

# BINARY SEARCH TREES

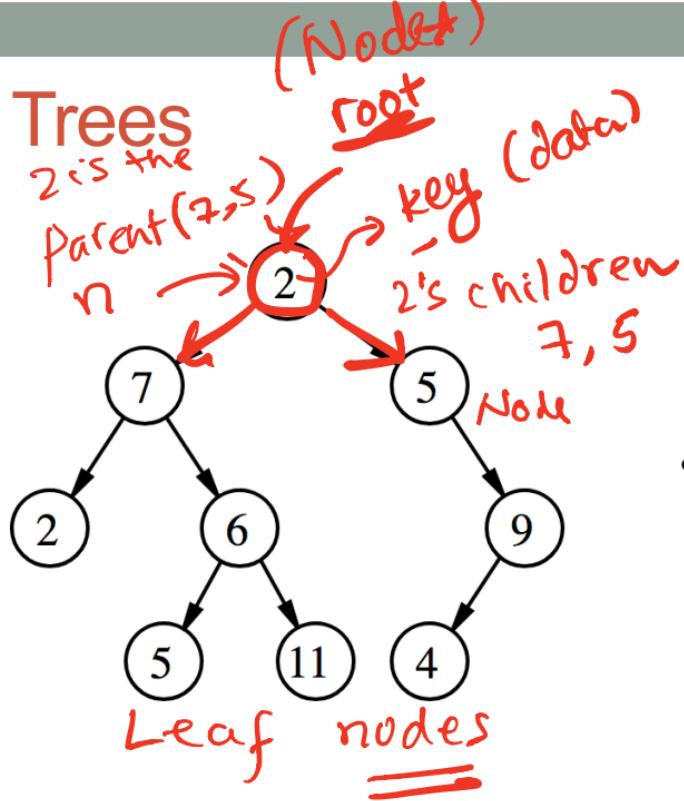
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Problem Solving with Computers-II

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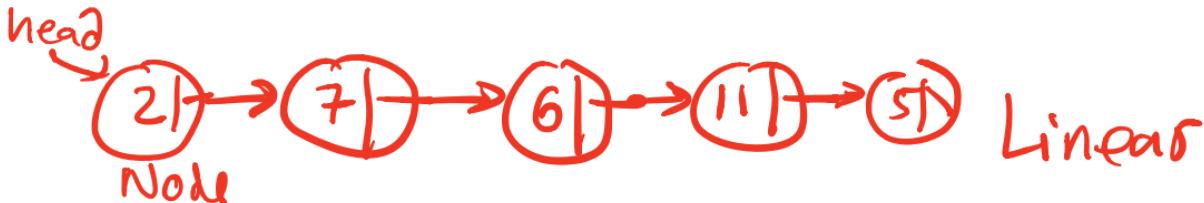
```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main(){
    cout<<"Hola Facebook\n";
    return 0;
}
```



A tree has following general properties:

- One node is distinguished as a **root**;
  - Every node (exclude a root) is connected by a directed edge *from* exactly one other node;
- A direction is: *parent -> children*
- **Leaf node:** Node that has no children



Which of the following is/are a tree?



(Single node tree)



not a tree, there is  
a loop

D. A & B

E. All of A-C

Binary Tree

Tree where  
every node  
can have  
at most two  
children

# Binary Search Trees

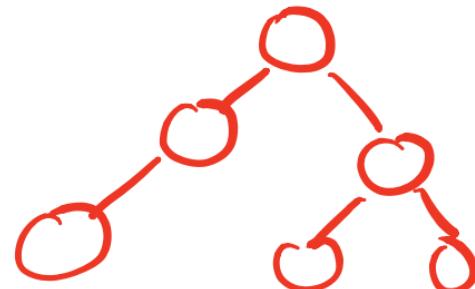
- What are the operations supported?

Same operations as linkedlist or array :  
Sorted array + fast insert & delete.

- What are the running times of these operations?

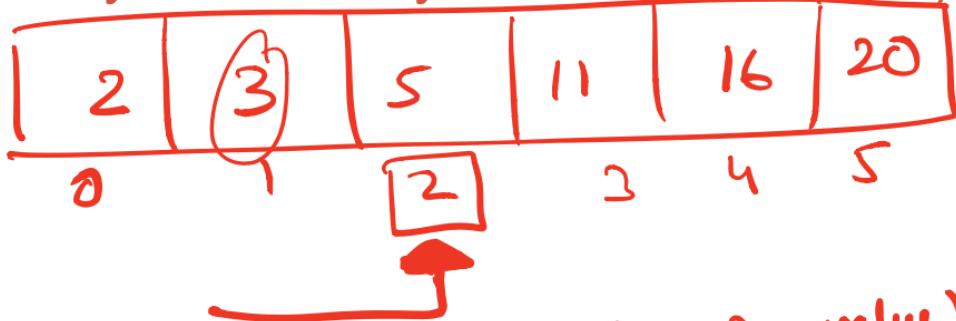
Build intuition → formalize complexity next week.

