

# BBM 202 - ALGORITHMS



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## BINARY SEARCH TREES

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# TODAY

- ▶ BSTs
- ▶ Ordered operations
- ▶ Deletion

## Binary Search Tree (BST)

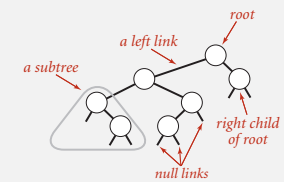
- Last lecture, we talked about binary search & linear search
  - One had high cost for reorganisation,
  - The other had high cost for searching
- In this lecture we will use Binary Trees, for searching
- Plan in a nutshell:
  - Assert a more strict property compared to the Heap-Property (in priority-queues), **Remember what that was?**
  - Know exactly which subtree to look for at each node

## Binary search trees

**Definition.** A BST is a **binary tree** in **symmetric order**.

A binary tree is either:

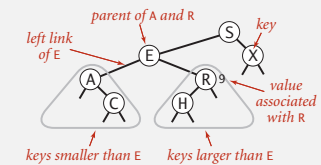
- Empty.
- Two disjoint binary trees (left and right).



Anatomy of a binary tree

**Symmetric order.** Each node has a key, and every node's key is:

- Larger than all keys in its left subtree.
- Smaller than all keys in its right subtree.



Anatomy of a binary search tree

## BST representation in Java

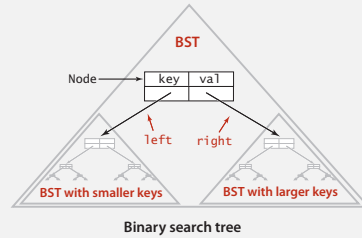
Java definition. A BST is a reference to a root `Node`.

A `Node` is comprised of four fields:

- A key and a value.
- A reference to the left and right subtree.

smaller keys      larger keys

```
private class Node
{
    private Key key;
    private Value val;
    private Node left, right;
    public Node(Key key, Value val)
    {
        this.key = key;
        this.val = val;
    }
}
```



Key and Value are generic types; Key is Comparable

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## BST implementation (skeleton)

```
public class BST<Key extends Comparable<Key>, Value>
{
    private Node root;

    private class Node
    { /* see previous slide */ }

    public void put(Key key, Value val)
    { /* see next slides */ }

    public Value get(Key key)
    { /* see next slides */ }

    public void delete(Key key)
    { /* see next slides */ }

    public Iterable<Key> iterator()
    { /* see next slides */ }
}
```

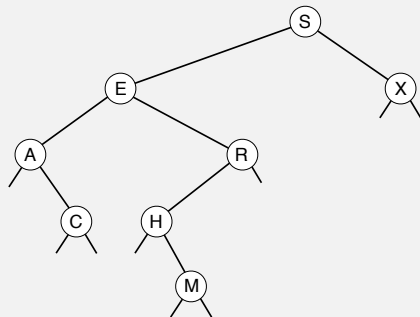
root of BST

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## Binary search tree operations

Search. If less, go left; if greater, go right; if equal, search hit.

successful search for H

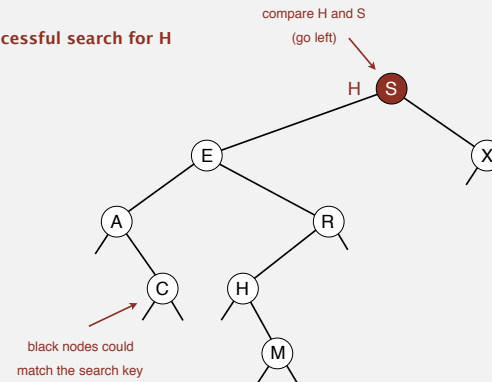


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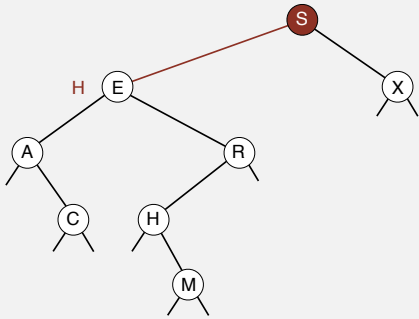


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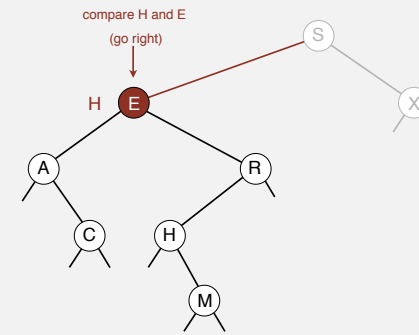


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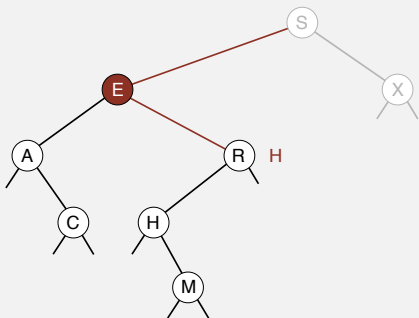


