

# Algorithms and Data Structures for Data Science

## Binary Search Tree

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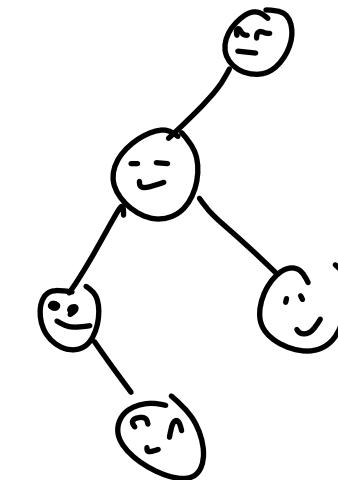
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# Learning Objectives

Review understanding of Binary Trees

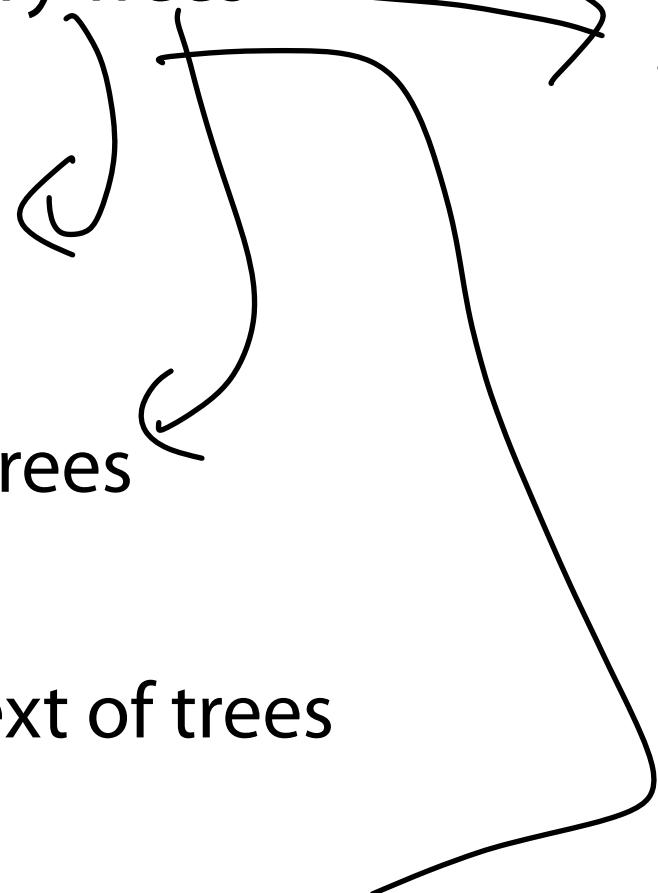
Introduce the dictionary ADT

Extend ADT to Binary Search Trees

Practice recursion in the context of trees

why is this useful?