- How do you implement the BST i.e. operations supported by it?



# Operations supported by Sorted arrays and Binary Search Trees (BST)

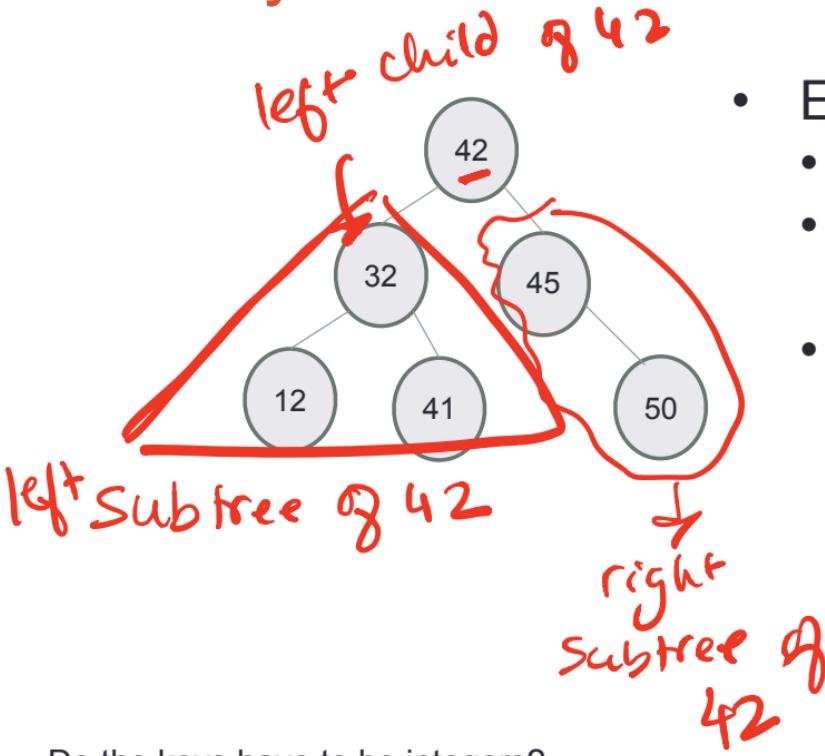
Operations
Min
Max
Successor
Predecessor
Search
Insert
Delete
Print elements in order



→ given a value (or index of a value)  
find the next largest value

→ slower in sorted arrays.

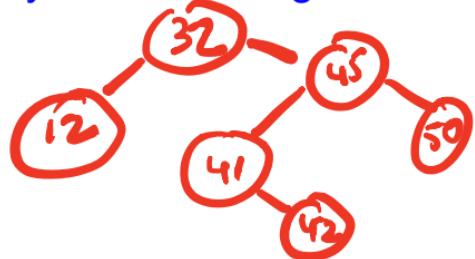
# Binary Search Tree – What is it?



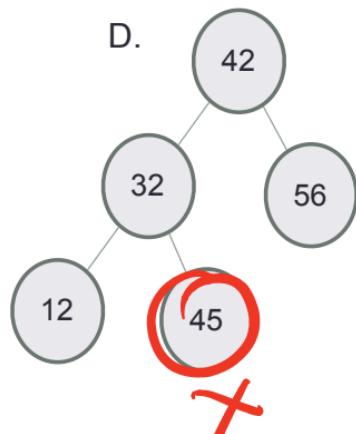
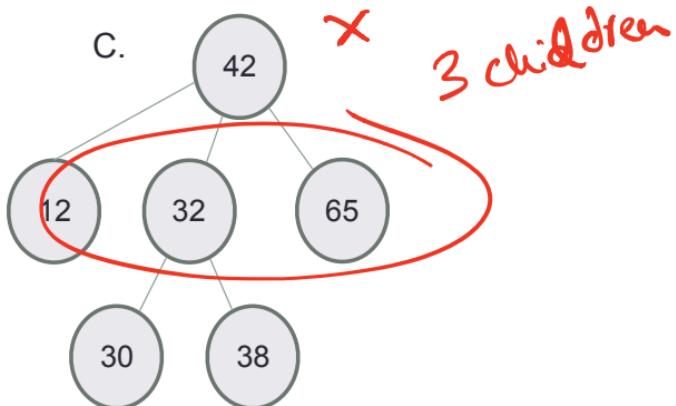
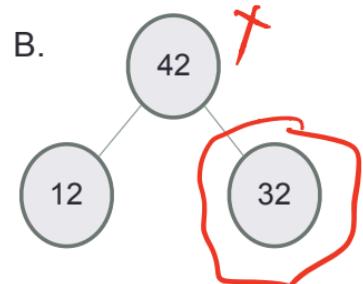
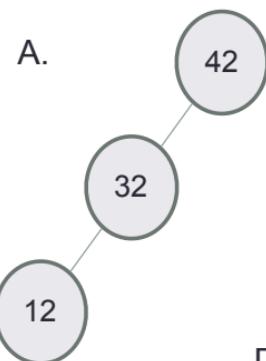
Do the keys have to be integers?