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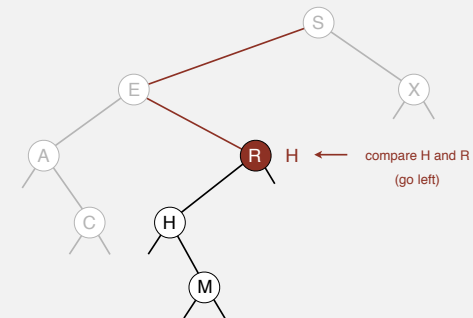


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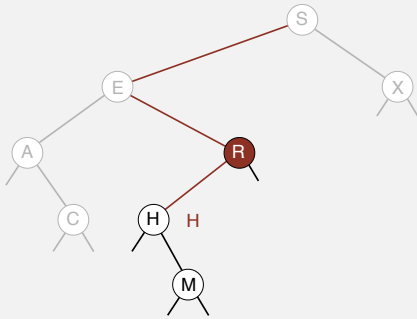


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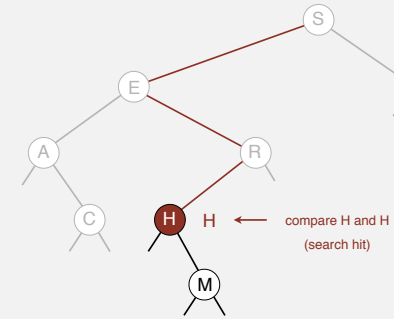


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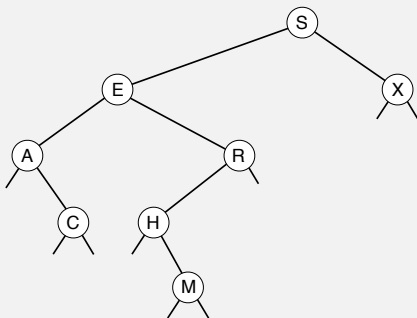


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unsuccessful search for G

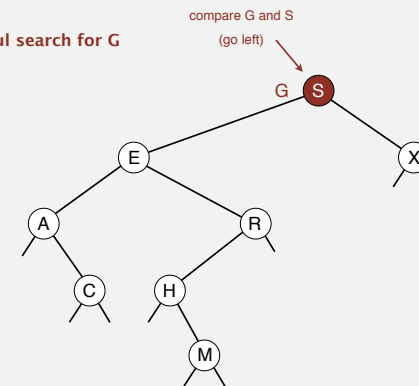


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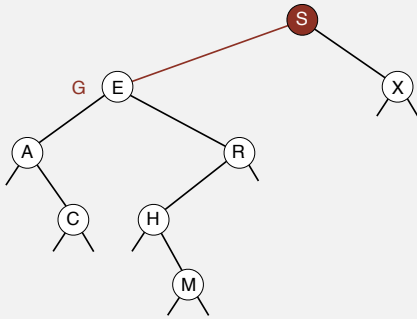


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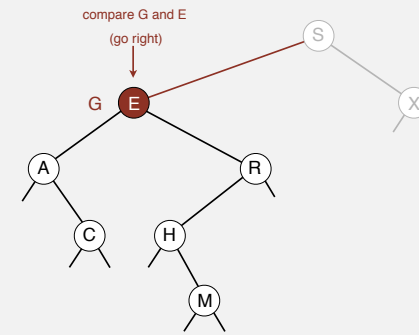


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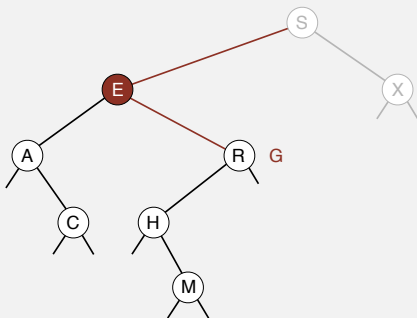


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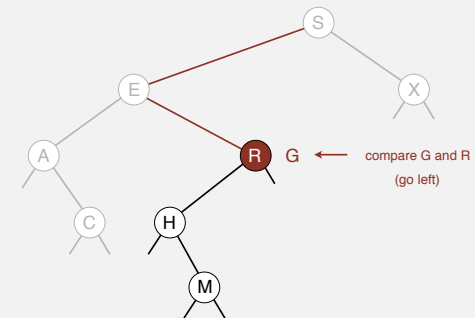


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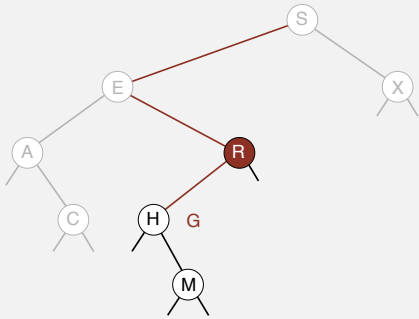