Huffman Tree



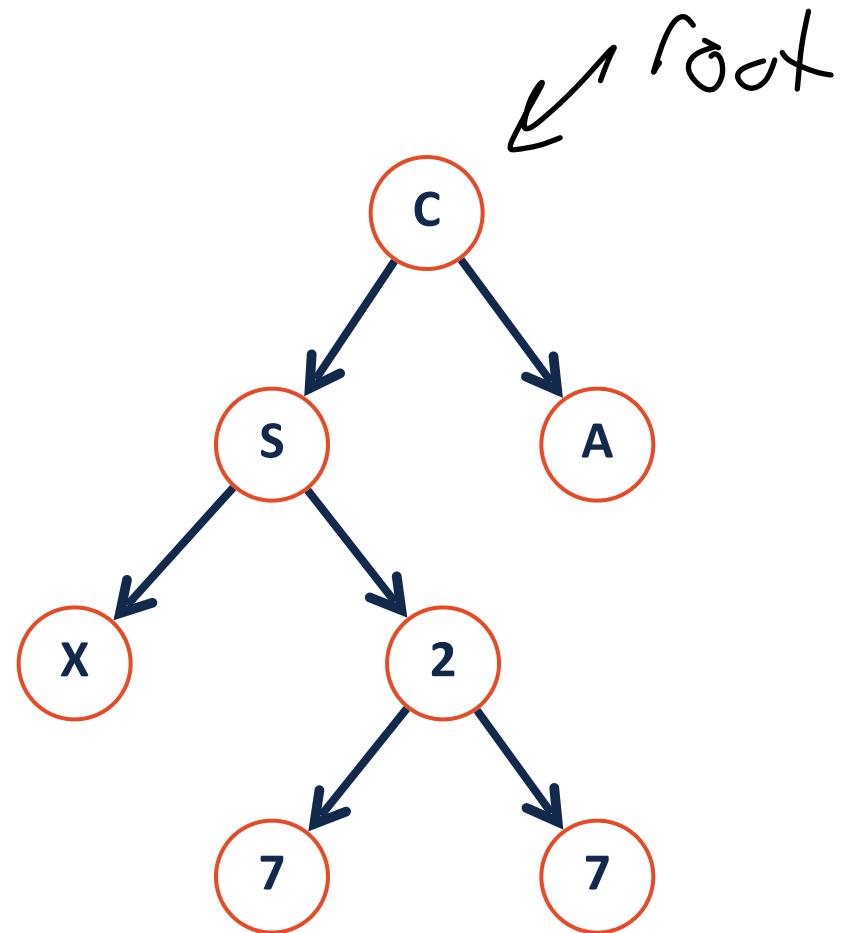
# Binary Tree Recursion

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  
4  
5
```

# 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 Traversal



Last class we implemented traversals using recursion, stacks, and queues.

What implementations led to a **depth first search traversal**?

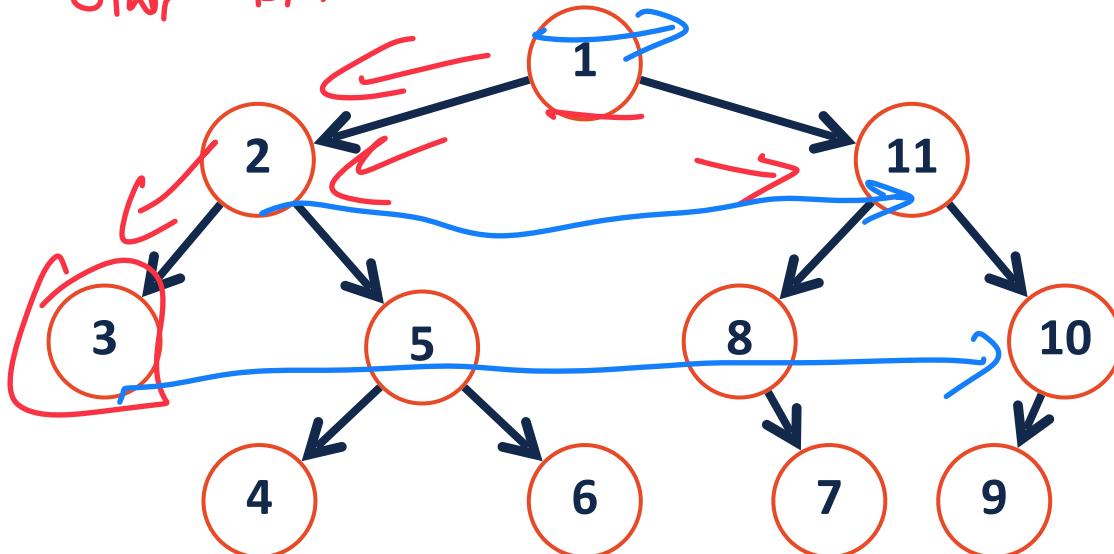
↳ Pre, in, post order

↳ Descend down the branch as much as possible (to a leaf) before looking at other branches

↳ Stack

Which lead to **breadth first search**?

↳ Clear a level before looking deeper



↳ Queue

1 2 11 3 5 8 10

# Binary Tree Utility

This week we will deep dive into useful implementations of binary trees

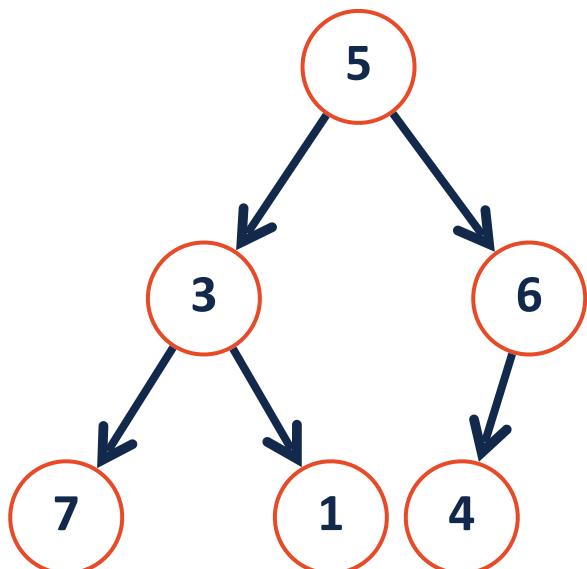
**Binary Search Tree:** An efficient implementation of a dictionary

**Huffman Tree:** A binary tree used to define an optimal text encoding

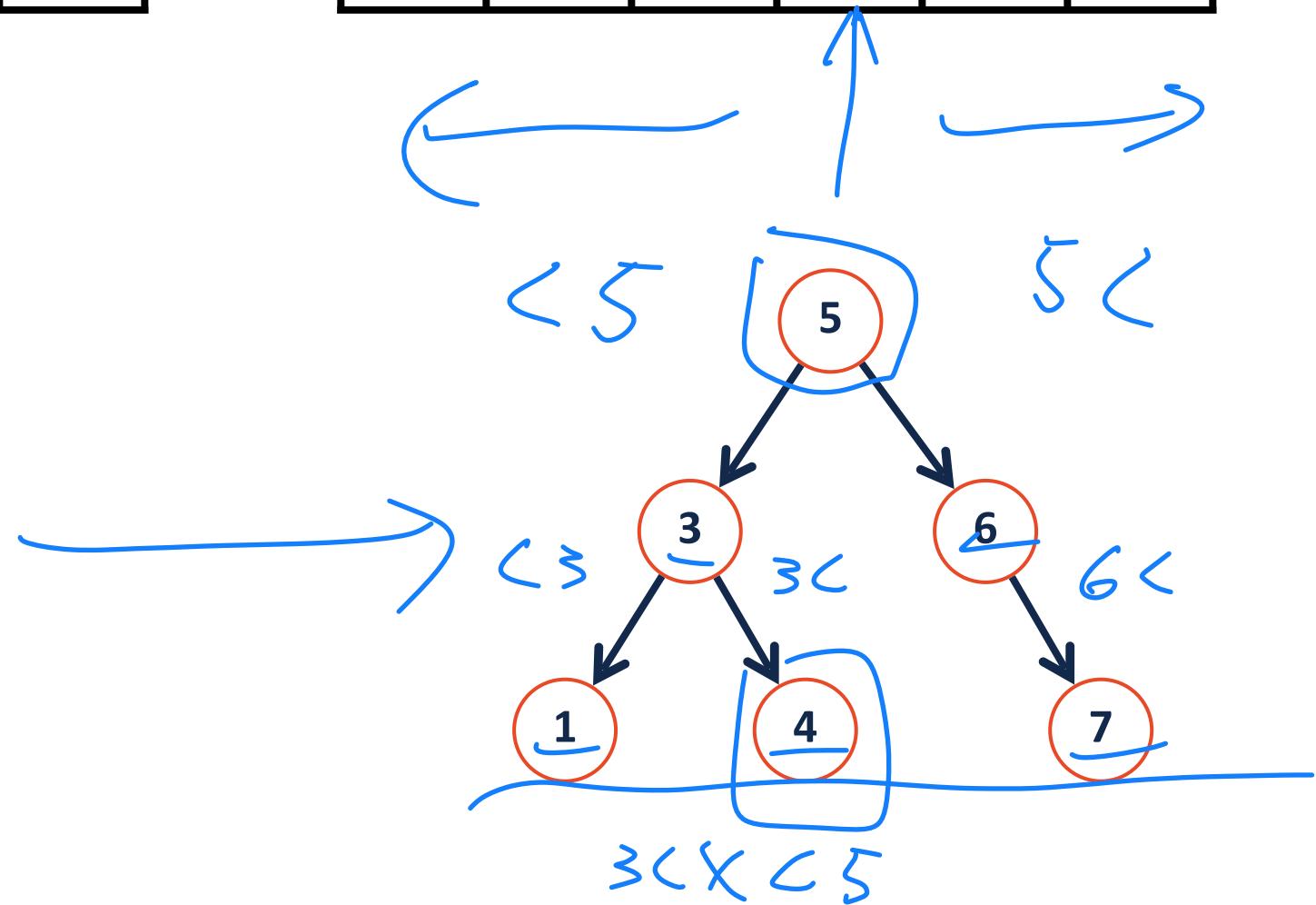
↳ Information theory !!

# Improved search on a binary tree

|   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 4 |
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| 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
