

Algorithms and Data Structures for Data Science

Binary Search Tree

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Learning Objectives

Review understanding of Binary Trees

Practice tree traversals

Introduce the dictionary ADT

Extend ADT to Binary Search Trees

Practice recursion in the context of trees

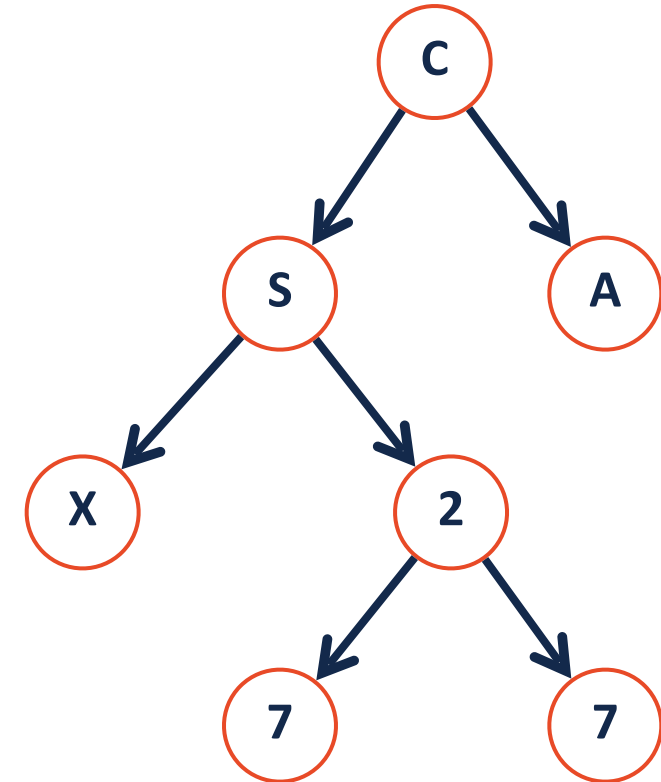
(Binary) Tree Recursion

A **binary tree** is a tree T such that:

$T = \text{None}$

or

$T = \text{treeNode}(\text{val}, T_L, T_R)$



```
1 class treeNode:
2     def __init__(self, val, left=None, right=None):
3         self.val = val
4         self.left = left
5         self.right = right
```

```
1 class binaryTree:
2     def __init__(self):
3         self.root = None
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```

Tree ADT

Constructor: Build a new (empty) tree

Insert: Add an object into tree

Remove: Remove a specific object from tree

Traverse: Visit every node in tree (all objects)

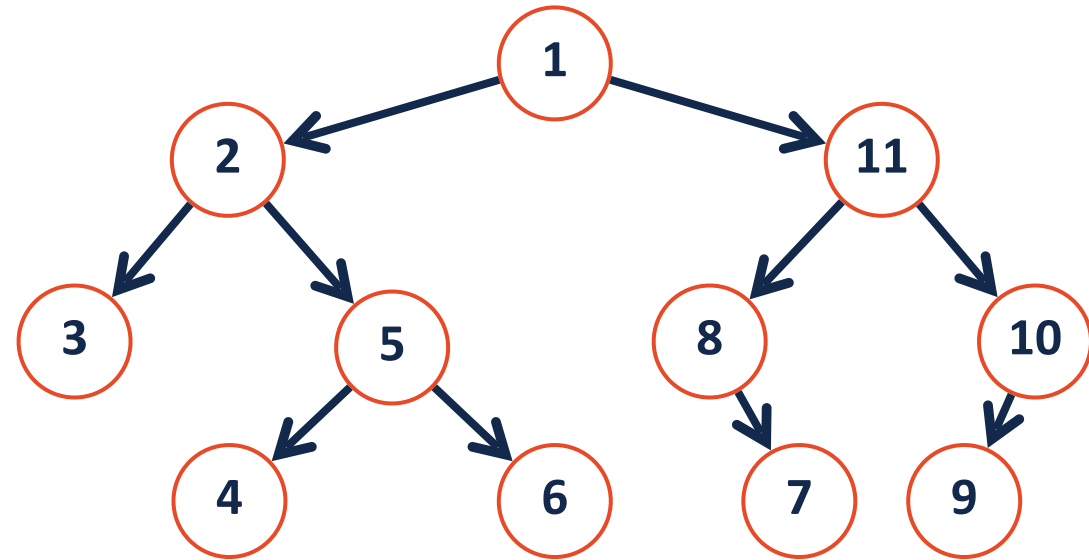
Search: Find a specific object in the tree

Binary Tree Insert and Remove

Last class we implemented insert and remove where we are given the parent node and direction (allowing us to reach the node of interest)

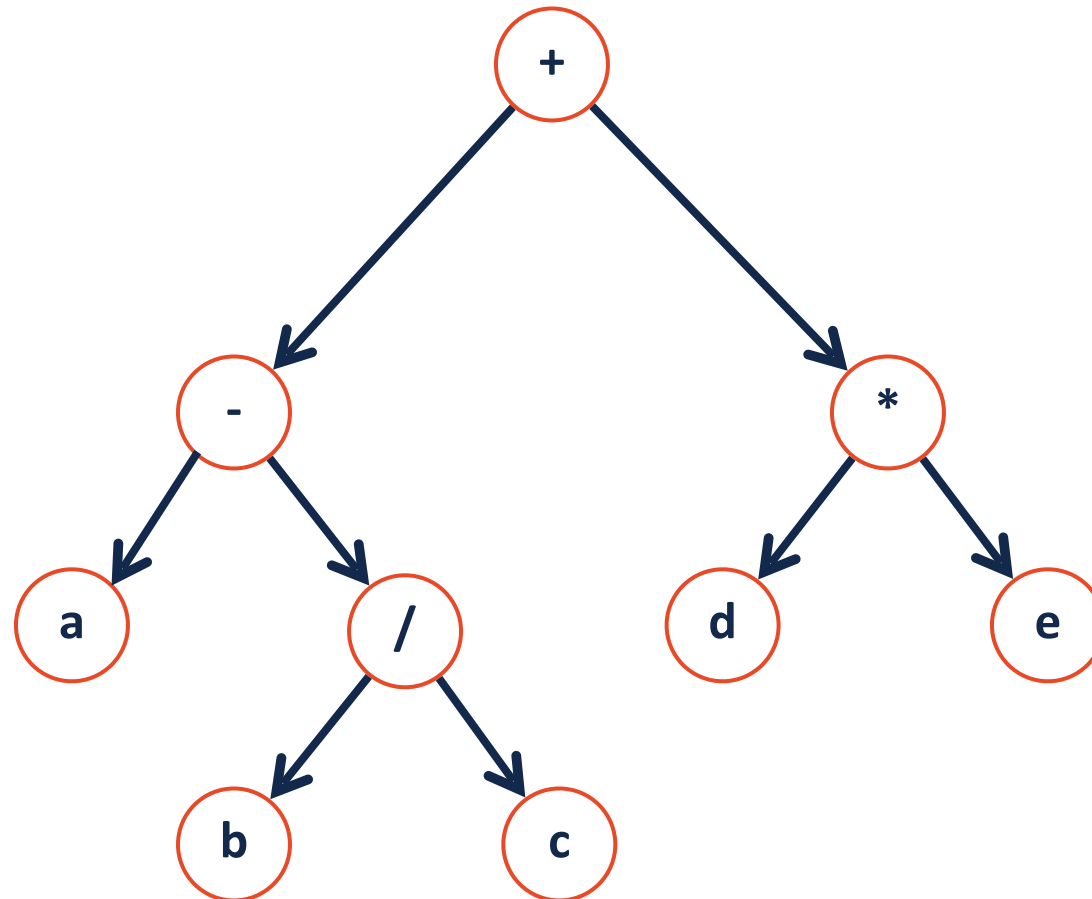
Insert was a lot like what previous data structure:

Remove has one bad case, which was:

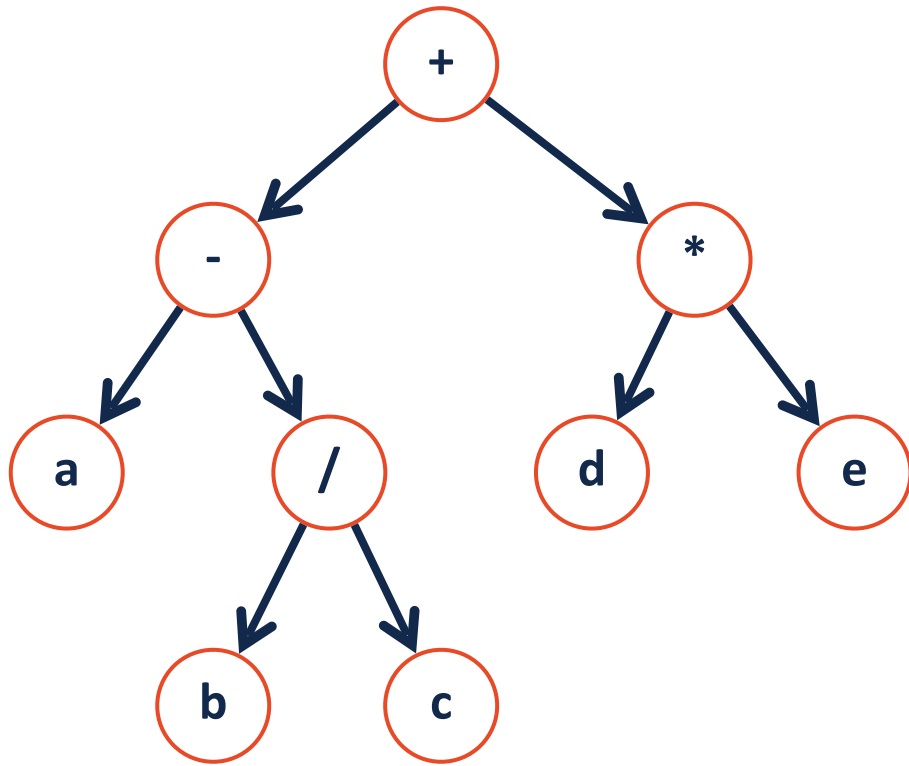


Tree Traversal

A **traversal** of a tree T is an ordered way of visiting every node once.



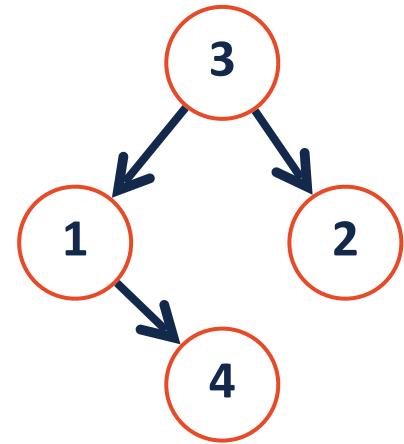
Pre-order Traversal



```
1 def preorderTraversal (node) :
2     if node:
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4         print (node.val)
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6         preorderTraversal (node.left)
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8         preorderTraversal (node.right)
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```

Pre-order:

Pre-order Traversal Visualized



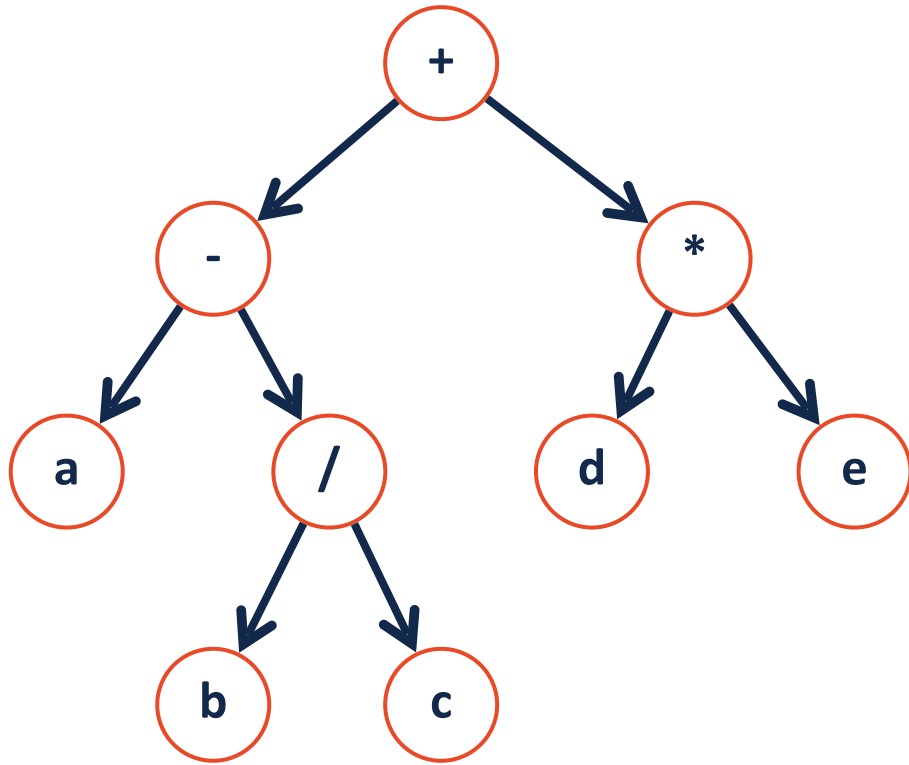
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1 def preorderTraversal (<3>) :  
2     if node:  
3         print (<3>.val)  
4  
5         preorderTraversal (<3>.left)  
6         preorderTraversal (<3>.right)
```

