

# Search Trees

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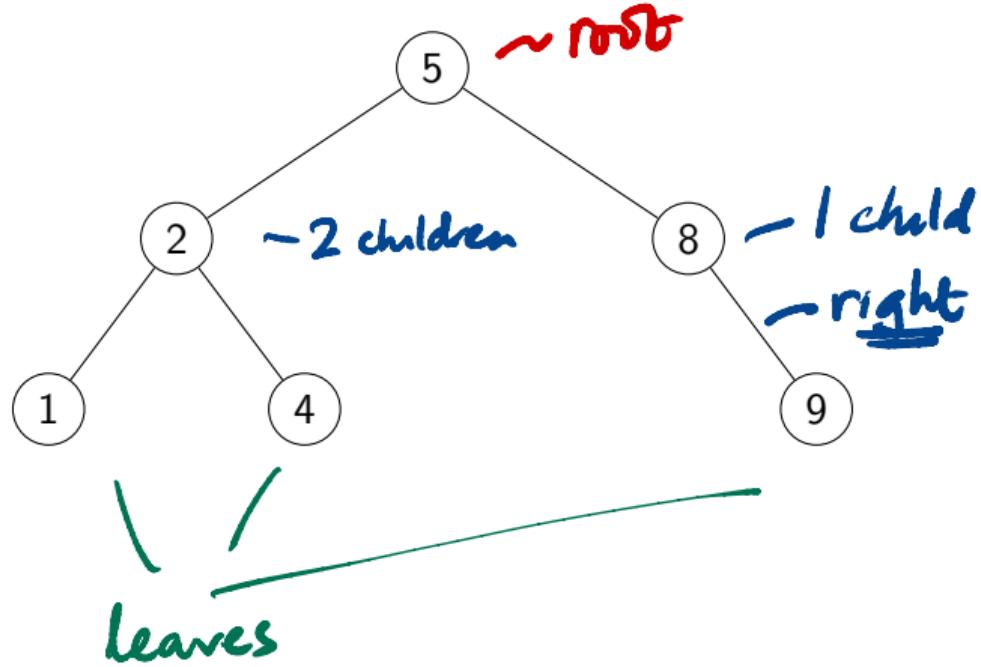
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- Move to a tree structure, like heaps for priority queues

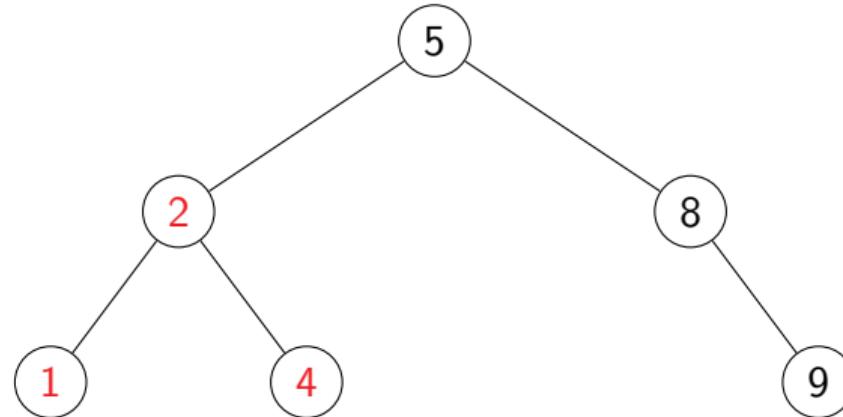
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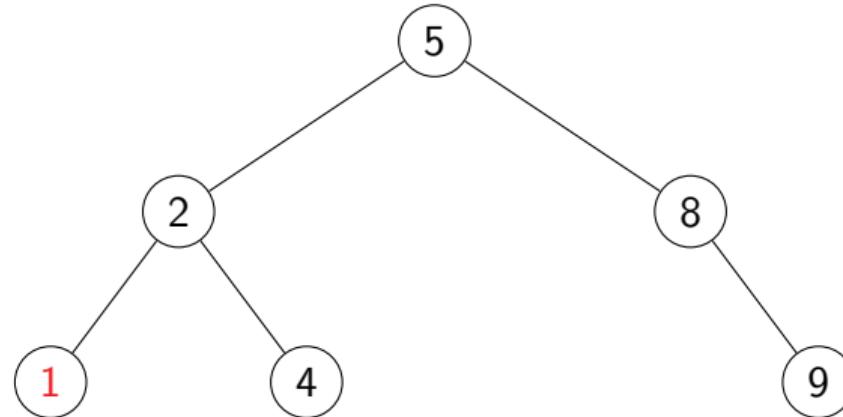
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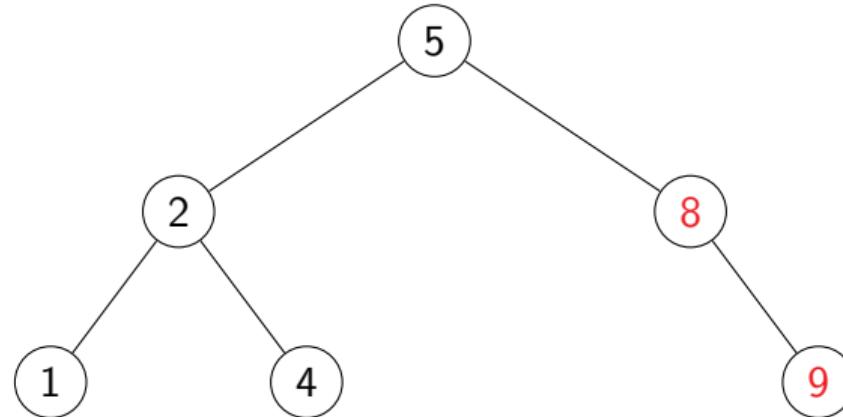
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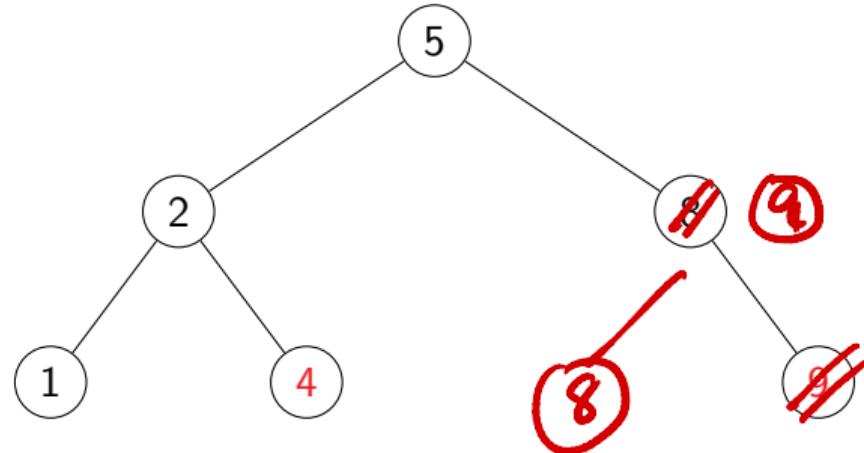
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*right*



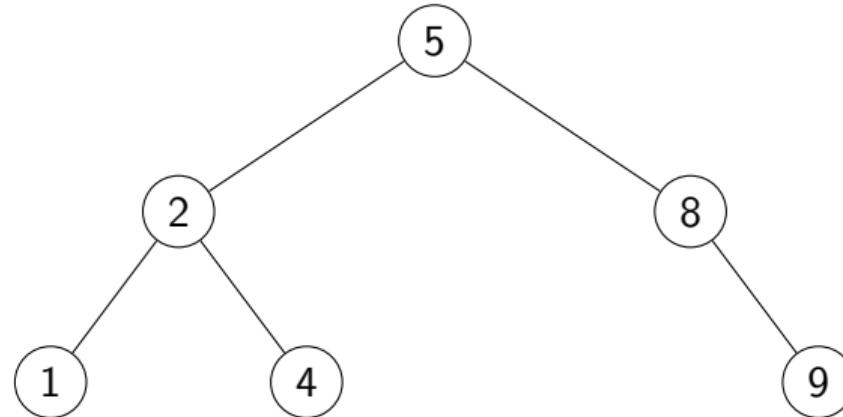
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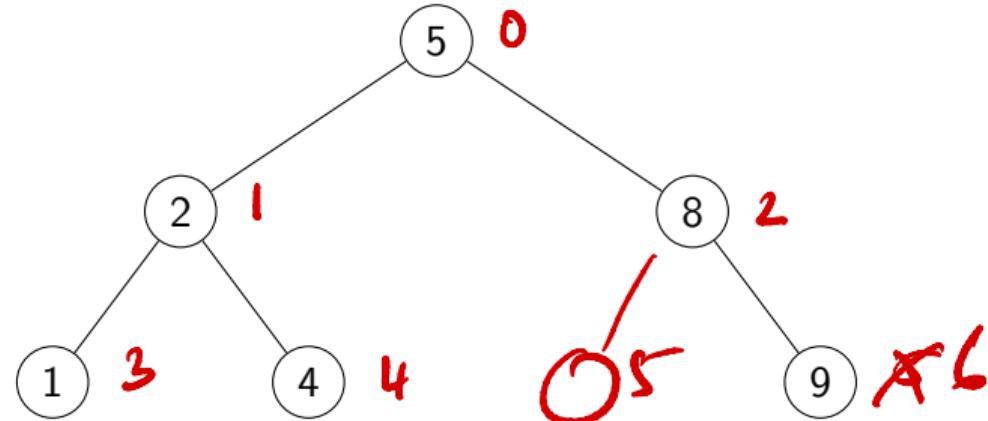
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- No duplicate values