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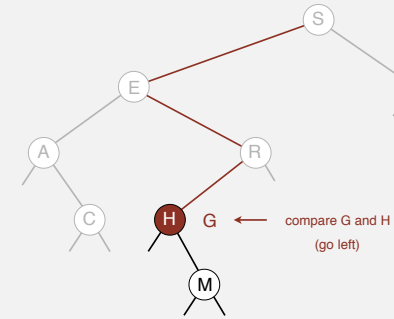


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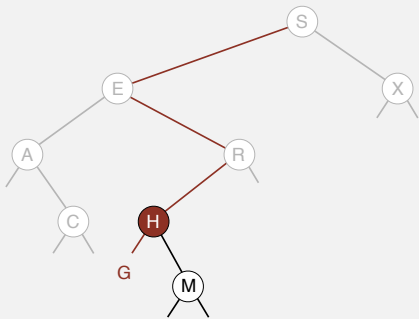


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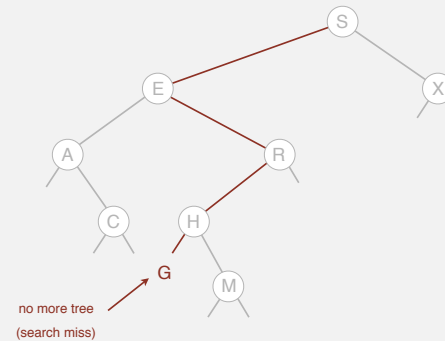


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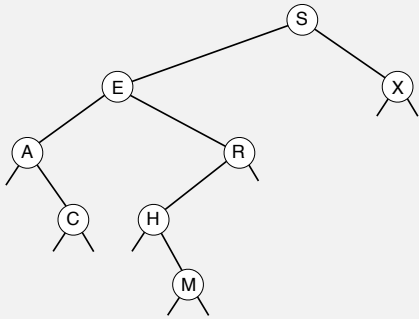


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insert G

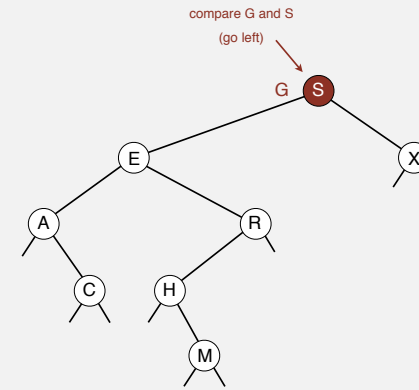


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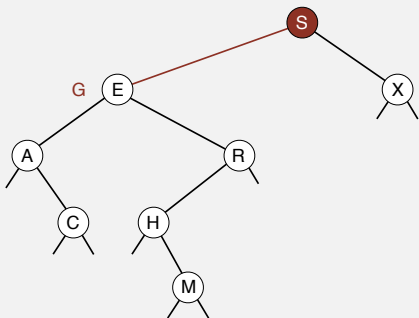


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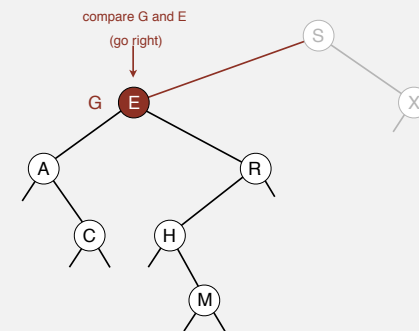


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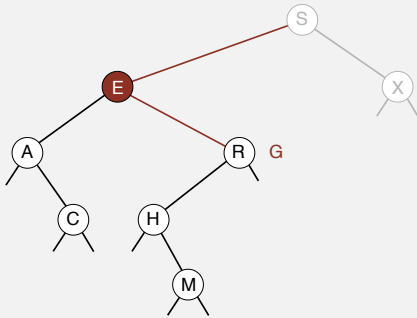


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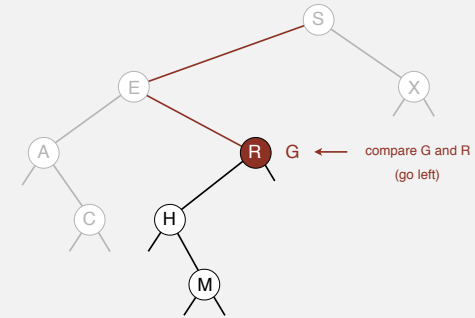


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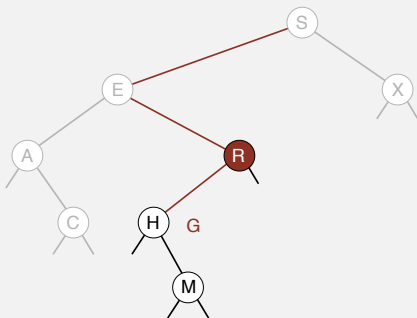


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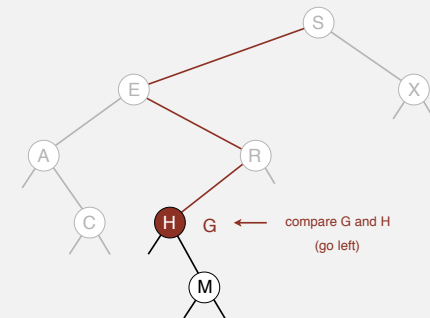


