

CSCI 241

Lecture 9 Binary Search Trees

Announcements

- Performance bug alert: in `merge()`, don't make a copy of the whole array if you're only merging part of it!
- Quiz grades will be released via GradeScope
- How's A1 going?

Goals (Today and Wednesday):

- Know the definition and uses of a binary search tree.
- Be prepared to implement, and know the runtime of, the following BST operations:
 - searching
 - inserting
 - deleting
- Know what a balanced BST is and why we want it.

Tree Terminology: Lighting Round!

ABCD:

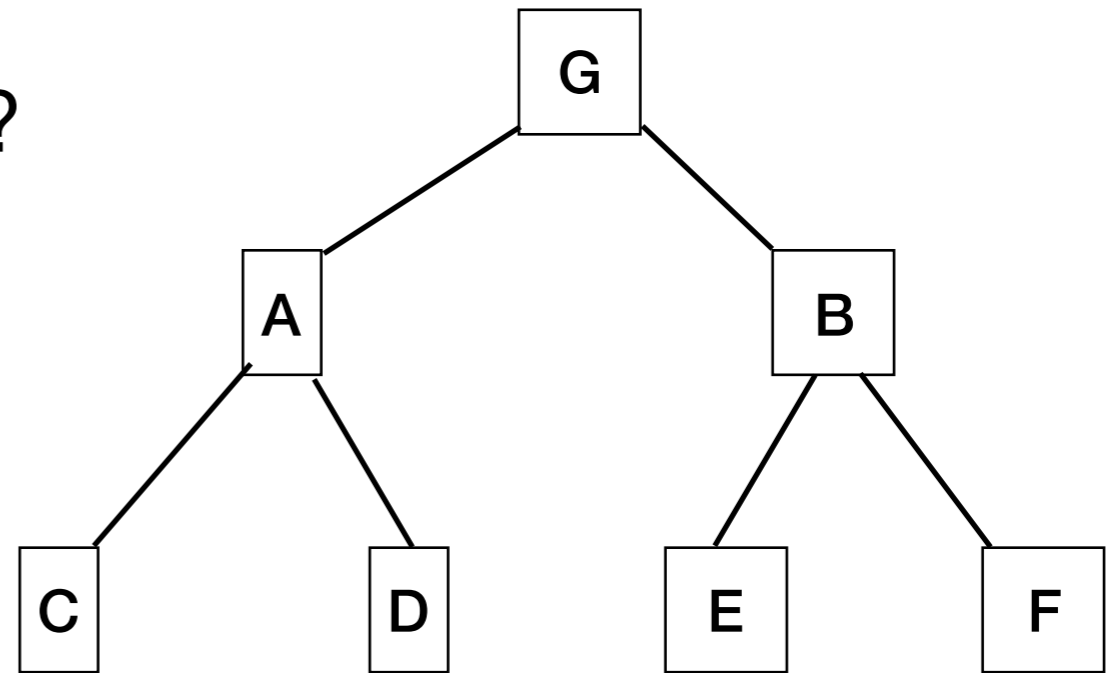
What's the root of G's right subtree?

What's an ancestor of F?

What's C's parent?

What's a node at depth 1?

What's a node at the root of a subtree of height 0?




Binary Tree

```
public class Tree {  
    int value;  
    Tree parent;  
    Tree left;  
    Tree right;  
}
```

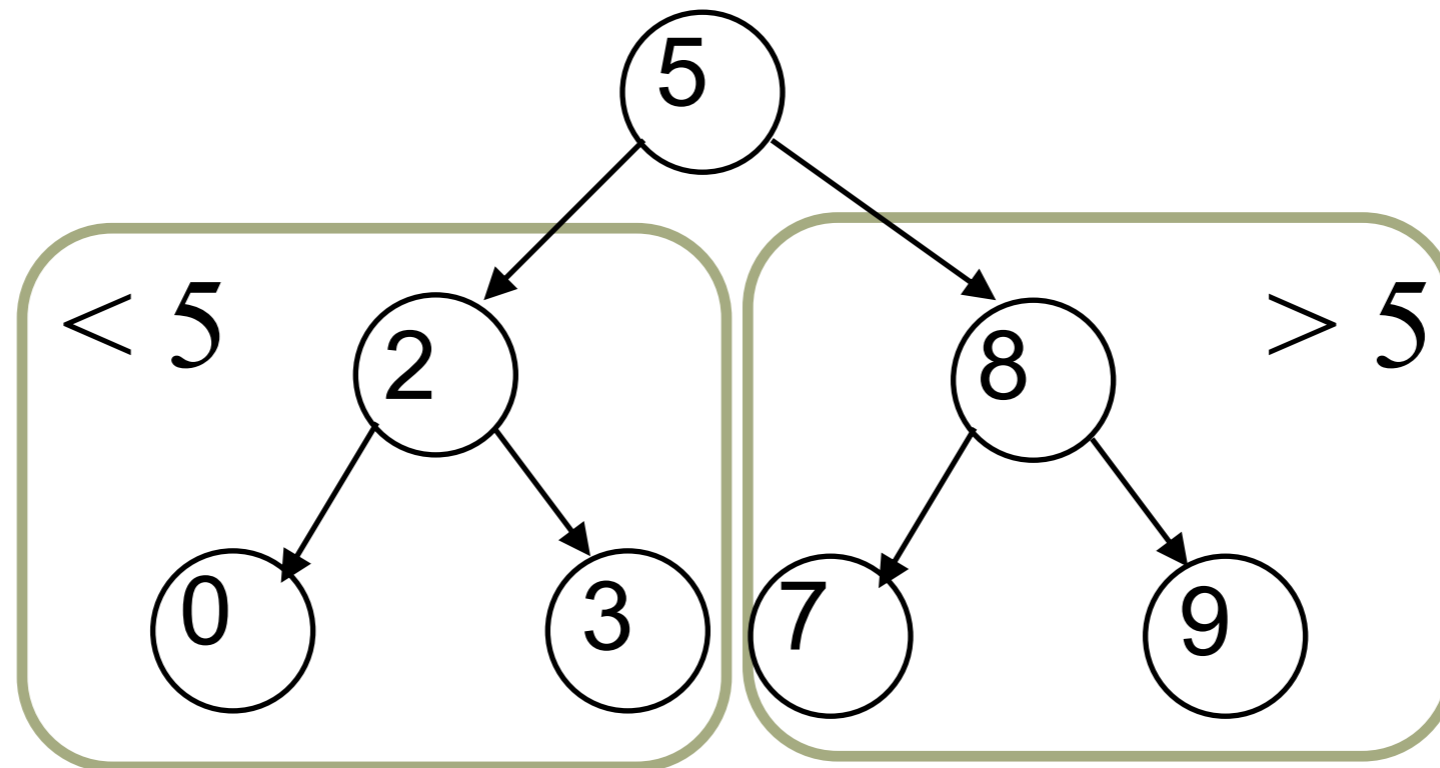
Binary Search Tree

```
/** BST: a binary tree, in which:  
 * -all values in left are < value  
 * -all values in right are > value  
 * -left and right are BSTs */  
public class BST {  
    int value;  
    BST parent;  
    BST left;  
    BST right;  
}
```

