



Design and Analysis
of Algorithms I

Data Structures

Binary Search
Tree Basics

Balanced Search Trees: Supported Operations

Raison d'être : like sorted array + fast (logarithmic) inserts + deletes !

OPERATIONS

SEARCH

SELECT

MIN/MAX

PRED/SUCC

RANK

OUTPUT IN SORTED ORDER

INSERT

DELETE

RUNNING TIME

$\theta(\log(n))$

$O(\log(n))$

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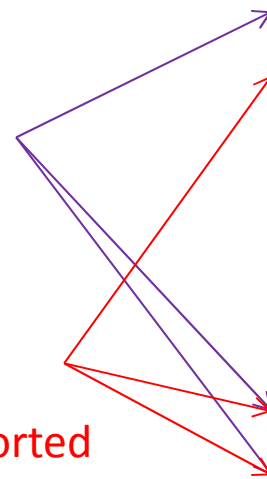
$O(\log(n))$

Up from
 $O(1)$

new

Also
supported
by hash
tables

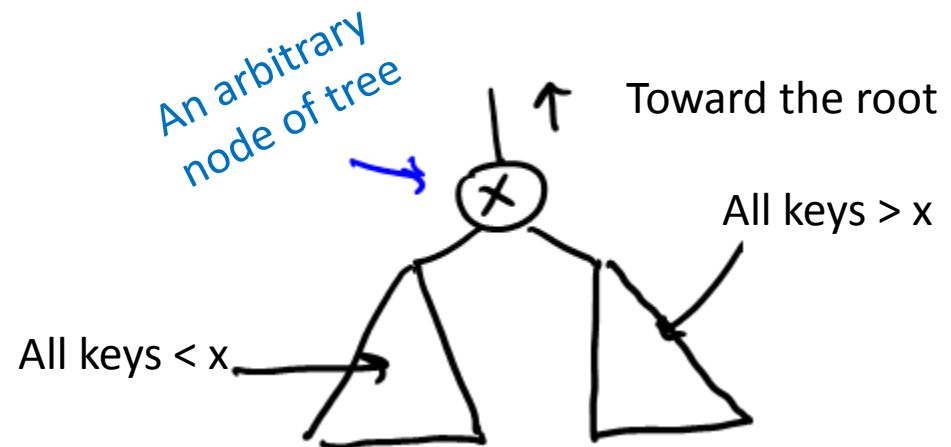
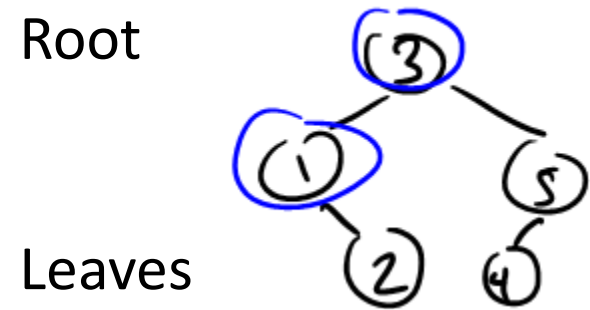
Also
supported
by heaps



Binary Search Tree Structure

- exactly one node per key
- most basic version :
 - each node has
 - left child pointer
 - right child pointer
 - parent pointer

SEARCH TREE PROPERTY :
(should hold at every node of the search tree)



The Height of a BST

Note : many possible trees for a set of keys.

Note : height could be anywhere from

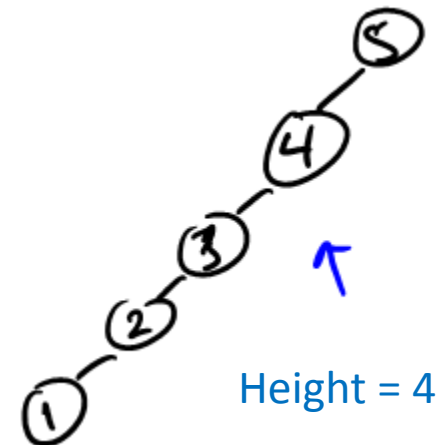
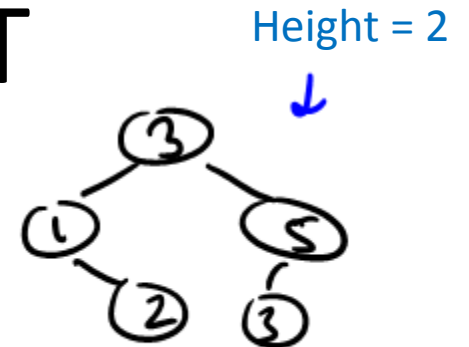
$\sim \log_2 n$