- Each node:
  - stores a key ( $k$ )
  - has a pointer to left child, right child and parent (optional)
  - Satisfies the **Search Tree Property**

For any node,  
 Keys in node's left subtree  $\leq$  Node's key  
 Node's key  $<$  Keys in node's right subtree



# Which of the following is/are a binary search tree?

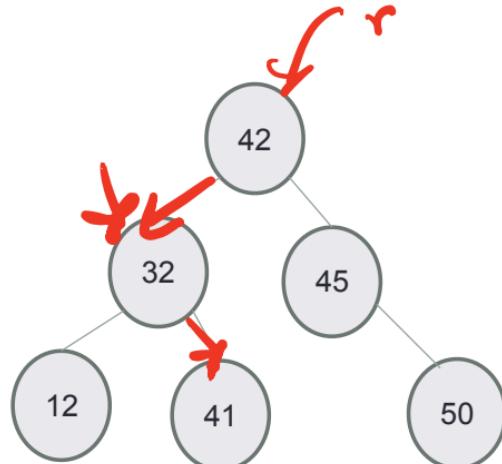


E. More than one of these

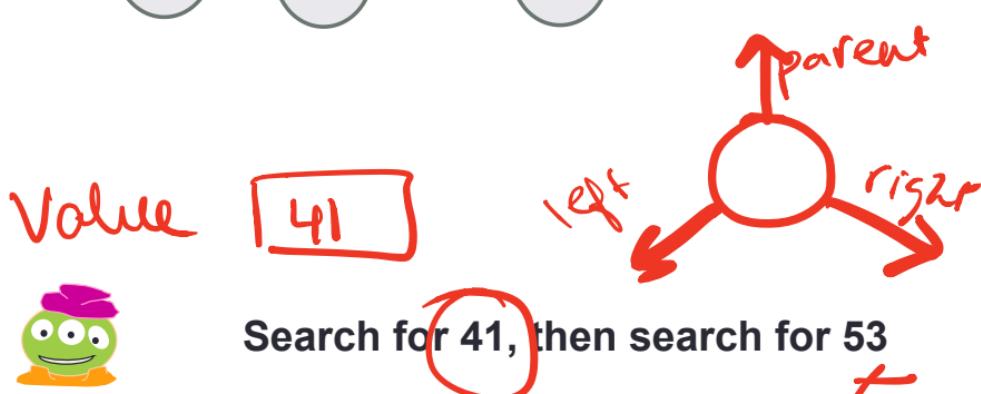
*32 < 42  
but it's in  
42's right  
subtree*

*3 children*

# BSTs allow efficient search!



- Start at the root;
- Trace down a path by comparing  $k$  with the key of the current node  $x$ :
  - If the keys are equal: we have found the key
  - If  $k < \text{key}[x]$  search in the left subtree of  $x$
  - If  $k > \text{key}[x]$  search in the right subtree of  $x$



```

class Node {
public:
    int data;
    Node* left;
    Node* right;
    Node* parent;
}
  
```

## A node in a BST

```
class BSTNode {  
  
public:  
    BSTNode* left;  
    BSTNode* right;  
    BSTNode* parent;  
    int const data;  
  
    BSTNode( const int & d ) : data(d) {  
        left = right = parent = nullptr  
    }  
};
```

