

# BINARY SEARCH TREES

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Problem Solving with Computers-II

C++

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main(){
    cout<<"Hola Facebook!";
    return 0;
}
```

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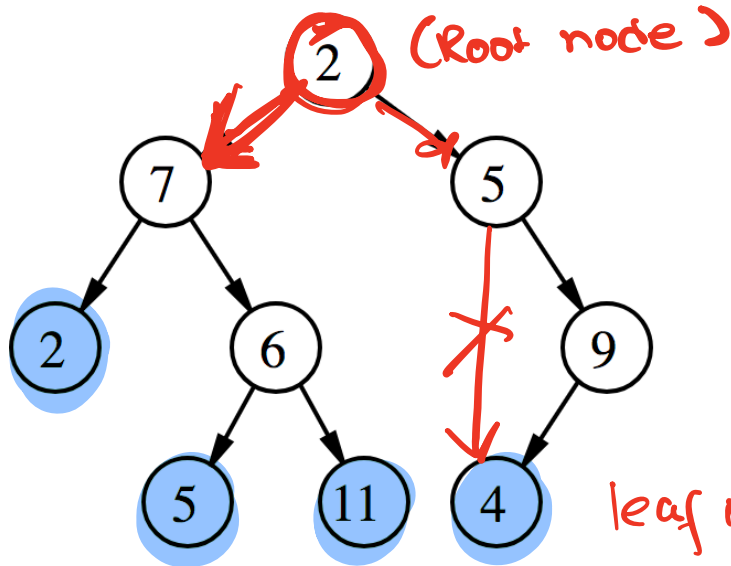
# Trees

A tree has following general properties:

- One node is distinguished as a **root**;
- Every node (exclude a root) is connected by a directed edge *from* exactly one other node;

A direction is: *parent*  $\rightarrow$  *children*

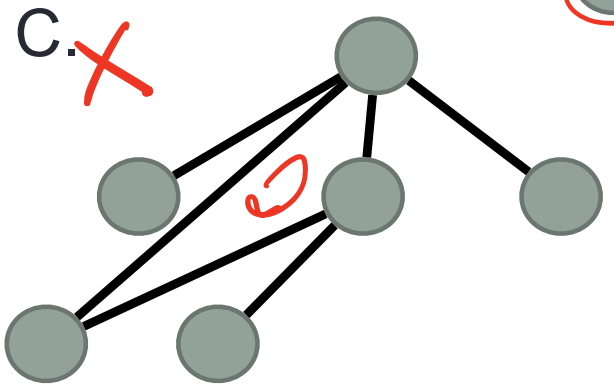
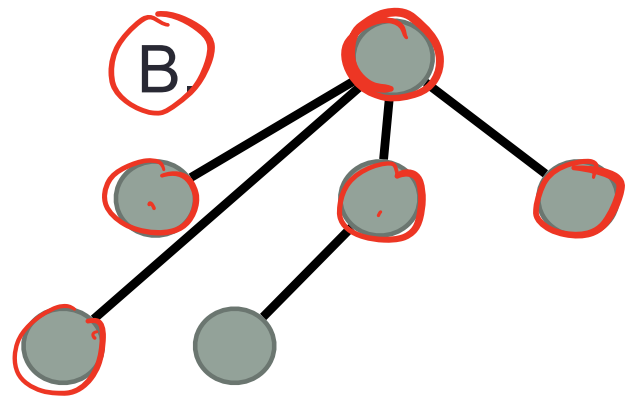
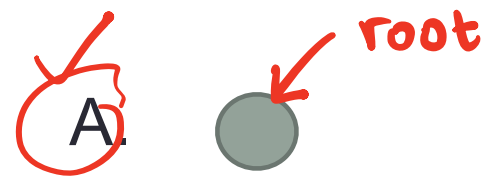
- *Leaf node*: Node that has no children



2 is the root node  
leaf nodes 2's children are 7 & 5




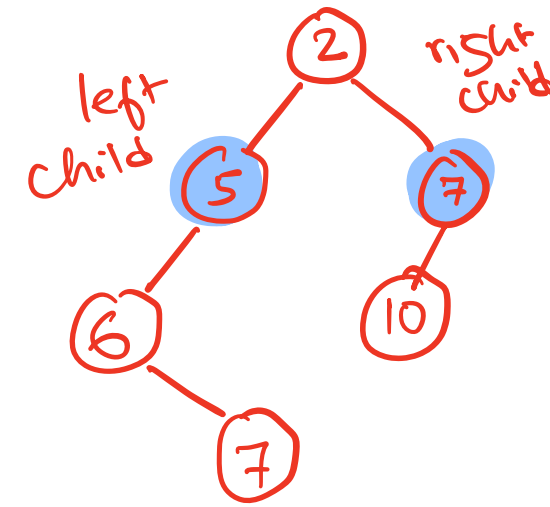
Which of the following is/are a tree?



D. A & B

E. All of A-C

Empty tree  
root 



Binary Tree

# Binary Search Trees

- What are the operations supported?

*Search!*

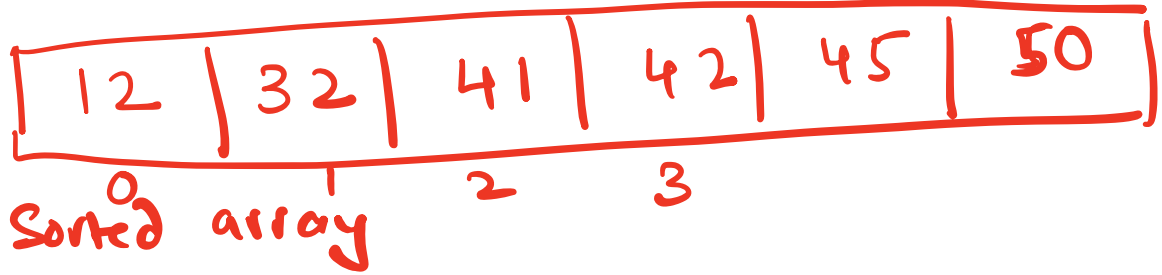
- What are the running times of these operations?