to $\sim n$

Worst case,
a chain

Best case,
perfectly
balanced

(aka depth) longest
root-leaf path

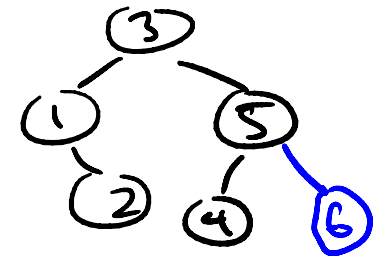


Searching and Inserting

To Search for key k in tree T

- start at the root
- traverse left / right child pointers as needed

If $k < \text{key at current node}$ If $k > \text{key at current node}$



- return node with key k or NULL, as appropriate

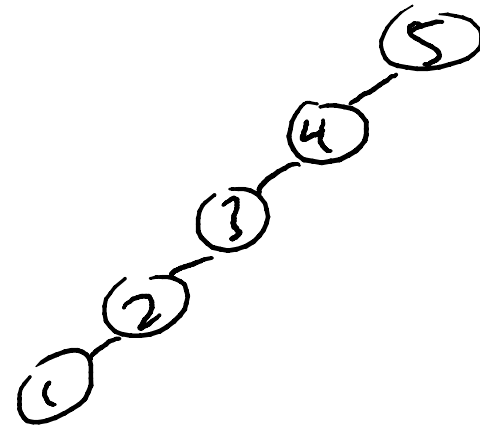
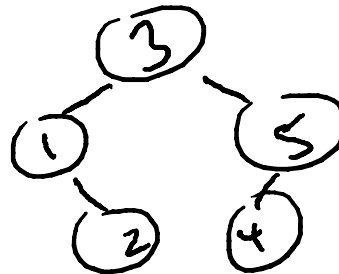
To Insert a new key k into a tree T

- search for k (unsuccessfully)
- rewire final NULL ptr to point to new node with key k

Exercise :
preserves
search tree
property!

The worst-case running time of Search (or Insert) operation in a binary search tree containing n keys is...?

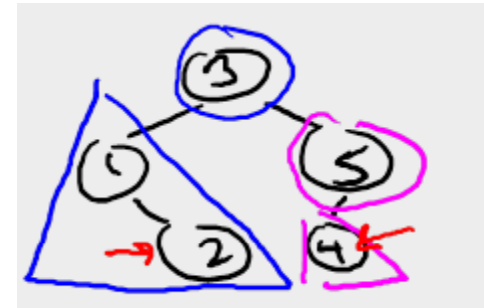
- ☐ $\theta(1)$
- ☐ $\theta(\log_2 n)$
- ☒ $\theta(\text{height})$
- ☐ $\theta(n)$



Min, Max, Pred, And Succ

To compute the minimum (maximum) key of a tree

- Start at root
- Follow left child pointers (right ptrs, for maximum) until you can't anymore (return last key found)



To compute the predecessor of key k

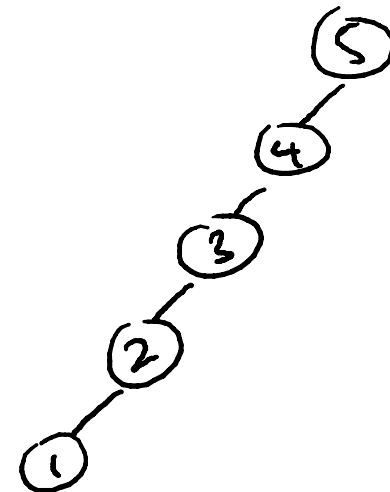
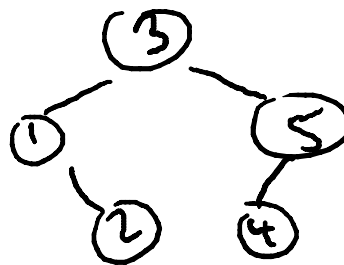
- Easy case : If k's left subtree nonempty, return max key in left subtree
- Otherwise : follow parent pointers until you get to a key less than k.

Happens first time you "turn left"

Exercise :
prove this
works

The worst-case running time of the Max operation in a binary search tree containing n keys is...?

- ☐ $\theta(1)$
- ☐ $\theta(\log_2 n)$
- ☒ $\theta(\text{height})$
- ☐ $\theta(n)$



In-Order Traversal

TO PRINT OUT KEYS IN INCREASING ORDER

-Let r = root of search tree, with subtrees TL and TR

- recurse on TL

[by recursion (induction) prints out keys of TL
in increasing order]

