



# Data Structures & Algorithms

**Tree**

**Binary Search Tree**

# Searching in a BST

```
bst_search1(root, item)
{
    ptr = root;
    while (ptr != NULL) {
        if (item == ptr->data)
            return 1; // Item present, successful search
        if (item < ptr->data)
            ptr = ptr->left;
        else
            // item > ptr->data
            ptr = ptr->right;
    }
    return 0; // Item does not present, unsuccessful search
}
```

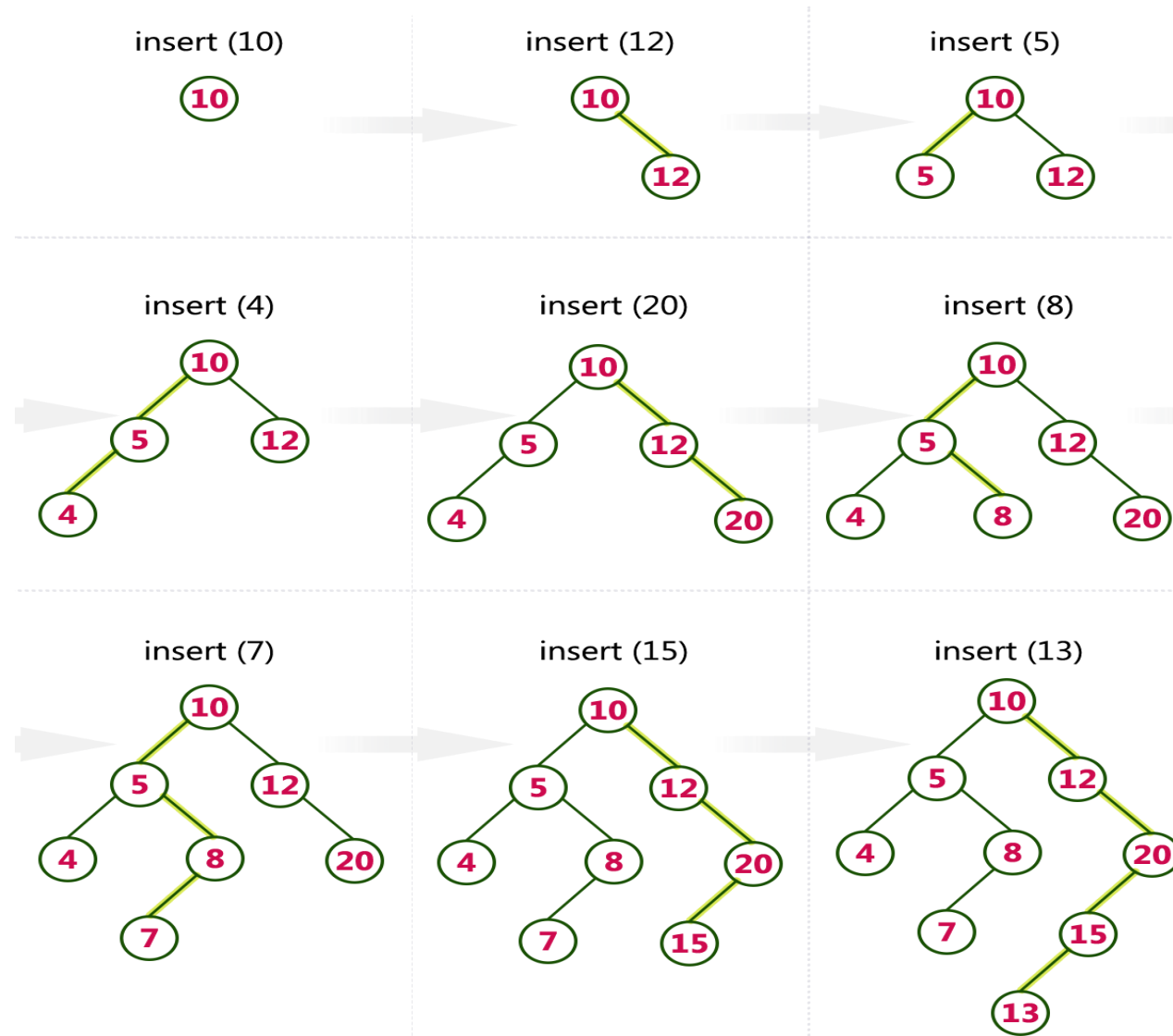
# Searching in a BST

```
bst_search2(root, item)
{
    if (root == NULL)
        return 0;
    if (item == root->data)
        return 1;
    if (item < root->data)
        return bst_search2(root->left , item);
    else // item > root->data
        return bst_search2(root->right, item);
}
```

**Time complexity :  $O(n)$  in the worst case**

# Insertion in a BST

Start with an empty binary search tree. Insert the following items, in the given order: 10, 12, 5, 4, 20, 8, 7, 15, 13



# Insertion in a BST

We assume that the elements of a BST is unique, so, the new 'item' to be inserted does not exist in the BST

```
insertBST(root, item) {  
    if (root == NULL) {  
        new_node = (BTnode *) malloc(sizeof(BTnode));  
        new_node->data = item;  
        new_node->left = NULL;  
        new_node->right = NULL;  
        root = new_node;  
        return root;  
    }  
    else if (item < root->data)  
        insertBST(root->left, item); // Set the new root of the subtree.  
    else // item > root->data  
        insertBST(root->right, item);  
}
```

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