

Lecture 6: Binary Search Trees (BST)

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- 1 Data Structures for representing Dynamic Sets
 - Binary Search Trees (BSTs)
 - Balanced Binary Trees - Red Black Trees (RBTs)

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Key Things to Know for Data Structures

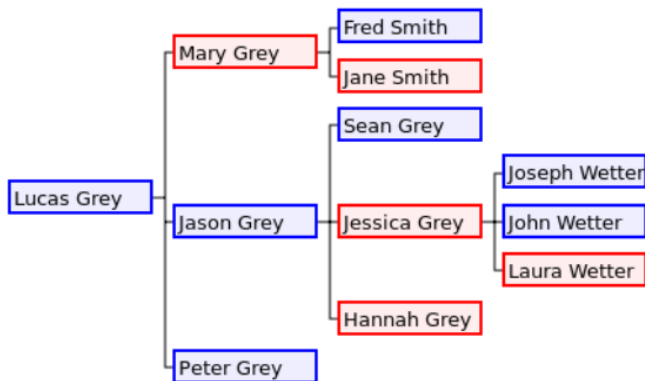
- Motivation
- Distinctive Property
- Major operations
- Representation
- Algorithms for major operations
- Applications

Non-Linear Data Structures:

- Very common and useful category of data structures
- Most popular one is **hierarchical**

Trees - Applications¹

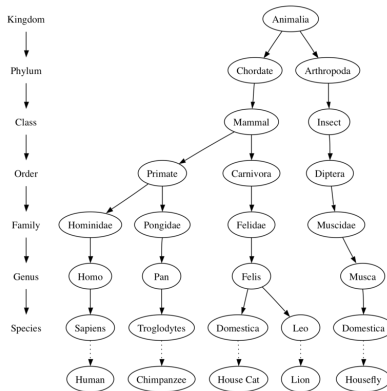
Family Tree:



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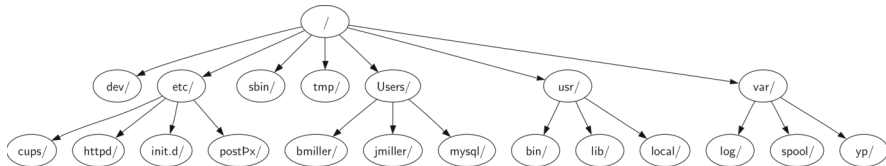
Trees - Applications²

Taxonomy Tree:



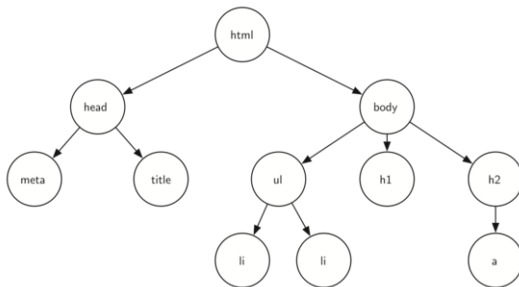
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Directory Tree:



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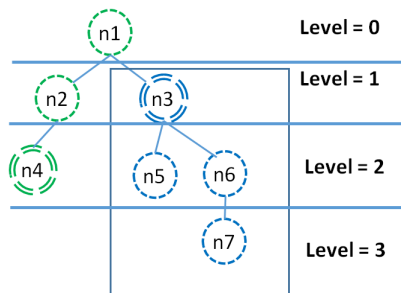
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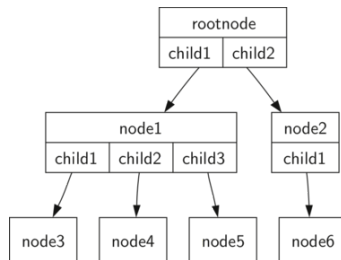
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Tree - Terminology

- Node
- Edge
- Root
- Children
- Parent
- Sibling
- Subtree
- Leaf/External node
- Internal node
- Level (node)
- Height (tree)
- Arity



Tree - Abstract Representation⁵



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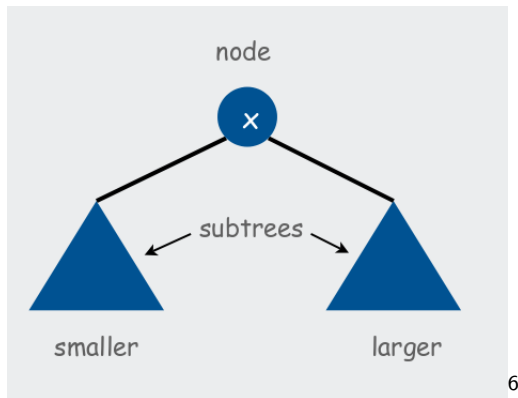
Motivation

