

CSCI 241

Lecture 9
Binary Search Trees

Announcements

- A1 is in!
- Reminder again: if you submit late, you need to email me after you submit so I can pull your latest changes from Github.
- Aiming for Friday A2 release

Goals

- 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

Tree Terminology

M is the **root** of this tree

G is the **root** of the **left subtree** of M

B, H, J, N, S are **leaves** (*have no children*)

N is the **left child** of P

S is the **right child** of P

P is the **parent** of N

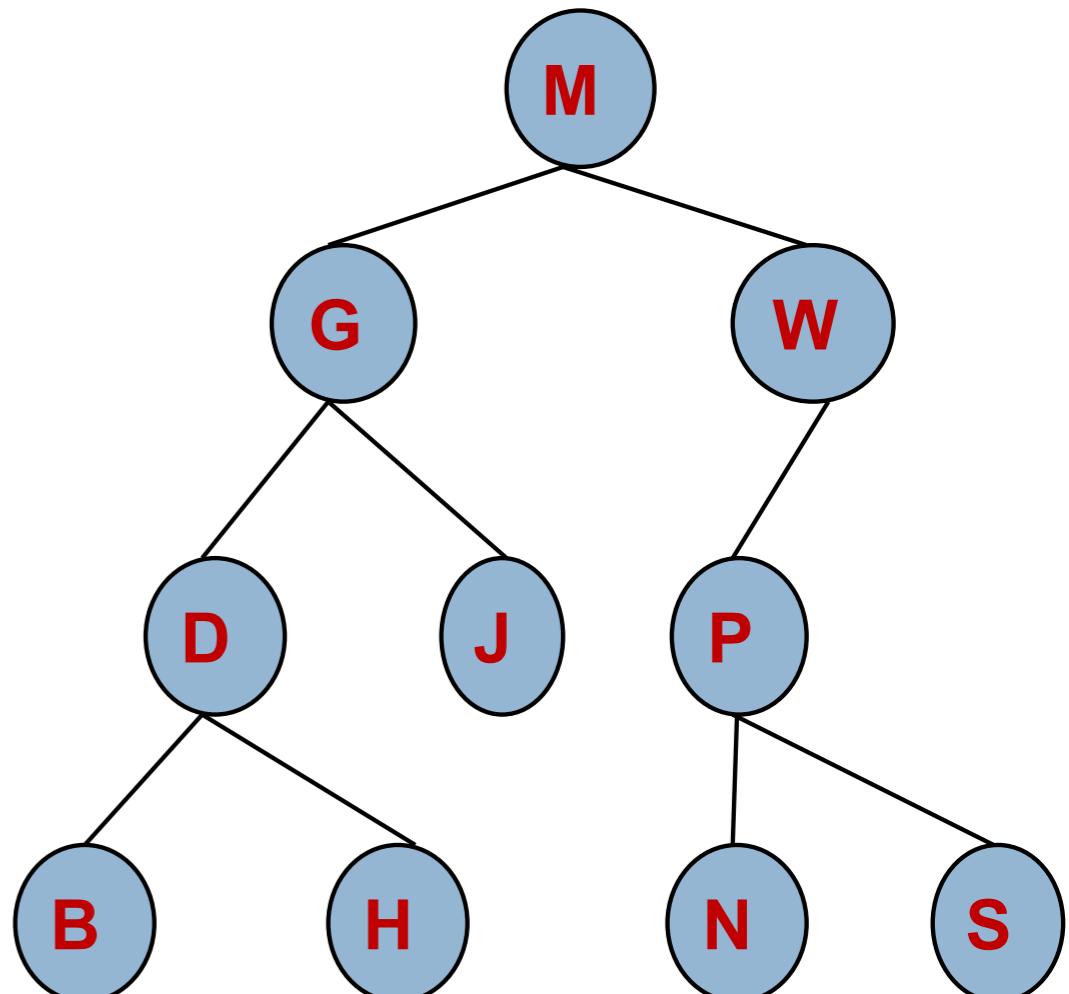
M and G are **ancestors** of D

P, N, S are **descendants** of W

J is at **depth** 2 (length of path from root)

The subtree rooted at W has **height** (length of longest path to a leaf) of 2

A collection of several trees is called a _____?



Tree Terminology: Lighting Round!

ABCD:

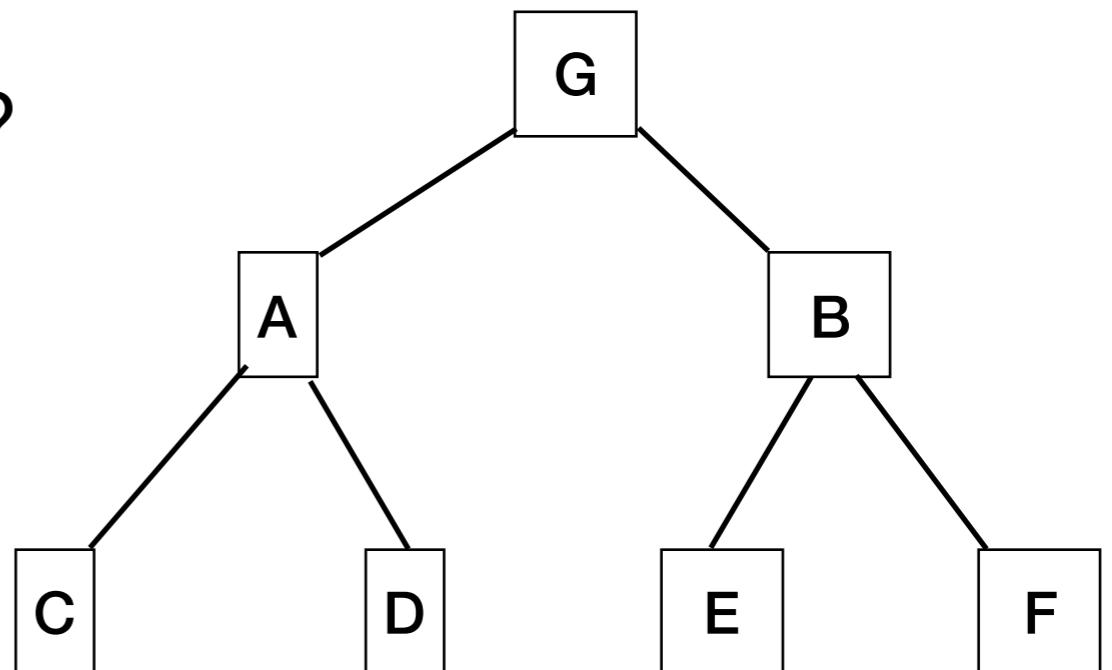
What's the **root** of G's right subtree?

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?

