

# Trees

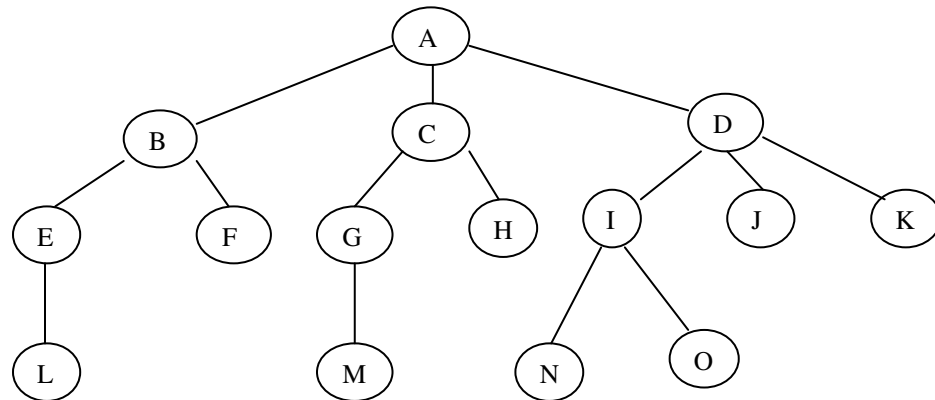
- References:
  - Text book : Chapter 23, 24, 25 & 26
  - Only include concepts & important algorithms

## 1. Introduction

- Example Applications :
  - Family Trees
  - Company organization
  - Computer file directories
- Terminology

A tree is a data structure that organizes data in hierarchical way

Example :



Note : all examples below will refer to the above tree

- Definition: A *tree* is a finite set of one or more nodes such that
  - There is a specially designated node called the *root*
  - The remaining nodes are partitioned into  $n \geq 0$  disjoint sets  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n$ , where each of these sets is a tree.  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n$  are called the *subtrees* of the root.

- Nodes are connected by edges. Edges indicate relationship among nodes
- Note : may consider the empty tree is a tree with 0 node
- Definition : The number of subtrees of a node is called its *degree*

Example :

<u>Node</u>	<u>Degree</u>
A	3
B	2
E	1
M	0

- Definition : Nodes that have degree zero are called *leaf nodes* or *terminal nodes*.

Example : L,F,M,H,N,O,J,K are leaf nodes

- Definition : Nodes that are not leaf nodes are called *interior nodes* or *nonterminal nodes*.

Example : A,B,C,D,E,G,I are interior nodes

- Definition : The roots of the subtrees of a node X, are called the *children* of X. X is the *parent* of its children.

Example :

<u>Node</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Node</u>	<u>Parent</u>
A	B, C and D	G	C
G	M	N	I

- You may also use the notions of grandchildren, grand parent etc
- Definition : Children of the same parent are called *siblings*

Example : Siblings  
 B, C, D  
 I, J, K  
 N,O

- Definition : The *degree of a tree* is the maximum degree of the nodes in the tree

Example : Degree of the above tree is 3

- Definition : The *ancestors* of a node are all the nodes along the path from the root to that node

Example :

<u>Node</u>	<u>Ancestors</u>
M	A, C and G
E	B, A

- Definition : The *descendants* of a node are all nodes in all the subtrees of the node

Example :

<u>Node</u>	<u>Descendents</u>
A	B, C, D, ..., O
B	E, L, F
D	I, J, K, N, O
G	M
N	none

- Property : There is only one path from the root of a tree to every other node
- Definition : The *level* of a node is defined recursively as follows :

The root of a tree is at level 1

If a node is at level  $k$ , then its children are at level  $k+1$

Example :

