

CSSE 230 Day 10

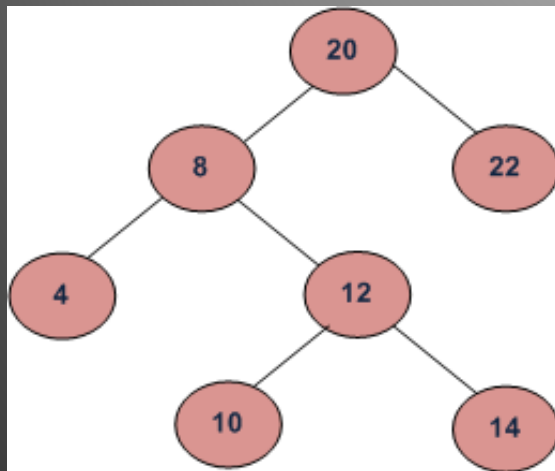
Binary Search Tree intro
BST with order properties

After today, you should be able to...

- ... implement insertion into a BST
- ... implement search (contains) in a BST
- ... implement deletion from a BST

- Doublets
 - Due tonight
 - ~~Team eval due the day after you submit~~
 - Behavior of different ChainManagers?
 - Efficiently populating the Links data structure?
- Upcoming assignments: HW4, BST
- Quiz review problems

Binary Search Trees

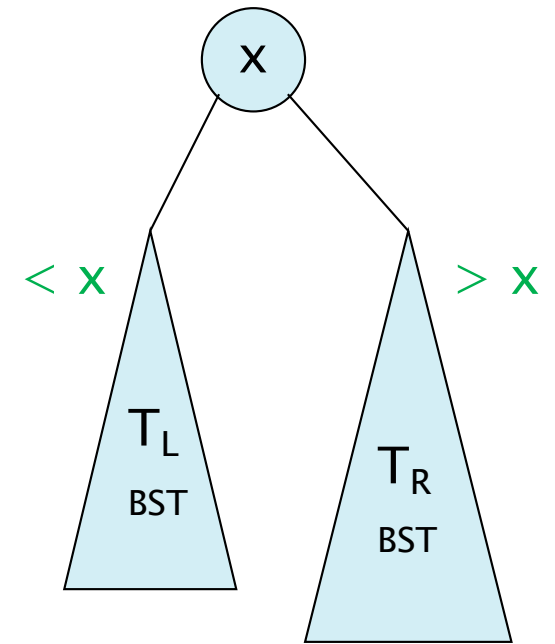


Binary Trees that store elements so that an they appear in increasing order in an in-order traversal

Binary Search Trees (BSTs)

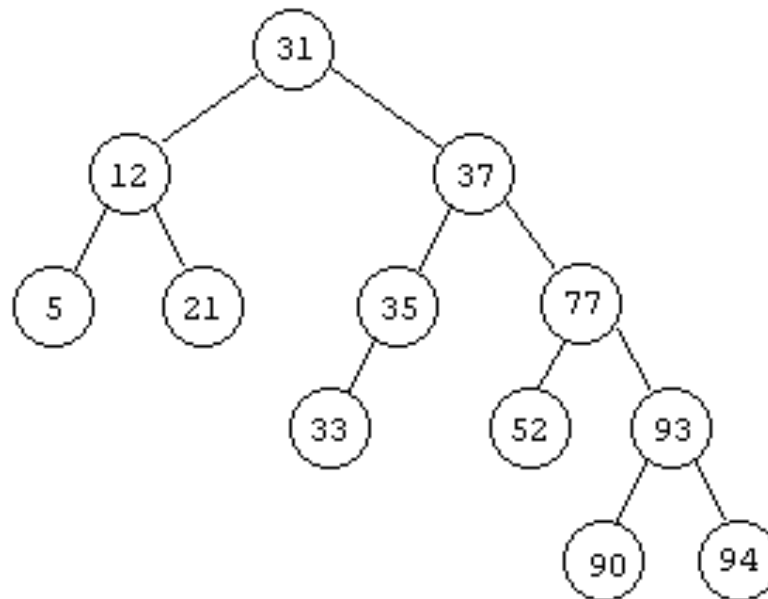
A BST is a Binary Tree T with these properties:

1. Elements are Comparable, and non-null
2. No duplicate elements (we implement TreeSet)
3. All elements in T 's left subtree are less than the root element
4. All elements in T 's right subtree are greater than the root element
5. Both subtrees are BSTs