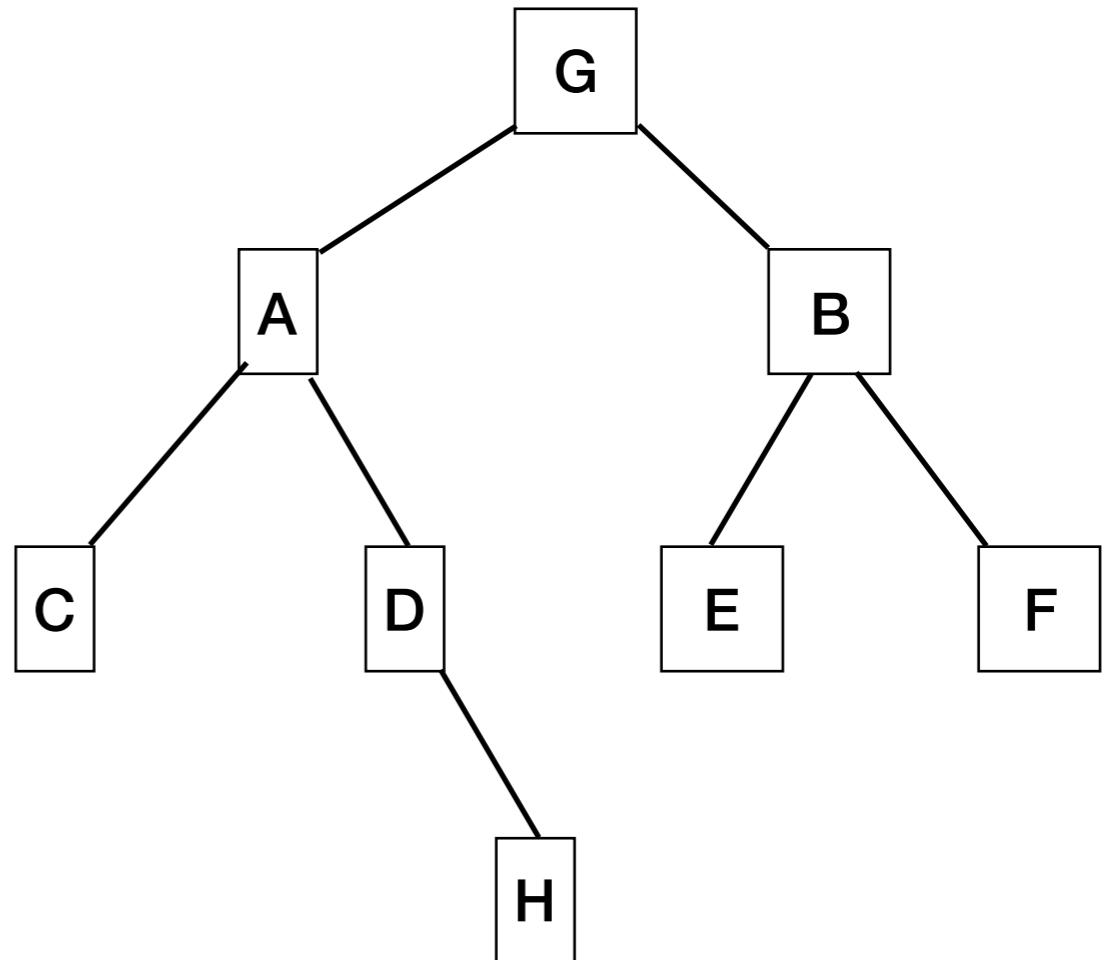


Tree Terminology: Lighting Round!

ABCD:

What's the **height** of the tree rooted at G?

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4

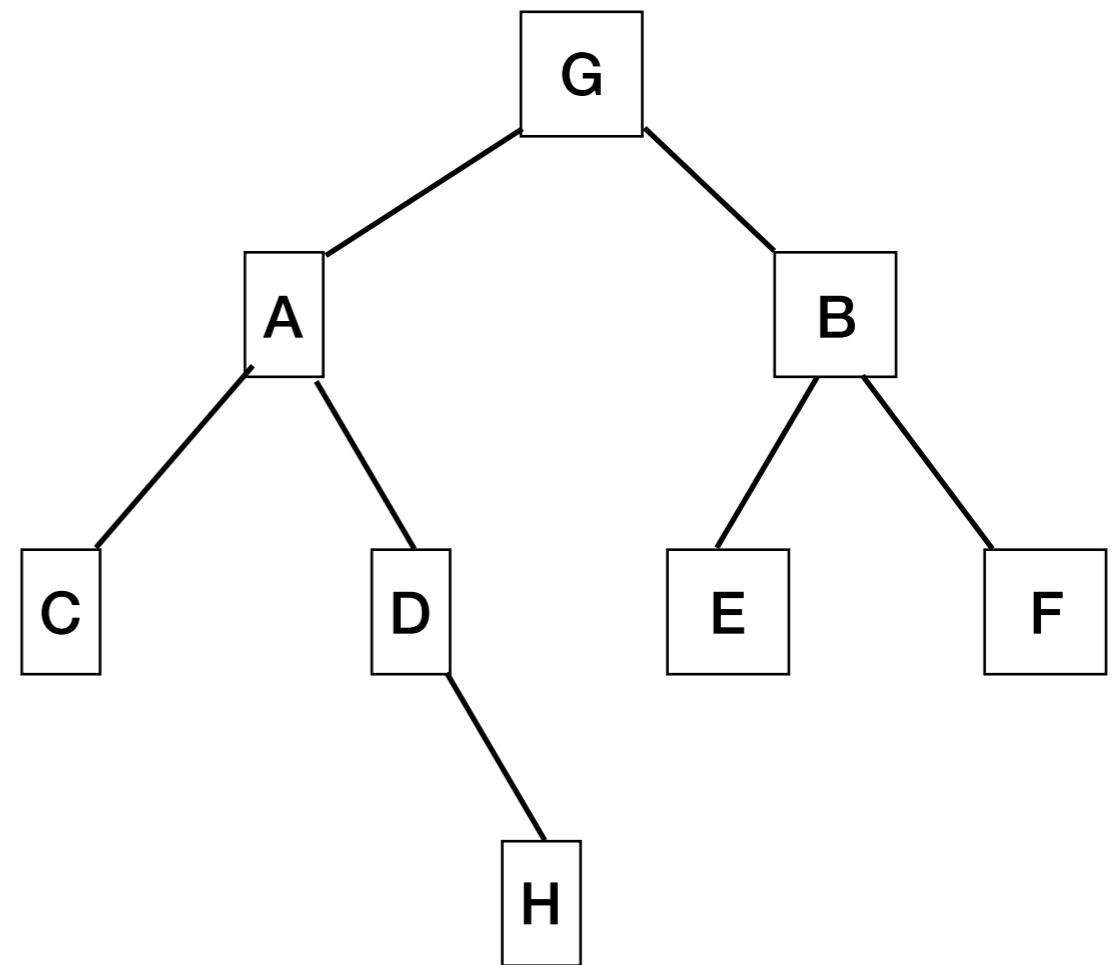


Tree Terminology: Lighting Round!

ABCD:

What's the **depth** of node D?

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4



Binary Tree

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

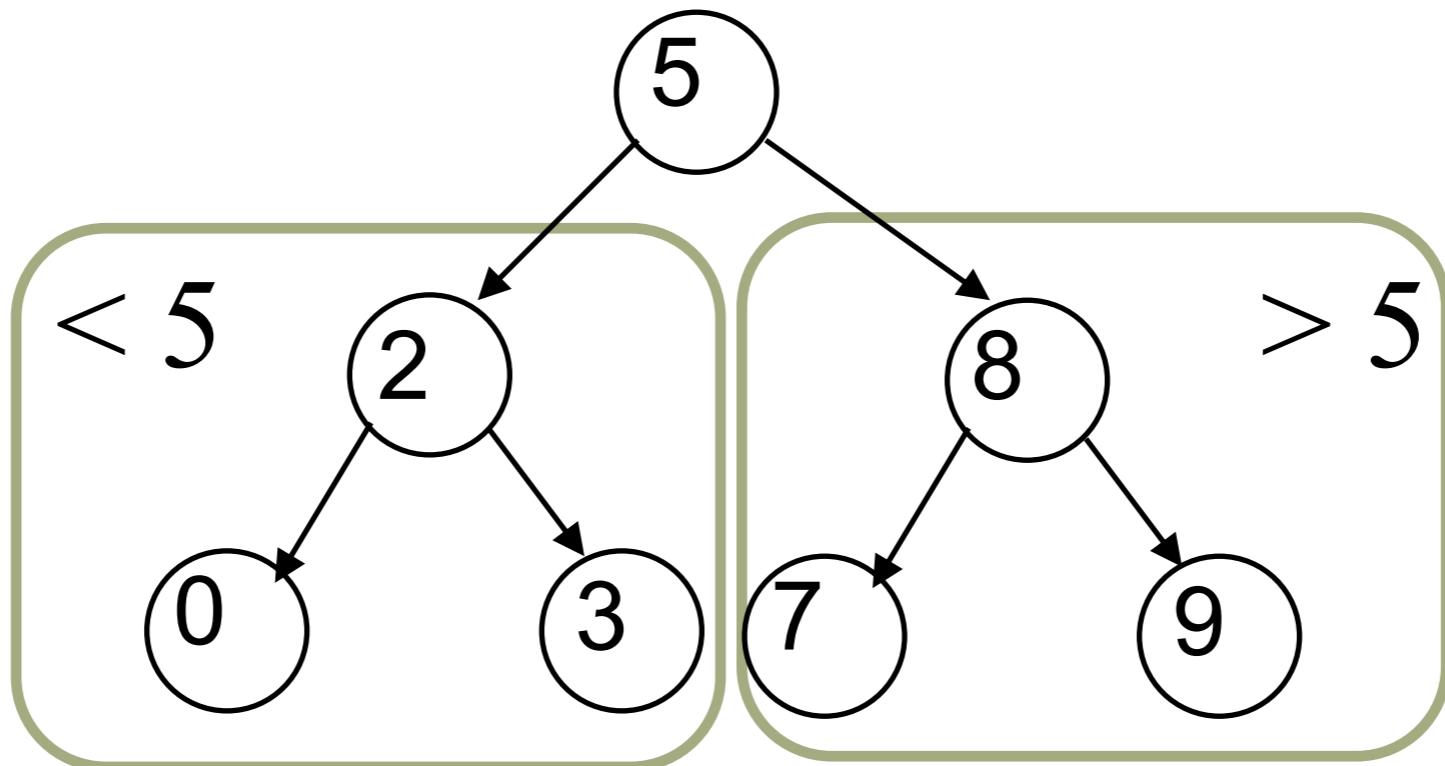
Binary Search Tree

```
/** 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;  
}
```