- Store dynamic set efficiently
- Use good ideas from ordered list (OL) and ordered doubly linked list (ODLL)
- Use hierarchical storage to avoid pitfalls of OL and ODLL
- First attempt at hierarchical data structure that **tries** to implement all 7 operations efficiently

- Each node has at most 2 children
- Commonly referred to as *left* and *right* child
- The descendants of *left* child constitute *left* subtree
- The descendants of *right* child constitute *right* subtree

BST Property

- For every node x , the keys of left subtree $\leq \text{key}(x)$
- For every node x , the keys of right subtree $\geq \text{key}(x)$

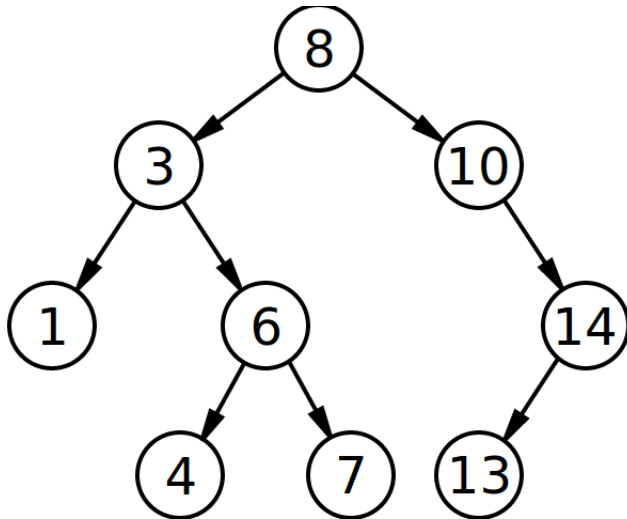


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BST Examples⁷



⁷http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Binary_search_tree

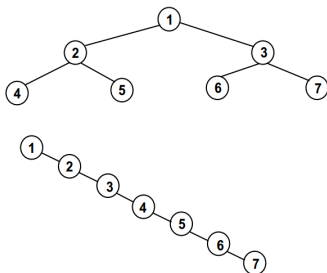
BST Height⁸

- There exists multiple possible BSTs to store same set of elements
- Minimum and Maximum Height:

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- There exists multiple possible BSTs to store same set of elements
- Minimum and Maximum Height: $\lg n$ and n
- Best and worst case analysis (or specify analysis wrt height)

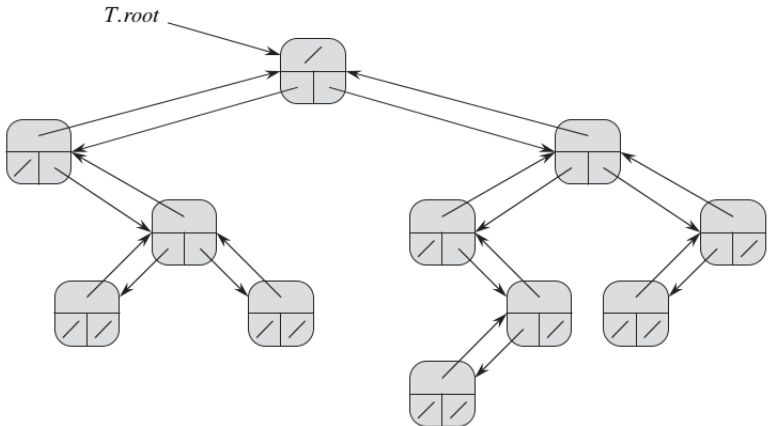


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Representation - I

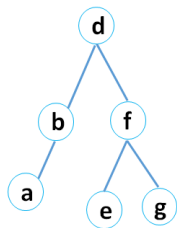
- **key:** Stores key information that is used to compare two nodes
- **value:** Stores satellite/auxillary information
- **parent:** Pointer to parent node. $\text{parent}(\text{root}) = \text{NULL}$
- **left:** Pointer to left child if it exists. Else NULL
- **right:** Pointer to right child if it exists. Else NULL