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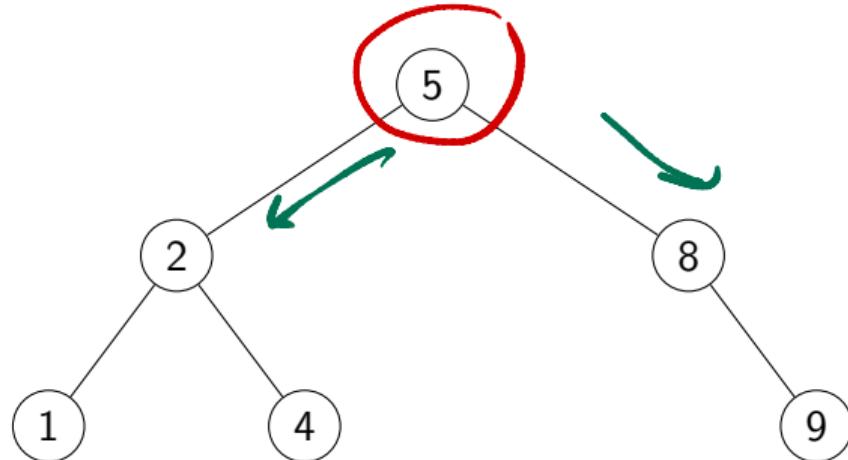
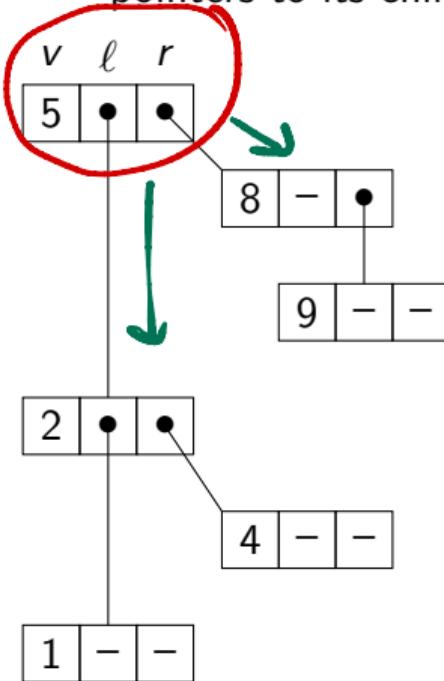


Child  $i \rightarrow 2i+1$   
 $2i+2$

Parent  $i \rightarrow l-1//2$

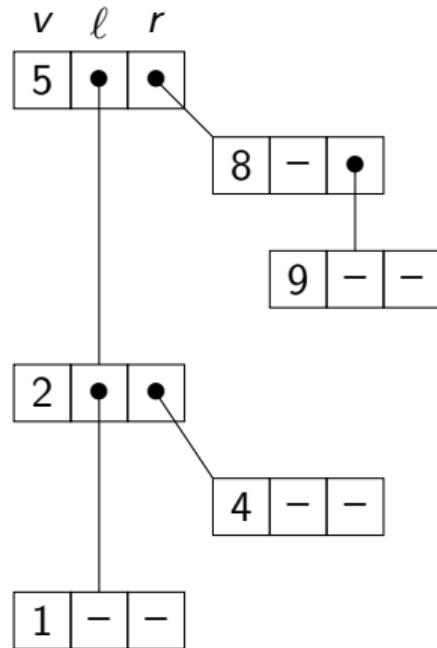
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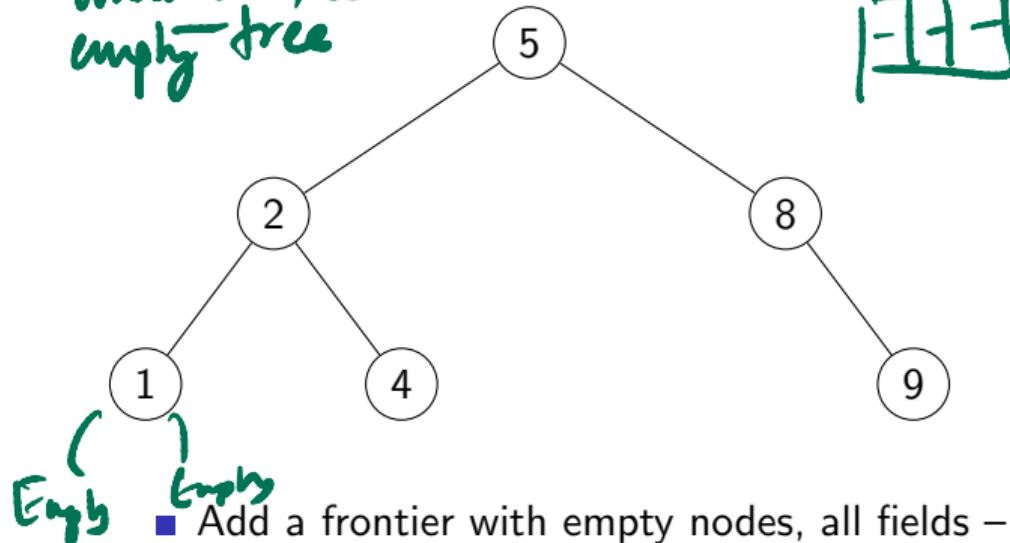


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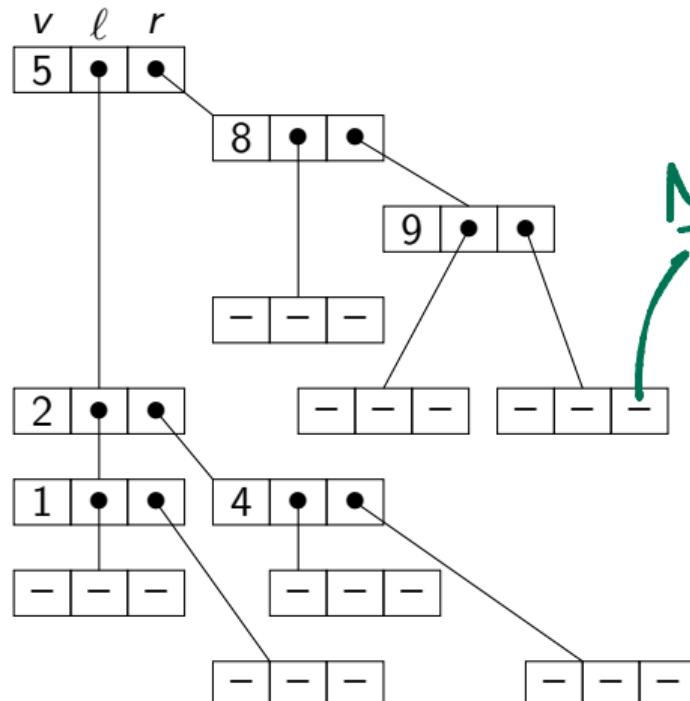


