



# RUNNING TIME ANALYSIS OF 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;
}
```

Big O → Was it weird??

$$f(n) = 10 N^2 \log N + 5N + 2000$$

no. of  
primitive  
operations  
(steps)

We said that Big-O of  $f(n)$  is an "upper bound" or how fast  $f(n)$  grows... but then to find the Big O we proceeded to drop lower order terms and constants... to get:

$$= O(N^2 \log N)$$

how is this an "upper bound" if we dropped the other two terms ( $5N + 2000$ ) and the constant coefficient 10

This is where you have to understand the rather nuanced definition of Big O. When we say  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  we mean  $f(n)$  is bounded by  $C \cdot g(n)$ , for  $n > k$  where  $C & k$  are some constants.

If  $f(n) = 10 N^2 \log N + 5N + 2000$

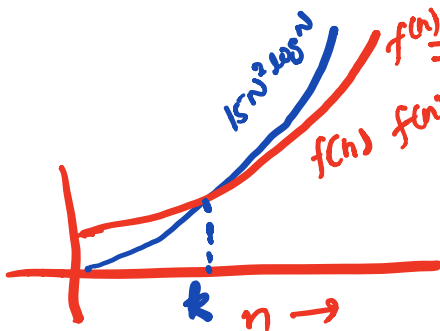
Can we show that  $f(n) < C \cdot N^2 \log N$  for some constant  $C$ ?

$$f(n) = 10 N^2 \log N + 5N + 2000$$

$$f(n) < 10 N^2 \log N + 5 N^2 \log N + 2000$$

$$f(n) < 15 N^2 \log N + 2000, \text{ for all } N$$

$$f(n) < 15 N^2 \log N, \text{ for large enough } N$$



So Big O says that  $f(n)$  grows no faster than a constant times  $g(n)$  for a large enough  $n$ !!

# How is PA02 going?

- A. Done!
- B. On track to finish
- C. On track to finish but my code is a mess
- D. Stuck and struggling
- E. Haven't started

# Midterm – Monday 2/25

- Cumulative but the focus will be on
  - BST
  - running time analysis
  - use of the C++ STL

# Review Big O

- What does  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  really mean?

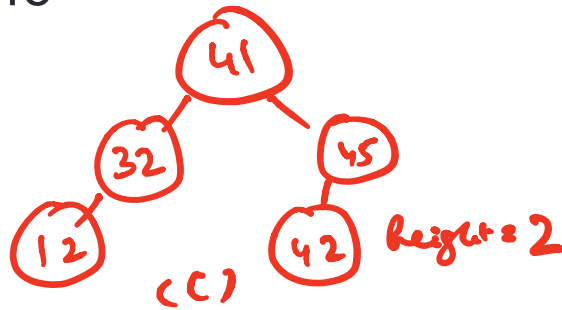
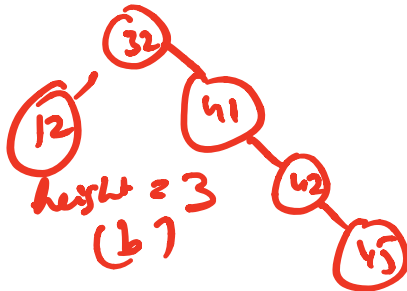
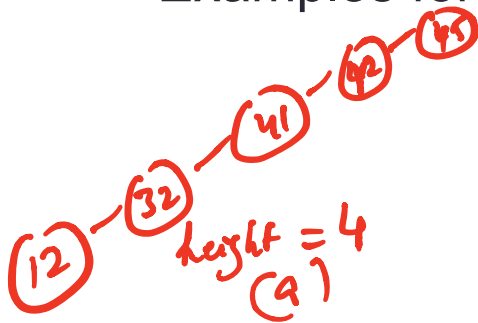
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$f(n) < c \cdot g(n)$  for a large enough  $n$

## Height of the tree

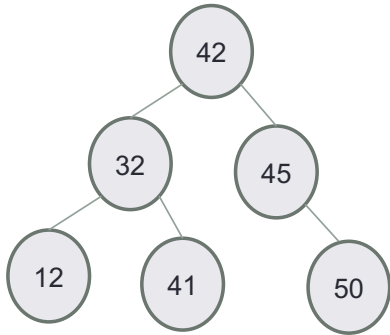


Many different BSTs are possible for the same set of keys  
 Examples for keys: 12, 32, 41, 42, 45



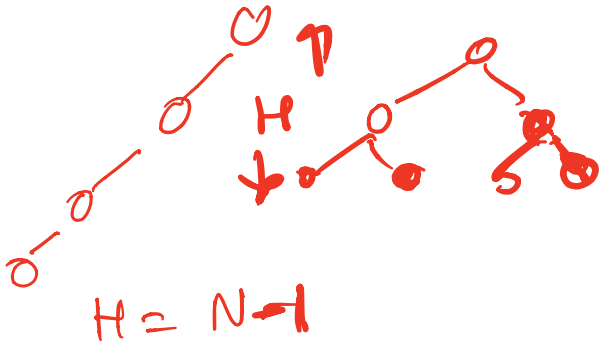
- Path – a sequence of nodes and edges connecting a node with a descendant.