# Define the BST ADT

BST  
root

## Operations

Search

Insert

Min

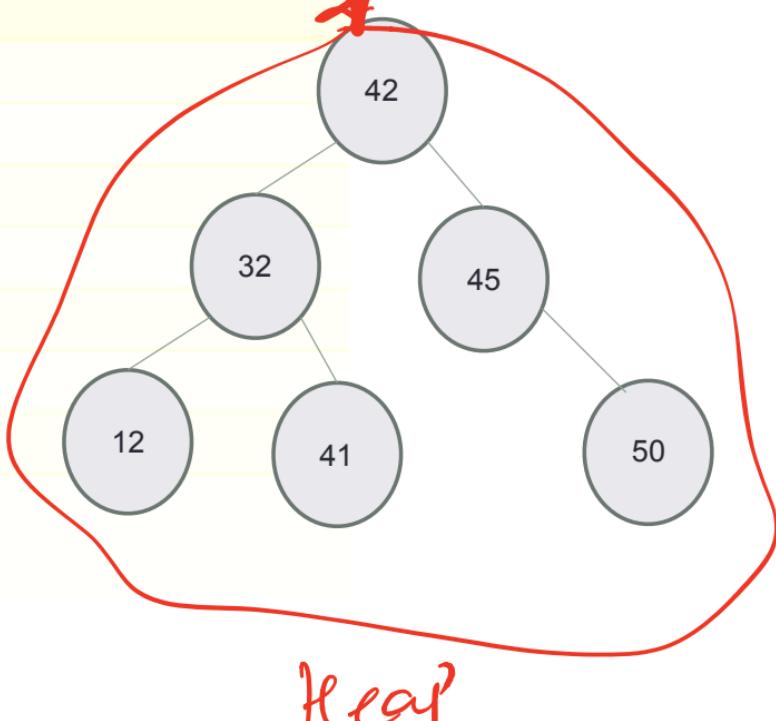
Max

Successor

Predecessor

Delete

Print elements in order

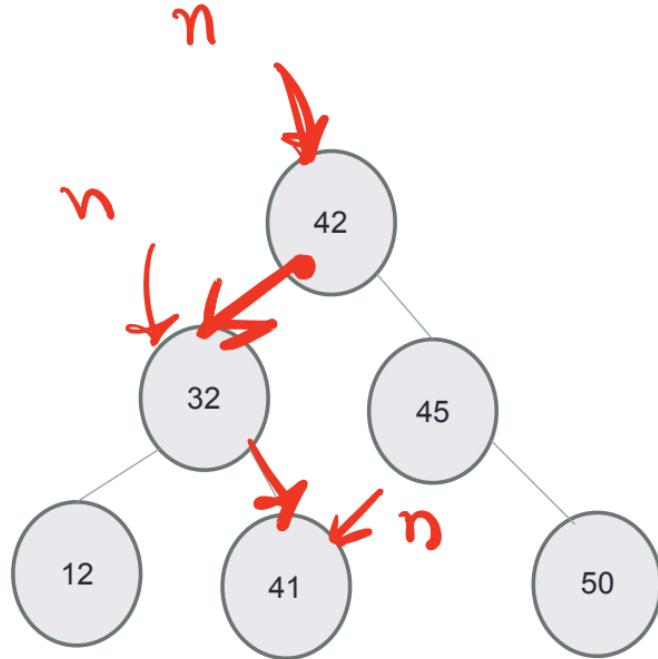


# Traversing down the tree

- Suppose n is a pointer to the root. What is the output of the following code:

```
n = n->left;  
n = n->right;  
cout<<n->data<<endl;
```

- A. 42
- B. 32
- C. 12
- D. 41
- E. Segfault



# Traversing up the tree

- Suppose n is a pointer to the node with value 50.
- What is the output of the following code:

```
n = n->parent;
```

```
n = n->parent;
```

```
n = n->left;
```

```
cout<<n->data<<endl;
```