```
1 def preorderTraversal (<1>) :  
2     if node:  
3         print (<1>.val)  
4  
5         preorderTraversal (<1>.left)  
6         preorderTraversal (<1>.right)
```

```
1 def preorderTraversal (<2>) :  
2     if node:  
3         print (<2>.val)  
4  
5         preorderTraversal (<2>.left)  
6         preorderTraversal (<2>.right)
```

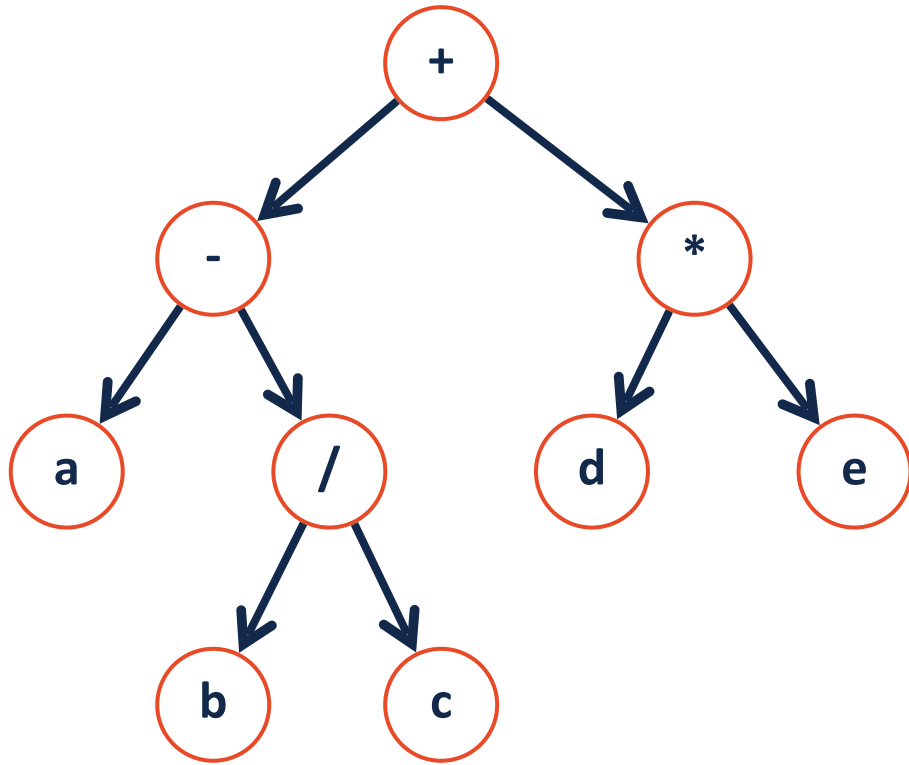
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1 def preorderTraversal (<4>) :  
2     if node:  
3         print (<4>.val)  
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5         preorderTraversal (<4>.left)  
6         preorderTraversal (<4>.right)
```


In-order Traversal



In-order:

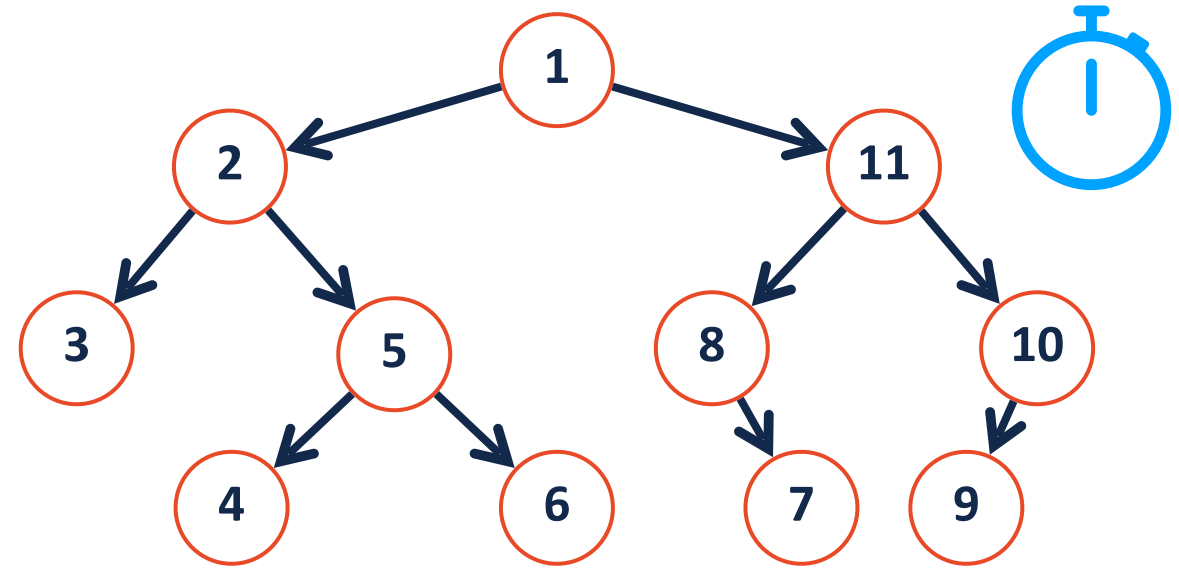
Post-order Traversal



Post-order:

Tree Traversals

Lets practice our traversals!



Pre-order:

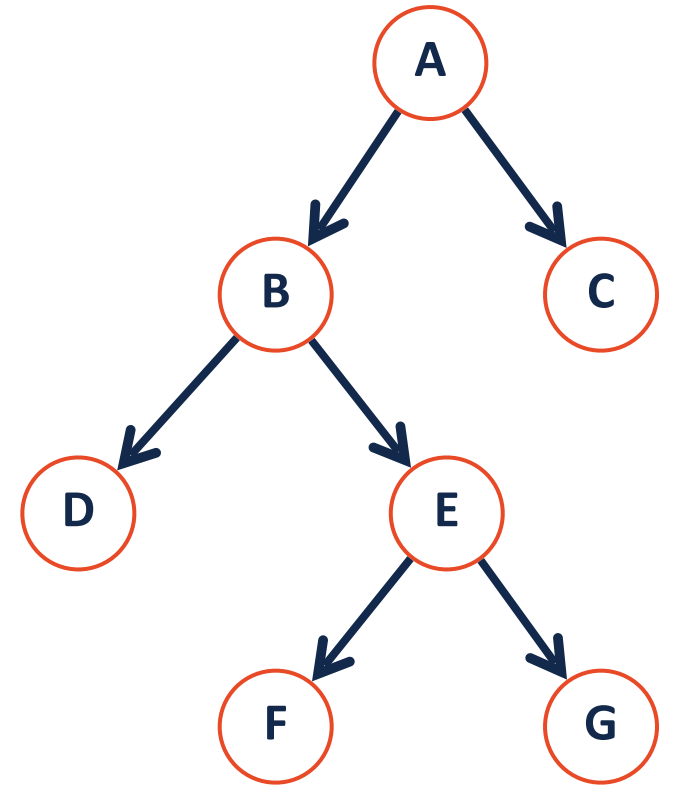
In-order:

Post-order:

Traversal vs Search

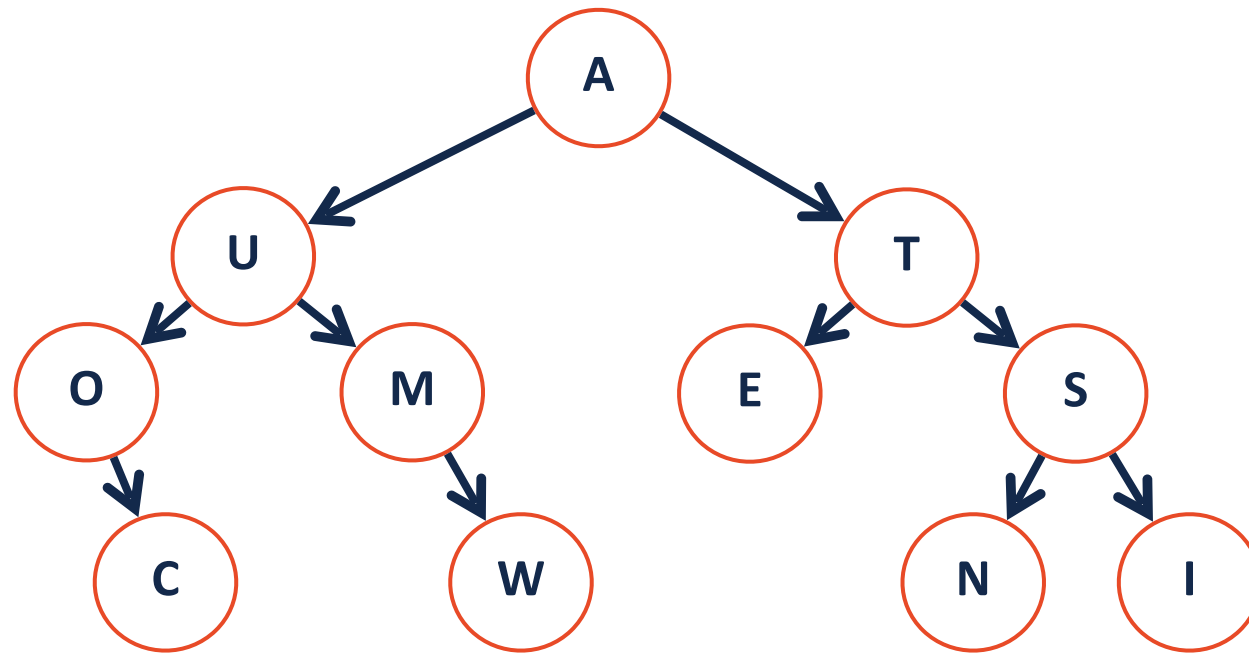
Traversal

Search



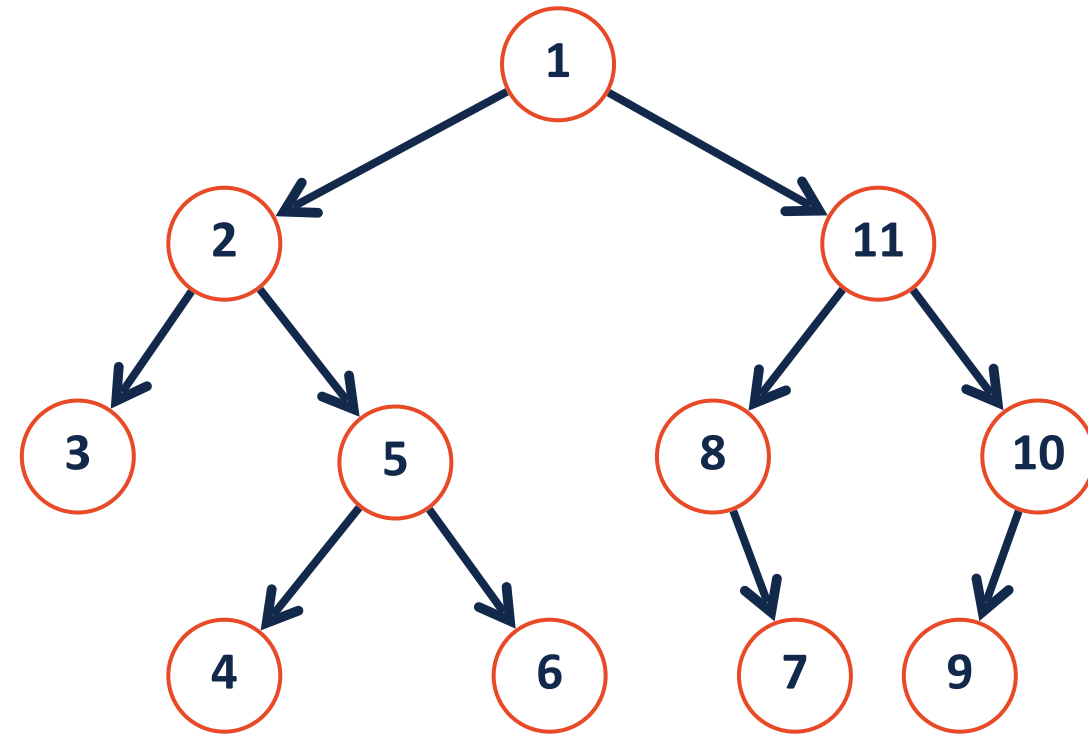
Searching a Binary Tree

There are two main approaches to searching a binary tree:



