

Data Structures

Lecture 5*

More on Trees:
Extensions and Advanced Operations

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Plan for Today

We will see several [extensions](#) and [advanced operations](#) on (AVL) trees.
All can be applied to other types of trees.

1. [Rank and Select](#)
2. [Finger Trees](#)
3. [Split and Join](#)
4. [Tree-List](#)

Rank Trees: Motivation

Extending Dictionaries

ADT Dictionary - Reminder

Suppose a dictionary item x contains key and value, in the fields $x.key, x.val$

- $\text{Dictionary}()$ Create an empty dictionary
- $\text{Insert}(D, x)$ Insert x to D
- $\text{Delete}(D, x)$ Delete a given item x from D (assuming it exists)
- $\text{Search}(D, k)$ Return item with a given key k (if exists)
- $\text{Min}(D)$ Return item with the minimal key
- $\text{Max}(D)$ Return item with the maximal key
- $\text{Successor}(D, x)$ Return the successor of a given item x
- $\text{Predecessor}(D, x)$ Return the predecessor of a given item x

Assume that Items have distinct keys.

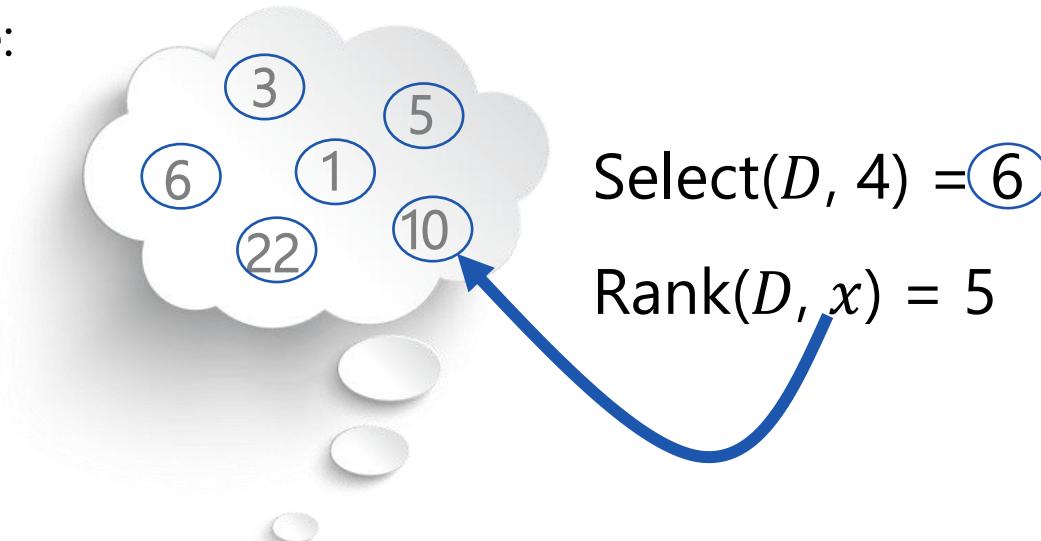
Additional Operations

$\text{Select}(D, k)$ – return the k^{th} smallest element in D

$\text{Rank}(D, x)$ – return the rank of a given element x in D

Rank = position in sorted order

For Example:



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Note that:

$\text{Select}(D, \text{Rank}(D, x)) = x$

$\text{Rank}(D, \text{Select}(D, k)) = k$

Rank Trees (aka Order Statistics Trees)

Is it possible to implement **all** dictionary operations + Select + Rank in $O(\log n)$ time **worst case**?

We will now see a solution based on an **extension** of AVL trees, called **Rank Trees**.

Definition

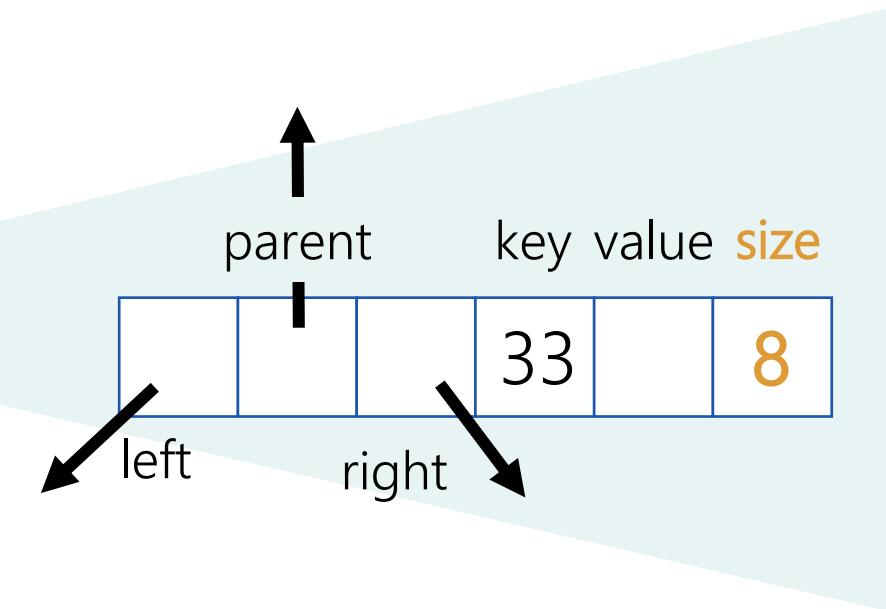
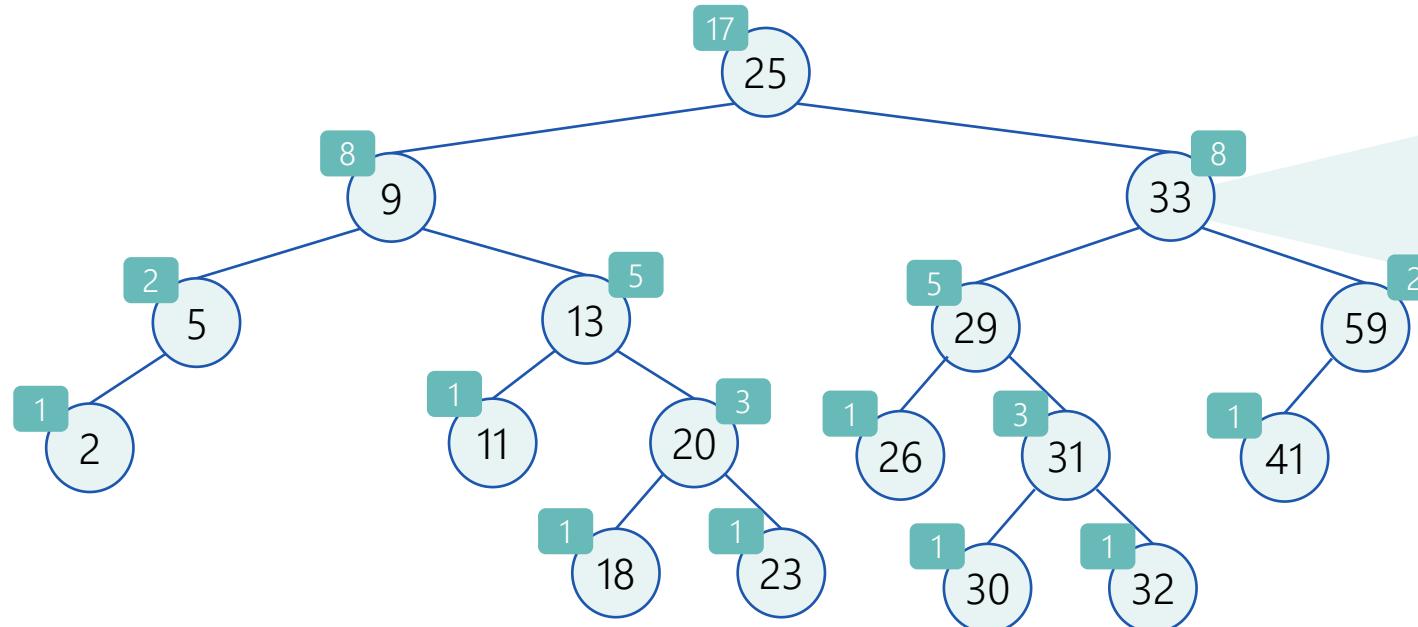
The *size* Attribute

Rank Trees: the *size* attribute

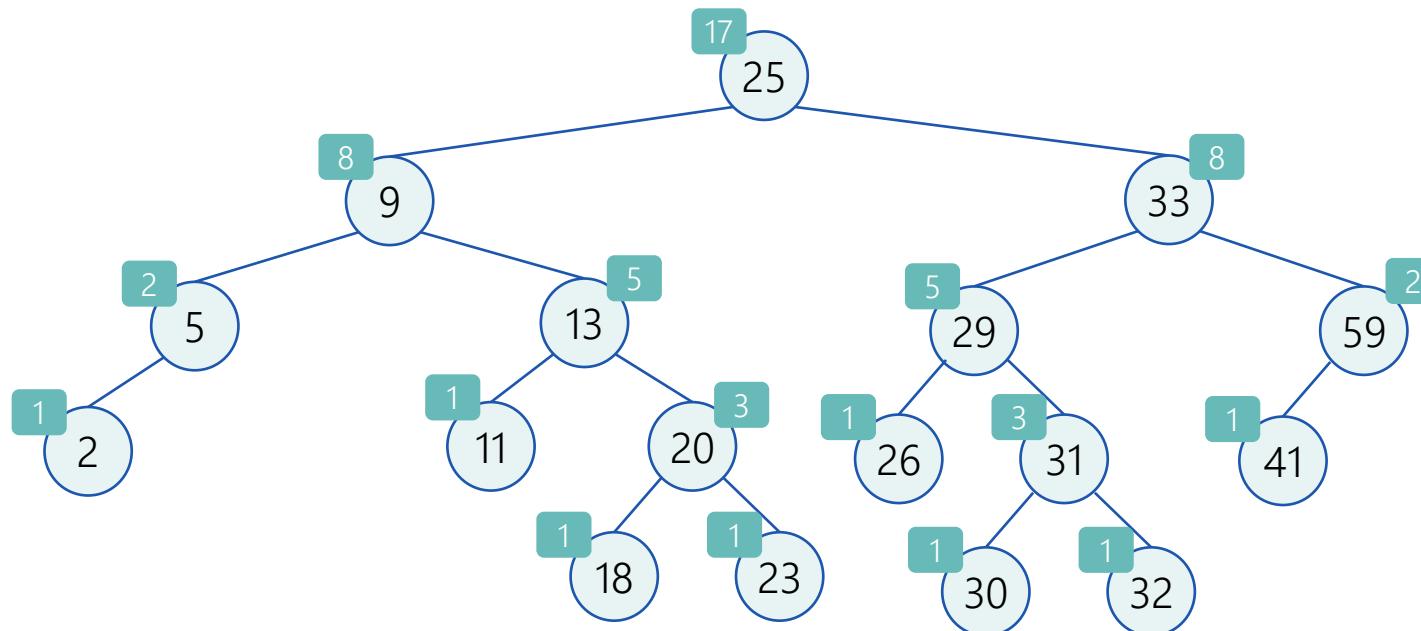
We will use an AVL tree, in which each node v will have a new attribute called *size*.

This attribute will hold the **number of nodes** in v 's subtree (including v itself).

This kind of tree is called a **rank tree** (aka **order statistics tree**).



Rank Trees



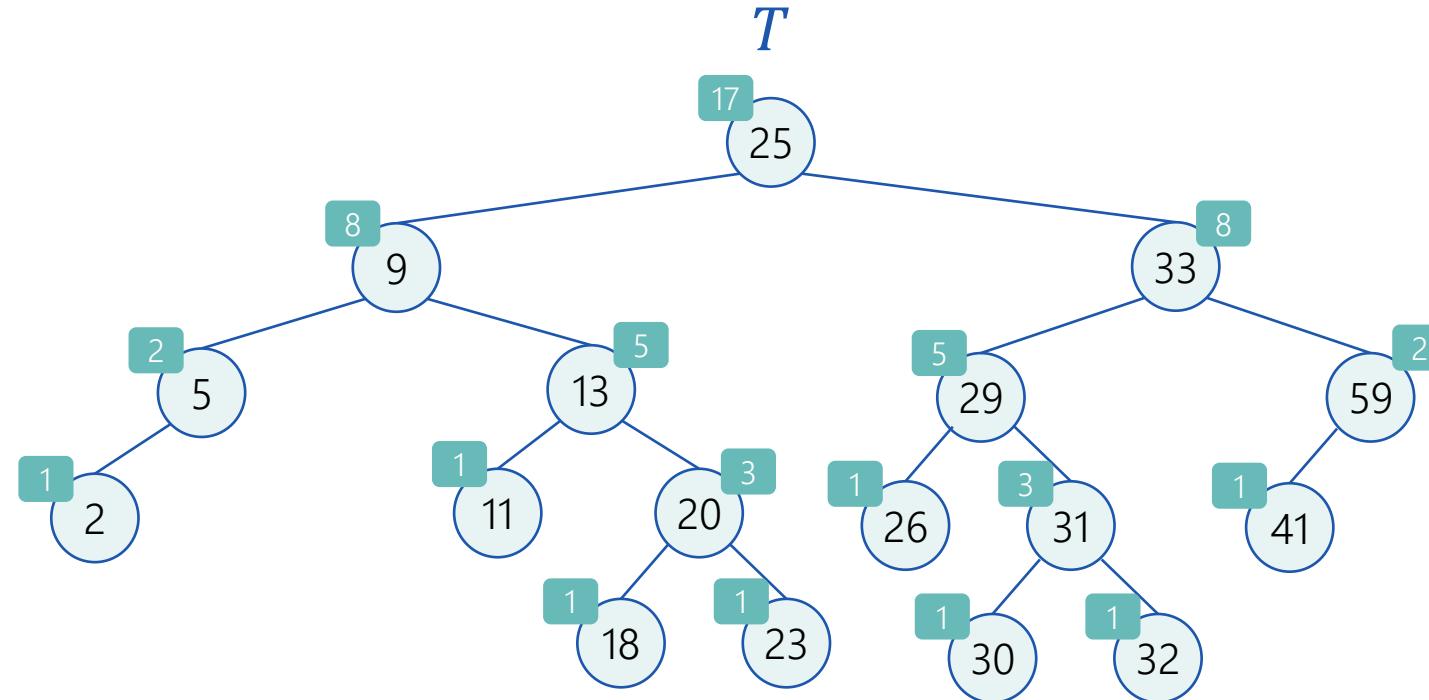
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- How to implement **Rank**?
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Tree-Select

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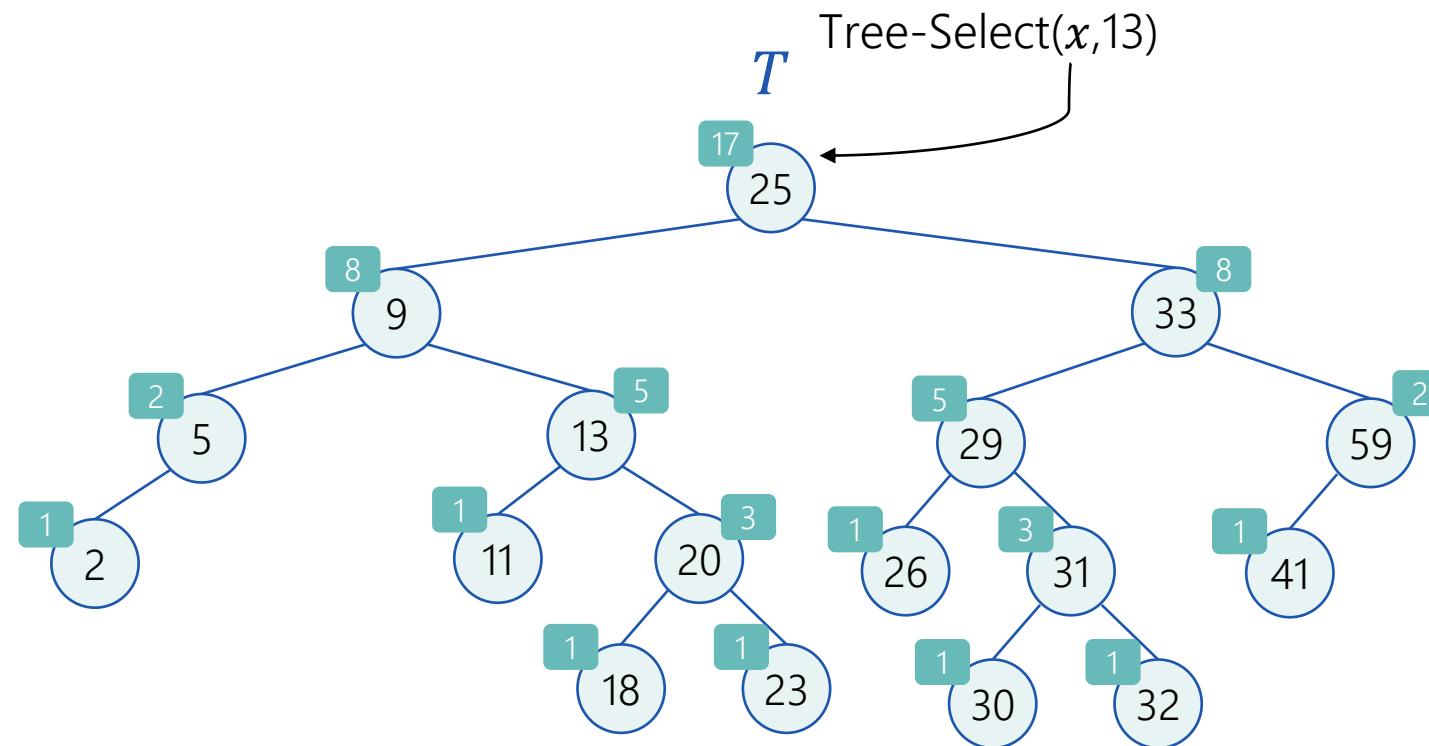


