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# Data Structures and Algorithms – W07

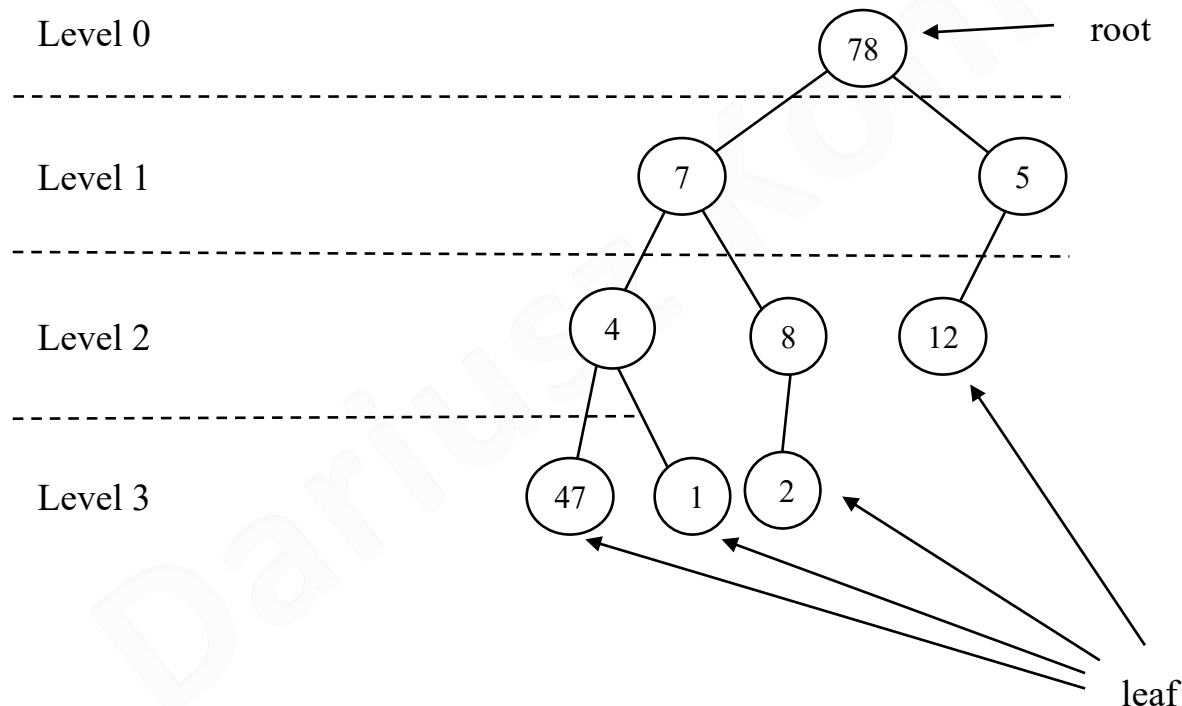
## Binary Search Tree

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# Binary tree

- A **binary tree** is a coherent node structure in which each node can **have at most two** direct sub-nodes (called **children** / descendants).
- The node above the node is called the **parent** / ancestor.
- There is one node without a parent - it is called the **root**.
- Nodes without descendants are called **leaves**.
- The **level / depth** of the node is the number of edges from the root down to the node.
- The **height of the tree** is the maximum from the depth of the leaves.
- For an **empty tree**, the height is set to -1.

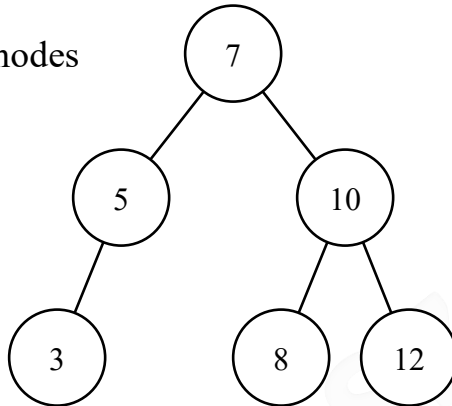


# BST

- A **BST** tree (**binary search tree**), is a binary tree with an additional property:

Let  $x$  be a node in a binary search tree. If  $y$  is a node in the left subtree of  $x$ , then  $key[y] \leq key[x]$ . If  $y$  is a node in the right subtree of  $x$ , then  $key[y] \geq key[x]$ .

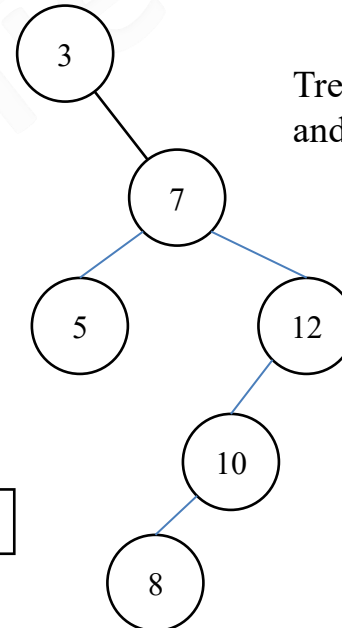
Tree with  $n = 6$  nodes  
and height  $h = 3$