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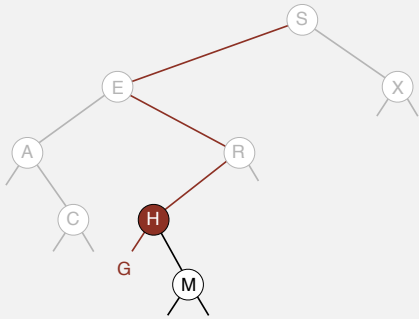
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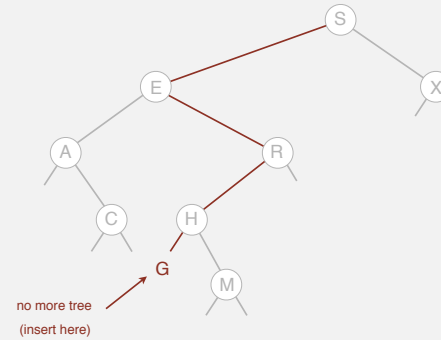


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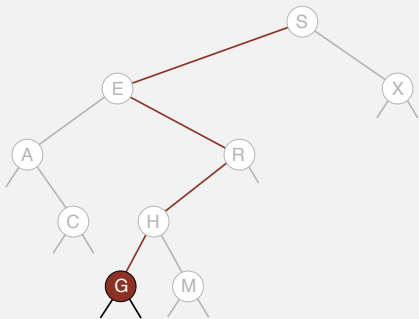


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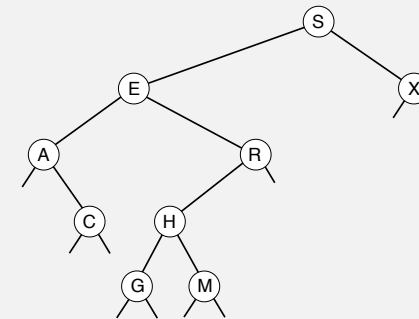


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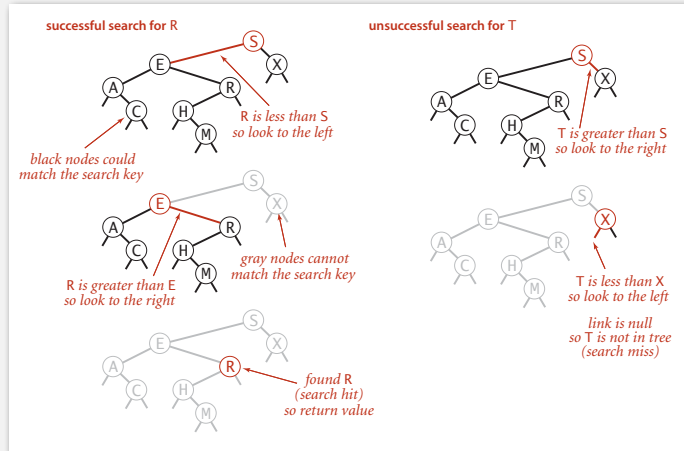
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## BST search

**Get.** Return value corresponding to given key, or `null` if no such key.



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## BST search: Java implementation

**Get.** Return value corresponding to given key, or `null` if no such key.

```
public Value get(Key key)
{
    Node x = root;
    while (x != null)
    {
        int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
        if (cmp < 0) x = x.left;
        else if (cmp > 0) x = x.right;
        else if (cmp == 0) return x.val;
    }
    return null;
}
```

**Cost.** Number of compares is equal to 1 + depth of node.

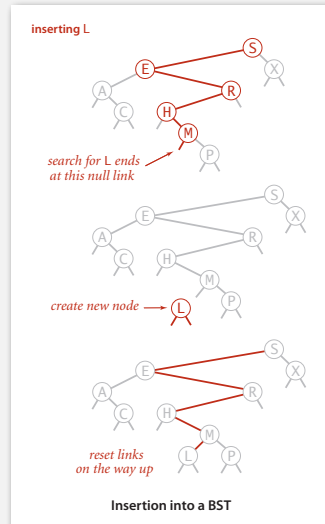
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## BST insert

**Put.** Associate value with key.

Search for key, then two cases:

- Key in tree  $\Rightarrow$  reset value.
- Key not in tree  $\Rightarrow$  add new node.