*next lectures*

- How do you implement the BST i.e. operations supported by it?

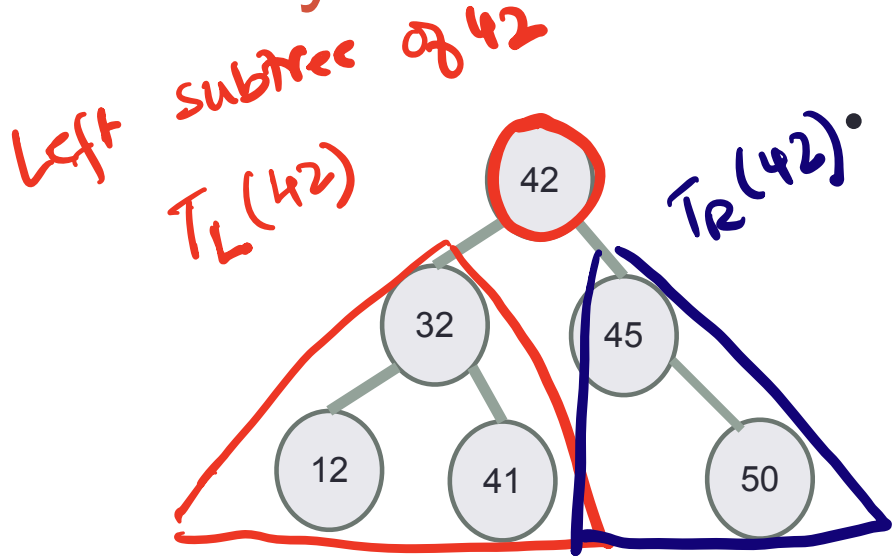
# Operations supported by Sorted arrays and Binary Search Trees (BST)

Example keys: 42, 32, 45, 12, 41, 50



Operations
✓ Min
✓ Max
Successor (next larger key)
Predecessor (next smaller key)
✓ Search (Binary search)
✓ Insert (not fast)
✓ Delete (not fast)
Print elements in order

# Binary Search Tree – What is it?



Each node:

- stores a key ( $k$ )
- has a pointer to left child, right child and parent (optional)
- Satisfies the **Search Tree Property**

For any node,

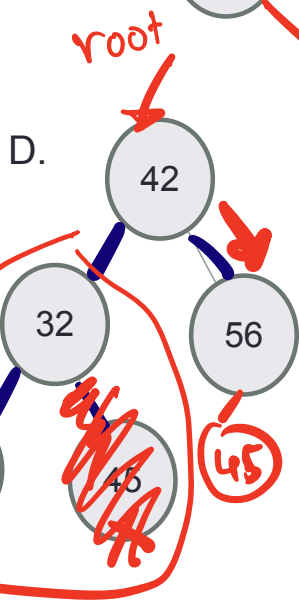
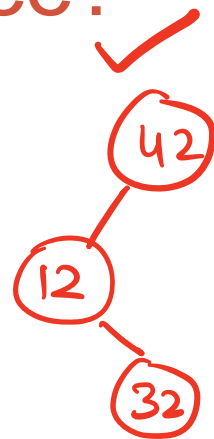
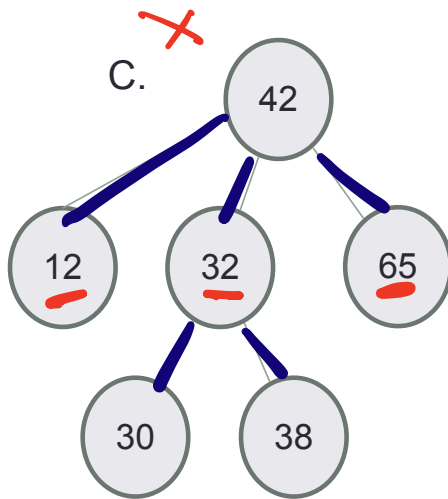
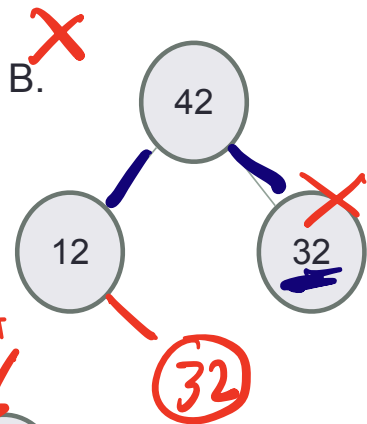
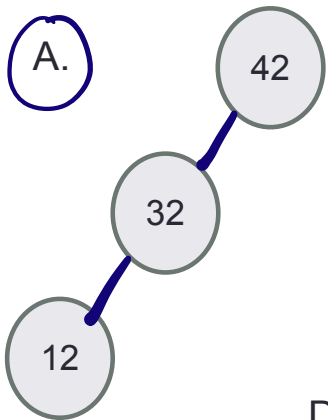
Keys in node's left subtree  $<$  Node's key

Node's key  $<$  Keys in node's right subtree

$$T_L(k) < k < T_R(k)$$

Do the keys have to be integers?

# Which of the following is/are a binary search tree?



Insert 45  
into tree  
D

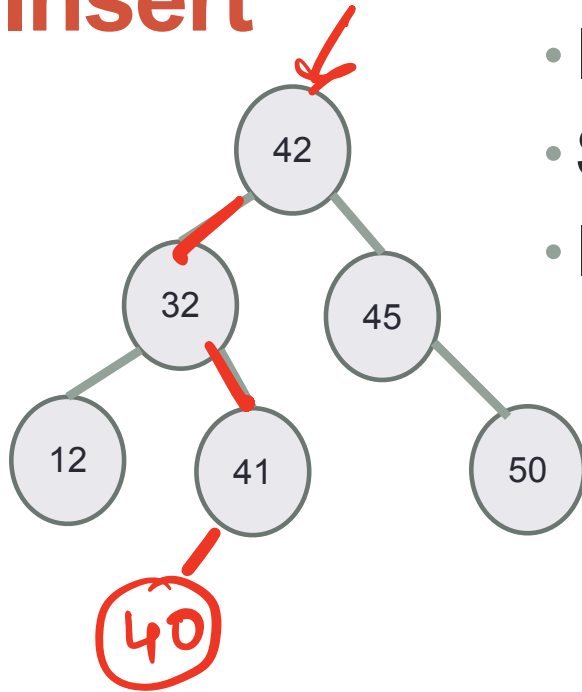