$$\log n \leq h \leq n$$

$$\text{average height } h = O(\log n)$$

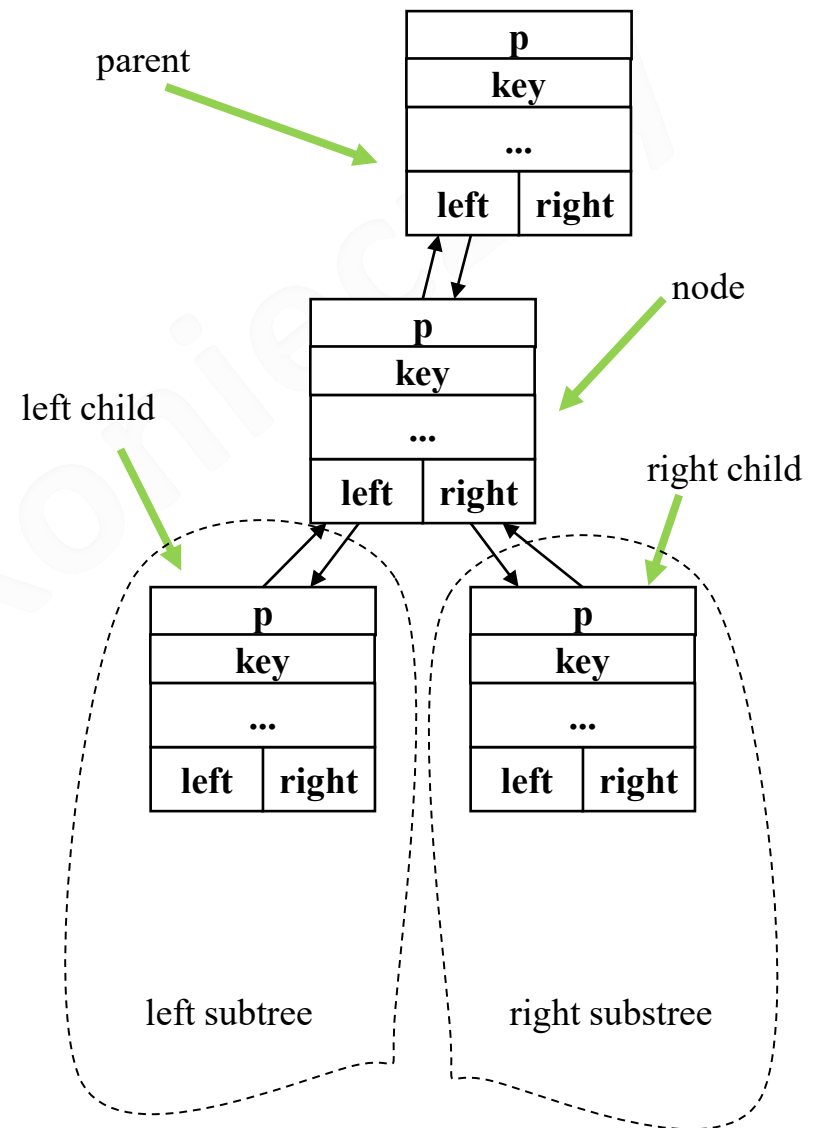
Tree with  $n = 6$  nodes  
and height  $h = 5$



- Some definitions assume that the keys in the tree **can not be repeated**, hence **sharp inequalities** appear in the definition. This condition **will be added** in the tree projects in this lecture.

# BST – realization 1

- First realization:
  - Each node has a **key**, **left**, **right** and **p** fields to remember: key, reference to left and right child, reference to parent. It may also have some other additional fields.
  - The root in the parent field has **null**, in the same way the leaves in the left and right fields have **null**.
- The right descendant along with all subnodes up to the leaves is called the **right subtree**, the left subtree is an analogous structure.



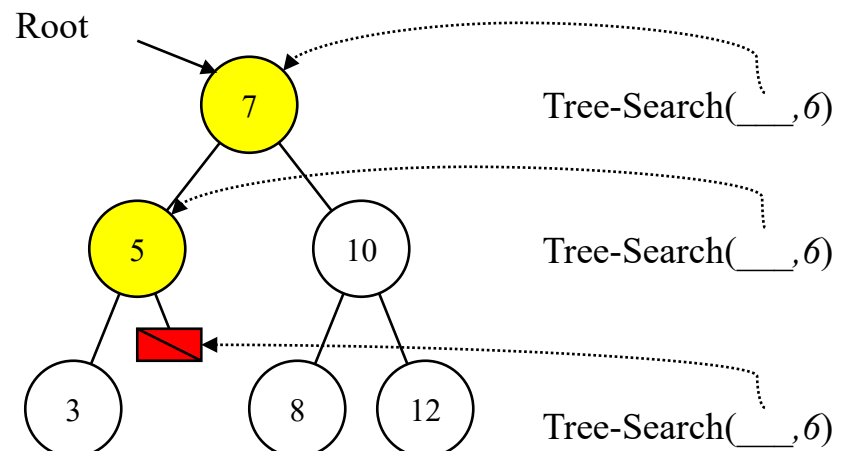
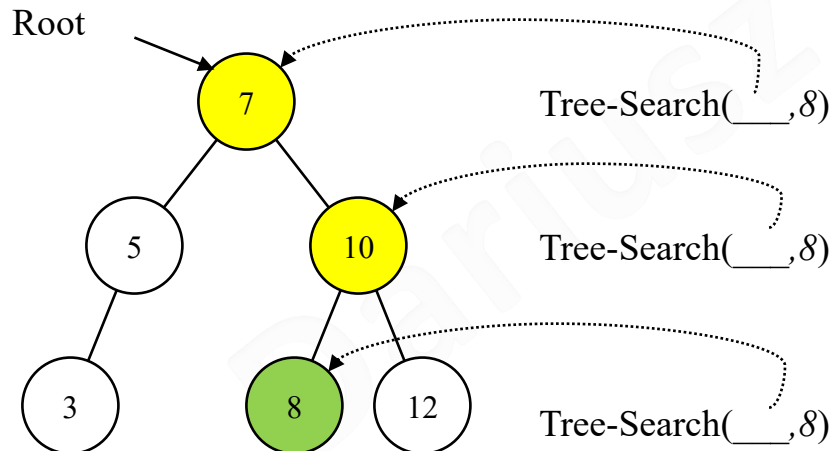
# Searching in BST

- The parameter is the key of the element you are looking for. The result - a node with a found key or a **null** value.
- We use the BST property.
- Idea: Starting from the root, we compare the wanted key with the key in a given node. Equal - we found a node. The desired key is smaller - we are looking in the left sub-tree, the larger one - in the right sub-tree.

```
Tree-Search(x,k)
{ 1} if (x = null) or (k = key[x])
{ 2}   then return x
{ 3} if k < key[x]
{ 4}   then return Tree-Search(left[x], k)
{ 5}   else return Tree-Search(right[x], k)
```

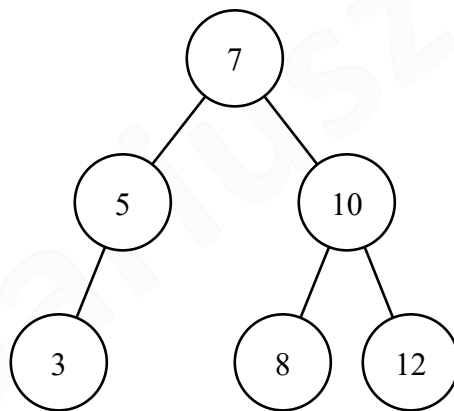
Tree-Search(root, k)

Complexity:  $O(h)$



# Tree walk in BST

- Browsing a tree (called **tree-walk**) involves visiting all vertices **exactly once** (in a systematic way).
- Visiting the vertex (eg writing to the stream) can be done in the following ways:
  - Before we visit his subtrees (preorder-walk)
  - After visiting the subtrees (postorder-walk)
  - Between visiting the subtrees (inorder-walk).
- The above methods have two versions:
  - first the left subtree, then the right one (this lecture)
  - first the right subtree, then the left one