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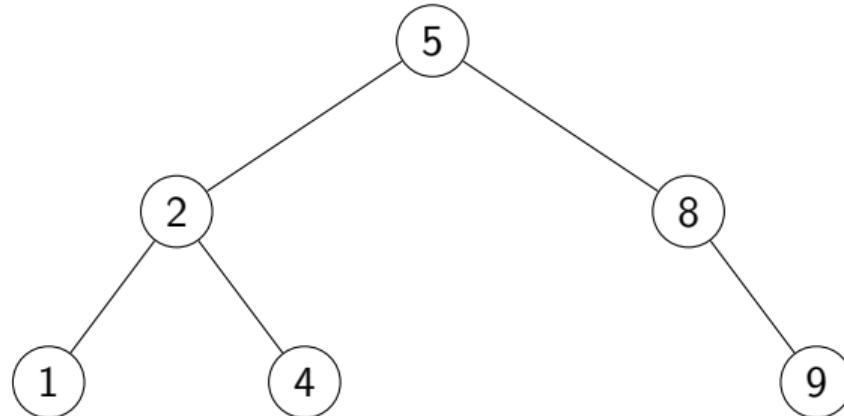
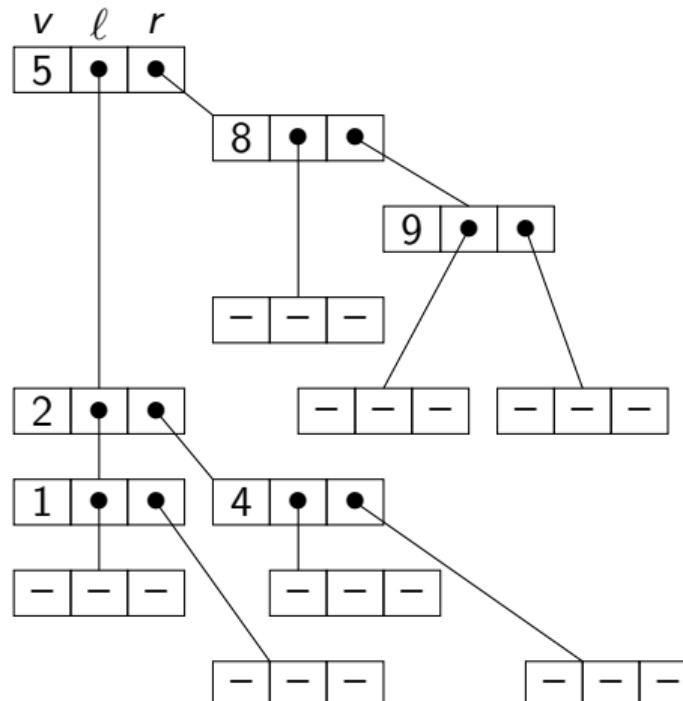
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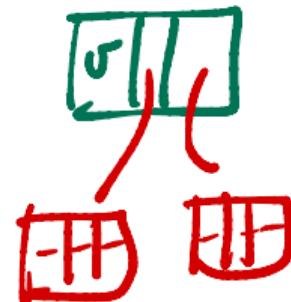


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- Easier to implement operations recursively

# The class Tree

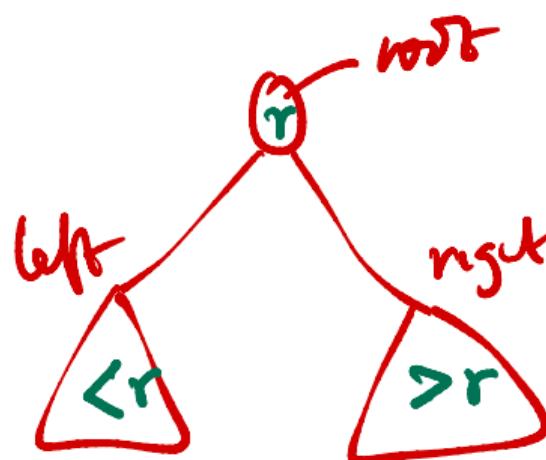
- Three local fields, value, left, right
- Value **None** for empty value –
- Empty tree has all fields **None**
- Leaf has a nonempty **value** and empty **left** and **right**

```
class Tree:  
    # Constructor:  
    def __init__(self, initval=None):  
        self.value = initval  
        if self.value:  
            self.left = Tree()  
            self.right = Tree()  
        else:  
            self.left = None  
            self.right = None  
        return  
  
    # Only empty node has value None  
    def isempty(self):  
        return (self.value == None)  
  
    # Leaf nodes have both children empty  
    def isleaf(self):  
        return (self.value != None and  
                self.left.isempty() and  
                self.right.isempty())
```



# Inorder traversal

- List the left subtree, then the current node, then the right subtree
- Lists values in sorted order
- Use to print the tree



```
class Tree:  
    ...  
    # Inorder traversal  
    def inorder(self):  
        if self.isempty():  
            return []  
        else:  
            return(self.left.inorder())+  
                [self.value]+  
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    # Display Tree as a string  
    def __str__(self):  
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```

## Other traversals

Post-order

Left subtree

Right subtree

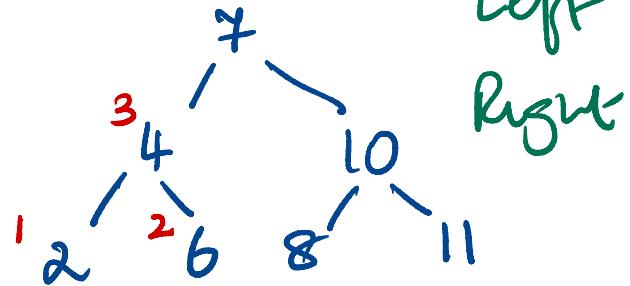
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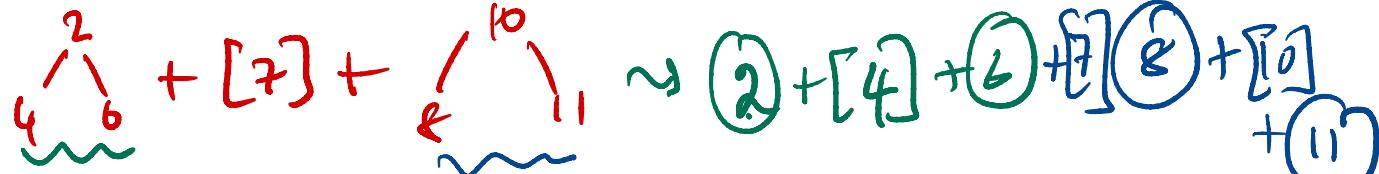
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Inorder



Postorder

$[2, 6, 4] + [8, 11, 10] + [7]$

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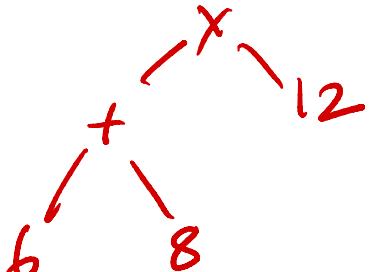
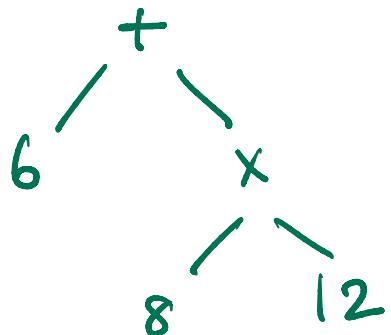
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## Arithmetical Expressions

$$6 + \underbrace{8 \times 12} =$$

$$6 + (8 \times 12)$$

The "wrong" expr is

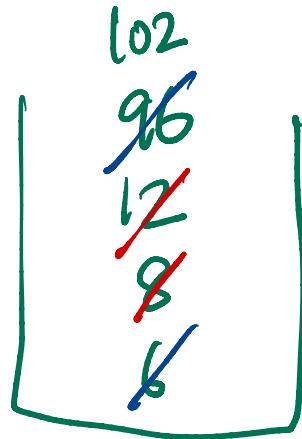


$$6 \ 8 + 12 \ x$$

Postfix    6 8 12 x +

6 8 12  $\times$   $\oplus$

→ Evaluate



Each no. goes on stack

Each operation pops its operand  
& pushes result

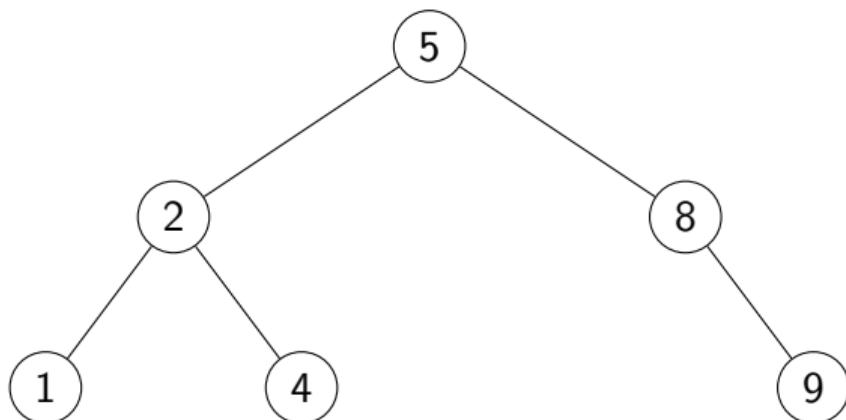
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168

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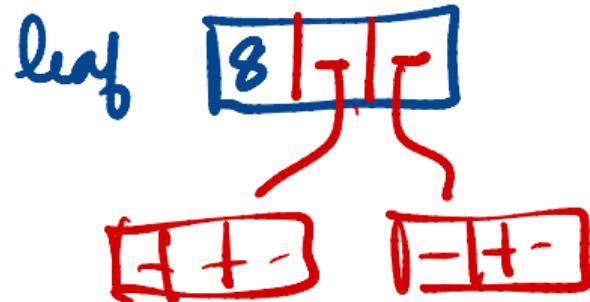
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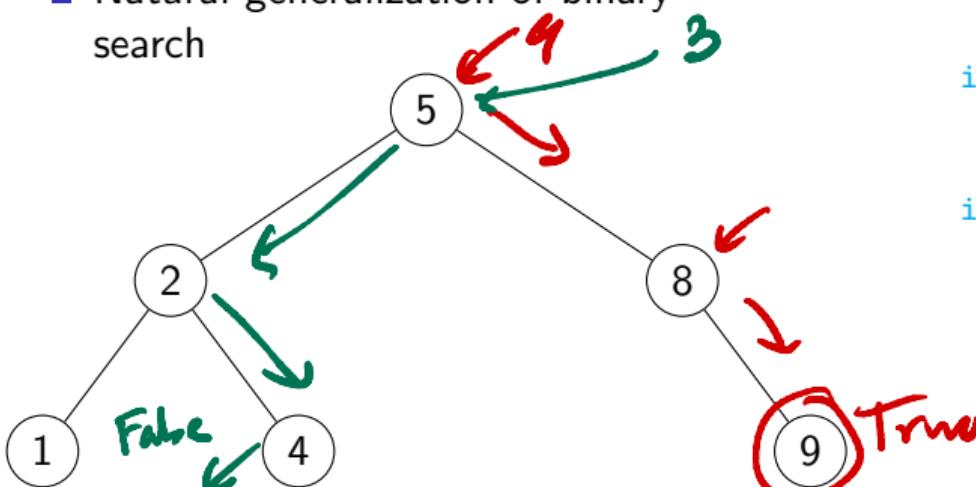


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    def find(self,v):  
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        if self.value == v:  
            return(True)  
  
        if v < self.value:  
            return(self.left.find(v))  
  
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*recursive call*

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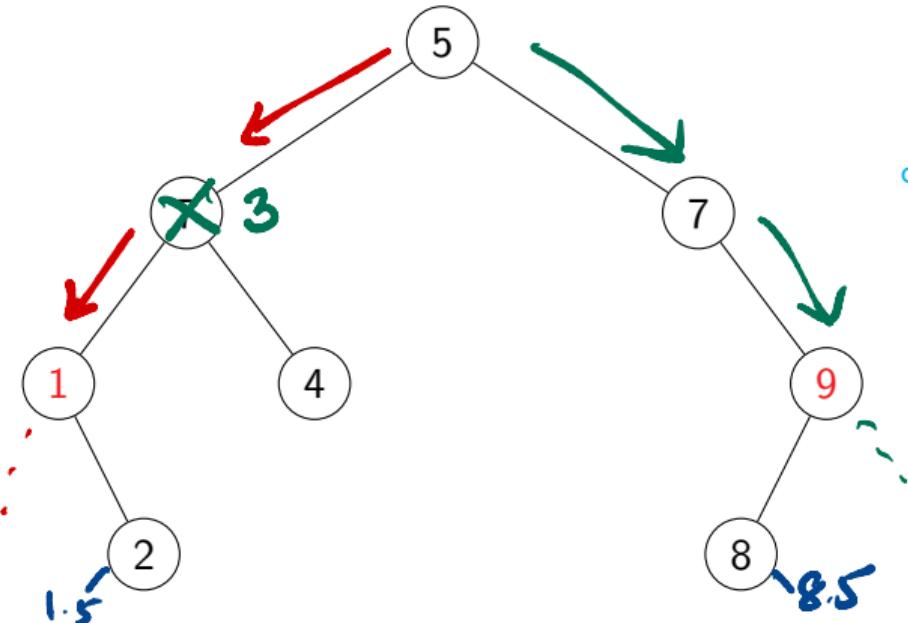
# Minimum and maximum

- Minimum is left most node in the tree
- Maximum is right most node in the tree