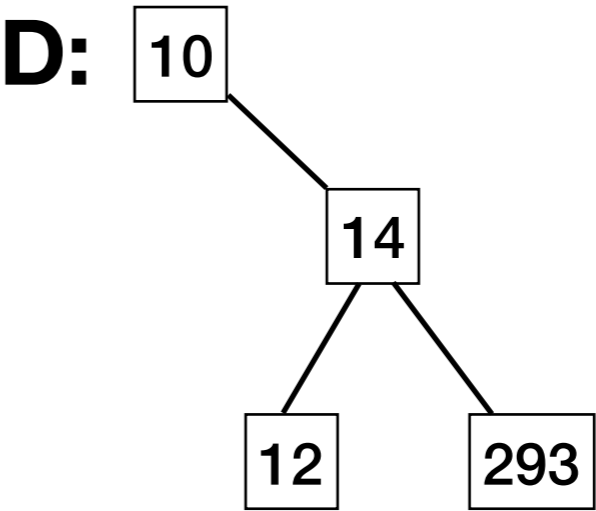
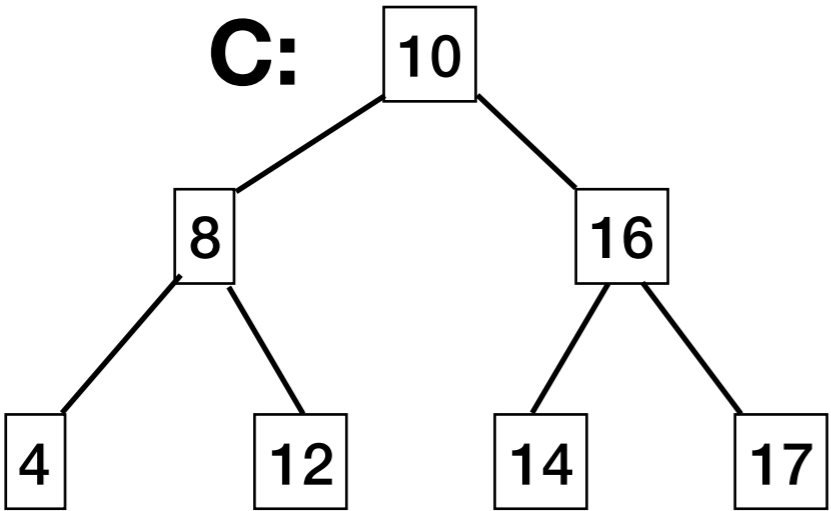
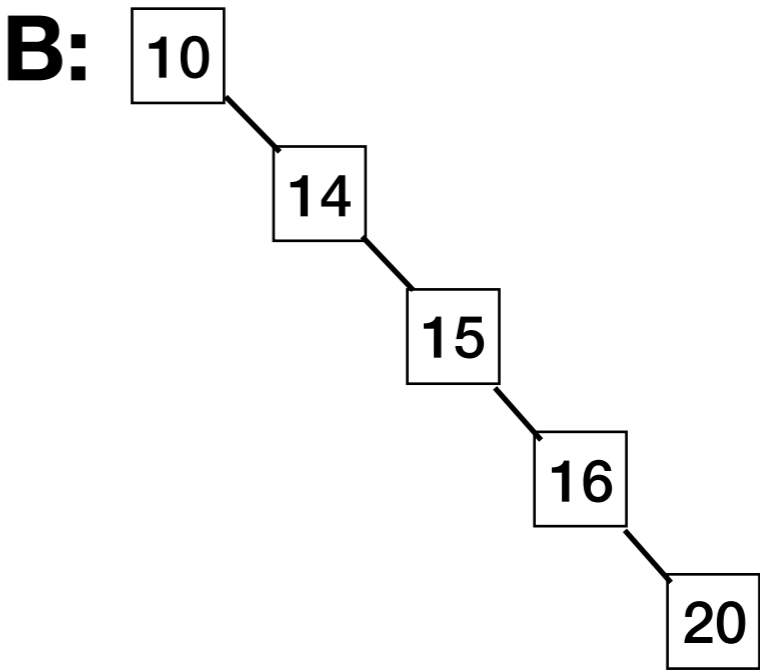
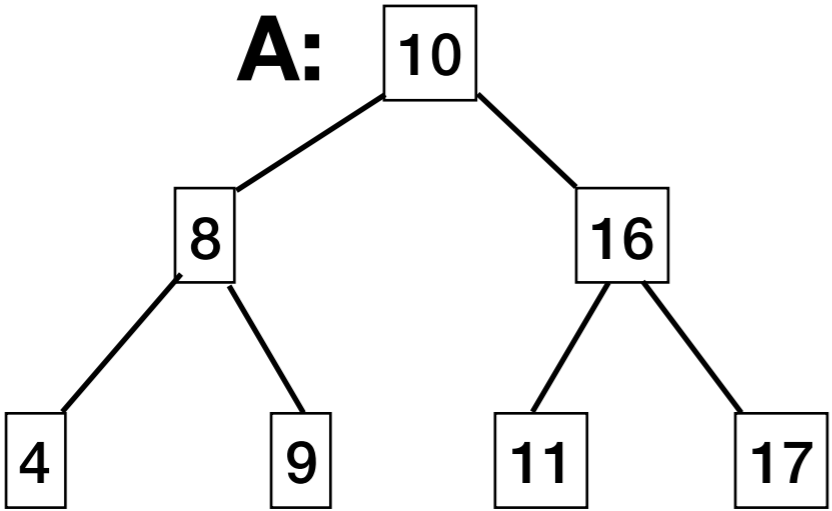


consequence: no duplicates!

Binary Search Tree



ABCD: Which of these is **not** a binary search tree?



Traversing a BST

pre-order traversal:

1. **Process root**
2. Process left subtree
3. Process right subtree

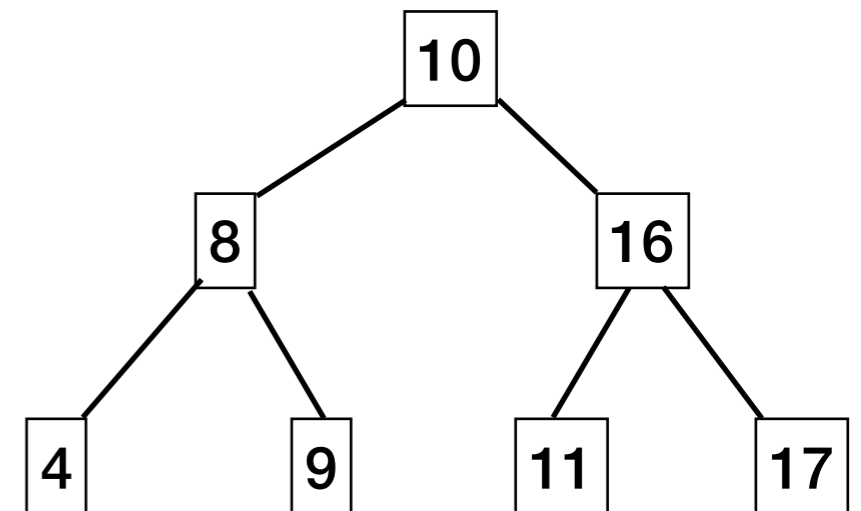
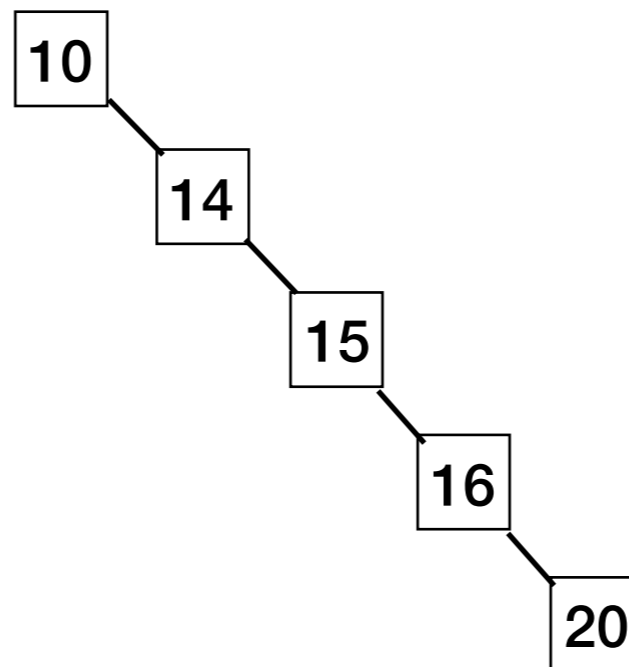
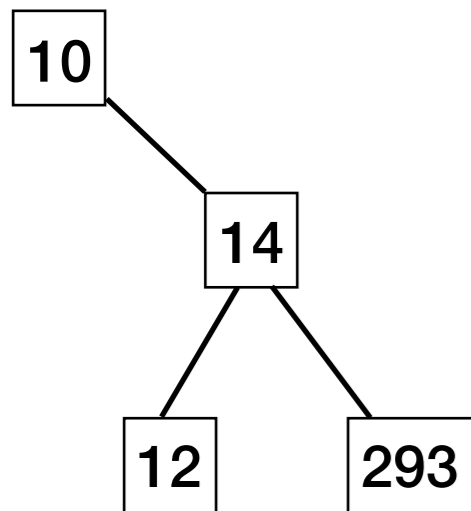
in-order traversal:

1. Process left subtree
2. **Process root**
3. Process right subtree

post-order traversal:

1. Process left subtree
2. Process right subtree
3. **Process root**

Write the values printed by an **in-order** traversal of each of the following BSTs:



Searching a Binary Tree

- A **binary tree** is
 - Empty, or
 - Three things:
 - value
 - a left **binary tree**
 - a right **binary tree**

(not BST!)