A. 42

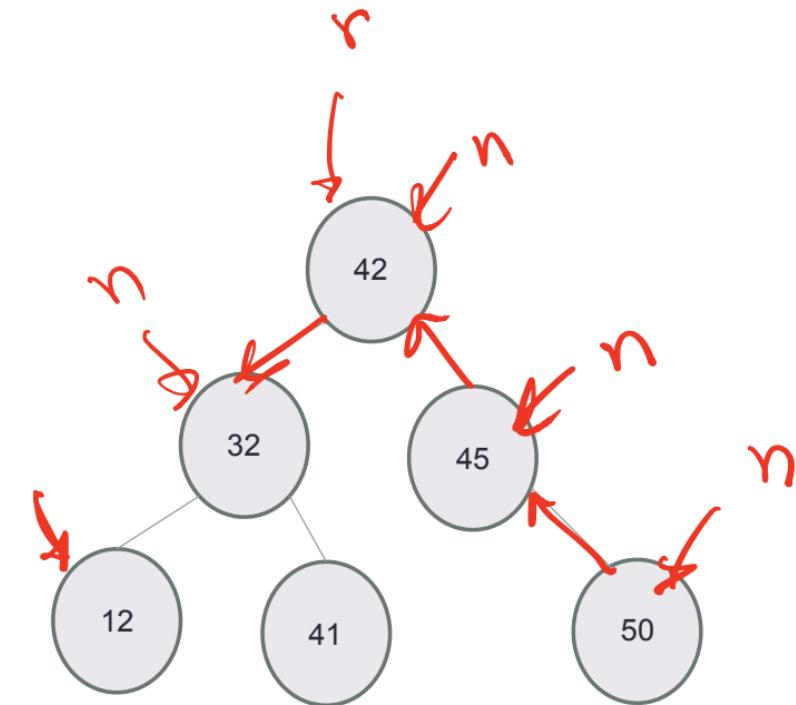
B. 32

C. 12

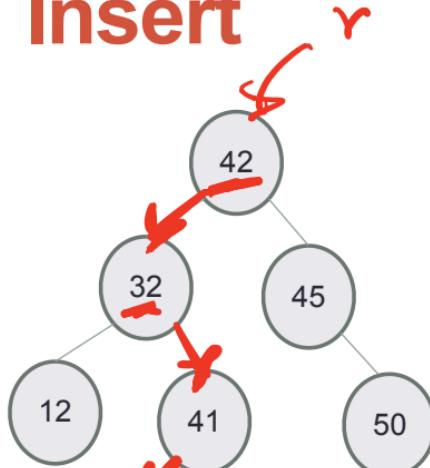
D. 45

E. Segfault

while( $r \neq r \rightarrow \text{left}$ )  
 $r = r \rightarrow \text{left};$



# Insert



- Insert 40
- Search for the key (40)
- Insert at the spot you expected to find it

We expect to find 40 in the left subtree of 41

# Max

**Goal:** find the maximum key value in a BST

Following right child pointers from the root, until a leaf node is encountered. The least node has the max value

**Alg:** `int BST::max() {`

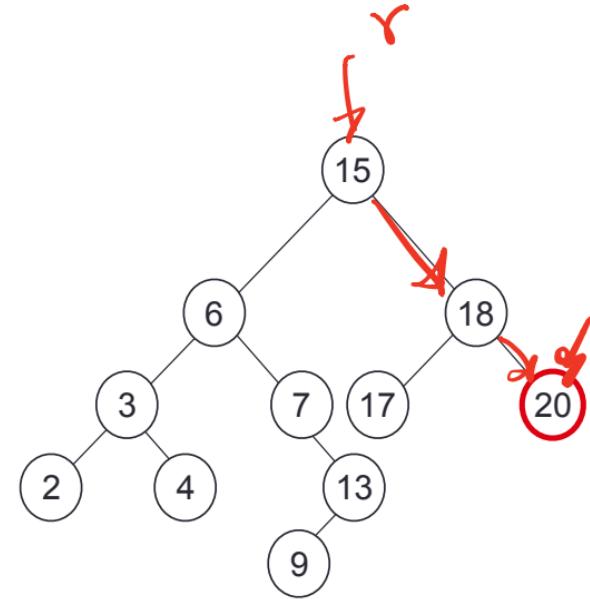
`Node * n = root;`

`while (n && n->right)`

`n = n->right;`

`return n;`

`}`



Maximum = 20

# Min

**Goal:** find the minimum key value in a BST

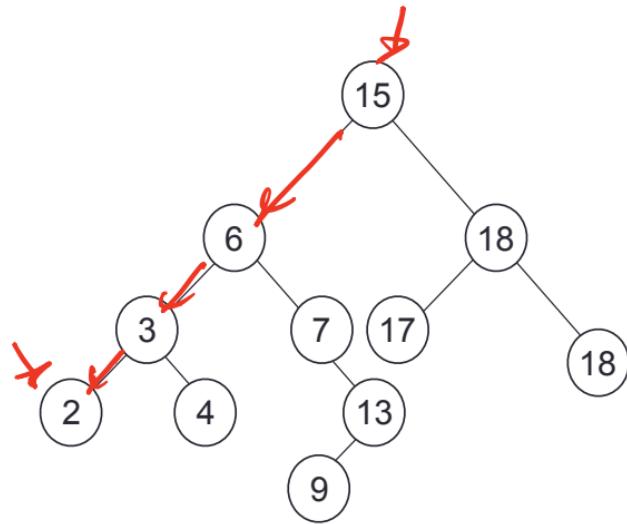
Start at the root.

Follow left child pointers from the root, until a leaf node is encountered

Leaf node has the min key value

**Alg:** `int BST::min()`

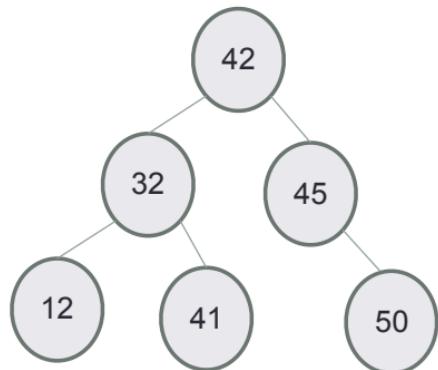
*Similar to max*



Min = ?