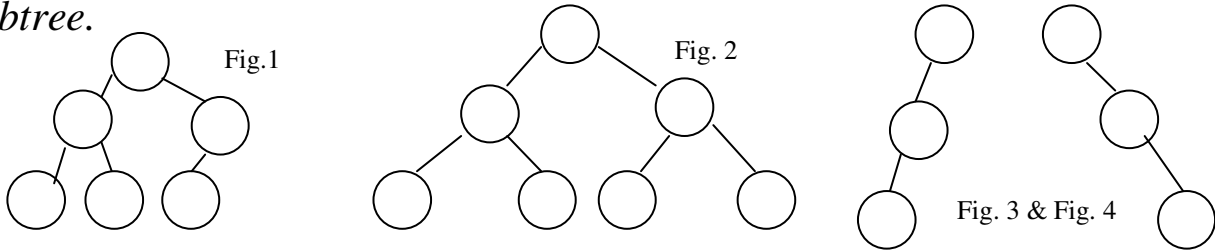
<u>Node</u>	<u>Level</u>
A	1
B, C, D	2
M	4

- Definition : The *height* (or *depth*) of a tree is defined to be the maximum level of any node in the tree

Example : The height of the above tree is 4

May consider the height of an empty tree is 0

- Definition: A *binary tree* is a finite set of nodes that is either empty or consists of a root and two disjoint trees called the *left subtree* and the *right subtree*.



- In general, the degree of a binary tree is two
- Definition : a *full binary tree* is a binary tree where all interior nodes have 2 children and all terminal nodes are in the same level. Example : Figure 2.
- Definition : a *leftist* (*rightist*) tree is a binary tree where every interior node has only a *left* (*right*) subtree. Example : Figure 3 (Figure 4)
- Definition : A *balanced binary tree* is a binary tree with  $n$  nodes and its height is  $O(\log n)$ .
- Definition : a *complete binary tree* is a full binary tree except that some of the rightmost leaf may be missing. Example : Figure 1
- Note : A full binary tree is a complete binary tree. A complete binary tree is balanced tree
- Properties :

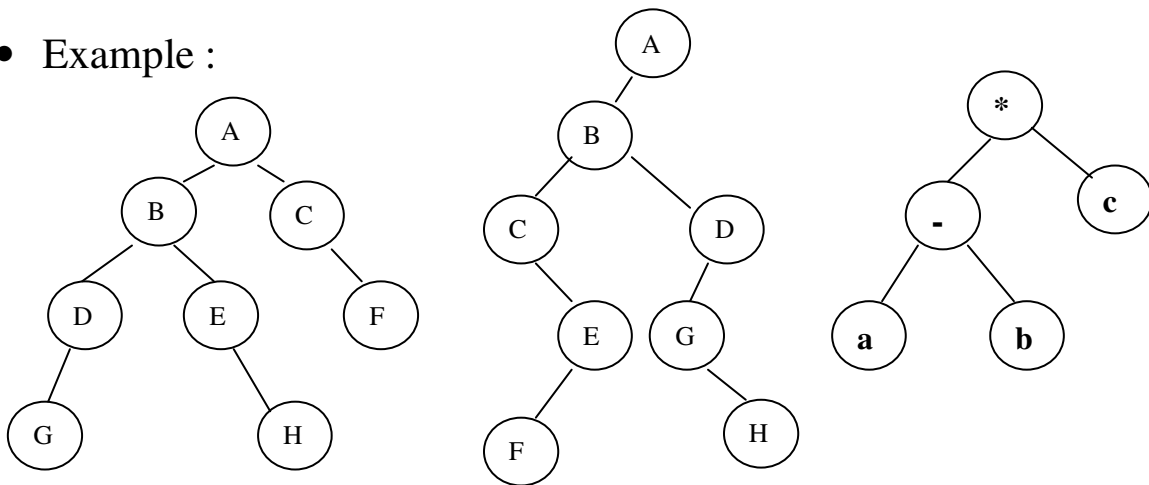
The maximum number of nodes on level  $j$  of a binary tree is  $2^{j-1}$ ,  $j \geq 1$

The maximum number of nodes in a binary tree of height  $k$  is  $2^k - 1$ ,  $k \geq 1$