Representation - I⁹



⁹CLRSFig10.9

Representation - II



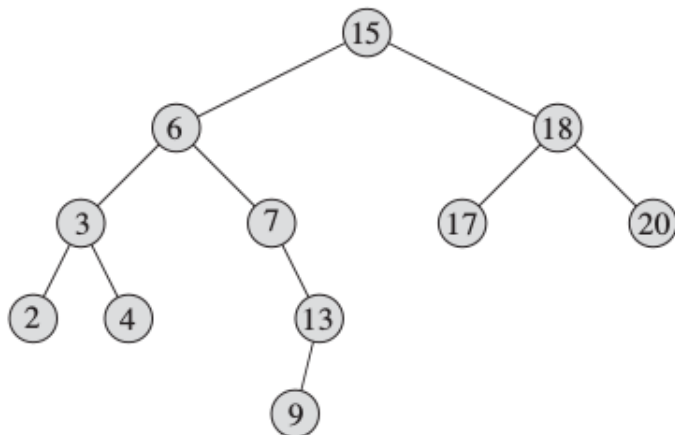
| Index | Key | Left | Right |
|-------|-----|------|-------|
| 1 | d | 2 | 3 |
| 2 | b | 4 | NULL |
| 3 | f | 5 | 6 |
| 4 | a | NULL | NULL |
| 5 | e | NULL | NULL |
| 6 | g | NULL | NULL |

Major Operations

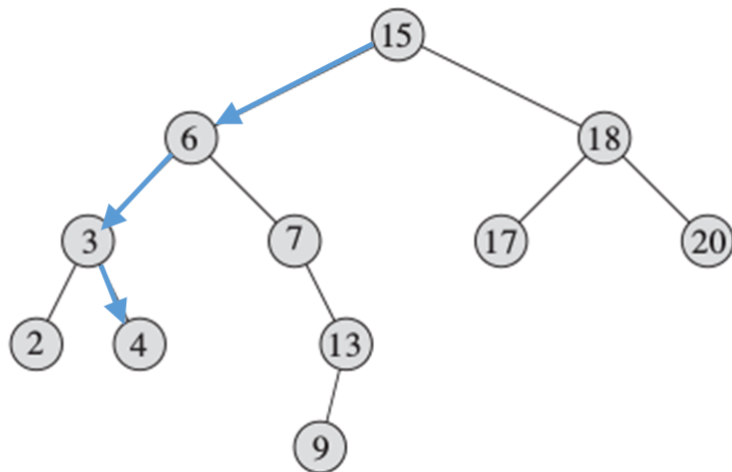
- Search
- Insert
- Minimum/Maximum
- Successor/Predecessor
- Deletion
- Traversals

BST: Search

Search: 4



BST: Search



```
Tree-Search(x, k):  
    if x == NULL or k == x.key  
        return x  
    if k < x.key  
        return Tree-Search(x.left, k)  
    else  
        return Tree-Search(x.right, k)
```

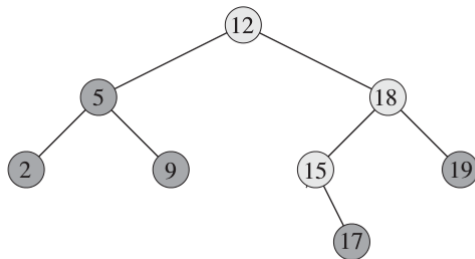
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- **Best Case:** $\lg n$ and **Worst Case:** $O(n)$