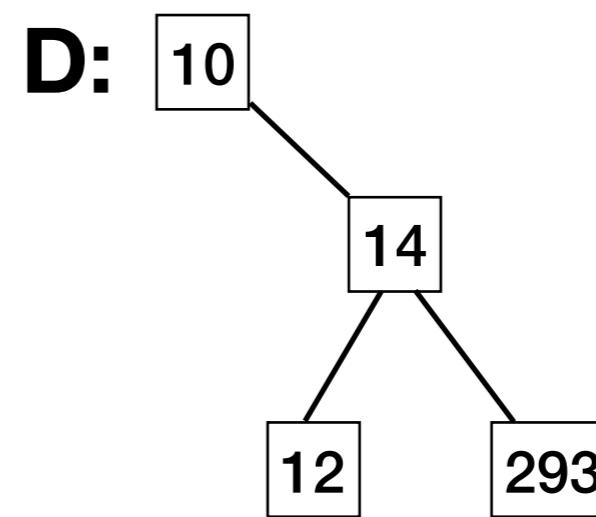
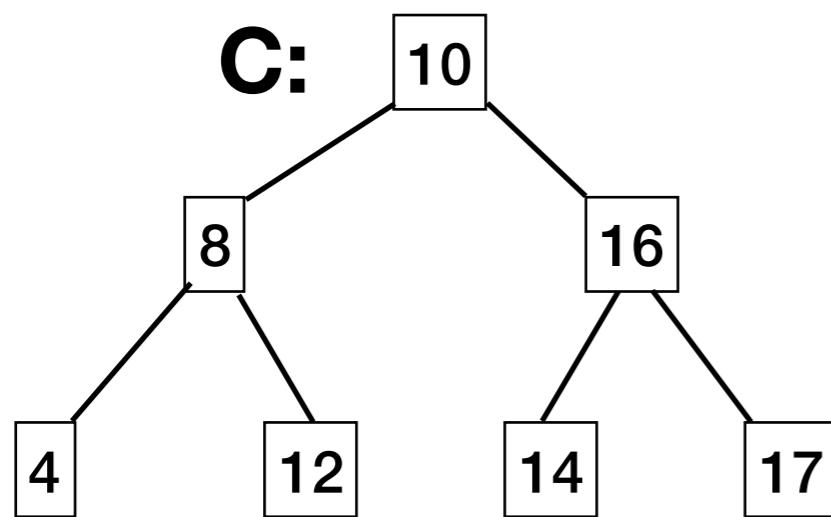
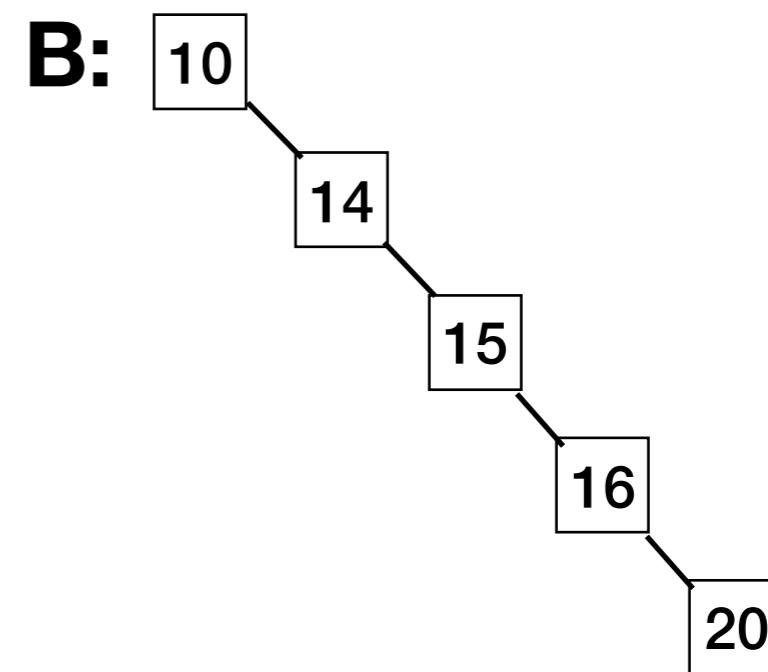
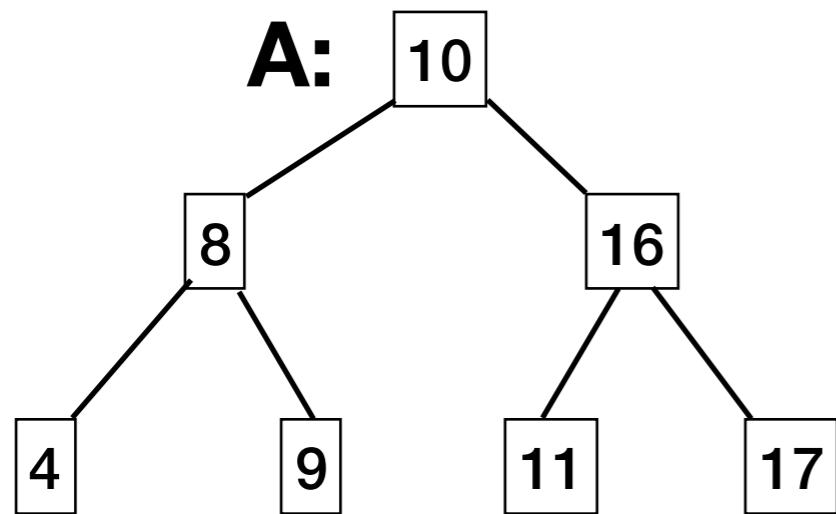


consequence: no duplicates!

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

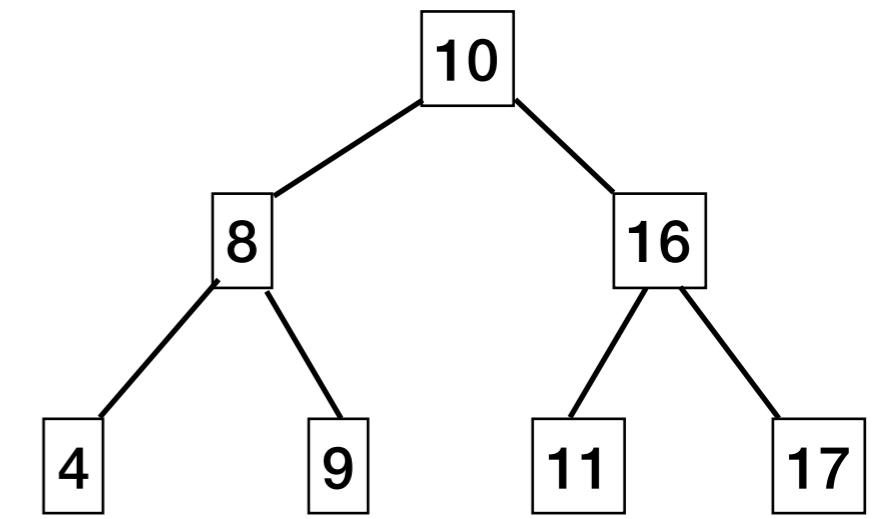
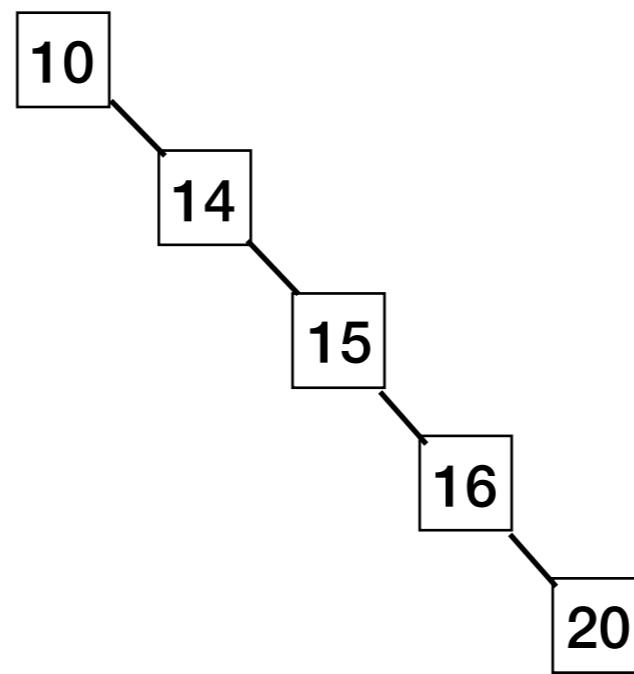
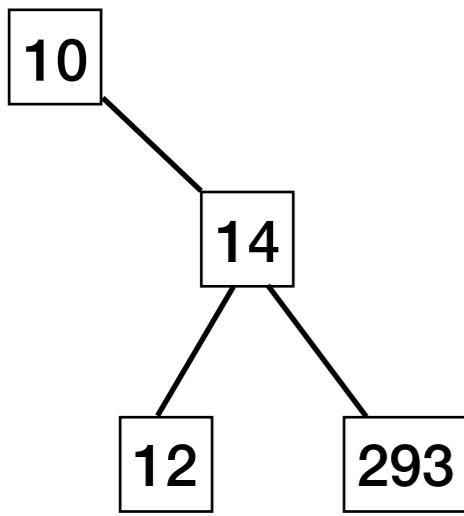
in-order traversal:

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:



(not Search!)

