

Overview of Trees

This lesson is a quick overview of trees, their types, and some important formulas to compute the height and number of nodes in a tree.

We'll cover the following ^

- Binary Trees
- Binary Search Trees
- Red Black Trees
- AVL Trees
- 2-3 Trees

Binary Trees

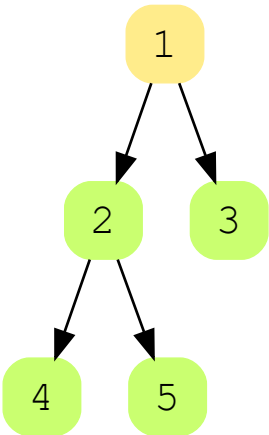
Definition: A tree having a max. of two children at each internal node

Types: *Perfect, Full, Complete, Skewed*

Total number of nodes: $2^{(h+1)} - 1$

Total number of leaf nodes: 2^h or $\frac{(n+1)}{2}$

Height: $\log_2(n + 1) - 1$



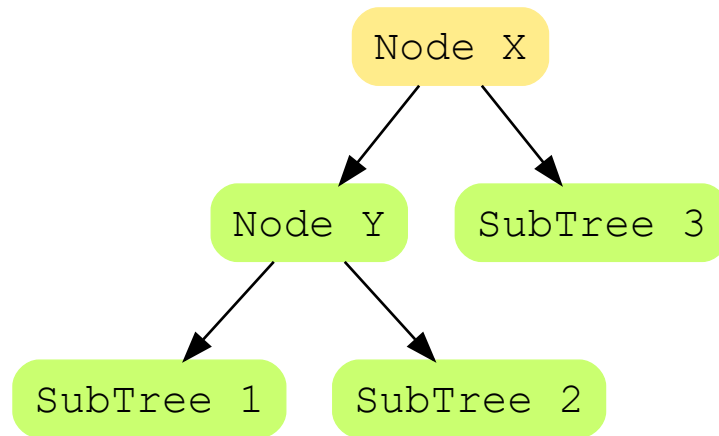
Binary Search Trees

Definition: Every node has a value greater than/equal to all the node values in its left sub-tree, and has a value less than all the node values in its right sub-tree.



Mathematically,

$$Keys(SubTree1) < Keys(Y) < Keys(Subtree2) < Keys(X) < Keys(SubTree3)$$

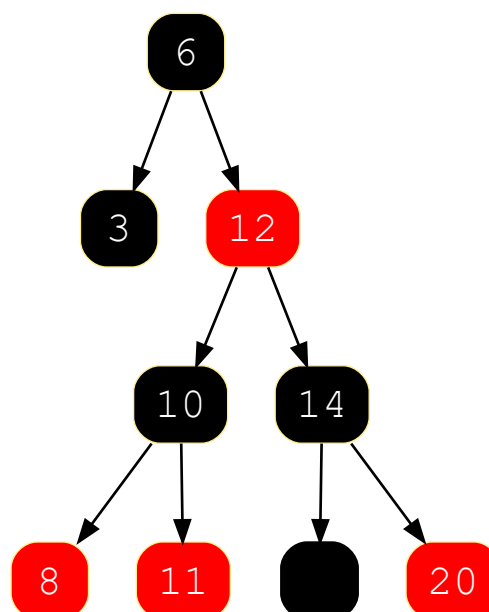


Red Black Trees

Definition: A tree where every node is colored as red or black, no two adjacent nodes have *red* coloring, and root and null nodes are considered *black*.

Height: $h \leq 2\log_2(n + 1)$

Minimum number of nodes: $(h + 1) + 2 \left(\sum_{i=0}^y 2^i - 1 \right)$, where y is equal to: $\text{floor}(h/2)$



AVL Trees

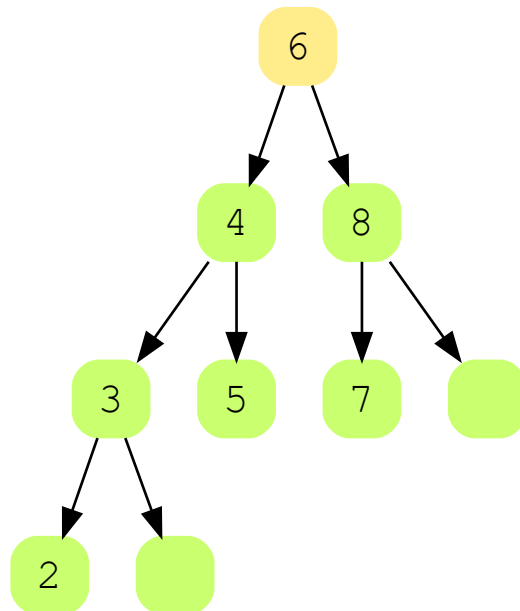
Definition: For each node, the height of the left and right *sub-trees* differ by a max. of one.



Minimum number of nodes: $N(h) = 1 + N(h - 1) + N(h - 2)$

Maximum number of nodes: $N - 1 + 2^{\log(N-1)+2}$

Height: $O(\log_2 n)$



2-3 Trees

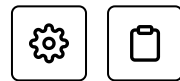
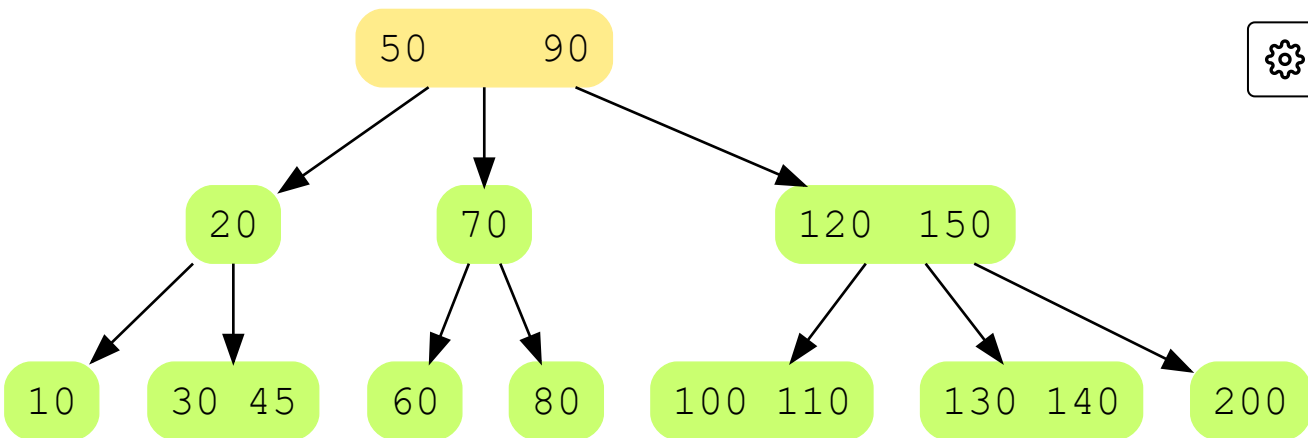
Definition: A balanced and ordered tree where each node can have a max. of two keys (X and Y) and three children, such that,

$LChild.Key < X < MChild.Key < Y < RChild.Key$

Maximum number of nodes: 3^h

Height: $\log_4(n + 1) - 1 < h < \log_2(n + 1) - 1$

Types: 2-3-4 Trees



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2-3-4 Trees

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