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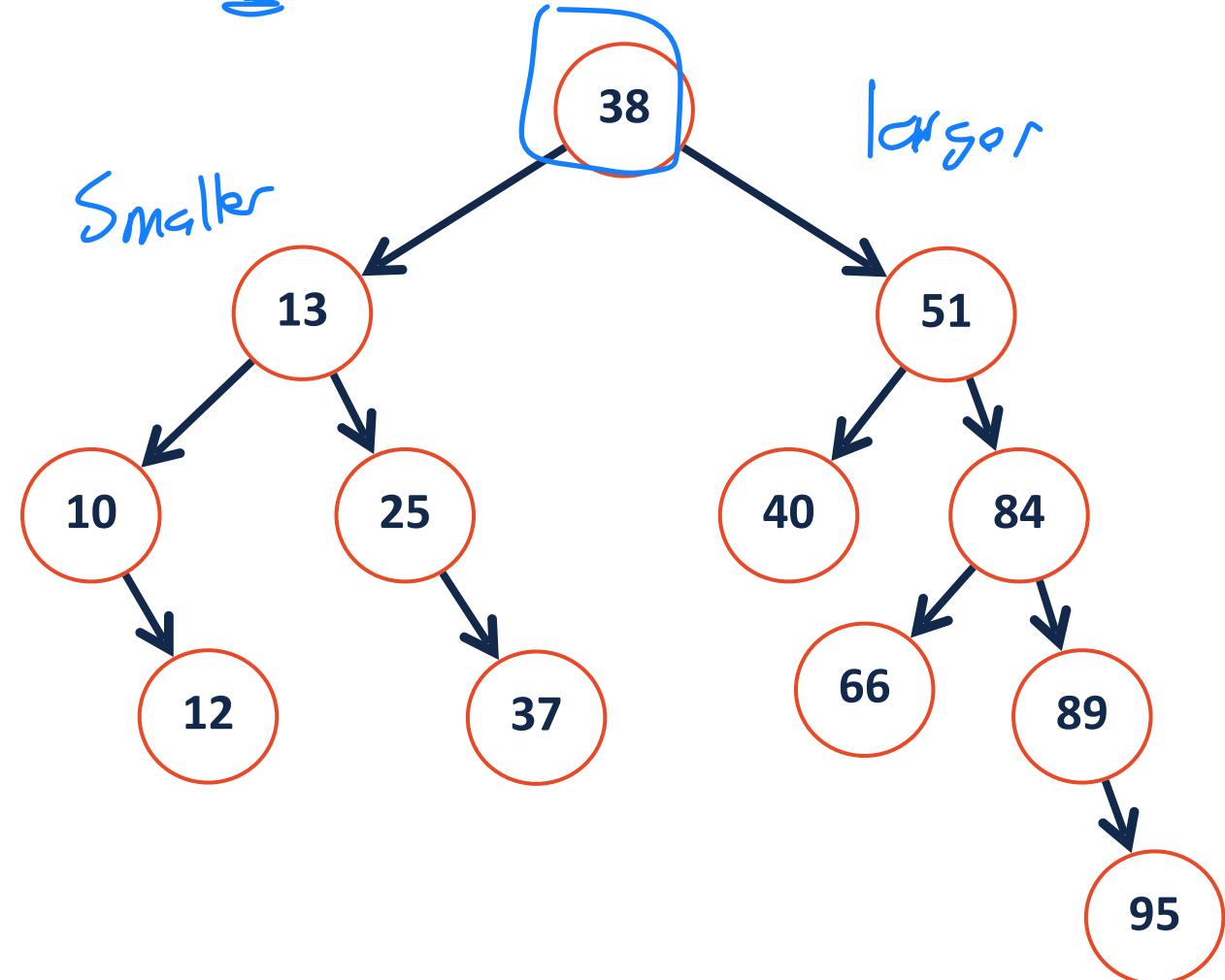
# Binary Search Tree (BST)

A **BST** is a binary tree  $T = \text{treeNode}(\text{val}, T_L, T_r)$  such that:

$\forall n \in T_L, n.\text{val} < T.\text{val}$

$\forall n \in T_R, n.\text{val} > T.\text{val}$

Added constraint!



# Dictionary ADT

**Data is often organized into key/value pairs:**

Key → Value

Word → Definition

Course Number → Lecture/Lab Schedule

Node → Edges

Flight Number → Arrival Information

URL → HTML Page

Average Image Color → File Location of Image

# Dictionaries in Python

```
1 # The dictionary data structure
2 d = {}
3
4 # Change Value / Insert
5 d[key] = value
6 d[k2] = v2
7 d[key] = v3
8
9 # Remove value
10 d.pop(k2)
11
12 # Get Value
13 print(d[key])
```

$x.pop(2) \rightarrow$  will remove  
↑ Key  $(d: "Hi")$

$x = \{ (2: "Hi") \}$

$d[Key] = Value \quad d[2] = "Hi"$

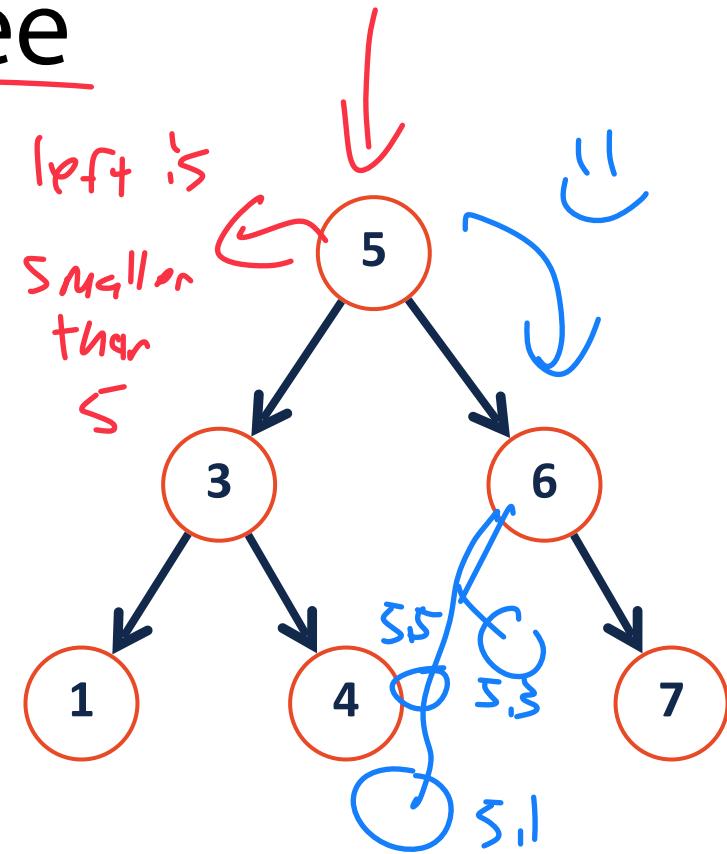
1) If key not in dictionary, (Insert)  
add k, v pair

2) If key is in dictionary,  
(change value)  $d[2] = "Bye"$

# 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
```

- Val now has key + val



1) tree has structure! ↗  
↳ More efficient (?)