C is not a binary tree

E. More than one of these



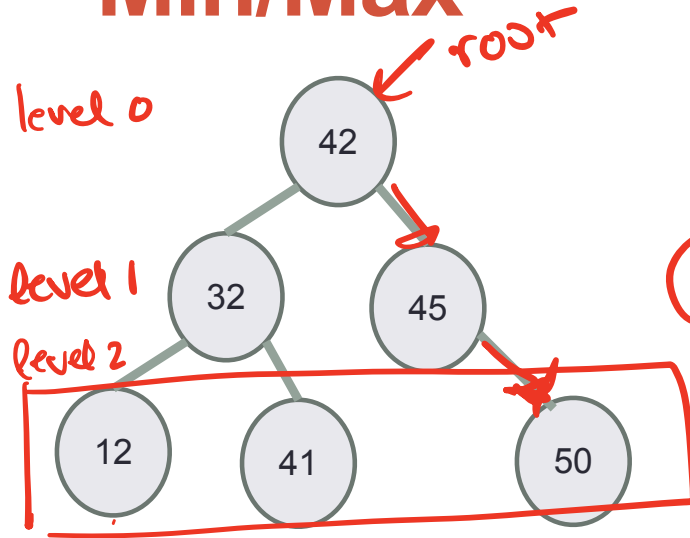


# Insert



- Insert 40
- Search for the key
- Insert at the spot you expected to find it

# Min/Max



Which of the following described the algorithm to find the maximum value in the BST?

A. Follow **right child** pointers from the root, until a node with no right child is encountered, return that node's key

(min)

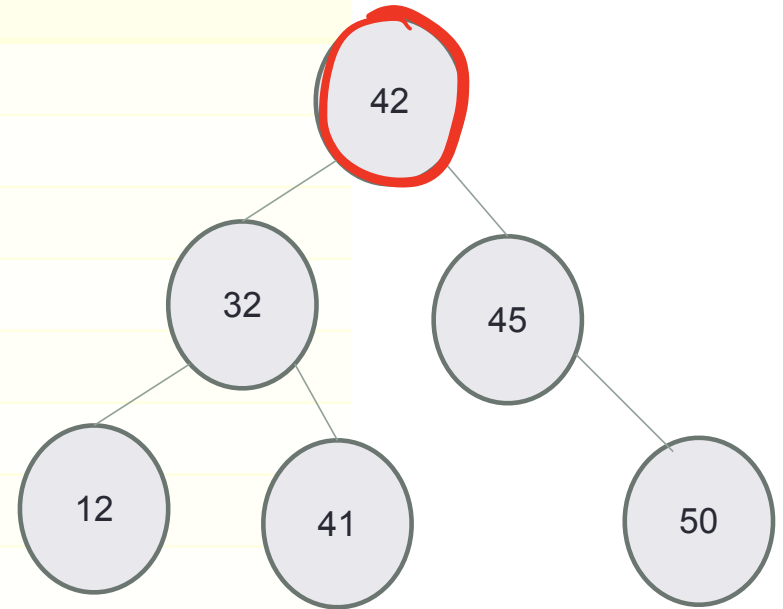
B. Follow **left child** pointers from the root, until a node with no left child is encountered, return that node's key

C. Traverse to the **last level in the tree** and traverse the tree left to right, return the key of the **last node in the last level**.

Description is not precise enough to be an algorithm. Need to define the notion of "level" & how to traverse a level from left to right. Finally, even if we could carry out these steps, algo doesn't work for any BST. Look for a counterexample.

# Define the BST ADT

<b>Operations</b>
Search
Insert
Min
Max
Successor
Predecessor
Delete
Print elements in order