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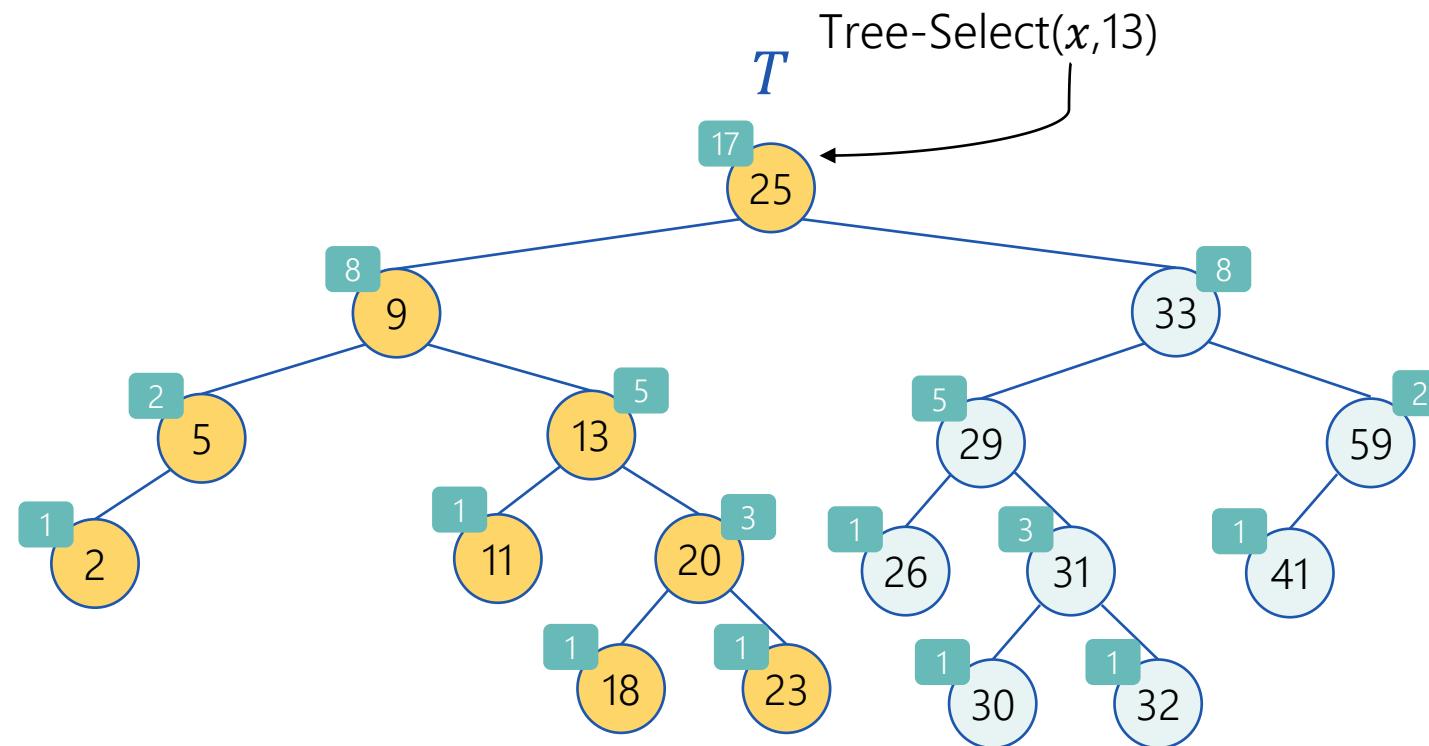


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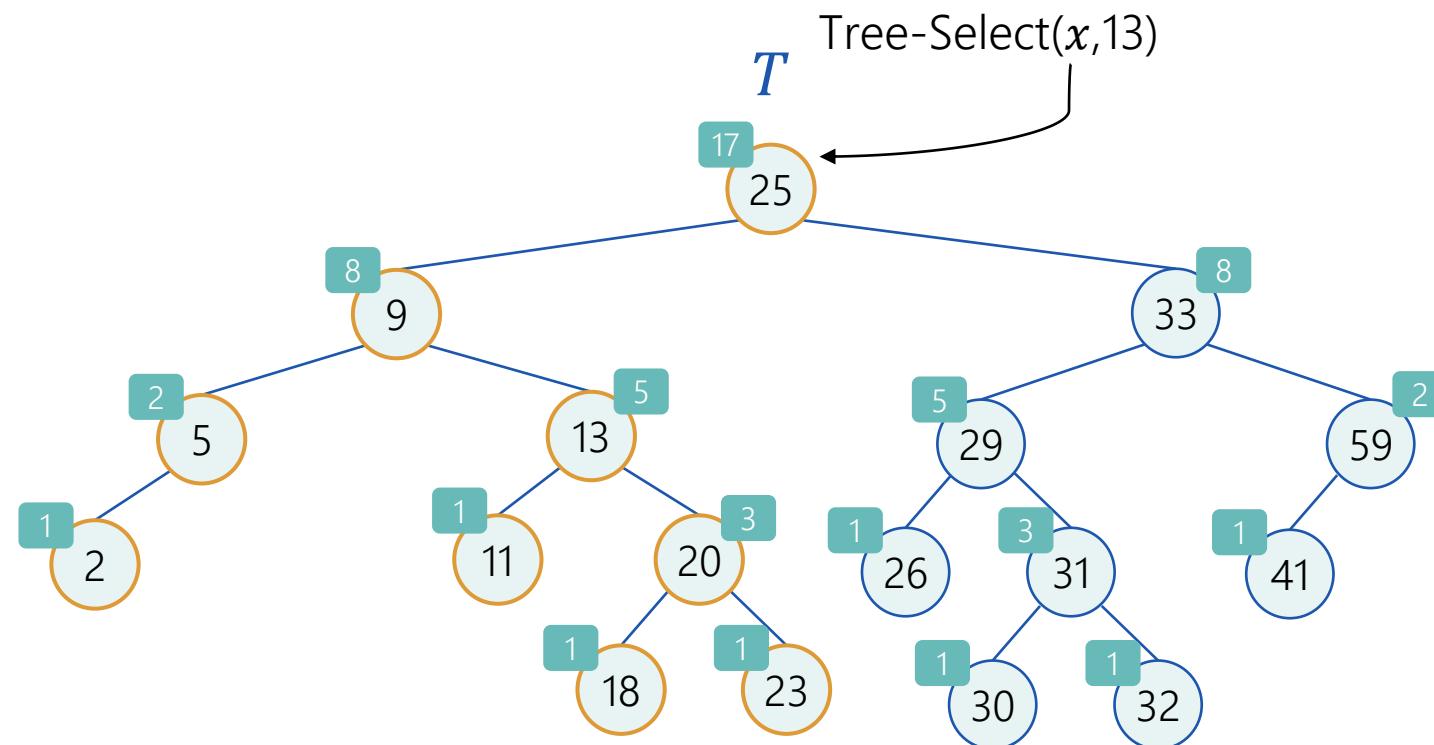
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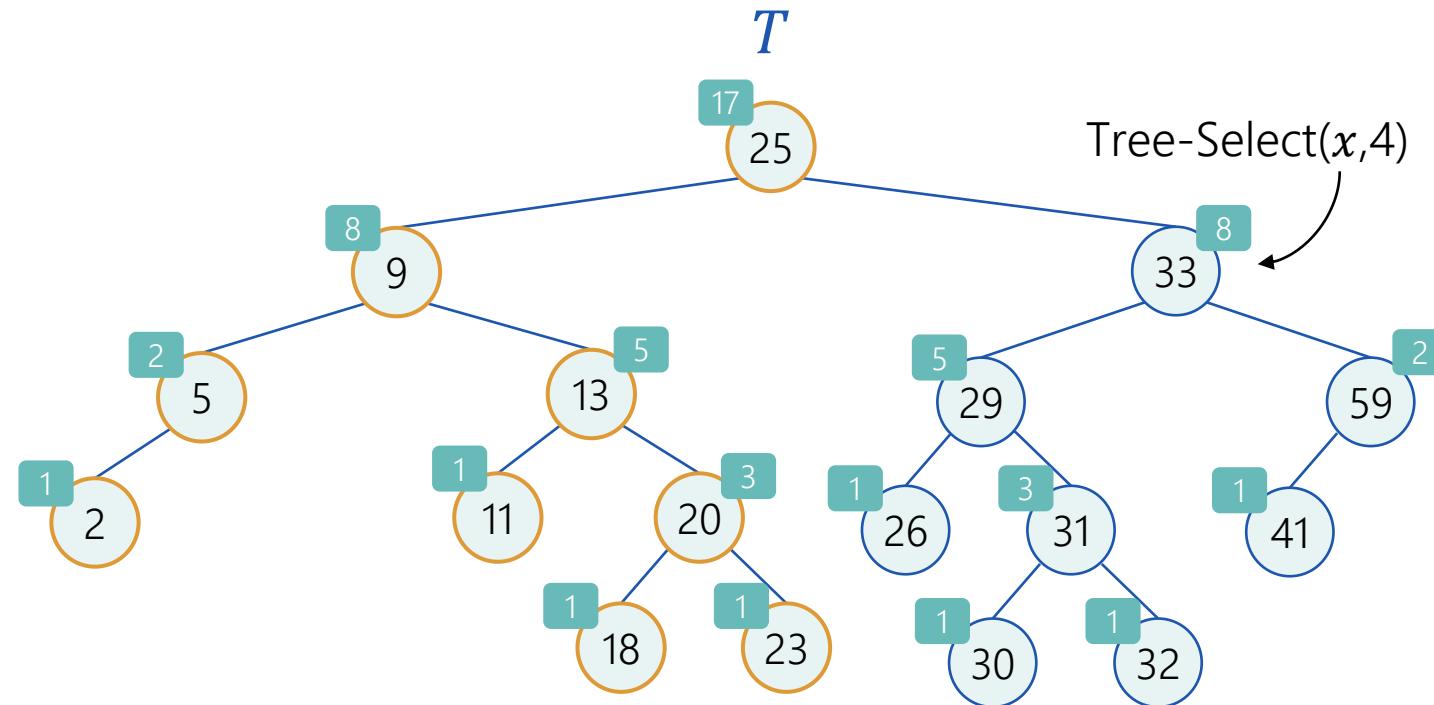


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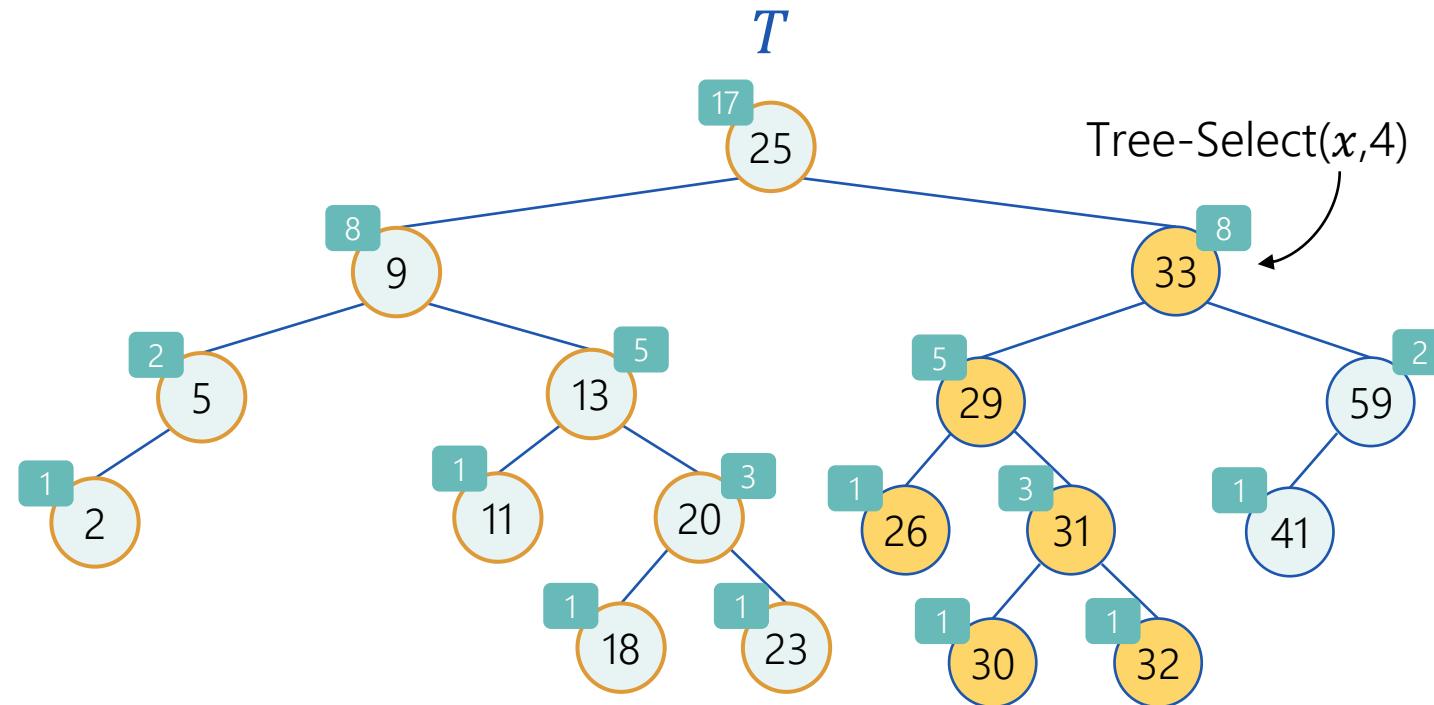