Depth First Search

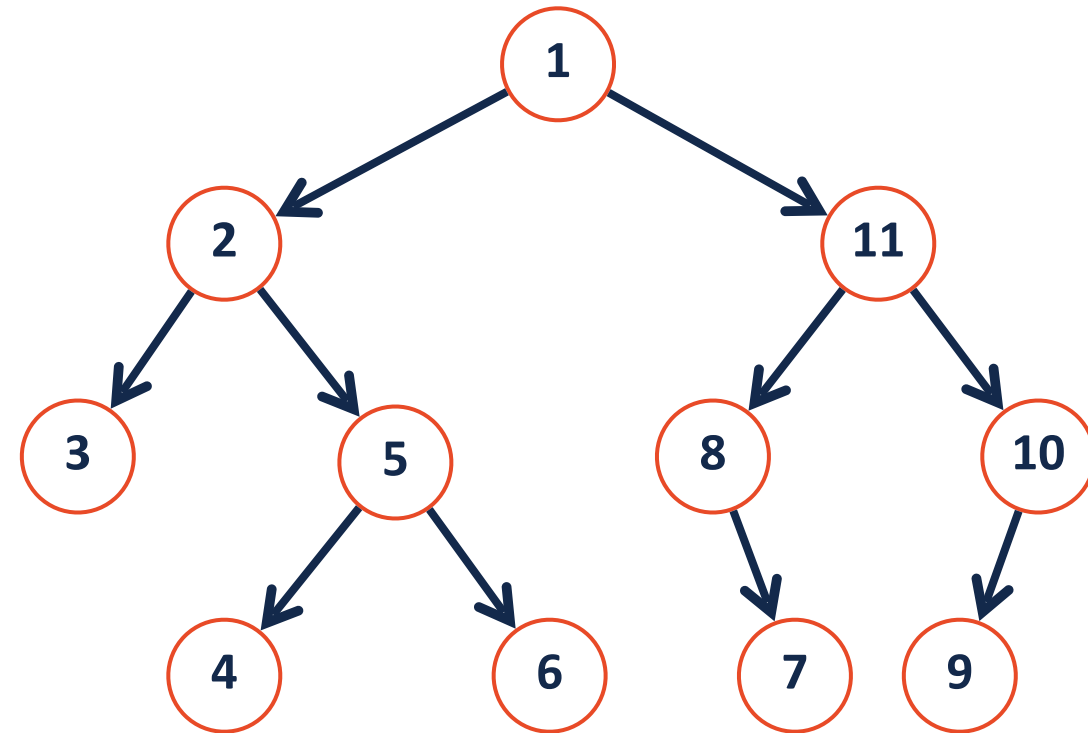
Explore as far along one path as possible before backtracking



Breadth First Search



Fully explore depth i before exploring depth $i+1$



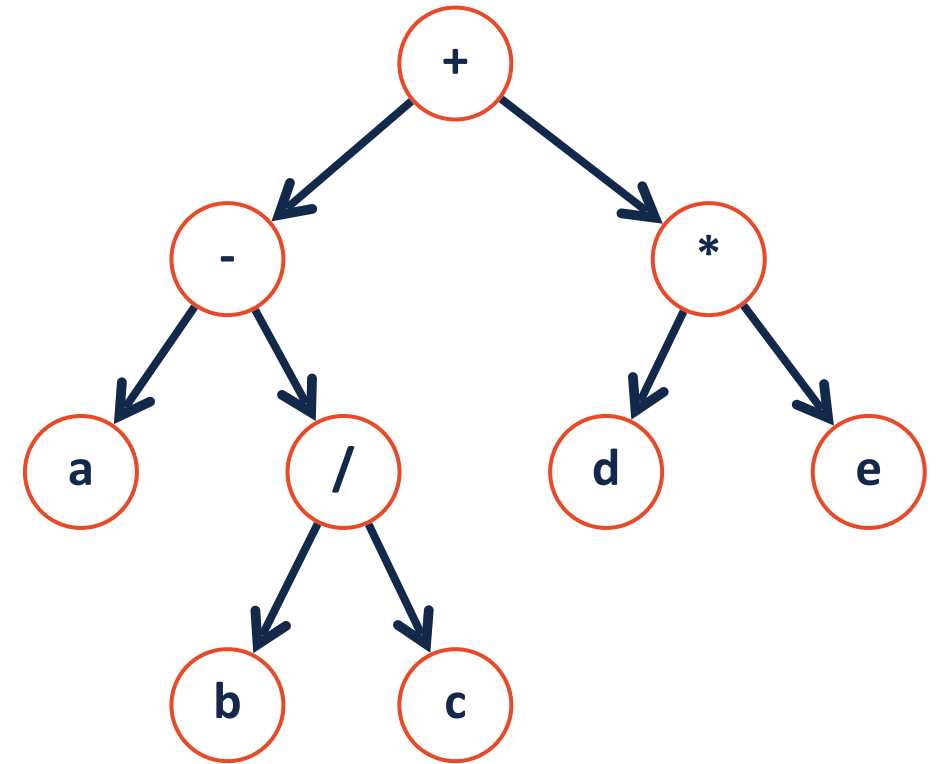
Traversal vs Search II

Pre-order, in-order, and post-order are three ways of doing which search?

Pre-order: + - a / b c * d e

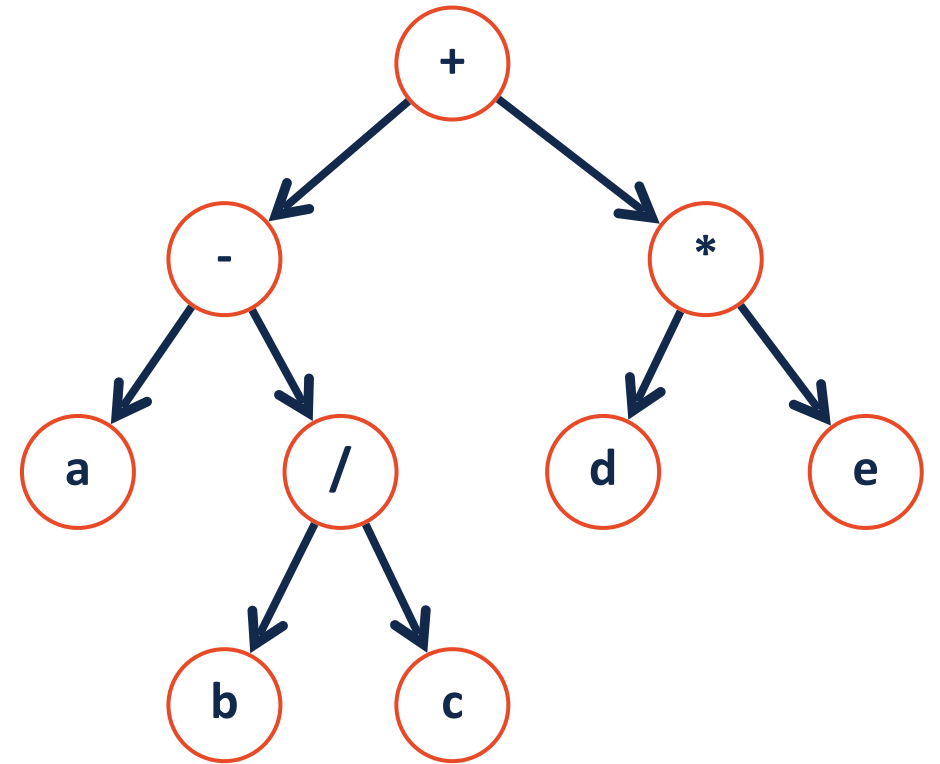
In-order: a - b / c + d * e

Post-order: a b c / - d e * +



Level-Order Traversal

A tricky recursive implementation but an easier queue implementation!



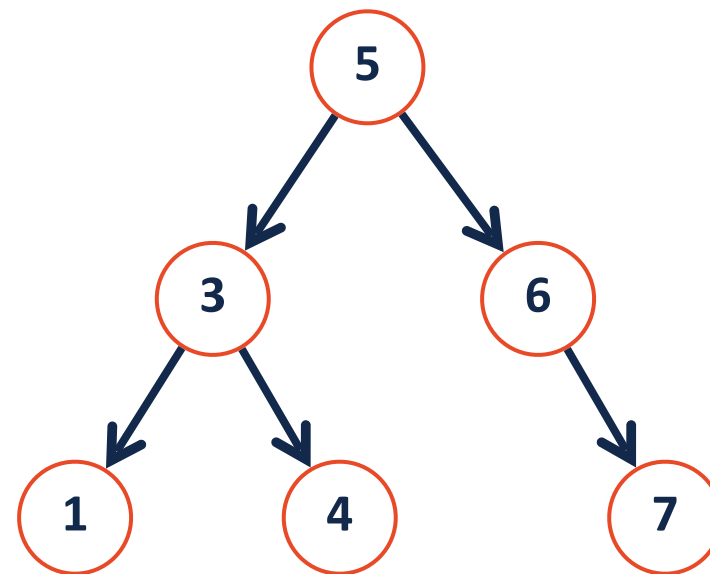
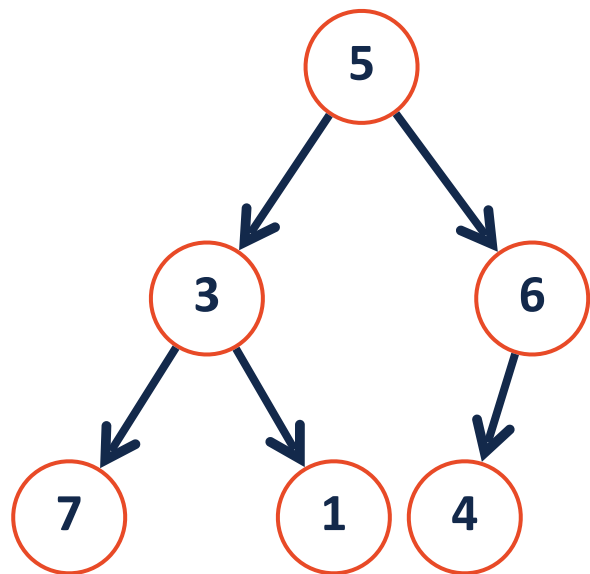
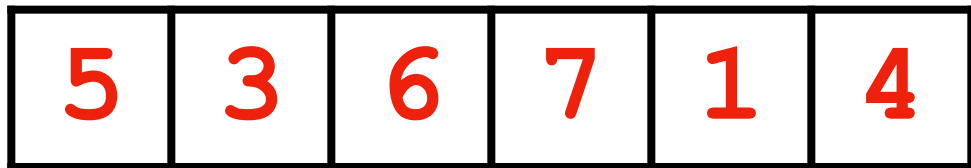
Level-order:

What search algorithm is best?

The average 'branch factor' for a game of chess is ~ 31 . If you were searching a decision tree for chess, which search algorithm would you use?