```
class BSTNode {
```

```
public:
```

```
    BSTNode* left;
```

```
    BSTNode* right;
```

```
    BSTNode* parent;
```

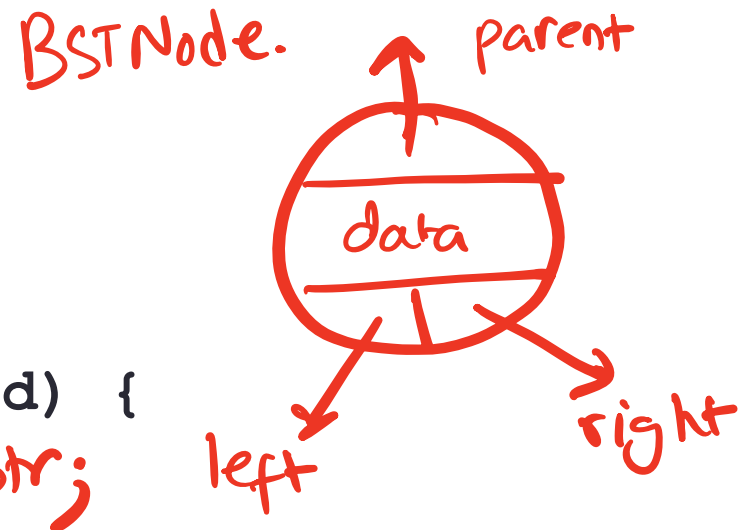
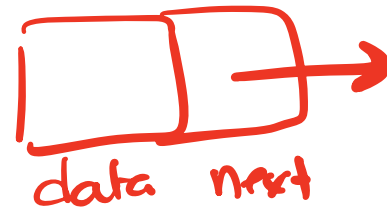
```
    int const data;
```