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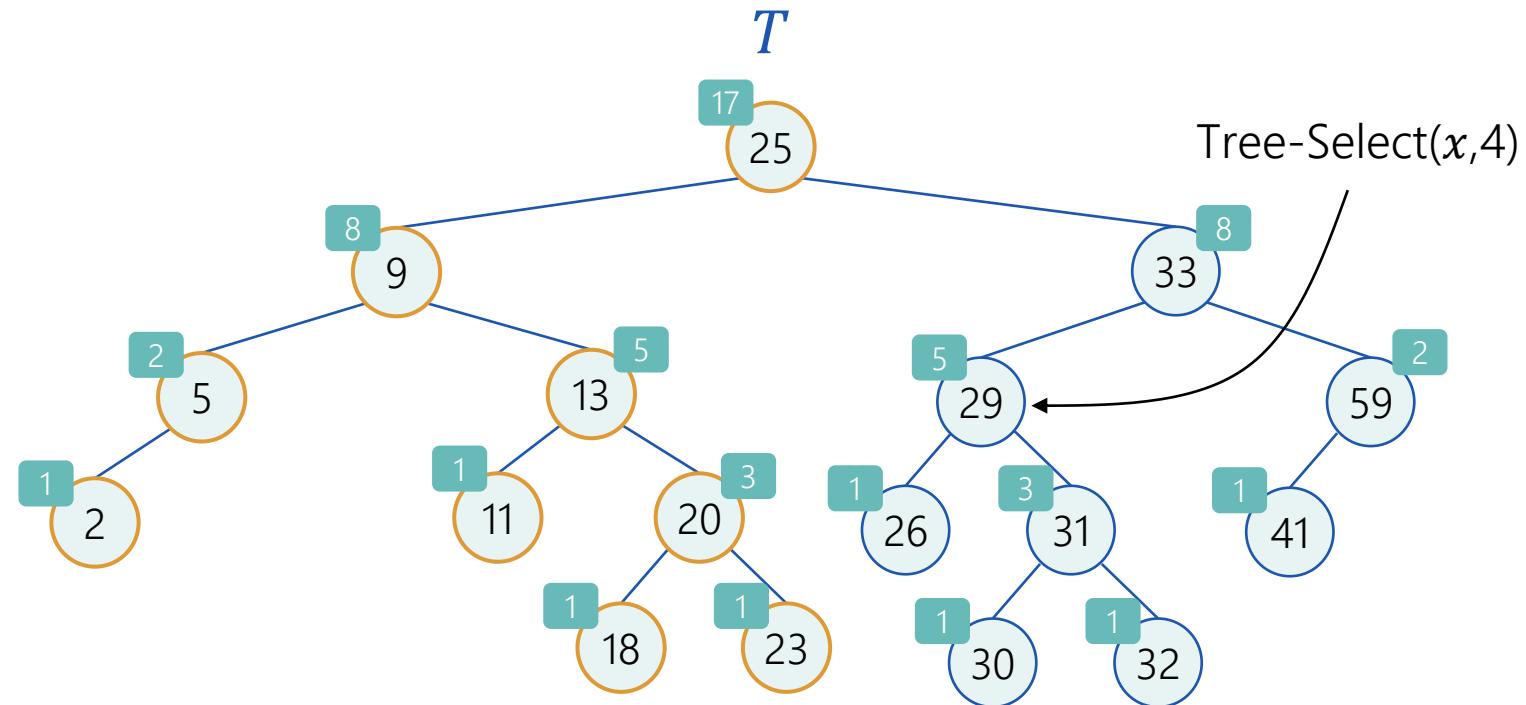


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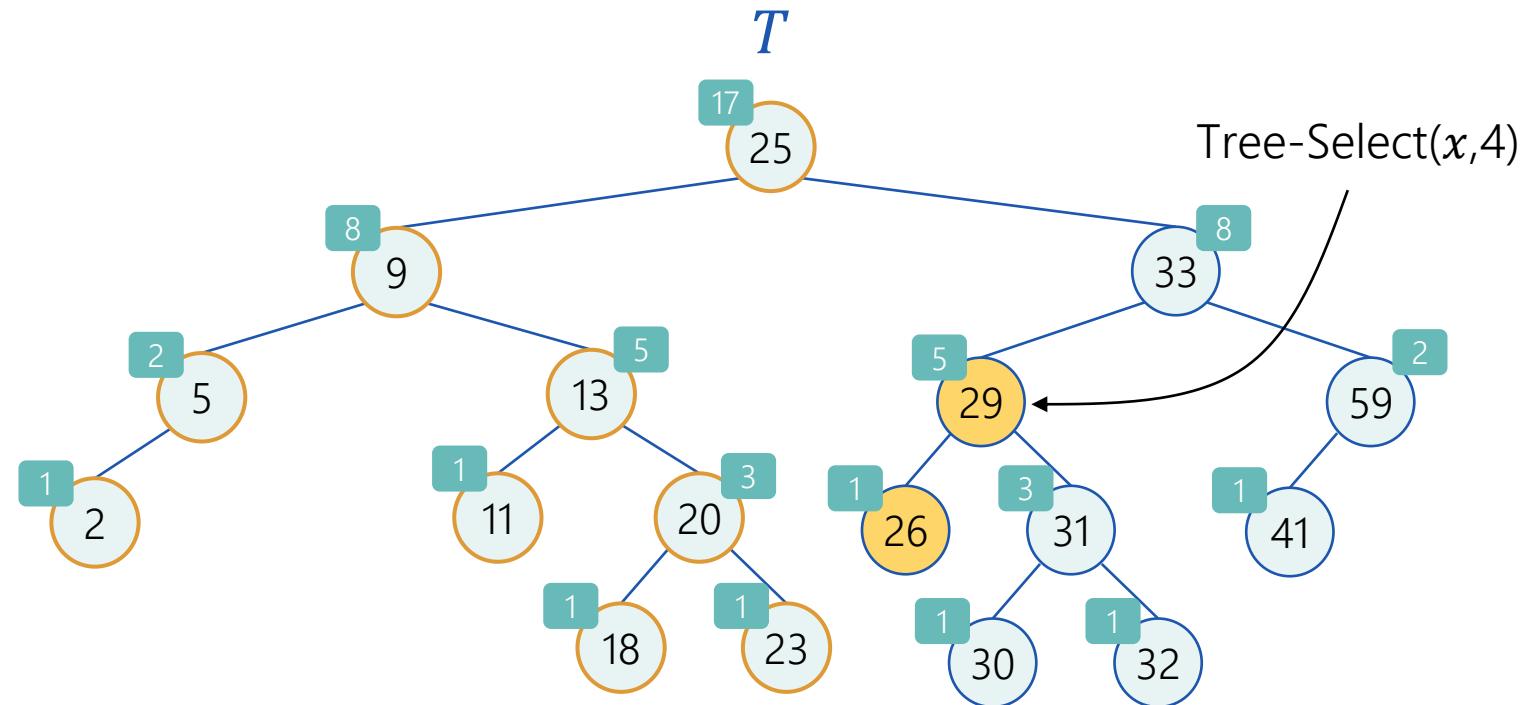


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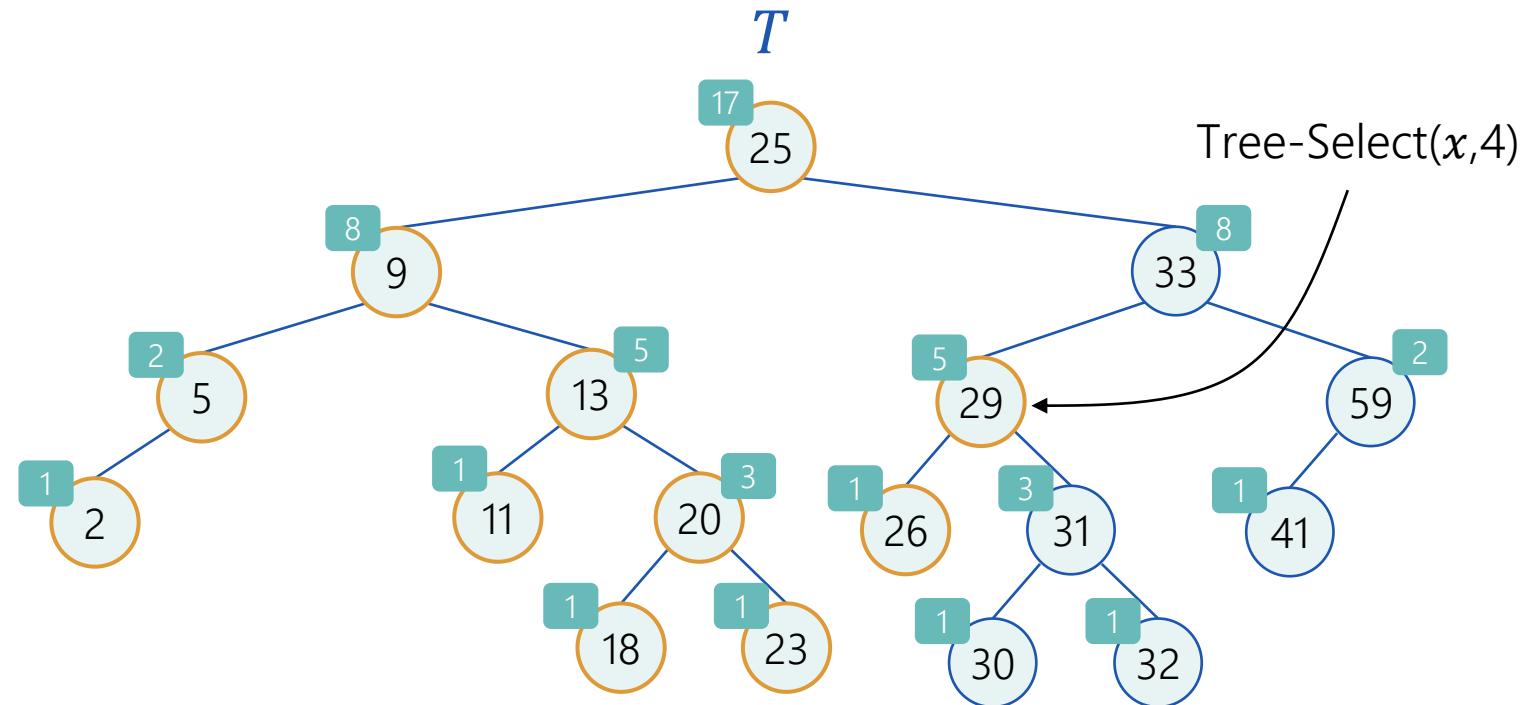


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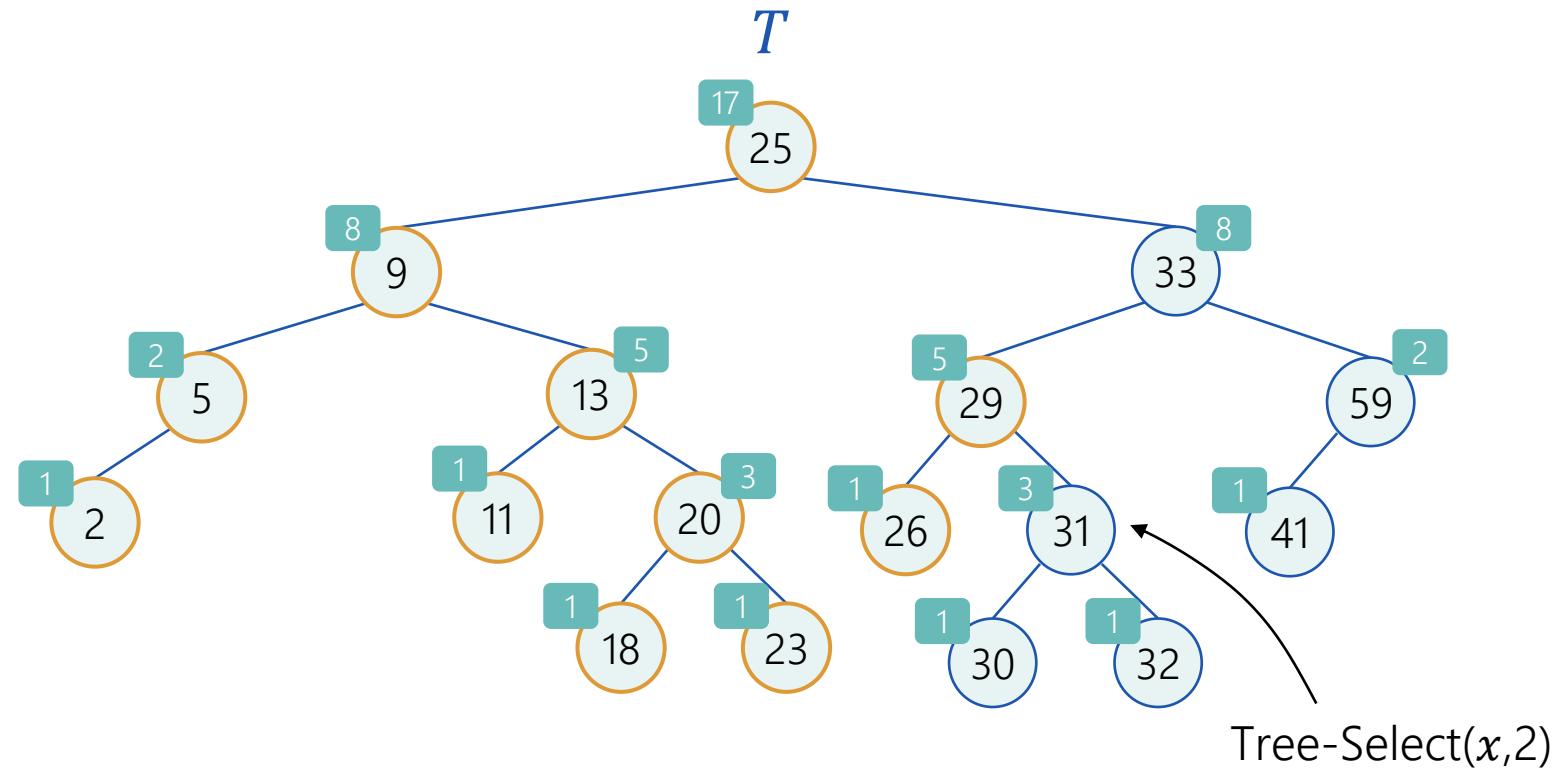
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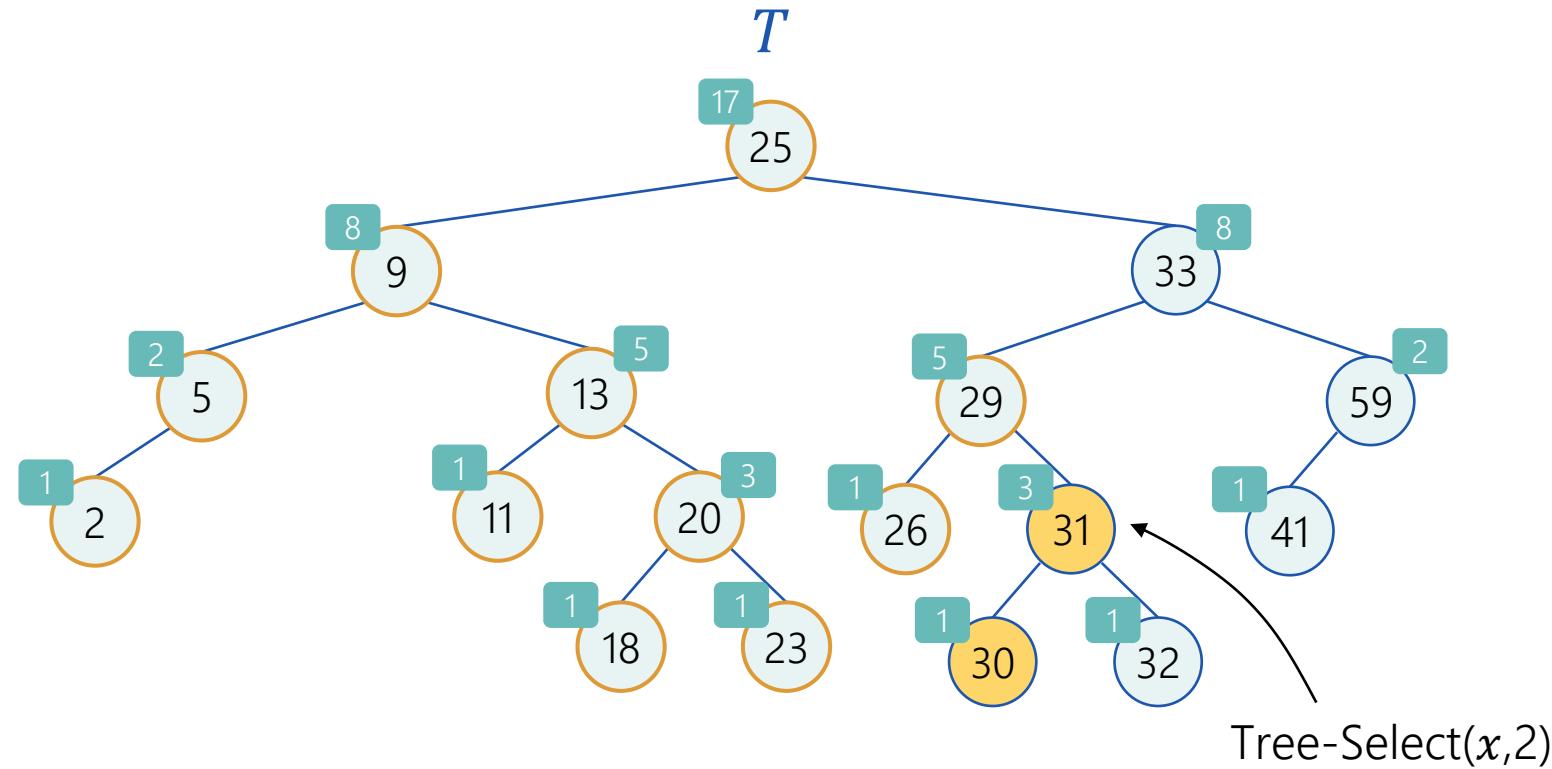
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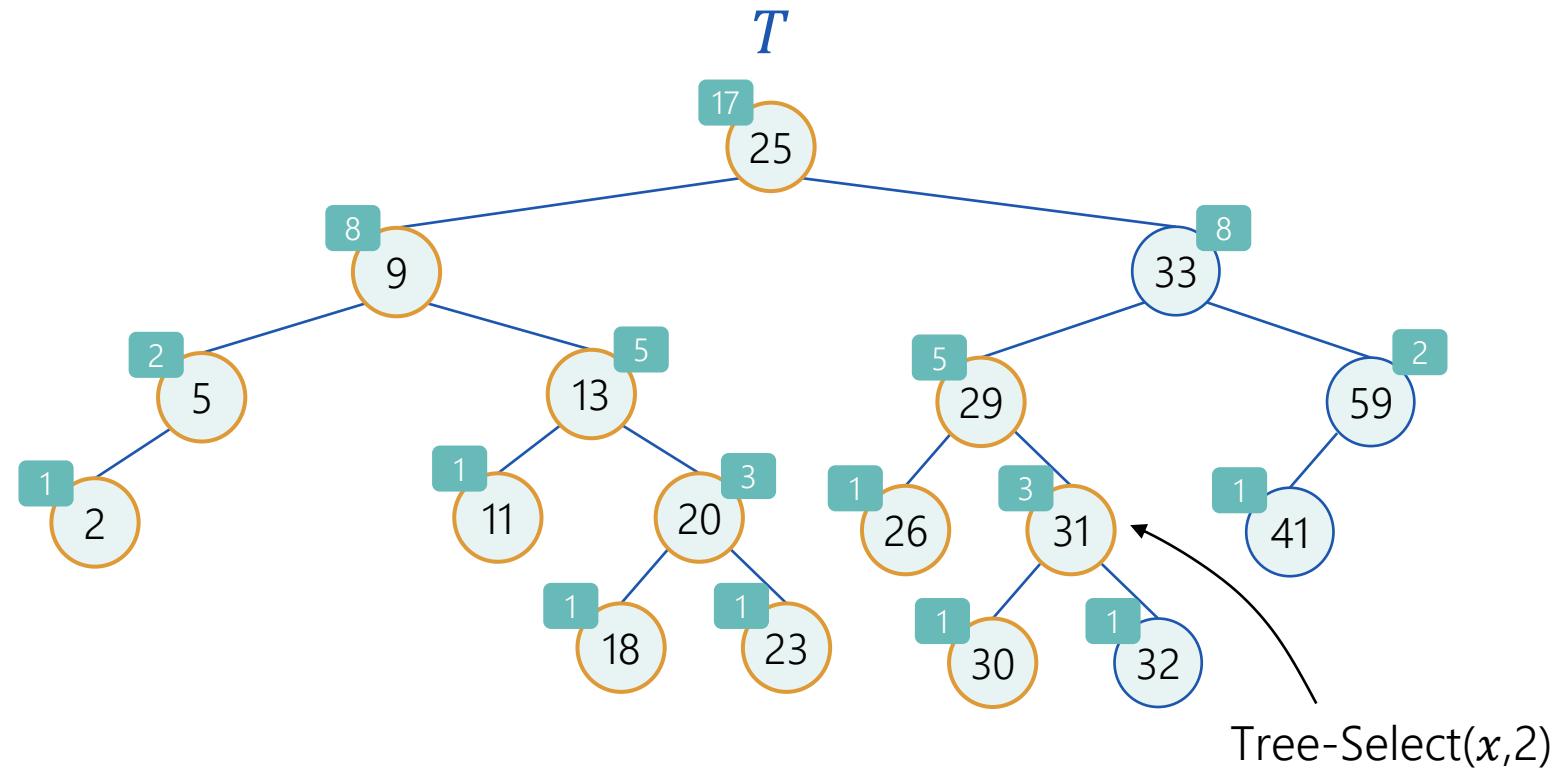
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Tree-Select