- A path starts from a node and ends at another node or a leaf
- Height of node – The height of a node is the number of edges on the longest downward path between that node and a leaf.

# Worst case Big-O of search

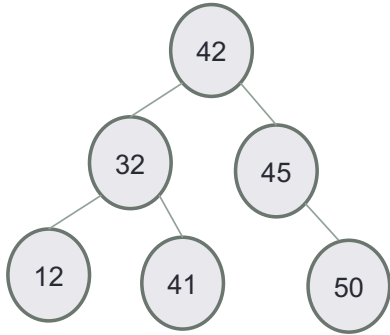


- Given a BST of height  $H$  and  $N$  nodes, what is the worst case complexity of searching for a key?

- A.  $O(1)$
- B.  $O(\log N)$
- C.  $O(H)$**
- D.  $O(\log H)$



# Worst case Big-O of insert



• Given a BST of height  $H$  and  $N$  nodes, what is the worst case complexity of inserting a key?

A.  $O(1)$

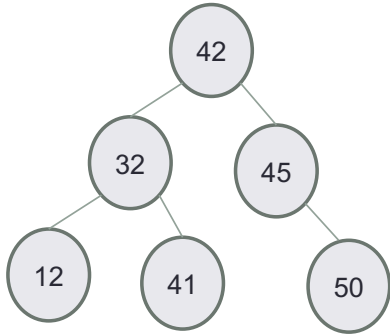
B.  $O(\log N)$

C.  $O(H)$

D.  $O(\log H)$



# Worst case Big-O of min/max



- Given a BST of height  $H$  and  $N$  nodes, what is the worst case complexity of finding the minimum or maximum key?

A.  $O(1)$

B.  $O(\log N)$

C.  $O(H)$

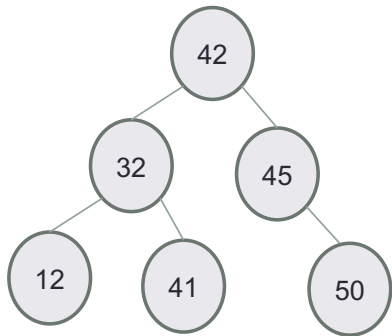
D.  $O(\log H)$

# Binary Search Trees

- WHAT are the operations supported?
- HOW do we implement them?
- WHAT are the (worst case) running times of each operation?

Visualize BST operations: <https://visualgo.net/bn/bst>

# Worst case Big-O of predecessor/successor



- Given a BST of height  $H$  and  $N$  nodes, what is the worst case complexity of finding the ~~minimum~~ or ~~maximum~~ key?

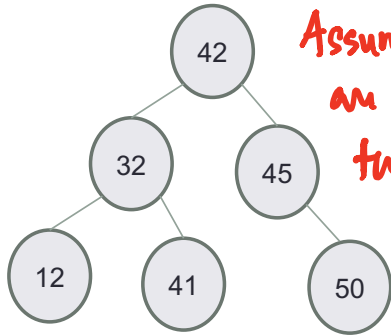
A.  $O(1)$  *pred or succ*

B.  $O(\log N)$

**C.  $O(H)$**

D.  $O(\log H)$

# Worst case Big-O of delete



Assume we are not including the cost to find the key:

- Given a BST of height  $H$  and  $N$  nodes, what is the worst case complexity of deleting the key (assume no duplicates)?

- A.  $O(1)$
- B.  $O(\log N)$
- C.  $O(H)$
- D.  $O(\log H)$

Case 1: deleting a leaf node  
 $O(1)$

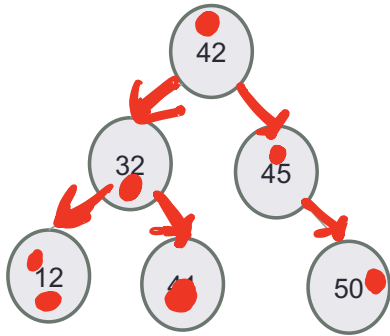
Case 2: one child  
 $O(1)$

Case 3: two children  
- Find succ/pred  $O(H)$   
- swap  $O(1)$   
- delete  $\rightarrow$  case 1 or case 2  $O(1)$

$\rightarrow$  This is the running time even if we include the cost to find the key

$\rightarrow O(H)$

# Big O of traversals



In Order:  $O(N)$

Pre Order:  $O(N)$

Post Order:  $O(N)$

```
Inorder ( n ) {  
  Inorder ( n->left )  
  cout << n->data;  
  Inorder ( n->right )  
}
```

In order is called on each node only once!  