```
class Tree:  
    ...  
    def minval(self):  
        if self.left.isempty():  
            return(self.value)  
        else:  
            return(self.left.minval())  
  
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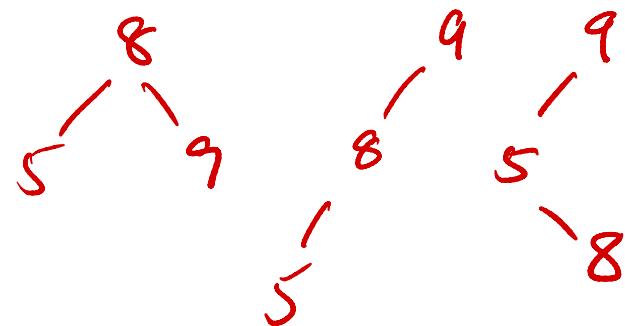
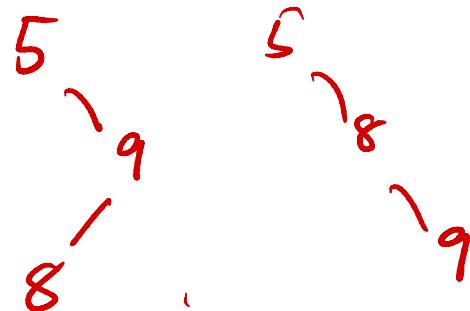
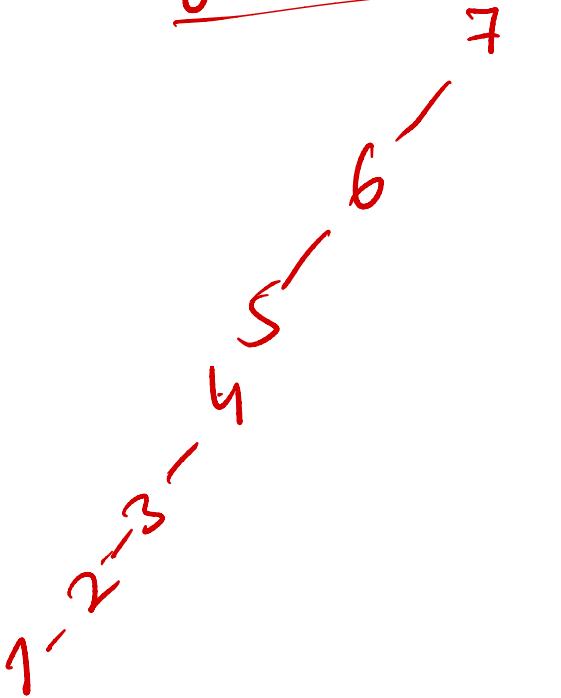
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## Degenerate trees



# Insert a value v

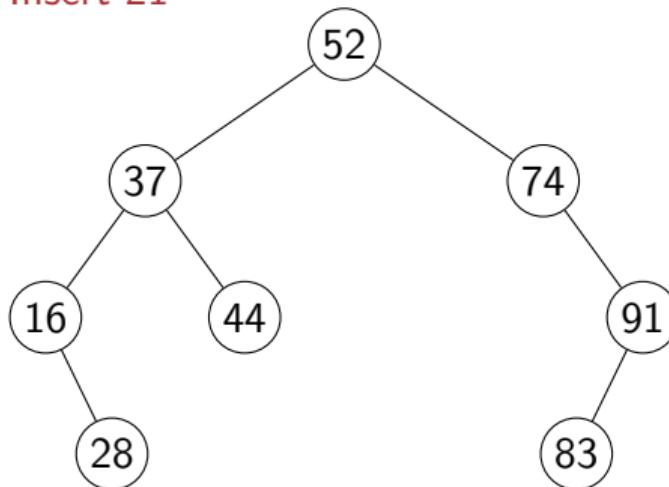
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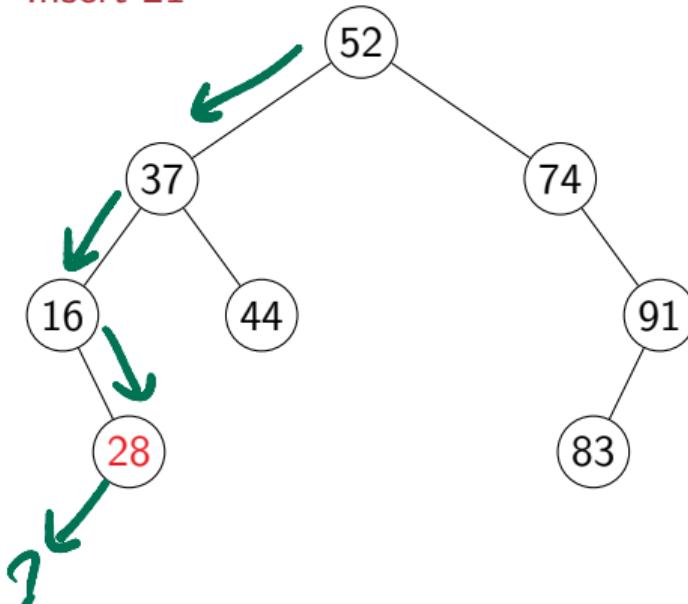