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## BST insert: Java implementation

**Put.** Associate value with key.

```
public void put(Key key, Value val)
{
    root = put(root, key, val);
}

private Node put(Node x, Key key, Value val)
{
    if (x == null) return new Node(key, val);
    int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
    if (cmp < 0)
        x.left = put(x.left, key, val);
    else if (cmp > 0)
        x.right = put(x.right, key, val);
    else if (cmp == 0)
        x.val = val;
    return x;
}
```

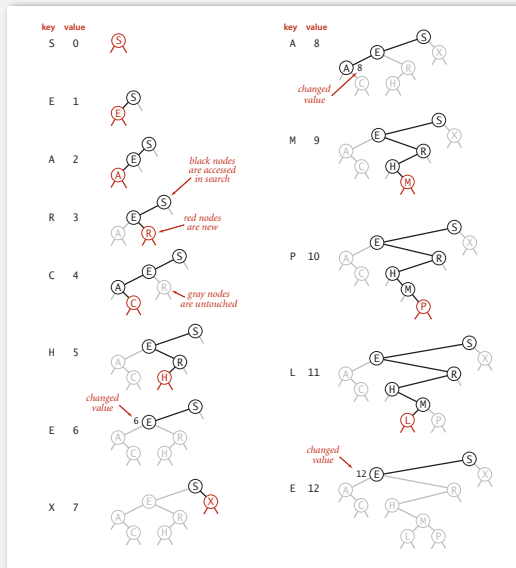
concise, but tricky,  
recursive code;  
read carefully!

Always assign the subtree  
returned from recursive  
call to a child, but does it actually  
change in each call?

**Cost.** Number of compares is equal to 1 + depth of node.

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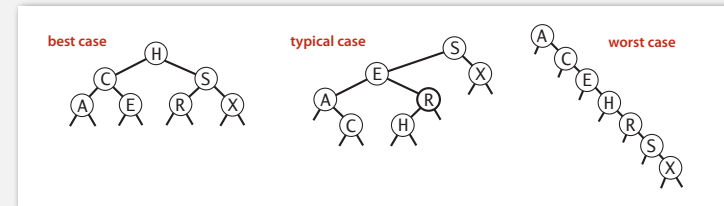
## BST trace: standard indexing client



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## Tree shape

- Many BSTs correspond to same set of keys.
- Number of compares for search/insert is equal to  $1 + \text{depth of node}$ .



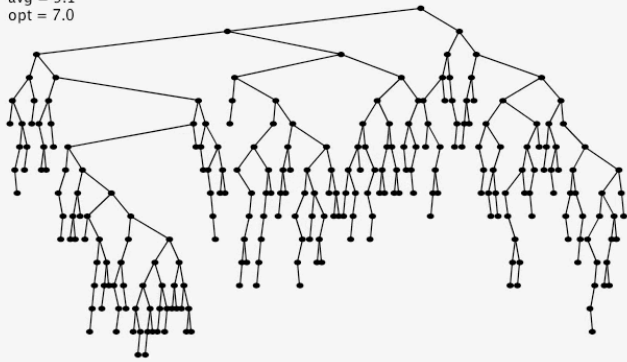
Remark. Tree shape depends on order of insertion.

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## BST insertion: random order visualization

Ex. Insert keys in random order.

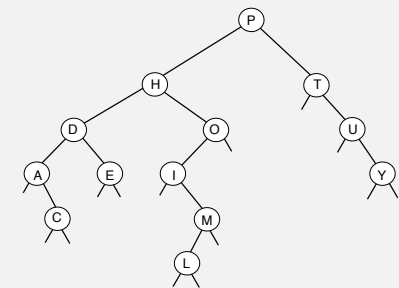
N = 255  
max = 16  
avg = 9.1  
opt = 7.0



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## Correspondence between BSTs and quicksort partitioning

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
P	S	E	U	D	O	M	Y	T	H	I	C	A	L
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Remark. Correspondence is 1-1 if array has no duplicate keys.

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## BSTs: mathematical analysis

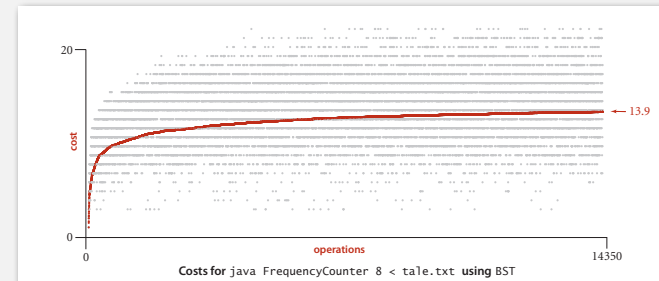
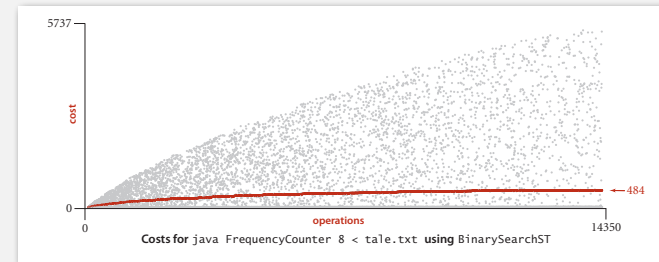
**Proposition.** If  $N$  distinct keys are inserted into a BST in **random order**, the expected number of compares for a search/insert is  $O(\log N)$ .

