);
root->right = removeOutsideRange(root->right, min, max);

// Now fix the root. There are 2 possible cases for root
// 1.a) Root's key is smaller than min value (root is not in range)
if (root->key < min)
{
    node *rChild = root->right;
    delete root;
    return rChild;
}
// 1.b) Root's key is greater than max value (root is not in range)
if (root->key > max)
{
    node *lChild = root->left;
    delete root;
    return lChild;
}
// 2. Root is in range
return root;
}

// A utility function to create a new BST node with key as given num
node* newNode(int num)
{
    node* temp = new node;
    temp->key = num;
    temp->left = temp->right = NULL;
    return temp;
}

// A utility function to insert a given key to BST
node* insert(node* root, int key)
{
    if (root == NULL)
        return newNode(key);
    if (root->key > key)
        root->left = insert(root->left, key);
    else
        root->right = insert(root->right, key);
    return root;
}

// Utility function to traverse the binary tree after conversion
void inorderTraversal(node* root)
{
    if (root)
    {
        inorderTraversal( root->left );
        cout << root->key << " ";
        inorderTraversal( root->right );
    }
}

// Driver program to test above functions
int main()
{
    node* root = NULL;
    root = insert(root, 6);
    root = insert(root, -13);
    root = insert(root, 14);
    root = insert(root, -8);
    root = insert(root, 15);
    root = insert(root, 13);
    root = insert(root, 7);

    cout << "Inorder traversal of the given tree is: ";
    inorderTraversal(root);

    root = removeOutsideRange(root, -10, 13);
}

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    cout << "\nInorder traversal of the modified tree is: ";  
    inorderTraversal(root);  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Output:

```
Inorder traversal of the given tree is: -13 -8 6 7 13 14 15  
Inorder traversal of the modified tree is: -8 6 7 13
```

**Time Complexity:**  $O(n)$  where  $n$  is the number of nodes in given BST.