```
    BSTNode( const int d ) : data(d) {
```

```
        left = right = parent = nullptr;
```

```
    }
```

```
};
```



# Traversing down the tree

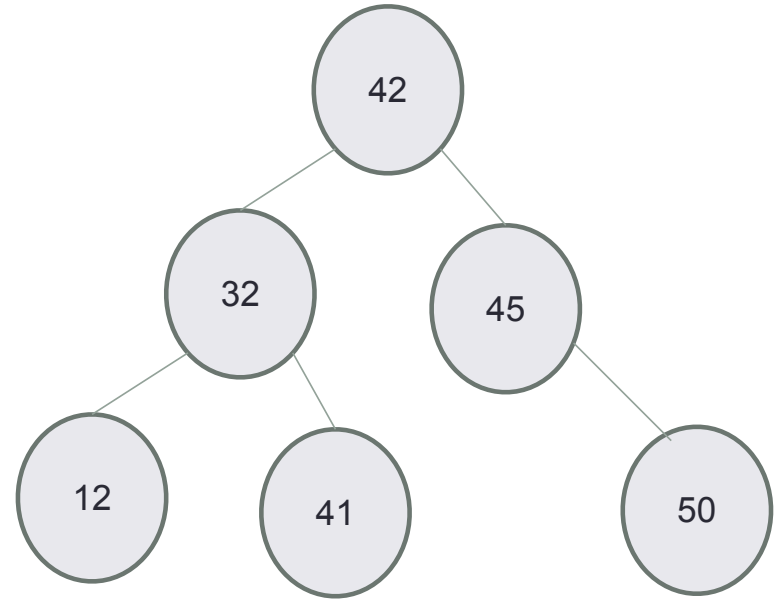
- Suppose `n` is a pointer to the root. What is the output of the following code:

```
n = n->left;
```

```
n = n->right;
```

```
cout<<n->data<<endl;
```

- A. 42
- B. 32
- C. 12
- D. 41
- E. Segfault



# Traversing up the tree

- Suppose `n` is a pointer to the node with value 50.
- What is the output of the following code:

```
n = n->parent;
```

```
n = n->parent;
```

```
n = n->left;
```