- Binary Tree Traversal

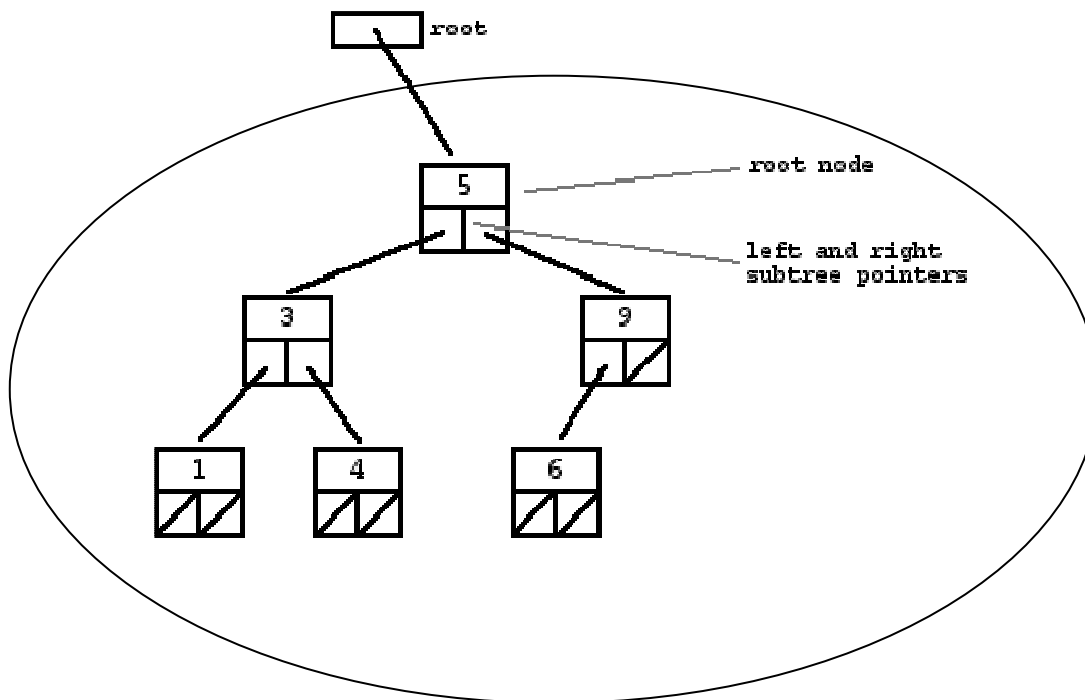
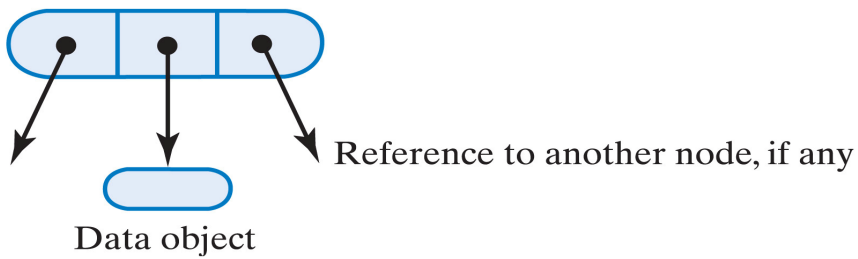
- There are 3 ways to traverse all the nodes of a binary tree and produce a listing. Note : Each node only visit once
- Let T be a binary tree with root r
  - Inorder Traversal of T is
    - an inorder traversal of all nodes in the left subtree of r
    - r
    - an inorder traversal of all nodes in the right subtree of r
  - Preorder Traversal of T is
    - r
    - a preorder traversal of all nodes in the left subtree of r
    - a preorder traversal of all nodes in the right subtree of r
  - Postorder Traversal of T is
    - a postorder traversal of all nodes in the left subtree of r
    - a postorder traversal of all nodes in the right subtree of r
    - r

- Example :



	Tree 1	Tree 2	Tree 3
Inorder	GDBEHACF	CFEBGHDA	a-b*c
Preorder	ABDGEHCF	ABCEFDGH	*-abc
Postorder	GDHEBFCA	FECHGDBA	ab-c*