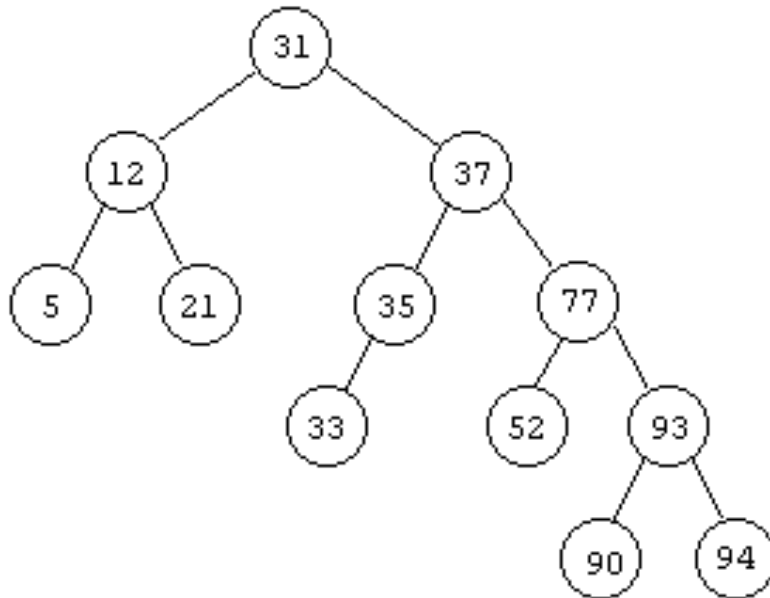
BST Search

- Search (contains) is now easier, and *possibly* more efficient
 - Why?
 - What can we say about running time of contains()?



BST Insert

- Rule of thumb: insert at a null-node location.
- Only one such location will maintain search property!



Class activity: Draw a "birthday BST"!

BST Insert Implementation

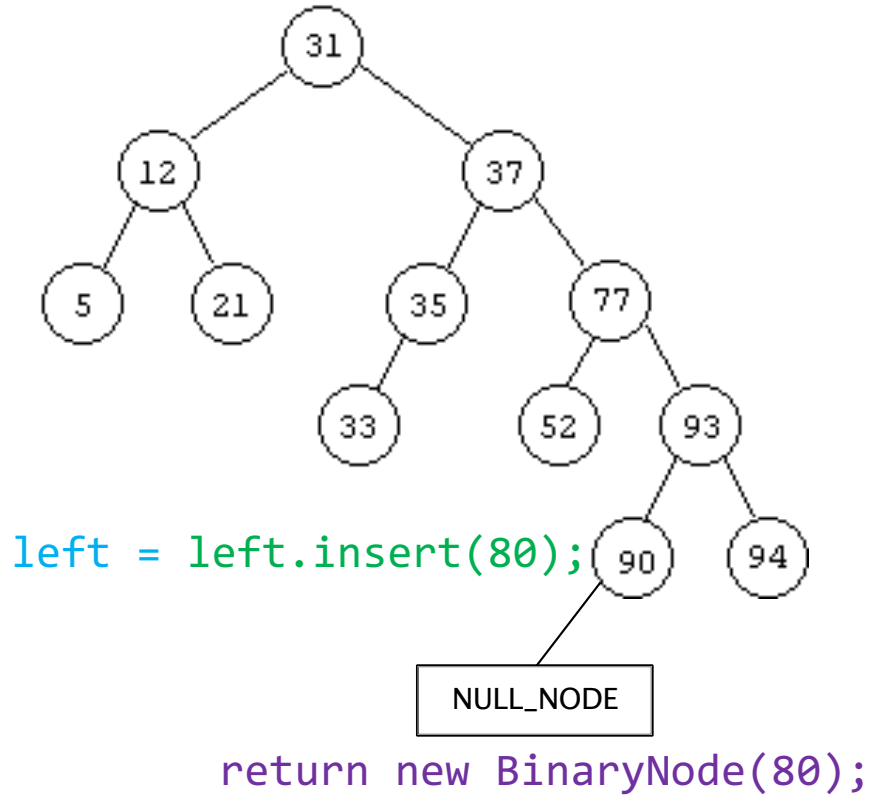
- To insert a node,
 - Compare to know which child to recurse on
 - We recognize where to insert once we've found the NULL_NODE. Why won't the following code work?

```
class BinaryNode {  
    //...  
    void insert(T item) {  
        if (this == NULL_NODE) {  
            this = new BinaryNode(item);  
        }  
        // ...  
    }  
}
```

Bad code

- It's the calling object (parent node or BST itself) who should really attach the new node!