Example

Tree-Select($T, 13$)



Return 31

Tree-Select

The algorithm

Tree-Select(T, k)

1. $x \leftarrow T.root$
2. $r \leftarrow x.left.size + 1$
3. If $k = r$, then the root is the required element
4. Otherwise, if $k < r$, search for the k^{th} smallest item in the **left** subtree of the root
5. Otherwise ($k > r$), search for the $(k - r)^{\text{th}}$ smallest item in the **right** subtree of the root

Tree-Select

The Algorithm in Pseudo-Code

```
Function Tree-Select( $T, k$ )
```

1. **return** Tree-select-rec($T.root, k$)

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Function Tree-select-rec( $x, k$ )
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1. $r \rightarrow x.left.size + 1$
2. **if** $k = r$
 └ 2.1 **return** x
3. **else if** $k < r$
 └ 3.1 **return** Tree-Select-rec($x.left, k$)
4. **else return** Tree-Select-rec($x.right, k - r$)

Tree-Select

Complexity Analysis

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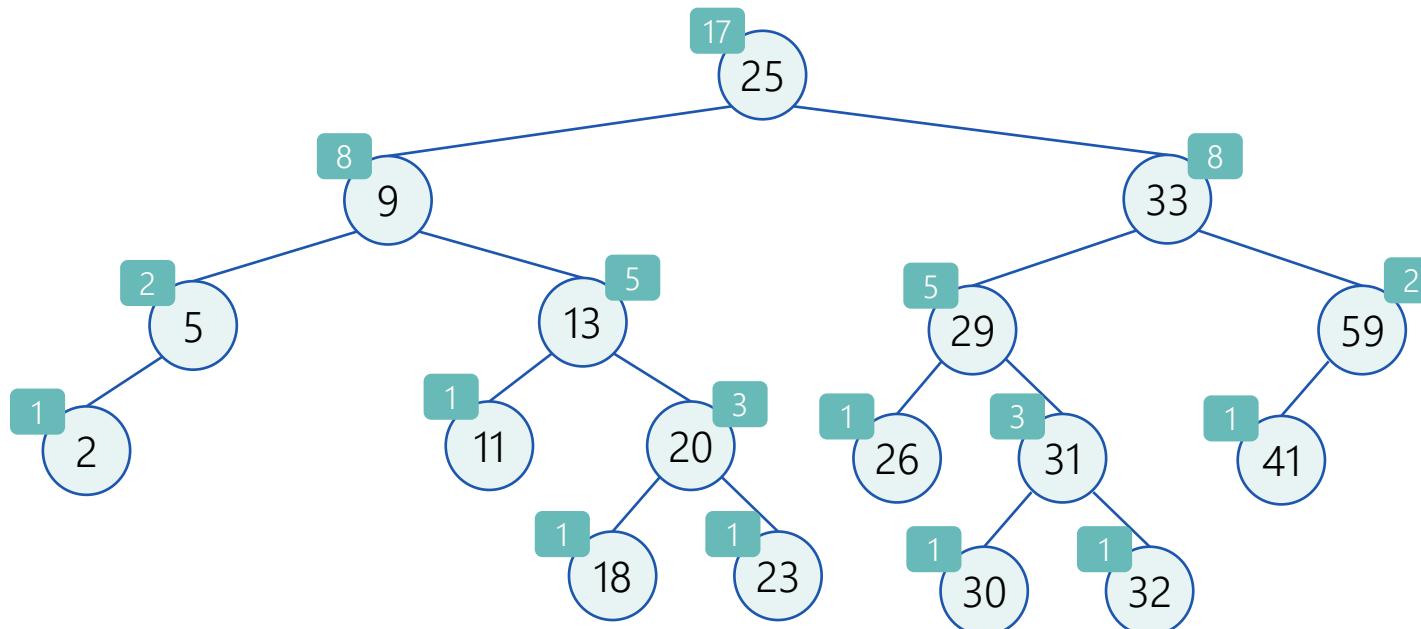
Additional Space Complexity *

Recursion stack- $O(\log n)$. However, an iterative version can be implemented, using $O(1)$ additional memory.

* Of course the size attribute requires $O(n)$ additional space

Tree-rank

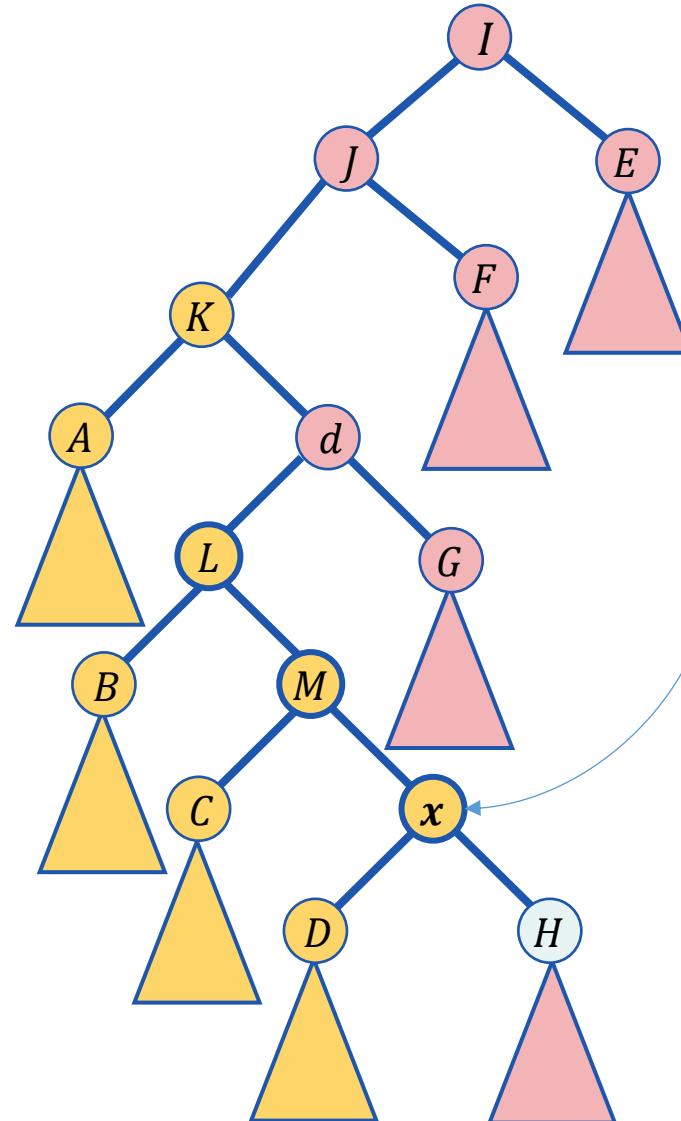
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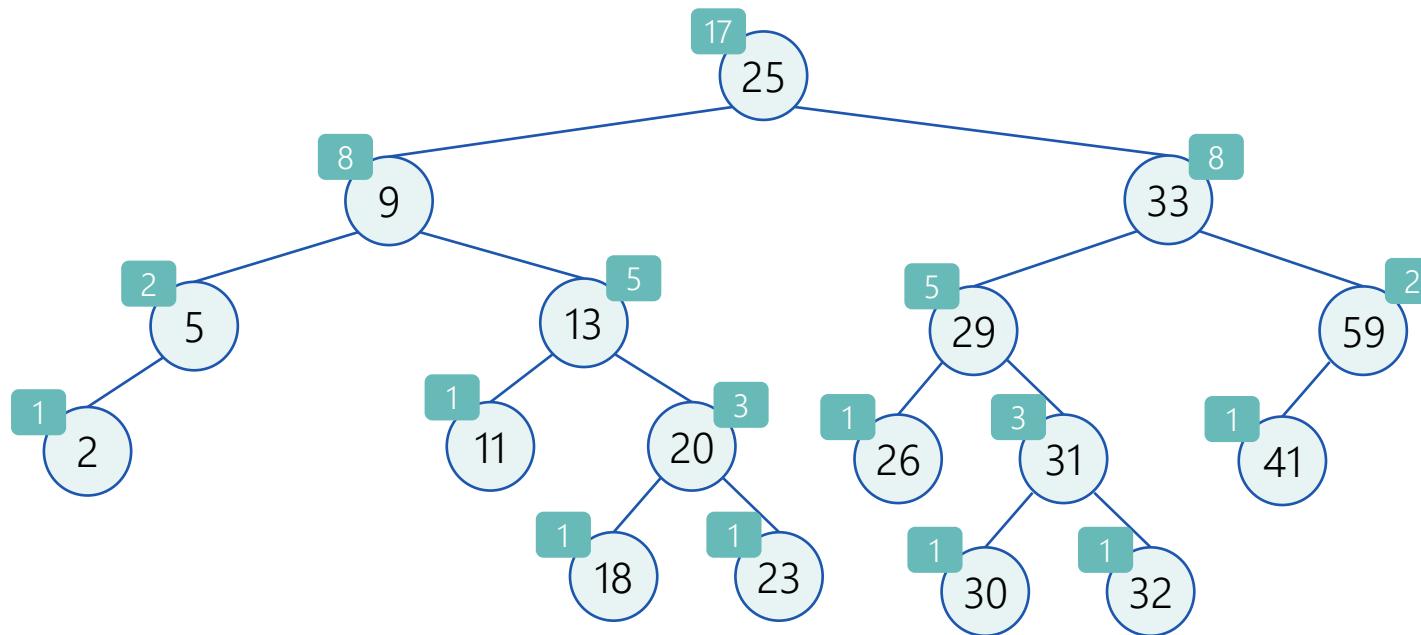
Tree-Rank Example



$$\text{Tree-Rank}(x) = \text{size}(D) + 1 + \text{size}(C) + 1 + \text{size}(B) + 1 + \text{size}(A) + 1$$

Tree-Rank

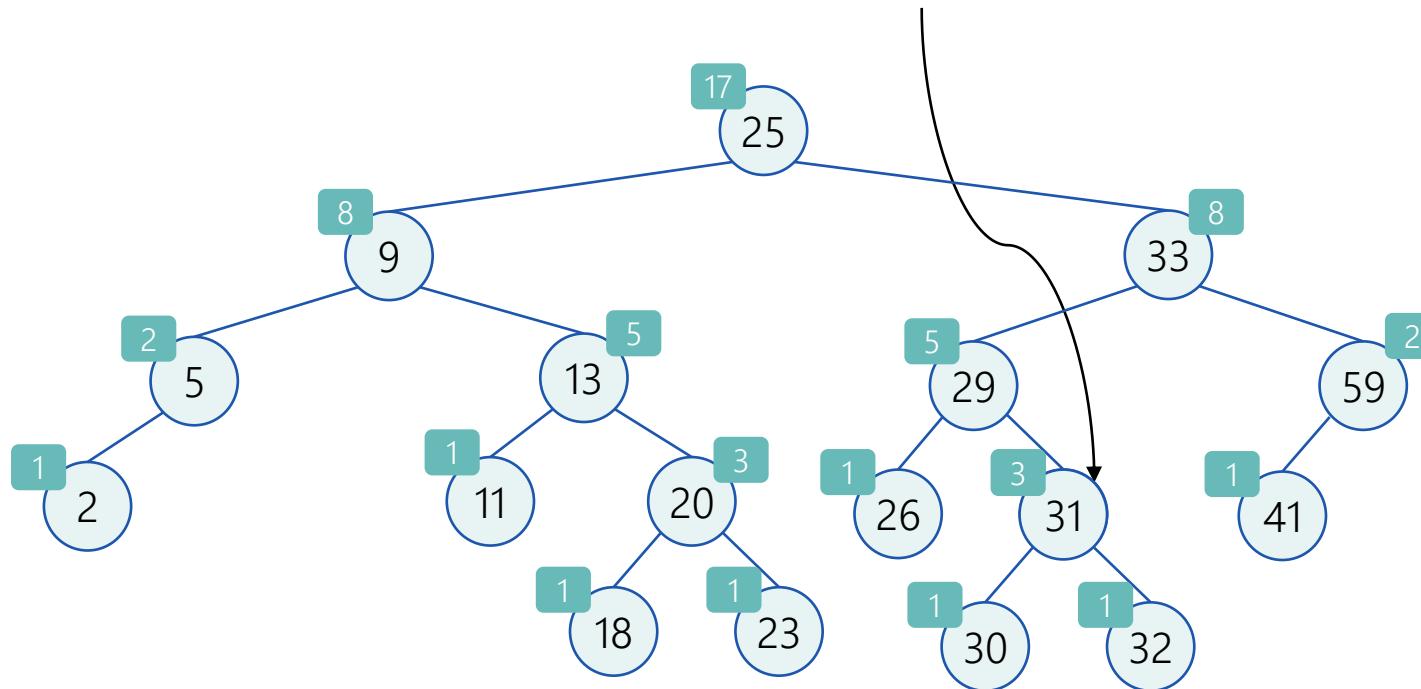
Given a pointer to a node, how can we find the node's rank in logarithmic time?