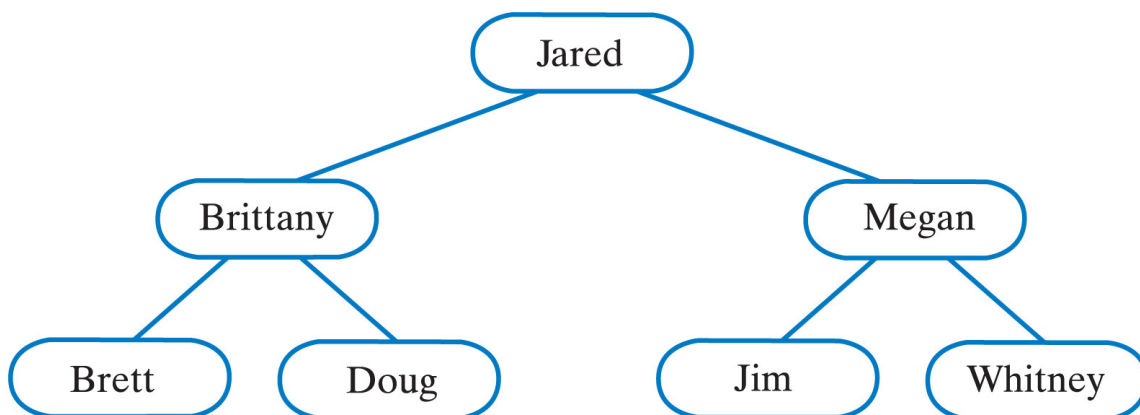
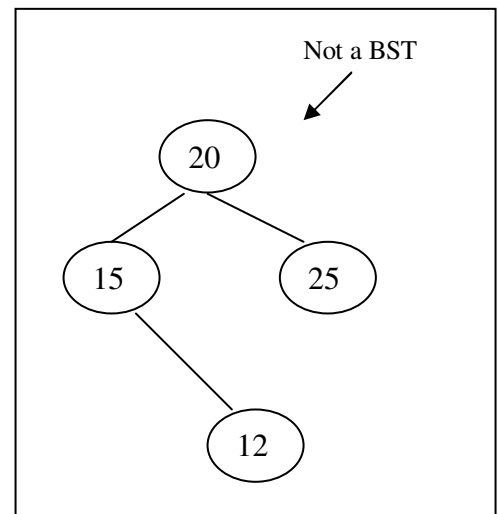
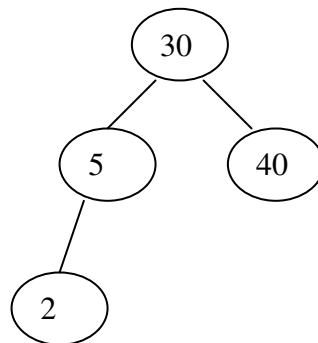
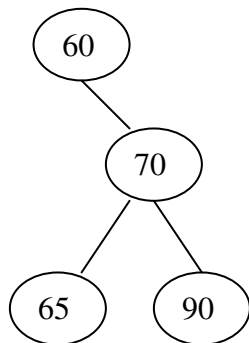
- Most common Binary Tree Implementation :
  - Linked structure
  - Just need to know reference to root node
  - A node in binary tree: Ref. left child node, Data, Ref right child node