Find v in a binary tree:

```
boolean findVal(Tree t, int v):
```

(base case - not found!)

```
if t == null:
```

```
    return false
```

(base case - is this v ?)

```
if t.value == v: return true
```

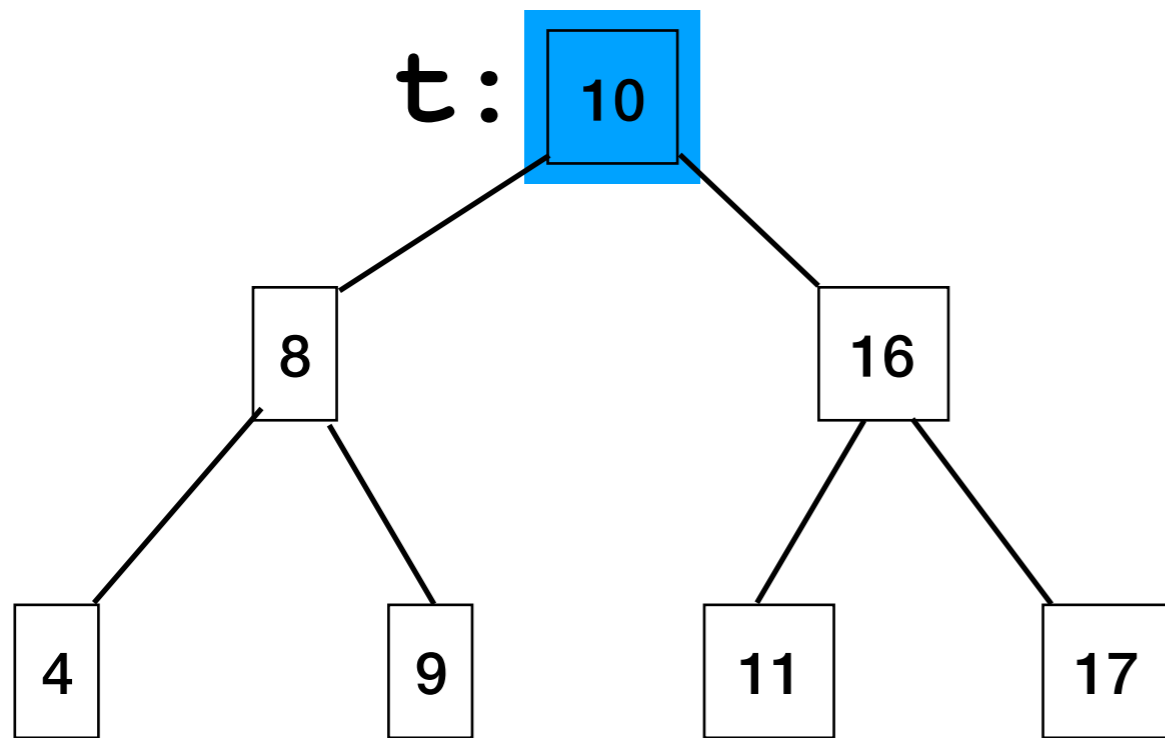
(recursive call - is v in left?)

```
return findVal(t.left)
```

```
    || findVal(t.right)
```

(recursive call - is v in right?)

Searching a BST

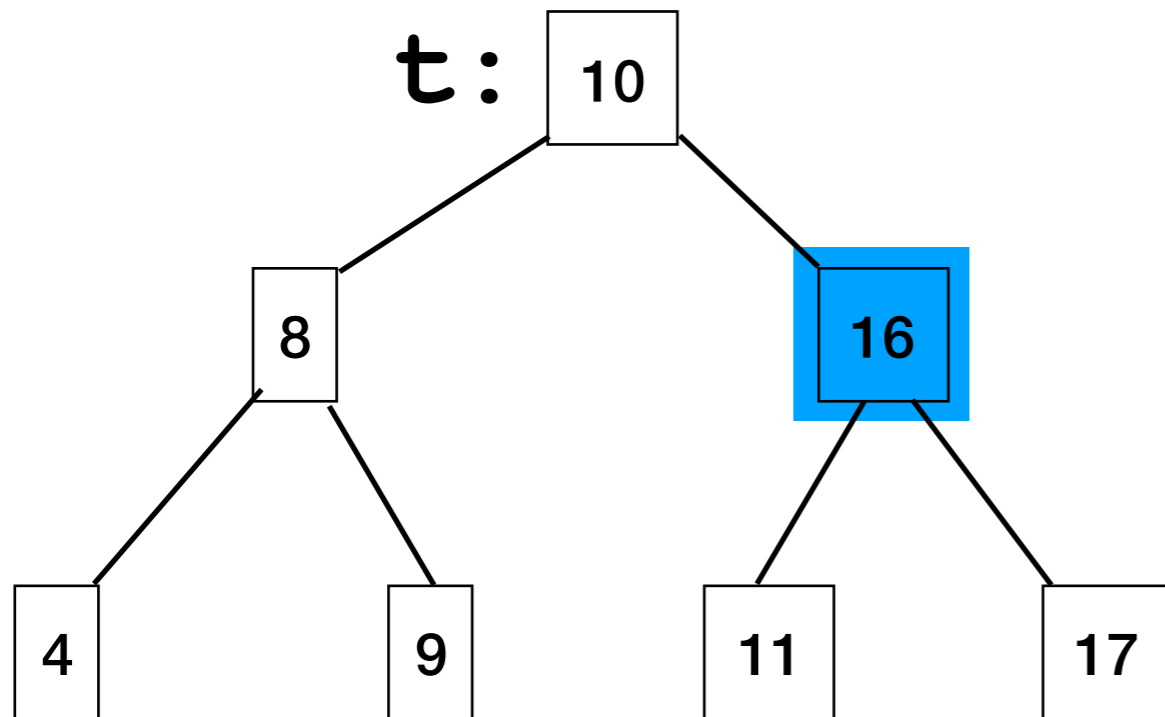


`search(t, 11)`

`11 > 10`

`search(right, 11)`

Searching a BST



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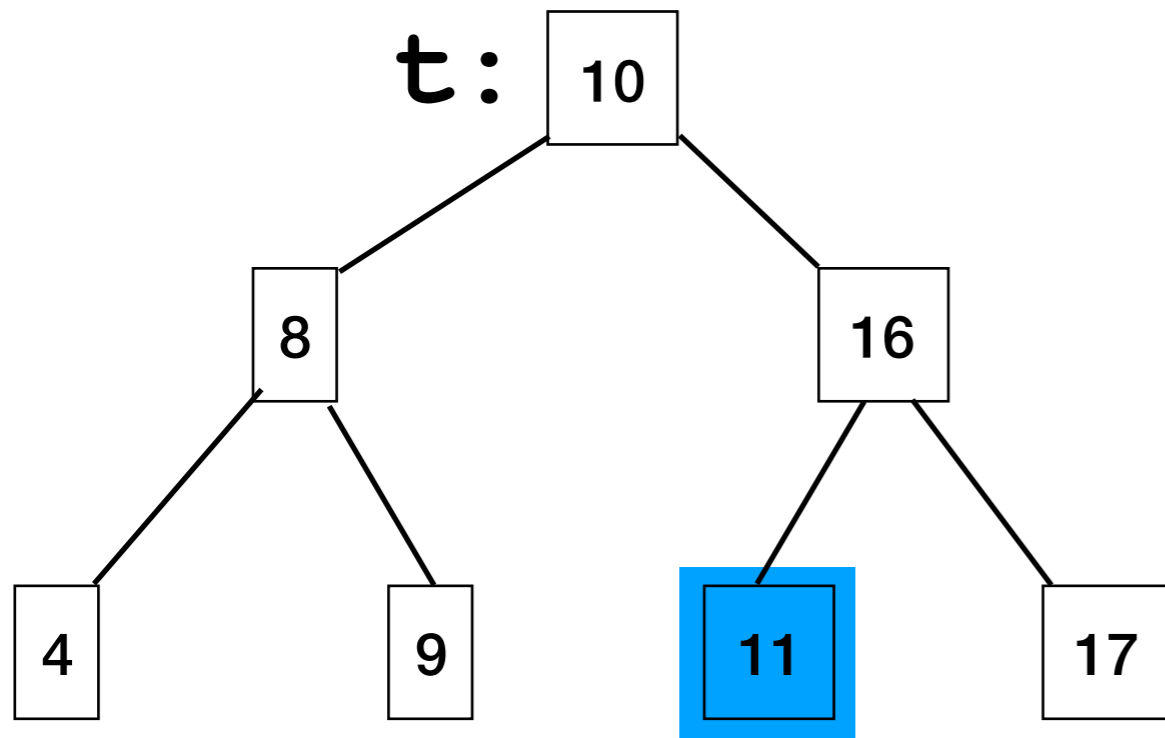
`11 > 10`

`search(right, 11)`

`11 < 16`

`search(left, 11)`

Searching a BST



```
search(t, 11)
```

```
11 > 10
```

```
search(right, 11)
```