Improved search on a binary tree

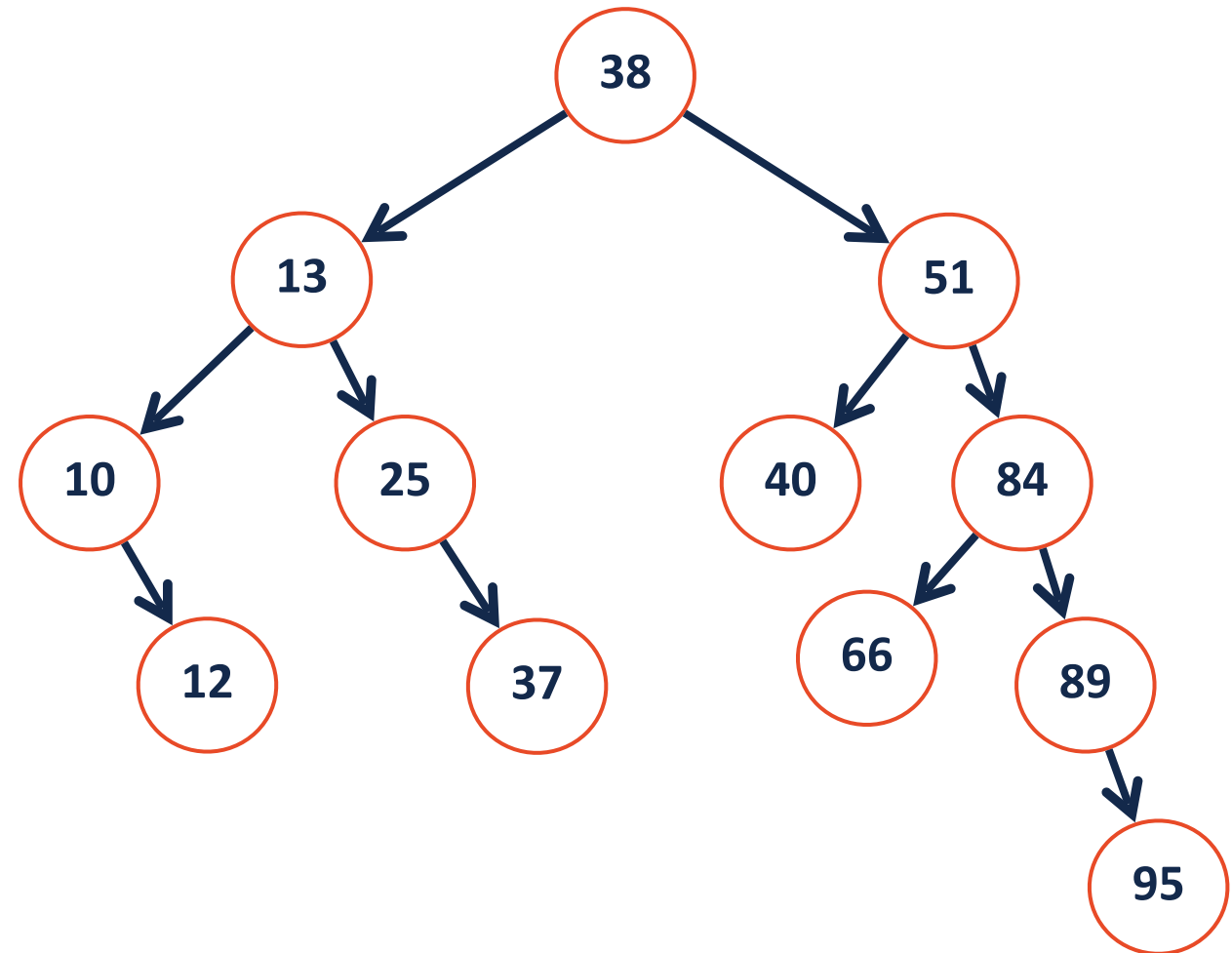


Binary Search Tree (BST)

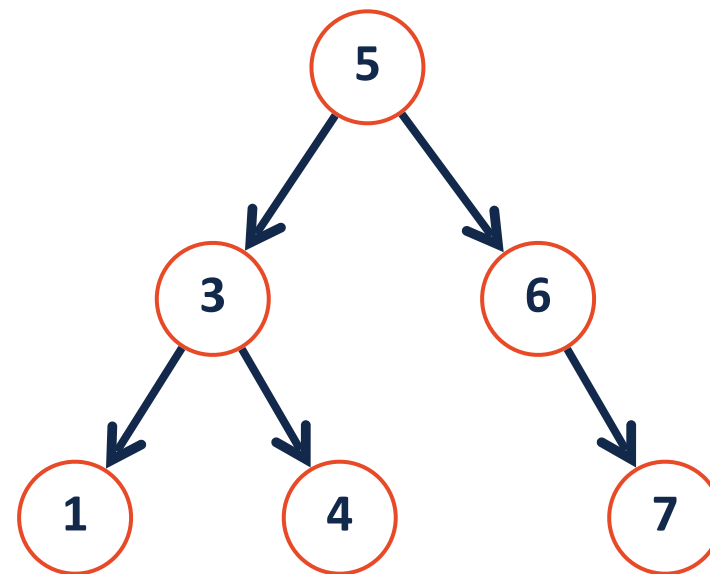
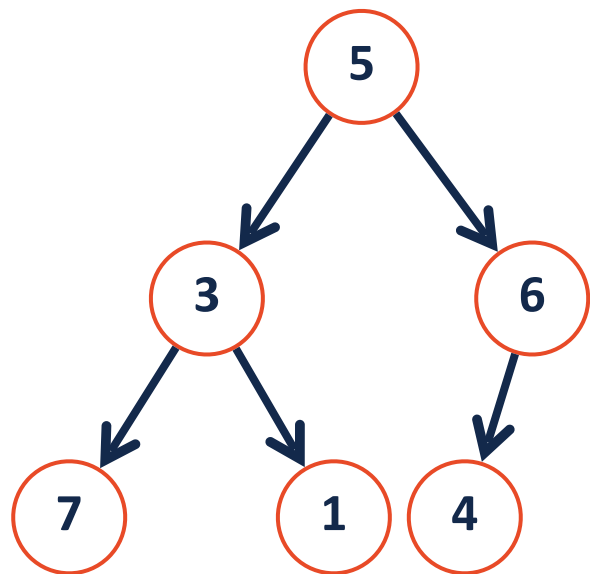
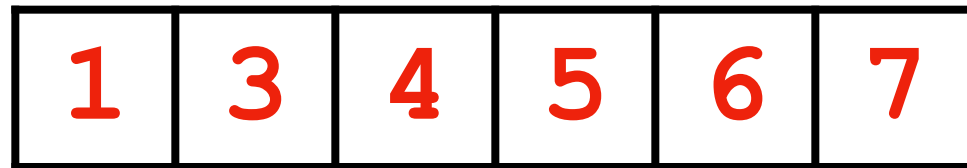
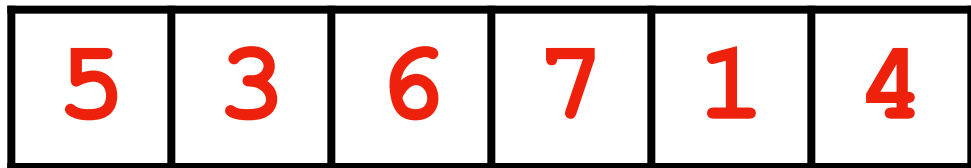
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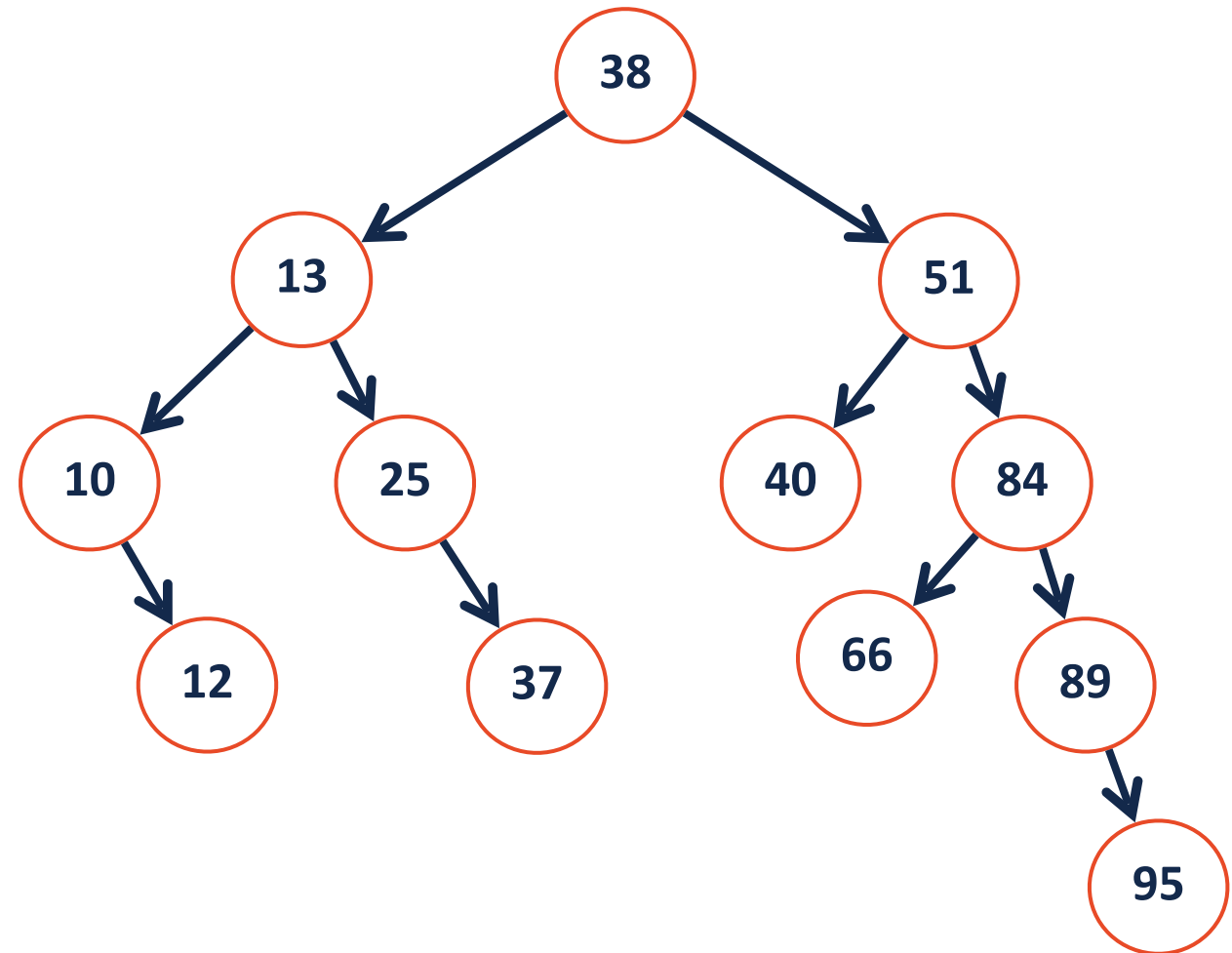


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Dictionary ADT

Data is often organized into key/value pairs:

Word → Definition

Course Number → Lecture/Lab Schedule

Node → Edges

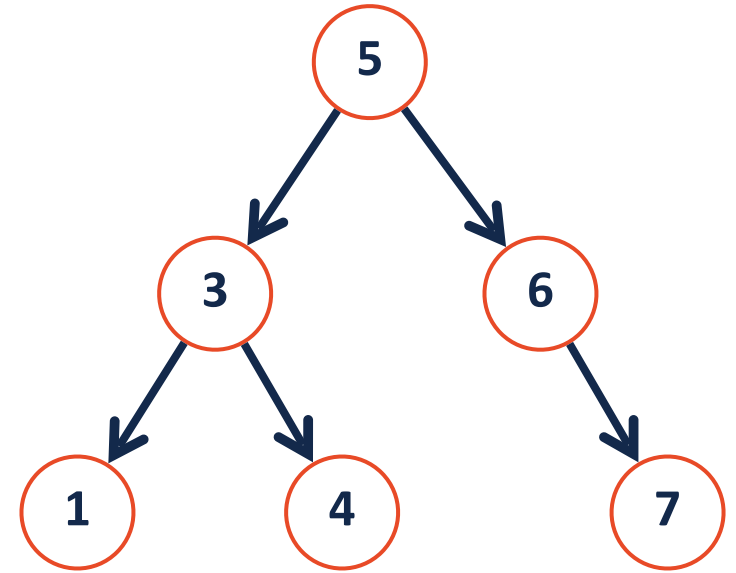
Flight Number → Arrival Information

URL → HTML Page

Average Image Color → File Location of Image

Dictionary as a Binary Search Tree

```
1 class bstNode:  
2     def __init__(self, key, val, left=None, right=None):  
3         self.key = key  
4         self.val = val  
5         self.left = left  
6         self.right = right
```