2) Tree search has meaning  
↳ Look up key to get value (value)

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

# Binary Search Tree ADT — what changed?



**Constructor:** Build a new (empty) tree

**Insert:** Add an object into tree

Old insert: Parent, direction, value

| tree has structure! (Sorted)  
↳ A new insert!

**Remove:** Remove a specific object from tree

→ A new remove

**Traverse:** Visit every node in tree (all objects)



**Search:** Find a specific object in the tree

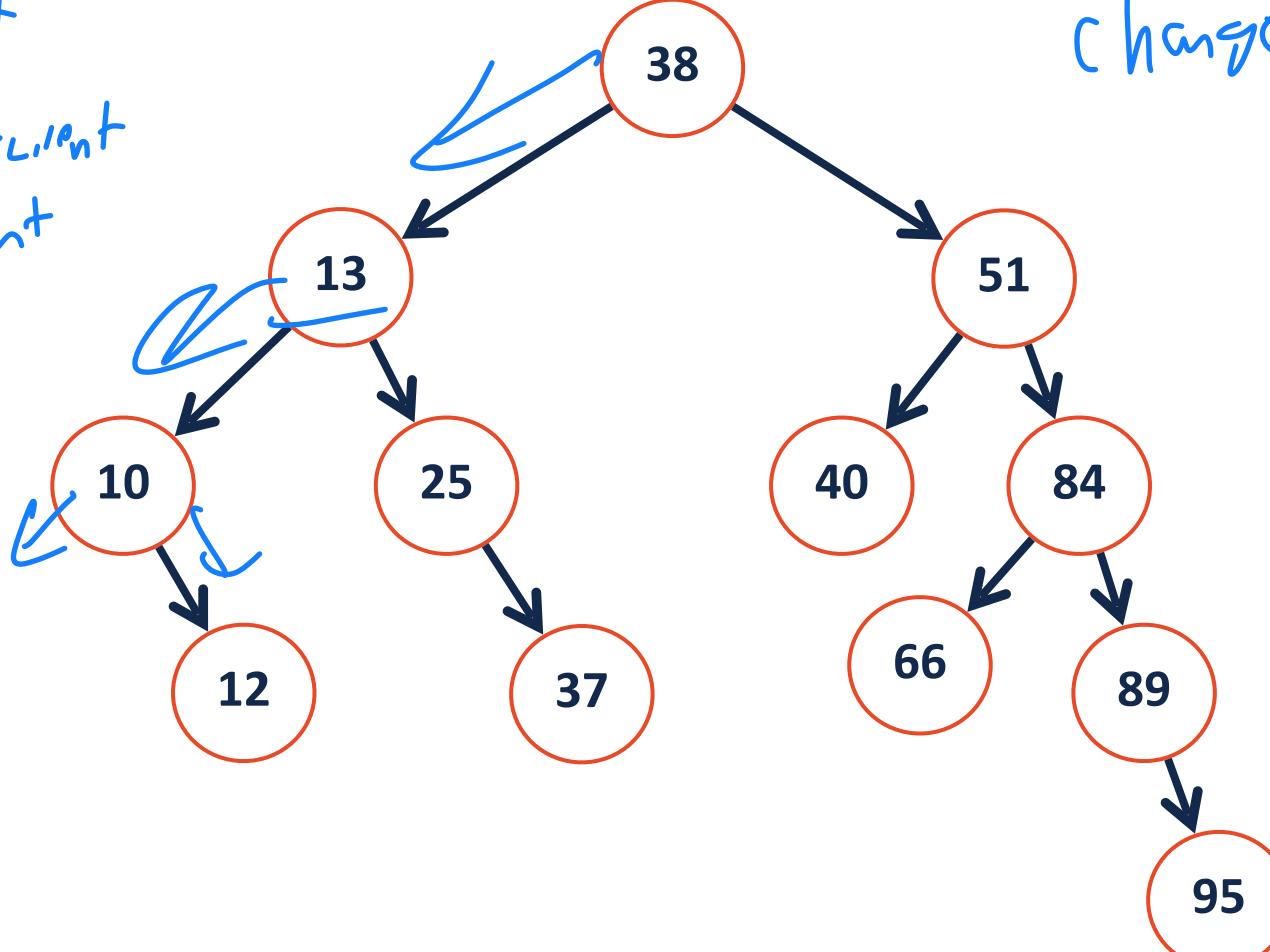
Old search: Do a traversal

→ Sorted order!

# BST In-Order Traversal

No traversal doesn't change

- 1) Recuse left
- 2) Process mid/client
- 3) Recuse right



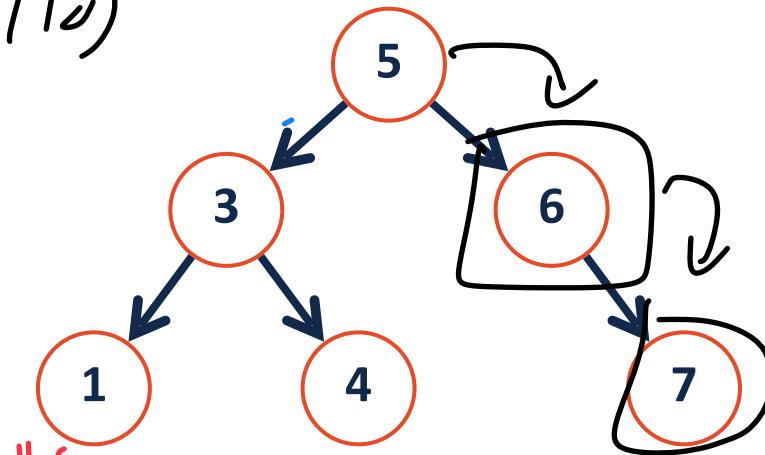
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# BST Insert

## Base Case:

Tree of size 0 → make new bst Node  
Set to root

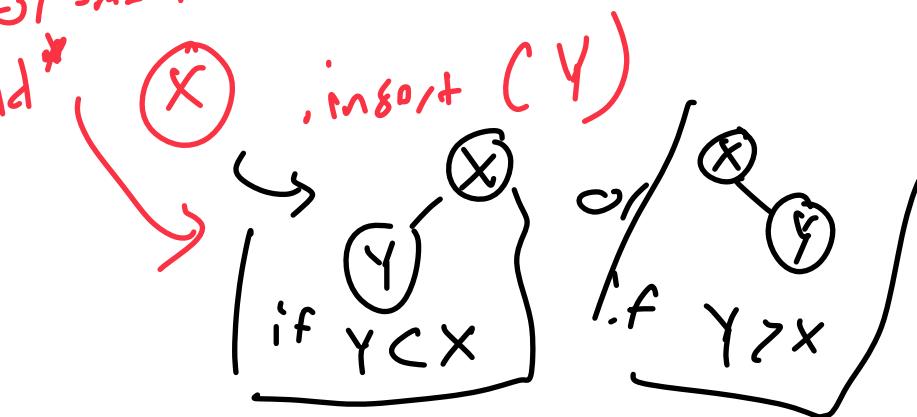
Insert(10)