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
```

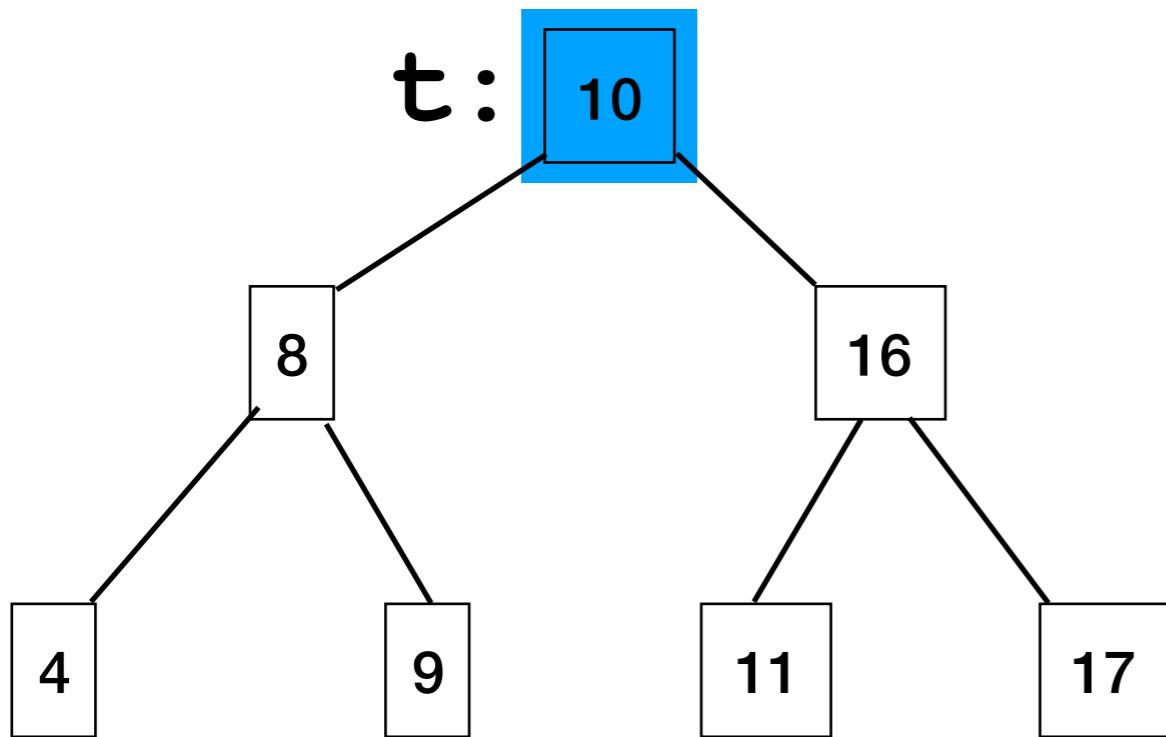
(recursive call - is v in left?)

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

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

(recursive call - is v in right?)

Searching a BST

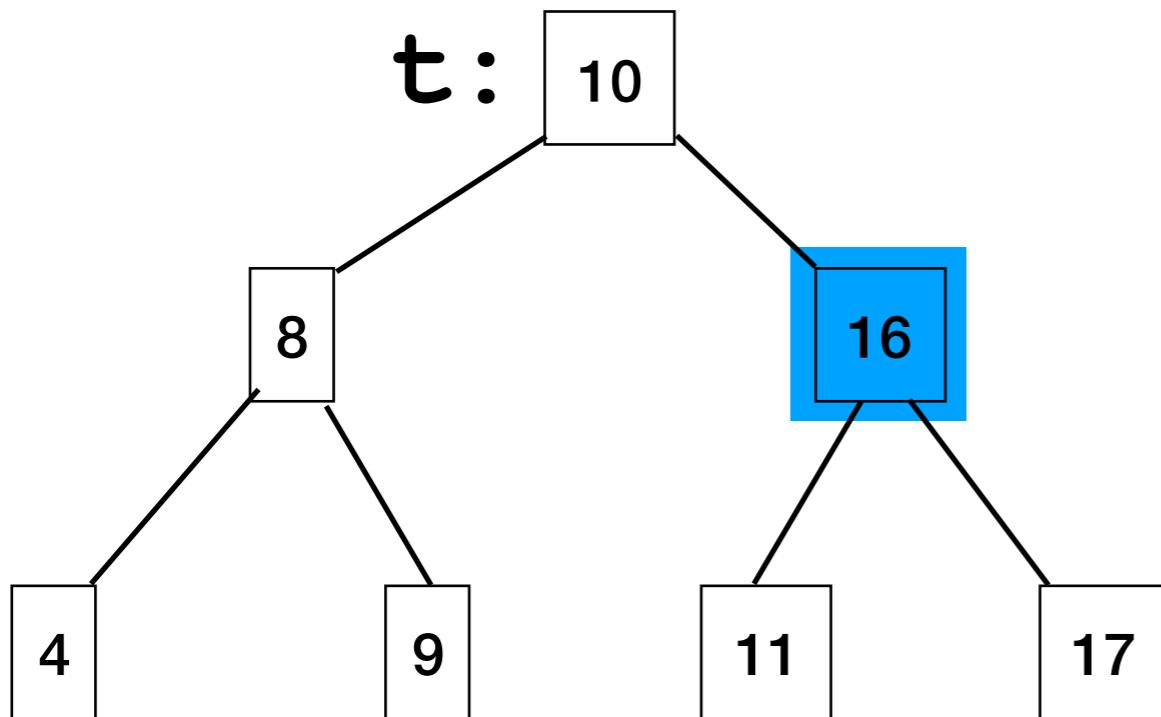


`search(t, 11)`

$11 > 10$

`search(right, 11)`

Searching a BST



`search(t, 11)`

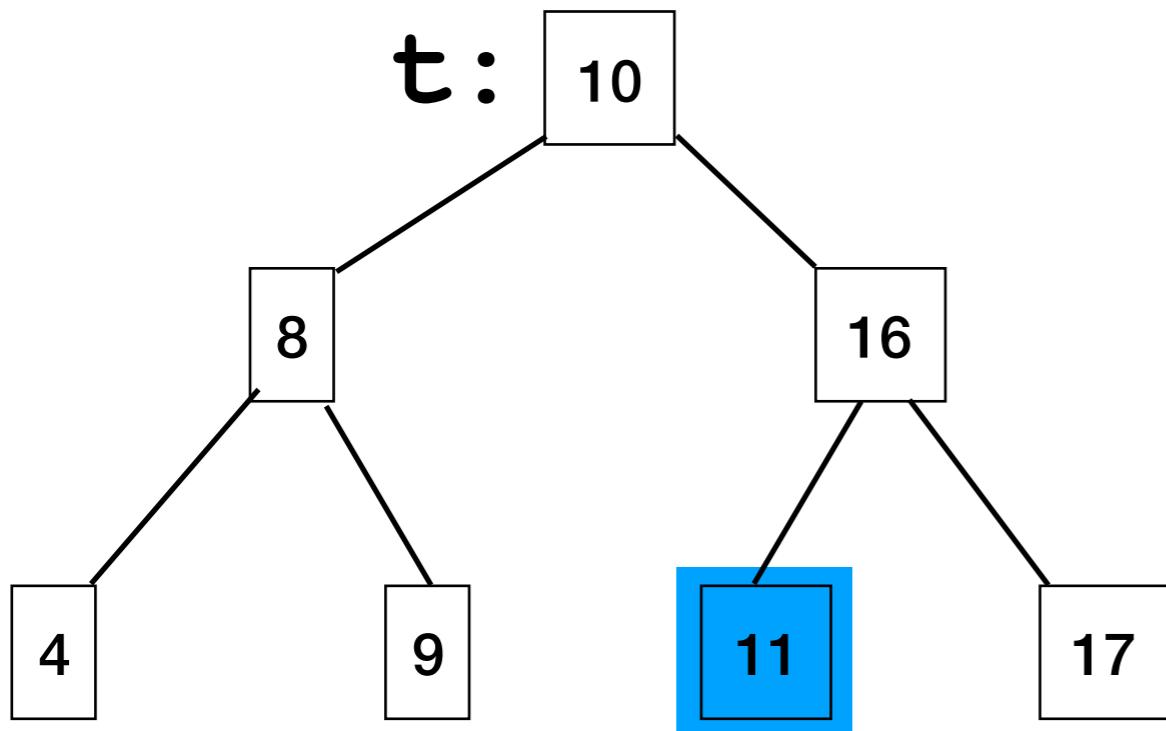
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`search(right, 11)`

$11 < 16$

`search(left, 11)`

Searching a BST



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$11 > 10$

`search(right, 11)`

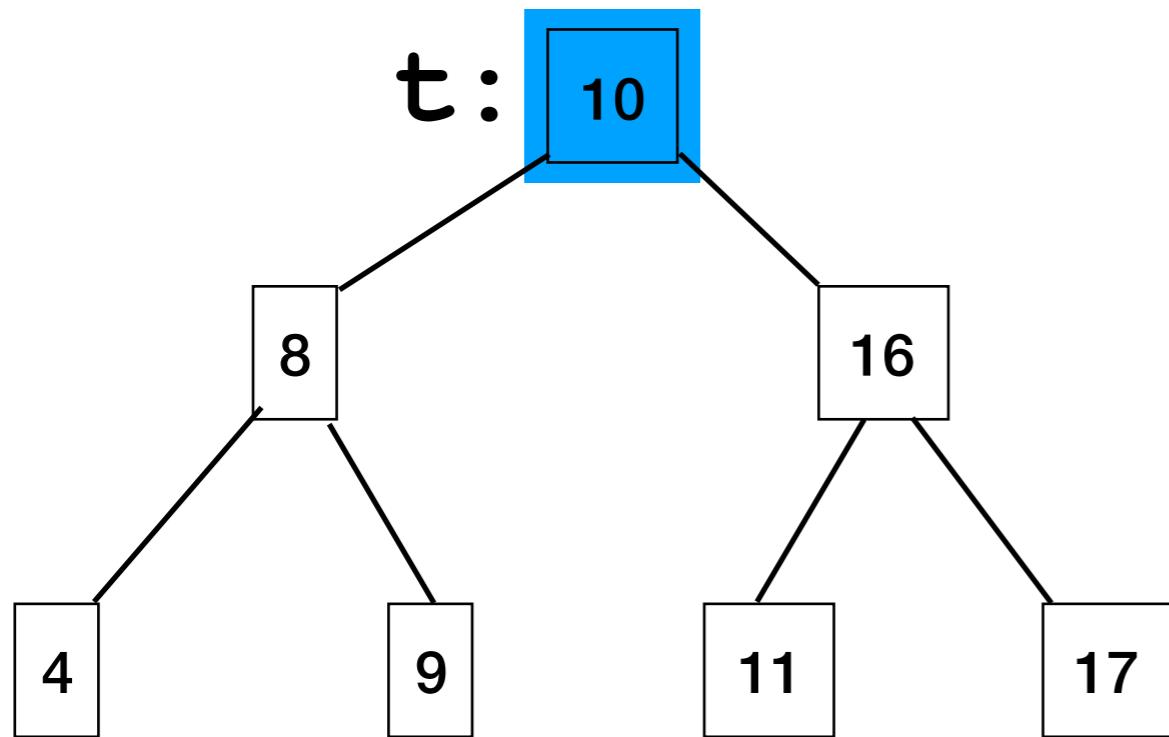
$11 < 16$

`search(left, 11)`

$11 == 11$

found it! return.

Searching a BST - the nonexistent case

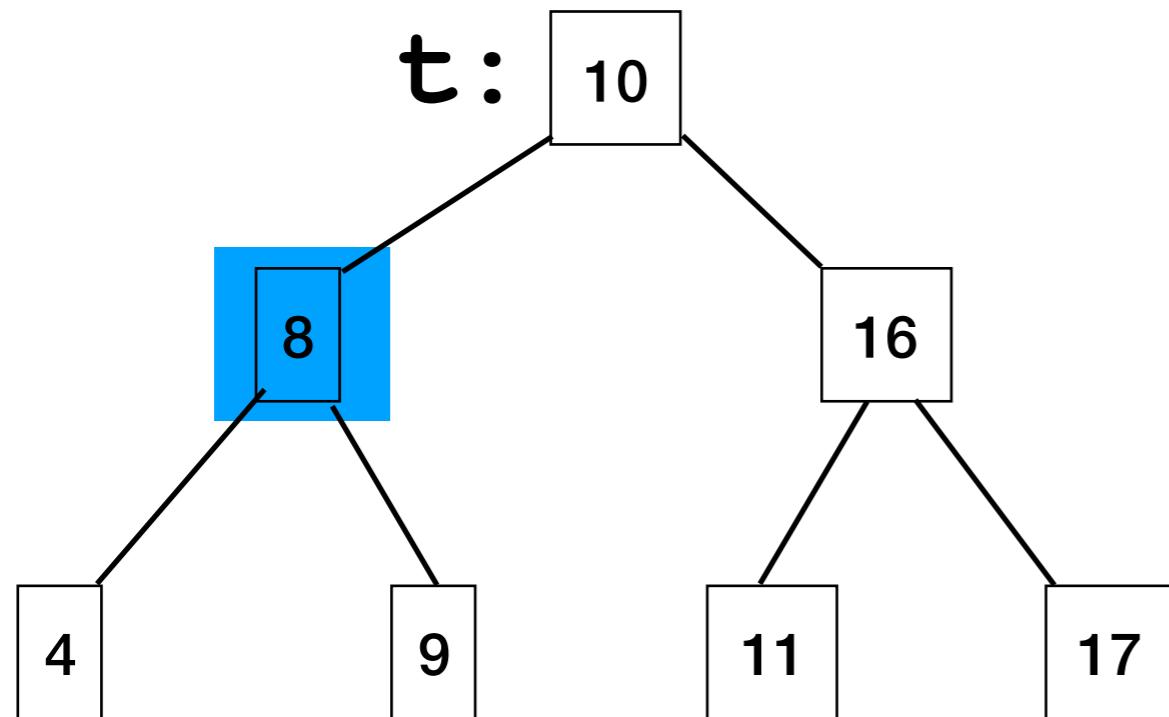


search(t , 5)

$5 < 10$

search(left, 5)

Searching a BST - the nonexistent case



search(**t**, 5)

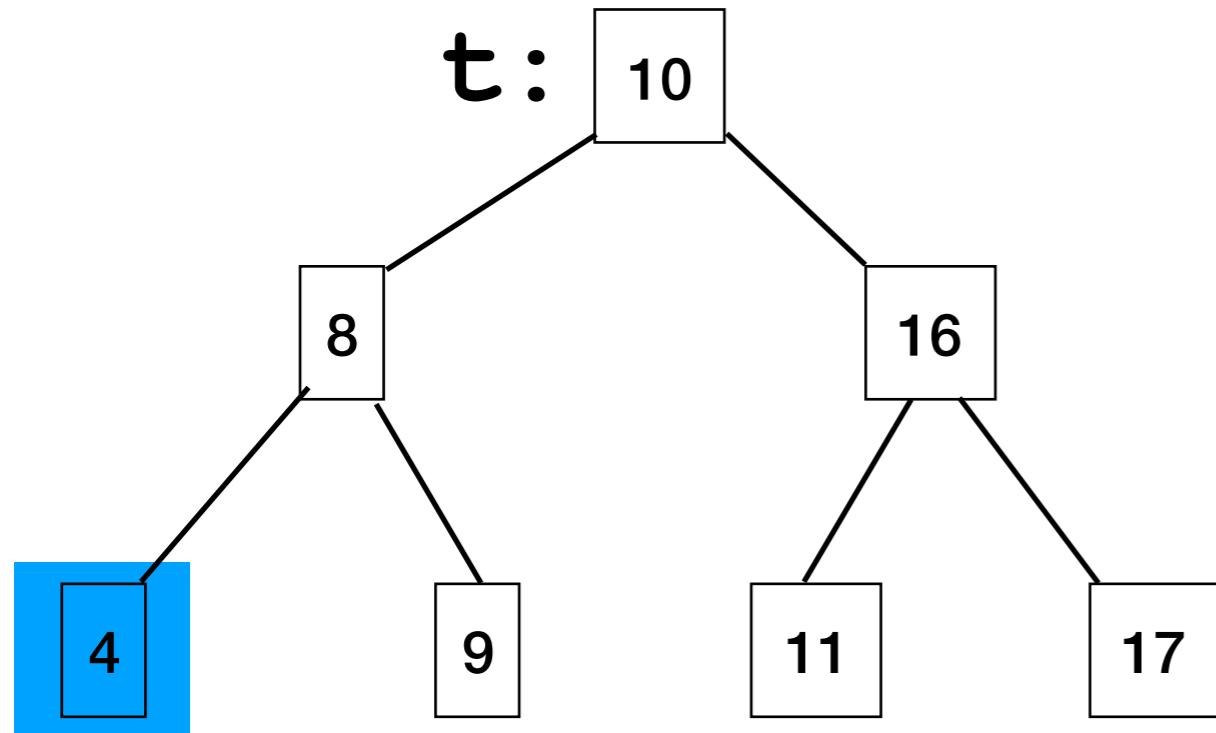
$5 < 10$

search(**left**, 5)

$5 < 8$

search(**left**, 5)

Searching a BST - the nonexistent case



search(**t**, 5)

$5 < 10$

search(left, 5)

$5 < 8$

search(left, 5)

$5 > 4$

search(right, 5)

null - not found!

Searching: BT vs BST