Key	5	3	6	7	1	4
Value	A	B	C	D	E	F

Binary Search Tree ADT



Constructor: Build a new (empty) tree

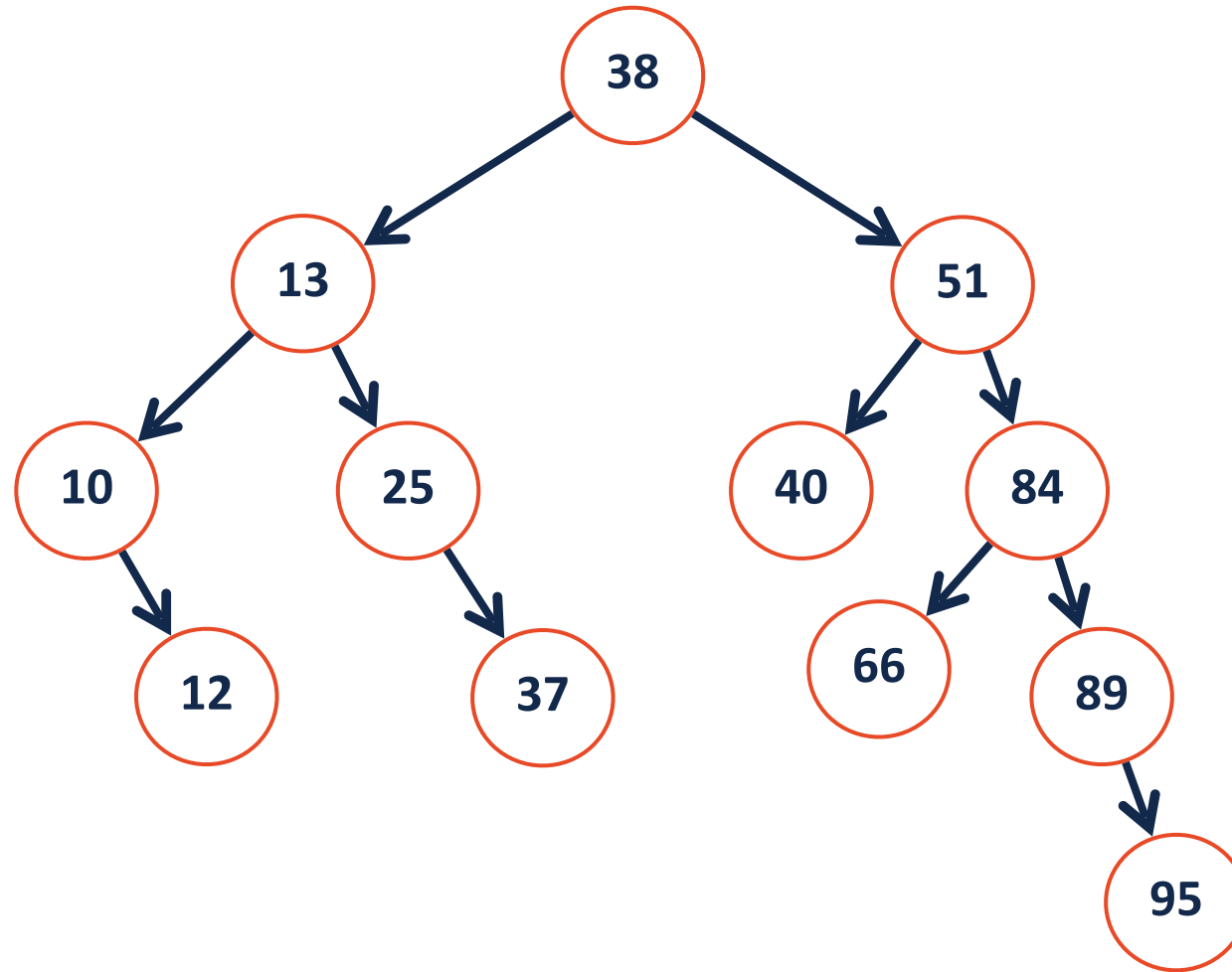
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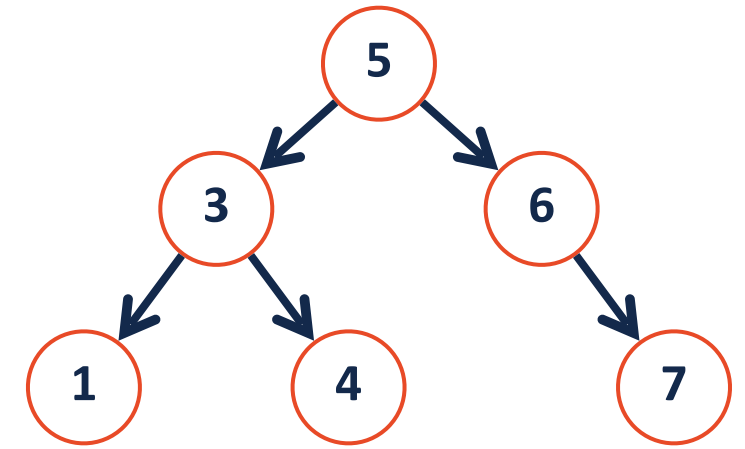
Search: Find a specific object in the tree

BST In-Order Traversal



BST Insert

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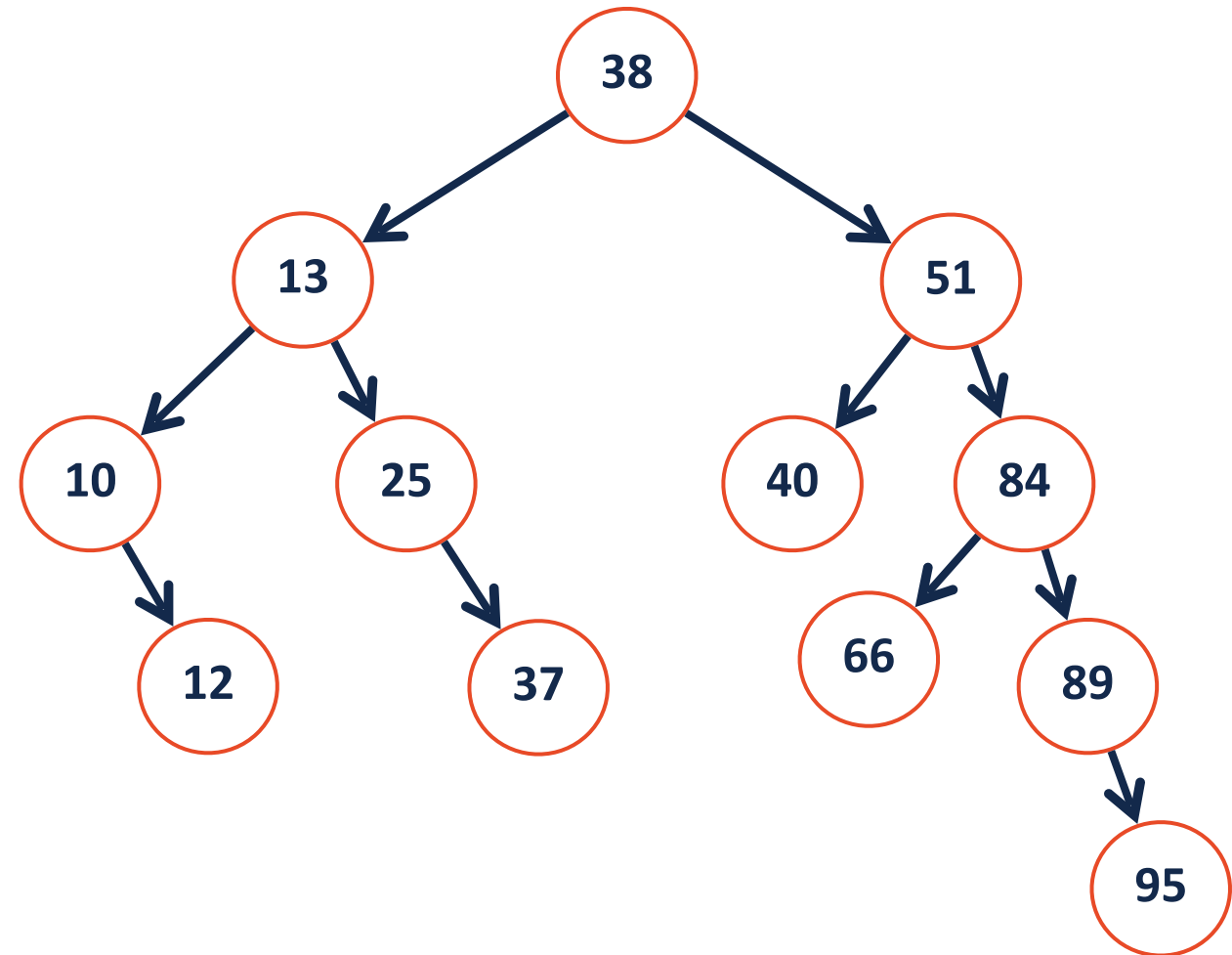


Recursive Step:

Combining:

BST Insert

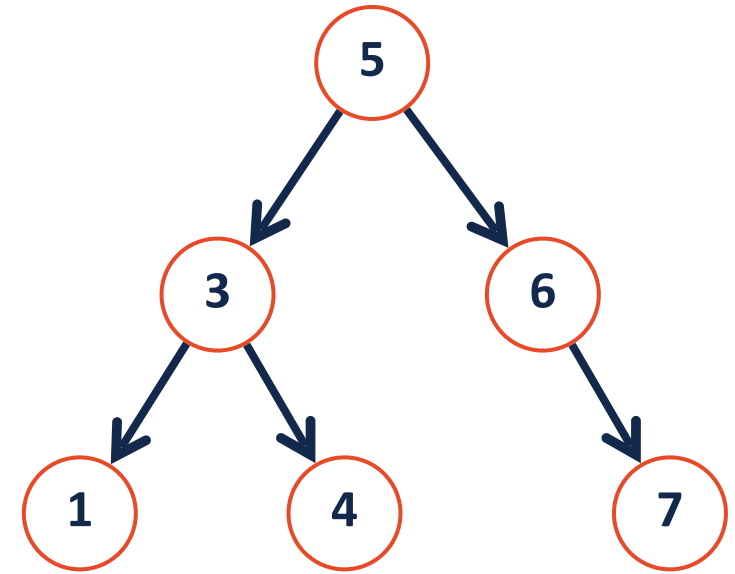
insert(33)