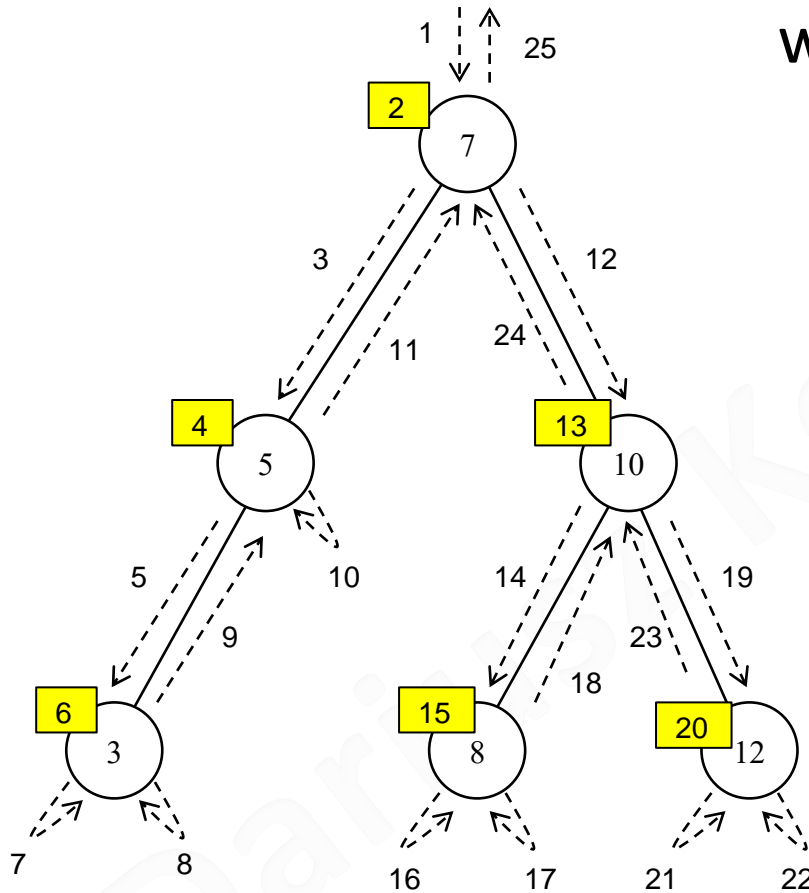
Preorder-Walk: 7,5,3,10,8,12

Postorder-Walk: 3,5,8,12,10,7

Inorder-Walk: 3,5,7,8,10,12

# Pre-order walk

- The visit can be done **before** walking into subtrees

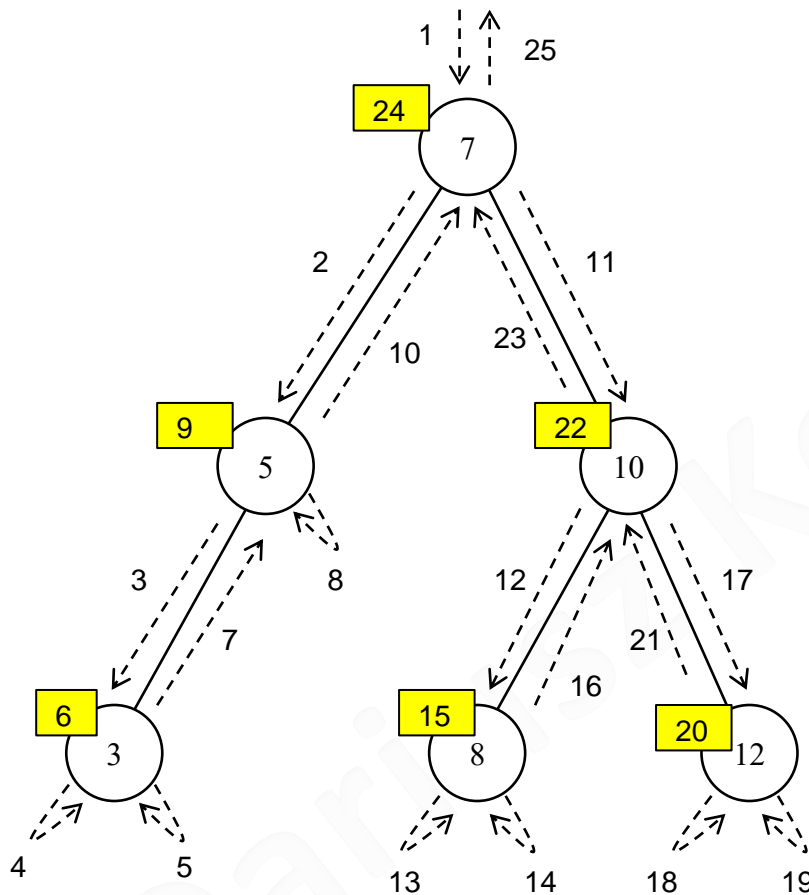


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# Post-order walk

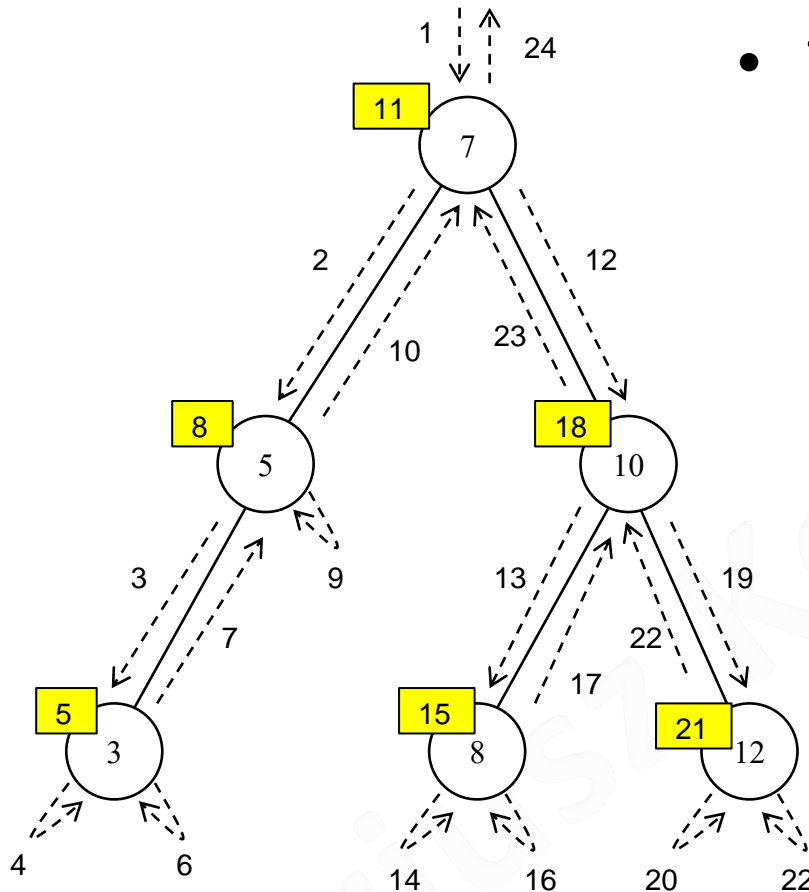
- The visit can be done **after** walking into subtrees