Tree of size 1 → Check if insert less or smaller  
Set new Node as child\*

## Recursive Step:

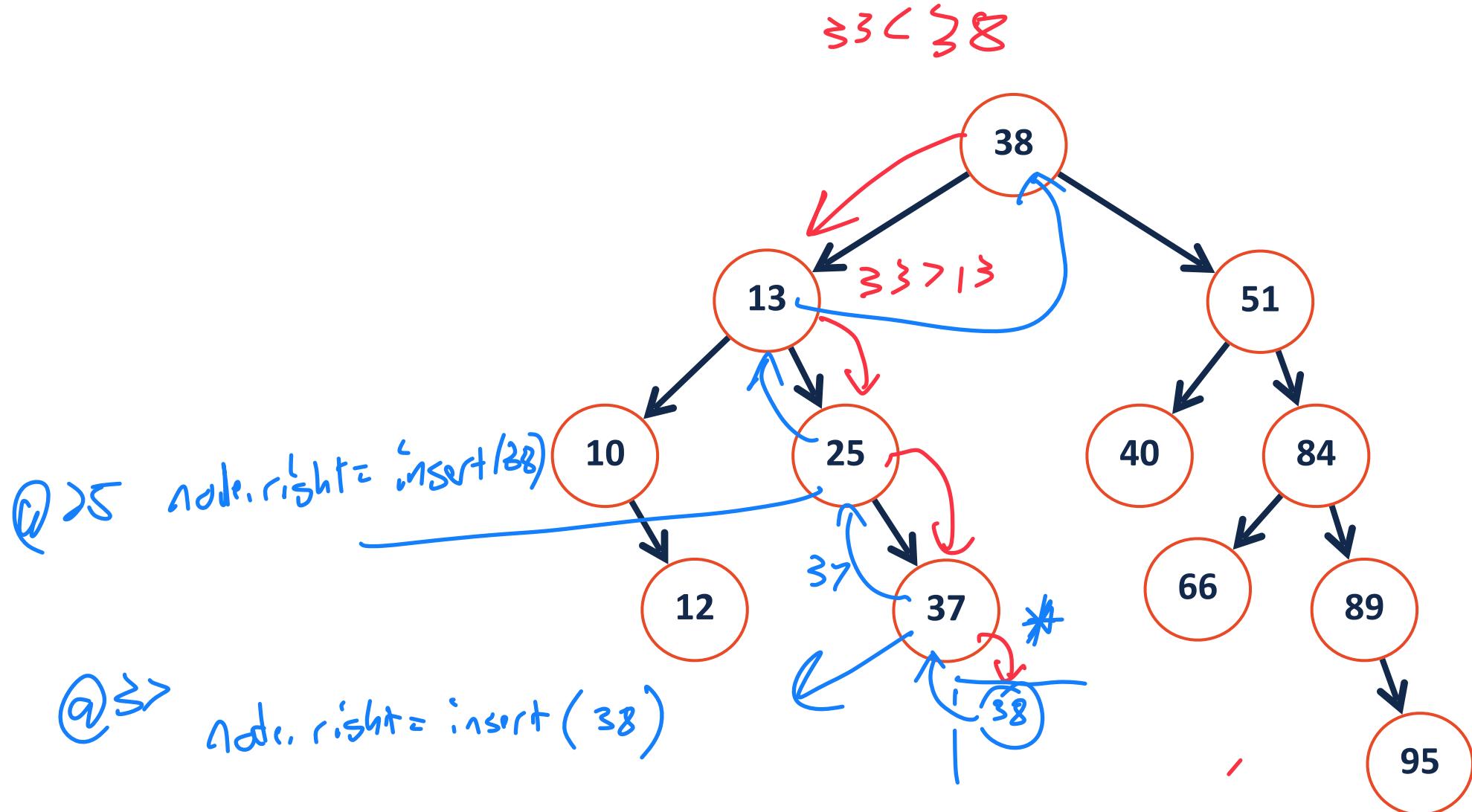
Check if key is larger or smaller than root node  
↳ recurse insert to appropriate child



Combining: ??

# BST Insert

insert(33)



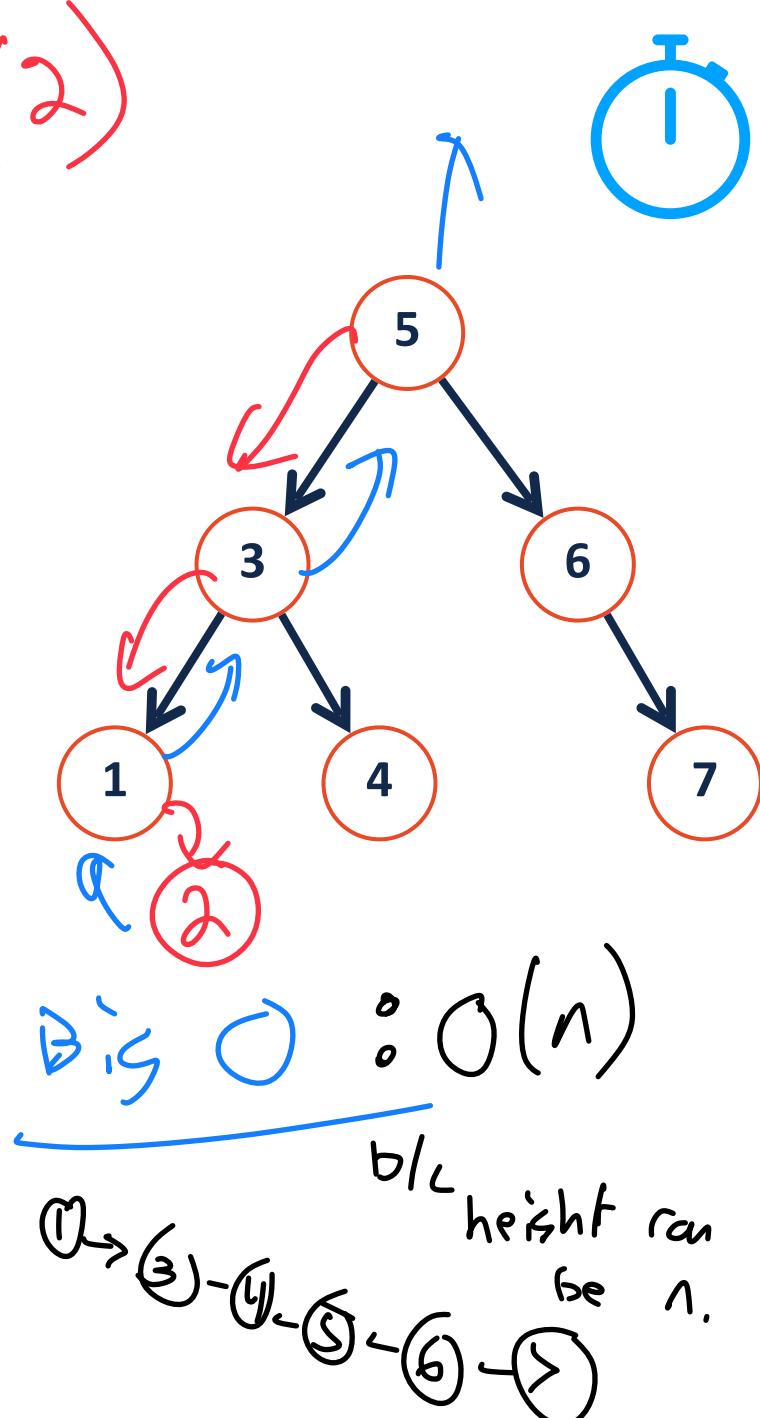
# BST Insert

Insert (2)