 $N$  nodes  $\rightarrow$   $N$  calls

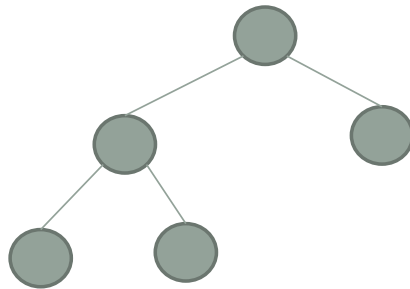
# Worst case analysis

Are binary search trees *really* faster than linked lists for finding elements?

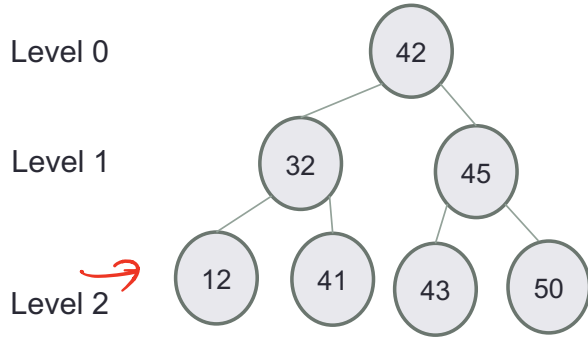
- A. Yes
- B. No

min -  $O(1)$   
 new  $O(1)$   
 insert  $O(1)$   
 del  
 prod  
 succ  
 printing  $O(n)$

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# Completely filled binary tree



Nodes at each level have exactly two children, except the nodes at the last level

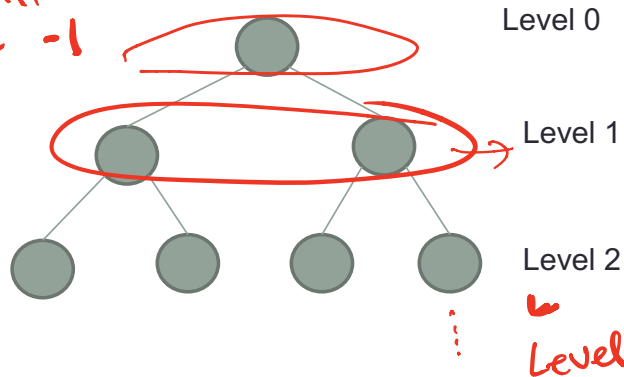
Relating H (height) and N (#nodes)

find is  $O(H)$ , we want to find a  $f(N) = H$

$$2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^H = 2^{H+1} - 1$$

$$2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^7 = 2^8 - 1$$

Sum the nodes at each level  
to relate H with N



How many nodes are on level L in a completely filled binary search tree?

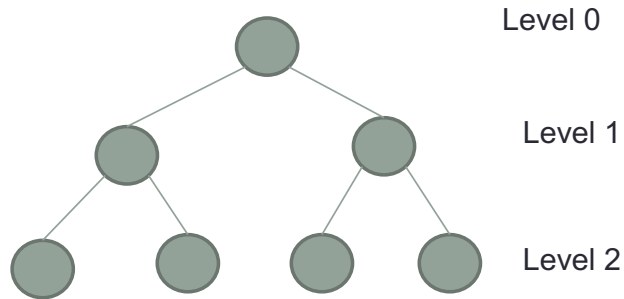
- A. 2
- B. L
- C.  $2^L$
- D.  $2^L$

$$N = 2^{H+1} - 1$$

$$H = \log_2(N+1) - 1$$



Relating H (height) and N (#nodes)  
find is  $O(H)$ , we want to find a  $f(N) = H$



Finally, what is the height (exactly) of the tree in terms of  $N$ ?

$$H = \log_2(N+1) - 1$$

# Balanced trees

- Balanced trees by definition have a height of  $O(\log N)$
- A completely filled tree is one example of a balanced tree
- Other Balanced BSTs include AVL trees, red black trees and so on
- Visualize operations on an AVL tree: <https://visualgo.net/bn/bst>

# Summary of operations

Balanced!  
Double  
unsorted

Operation	Sorted Array	Binary Search Tree	Linked List
Min	$O(1)$	$O(\log N)$	$O(N)$
Max	$O(1)$	//	//
Median	//	—	//
Successor	//	$O(\log N)$	//
Predecessor	//	//	//
Search	$O(\log N)$	//	//
Insert	$O(N)$	//	$O(1)$
Delete	$O(N)$	//	$O(1)$

(doesn't include  
time to find)

# CHANGING GEARS: C++STL

- The C++ Standard Template Library is a very handy set of three built-in components:
  - Containers: Data structures
  - Iterators: Standard way to search containers
  - Algorithms: These are what we ultimately use to solve problems

# C++ STL container classes

```
array
vector
forward_list
list
stack
queue
priority_queue
set
multiset (non unique keys)
deque
unordered_set
map
unordered_map
multimap
bitset
```