Postorder-Walk: 3,5,8,12,10,7

# In-order walk

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Inorder-Walk: 3,5,7,8,10,12

# In-order walk – code and analysis

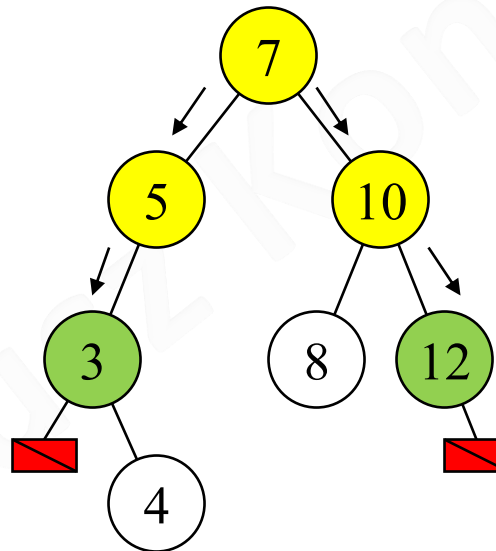
```
Tree-Inorder-Walk(x)  
{ 1} if x <> null then  
{ 2}   Tree-Inorder-Walk(left[x])  
{ 3}   show key[x]  
{ 4}   Tree-Inorder-Walk(right[x])
```

- Calling: Tree-Inorder-Walk (root)
- Common scheme in operation on a tree:
  - two methods:
    - one recursive works for the node specified in the call argument
    - the second calls the first with the root as an argument
- Other walks differ only in the place where the line {3} of code are called.
- In-order walk - walk in the order of sorted keys, hence the most used
- An interesting problem: creating iterators for each of the walk methods

# Searching for min and max in BST

- Searching for minimum in BST consist in proceeding throw left children, till the node, which has no left child.
- Operation of searching maximum proceeds analogous using right children

```
{ 1} Tree-Minimum(x)  
{ 2} while left[x] <> null do  
{ 3}   x := left[x]  
      return x
```

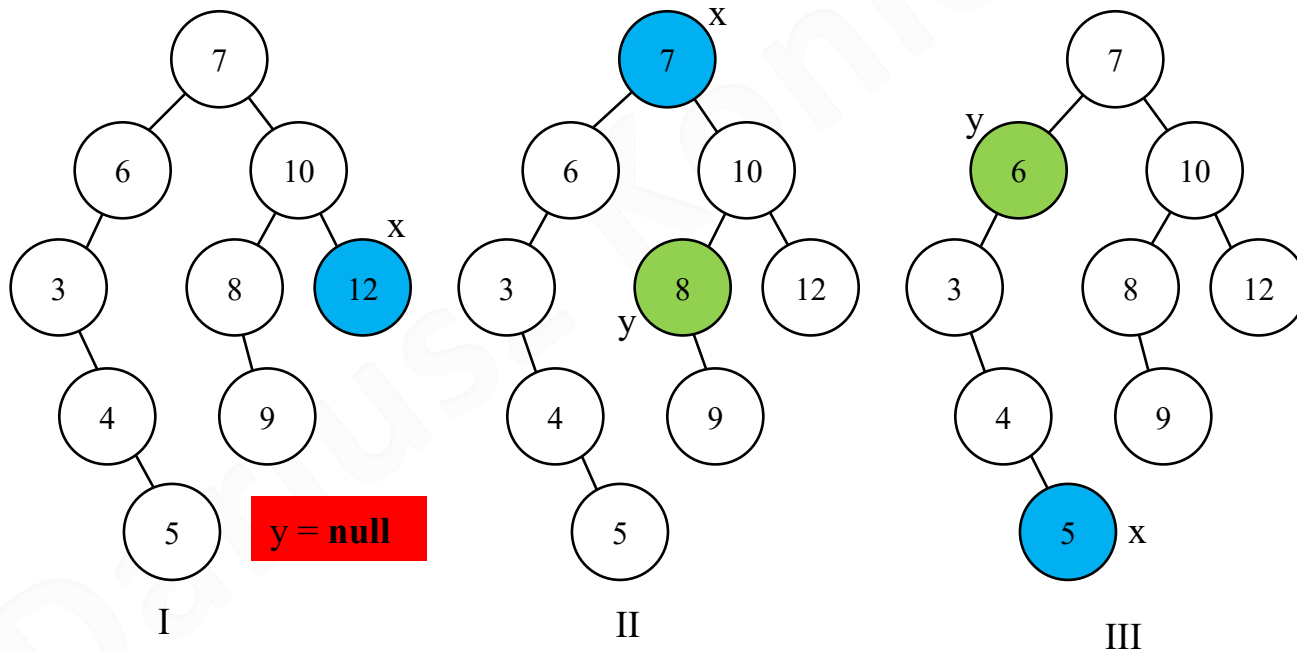


```
{ 1} Tree-Maksimum(x)  
{ 2} while right[x] <> null do  
{ 3}   x := right[x]  
      return x
```

Complexity:  $O(h)$

# Successor and predecessor in BST

- Given a node in a binary search tree, it is sometimes important to be able to find its successor in the sorted order determined by an inorder tree walk.
- There are 3 cases:
- I) node has no successor
- II) successor of node  $x$  is in its right subtree
- III) successor of node  $x$  is placed higher



# Searching successor in BST

- In case II) it is to search minimum in its right subtree.
- In I) and III) cases it is to search a parent, which has to be on path from left child. If such node does not exist – successor also does not exist.

```
Tree-Successor(x)
{ 1}  if right[x]  $\neq$  null then
{ 2}      return Tree-Minimum(right[x])
{ 3}  y := p[x]
{ 4}  while (y  $\neq$  null) and (x = right[y]) do
{ 5}      x := y
{ 6}      y := p[y]
{ 7}  return y
```