```
cout<<n->data<<endl;
```

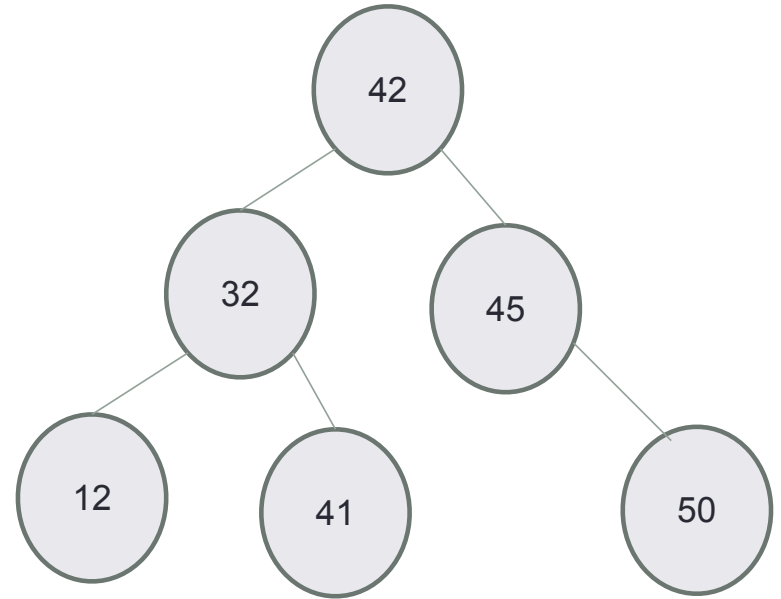
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B. 32

C. 12

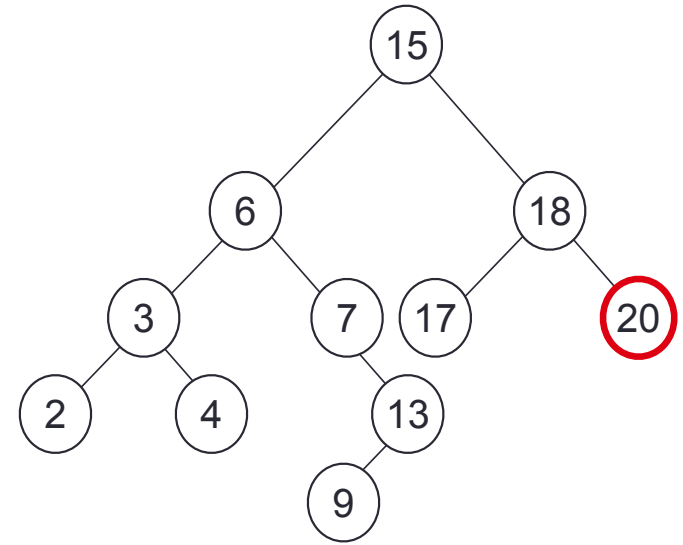
D. 45

E. Segfault



## Max: find the maximum key value in a BST

**Alg:** `int BST::max()`



**Maximum = 20**



## Min: find the minimum key value in a BST

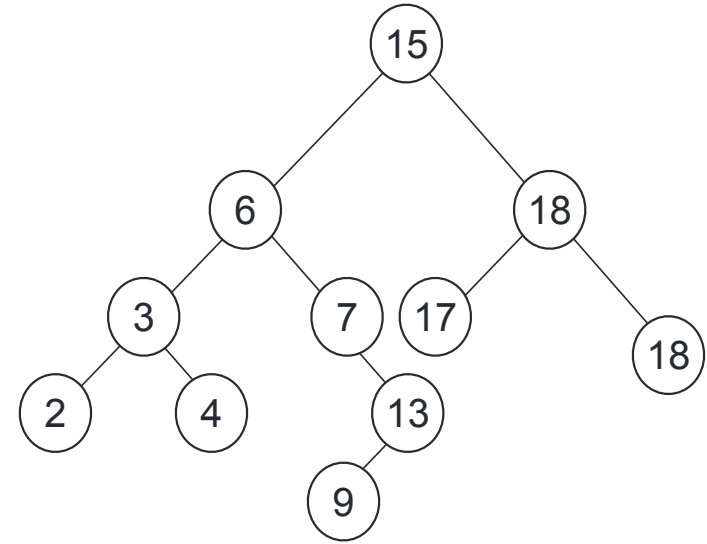
```
Alg: int BST::min() {
```

Start at the root.

Follow \_\_\_\_\_ child pointers from the root, until a node with no left child is encountered.

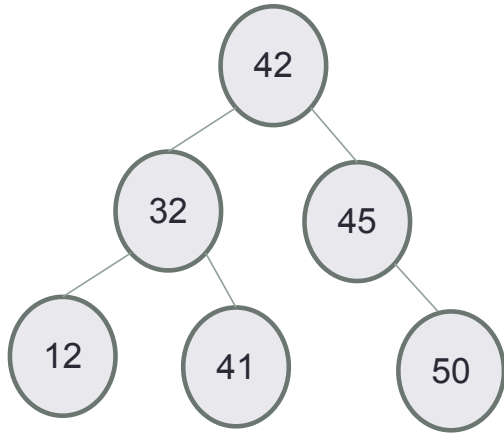
Return the key of that node