```
/** Searches the binary tree
 * rooted at n for value v,
 * returning true iff it is
 * in the tree. */
boolean srchBT(n, v) {
    if (n == null) {
        return false;
    }
    if (n.v == v) {
        return true;
    }
    return srchBT(n.left, v)
        || srchBT(n.right, v);
}
```

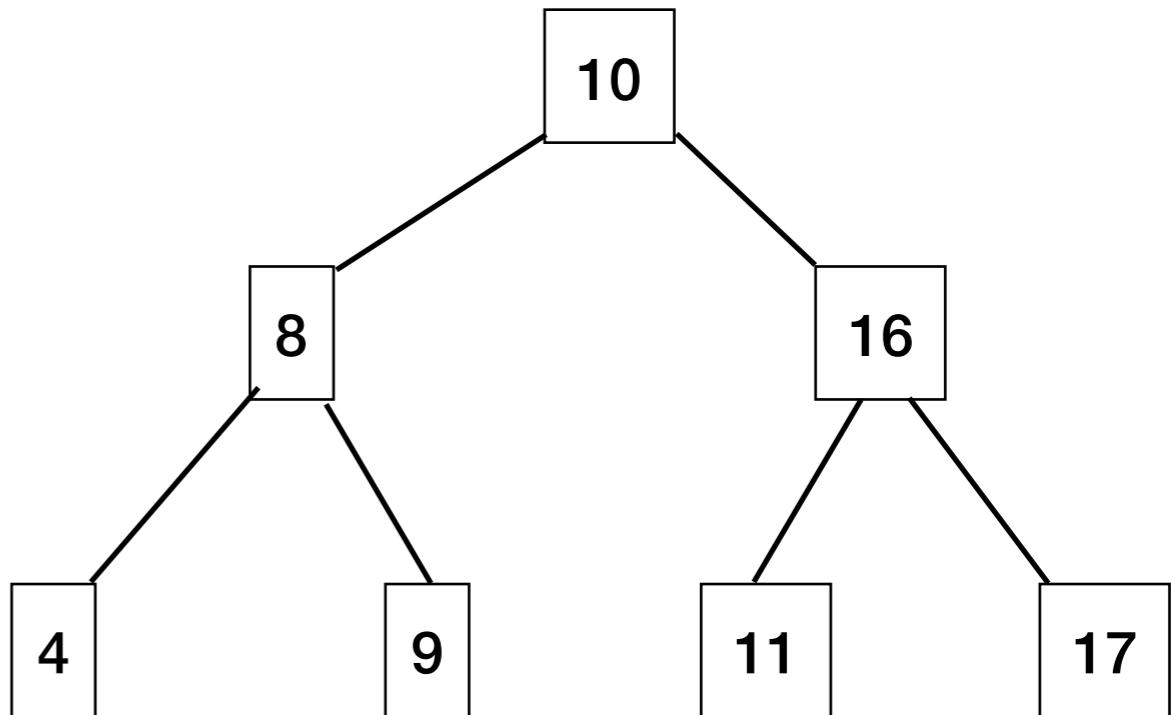
Two recursive calls