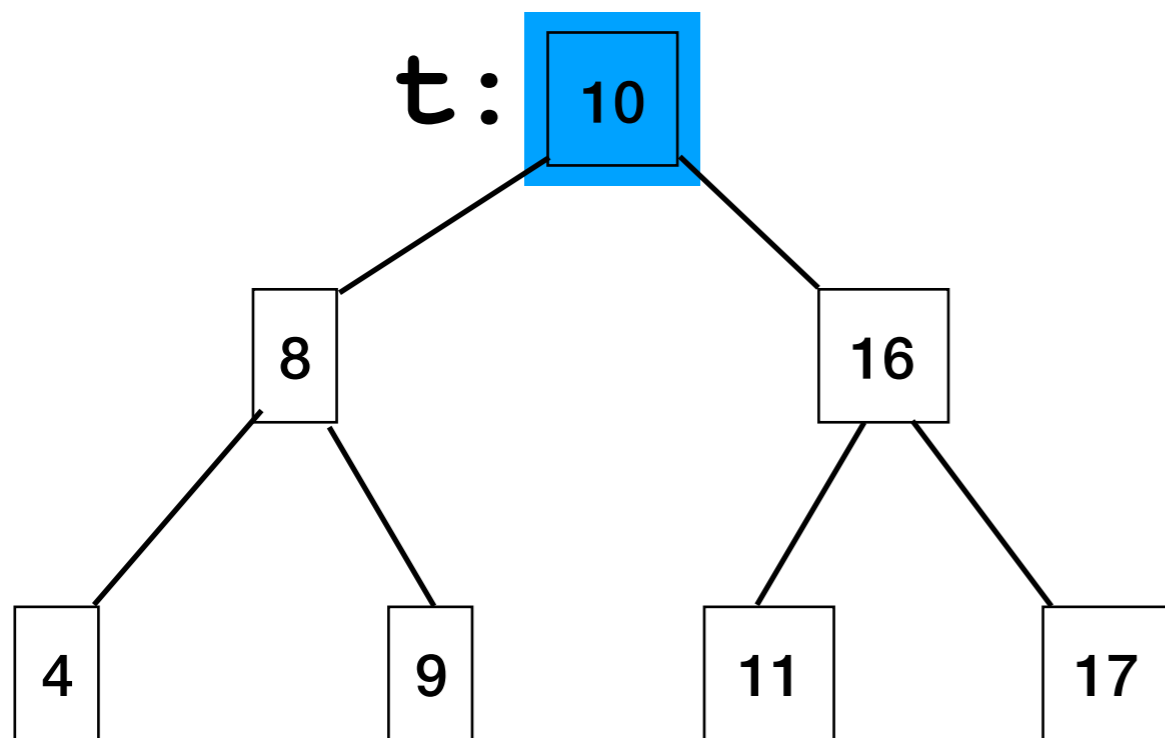
```
11 < 16
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```
search(left, 11)
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```
11 < 16
```

```
found it! return.
```

Searching a BST - the nonexistent case

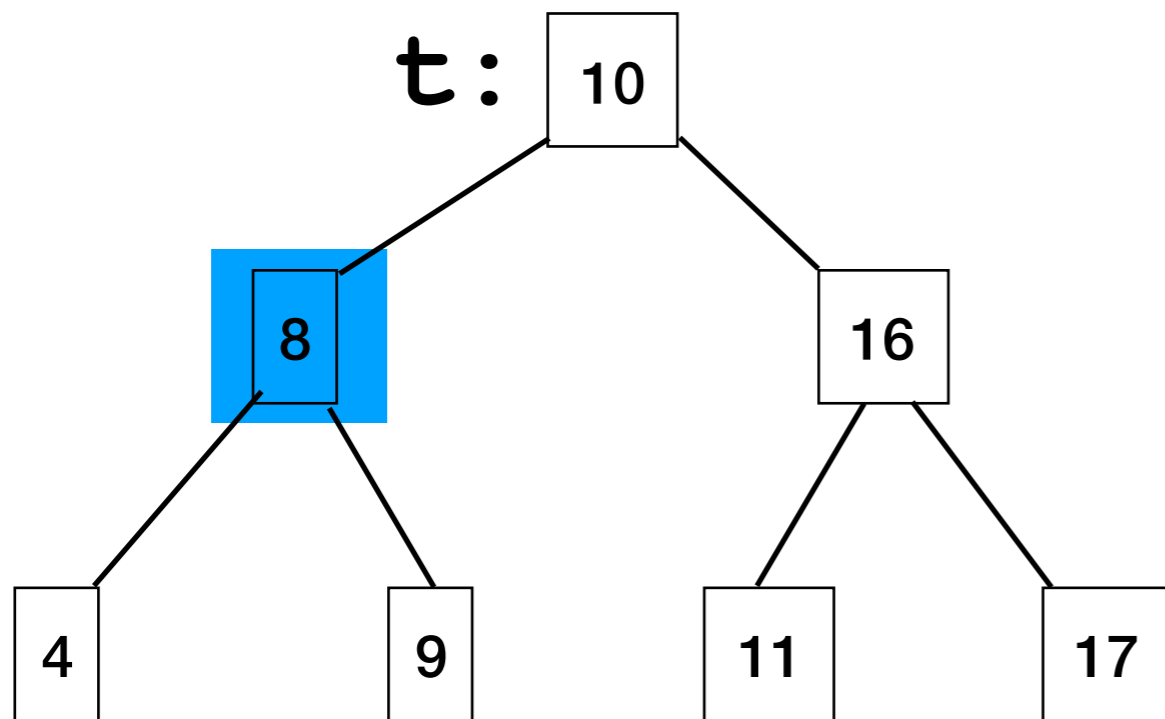


`search(t, 5)`

`5 < 10`

`search(left, 5)`

Searching a BST - the nonexistent case



`search(t, 5)`

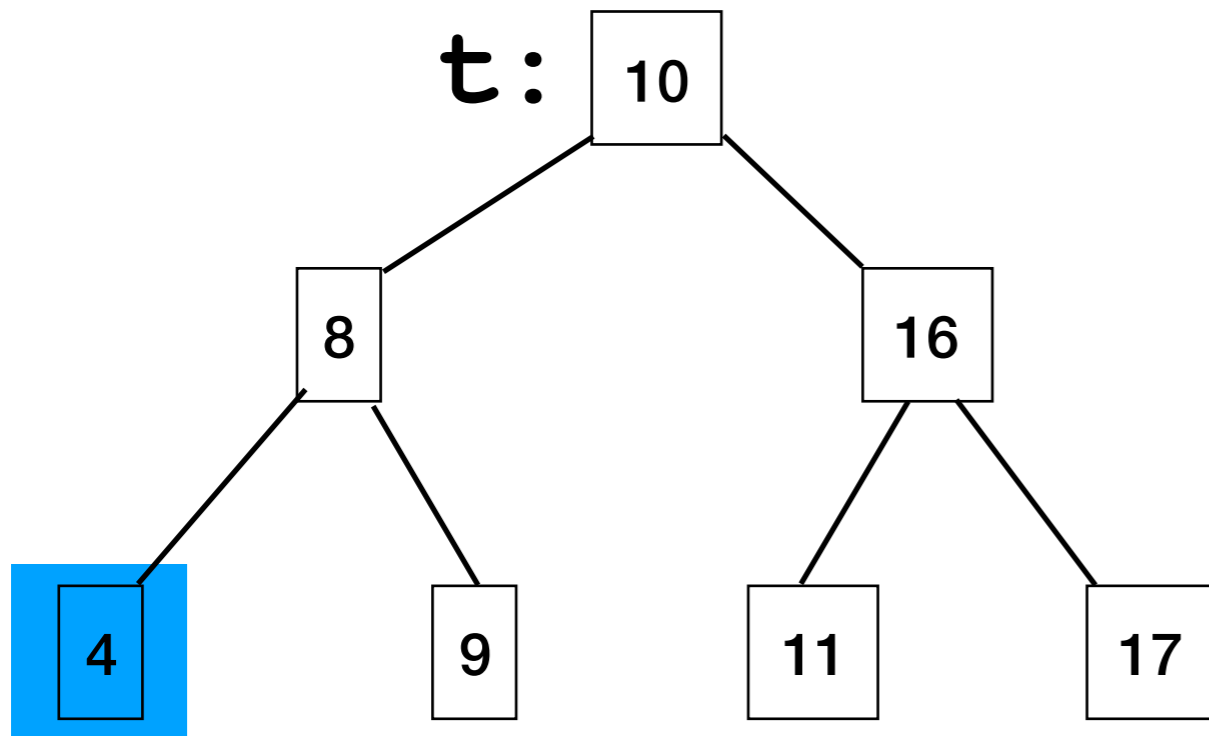
`5 < 10`

`search(left, 5)`

`5 < 8`

`search(left, 5)`

Searching a BST - the nonexistent case



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`5 < 8`

`search(left, 5)`

`5 > 4`

`search(right, 5)`

`null - not found!`

Searching: BT vs BST

Compare binary tree to binary search tree:

```
boolean searchBT(n, v):  
    if n==null, return false  
    if n.v == v, return true  
    return searchBST(n.left, v)  
        || searchBST(n.right, v)
```