# In order traversal: print elements in sorted order

out



r: pointer to the root of a BST

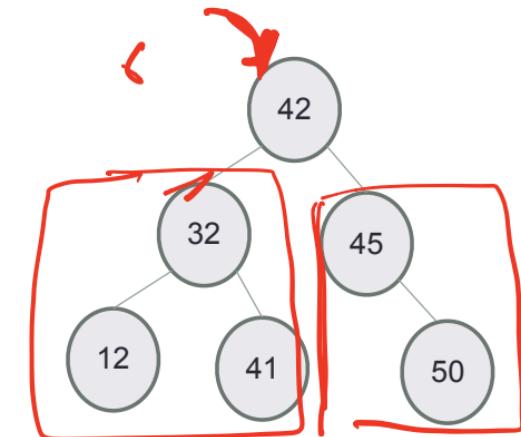
Algorithm Inorder(tree)

1. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Inorder(left-subtree)
2. Visit the root. ← print the root
3. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Inorder(right-subtree)

12 32 41 42 45 50 |

```
void InOrder ( Node * r ) {  
    if (!r) return;  
    InOrder ( r->left );  
    cout << r->data; ←  
    InOrder ( r->right );  
}
```

# Pre-order traversal: nice way to linearize your tree!



Algorithm Preorder(tree)

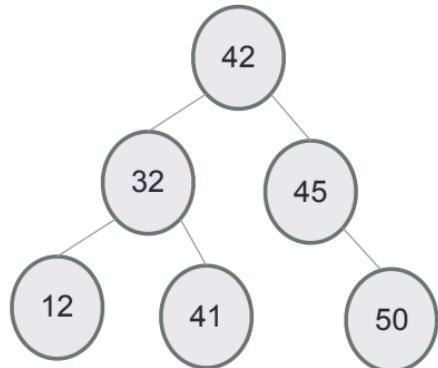
1. Visit the root.
2. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Preorder(left-subtree)
3. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Preorder(right-subtree)

```
void BST::PreOrder( Node* r ) {  
    if( !r ) return;  
    cout << r->data << endl;  
    PreOrder( r->left );  
    PreOrder( r->right );
```

42 32 12 41      45 50  
PreOrder on      PreOrder on  
left subtree      right subtree  
of 42      ?

# Post-order traversal: use in recursive destructors!

(See the last slide)



Algorithm Postorder(tree)

1. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Postorder(left-subtree)
2. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Postorder(right-subtree)
3. Visit the root.

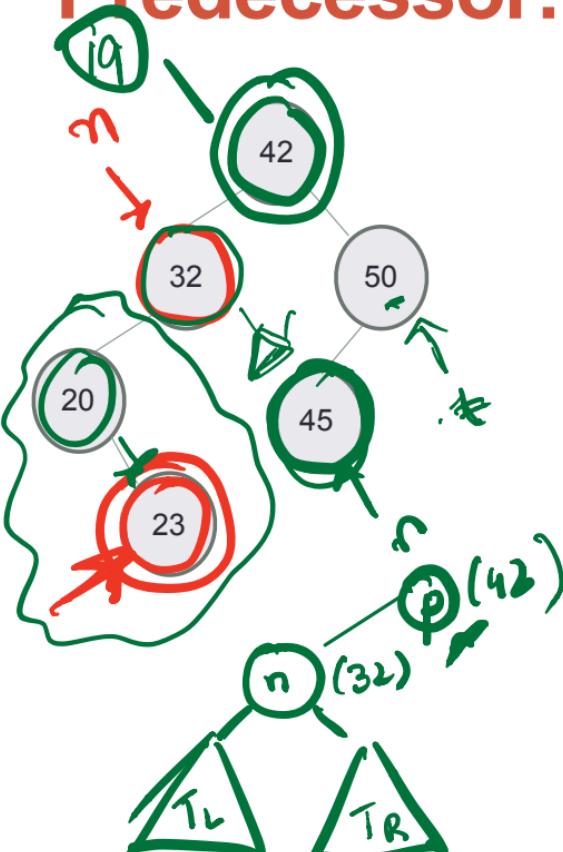
```
void BST::PostOrder ( Node* r ) {  
    if( !r ) return;  
    PostOrder ( r->left );  
    PostOrder ( r->right );  
    cout << r->data;  
}
```