Complexity:  $O(h)$

# Insertion in BST 1/2

- Insertion new node with key  $v$  in BST consist in finding new position for this node as a leaf. It is similar to normal search.
- We assume that for new node  $z$  we have  $\text{key}[z] = v$ ,  $\text{left}[z] = \mathbf{null}$ ,  $\text{right}[z] = \mathbf{null}$

```
Tree-Insert(root, z)
{ 1}  y := null
{ 2}  x := root
{ 3}  while x <> null do
{ 4}      y := x
{ 5}      if key[z] < key[x]
{ 6}          then x := left[x]
{ 7}          else x := right[x]
{ 8}  p[z] := y
{ 9}  if y = null
{10}      then root := z
{11}      else if key[z] < key [y]
{12}          then left[y] := z
{13}          else right[y] := z
```

Tree after insertion values in sequence:

5, 3, 7, 11, 4, 2, 12, 10

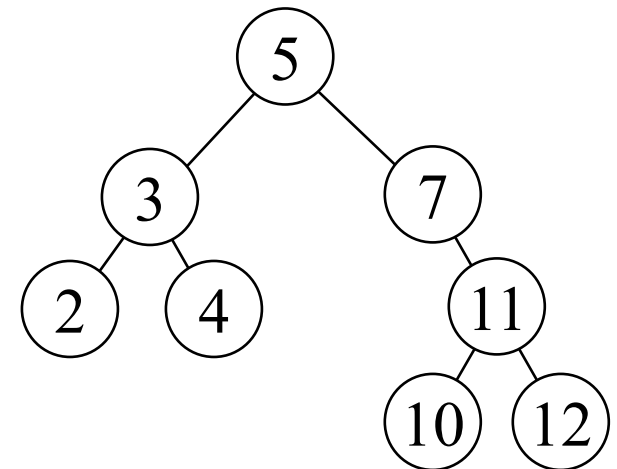
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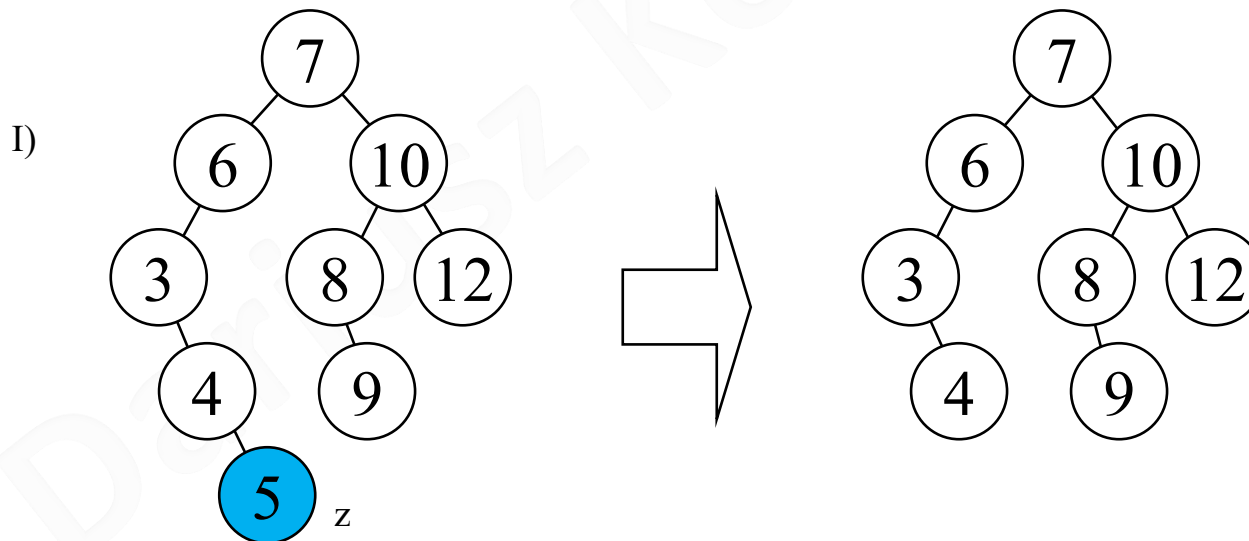
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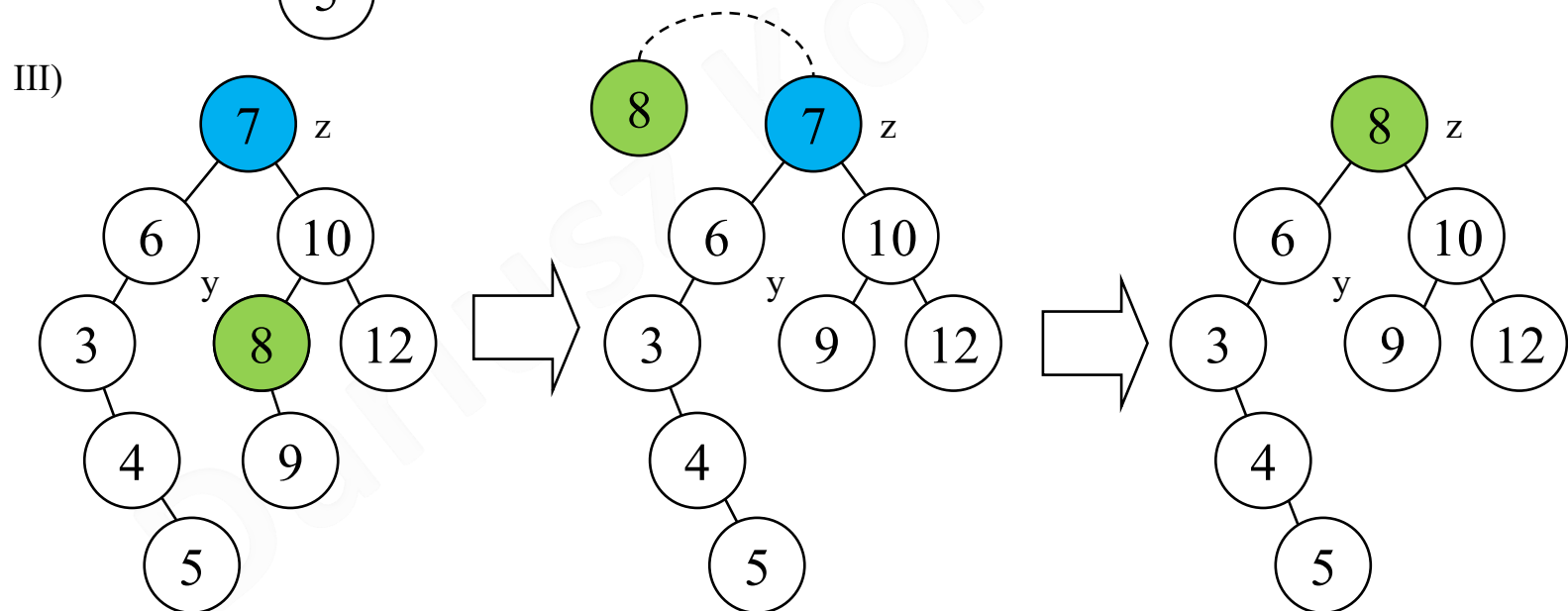
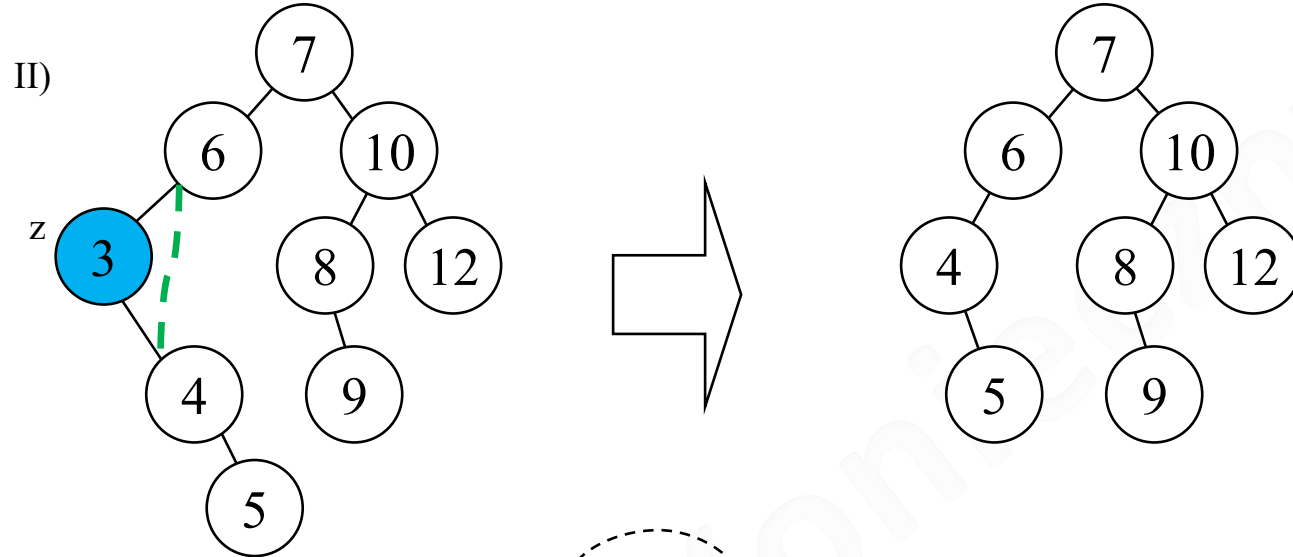