Tree-Rank Example

Tree-Rank(31)

Tree-Rank(x)



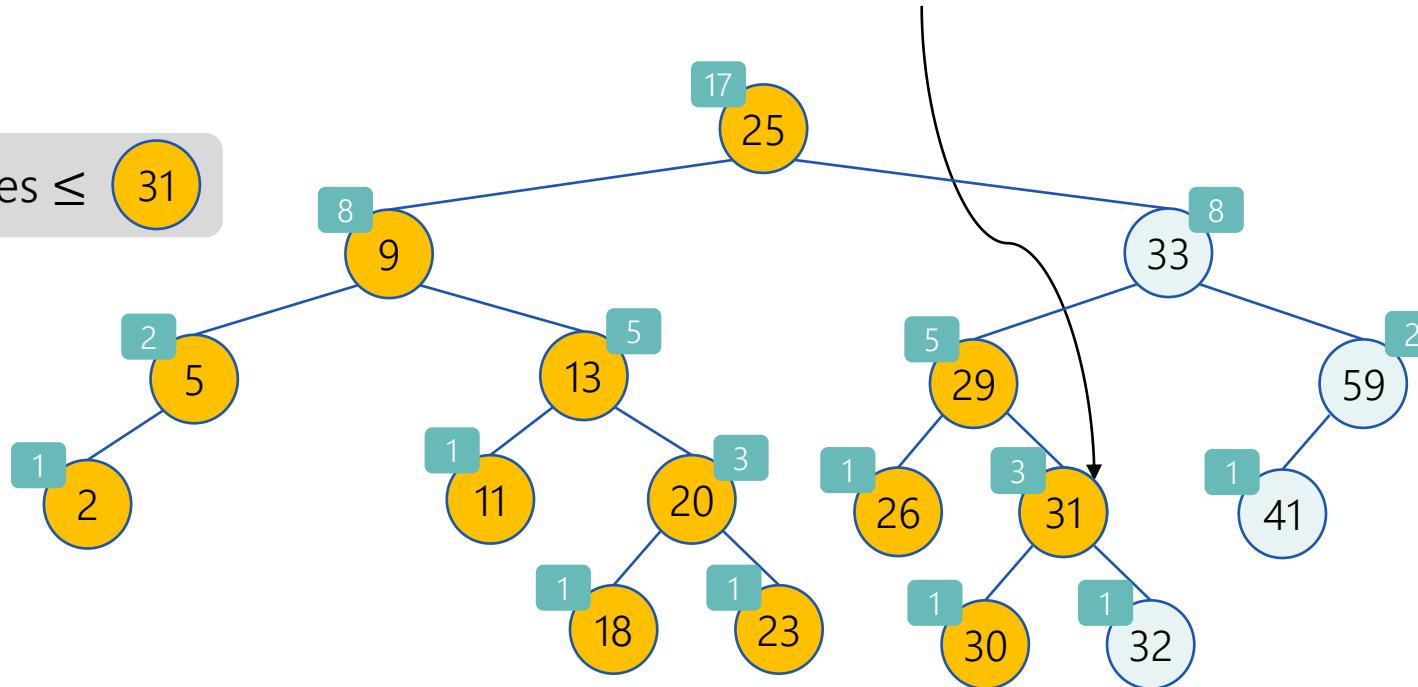
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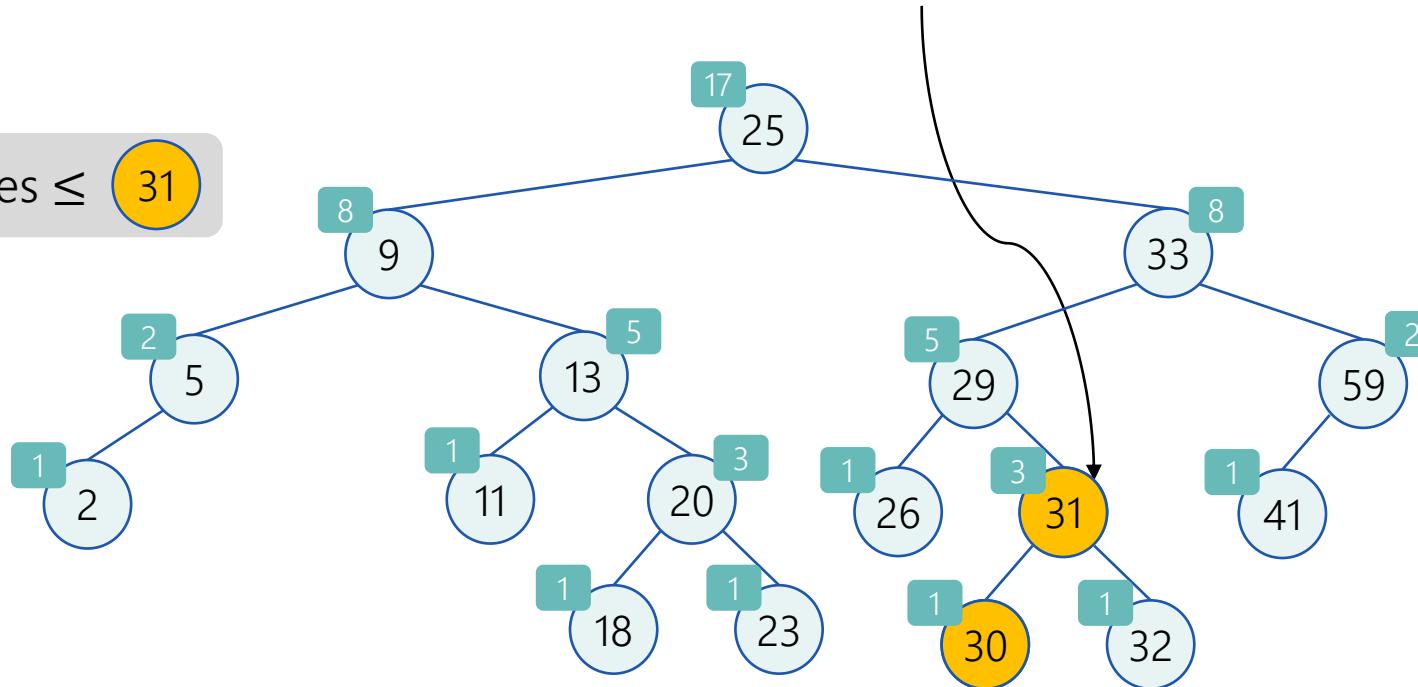
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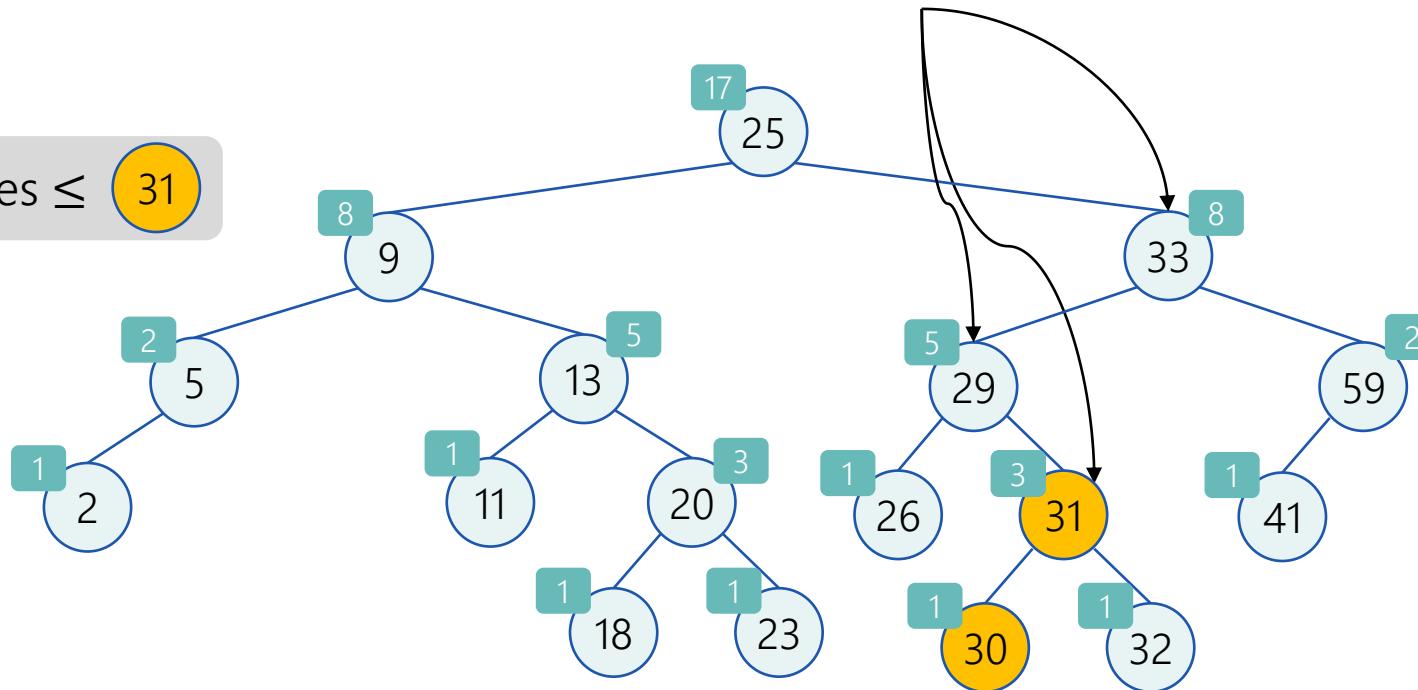
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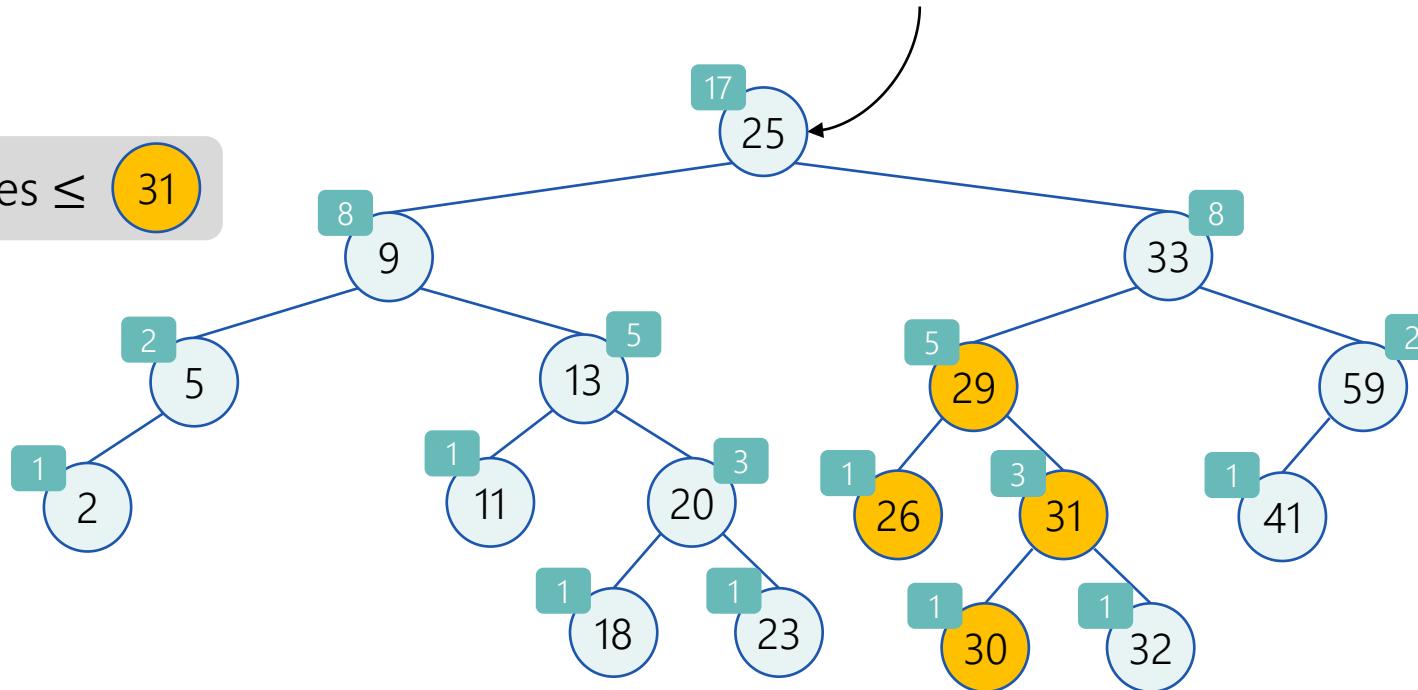
Example

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Tree-Rank(x)

0	0	4
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Tree-Rank

The algorithm

Tree-Rank(x)

1. Initialize a counter with the number of nodes in x 's left subtree, plus 1 (for x itself).
2. Go up to the root, and:
 - 2.1. Every time you go up **left** to a node y
add the number of nodes in y 's left subtree + 1
3. Return the final counter value