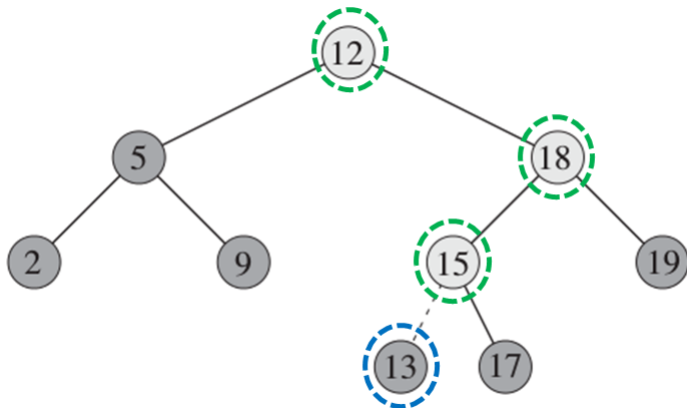
BST: Insert

Insert: 13



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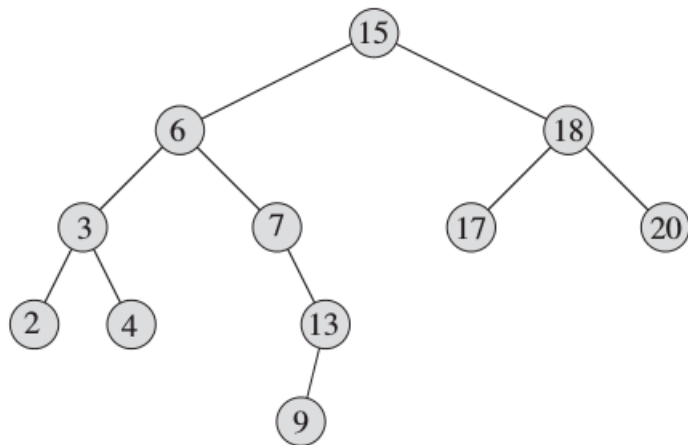
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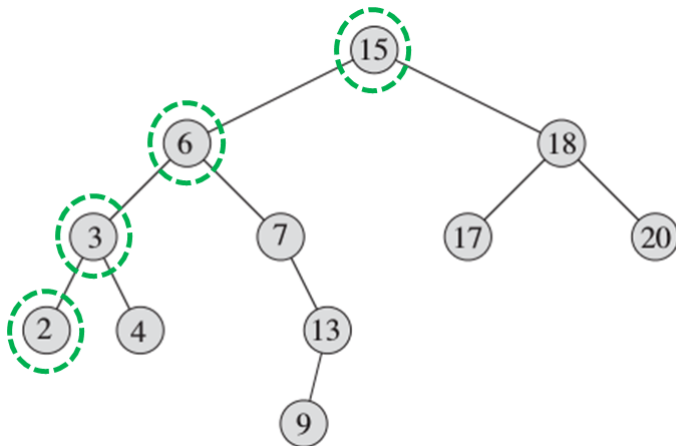
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BST: Minimum



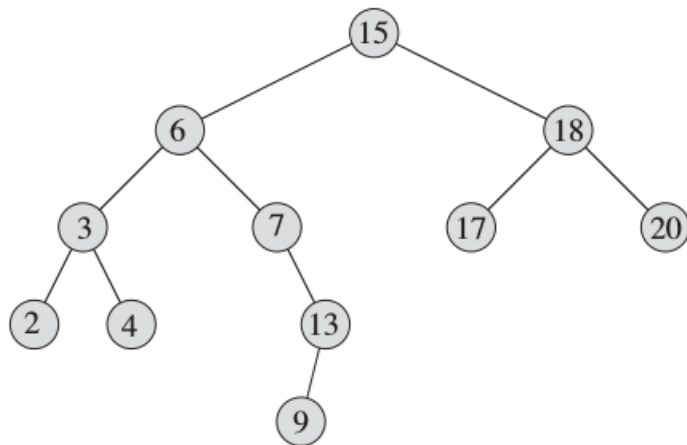
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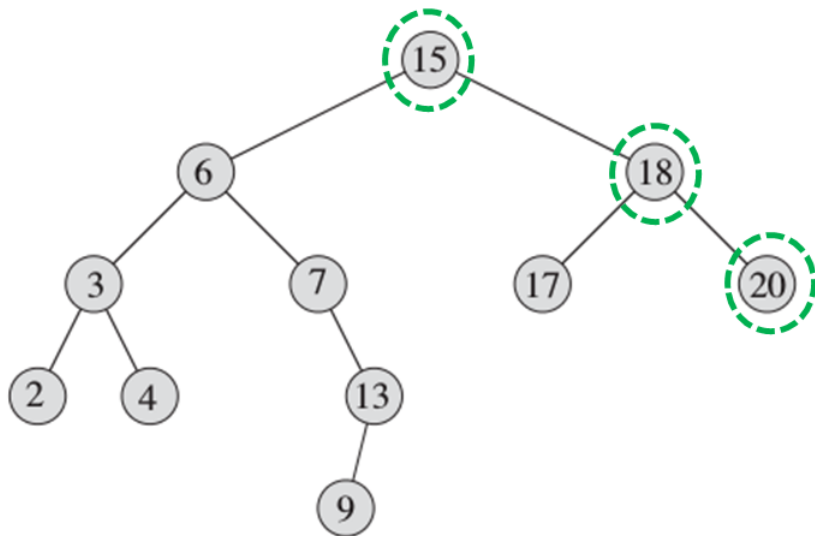
```
Tree-Minimum(x)
    while x.left is not NULL
        x = x.left
    return x
```

