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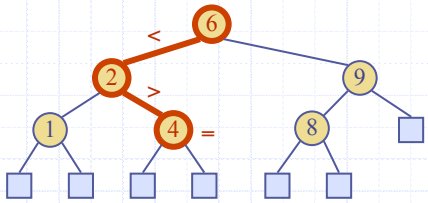
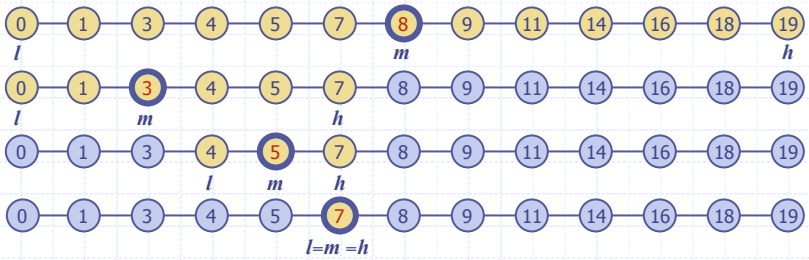


Ordered Maps

- Keys are assumed to come from a total order.
- Items are stored in order by their keys
- This allows us to support nearest neighbor queries:
  - Item with largest key less than or equal to k
  - Item with smallest key greater than or equal to k

Binary Search

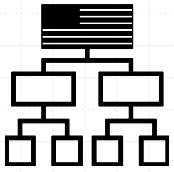
- Binary search can perform nearest neighbor queries on an ordered map that is implemented with an array, sorted by key
  - similar to the high-low children's game
  - at each step, the number of candidate items is halved
  - terminates after O(log n) steps
- Example: find(7)



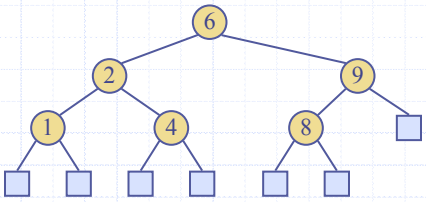
Search Tables

- A search table is an ordered map implemented by means of a sorted sequence
  - We store the items in an array-based sequence, sorted by key
  - We use an external comparator for the keys
- Performance:
  - Searches take $O(\log n)$ time, using binary search
  - Inserting a new item takes $O(n)$ time, since in the worst case we have to shift $n/2$ items to make room for the new item
  - Removing an item takes $O(n)$ time, since in the worst case we have to shift $n/2$ items to compact the items after the removal
- The lookup table is effective only for ordered maps of small size or for maps on which searches are the most common operations, while insertions and removals are rarely performed (e.g., credit card authorizations)

Binary Search Trees



- A binary search tree is a binary tree storing keys (or key-value entries) at its internal nodes and satisfying the following property:
  - Let u, v, and w be three nodes such that u is in the left subtree of v and w is in the right subtree of v. We have $key(u) \leq key(v) \leq key(w)$
- External nodes do not store items
- An inorder traversal of a binary search trees visits the keys in increasing order



Search

- To search for a key k, we trace a downward path starting at the root
- The next node visited depends on the comparison of k with the key of the current node
- If we reach a leaf, the key is not found
- Example: get(4):
  - Call TreeSearch(4,root)
- The algorithms for nearest neighbor queries are similar

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Algorithm TreeSearch(k, v)
  if T.isExternal (v)
    return v
  if k < key(v)
    return TreeSearch(k, left(v))
  else if k = key(v)
    return v
  else { k > key(v) }
    return TreeSearch(k, right(v))
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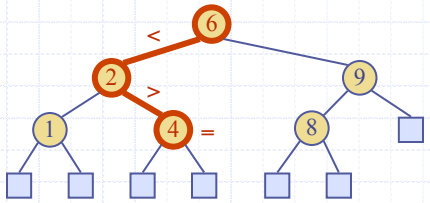
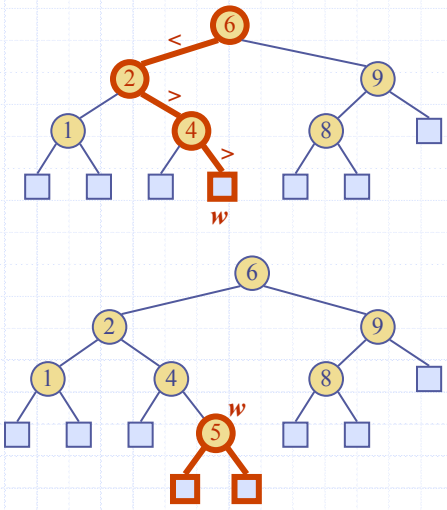


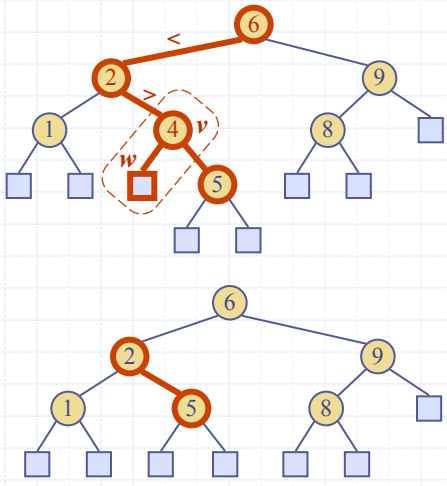
Insertion

- To perform operation put(k, o), we search for key k (using TreeSearch)
- Assume k is not already in the tree, and let w be the leaf reached by the search
- We insert k at node w and expand w into an internal node
- Example: insert 5



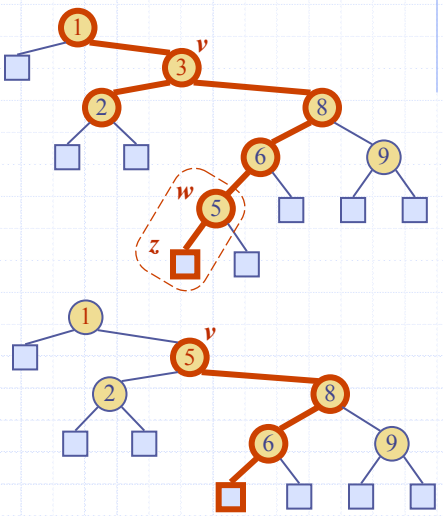
Deletion

- To perform operation remove(k), we search for key k
- Assume key k is in the tree, and let let v be the node storing k
- If node v has a leaf child w, we remove v and w from the tree with operation removeExternal(w), which removes w and its parent
- Example: remove 4



Deletion (cont.)

- We consider the case where the key k to be removed is stored at a node v whose children are both internal
  - we find the internal node w that follows v in an inorder traversal
  - we copy $key(w)$ into node v
  - we remove node w and its left child z (which must be a leaf) by means of operation removeExternal(z)
- Example: remove 3



Performance

- Consider an ordered map with n items implemented by means of a binary search tree of height h
  - the space used is $O(n)$
  - methods get, put and remove take $O(h)$ time
- The height h is $O(n)$ in the worst case and $O(\log n)$ in the best case