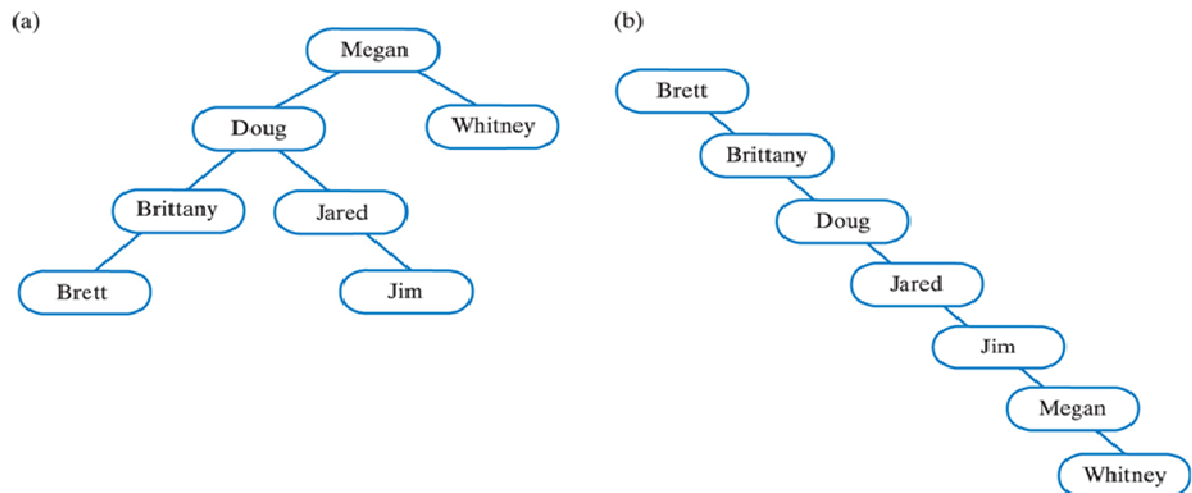
### 3. Binary Search Tree

- Problem: Binary tree does not support “search” operation efficiently
- Definition: a binary search tree is a binary tree that satisfies the following 3 properties
  - Each node has a **Comparable** object with unique key (or search key)
  - All keys in left subtree < key in the root < All keys in right subtree
  - Both left subtree and right subtree are binary search trees

- Examples :



Two binary search trees containing same names:

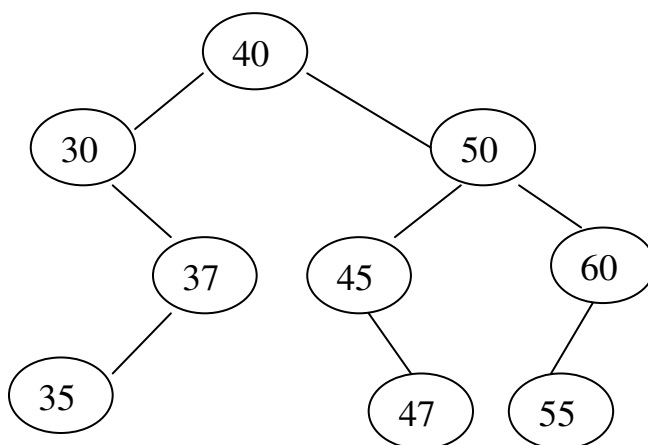


- Inorder Traversing

- Theorem : The inorder traversal of binary search tree will visit its nodes in sorted search key order

Proof : Easy! use induction by the number of nodes

- Example :



Result :

30 35 37 40 45 47 50 55 60



- **General algorithm to search for an object in BST**

Algorithm bstSearch (binarySearchTree, desiredObject)

// Searches a binary search tree for a given object.

// Returns true if the object is found.

if (binarySearchTree is empty)

    return false

else if (desiredObject == object in the root of binarySearchTree)