**Pf.** I-I correspondence with quicksort partitioning.

**But...** Worst-case height is  $N$ .  
(exponentially small chance when keys are inserted in random order)

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## ST implementations: frequency counter



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## ST implementations: summary

implementation	guarantee		average case		ordered ops?	operations on keys
	search	insert	search hit	insert		
sequential search (unordered list)	$N$	$N$	$N/2$	$N$	no	<code>equals ()</code>
binary search (ordered array)	$\lg N$	$N$	$\lg N$	$N/2$	yes	<code>compareTo ()</code>
BST	$N$	$N$	$\lg N$	$\lg N$	<i>stay tuned</i>	<code>compareTo ()</code>

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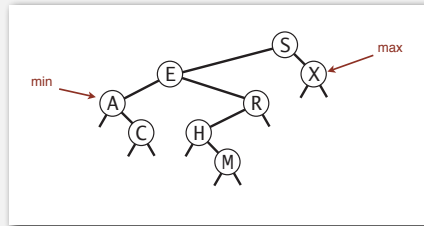
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## Minimum and maximum

**Minimum.** Smallest key in table.

**Maximum.** Largest key in table.



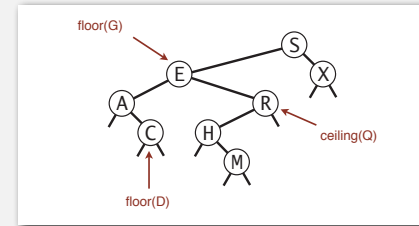
Q. How to find the min / max?

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## Floor and ceiling

**Floor.** Largest key  $\leq$  to a given key.

**Ceiling.** Smallest key  $\geq$  to a given key.



Q. How to find the floor /ceiling?

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## Computing the floor

**Case 1.** [ $k$  equals the key at root]

The floor of  $k$  is  $k$ .

**Case 2.** [ $k$  is less than the key at root]

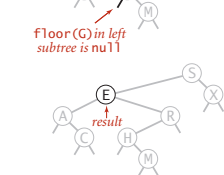
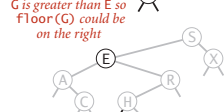
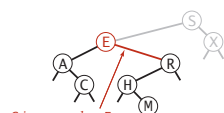
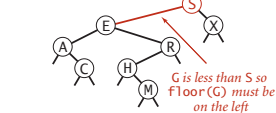
The floor of  $k$  is in the left subtree.

**Case 3.** [ $k$  is greater than the key at root]

The floor of  $k$  is in the right subtree

(if there is **any** key  $\leq k$  in right subtree);  
otherwise it is the key in the root.

finding floor(G)



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## Computing the floor

```
public Key floor(Key key)
{
    Node x = floor(root, key);
    if (x == null) return null;
    return x.key;
}

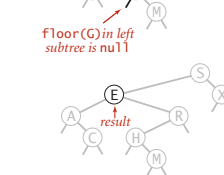
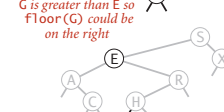
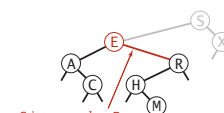
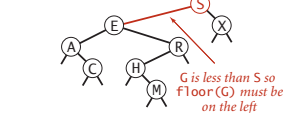
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{
    if (x == null) return null;
    int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);

    if (cmp == 0) return x;

    if (cmp < 0) return floor(x.left, key);

    Node t = floor(x.right, key);
    if (t != null) return t;
    else return x;
}
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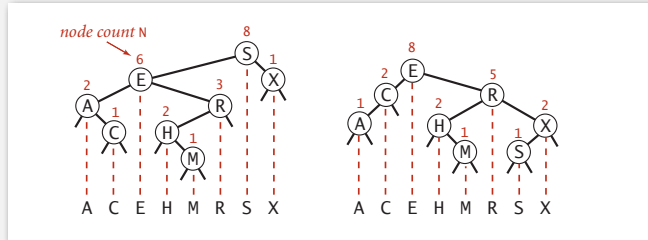
finding floor(G)



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## Subtree counts

In each node, we store the number of nodes in the subtree rooted at that node; to implement `size()`, return the count at the root.



**Remark.** This facilitates efficient implementation of `rank()` and `select()`.

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## BST implementation: subtree counts

```
private class Node
{
    private Key key;
    private Value val;
    private Node left;
    private Node right;
    private int N;
}
```

```
public int size()
{ return size(root); }

private int size(Node x)
{
    if (x == null) return 0;
    return x.N;
}
```

number of nodes  
in subtree

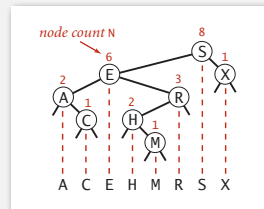
```
private Node put(Node x, Key key, Value val)
{
    if (x == null) return new Node(key, val);
    int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
    if (cmp < 0) x.left = put(x.left, key, val);
    else if (cmp > 0) x.right = put(x.right, key, val);
    else if (cmp == 0) x.val = val;
    x.N = 1 + size(x.left) + size(x.right);
    return x;
}
```

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## Rank

Rank. How many keys  $< k$ ?

Easy recursive algorithm (4 cases!)