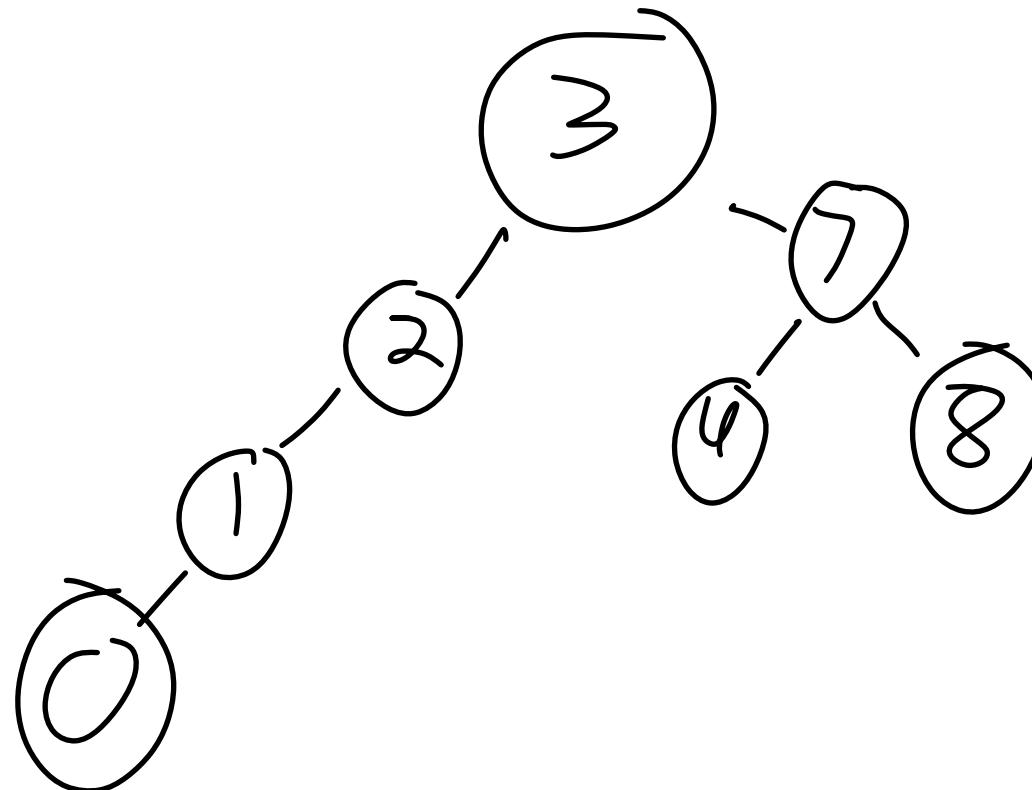
```
1 # inside class bst
2 def insert(self, key, val):
3     self.root = self.insert_helper(self.root, key, val)
4
5 def insert_helper(self, node, key, val):
6     if node == None:
7         return bstNode(key, val)    ↗
8
9     if key < node.key: # look left
10        ↗
11        node.left = self.insert_helper(node.left, key, val)  ↗
12    else: # look right
13        ↗
14        node.right = self.insert_helper(node.right, key, val)
15
16    return node
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```

Combining



# BST Insert

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



# BST Find

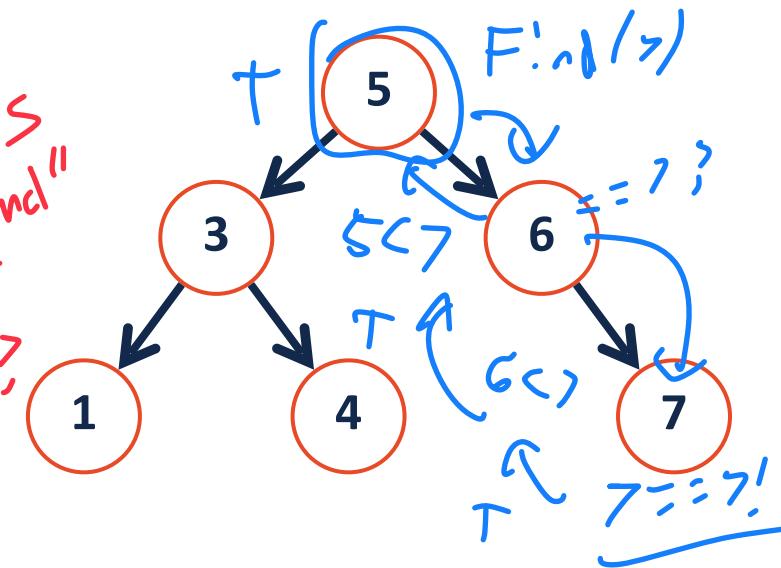
## Base Case:

Tree is None / Empty

→ return



What is  
"Not found"  
in context  
of problem?



## Recursive Step:

If Key being searched is smaller than Node.Key  
↳ Recurse Left

else

↳ Recurse Right

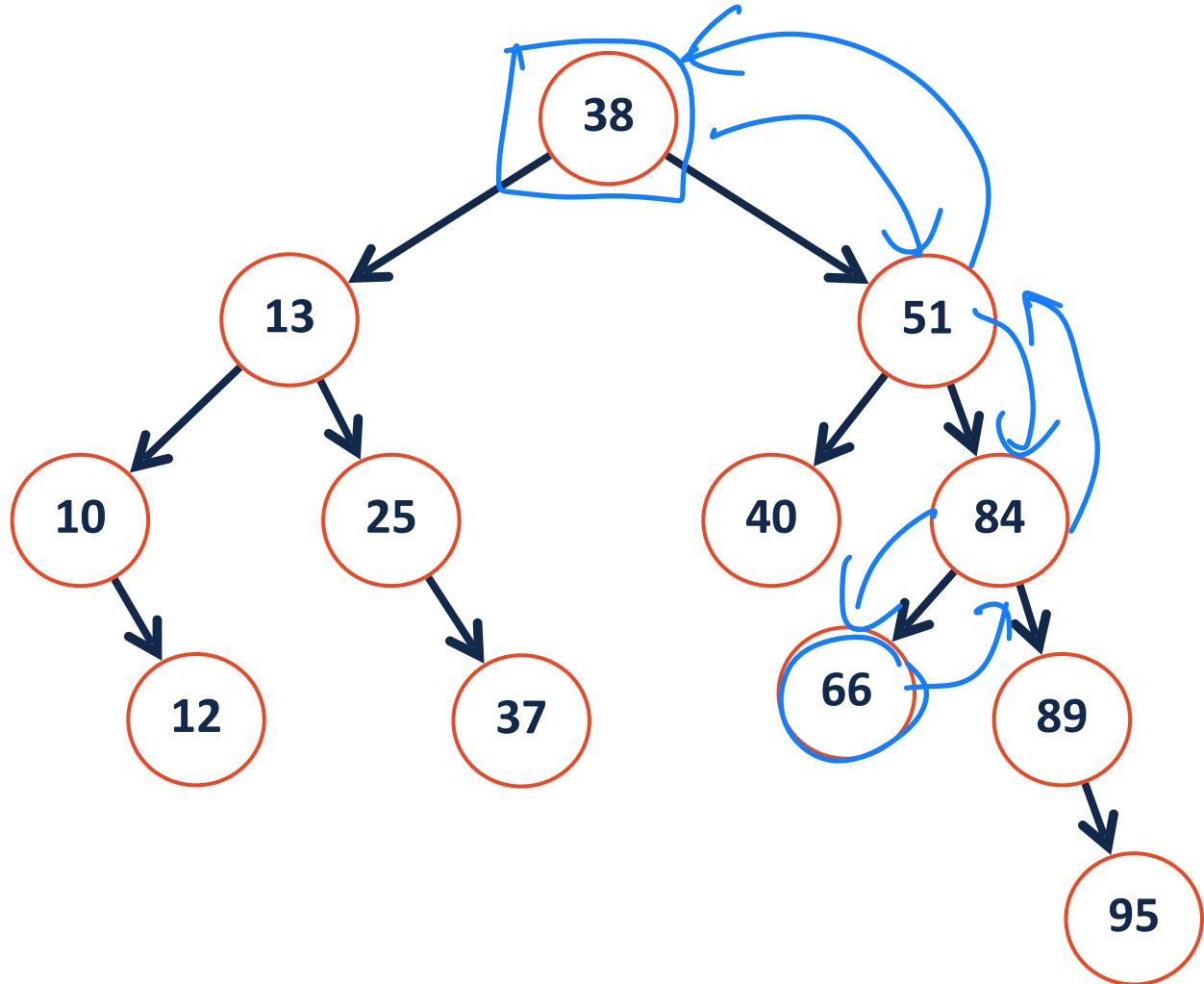
before recursing,  
check if Node.Key == kPx  
↳ return True!

## Combining:

Return the Value from recursion call

# BST Find

find(66)

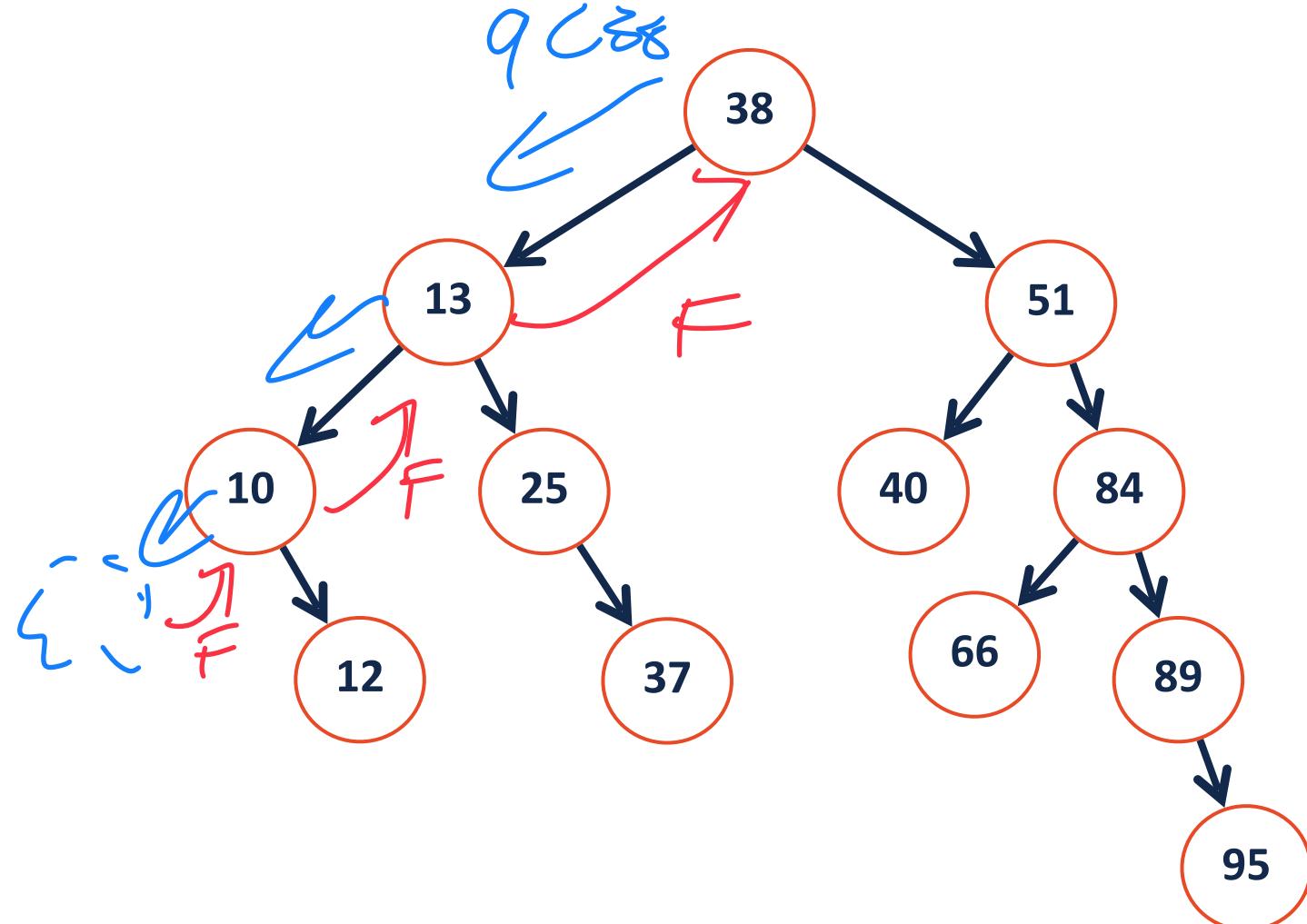


# BST Find

find(9)

If we ever reach a Node = None,  
Value doesn't exist!

↳ False!

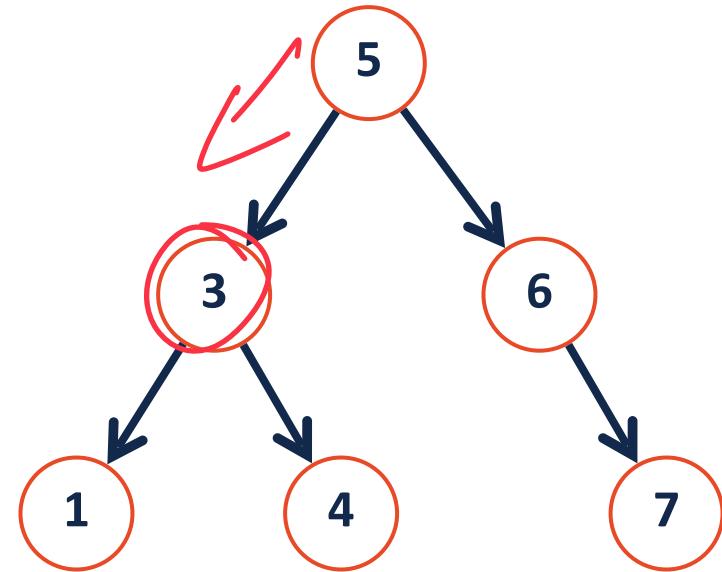


# BST Find

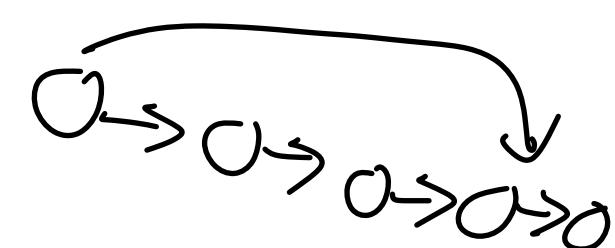
My implementation