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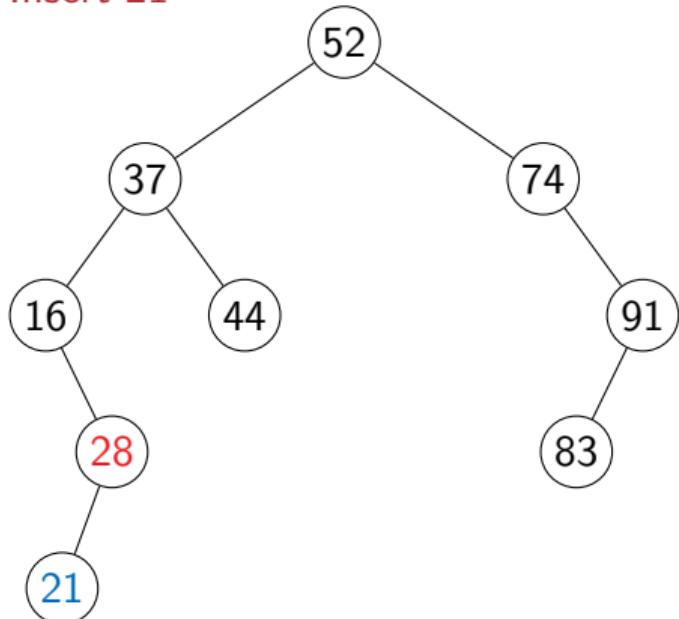


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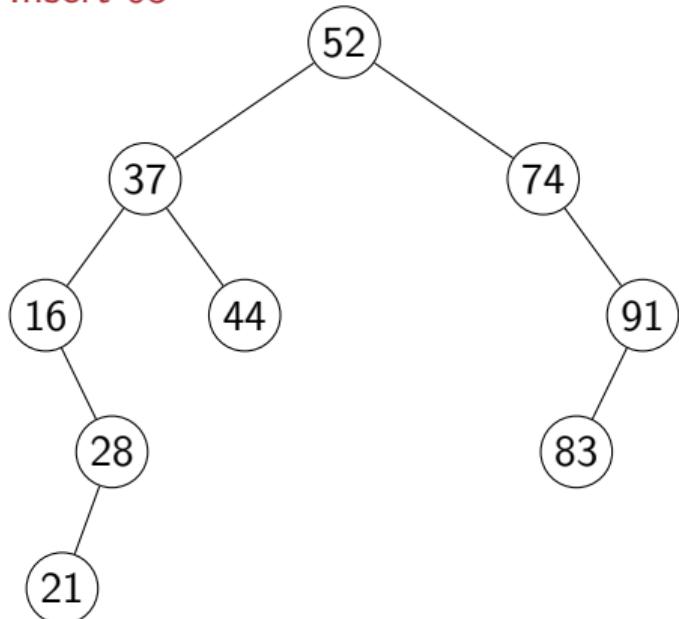
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find  
] ret(False)

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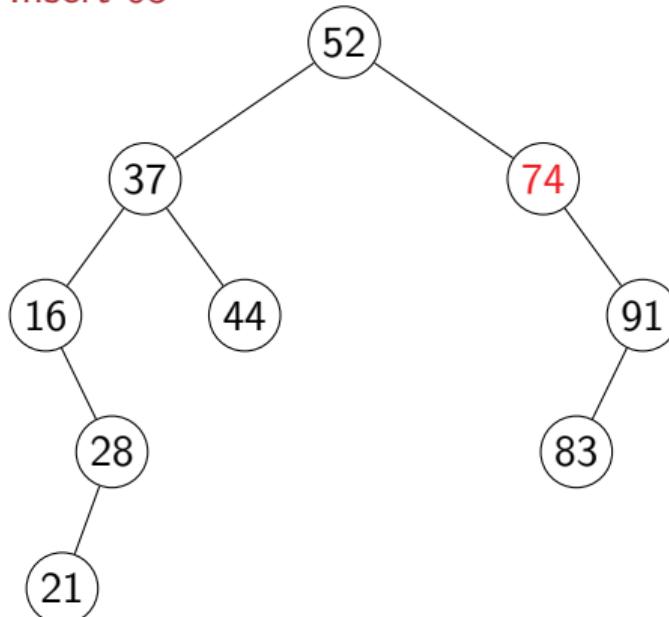


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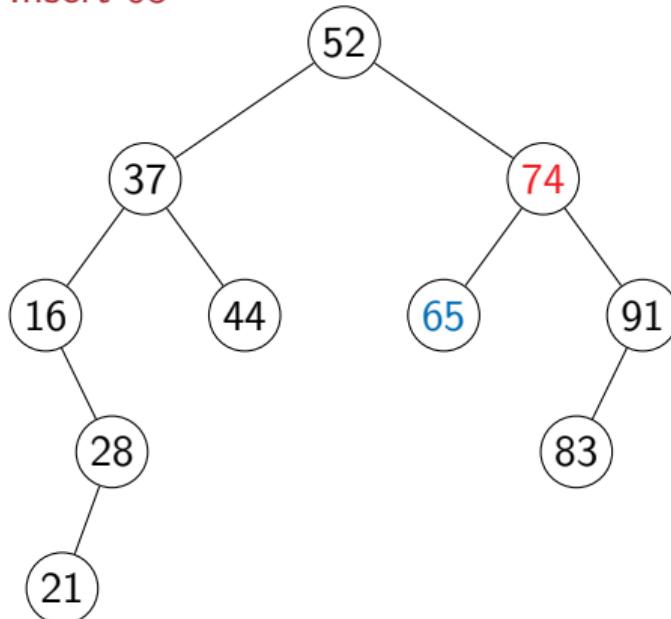


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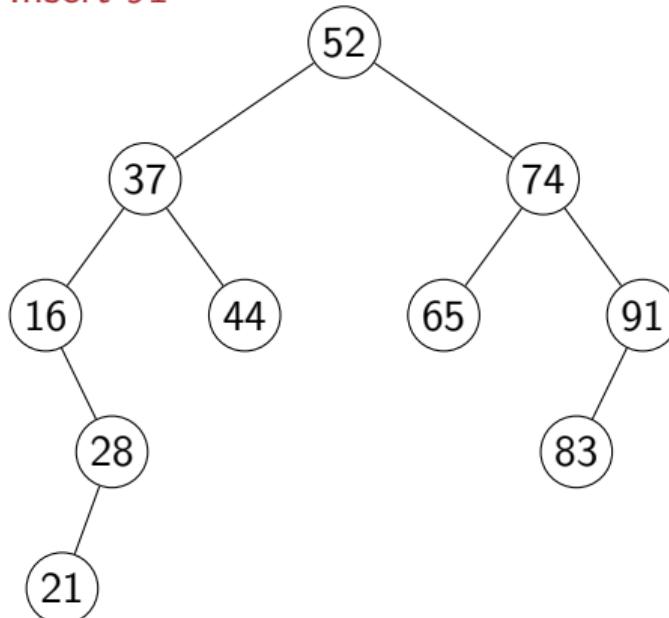


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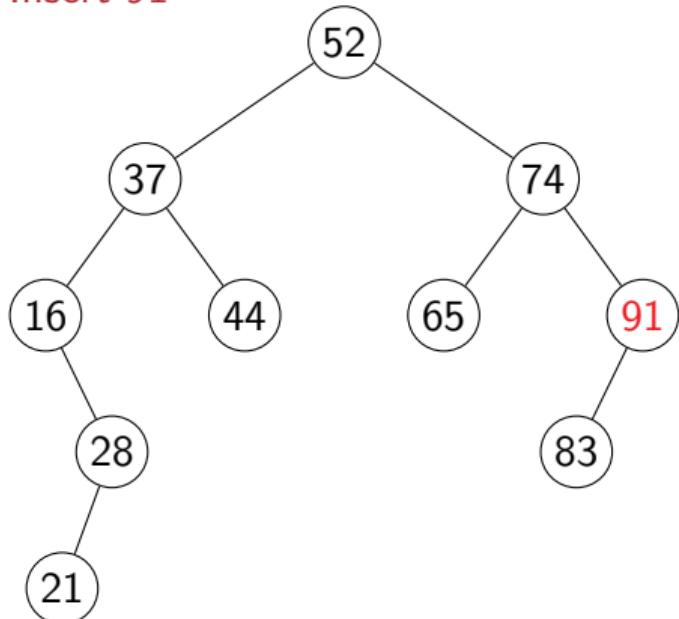


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# Delete a value v

- If  $v$  is present, delete
- Leaf node? No problem
- If only one child, promote that subtree
- Otherwise, replace  $v$  with `self.left.maxval()` and delete `self.left.maxval()`
  - `self.left.maxval()` has no right child