```
public int rank(Key key)
{ return rank(key, root); }

private int rank(Key key, Node x)
{
    if (x == null) return 0;
    int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
    if (cmp < 0) return rank(key, x.left);
    else if (cmp > 0) return 1 + size(x.left) + rank(key, x.right);
    else if (cmp == 0) return size(x.left);
}
```

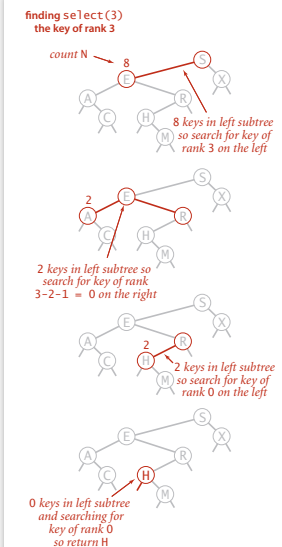
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## Selection

Select. Key of given rank.

```
public Key select(int k)
{
    if (k < 0) return null;
    if (k >= size()) return null;
    Node x = select(root, k);
    return x.key;
}
```

```
private Node select(Node x, int k)
{
    if (x == null) return null;
    int t = size(x.left);
    if (t > k)
        return select(x.left, k);
    else if (t < k)
        return select(x.right, k-t-1);
    else if (t == k)
        return x;
}
```



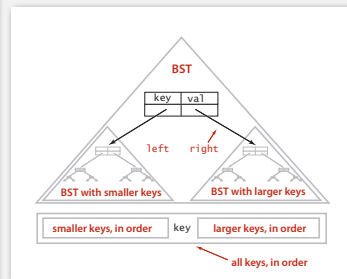
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## Inorder traversal

- Traverse left subtree.
- Enqueue key.
- Traverse right subtree.

```
public Iterable<Key> keys ()
{
    Queue<Key> q = new Queue<Key>();
    inorder(root, q);
    return q;
}

private void inorder(Node x, Queue<Key> q)
{
    if (x == null) return;
    inorder(x.left, q);
    q.enqueue(x.key);
    inorder(x.right, q);
}
```



**Property.** Inorder traversal of a BST yields keys in ascending order.

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## Inorder traversal

- Traverse left subtree.
- Enqueue key.
- Traverse right subtree.

```
inorder(S)
inorder(E)
inorder(A)
enqueue A
inorder(C)
enqueue C
enqueue E
inorder(R)
inorder(H)
enqueue H
inorder(M)
enqueue M
enqueue R
enqueue S
inorder(X)
enqueue X
```

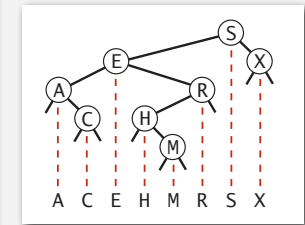
recursive calls

```
A
C
E
H
M
R
S
X
```

queue

```
S
S E
S E A
S E A C
S E R
S E R H
S E R H M
S X
```

function call stack



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## BST: ordered symbol table operations summary

	sequential search	binary search	BST
search	N	lg N	h
insert	I	N	h
min / max	N	I	h
floor / ceiling	N	lg N	h
rank	N	lg N	h
select	N	I	h
ordered iteration	N log N	N	N

h = height of BST  
(proportional to log N  
if keys inserted in random order)

order of growth of running time of ordered symbol table operations

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## BINARY SEARCH TREES

- BSTs
- Ordered operations
- Deletion

## ST implementations: summary

implementation	guarantee			average case			ordered iteration?	operations on keys
	search	insert	delete	search hit	insert	delete		
sequential search (linked list)	N	N	N	N/2	N	N/2	no	<code>equals()</code>
binary search (ordered array)	lg N	N	N	lg N	N/2	N/2	yes	<code>compareTo()</code>
BST	N	N	N	lg N	lg N	???	yes	<code>compareTo()</code>

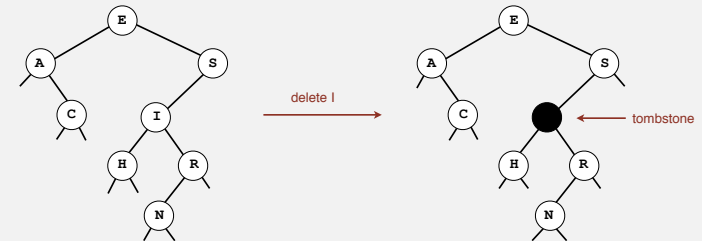
Next. Deletion in BSTs.

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## BST deletion: lazy approach

To remove a node with a given key:

- Set its value to `null`.
- Leave key in tree to guide searches (but don't consider it equal to search key).



**Cost.**  $O(\log N')$  per insert, search, and delete (if keys in random order), where  $N'$  is the number of key-value pairs ever inserted in the BST.

**Unsatisfactory solution.** Tombstone (memory) overload.

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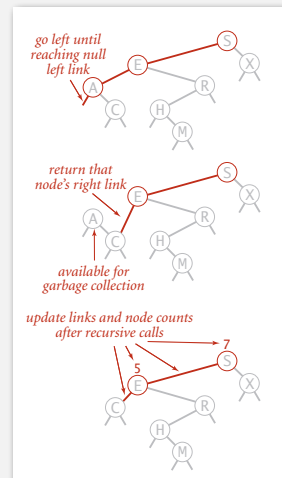
## Deleting the minimum

To delete the minimum key:

- Go left until finding a node with a null left link.
- Replace that node by its right link.
- Update subtree counts.