BST Insert



```
1 # inside class bst
2 def insert(self, key, val):
3     self.root = self.insert_helper(self.root, key, val)
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5 def insert_helper(self, node, key, val):
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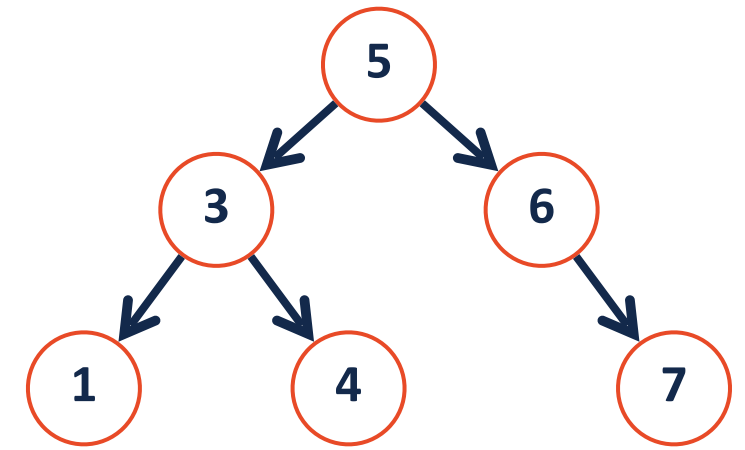


BST Insert

What binary would be formed by inserting the following sequence of integers: [3, 7, 2, 1, 4, 8, 0]

BST Find

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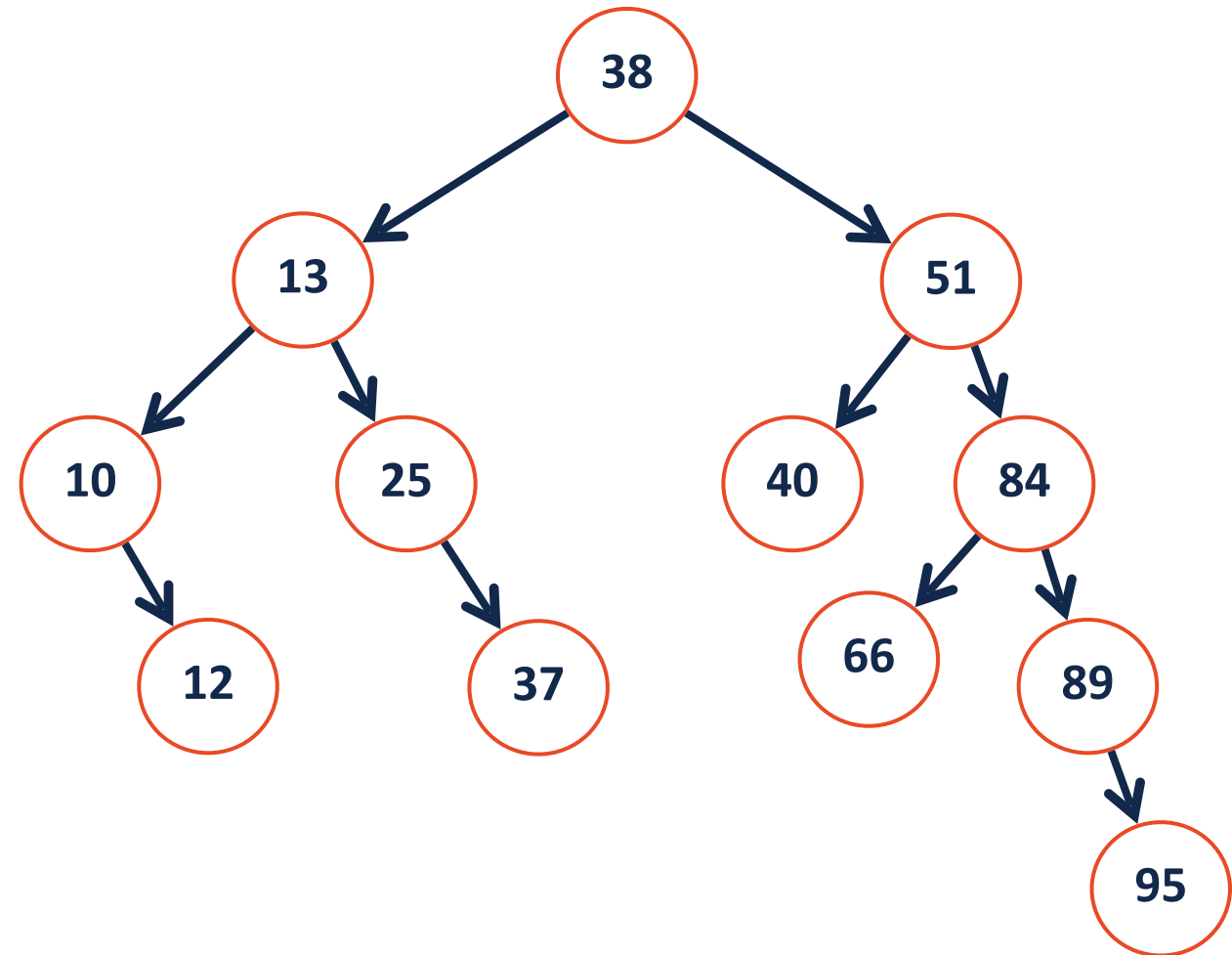


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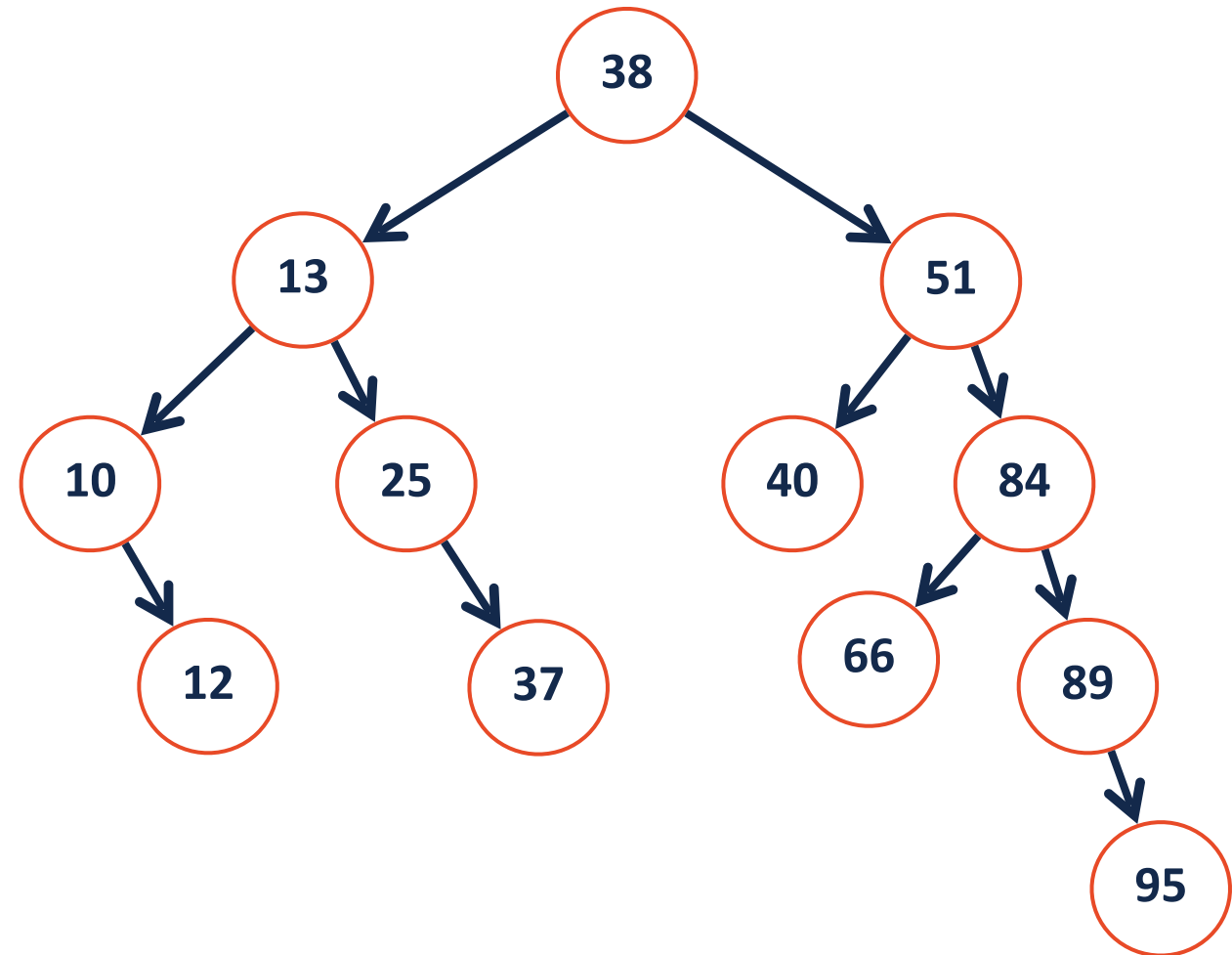
BST Find

find(66)



BST Find

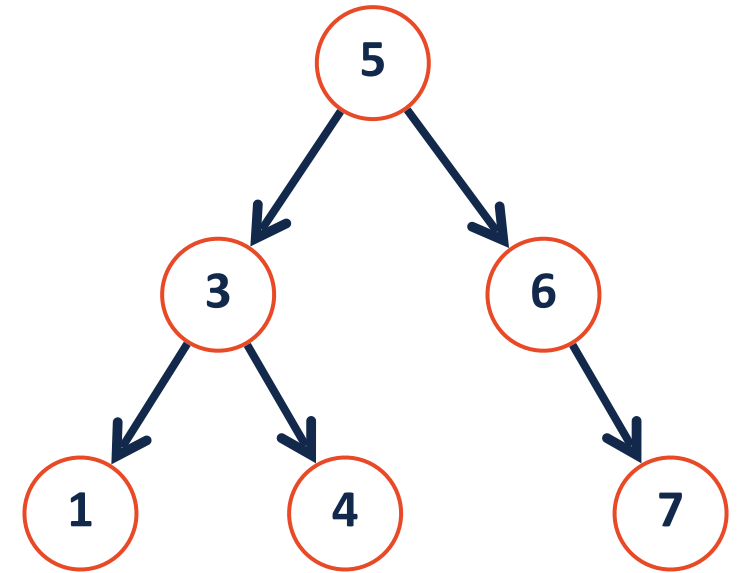
find(9)



BST Find

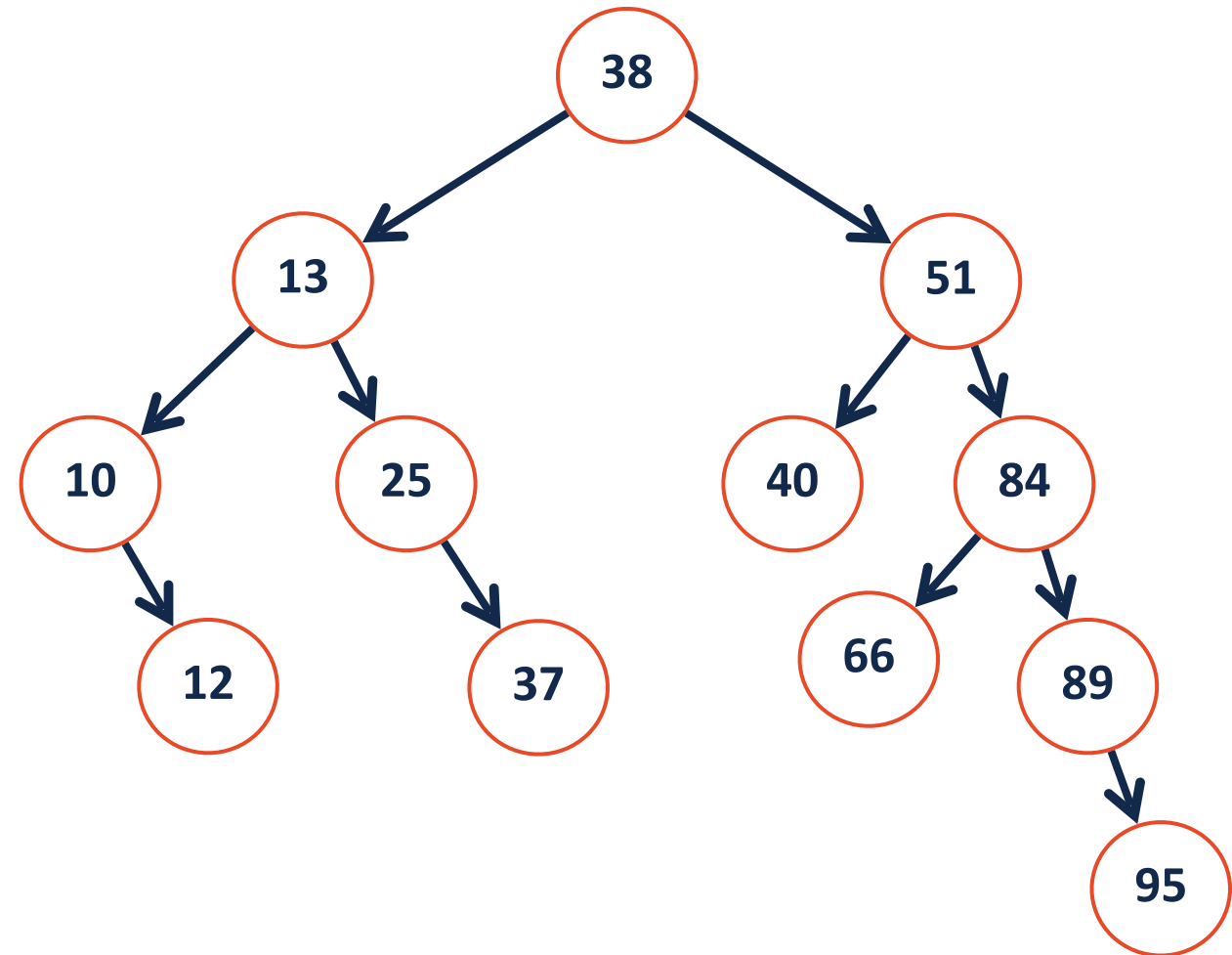


```
1 #inside class bst
2 def find(self, key):
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9 def find_helper(self, node, key):
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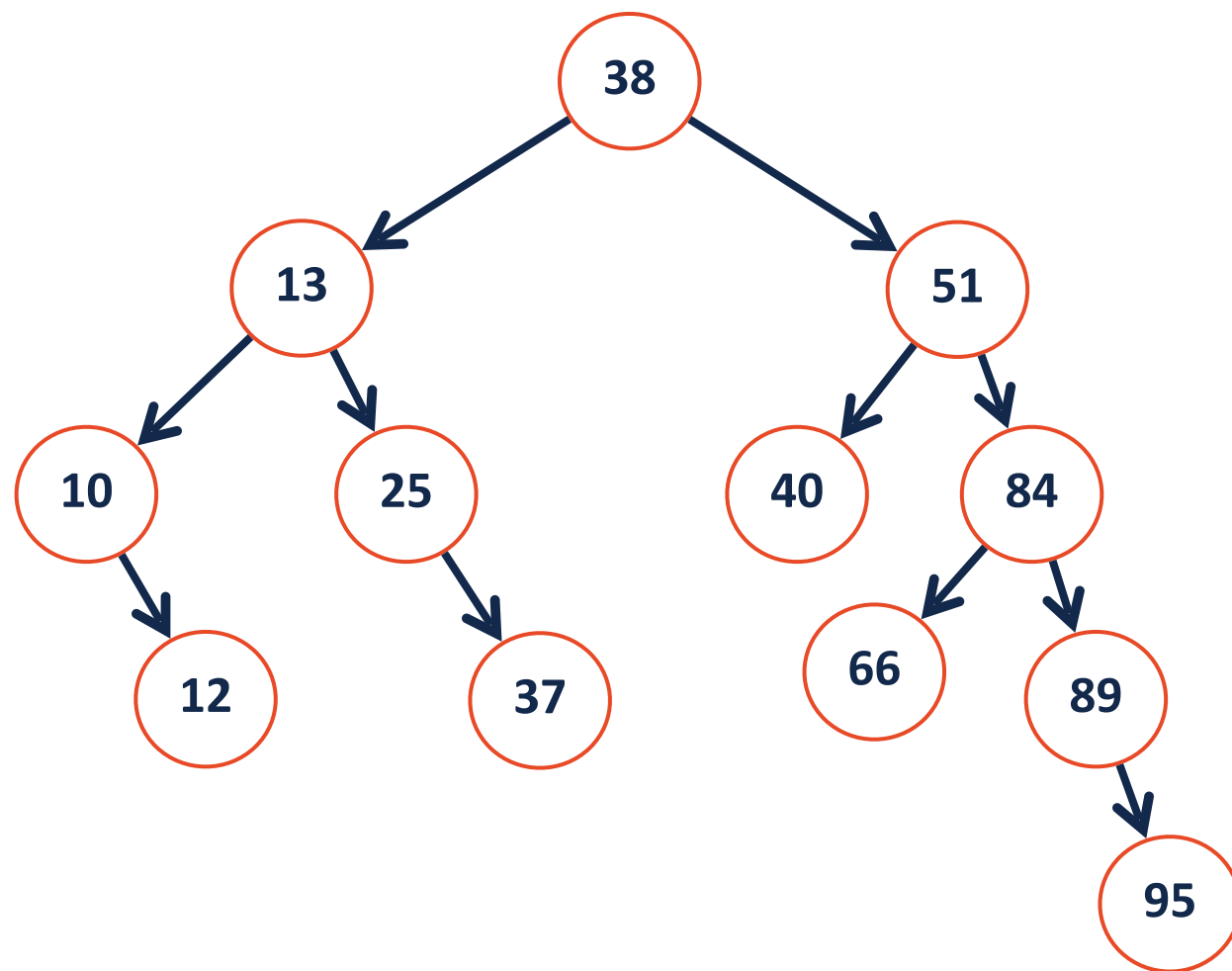
BST Remove