Tree-Rank

Pseudo-code

```
Function Tree-rank( $x$ )
```

```
     $r \leftarrow x.left.size + 1$ 
     $y \leftarrow x$ 
    while  $y \neq null$ 
        if  $y = y.parent.right$  #  $y$  is a right son
             $r \leftarrow r + y.parent.left.size + 1$ 
         $y \leftarrow y.parent$ 
    return  $r$ 
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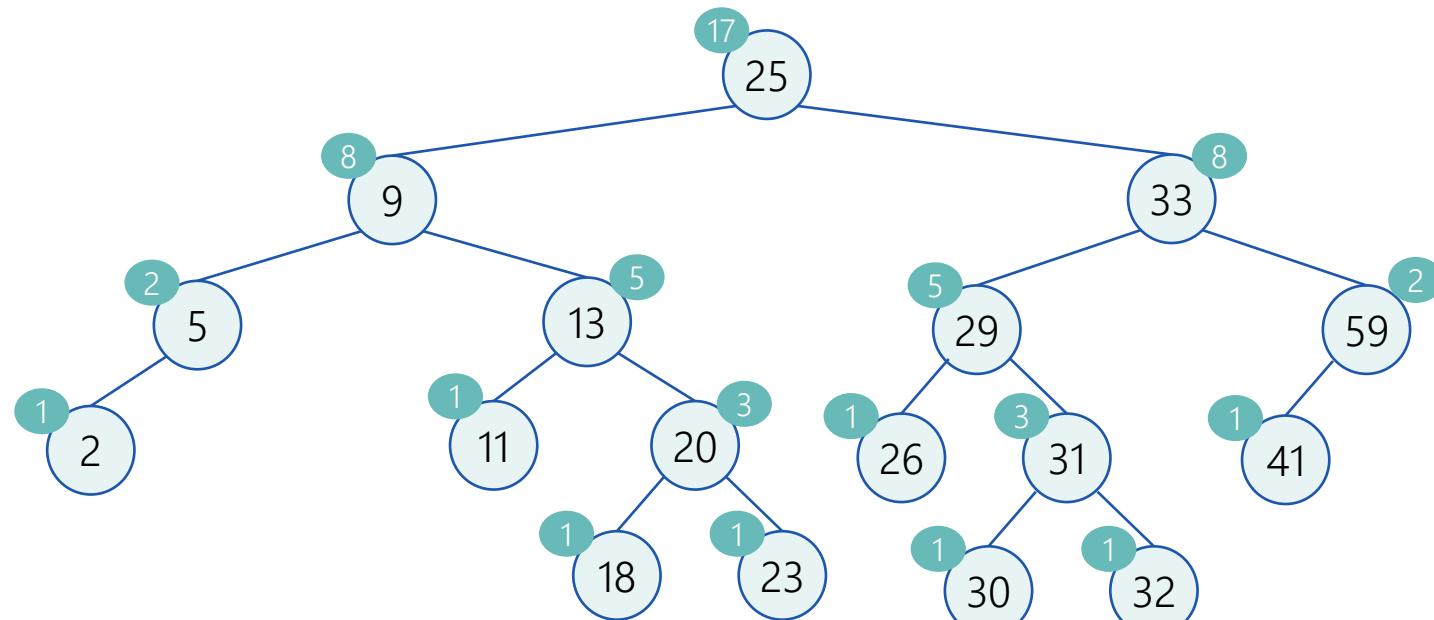
Additional Space Complexity

$O(1)$ assuming parent pointers exist

Rank Trees Insertion and Deletion

How to Maintain *size* During Insertion and Deletion?

Rank Trees



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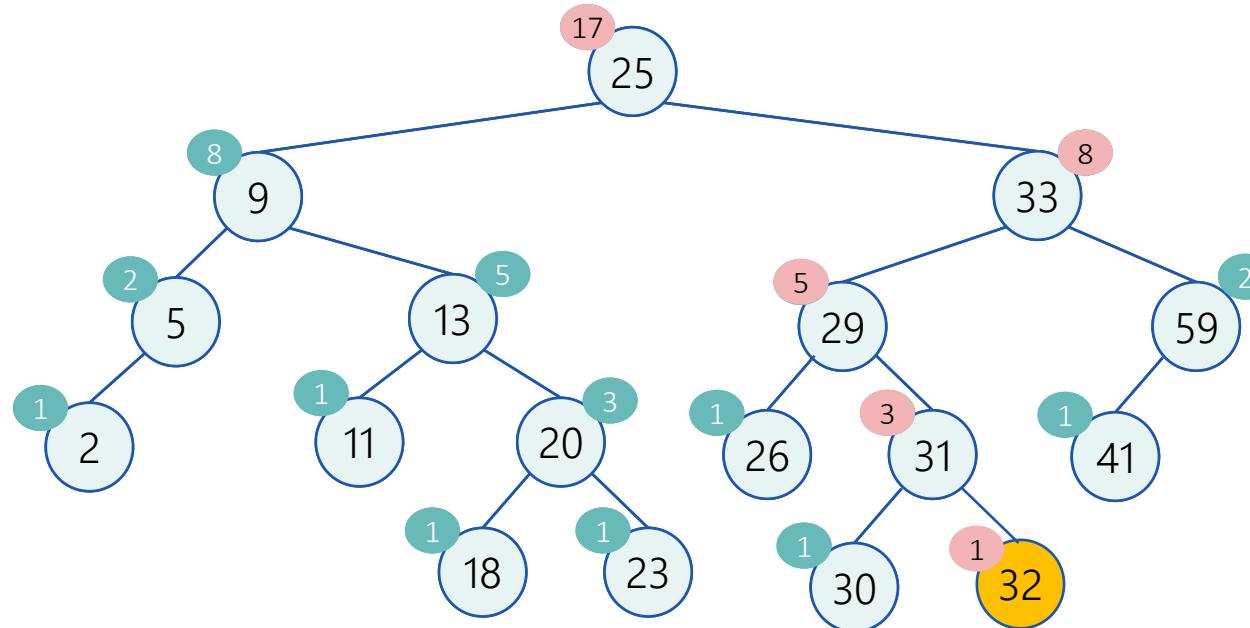
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Maintaining the *size* Attribute After Insert and Delete

- So far, we've seen how adding the *size* attribute enables us to implement select and rank operations in logarithmic time.
- However, we now have to prove that after insert or delete, we can update the *size* attribute without increasing the complexity of these operations.

Maintaining the *size* Attribute After Insert

Tree-Insert($T, 32$)



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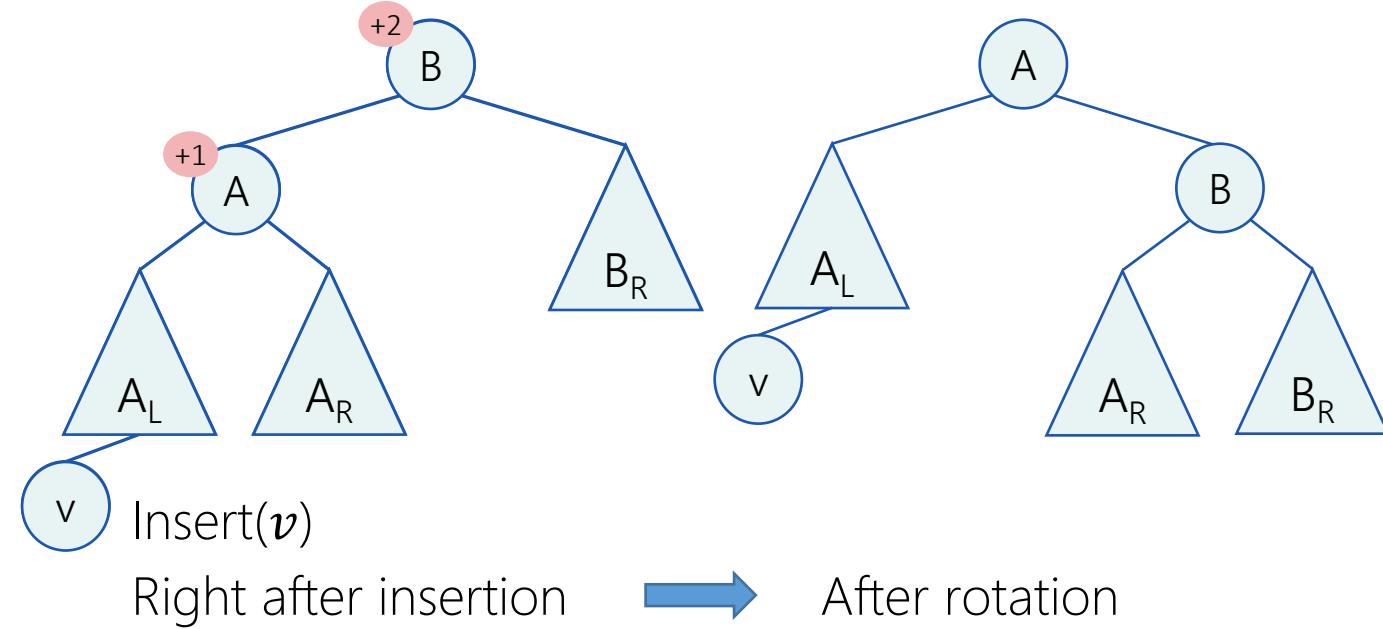
So for each node v on the path from the inserted node to the root:

$$v.size += 1$$

Is this all?

No! maybe we had a rotation.

Other rotations similar



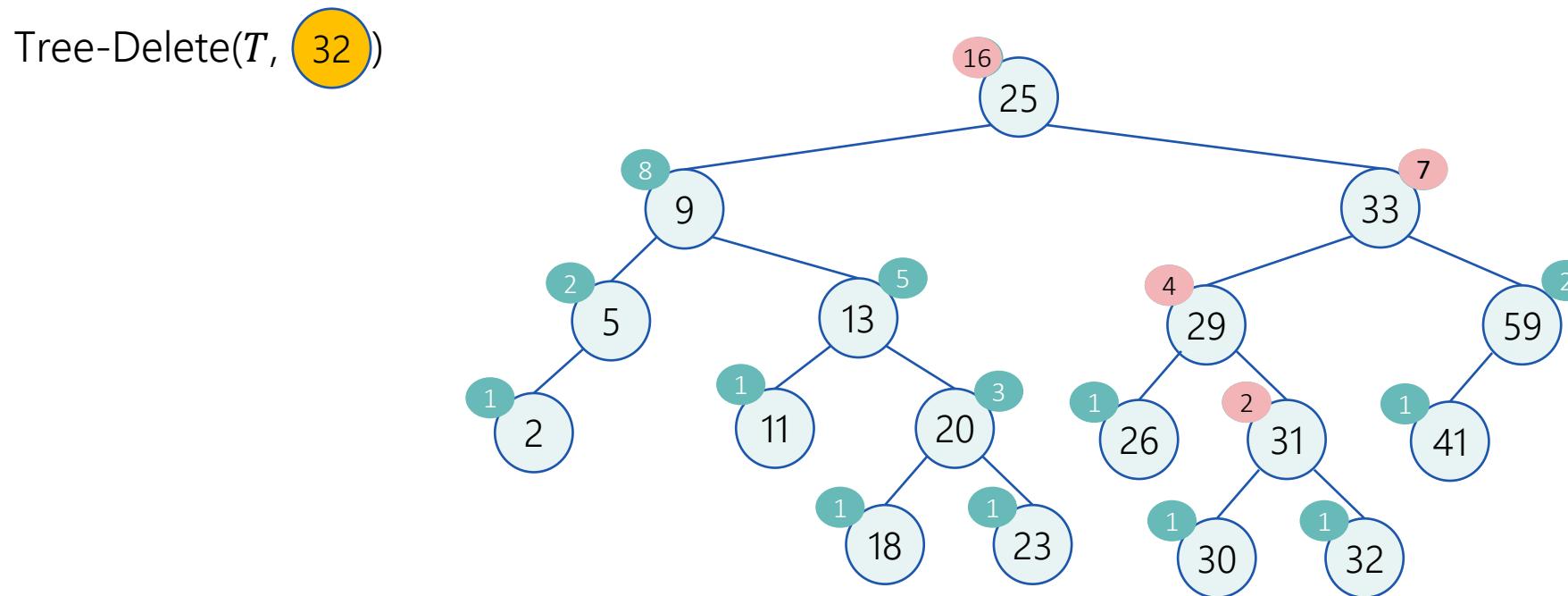
Function Right-Rotation

... (update required pointers)

$A.size \leftarrow B.size$

$B.size \leftarrow B.left.size + B.right.size + 1$

Maintaining the *size* Attribute After Delete



Maintaining the *size* Attribute After Delete

So for each node v on the path from the **physically** deleted node to the root:

$v.size -= 1$

Plus correct *size* of nodes involved in rotations.

Extending Data Structures

Sum-Up

Let's sum-up what we just did:

We wanted to implement an ADT (dictionary + Select + Rank), all operations in logarithmic time.
No previous data structure (or a combination of some) suffices.

For this:

1. We chose a familiar data structure as an infrastructure
2. We extended it by adding extra information
3. We showed how to implement the new operations
4. We proved time complexity of dynamic operations remains the same

AVL

size

Tree-Select, Tree-Rank

Insert, Delete

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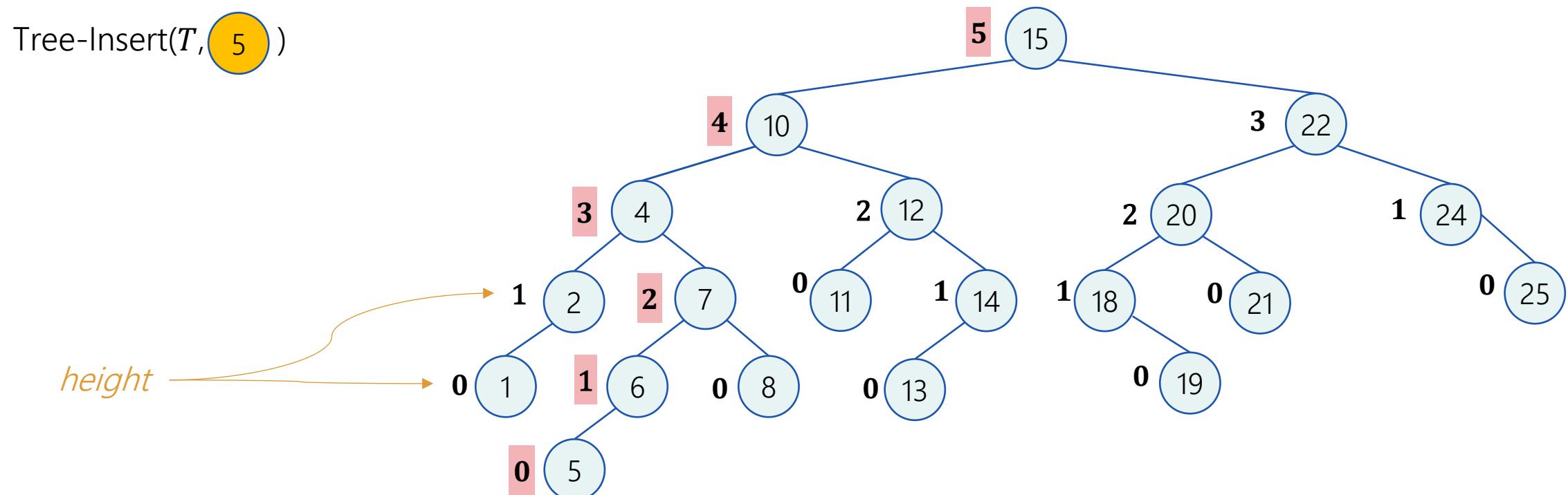
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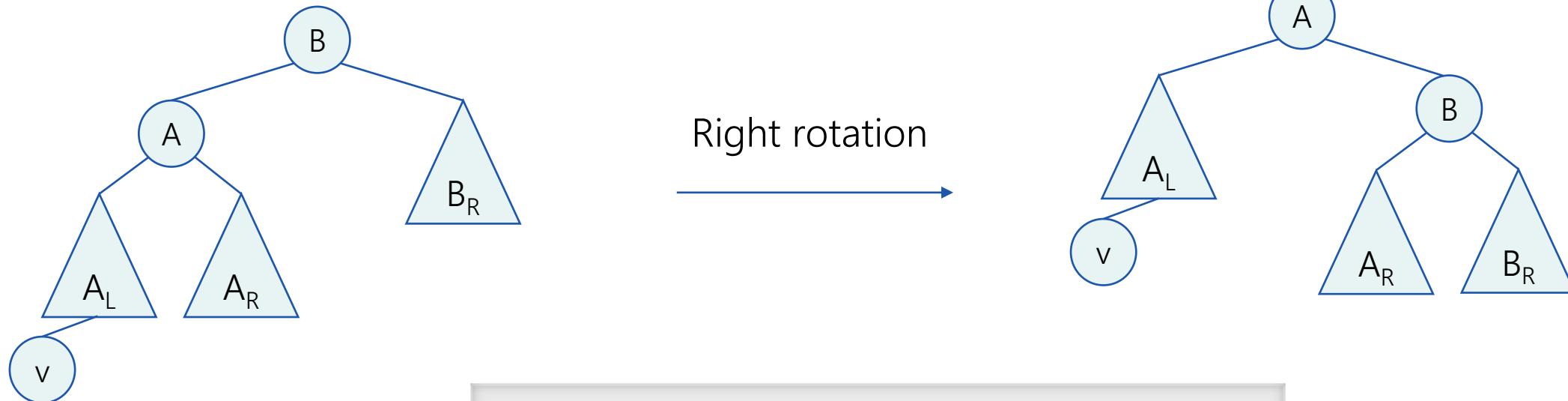
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Maintaining *Height* During Insertions



Maintaining *Height* During Rotations

For example:



Function Right-Rotation

...

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B.height ← 1 + max(B.left.height, B.right.height)  
A.height ← 1 + max(A.left.height, A.right.height)
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Other rotations similar

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Answer:

Yes. The height of a node depends only on the heights of its children.

- Therefore it's possible to update this during the fix-up stage of insertion/deletion (each node along the path from the inserted/deleted node up-to the root requires $O(1)$ extra time).
- Furthermore, there's a constant number of nodes whose height is changing during rotations.

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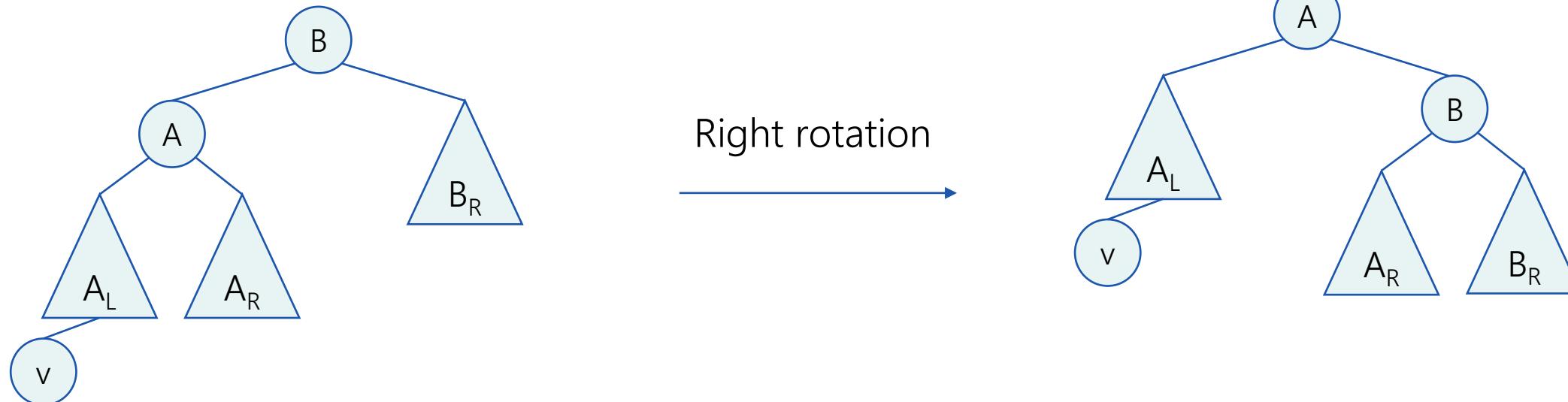
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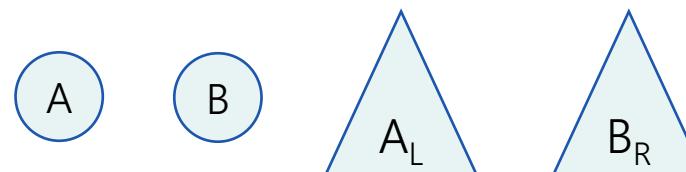
No. there can be scenarios in which the *depth* attribute of $\Theta(n)$ nodes needs to be updated.

Maintaining Depth During Rotations may Require $\Theta(n)$ time

For example:



Depths change:



Which Attributes Can Be Maintained Efficiently in a Balanced Tree?

Theorem

Let f be an attribute that extends an AVL tree T with n nodes.

If the information maintained in a certain node (including its f attribute) can be computed merely from its direct children,

then we can maintain f values after insertion/deletion within the $O(\log n)$ time complexity of these operations.

Note: the theorem mentions only a sufficient condition, not a necessary one.

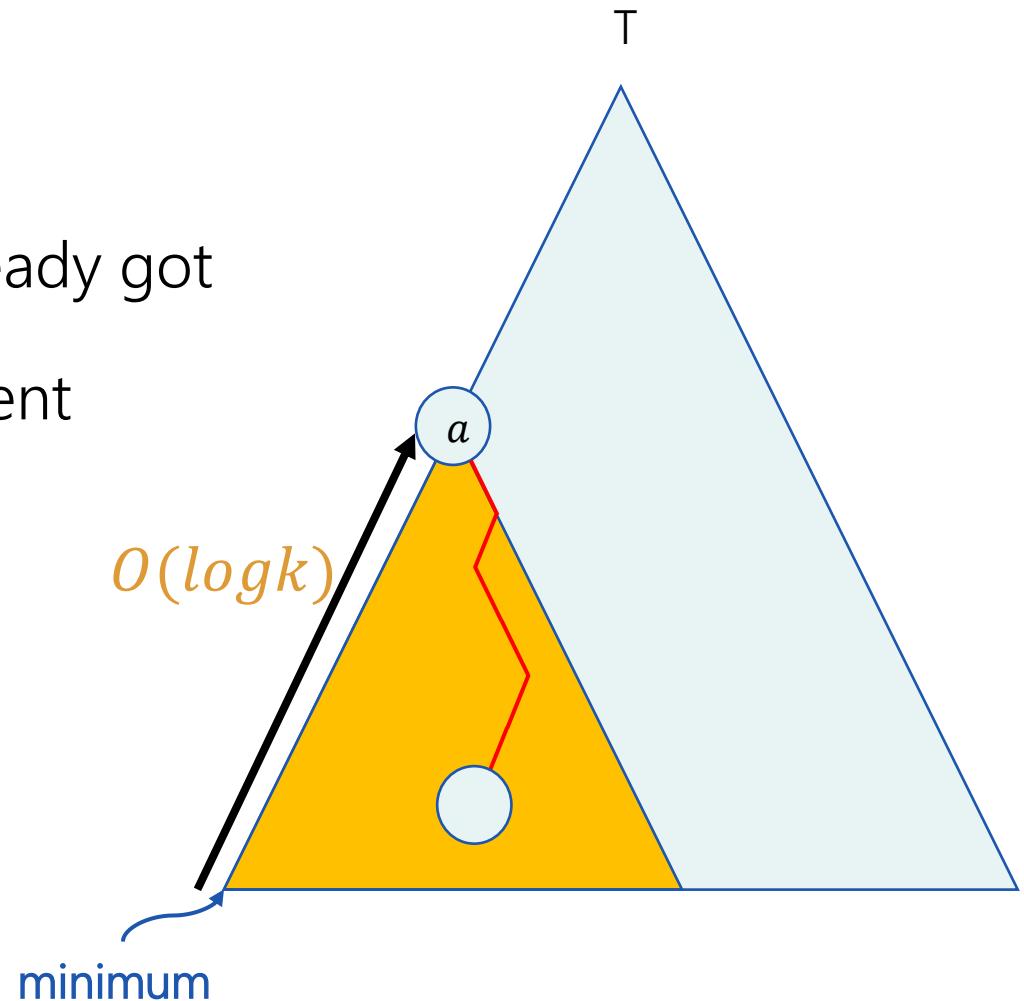