```
}
```



Min = ?

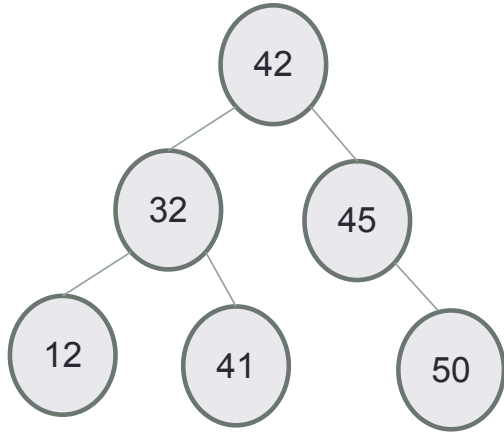
# In order traversal: print elements in sorted order



Algorithm Inorder(tree)

1. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Inorder(left-subtree)
2. Visit the root.
3. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Inorder(right-subtree)

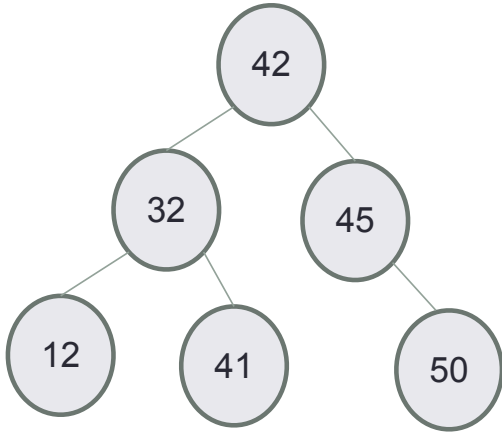
# Pre-order traversal: nice way to linearize your tree!



Algorithm Preorder(tree)

1. Visit the root.
2. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Preorder(left-subtree)
3. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Preorder(right-subtree)

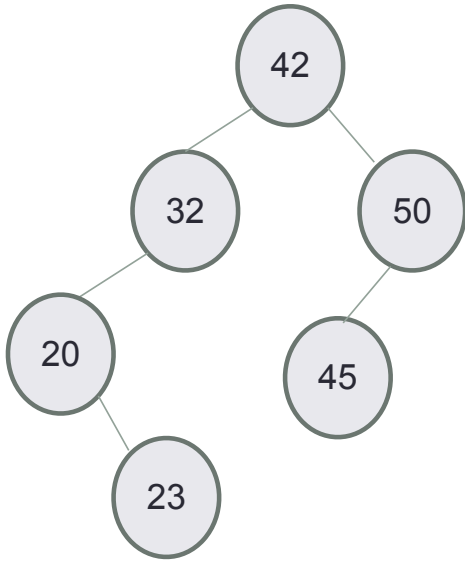
# Post-order traversal: use in recursive destructors!



Algorithm Postorder(tree)

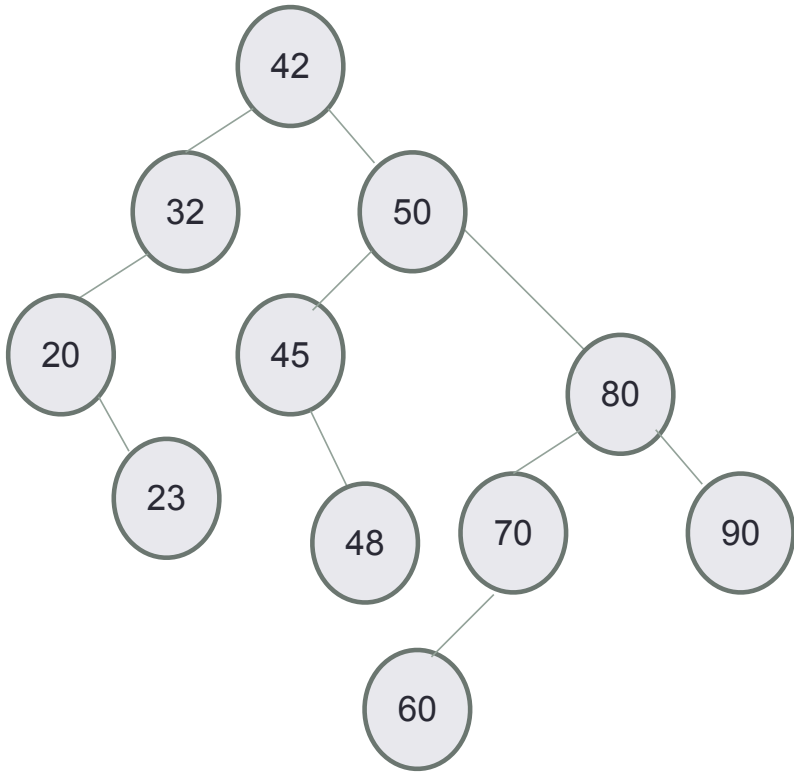
1. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Postorder(left-subtree)
2. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Postorder(right-subtree)
3. Visit the root.

# Predecessor: Next smallest element



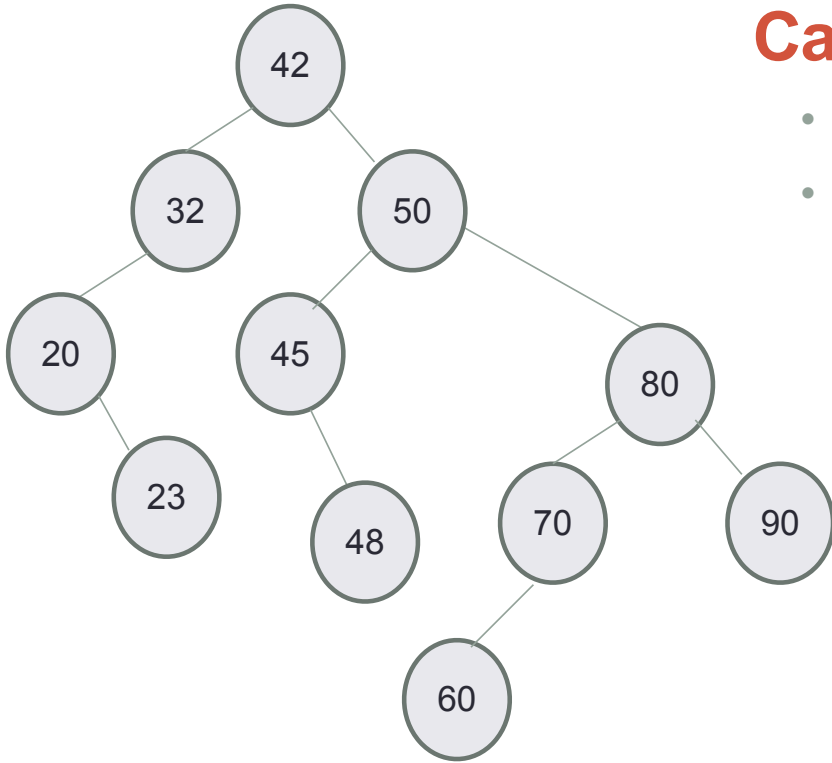
- What is the predecessor of 32?
- What is the predecessor of 45?

# Successor: Next largest element



- What is the successor of 45?
- What is the successor of 50?
- What is the successor of 60?

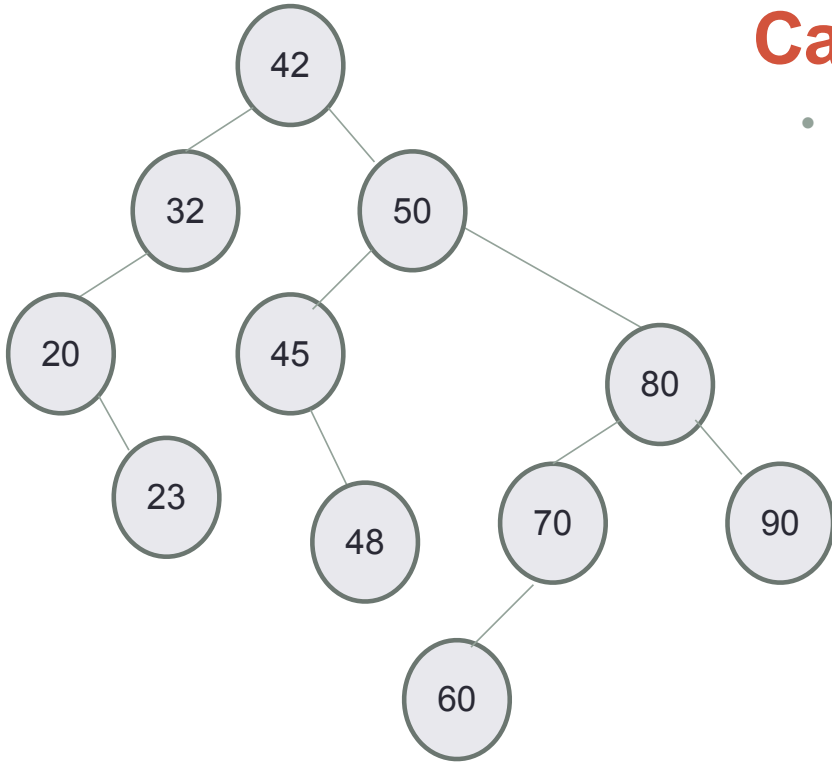
# Delete: Case 1



## Case 1: Node is a leaf node

- Set parent's (left/right) child pointer to null
- Delete the node

# Delete: Case 2

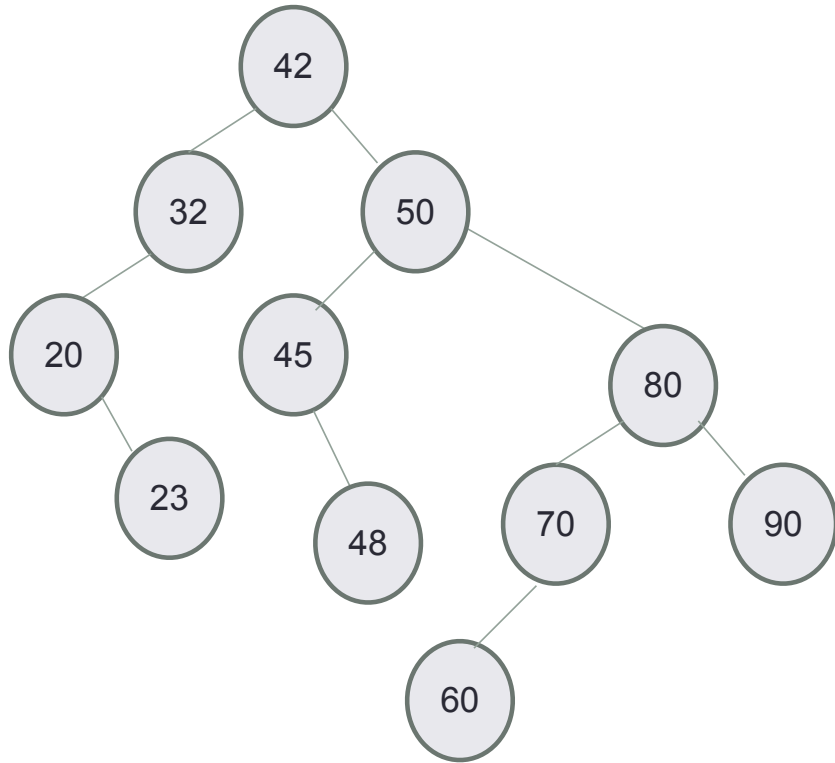


## Case 2 Node has only one child

- Replace the node by its only child



# Delete: Case 3



## Case 3 Node has two children

- Can we still replace the node by one of its children? Why or Why not?