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- **Best Case:** $\lg n$ and **Worst Case:** $O(n)$

BST: Maximum



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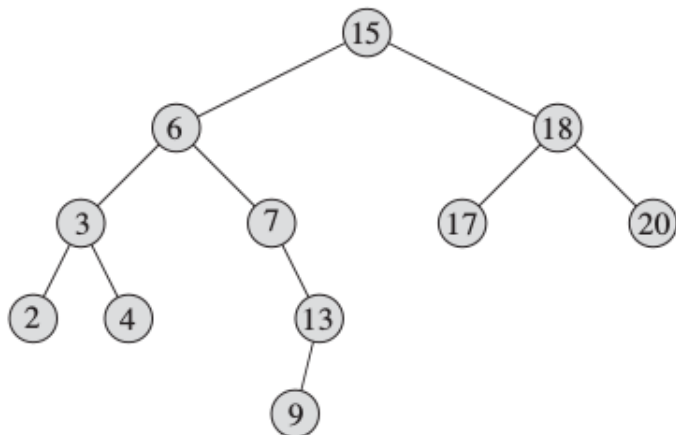


```
Tree-Maximum(x)
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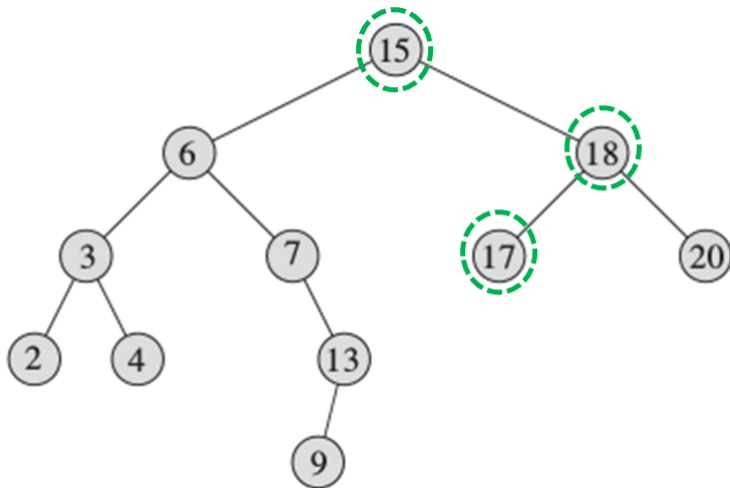
BST: Successor

Successor: 15



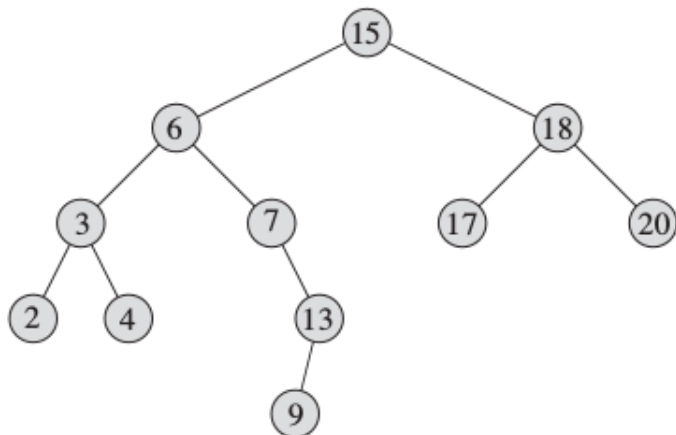
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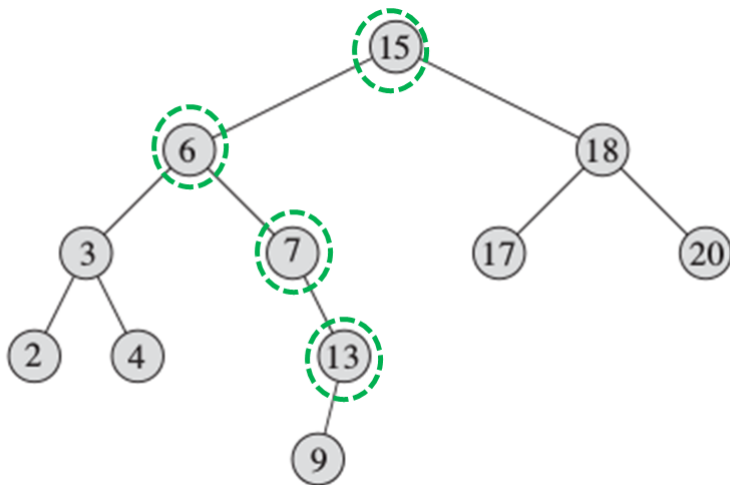
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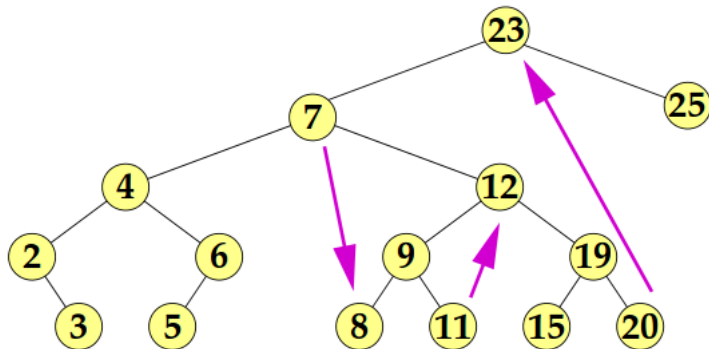


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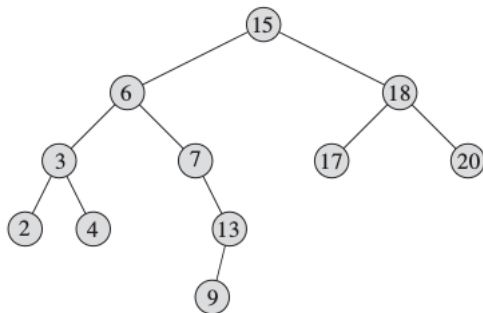