# Deletion in BST 1/2

- Deletion in BST consist in repairing tree in minimal step to make proper BST.
- There are 3 cases during deletion a node **z**:
  - I) node **z** has no children.
  - II) node **z** has exactly one child.
  - III) node **z** has two children.
- It has to be done:
  - I) in parent of node **z** modify proper child field to **null**.
  - II) in parent of node **z** modify proper child field, pointing to **z**, to value equal child of node **z**.
  - III) Find the succesor of **z** (let's mark it **y**). This successor has no two children for sure. Swap data fields and key field in **y** and **z**, and then delete node **y** (now it is case I or II).



# Deletion in BST 2/2



# Deletion in BST – code and analysis

- It is easy also return the just removed node

```
Tree-Delete(root, z)
{ 1}  if (left[z] = null) or (right[z] = null)
{ 2}    then y := z
{ 3}    else y := Tree-Successor(z)
{ 4}  if left[y] <> null
{ 5}    then x := left[y]
{ 6}    else x := right[y]
{ 7}  if x <> null
{ 8}    then p[x] = p[y]
{ 9}  if p[y] = null
{10}    then root := x
{11}    else if y = left[p[y]]
{12}      then left[p[y]] := x
{13}      else right[p[y]] := x
{14}  if y <> z
{15}    then swap(key[z],key[y])
{16}    { if node y has another fields, copy them here}
{17}  return y
```

complexity:  $O(h)$

# BST – realization 2

- Most operations for BST do not require an up-link (to the parent)
- You can implement a node in the BST tree **without** binding to the parent.
- Using OOP instead of a key, it is better to use a **comparator**.
- The internal value (`value`) will be called the **element**.

```
public class BST<T> {  
    class Node{  
        T value; // element  
        Node left;  
        Node right;  
        Node(T obj){  
            value=obj;}  
        Node(T obj, Node leftNode, Node rightNode){  
            value=obj;  
            left=leftNode;  
            right=rightNode;}  
    }  
    private final Comparator<T> _comparator;  
    private Node _root;  
    public BST(Comparator<T> comp){  
        _comparator=comp;  
        _root=null;}  
}
```

# Searching for an element

- It is practically no different from the first implementation.
- This time iterative implementation.
- A private function that returns a reference to a found node (and not just an element).

```
public T find(T elem){
    Node node=search(elem);
    return node==null?null:node.value;
}

private Node search(T elem) {
    Node node=_root;
    int cmp=0;
    while(node!=null && (cmp=_comparator.compare(elem, node.value))!=0)
        node=cmp<0? node.left:node.right;
    return node;
}
```

# In-order walk with an executor 1/2

- Using the executor to better use the tree walk - instead of the show can be any method.
- The presented executor will be one-use object.

```
package aisd.executor;  
  
public interface IExecutor<T,R> {  
    void execute(T elem);  
    R getResult();  
}
```

```
public <R> void inOrderWalk(IExecutor<T,R> exec){  
    inOrderWalk(_root,exec);}  
private <R> void inOrderWalk(Node node, IExecutor<T,R> exec) {  
    if (node!=null){  
        inOrderWalk(node.left, exec);  
        exec.execute(node.value);  
        inOrderWalk(node.right, exec);  
    }  
}
```

- A more difficult problem - creating iterators for walks in this implementation - for the optimal computational complexity, use a stack inside the iterator that will remember the nodes on the path from the root.