```
/** Searches the binary *search*
 * tree rooted at n for value v,
 * returning true iff it is in
 * the tree. */
public srchBST(n, v) {
    if (n == null) {
        return false;
    }
    if (n.v == v) {
        return true;
    }
    if (v < n.v) {
        return srchBST(n.left, v);
    } else {
        return srchBST(n.right, v);
    }
}
```

One 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)
```



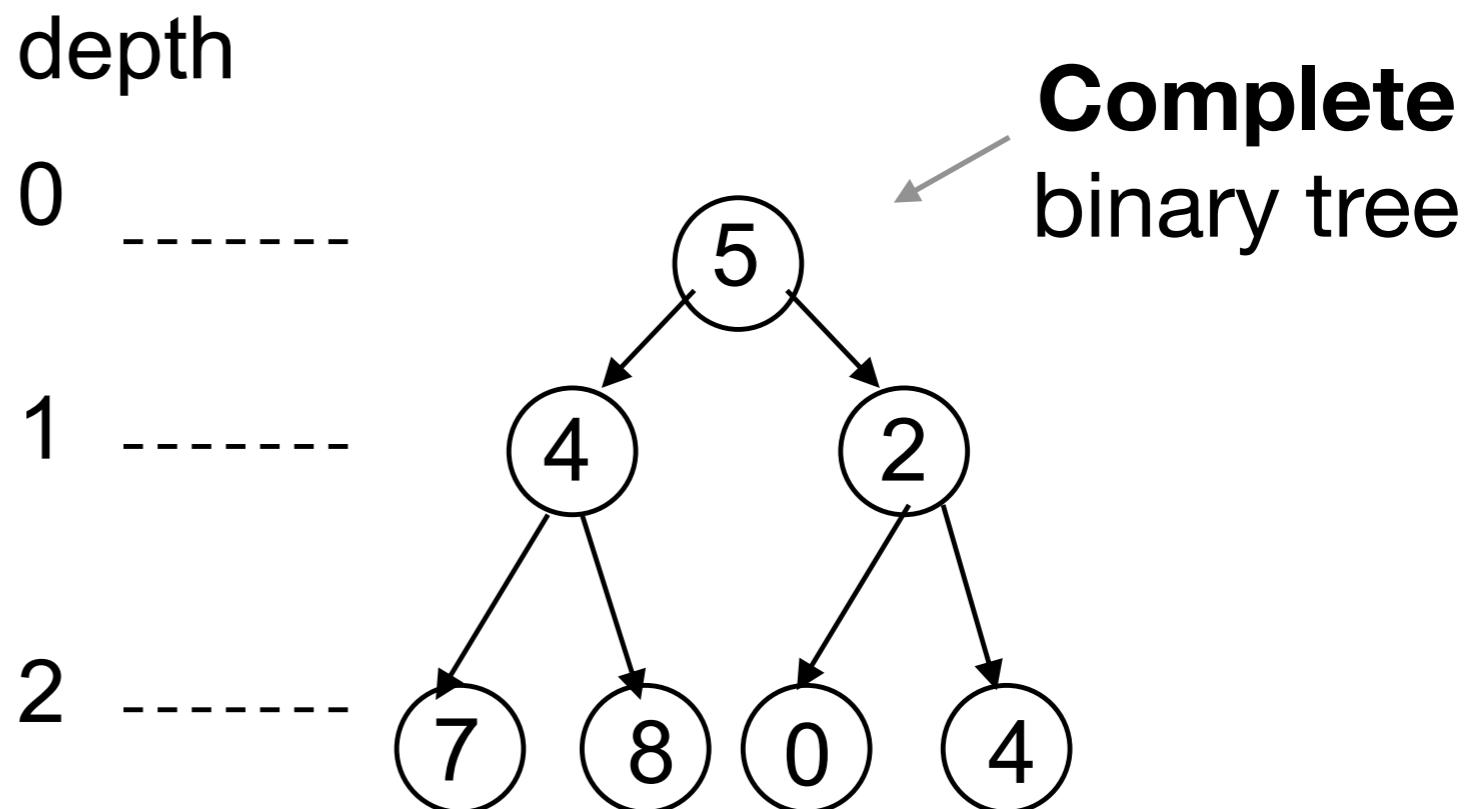
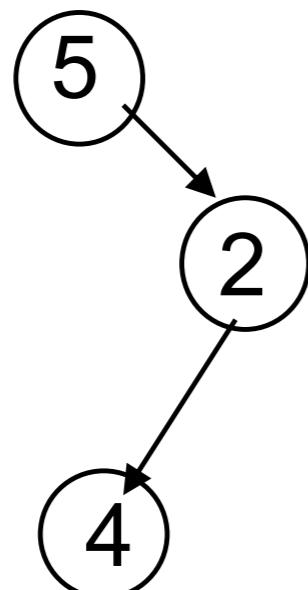
If h is the tree's **height**, search can visit at most $h+1$ nodes!

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 $h = 2$:



Fewest possible:

$$n = h+1$$

$$n \text{ is } O(h)$$

$$h \text{ is } O(n)$$

Most possible:

At depth d : 2^d nodes possible.