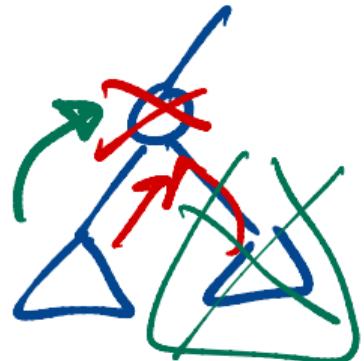


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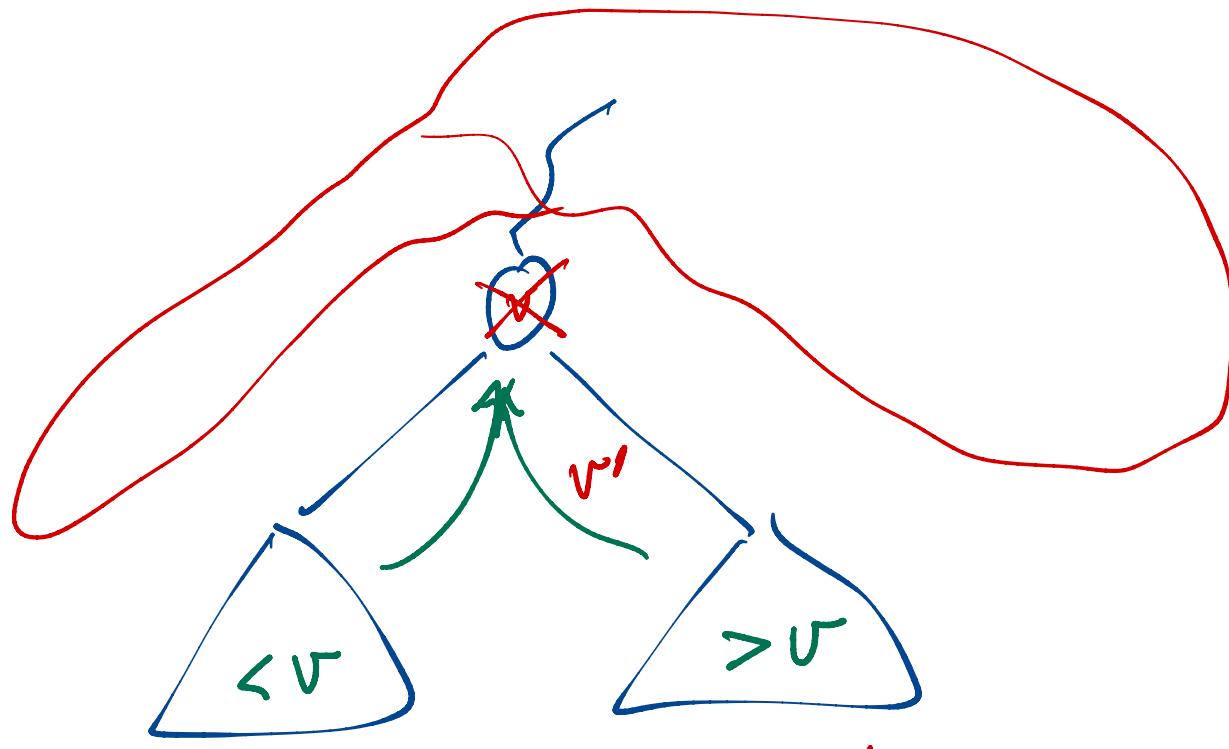
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        return  
    if v < self.value:  
        self.left.delete(v)  
    return  
    if v > self.value:  
        self.right.delete(v)  
    return  
    if v == self.value:  
        if self.isleaf():
```

```
            self.makempty()  
        elif self.left isempty():  
            self.copyright()  
        elif self.right isempty():  
            self.copyleft()  
        else:
```