```
1 class bst:  
2     def find(self, key):  
3         n = self.find_helper(self.root, key)  
4         if n:  
5             return n.val  
6         else:  
7             return None  
8  
9     def find_helper(self, node, key):  
10        nkey = node.key  
11        if nkey > key:  
12            if node.left:  
13                return self.find_helper(node.left, key)  
14            else:  
15                return None  
16        elif nkey < key:  
17            if node.right:  
18                return self.find_helper(node.right, key)  
19            else:  
20                return None  
21        else:  
22            return node  
23
```

Find (3)



Big O:  $O(\log n)$



# BST Remove

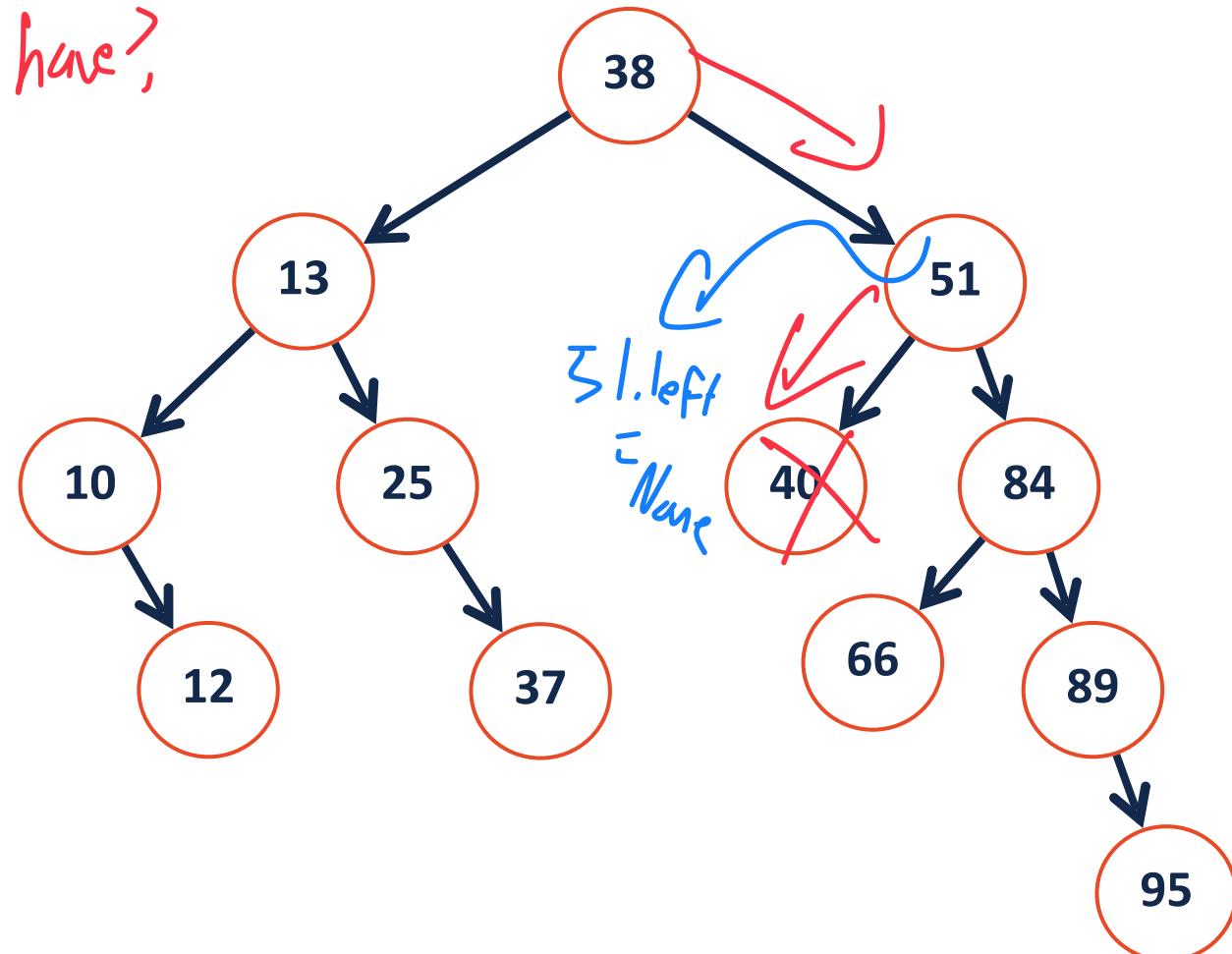
1) Find (40)

How many children does 40 have?

0-child removal

↳ Set parent (gt collect  
to None)

remove (40)



# BST Remove

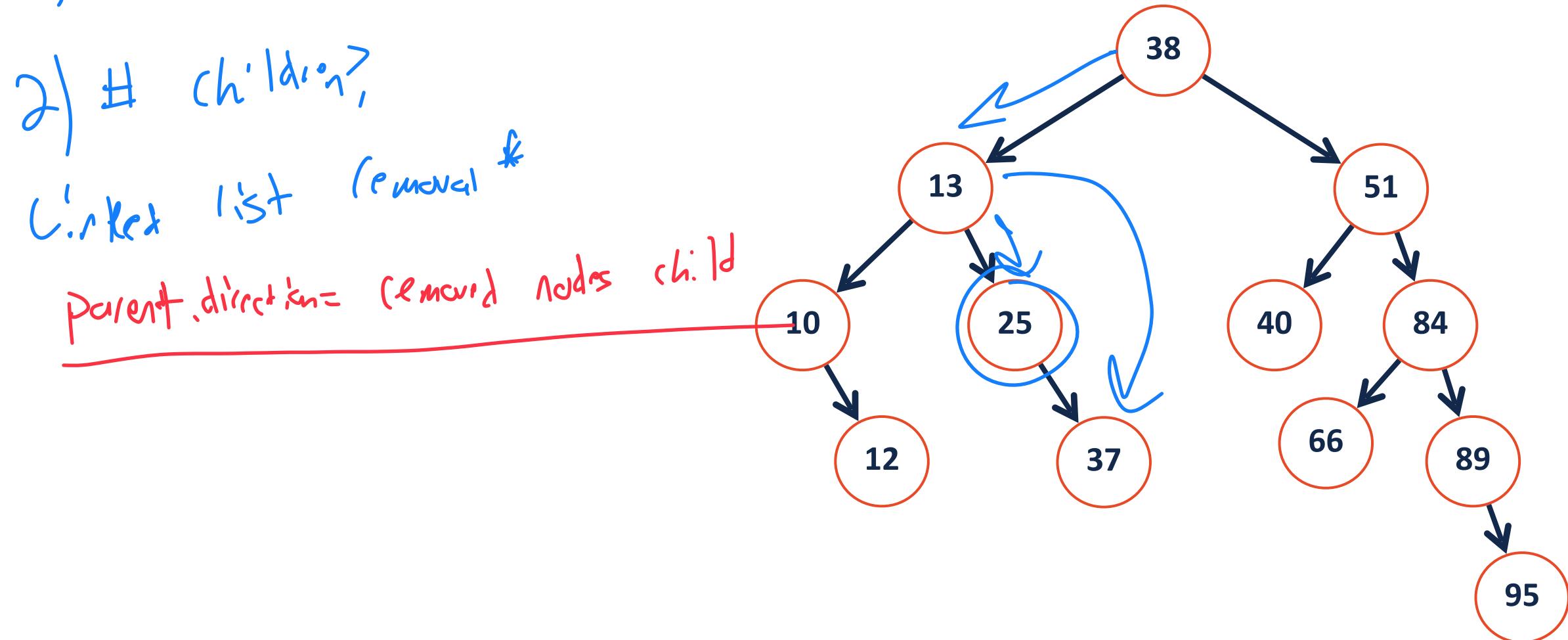
remove (25)

1) Find (25)

2) # children?

Circular list removal \*

parent.direction = removed node's child

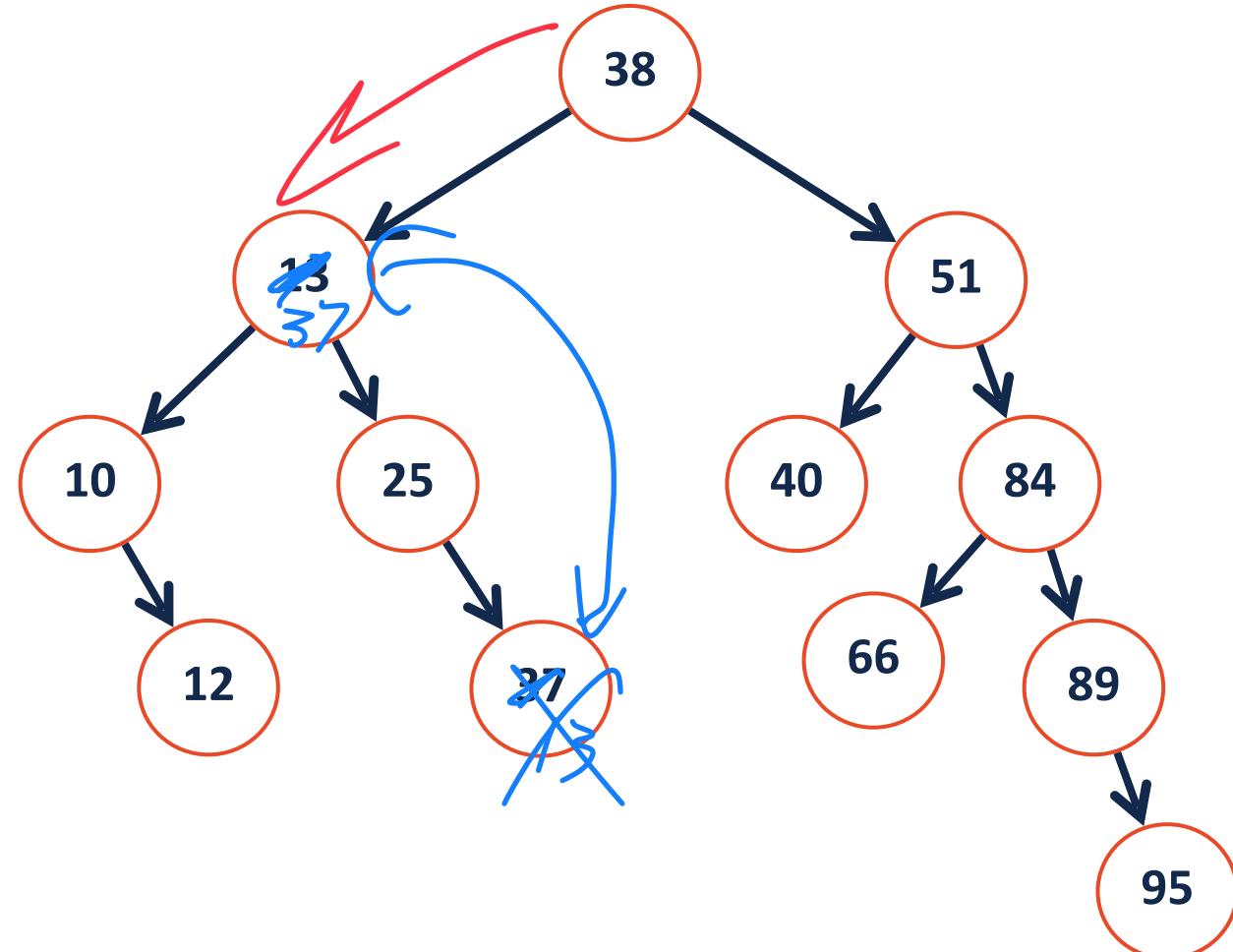


# BST Remove

- 1) Find (13)
- 2) # children?
  - ↳ 1 child

Before swap w/ leaf was ok!  
But now... It can break  
BSTree property

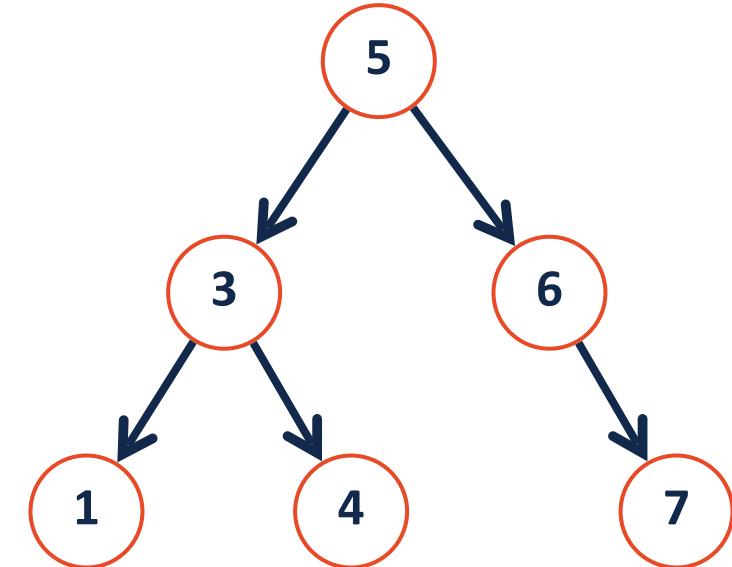
remove (13)



# BST Remove

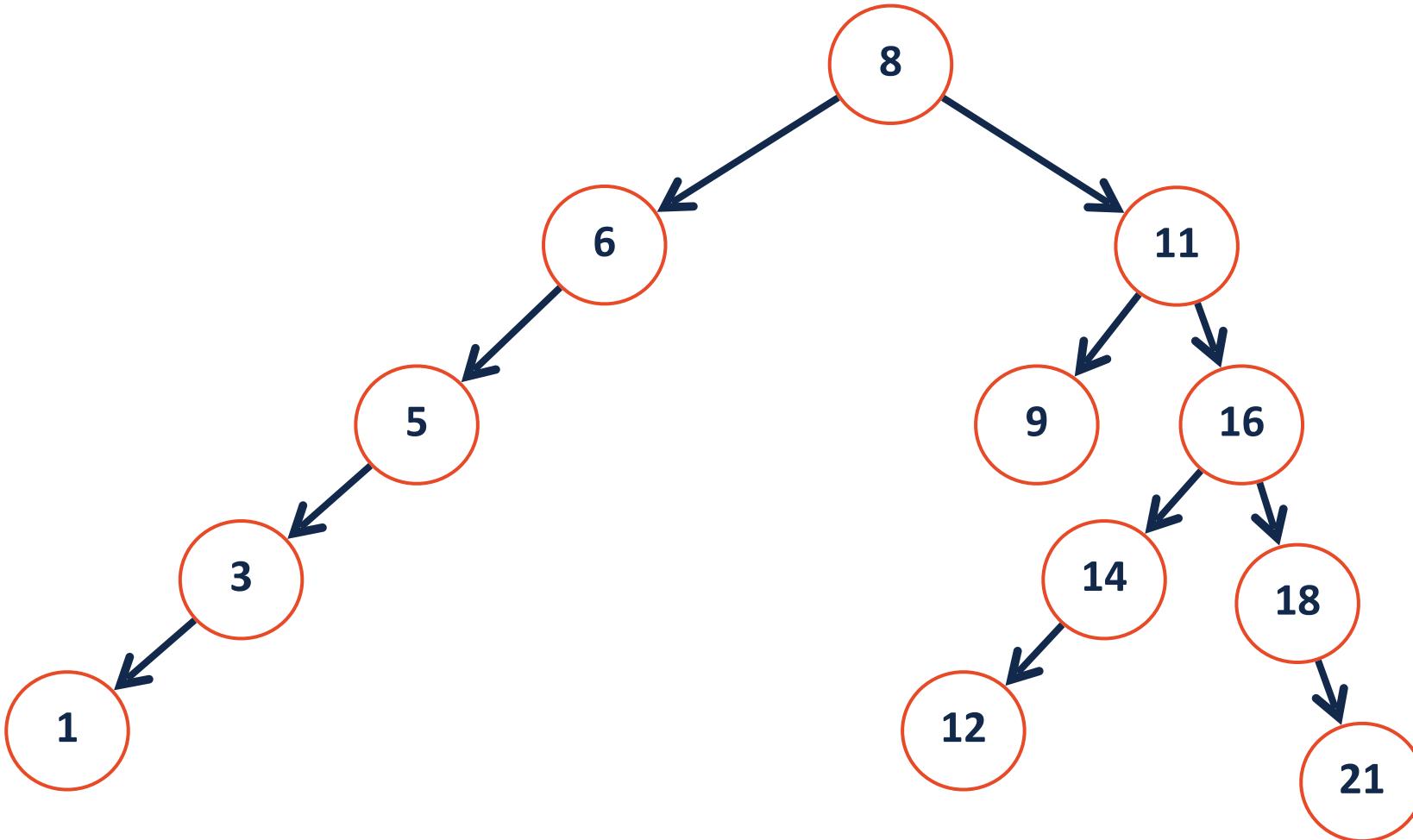