```
Tree-Successor(x):  
    if x.right is not NULL  
        return Tree-Minimum(x.right)  
    y = x.parent  
    while y is not NULL and x == y.right  
        x = y  
        y = y.parent  
    return y
```

- BST Property allowed us to find successor **without** comparing keys
- **Analysis:** $O(h)$
- **Best Case:** $\lg n$ and **Worst Case:** $O(n)$

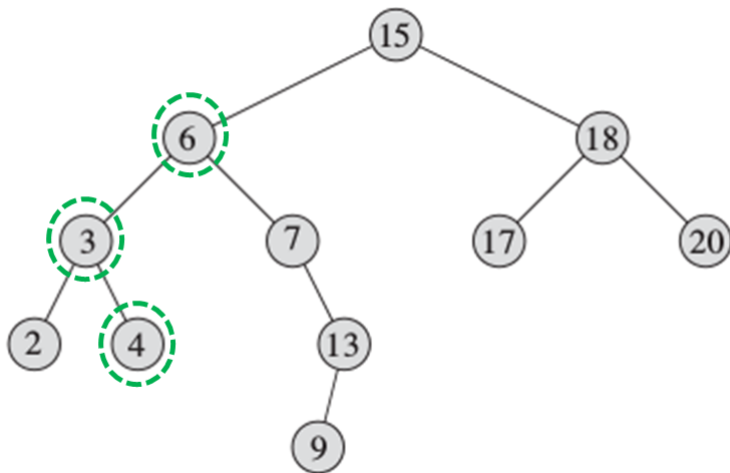
BST: Predecessor

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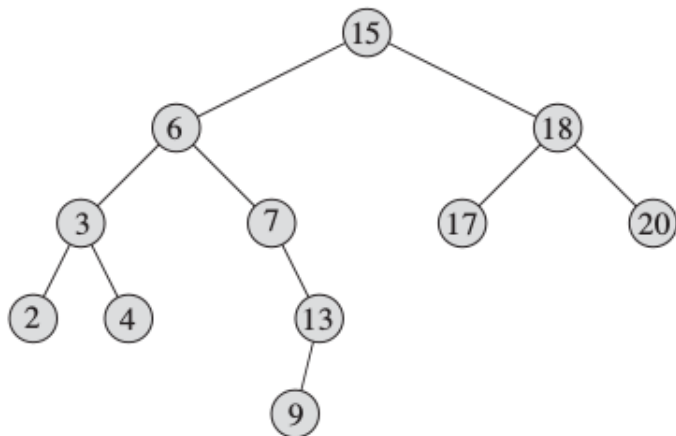
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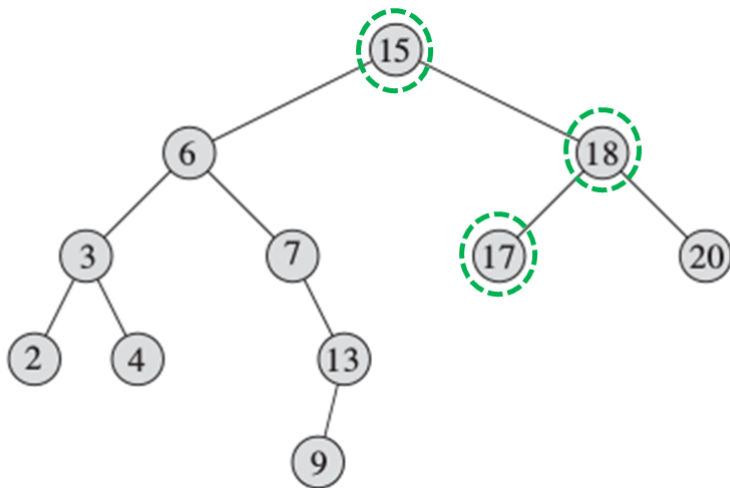
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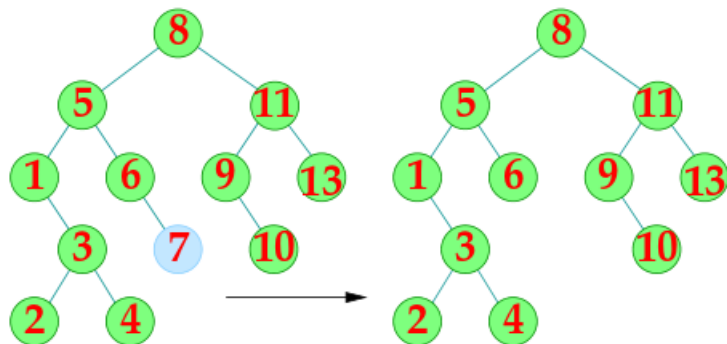
```
Tree-Predecessor(x):  
    if x.left is not NULL  
        return Tree-Maximum(x.left)  
    y = x.parent  
    while y is not NULL and x == y.left  
        x = y  
        y = y.parent  
    return y
```

- BST Property allowed us to find predecessor **without** comparing keys
- **Analysis:** $O(h)$
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Trickiest Operation! Suppose we want to delete node z

- ① z has no children: Replace z with NULL