A. 12 32 41 45 50 42

B. 12 41 32 45 50 42

C. 12 41 32 50 45 42

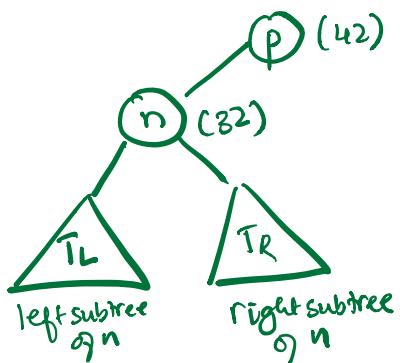
# Predecessor: Next smallest element



- What is the predecessor of 32?
- What is the predecessor of 45?

```
Node * BST:: Predecessor (Node * n) {  
    if (n->left) {  
        // predecessor of n is in its left subtree  
        // return the node with max key in n's left  
        // subtree  
    } else {  
        // Go up the tree until you find a node whose  
        // key is smaller than the key of n  
        Node * t = n->parent;  
        while (t && t->data >= n->data)  
            t = t->parent;  
    }  
    return t;  
}
```

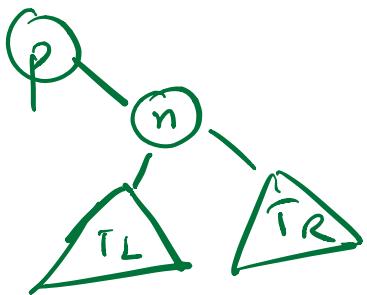
Case 1 :  $n$  has a left subtree ( $T_L$ ) (possibly also a right subtree)  
and its the left child of its parent  
Using the property of BST



$$\text{key}(T_L) < \text{key}(n) < \text{key}(T_R) < \text{key}(p)$$

From the above inequality the predecessor of  $n$  has to be in its left subtree ( $T_L$ ) and not in  $T_R$  or  $p$

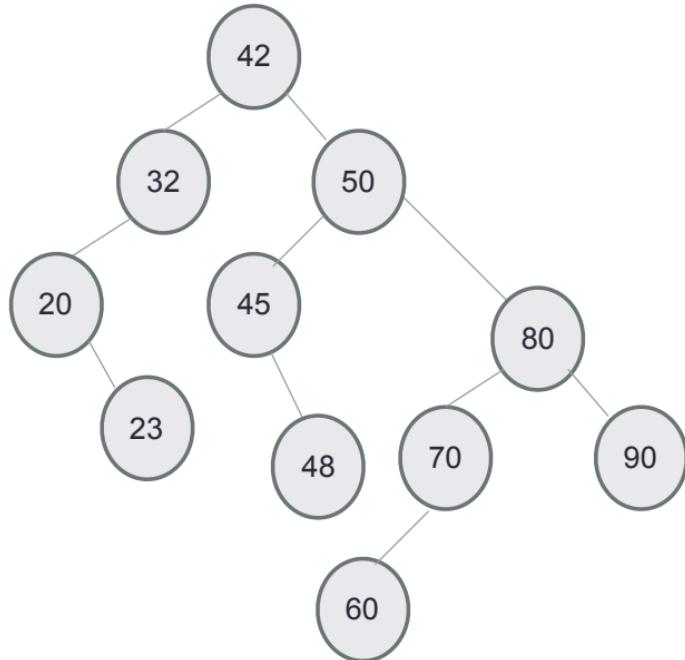
Case 2:  $n$  has a left subtree ( $T_L$ ), possibly a right subtree ( $T_R$ )  
and  $n$  is the right child of its parent



$$\text{key}(p) < \text{key}(T_L) < \text{key}(n) < \text{key}(T_R)$$

In this case again the pred( $n$ ) which is the next smallest node should be in  $T_L$

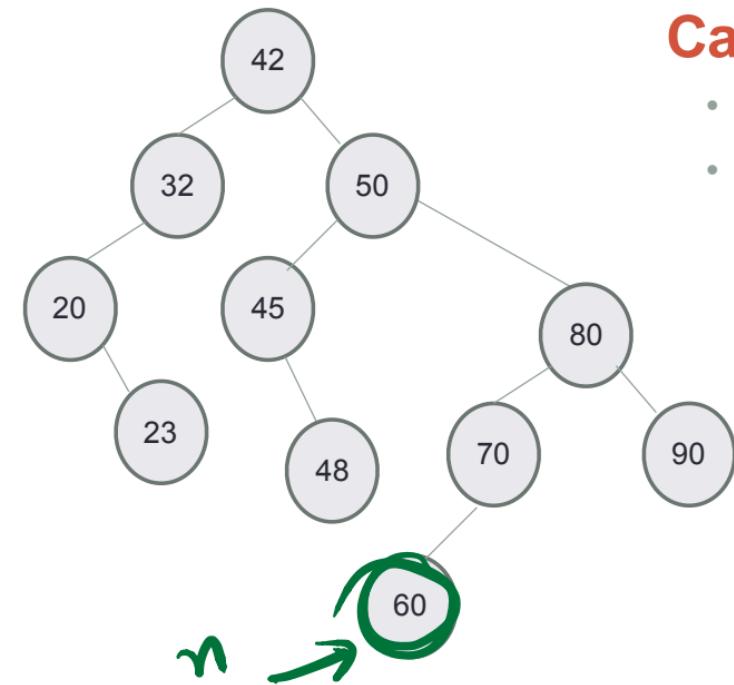
# Successor: Next largest element



- What is the successor of 45?
- What is the successor of 50?
- What is the successor of 60?