```
1 def remove(self, key):
2     self.root = self.remove_helper(self.root, key)
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4 def remove_helper(self, node, key):
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```



# BST Remove

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

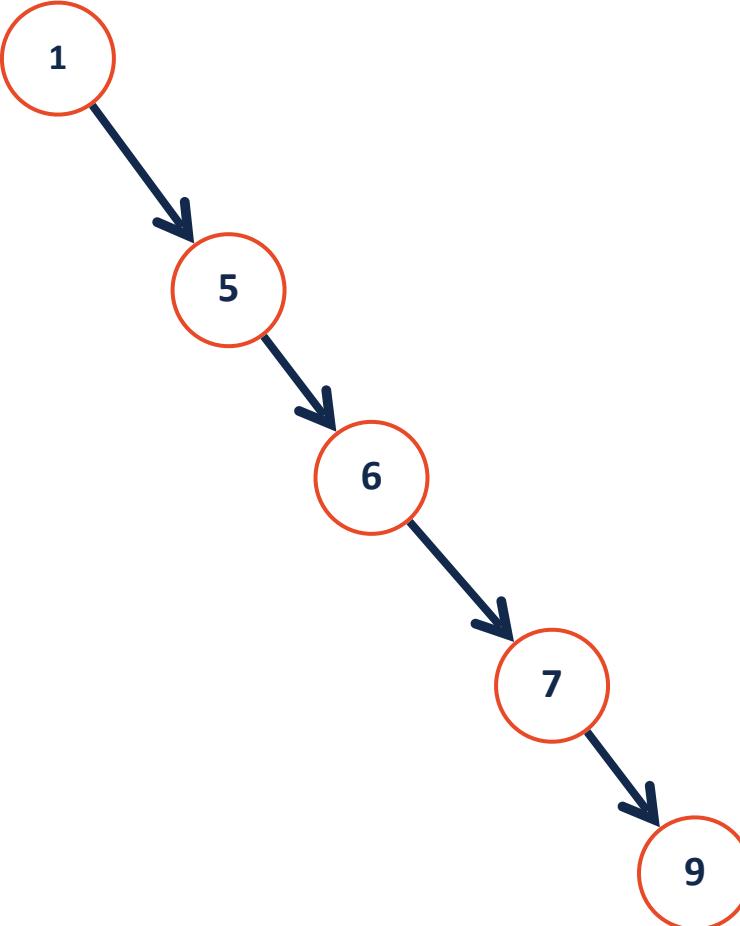
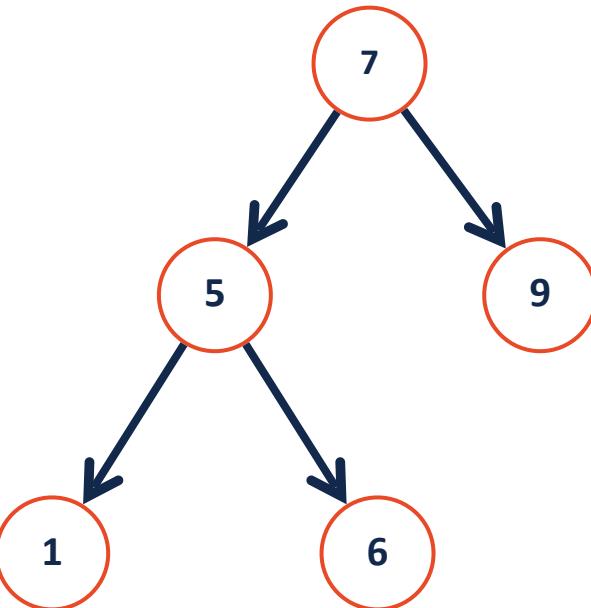


# BST Analysis – Running Time



| Operation | BST Worst Case |
|-----------|----------------|
| find      |                |
| insert    |                |
| delete    |                |
| traverse  |                |

# Limiting the height of a tree



# Option A: Correcting bad insert order

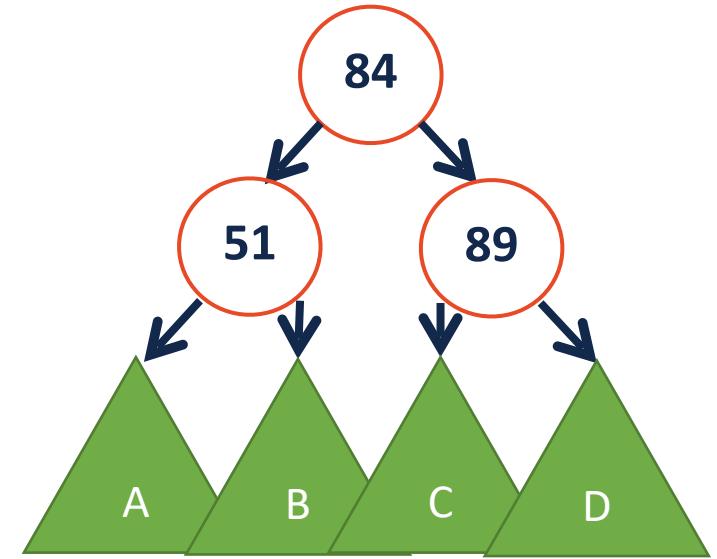
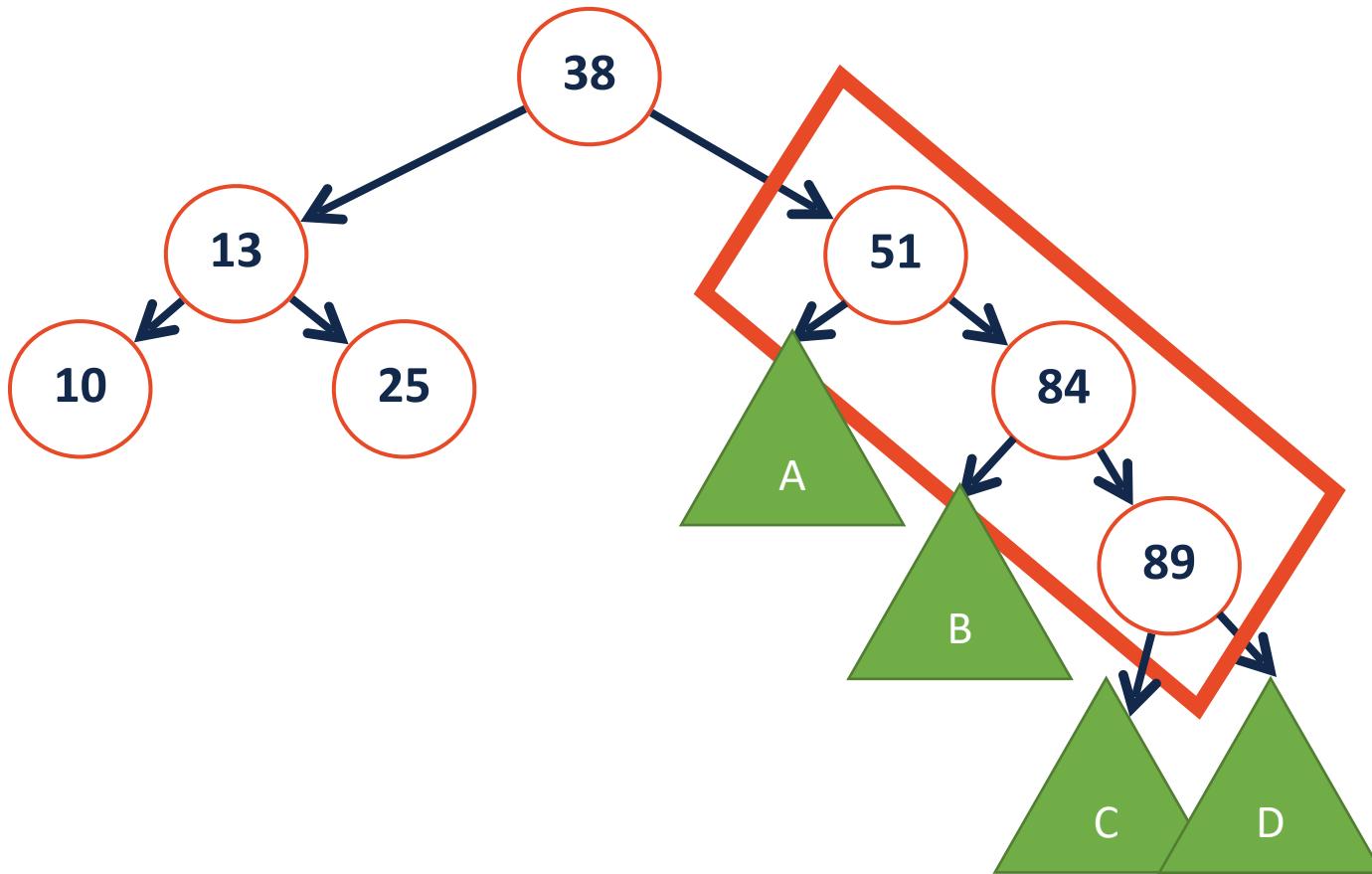
The height of a BST depends on the order in which the data was inserted

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

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

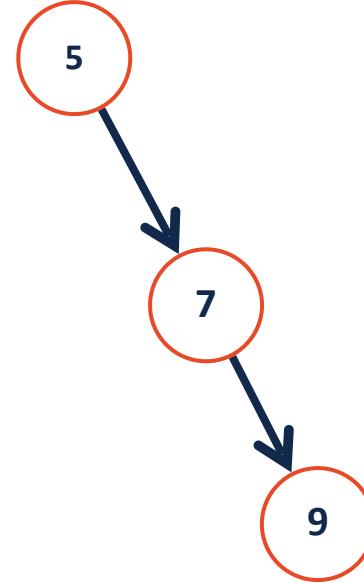
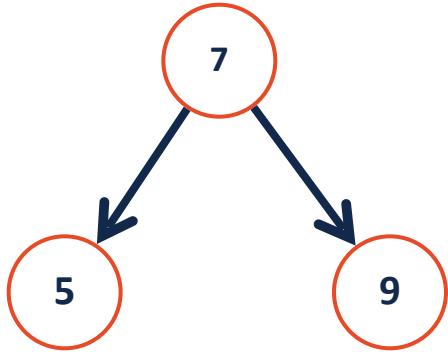
# AVL-Tree: A self-balancing binary search tree

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



# Height-Balanced Tree

What tree is better?



**How would you describe this mathematically?**