```
public void deleteMin()
{ root = deleteMin(root); }

private Node deleteMin(Node x)
{
    if (x.left == null) return x.right;
    x.left = deleteMin(x.left);
    x.N = 1 + size(x.left) + size(x.right);
    return x;
}
```

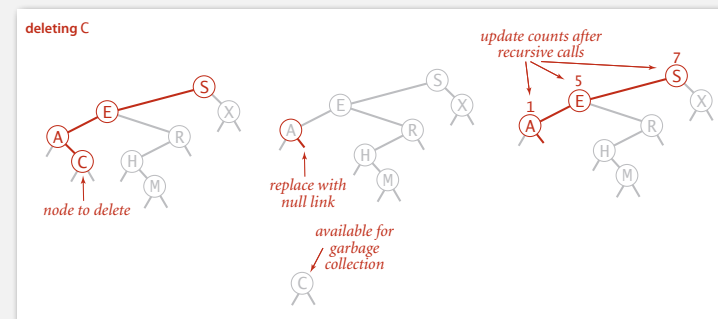


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## Hibbard deletion

To delete a node with key  $k$ : search for node  $t$  containing key  $k$ .

**Case 0.** [0 children] Delete  $t$  by setting parent link to null.



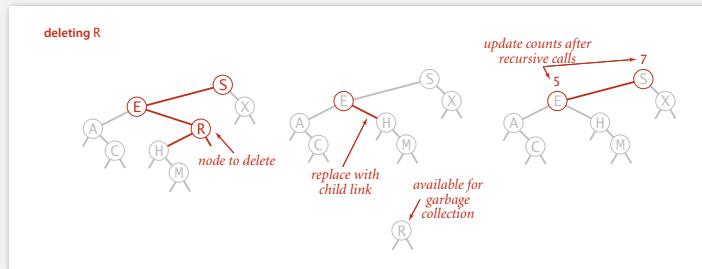
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Case 1. [1 child] Delete  $t$  by replacing parent link.



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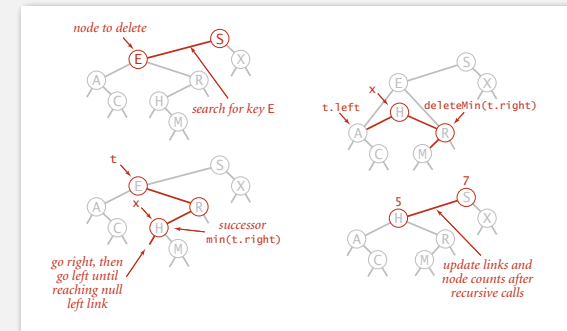
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Case 2. [2 children]

- Find successor  $x$  of  $t$ .
- Delete the minimum in  $t$ 's right subtree.
- Put  $x$  in  $t$ 's spot.

- ←  $x$  has no left child
- ← but don't garbage collect  $x$
- ← still a BST



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## Hibbard deletion: Java implementation

```

public void delete(Key key)
{ root = delete(root, key); }

private Node delete(Node x, Key key) {
    if (x == null) return null;
    int cmp = key.compareTo(x.key);
    if (cmp < 0) x.left = delete(x.left, key);
    else if (cmp > 0) x.right = delete(x.right, key);
    else {
        if (x.right == null) return x.left;

        Node t = x;
        x = min(t.right);
        x.right = deleteMin(t.right);
        x.left = t.left;
    }
    x.N = size(x.left) + size(x.right) + 1;
    return x;
}
    
```

search for key

no right child

replace with successor

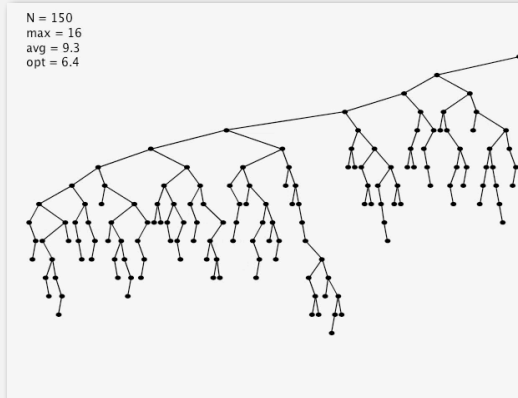
update subtree counts

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## Hibbard deletion: analysis

Unsatisfactory solution. Not symmetric.

If we always delete from the same side, the shape of tree will be not random, the right subtrees are trimmed!



Surprising consequence. Trees not random (!)  $\Rightarrow$   $\sqrt{\text{sqrt}}(N)$  per op.  
Longstanding open problem. Simple and efficient delete for BSTs.

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other operations also become  $\sqrt{N}$   
if deletions allowed

Red-black BST. Guarantee logarithmic performance for all operations.