    return true

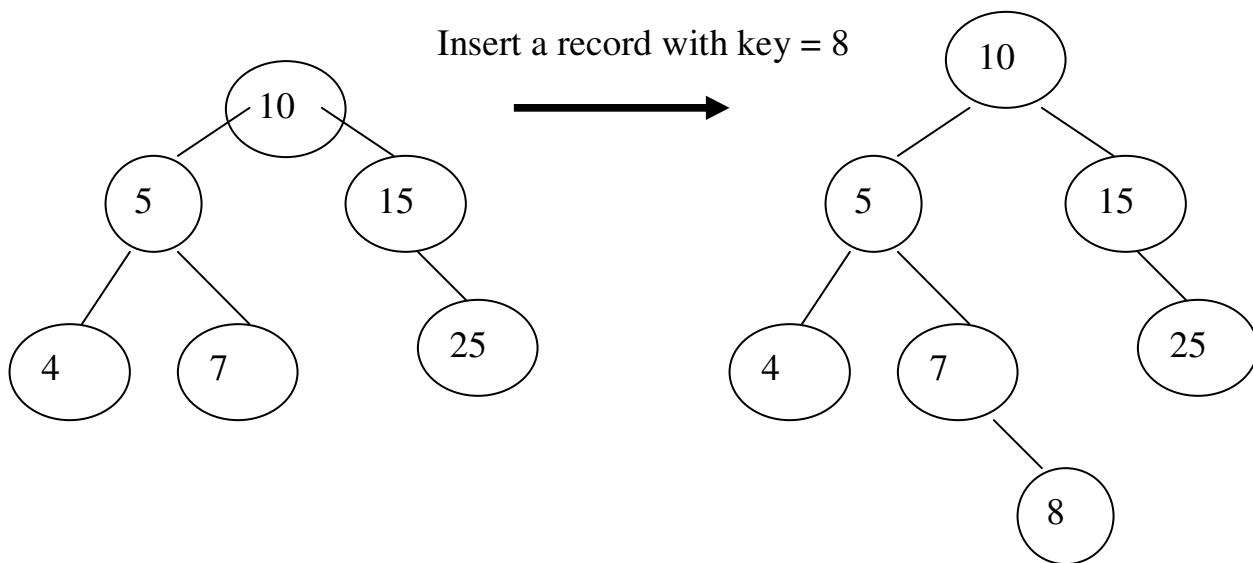
else if (desiredObject < object in the root of binarySearchTree)

    return bstSearch (left subtree of binarySearchTree,  
                            desiredObject)

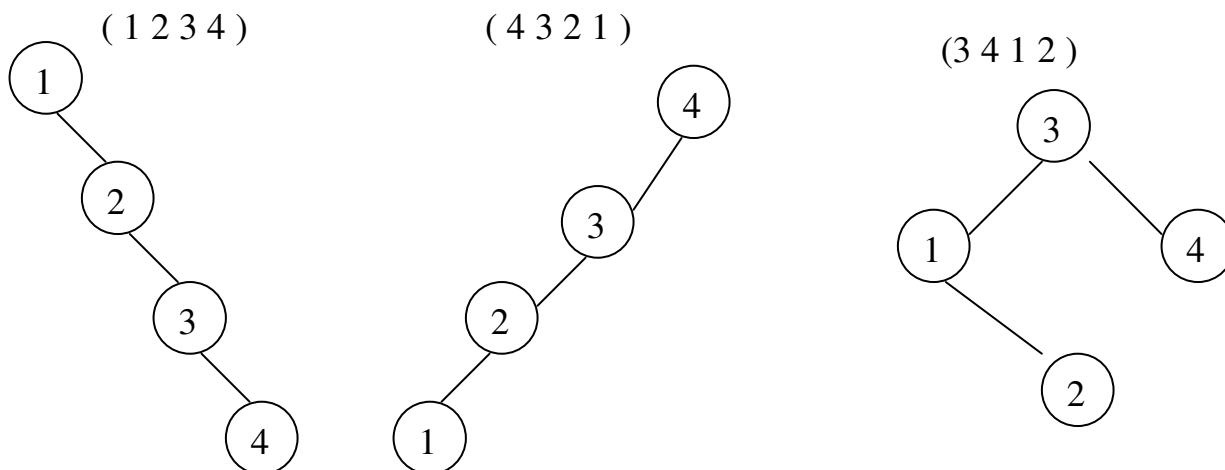
else

    return bstSearch (right subtree of binarySearchTree,  
                            desiredObject)

- Outline of insertion algorithm : add()
  - Need to make sure that the tree is still a binary search tree after insertion!
  - Starting from root, use search() strategy to locate the correct position
  - If the item already in the tree, the item is not inserted.
  - If the item is not in the tree, search() stops when the nodeRef is NULL.  
Which is the proper location for the new node. Let nodeRef = new node.



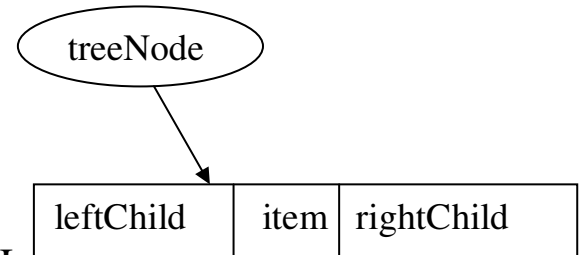
- Example : May get different binary search trees if input orderings of data are different



- Outline of deletion Algorithm: remove

- Need to make sure that the tree is still a binary search tree after deletion!
- Step1: locate the desired node.