remove (40)



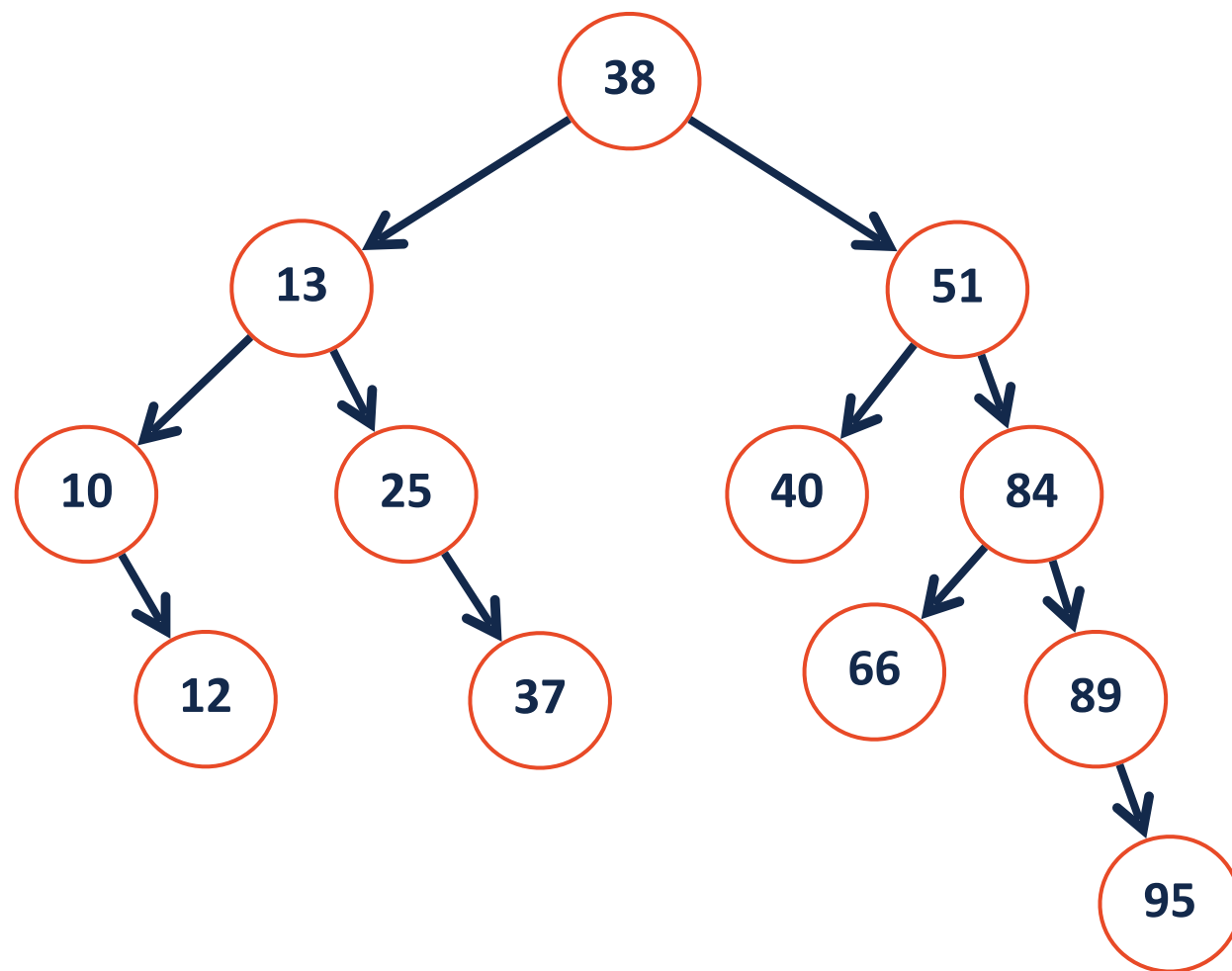
BST Remove

remove (25)



BST Remove

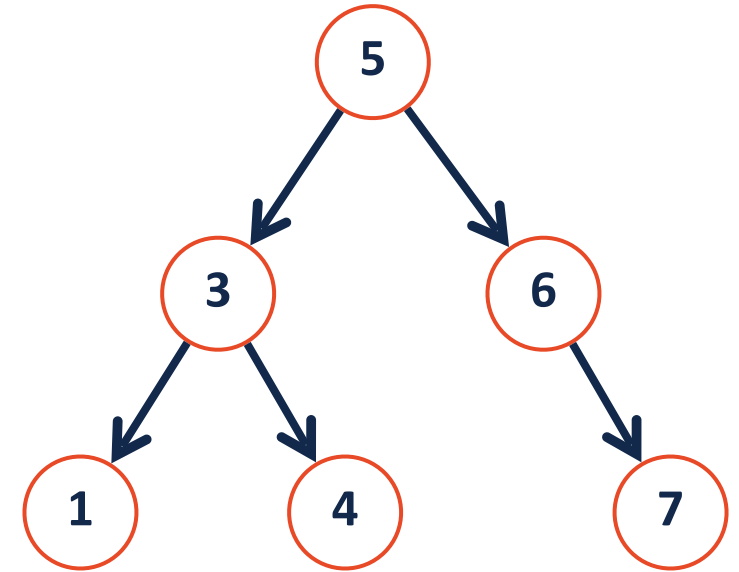
remove (13)