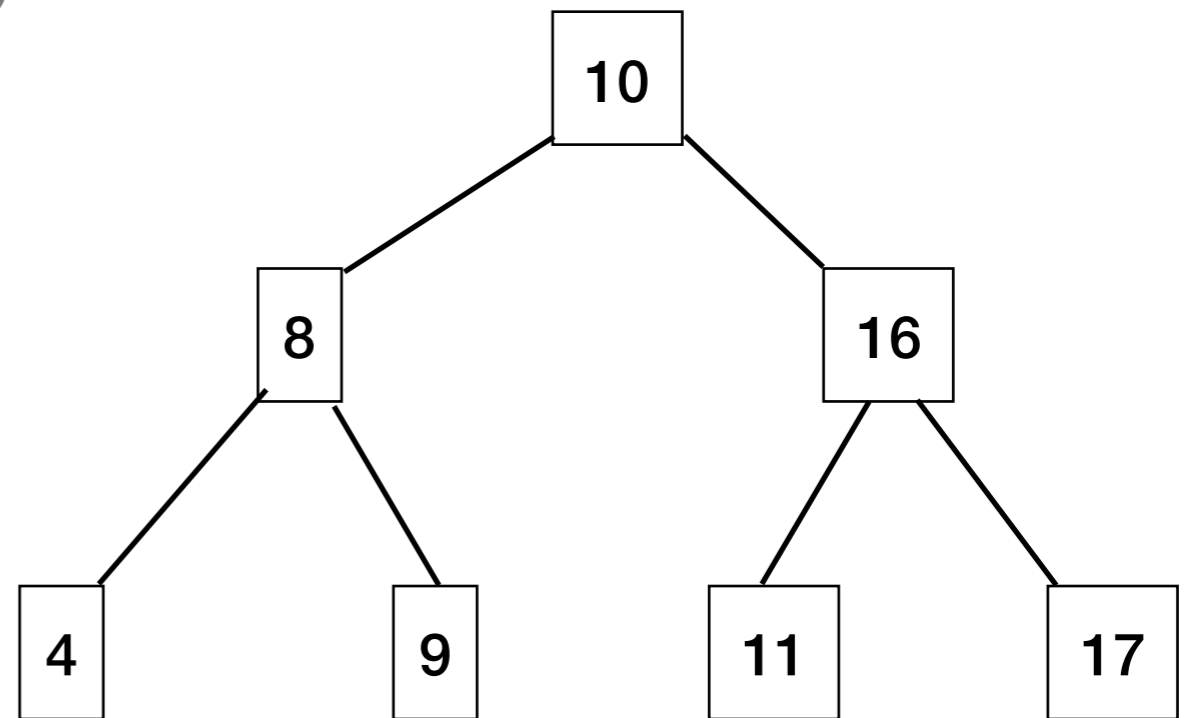
2 recursive calls

```
boolean searchBST(n, v):  
    if n==null, return false  
    if n.v == v, return true  
    if v < n.v  
        return searchBST(n.left, v)  
    else  
        return searchBST(n.right, v)
```

1 recursive call

Searching a BST: What's the runtime?

```
boolean search(BST t, int v):  
    if t == null:  
        return false  
    if t.value == v:  
        return true  
    if v < t.value:  
        return search(t.left)  
    else:  
        return search(t.right)
```



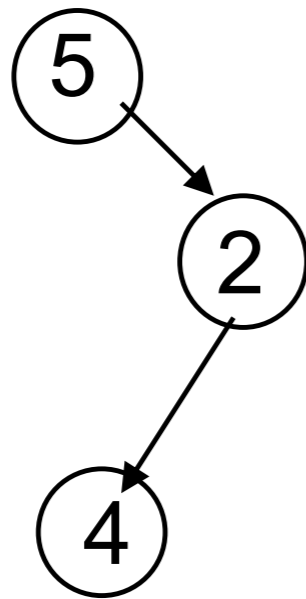
If h is the tree's **height**, search can visit at most $h+1$ nodes!

Runtime of search is $O(h)$.

That's great, but how does h relate to n , the number of nodes?

How many nodes does a tree with height h have?

Consider $h = 2$:

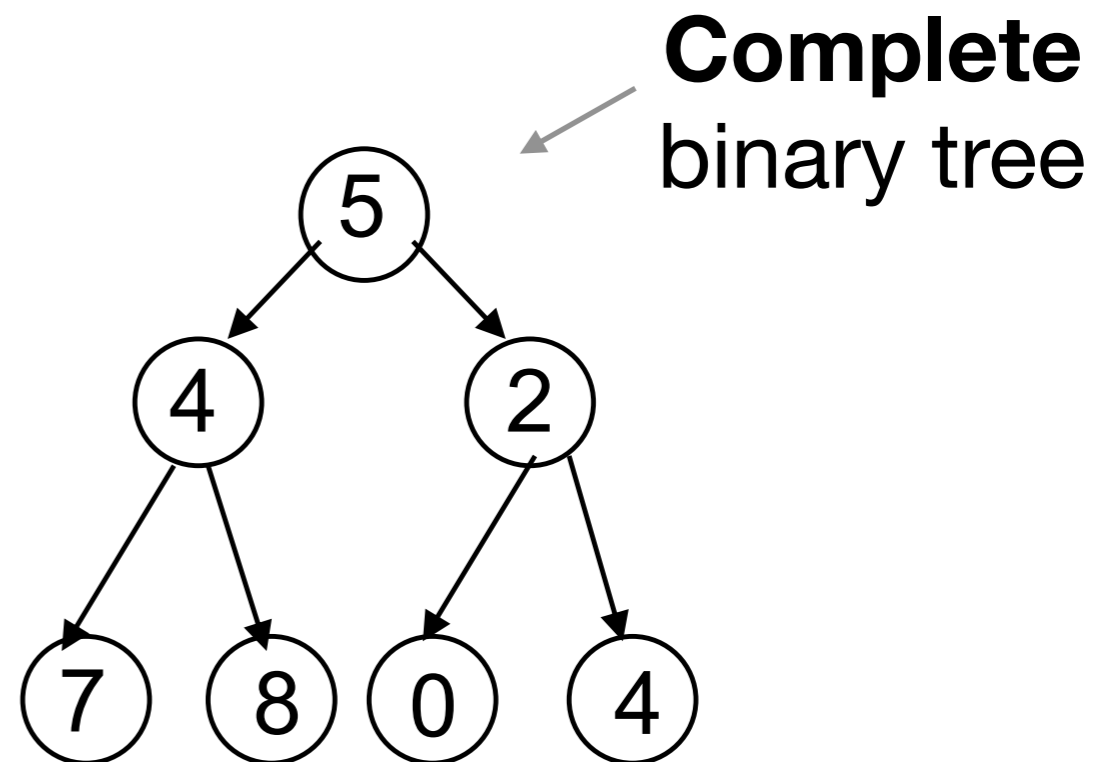


depth

0 -----

1 -----

2 -----



Fewest possible:

$$n = h + 1$$

n is $O(h)$

h is $O(n)$

Most possible:

At depth d : 2^d nodes possible.

$$\text{At all depths: } 2^0 + 2^1 + \dots + 2^h \\ = 2^{h+1} - 1$$

$$n = 2^{h+1} - 1$$

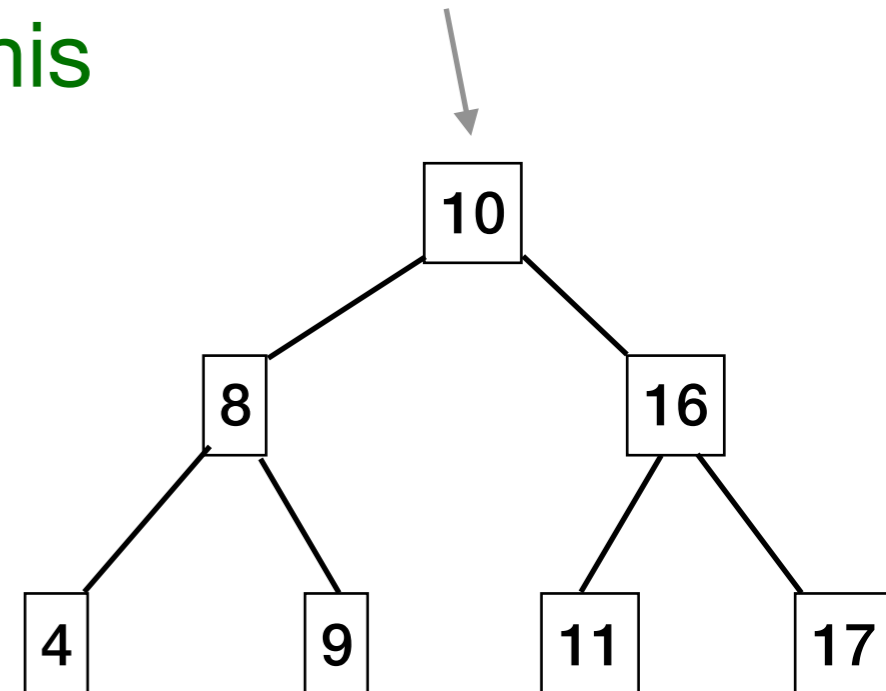
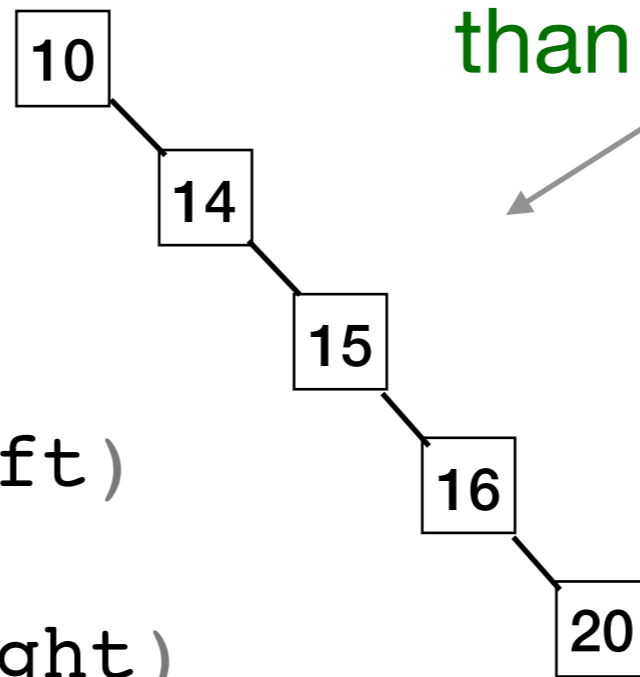
n is $O(2^h)$

h is $O(\log n)$

Searching a BST: What's the runtime?

```
boolean search(BST t, int v):  
    if t == null:  
        return false  
    if t.value == v:  
        return true  
    if t.value < v:  
        return search(t.left)  
    else:  
        return search(t.right)
```