Recommended Pattern



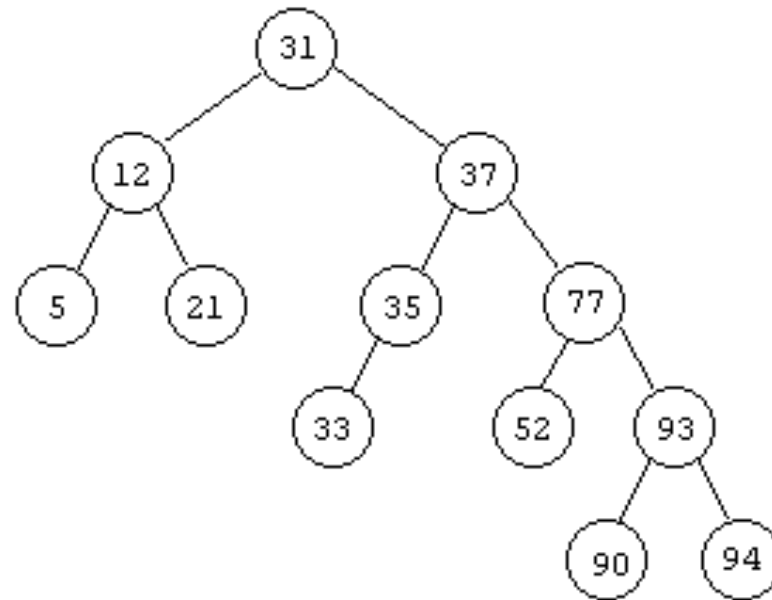
When `NULL_NODE` is found, return a new node.

Parent who called `insert` on the `NULL_NODE` then sets the returned value to be its appropriate child

For it to work, other nodes along the recursive descent should return _____.

BST Delete

- How to handle each case using the recommended recursive pattern?
 - No children
 - 1 child
 - 2 children

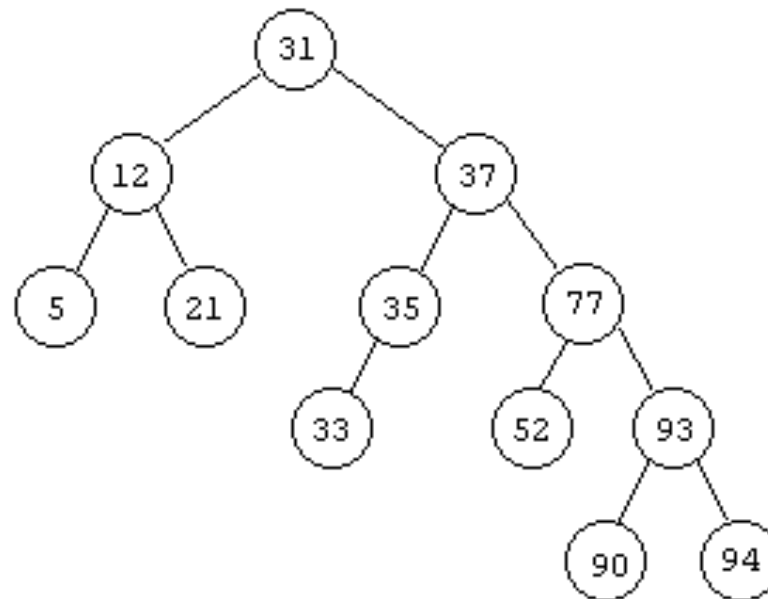


https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Binary_search_tree#Deletion

Hibbard deletion: <http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=321108>

Efficiency of BST Search, Insert, Delete

- Each recurses down only one branch of the tree!
- So what can we say about worst-case big-O runtimes?



Implementation in BST Project

```
public class BinarySearchTree<T extends Comparable<T>> {  
  
    private BinaryNode root;  
    public BinarySearchTree() {  
        this.root = NULL_NODE;  
    }  
    // Does this tree contain x?  
    public boolean contains(T x)  
  
    // insert x. If already there, return false  
    public boolean insert(T x)  
  
    // delete x. If not there, return false  
    public boolean delete(T x)  
        // 3 cases
```

Implementation Issues, Part 1

- Challenge:
 - The recursive `BinaryNode.insert()` returns a `BinaryNode`. (Child to parent: “This is the root of my subtree”)
 - We want our `BST.insert()` operation to return a boolean (“The node was/wasn’t successfully added”).
 - How do nodes communicate this boolean up the tree, when their return value is already used?
- Could let the boolean be a `BST` field. But, poor encapsulation: sticks around even outside call to `insert()`.
- Two alternative solutions:
 - Can the helper method return 2 things?
 - Create a simple composite class to hold both a boolean and a `BinaryNode`.
 - Can you pass a parameter to the helper method and mutate it?
 - Java uses call-by-value, and a boolean is a primitive so can’t be mutated. Even `Booleans` can’t be mutated as the class is declared `final`.
 - Create, and pass a simple `BooleanContainer` object so you can mutate the boolean inside.

Implementation Issues, Part 2

- Modifying (inserting/deleting) from a tree should cause any active iterators to fail the next time the active iterator is accessed (i.e., throw a `ConcurrentModificationException`).
 - How do you detect this?
 - Modification count
- How do you implement an iterator's `remove()`?
 - Just call `BST remove()`.
 - But throw exceptions if `next()` hasn't been called, or if `remove()` is called twice in a row. (Javadoc for `TreeSet` iterator has details.)