BST Remove

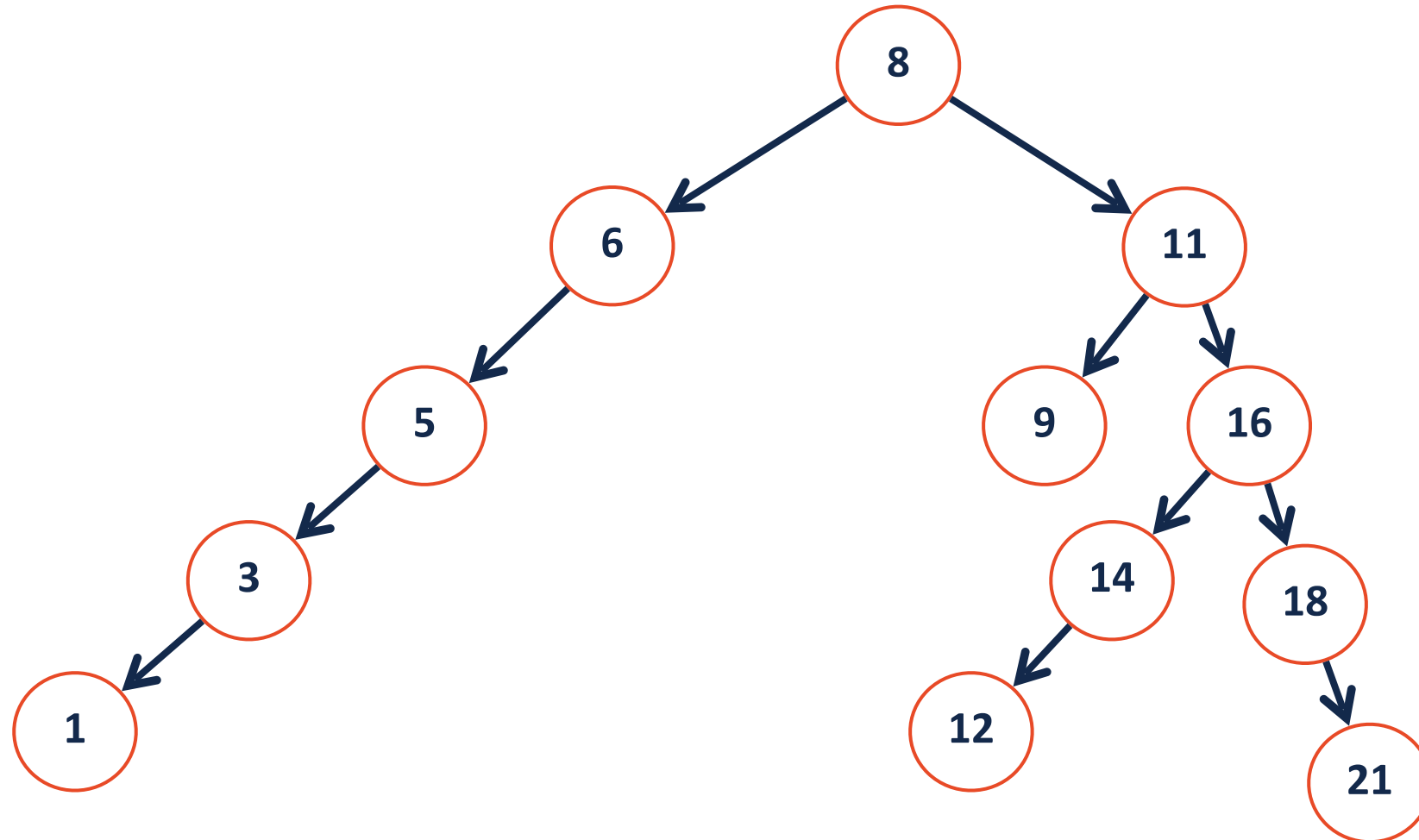


```
1 def remove(self, key):
2     self.root = self.remove_helper(self.root, key)
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4 def remove_helper(self, node, key):
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BST Remove

What will the tree structure look like if we remove node 16 using IOS?

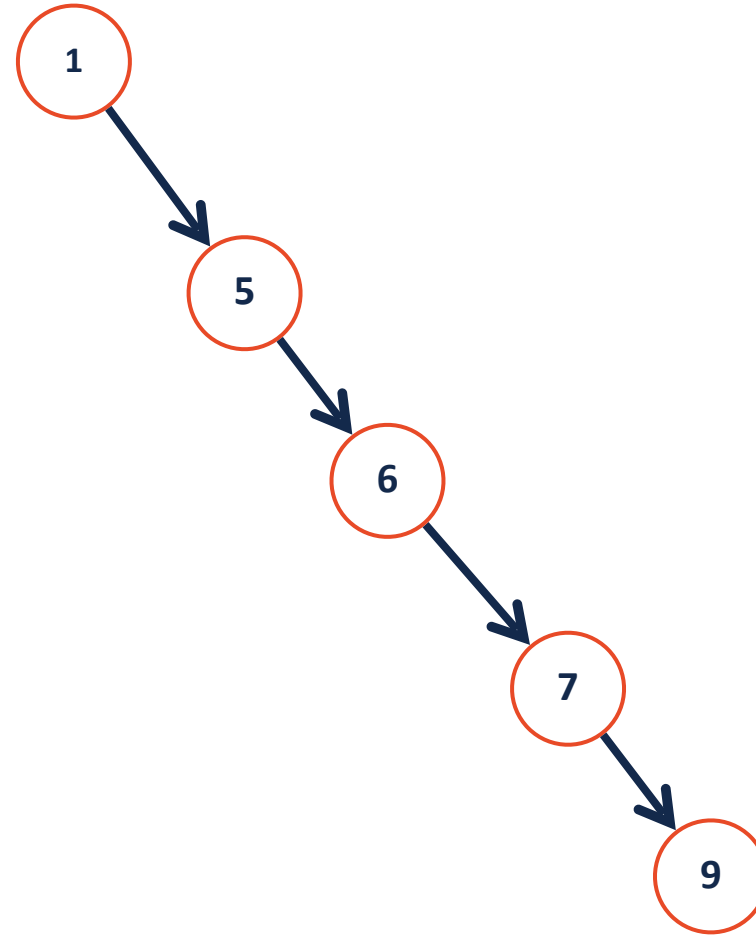
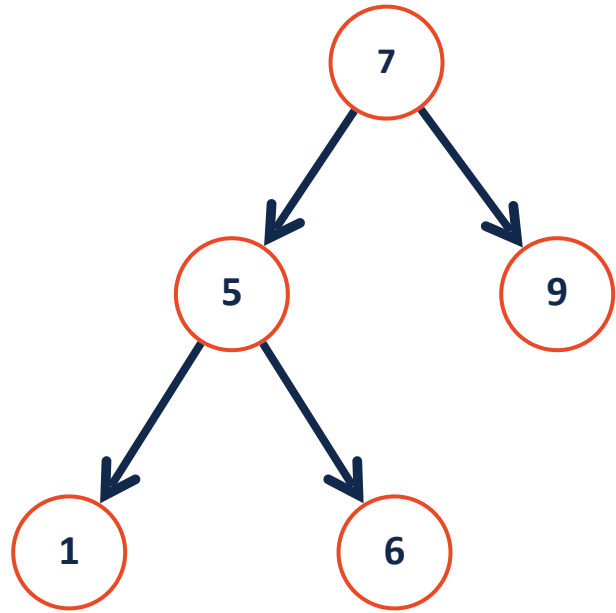


BST Analysis – Running Time



Operation	BST Worst Case
find	
insert	
delete	
traverse	

Limiting the height of a tree



Option A: Correcting bad insert order

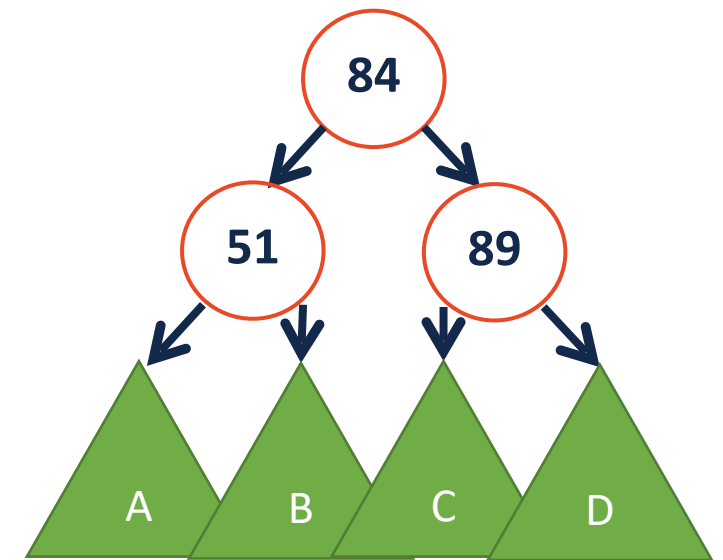
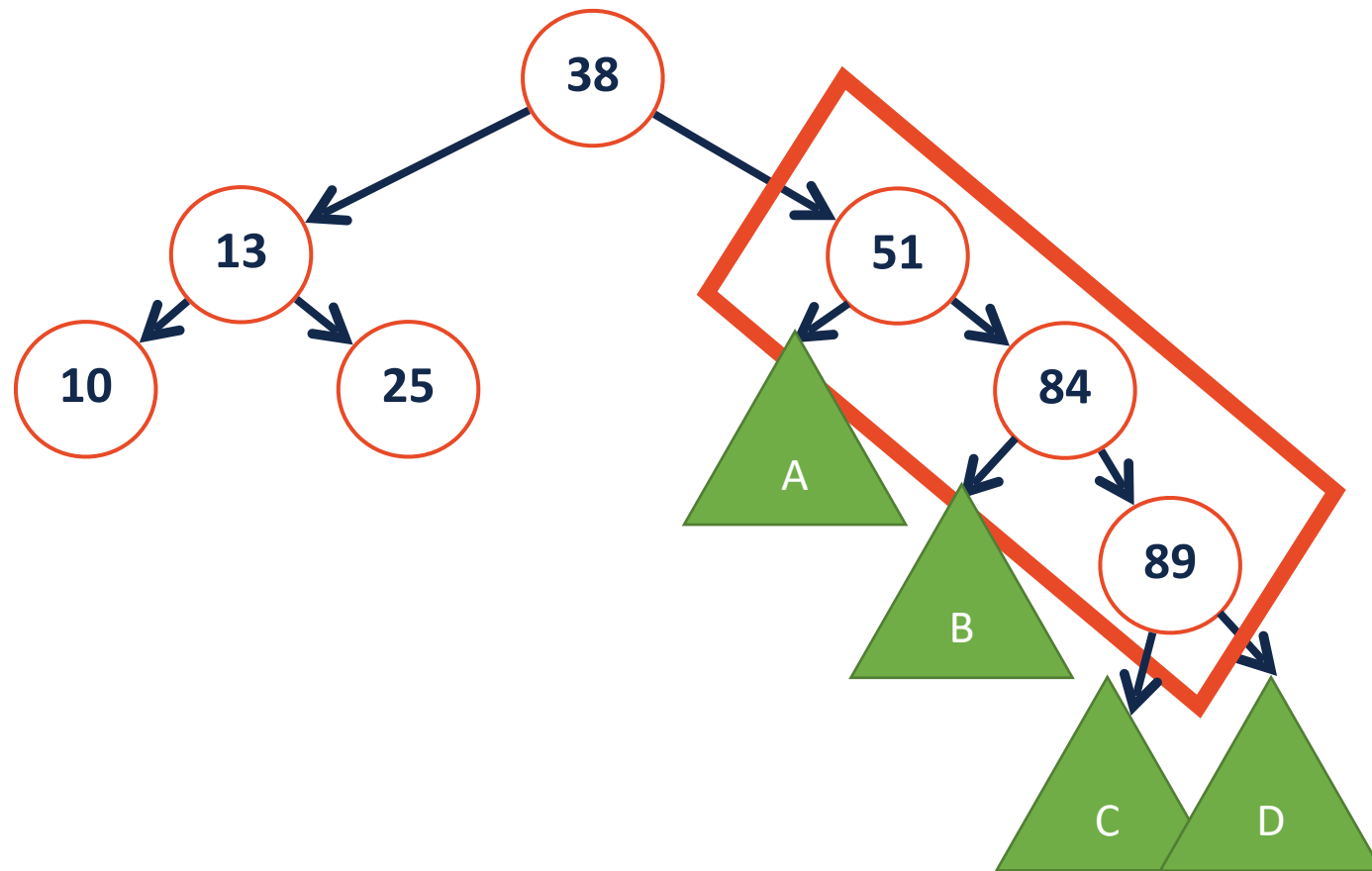
The height of a BST depends on the order in which the data was inserted

Insert Order: [1, 3, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7]

Insert Order: [4, 2, 3, 6, 7, 1, 5]

AVL-Tree: A self-balancing binary search tree

Rather than fixing an insertion order, just correct the tree as needed!



When would we use a tree?

Pretend for a moment that we always have an optimal BST.

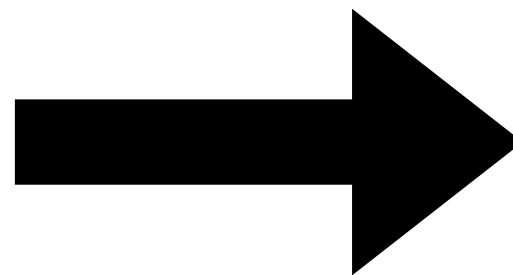
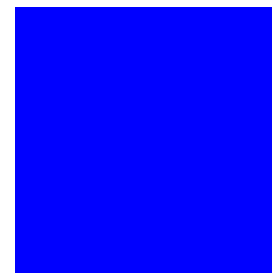
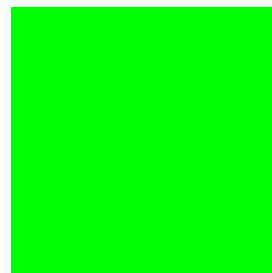
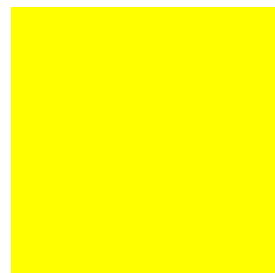
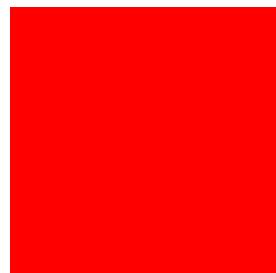
What is the running time of **find**?

What is the running time of **insert**?

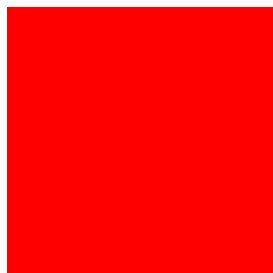
What is the running time of **remove**?

Is there a data structure with a *better* running time for all of these?

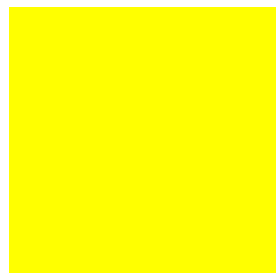
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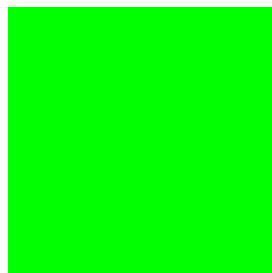
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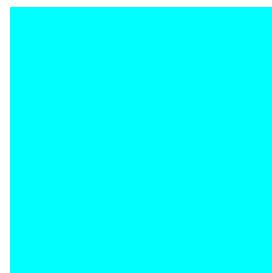
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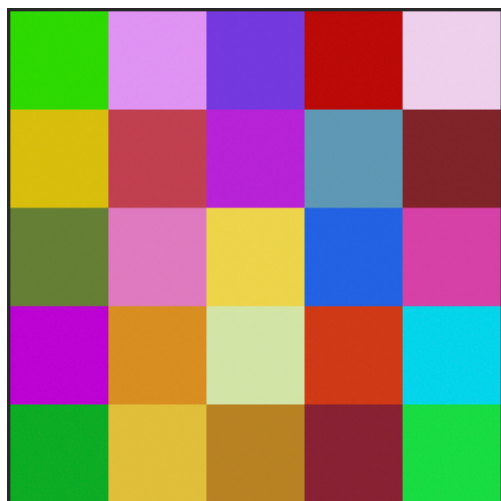
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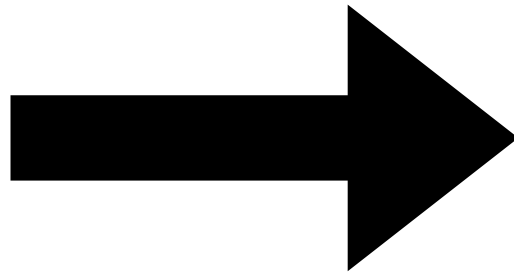
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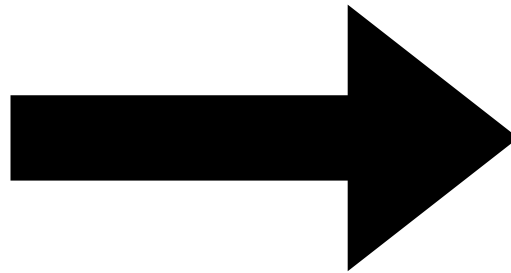
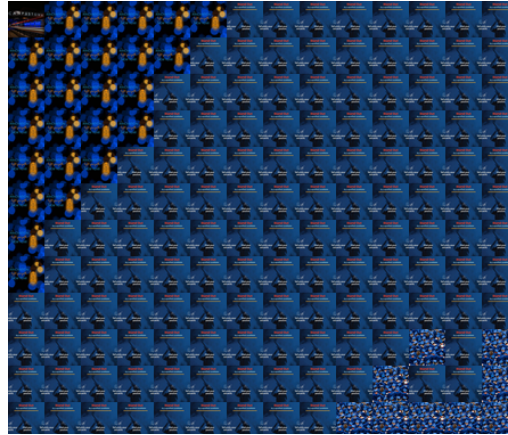
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Given an input image, how can we find the closest match from a collection of other images?