Assume treeNode refers to the desired node.



- Step 2: There are 3 cases for desired node :

It is a leaf → easy case, set treeNode to NULL

It has only one child → set treeNode to the valid child node

It has two children → Step 3:

- find the location of inorder successor item, i.e. the node with smallest key which is larger than deleted key.  
**OR find the location of inorder predecessor item, i.e. the node with largest key which is smaller than deleted key.**
- The successor item is in the left most leaf (node X) of right subtree  
**OR the predecessor is in right most leaf of a left subtree**
- copy successor item to the desired node's item  
**OR copy predecessor item to the desired node's item**
- Step 4: delete node X (either case I or case II)

Examples are given in class!!

- Efficiency of Operations

Assume a binary search tree with  $N$  nodes, the maximum height is  $N$ , and minimum height is  $\log_2(N+1)$

Worst case running time of binary search tree operation, let  $h$  = height of binary tree

<u>Operations</u>	<u>Running Time</u>	<u>Worst Case Running Time</u>
Retrieval	$O(h)$	$O(N)$
Insertion	$O(h)$	$O(N)$
Deletion	$O(h)$	$O(N)$
Traversal	$O(N)$	$O(N)$

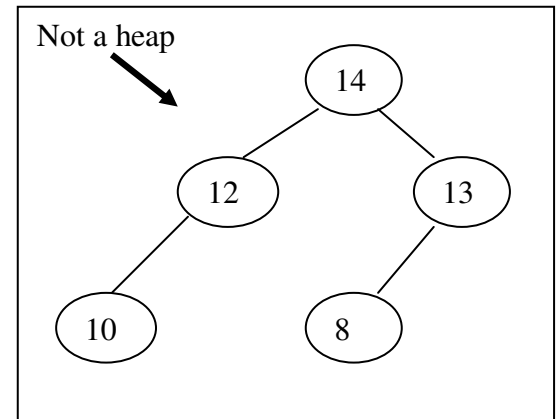
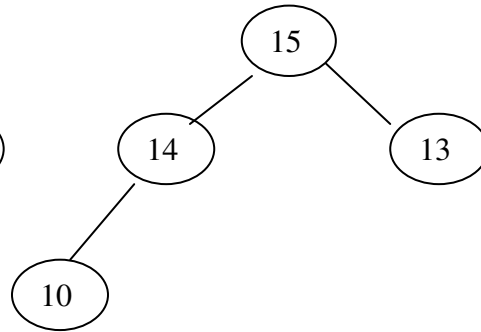
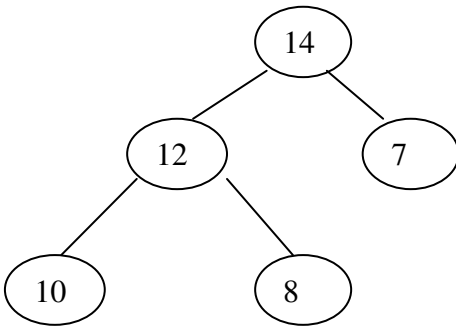
Note : You will study how to maintain a balanced binary search tree, i.e. minimum height binary search tree (only need to consider insertion and deletion operations)  $\rightarrow$  the height of the tree is  $O(\log N)$

$\rightarrow$  Worst case running time of above operations (excluding Traversal) are  $O(\log N)$

**Note: Java class libraries: TreeMap and TreeSet support sorted order traversal. They are using balanced trees**

## 4. Heap

- A complete binary tree  
Nodes contain **Comparable** objects  
Each node contains no smaller (or no larger) than objects in its descendants
- Maxheap : Object in a node is  $\geq$  its descendant objects
- Minheap : Object in a node is  $\leq$  descendant objects
- Examples : Max heaps



- Array-based implementation

- Array-based implementation supports complete binary tree.