Similar to predecessor

# Delete: Case 1



## Case 1: Node is a leaf node

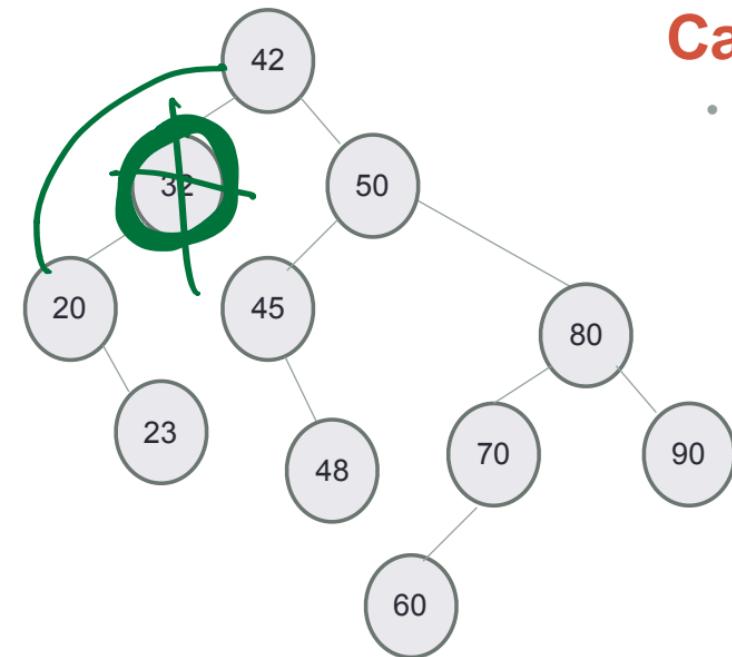
- Set parent's (left/right) child pointer to null
- Delete the node

```
if (n->left && ! n->right ) {  
    // leaf node  
    if ( n->parent->left == n )  
        n->parent->left = nullptr;  
    else  
        n->parent->right = nullptr;  
    delete n;  
}
```

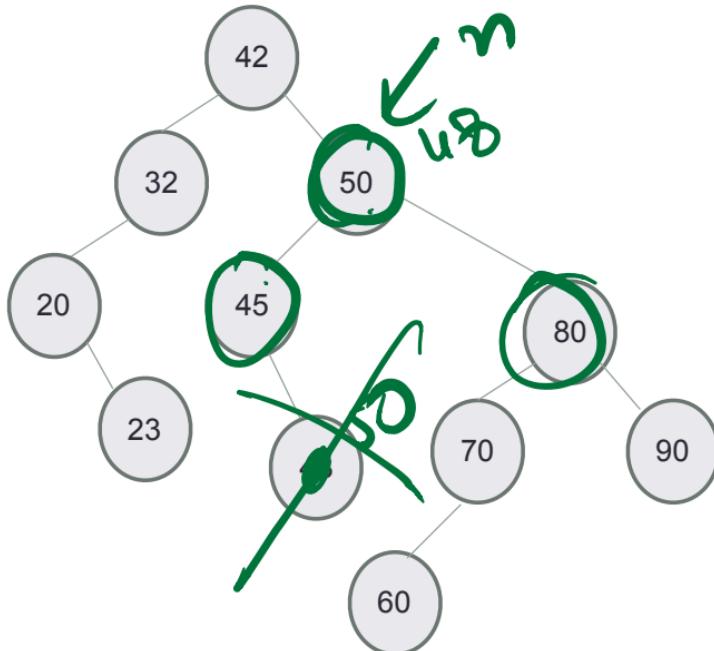
# Delete: Case 2

**Case 2 Node has only one child**

- Replace the node by its only child



# Delete: Case 3



## Case 3 Node has two children

- Can we still replace the node by one of its children? Why or Why not?

Swap the key of the node with that of its predecessor (or successor)

Delete the node that has the key value

We know that this node has only one child so the deletion defaults to one of the previous two (easier) cases.

Recursive destructor using post order traversal

```
BST :: ~BST () {  
    delete root;  
}  
  
Node:: ~Node () {  
    delete left; } } ← Recursive deletion  
using post order traversal  
these lines call the  
destructor of Node  
    delete right; } }  
}
```

In class we discussed different variations  
and incorrect versions that lead to memory  
leaks & segfaults