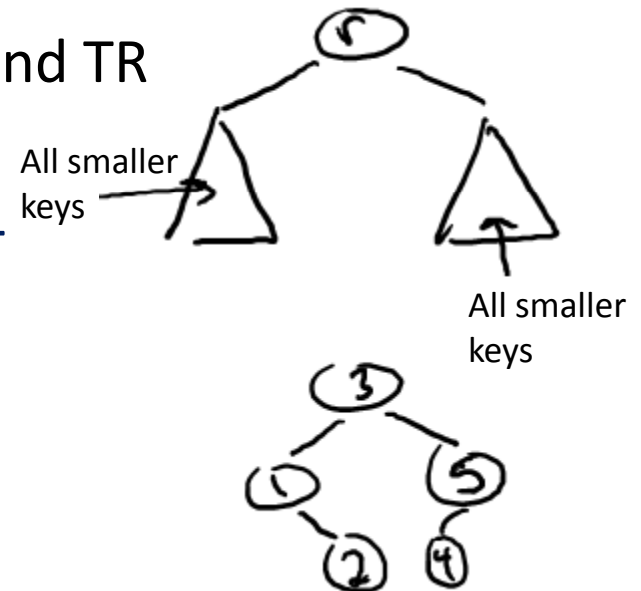
-Print out r 's key

-Recurse on TR

[prints out keys of TR in increasing order]

RUNNING TIME

$O(1)$ time, n recursive
calls $\Rightarrow O(n)$ total



Deletion

TO DELETE A KEY K FROM A SEARCH TREE

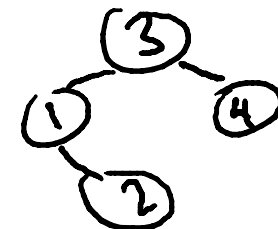
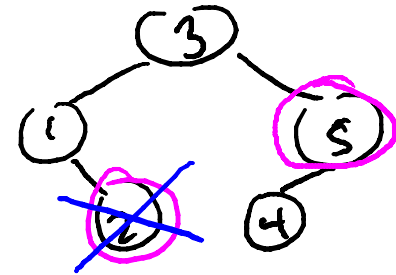
- SEARCH for k

EASY CASE (k's node has no children)

-Just delete k's node from tree, done

MEDIUM CASE (k's node has one child)

(unique child assumes position
previously held by k's node)



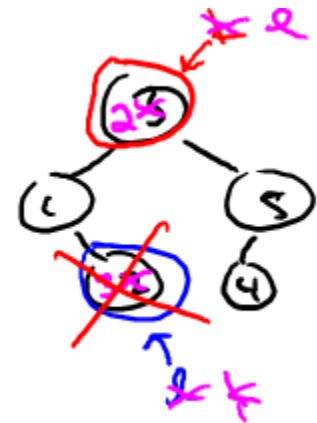
Deletion (con'd)

DIFFICULT CASE (k's node has 2 children)

- Compute k's predecessor l
[i.e., traverse k's (non-NULL) left child ptr, then right child ptrs until no longer possible]
- SWAP k and l !

NOTE : in it's new position, k has no right child !
=> easy to delete or splice out k's new node

Exercise : at end, have a valid search tree !



RUNNING
TIME :
 $\theta(\text{height})$

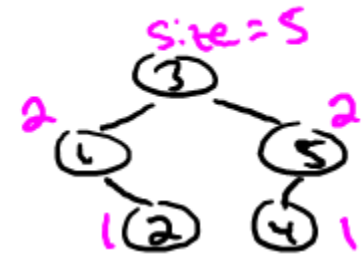
Select and Rank

Idea : store a little bit of extra info at each tree node about the tree itself (i.e., not about the data)

Example Augmentation : $\text{size}(x)$ = # of tree nodes in subtree rooted at x .

Note : if x has children y and z ,
then $\text{size}(y) + \text{size}(z) + 1$

Population in left subtree Right subtree x itself

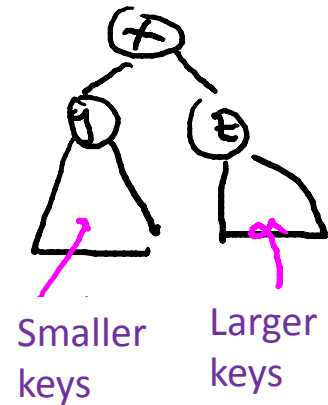


Also : easy to keep sizes up-to-date during an Insertion or Deletion (you check!)

Select and Rank (con'd)

HOW TO SELECT i^{th} ORDER STATISTIC FROM AUGMENTED SEARCH TREE (with subtree sizes)

- start at root x , with children y and z
- let $a = \text{size}(y)$ [$a = 0$ if x has no left child]
- if $a = i-1$, return x 's key
- if $a \geq i$, recursively compute i^{th} order statistic of search tree rooted at y
- if $a < i-1$ recursively compute $(i-a-1)^{\text{th}}$ order statistic of search tree rooted at z



RUNNING TIME = $\theta(\text{height})$.

[EXERCISE : how to implement RANK ?