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

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

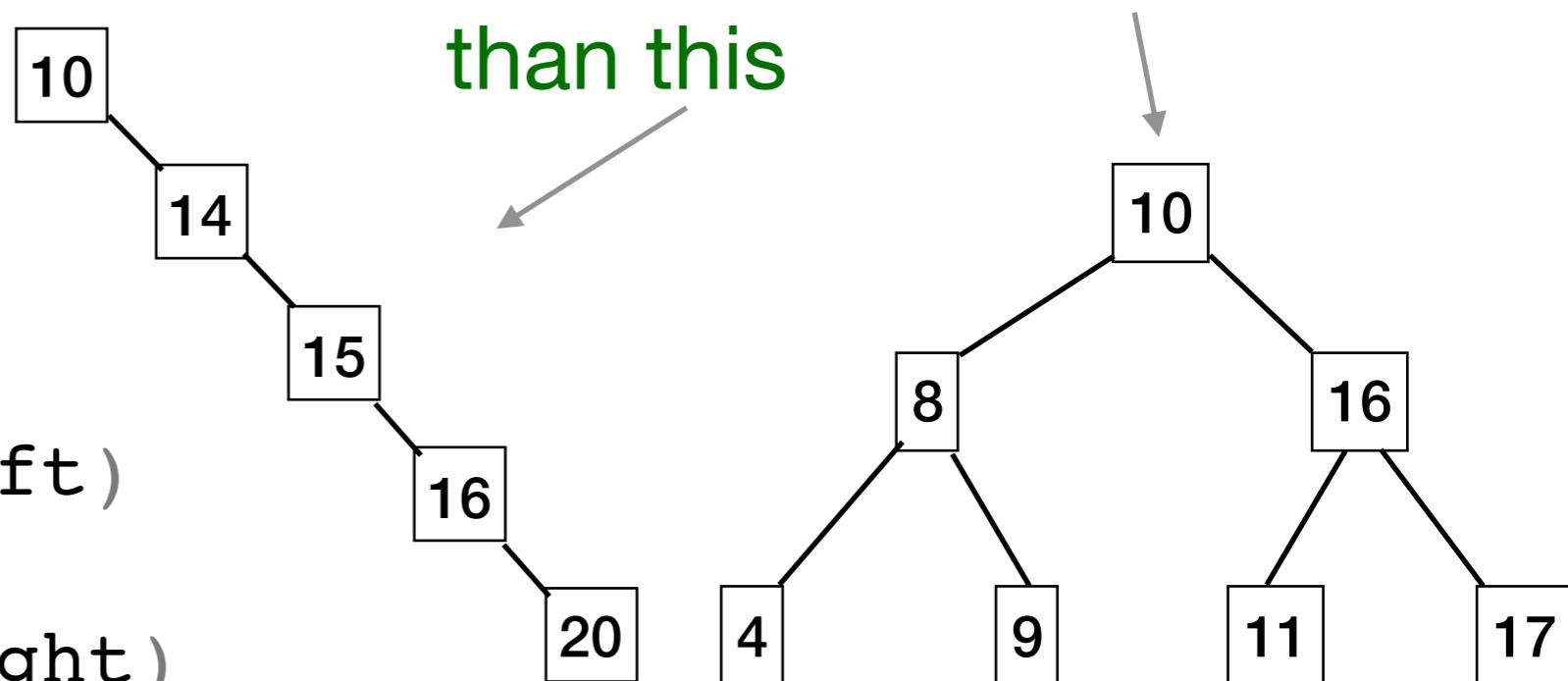
$$n \text{ is } O(2^h)$$

$$h \text{ is } O(\log n)$$

Searching a BST: What's the runtime?

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    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

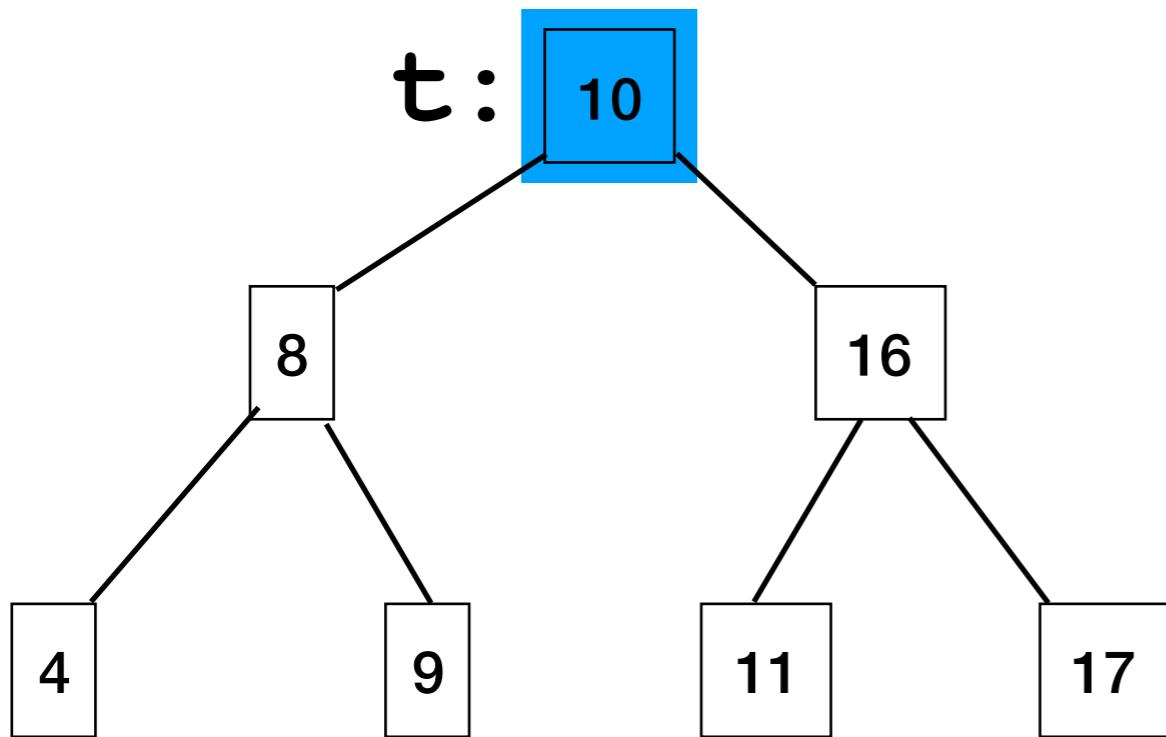


Runtime of search is $O(h)$. Worst: $O(n)$

Best: $O(\log n)$

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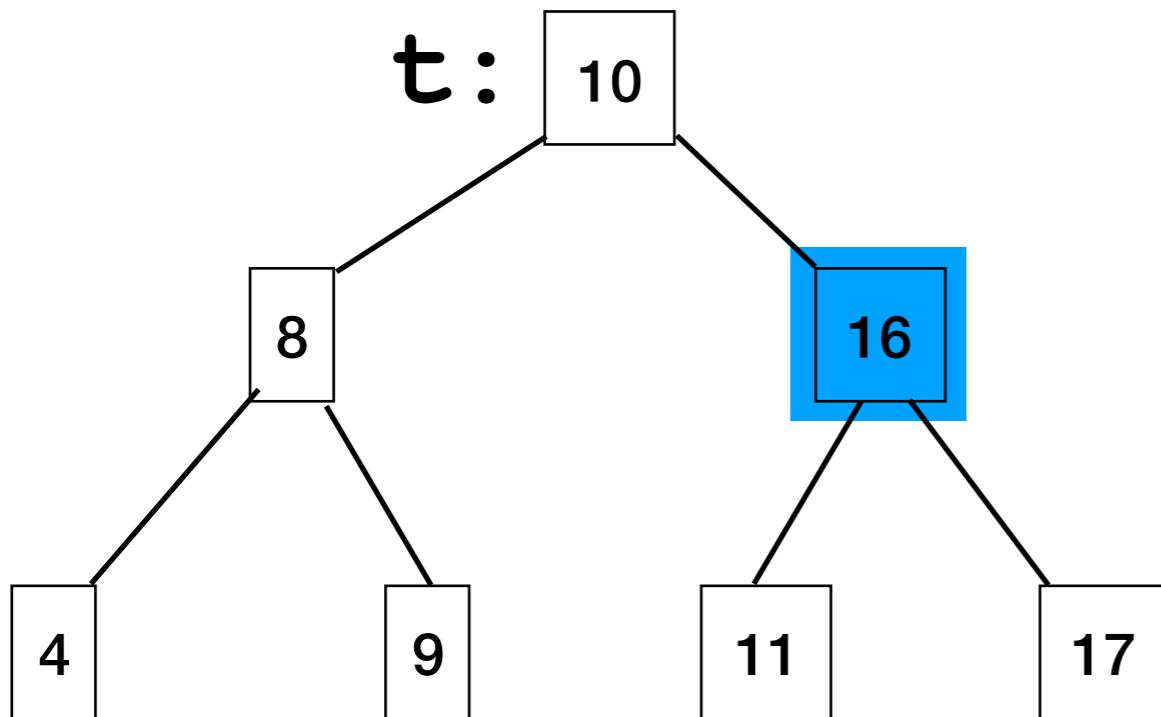