```
            self.value = self.left.maxval()  
            self.left.delete(self.left.maxval())  
return
```



Only one child



Want  $v'$ , s.t.  $< v'$

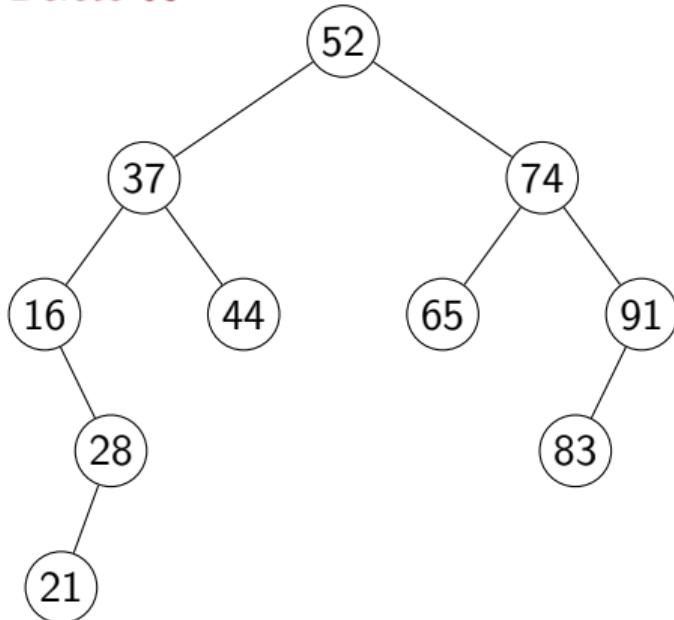
If  $v'$  from left,  
max of left subtree

$> v'$

If  $v'$  from right  
min of right tree

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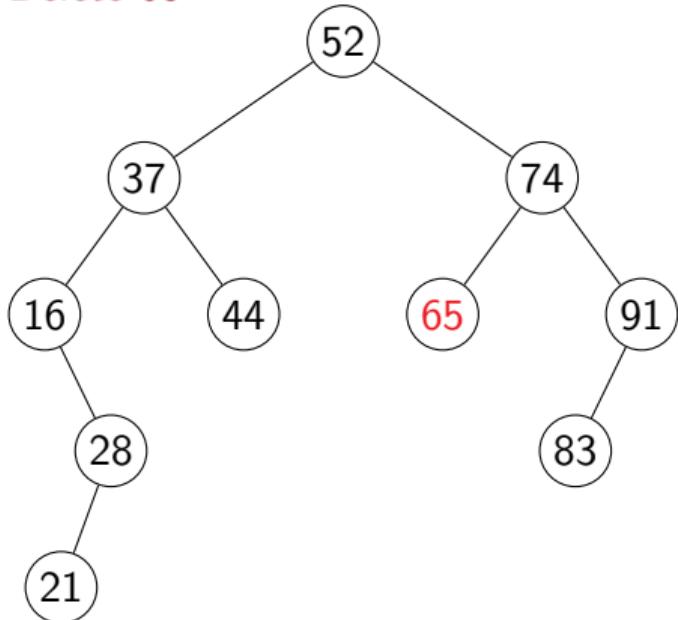
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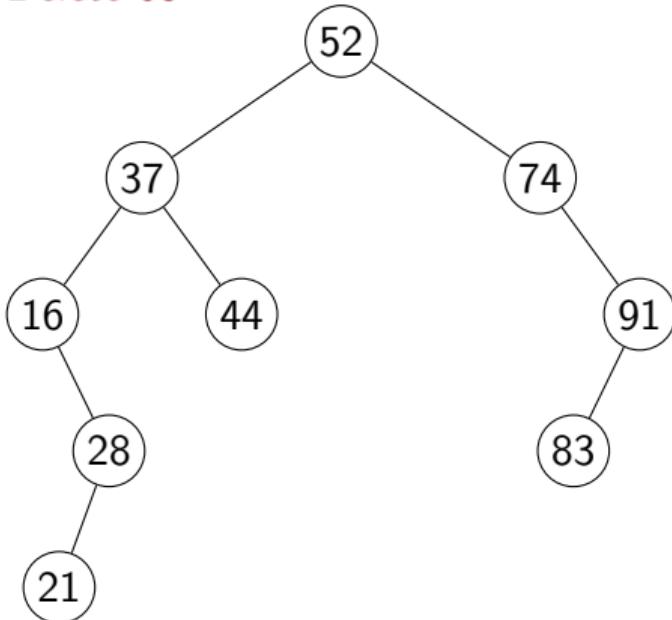
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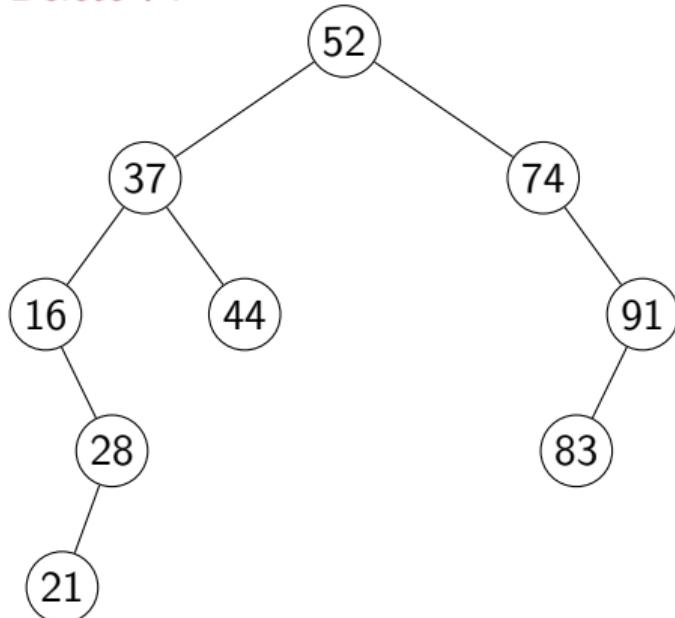
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    ...  
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            self.left.delete(v)  
            return  
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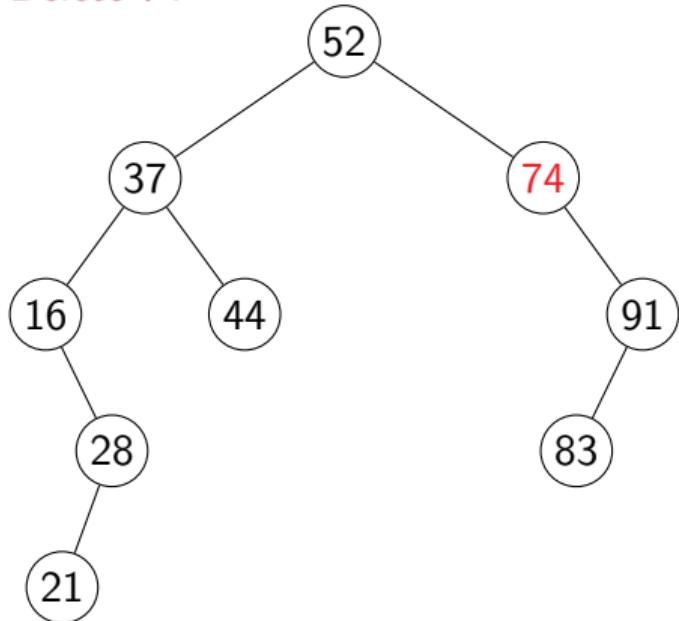
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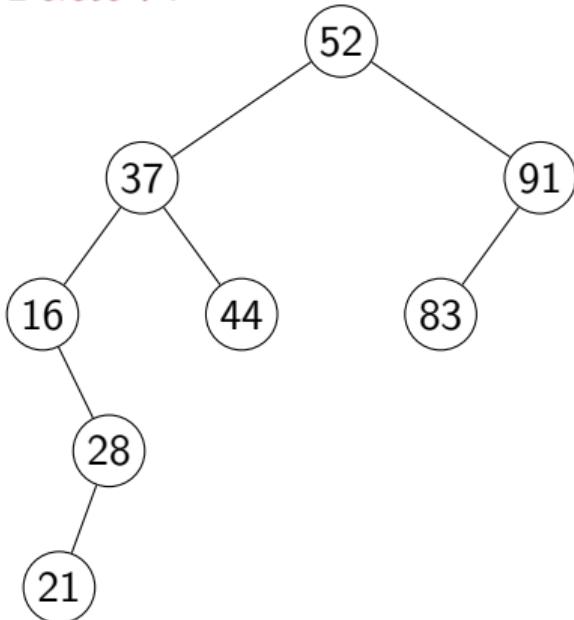
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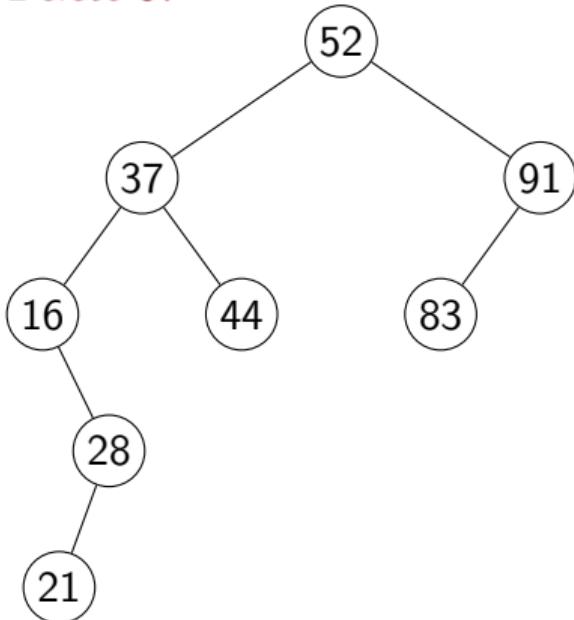
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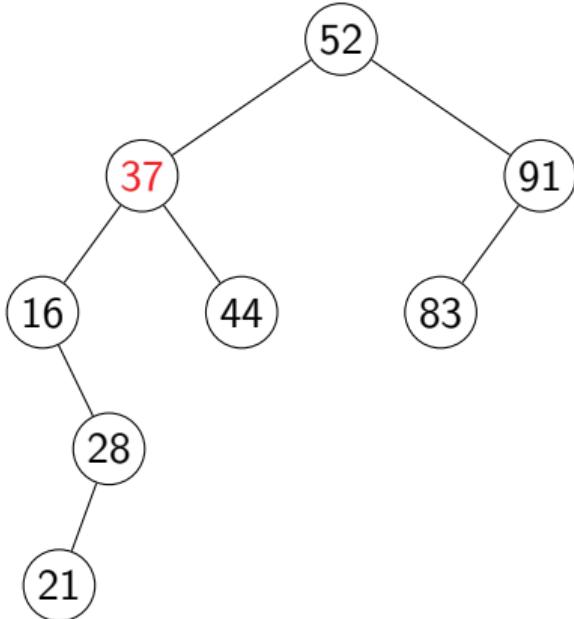
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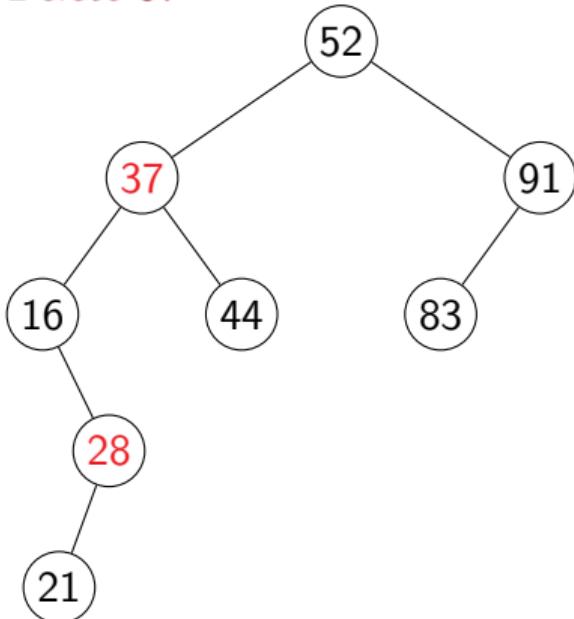
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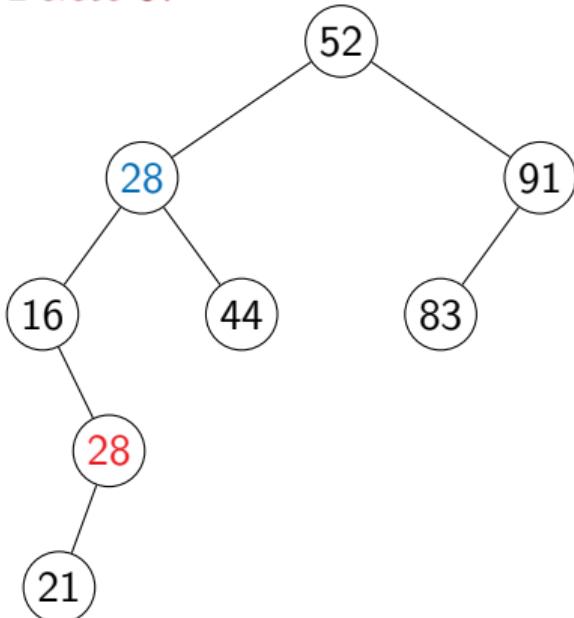
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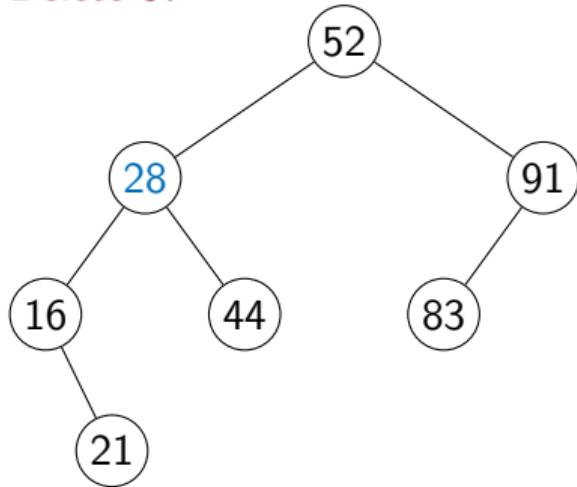