- ② z has one children c : Promote c to z 's place
- ③ z has two children:
 - (a) Let z 's successor be y
 - (b) y is either a leaf or has **only** right child
 - (c) Promote y to z 's place
 - (d) Fix y 's loss via Cases 1 or 2

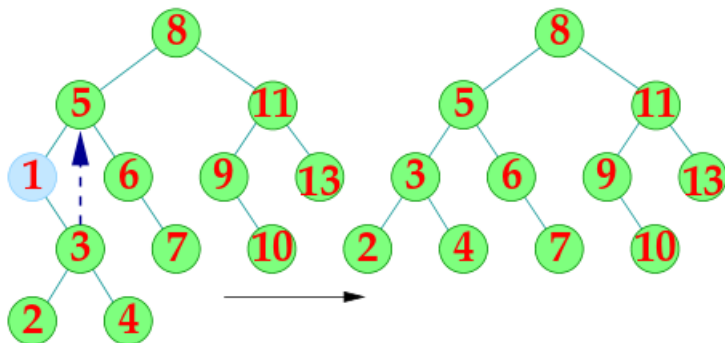
BST: Deletion Case I¹⁰



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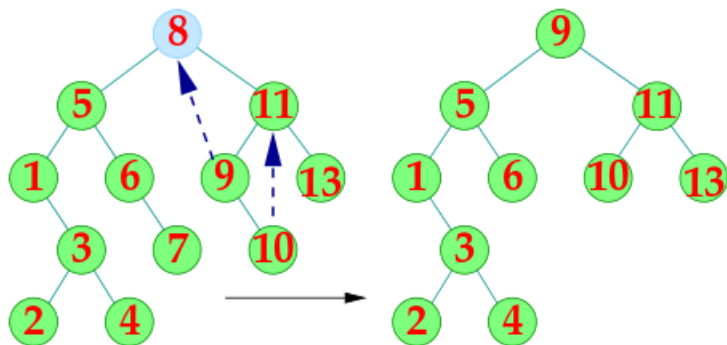
BST: Deletion Case II¹¹



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BST: Deletion Case III¹²

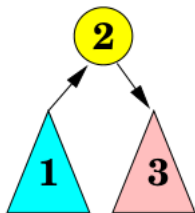


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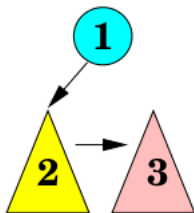
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BST: Traversal

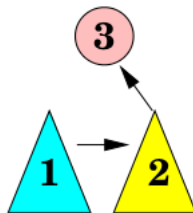
- **Traversal:** Visit all nodes in a tree
- Many possible traversal strategies
- Three are most popular: Pre-Order, In-Order, Post-Order



inorder



preorder



postorder

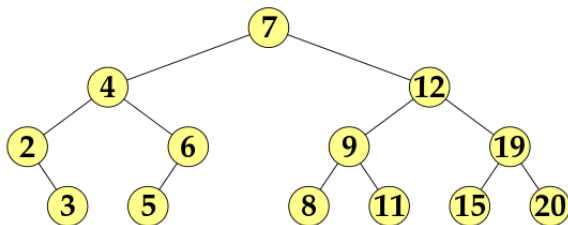
```
In-Order-Walk(x):  
    if x == NULL  
        return  
    In-Order-Walk(x.left)  
    Print x.key  
    In-Order-Walk(x.right)
```

- **Analysis:**