We want our trees to look more like this than this

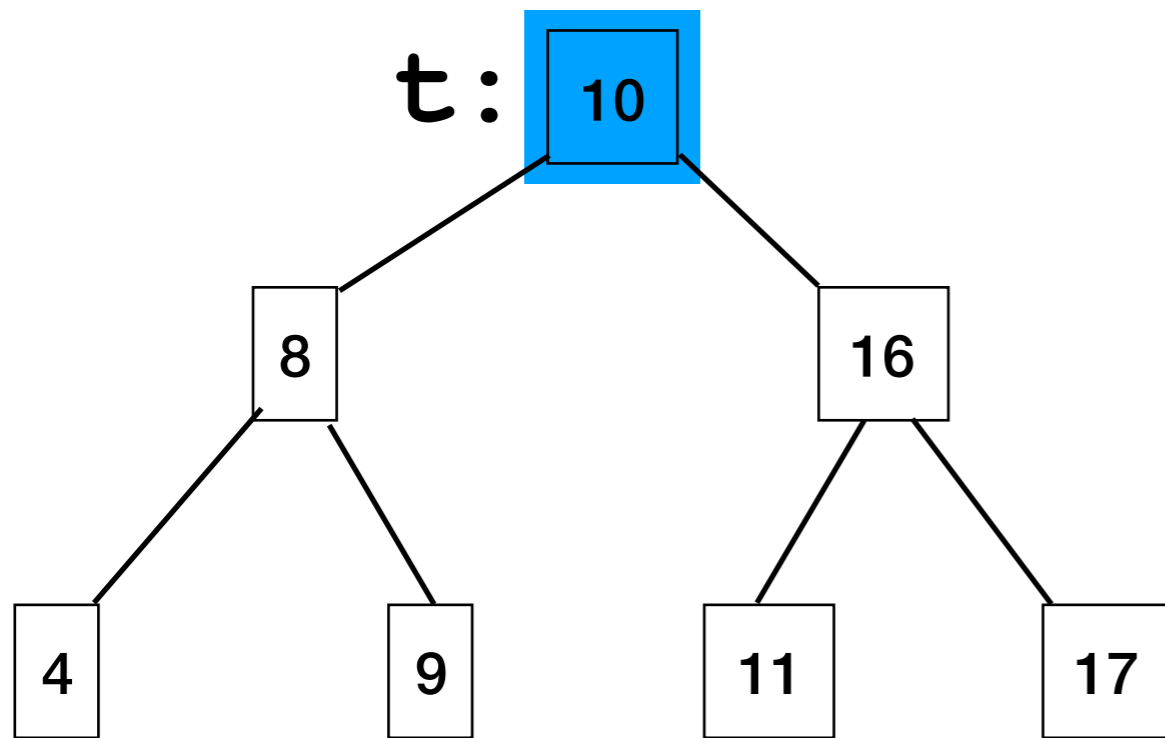


Runtime of search is $O(h)$. Worst: $O(n)$

Best: $O(\log n)$

Inserting into a BST

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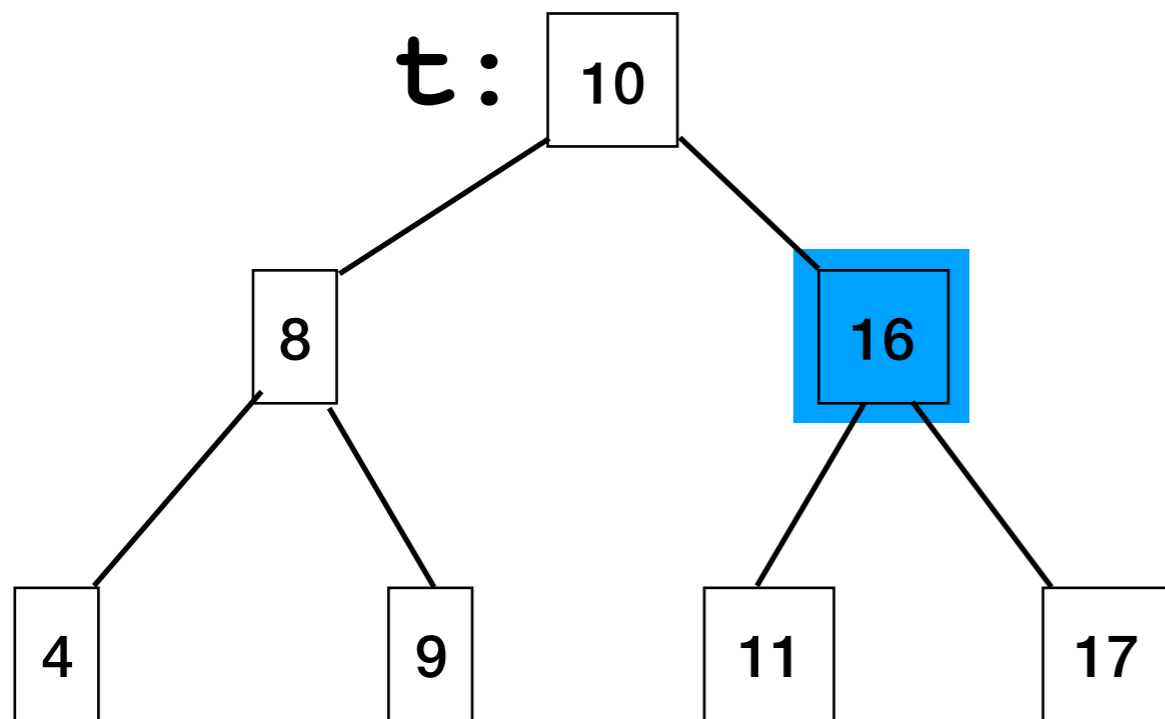


```
insert(t, 11)
```

```
11 > 10
```

```
insert(right, 11)
```

Inserting into a BST



`insert(t, 11)`

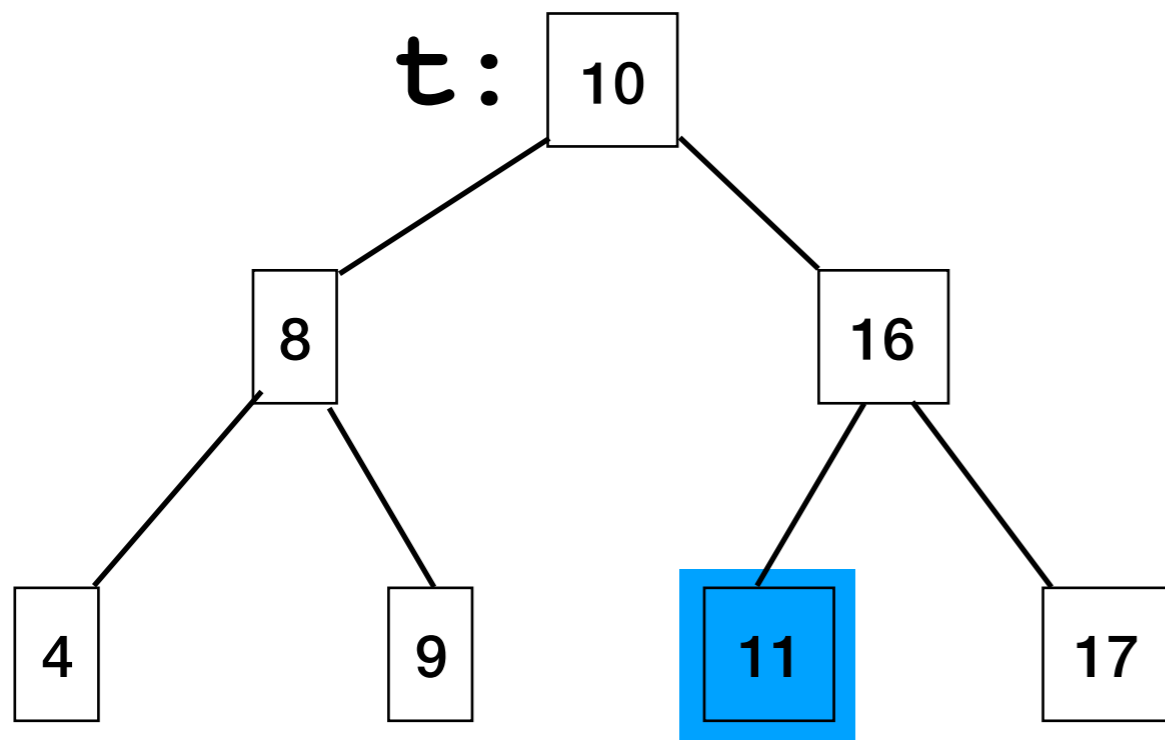
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Inserting into a BST