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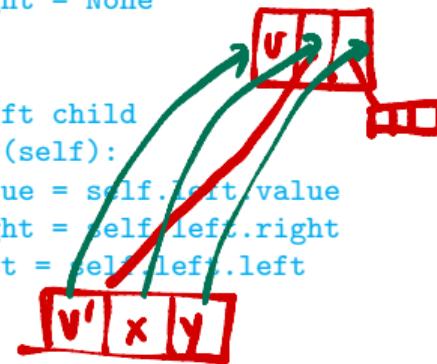
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def makeempty(self):
```

```
    self.value = None  
    self.left = None  
    self.right = None  
    return
```

```
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def copyleft(self):
```

```
    self.value = self.left.value  
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```



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```

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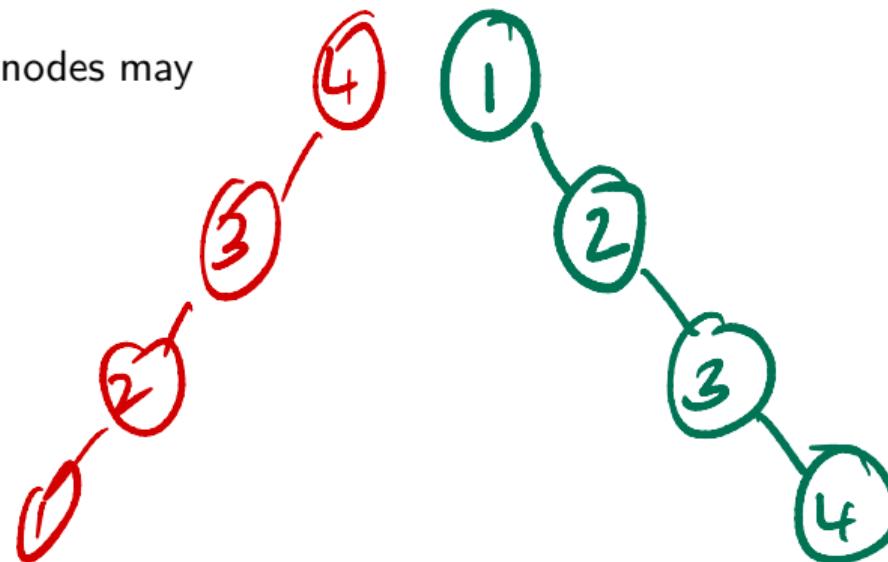
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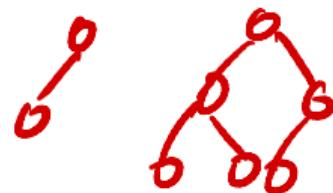
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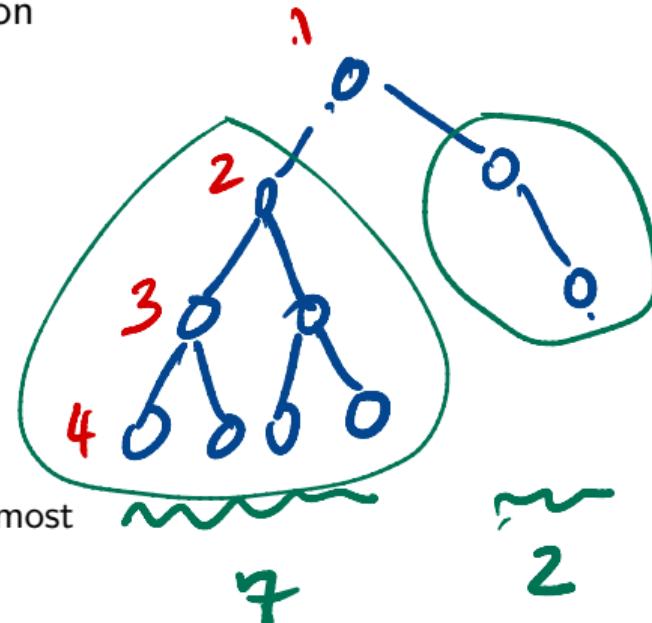
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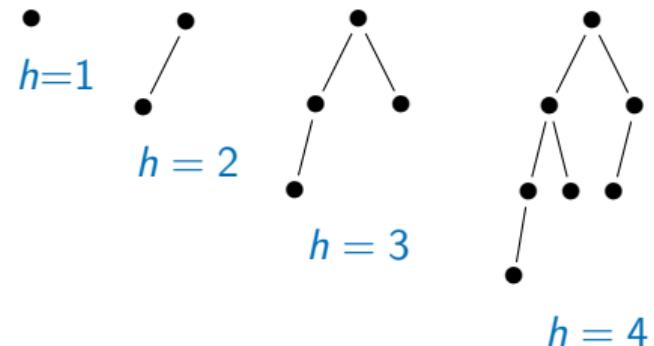
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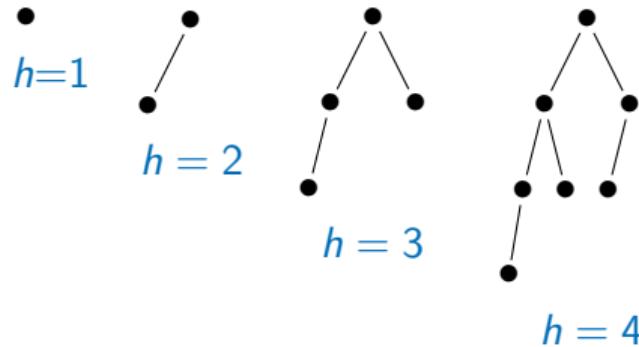


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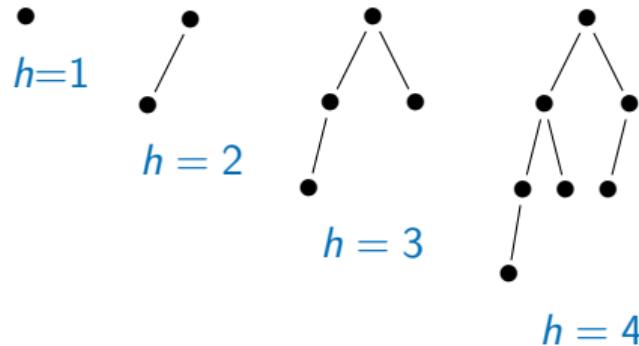


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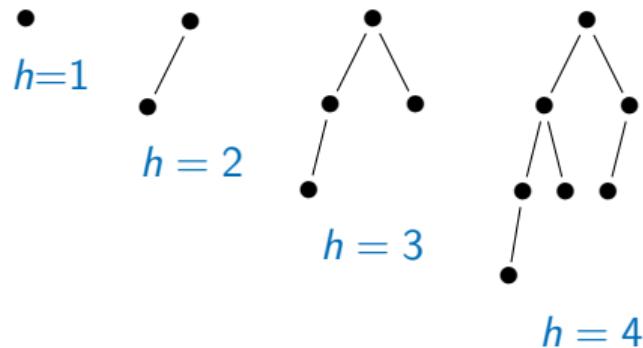
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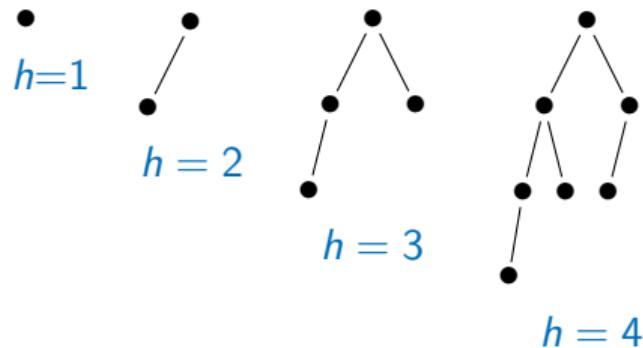
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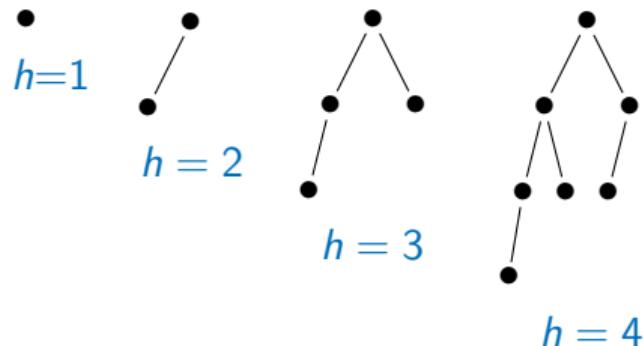
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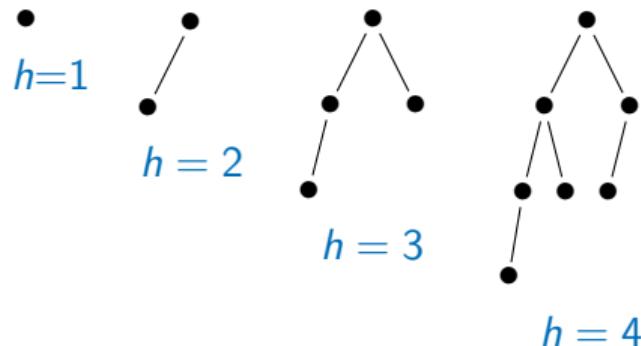
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