# In-order walk with an executor 2/2

- Executor with a buffer to remember the string

```
class IntegerToStringExec implements IExecutor<Integer, String>{
    StringBuffer line=new StringBuffer();
    @Override
    public void execute(Integer elem) {
        line.append(elem+"; ");
    }
    @Override
    public String getResult(){
        line.delete(line.length()-2, line.length());
        return line.toString();
    }
}
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    BST<Integer> tree=new BST<Integer>(new Comparator<Integer>(){
        public int compare(Integer o1, Integer o2) {
            return o1-o2;
        }
    });
    tree.insert(7);
    tree.insert(5);
    tree.insert(2);
    tree.insert(10);
    tree.insert(12);
    IntegerToStringExec exec=new IntegerToStringExec();
    tree.inOrderWalk(exec);
    System.out.println(exec.getResult());
}
```

2; 5; 7; 10; 12

# Searching for min and max

- In OOP practice, it is worth splitting into a private method looking for a node and a public method returning item stored in the node.

```
public T getMin(){
    if(_root==null) throw new NoSuchElementException();
    Node node=getMin(_root);
    return node.value;
}

public T getMax(){
    if(_root==null) throw new NoSuchElementException();
    Node node=getMax(_root);
    return node.value;
}

private Node getMin(Node node) {
    assert(node!=null);
    while(node.left!=null)
        node=node.left;
    return node;
}

private Node getMax(Node node) {
    assert(node!=null);
    while(node.right!=null)
        node=node.right;
    return node;
}
```



# Searching for a successor

- Searching for a successor, having a different node as an argument, makes it impossible to use the algorithm from the first implementation
  - We can not move from the node towards the root
- We will **look for** the successor of the element. From here, first look for a node with an element, and then returning you can use the return path for cases I and III (slide 13)

```
public T successor(T elem){
    Node succNode=successorNode(_root, elem);
    return succNode==null?null:succNode.value;}
private Node successorNode(Node node, T elem) {
    if(node==null) throw new NoSuchElementException();
    int cmp=_comparator.compare(elem,node.value);
    if(cmp==0){
        if(node.right!=null)
            return getMin(node.right);
        else return null;
    } else if(cmp<0){
        Node retNode=successorNode(node.left, elem);
        return retNode==null?node:retNode;
    } else { // cmp>0
        return successorNode(node.right, elem);
    }
}
```

# Insertion in BST 1/3

- The iterative version as an exercise - analogically to the code of the first implementation, without the lines {8} (slide 15), with the creation of the element just before insertion.
- The recursive version - Java passes arguments to the methods by value, so in order to insert a new value, you must re-assign the subtrees in which the new element will be added.

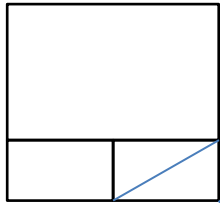
```
public void insert(T elem){
    _root=insert(_root,elem);}

private Node insert(Node node, T elem) {
    if(node==null)
        node=new Node(elem);
    else{
        int cmp=_comparator.compare(elem, node.value);
        if(cmp<0)
            node.left=insert(node.left,elem);
        else if(cmp>0)
            node.right=insert(node.right,elem);
        else
            throw new DuplicateElementException(elem.toString());
    }
    return node;
}
```

# Insertion in BST 2/3

- Coming to a place for a new element

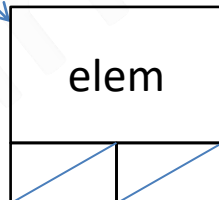
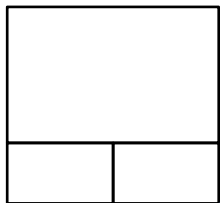
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```
node.right=insert (node.right,elem)
```

```
if (node==null)  
    node=new Node(elem);  
else{ ...  
}  
return node;
```

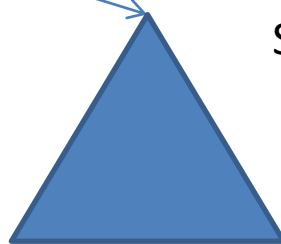
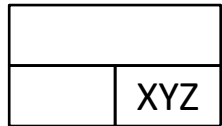
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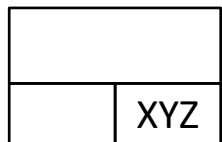
- Any other situation

node



Subtree before element insertion

node



Subtree after element insertion

# Element deletion in BST 1/2

- You can not use the version from the first implementation directly
- The version of the node's search should be completed so that it also returns the parent node.
- The second concept is a recursive implementation that returns back to the parent (returning a similar idea to adding)
- For simplicity, the public method will be `void`.
- If we go down to case I or II, we will solve it without a problem. In the case of III - two children - a separate method will remove the minimum from the right subtree, earlier the value of this node inserting into the node with two children.