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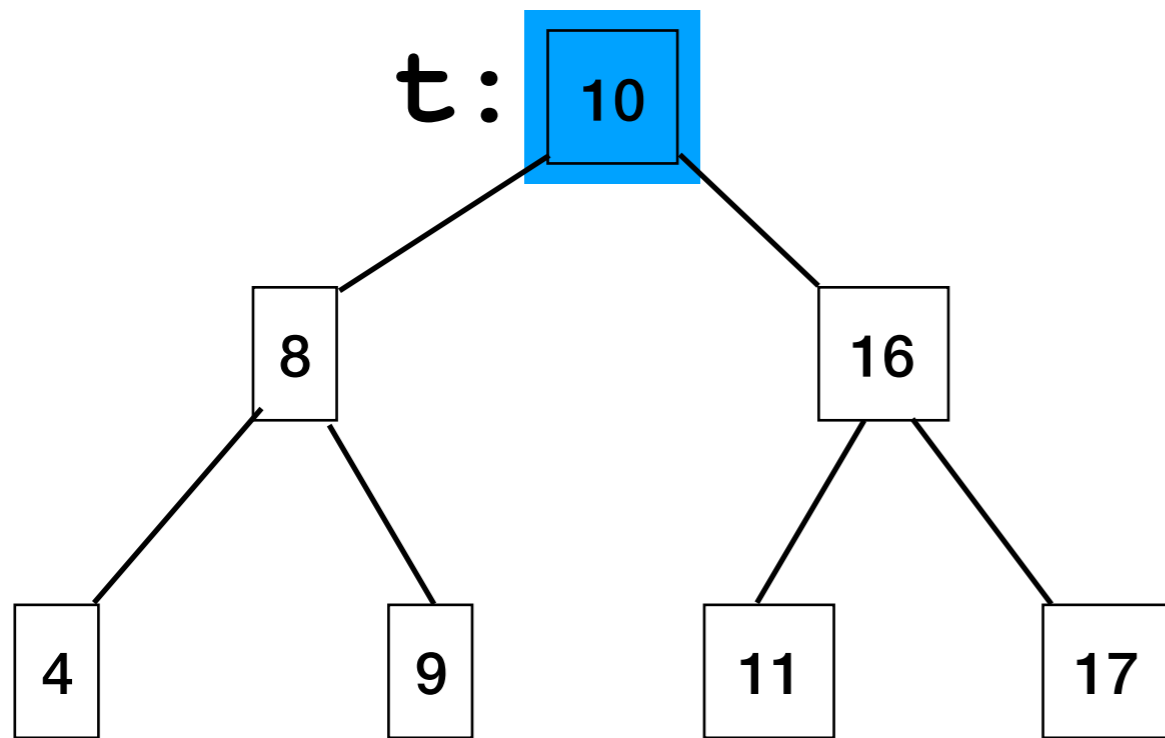
```
11 < 16
```

```
insert(left, 11)
```

```
11 < 16
```

```
found it! no duplicates,  
allowed; nothing to do.  
return.
```


Inserting into a BST - the nonexistent case

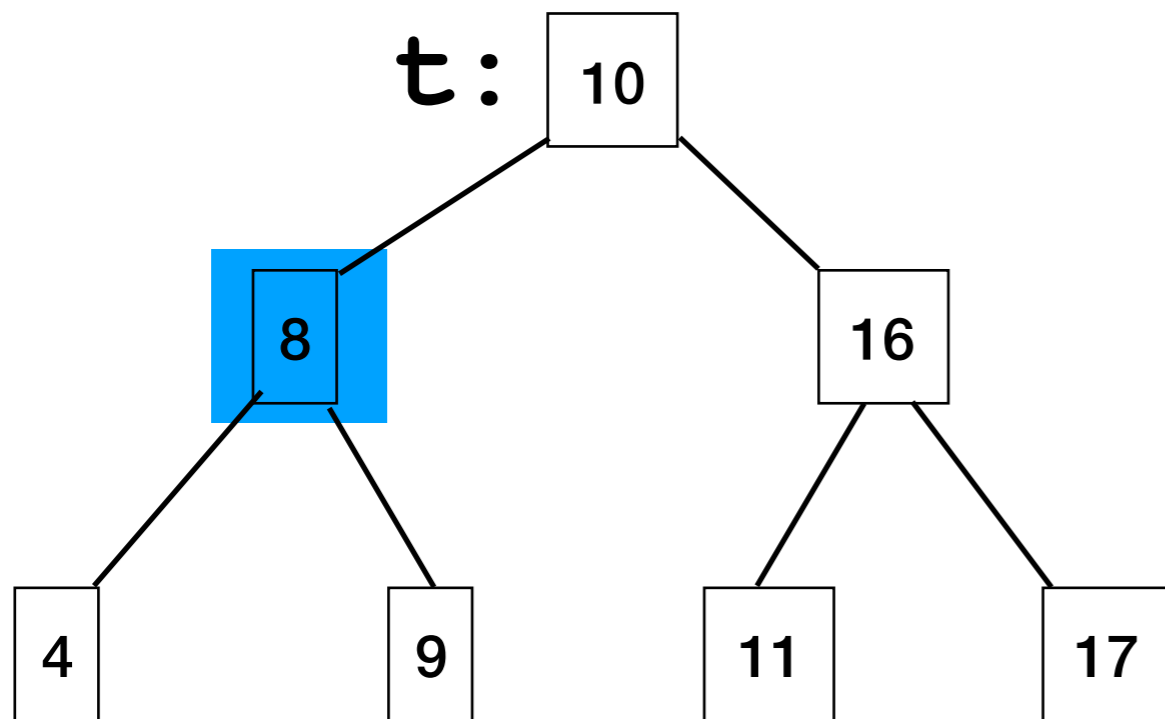


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Inserting into a BST - the nonexistent case



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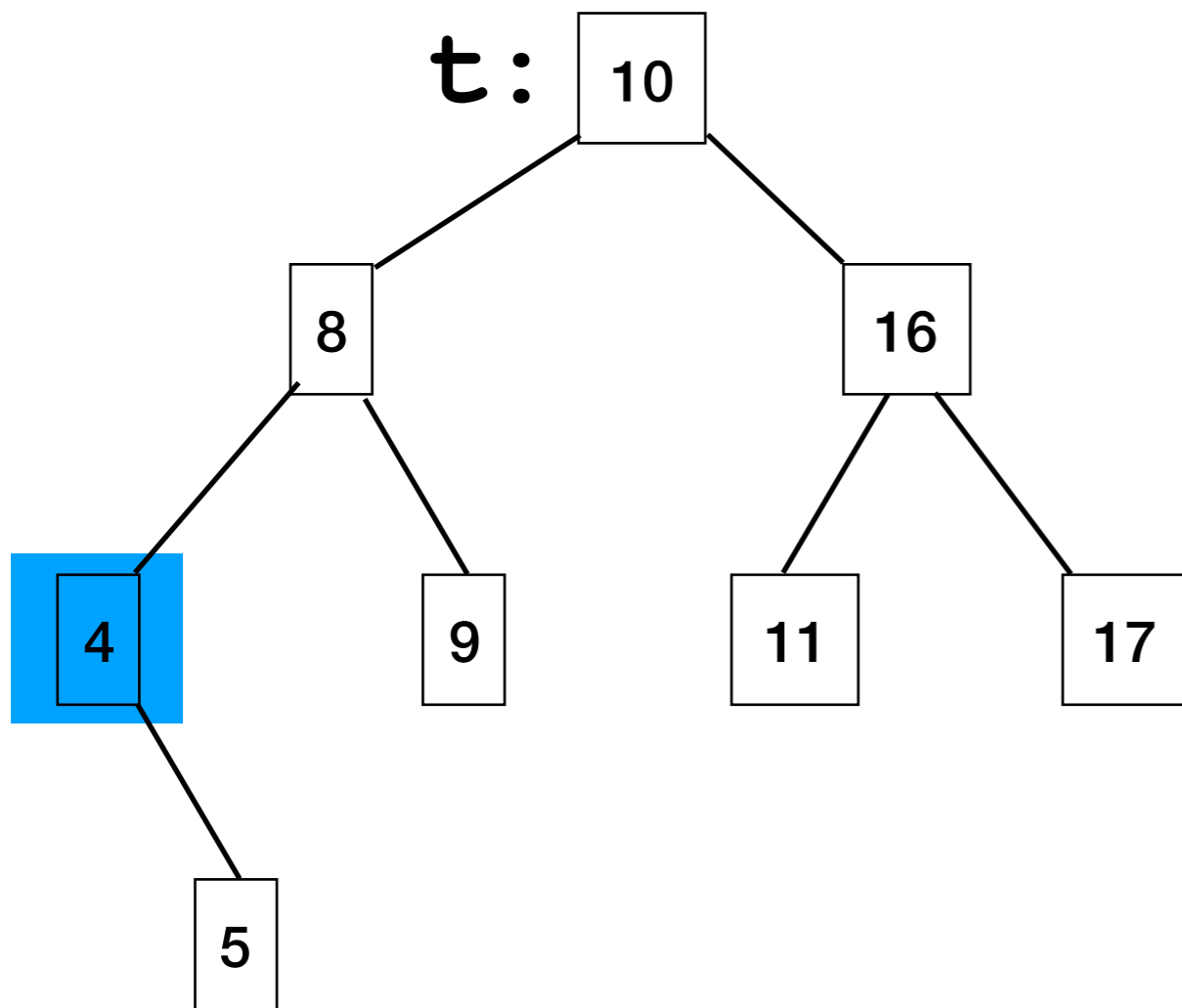
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insert(left, 5)
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5 < 8
```