Can use level-order traversal to store data in consecutive locations of an array

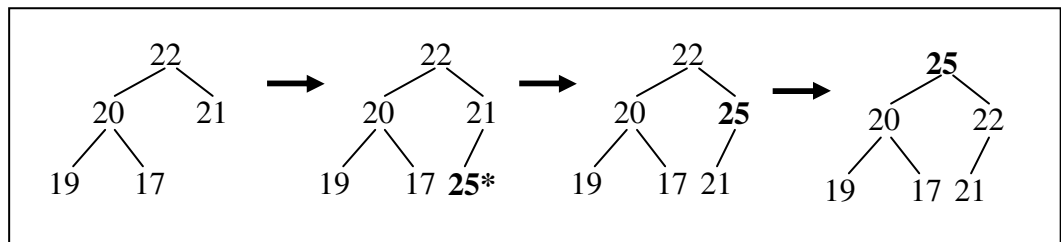
- Assume array heap[] contains all items starting at index 1  
For index  $i$ , parent index is  $i/2$ , children are  $2i$  &  $2i+1$

Note: may also start with index 0

- Outline of Insertion Algorithm

- insert the item into bottom of the tree, say, heap[size+1]
- trickle new item up to appropriate spot in the tree by comparing with its parent

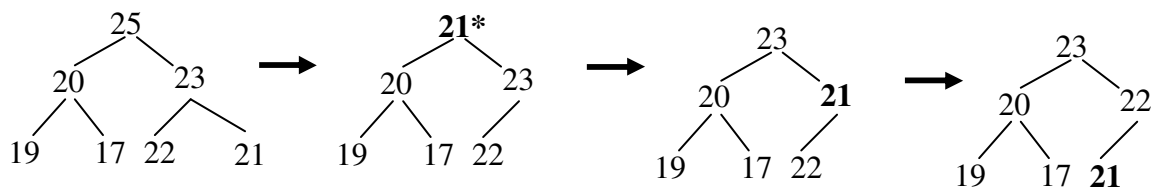
- Example :



Index	Heap	Heap	Heap	Heap	
1	22	22	22	25	
2	20	20	20	20	
3	21	21	25	22	Size = 6
4	19	19	19	19	
5	17	17	17	17	
6		25	21	21	
Size = 5		After step 1	After swap(25,21)	After swap(25,22)	

- Outline of Deletion Algorithm : return root item
  - $\text{rootItem} = \text{heap}[1]$  // copy 1<sup>st</sup> item to rootItem
  - $\text{heap}[1] = \text{heap}[\text{size}]$  // copy the last item into root position
  - At this point,  $\text{Heap}[]$  is no longer a maxheap.
    - We need to trickle down the item in  $\text{Heap}[1]$  as much as possible
    - by comparing with its children. Swap the item with its largest child.
    - Stop the process, when the item value is bigger than both children\

Example :



Index	Item	Item	Item	Item	
1	25	21	23	22	
2	20	20	20	20	
3	23	23	21	22	Size = 6
4	19	19	19	19	
5	17	17	17	17	
6	22	22	22	21	
7	21				
size = 7	size=6	move 21 to item[1]	after swap(21,23)	after swap(21,22)	

- Discussion
  - Heap is a binary tree with minimum height (since it is a complete binary tree)
  - To balance the binary search tree (minimum height), the algorithm is quite complex
  - For handling duplicate keys, may use a queue in every node to queue duplicate keys. Delete the node when the last key is remove from the queue
  - Comparison of running time

	Insertion	Deletion	Retrieve (largest key)
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Unsorted array based	$O(1)$	$O(N)$	$O(N)$
Unsorted pointer based	$O(1)$	$O(N)$	$O(N)$
Sorted array based	$O(N)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
Sorted pointer based	$O(N)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
<u>Binary Search Tree(balanced)</u>	$O(\log N)$	$O(\log N)$	$O(\log N)$
<u>Maxheap</u>	$O(\log N)$	$O(\log N)$	$O(1)$