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- Rank tree + pointer to the **minimum** element
(update it in insert/delete!)
- Go up until subtree has at least k nodes
Denote this node a ($a.size \geq k$)
- Call Tree-Select(a, k)
- Complexity? $O(\log k)$



Joining and Splitting AVL Trees

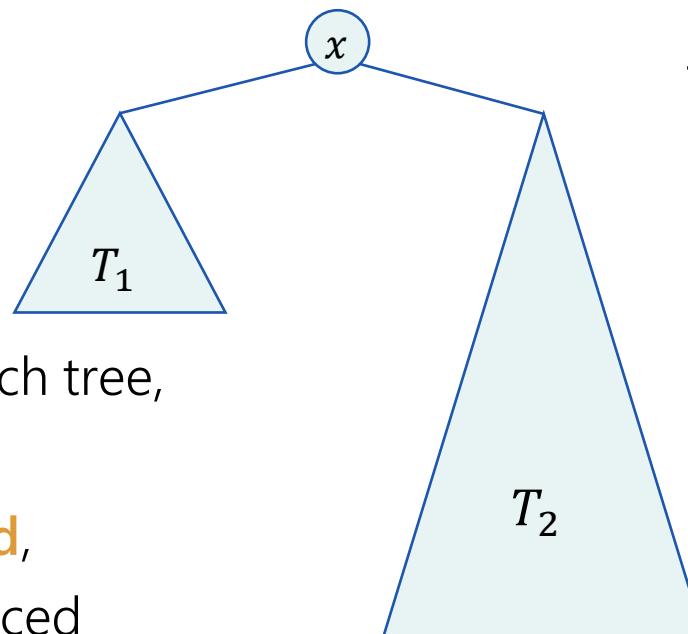
Joining Trees

Joining Two AVL's

Suppose that for all nodes $x_1 \in T_1$ and $x_2 \in T_2$
 $x_1.\text{key} < x.\text{key} < x_2.\text{key}$

} " $T_1 < x < T_2$ "

Join(T_1, x, T_2) in $O(1)$

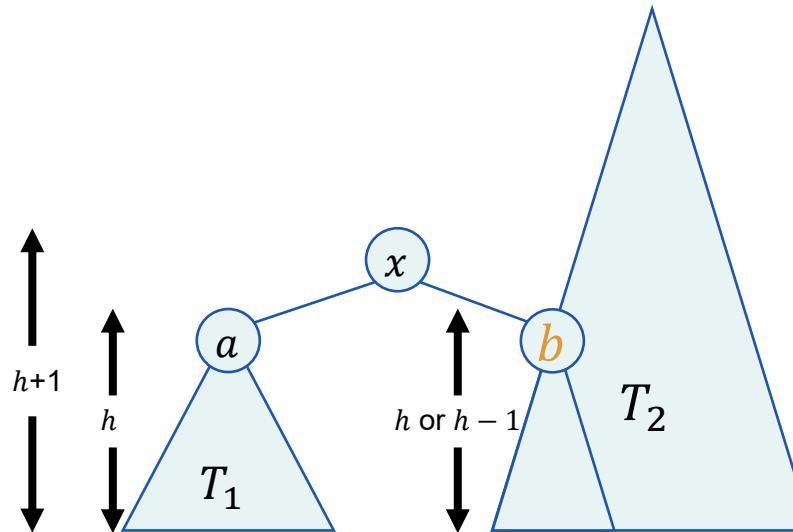


The tree formed is a valid search tree,
but
may be **very unbalanced**,
even if T_1 and T_2 are balanced

Joining Two AVL Trees Efficiently, Maintaining Balance

$\text{Join}(T_1, x, T_2)$ when " $T_1 < x < T_2$ "

Assume $\text{height}(T_1) \leq \text{height}(T_2)$



Idea: $x.\text{right}$ will be a subtree of T_2 of similar height as T_1

Denote $\text{height}(T_1) = h$

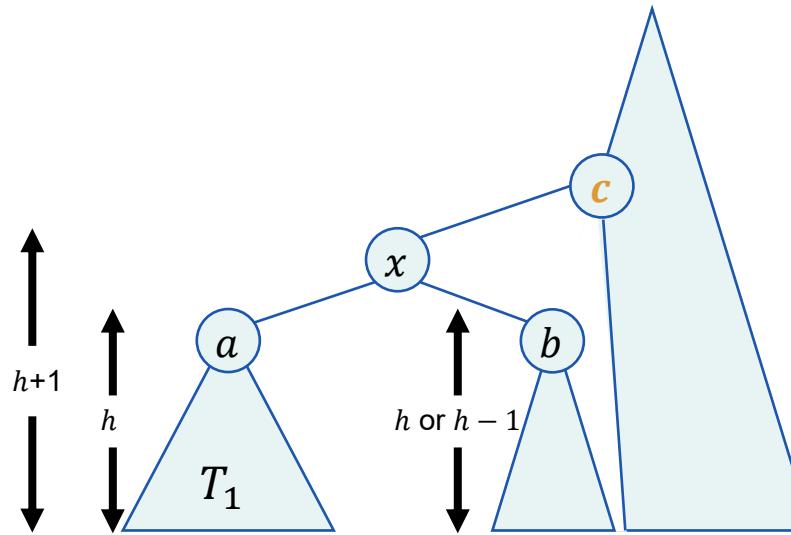
b – first vertex on the left spine of T_2 with $\text{height} \leq h$

$\text{height}(b) = h$ or $h - 1$

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Attach x to b 's former parent (denoted c)

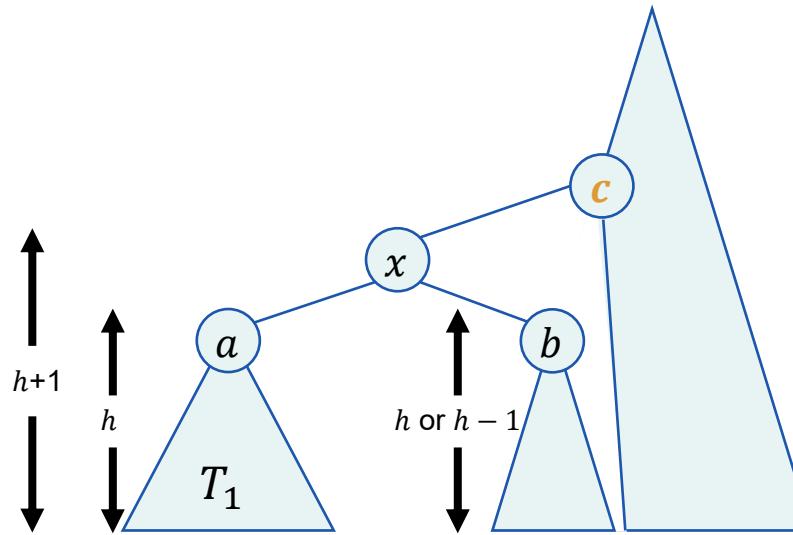
Do rebalancing from x upwards, if needed

(consider all possible cases for c 's new BF and height)

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$O(\log n)$ time

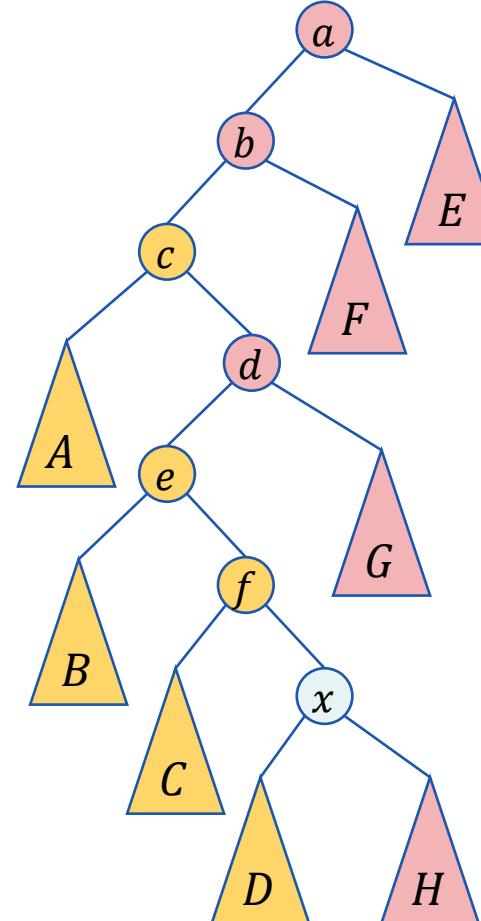
And even $O(\text{height}(T_2) - \text{height}(T_1) + 1)$ time

(if heights maintained explicitly, so we can find b while going down)

Splitting Trees

Splitting AVL (by Joins)

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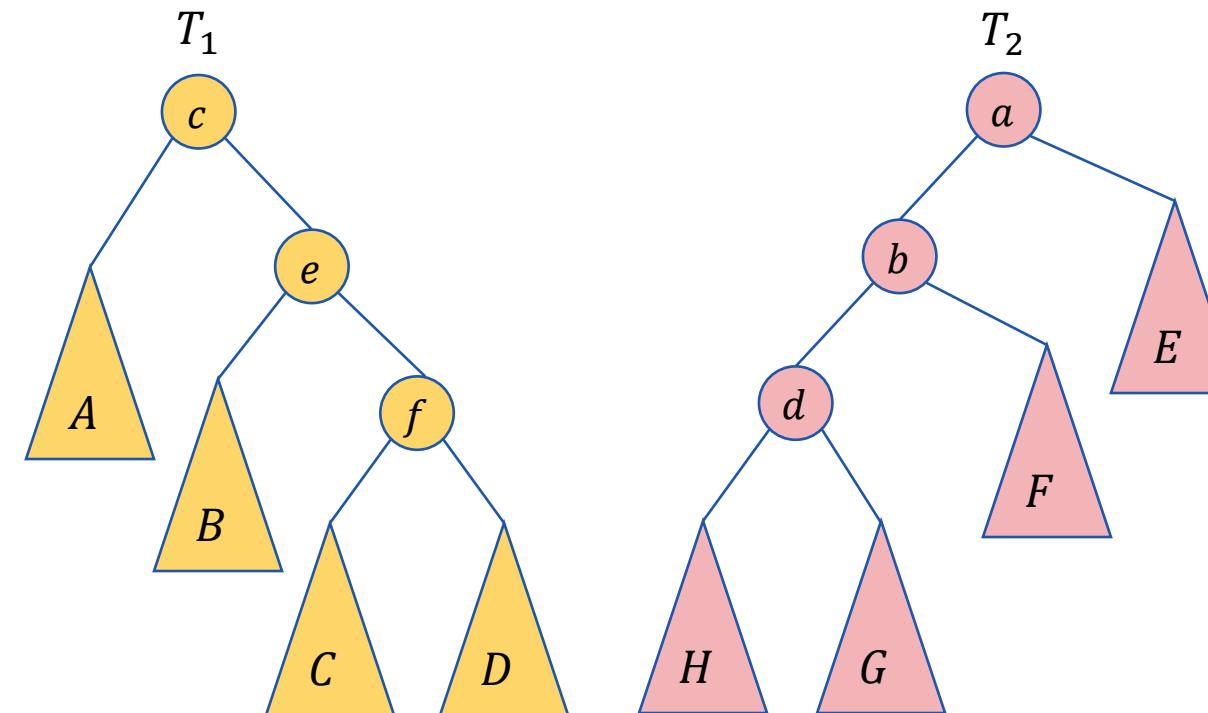
Time:

Using simple joins in $O(1)$:

$O(\log n)$, balance may break

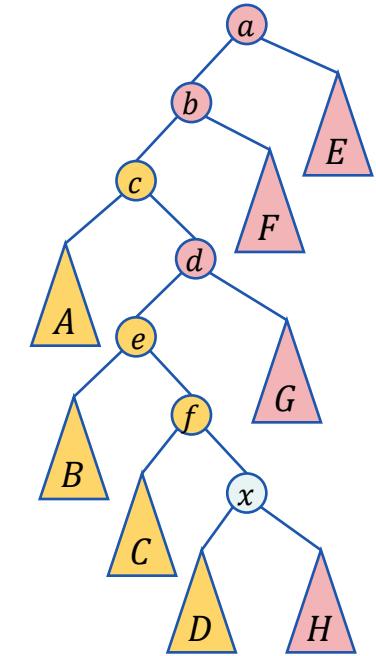
Using smart joins (figure here
does not show it): $O(\log^2 n)$,
balance maintained.

But...



$$T_1 = \text{Join}(A, c, \text{Join}(B, e, \text{Join}(C, f, D)))$$

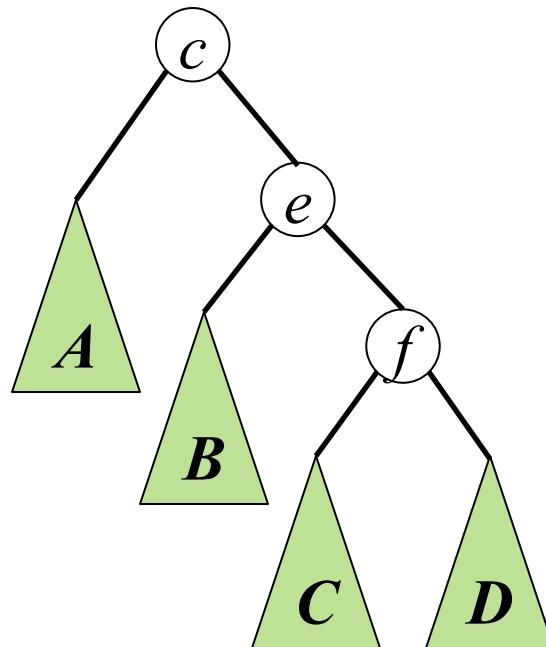
$$T_2 = \text{Join}(\text{Join}(\text{Join}(H, d, G), b, F), a, E)$$



Splitting with efficient joins

Suppose we need to join T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k

Claim: $\text{height}(T_1) \leq \text{height}(T_2) \leq \dots \leq \text{height}(T_k)$

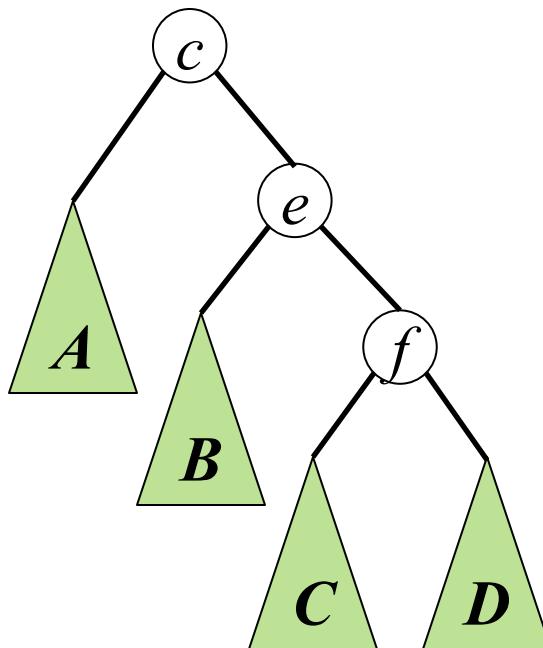


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Claim: $\text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_i)) \leq \text{height}(T_i) + c$

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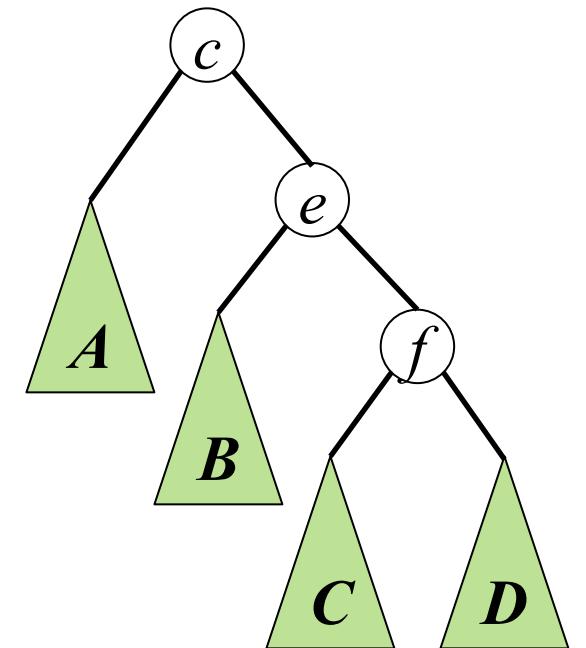
We prove $\text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_i)) \leq \text{height}(\text{parent}(T_i))$.

Base case $i=2$,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, T_2)) &\leq \max\{\text{height}(T_1), \text{height}(T_2)\} + 1 = \\ \text{height}(T_2) + 1 &\leq \text{height}(\text{parent}(T_2)).\end{aligned}$$

Assume correctness for $< i$ and

$$\begin{aligned}\text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_i)) &\leq \\ \max\{\text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1}), \text{height}(T_i)\} + 1 &\leq \\ \max\{\text{height}(\text{parent}(T_{i-1})), \text{height}(T_i)\} + 1 &\leq \\ \max\{\text{height}(\text{parent}(T_i))-1, \text{height}(\text{parent}(T_i))-1\} + 1 &= \\ \text{height}(\text{parent}(T_i)).\end{aligned}$$



Splitting with efficient joins

Claim:

$$| \text{height}(T_i) - \text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1})) | \leq \text{height}(T_i) + c - \text{height}(T_{i-1})$$

Proof:

If $\text{height}(T_i) \geq \text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1}))$:

$$| \text{height}(T_i) - \text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1})) | =$$

$$\text{height}(T_i) - \text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1})) \leq$$

$$\text{height}(T_i) - \text{height}(T_{i-1}) \text{ (as } \text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1})) \geq \text{height}(T_{i-1}) \text{)}$$

If $\text{height}(T_i) < \text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1}))$:

$$| \text{height}(T_i) - \text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1})) | =$$