```
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Inserting into a BST - the nonexistent case



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insert(left, 5)
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5 > 4
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insert(right, 5)
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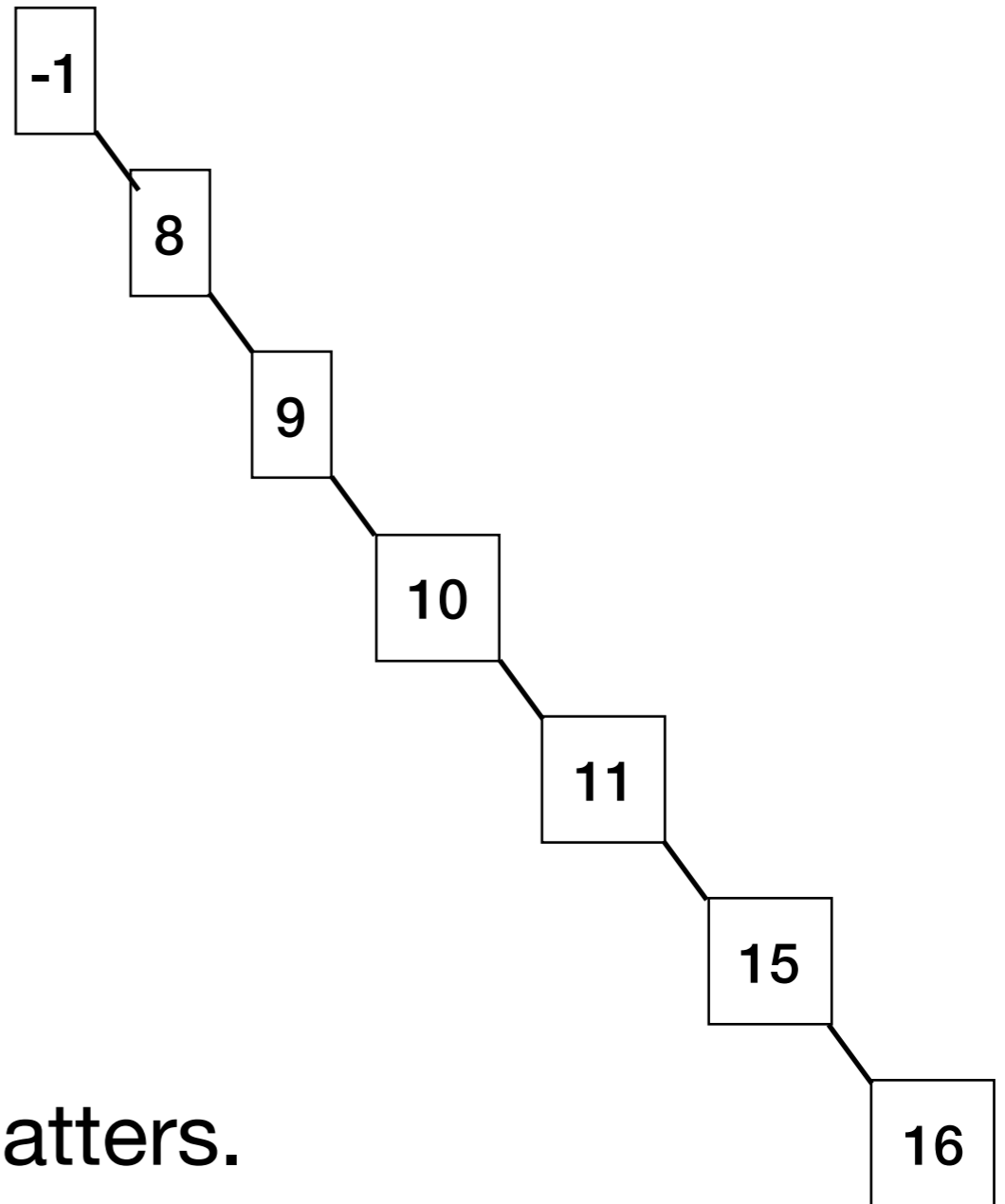
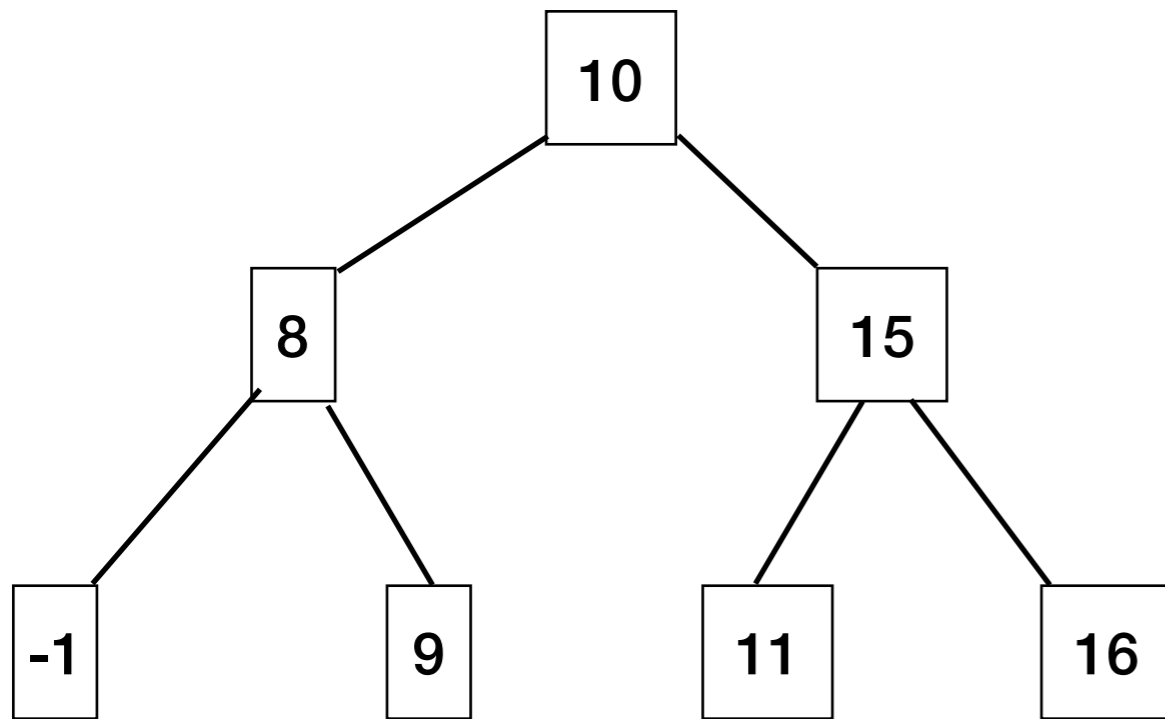
```
null - not found. insert  
it here!
```

Let's Build Some Trees

```
t = new BST();  
t.insert(10)  
t.insert(15)  
t.insert(16)  
t.insert(8)  
t.insert(16)  
t.insert(9)  
t.insert(11)  
t.insert(-1)
```

```
t = new BST();  
t.insert(-1)  
t.insert(8)  
t.insert(9)  
t.insert(11)  
t.insert(10)  
t.insert(15)  
t.insert(16)  
t.insert(16)
```

Let's Build Some Trees



Insertion order matters.
We can't always control it.

Deleting a node from a BST

Three possible cases:

1. n has no children (is a leaf)
2. n has one child
3. n has two children