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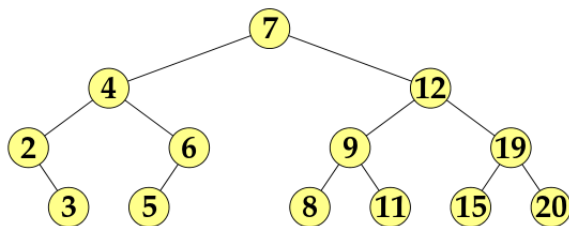
- **Analysis:** $O(n)$
- Holds true for all three traversals

BST: Traversal



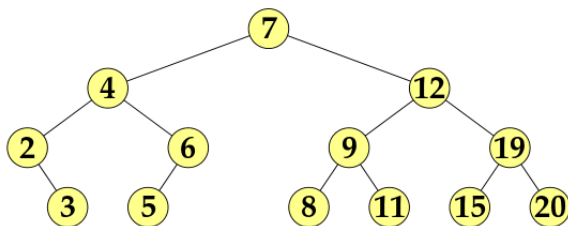
- In-Order:

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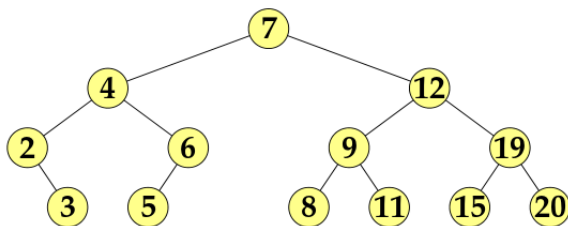
- **In-Order:** 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15, 19, 20.
- **Pre-Order:**

BST: Traversal



- **In-Order:** 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15, 19, 20.
- **Pre-Order:** 7, 4, 2, 3, 6, 5, 12, 9, 8, 11, 19, 15, 20.
- **Pre-Order:**

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- **In-Order:** 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15, 19, 20.
- **Pre-Order:** 7, 4, 2, 3, 6, 5, 12, 9, 8, 11, 19, 15, 20.
- **Post-Order:** 3, 2, 5, 6, 4, 8, 11, 9, 15, 20, 19, 12, 7.

- Notice anything special about In-Order traversal?

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 - Returns items in sorted order!
- Successor/Predecessor can be expressed in terms on In-Order traversal

- GiG

Major Concepts:

- Search Problem
- Linear and Binary Search algorithms
- Data Structures for Dynamic Sets
- BSTs