$$\text{height}(\text{Join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1})) - \text{height}(T_i) \leq$$

$$\text{height}(T_{i-1}) + c - \text{height}(T_i) \leq$$

c

Splitting with efficient joins

Suppose we need to join T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k
where $\text{height}(T_1) \leq \text{height}(T_2) \leq \dots \leq \text{height}(T_k)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{time} &= O\left(\sum_{i=2}^k |\text{height}(T_i) - \text{height}(\text{join}(T_1, \dots, T_{i-1}))| + 1\right) \\ &= O\left(\sum_{i=2}^k \text{height}(T_i) - \text{height}(T_{i-1}) + 1\right) \\ &= O(\log n) \end{aligned}$$

Splitting AVL (by Efficient Joins)

Tighter Analysis

Recall each join really takes only $O(\text{height difference} + 1)$

To generate each of T_1, T_2 , we make a telescopic join series.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{time} &= O\left(\sum_{i=2}^k |\text{height}(t_i) - \text{height}(\text{join}(t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}))| + 1\right) \\ &\stackrel{*}{=} O\left(\sum_{i=2}^k \text{height}(t_i) - \text{height}(t_{i-1}) + 1\right) = O(\text{height}(t_k) - \text{height}(t_1) + k) = O(\log n) \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 1: $\text{height}(t_1) \leq \text{height}(t_2) \leq \dots \leq \text{height}(t_k)$

Lemma 2: $\text{height}(\text{Join}(t_1, \dots, t_i)) \leq \text{height}(t_i) + c$

Back to the ADT List/Sequence:

“Tree-List” Implementation

Implementations of List/Sequence ADT (reminder)

	Circular arrays	Doubly Linked lists
Insert/Delete-First/Last	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
Insert/Delete by index i	$O(\min\{i + 1, n - i\})$	$O(\min\{i + 1, n - i\})$
Retrieve by index i	$O(1)$	$O(\min\{i + 1, n - i\})$
Concatenate two lists (of size n)	$O(n)$	$O(1)$
Split by index i	$O(\min\{i + 1, n - i\})$	$O(\min\{i + 1, n - i\})$

Implementations of List/Sequence ADT

Can you
do this?

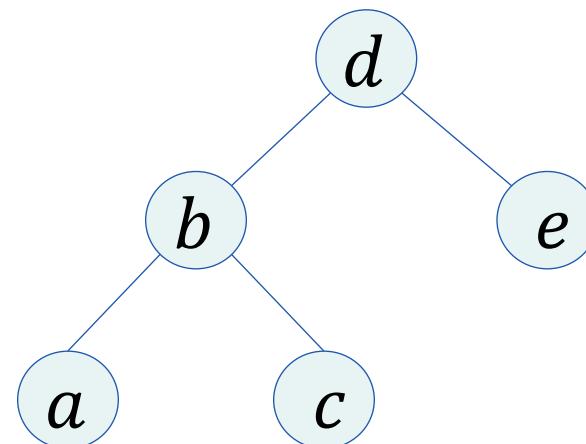
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The ADT List/Sequence implemented as a Rank-Tree

List/sequence ADT

Rank-tree operations

a b c d e



(List indices begin at 0)

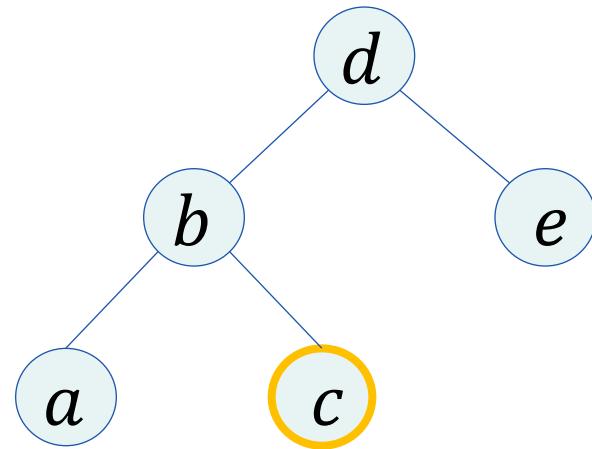
ranks implicitly represent list indices (+1)
Tree-Nodes have no explicit keys!

Lists as Trees: Retrieve

List/sequence ADT

$\text{Retrieve}(L, i) \rightarrow \text{Tree-Select}(T, i + 1)$

$a \ b \ c \ d \ e$



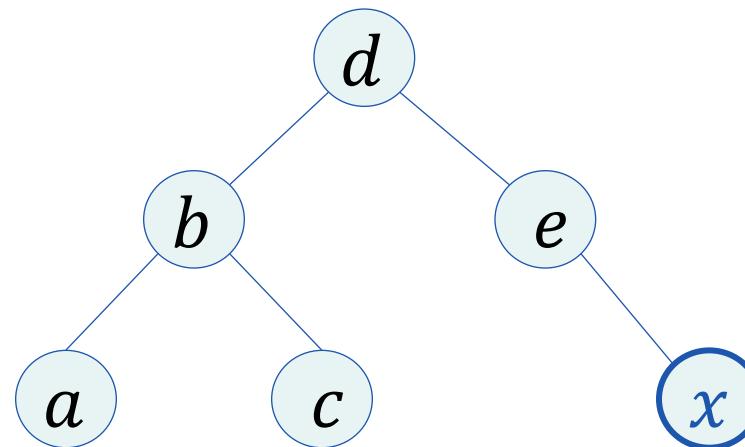
$\text{Retrieve}(L, 2)$:

$\text{Tree-Select}(T, 3)$:

Lists as Trees: Insert-Last

Insert-Last(L, x):

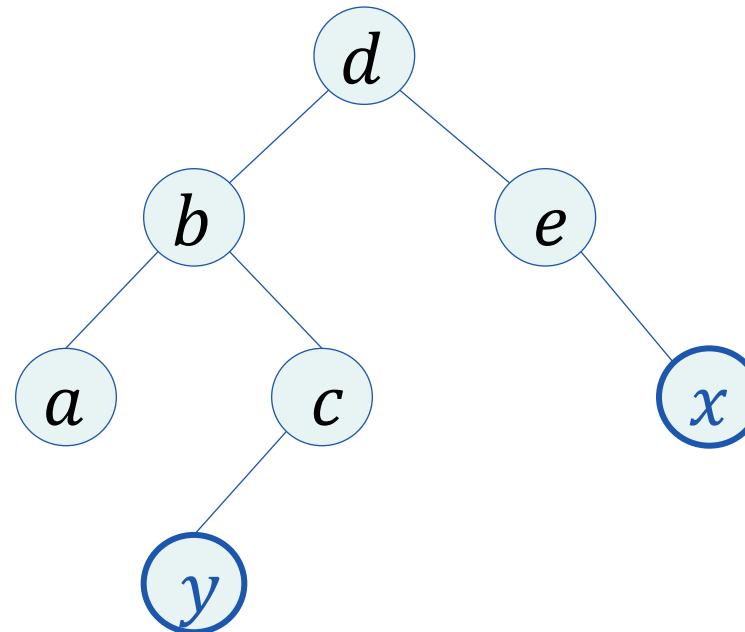
$a \ b \ c \ d \ e \ x$



Lists as Trees: Insert

Insert($L, 2, y$):

$a \ b \ y \ c \ d \ e \ x$



All ranks are explicitly updated!

Insert

Insert(L, i, x) (insert x in the i -th position):

if $i = n$ (Insert-Last):

make x the **right** child of the **maximum**

else ($0 \leq i < n$):

find the current node of rank $i + 1$ and add x as its predecessor:

if it has no **left** child, make x its **left** child

else find its **predecessor** and make x its **right** child

rebalance the tree as usual after insertion

Lists as Trees: Delete

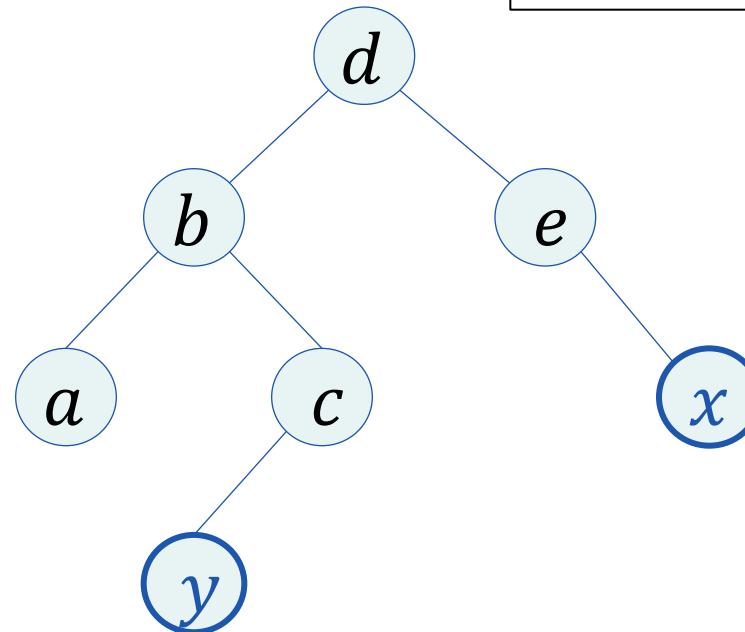
Delete($L, 2$):

$a \ b \ \textcolor{blue}{y} \ c \ d \ e \ \textcolor{blue}{x}$

Delete(L, i)

$z \leftarrow \text{Tree-Select}(T, i)$

delete z as usual (given a pointer to it)



Simply delete a node from tree
All ranks are explicitly updated!

Tree-Lists: Summary

- Implement list L as a rank-tree:
 i -th item is the node of rank $i + 1$
- Tree-Nodes have no explicit keys
(Implicitly maintained ranks play the role of keys)
- Operations (including the new Insert)
do not use keys!
- Concat / split achieved by Tree join/split

Implementations of List/Sequence ADT

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Retrieve by index i	$O(1)$	$O(\min\{i + 1, n - i\})$	$O(\log(i + 1))$
Concatenate two lists (of size n)	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$
Split by index i	$O(\min\{i + 1, n - i\})$	$O(\min\{i + 1, n - i\})$	$O(\log n)$

Can you
do this?

Improving Retrieve

- Yes, using a finger to the minimum!
- Does this make Insert/Delete also work in $O(\log(i + 1))$?
- Can be achieved amortized, by lazy update of node information (maybe in the recitations)