```
public void delete(T elem){  
    _root=delete(elem,_root);  
}
```

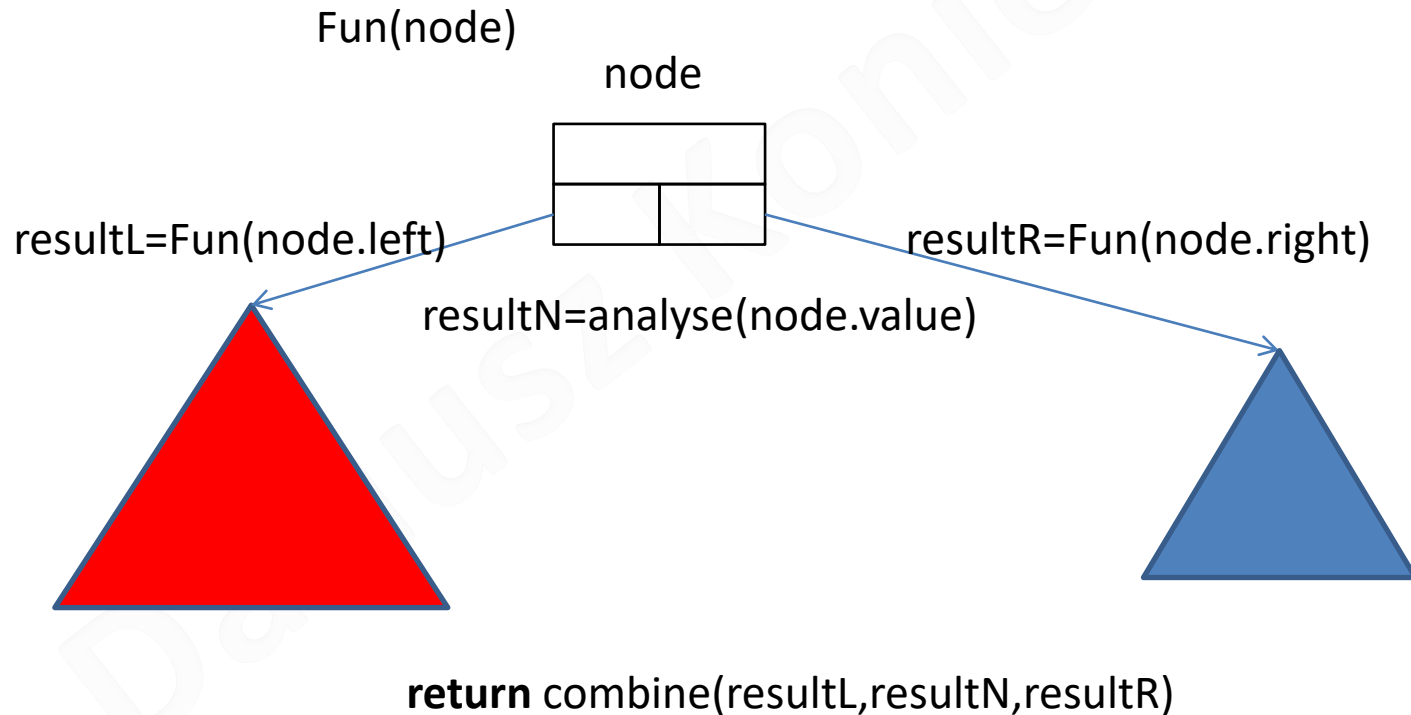
```
//... kontynuacja na następnym slajdzie
```

# Element deletion in BST 2/2

```
protected Node delete(T elem, Node node) {  
    if(node==null) throw new NoSuchElementException();  
    else {  
        int cmp=_comparator.compare(elem,node.value);  
        if(cmp<0)  
            node.left=delete(elem,node.left);  
        else if(cmp>0)  
            node.right=delete(elem,node.right);  
        else if(node.left!=null &&node.right!=null)  
            node.right=detachMin(node,node.right);  
        else node = (node.left != null) ? node.left : node.right;  
    }  
    return node;  
}  
  
private Node detachMin(Node del, Node node) {  
    if(node.left!=null) node.left=detachMin(del, node.left);  
    else {  
        del.value=node.value;  
        node=node.right;  
    }  
    return node;  
}
```

# Diagram of methods for a binary tree

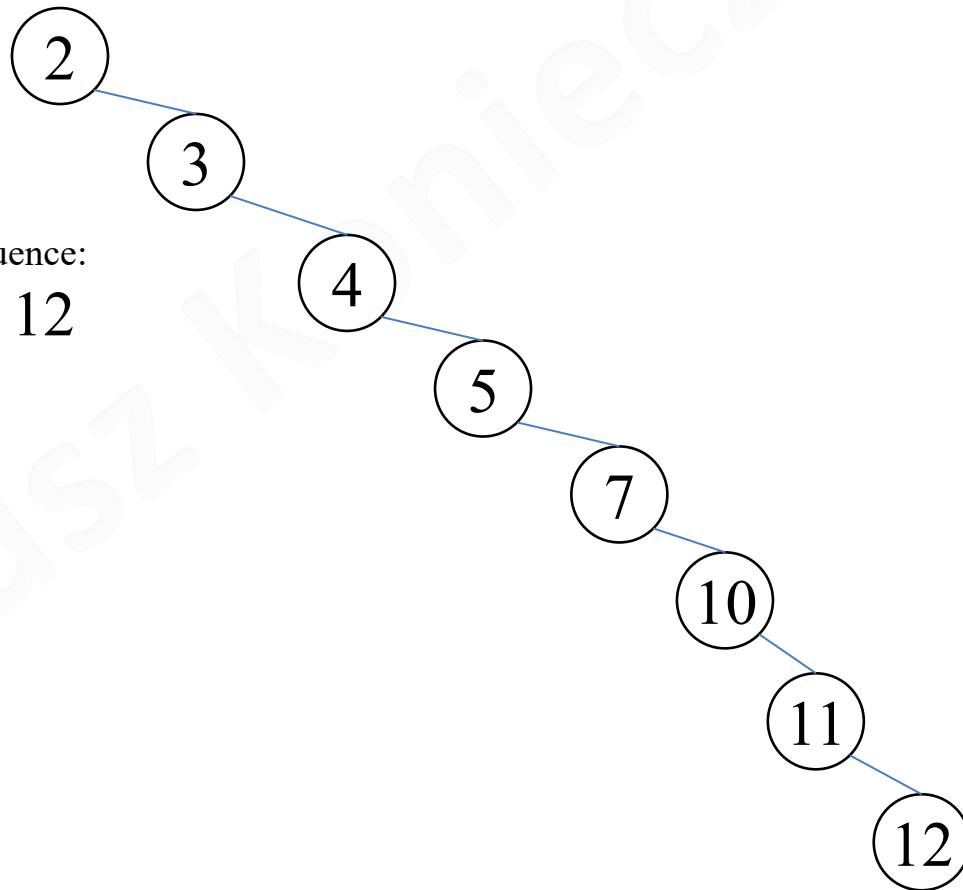
- A large part of methods that do not modify binary tree, implemented recursively, work according to the following scheme ("divide and conquer"):
  - Follow the method for the left child (and get the resultL)
  - Follow the method for the right child (and get the resultR)
  - Analyze the element of the input node (and get the resultN)
  - Combine all results to get a final result for the subtree rooted in the node



# Unbalanced tree

- A simple BST tree during creation / removal can become very unbalanced.
- Paradoxically, the worst sequence of values is e.g. a sorted sequence - it creates a degenerate tree. Degenerate to the linked list with linear complexity of most operations

Tree after insertion values in sequence:  
2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12





# BST - summary

- The complexity of most operations on BST depends on the height of the tree:  $O(h)$
  - A simple BST tree can be very unbalanced:  $h = O(n)$
  - You can implement a BST tree with and without a parent reference:
    - Advantages and disadvantages
  - Many operations can be implemented recursively or iteratively:
    - Some of the operations implemented iteratively require an internal stack, and some do not.
- There is no implementation of a simple BST tree in the Java standard library.
    - Not always the optimal structure