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Inserting into a BST



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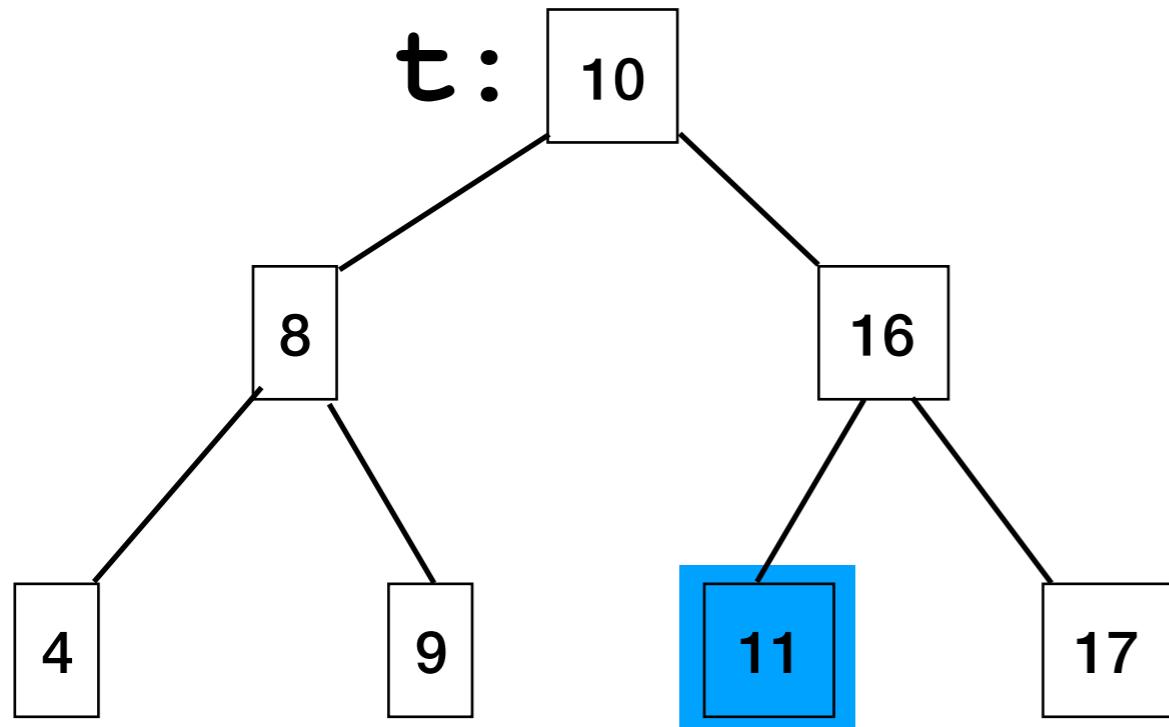
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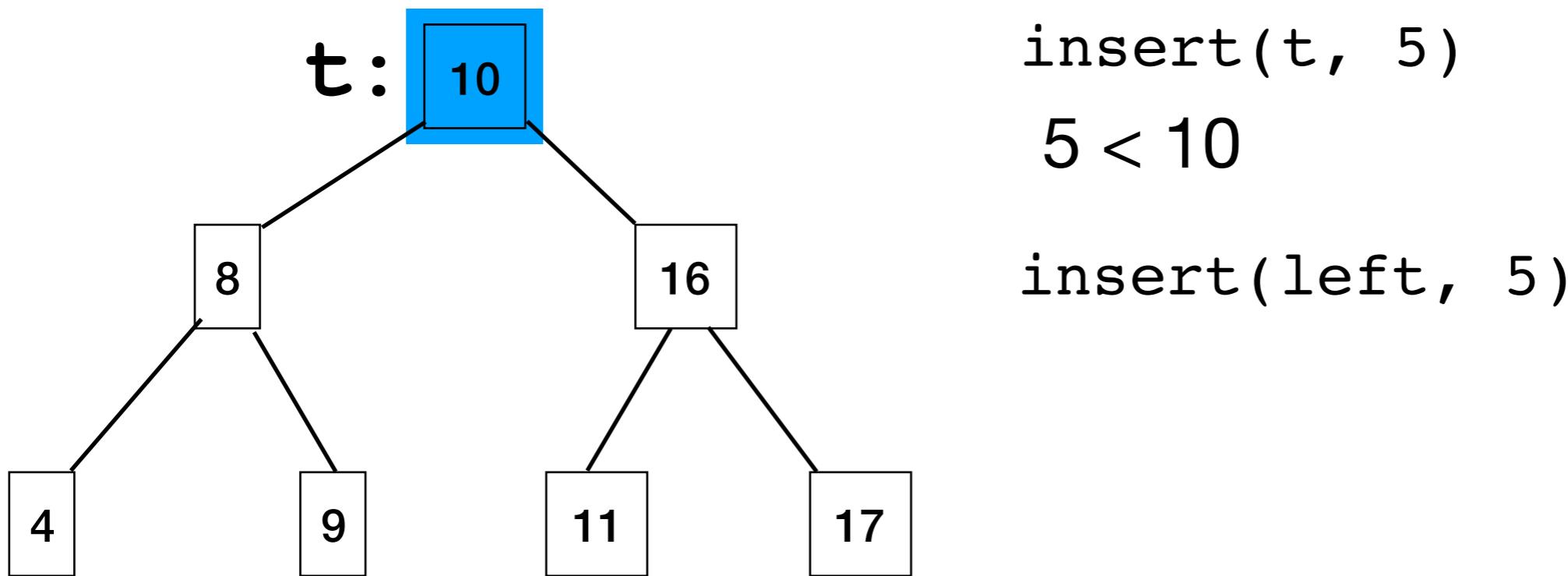
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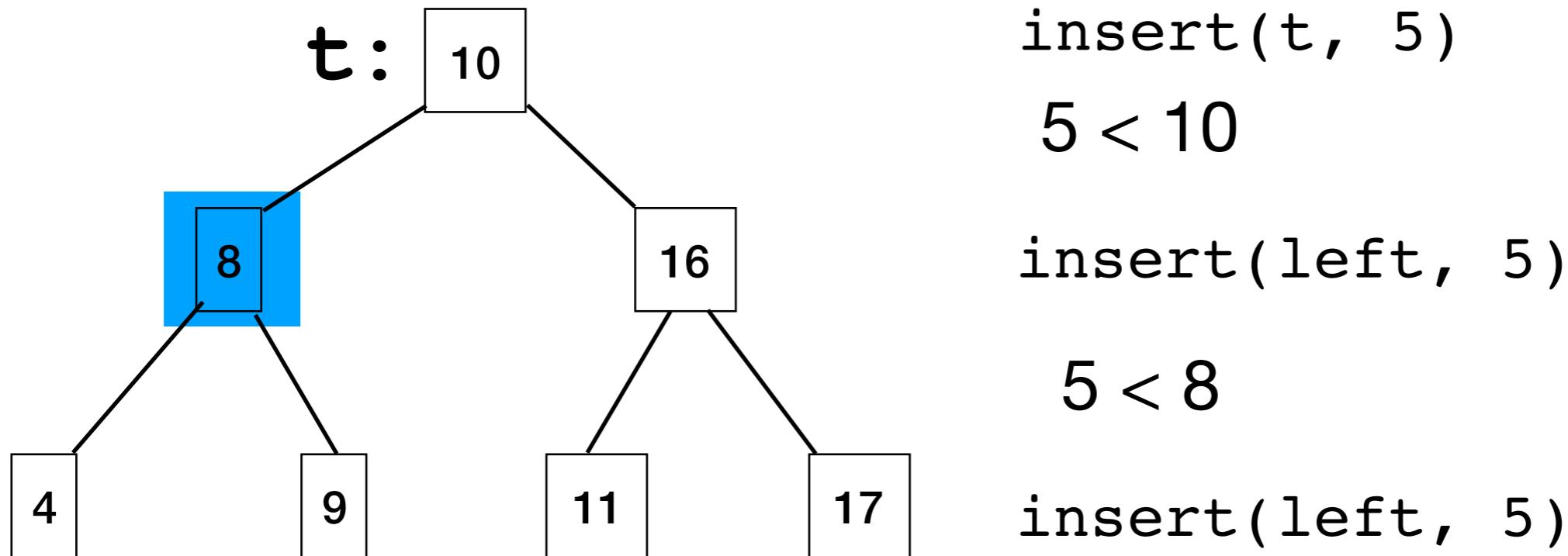
`11 == 11`

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

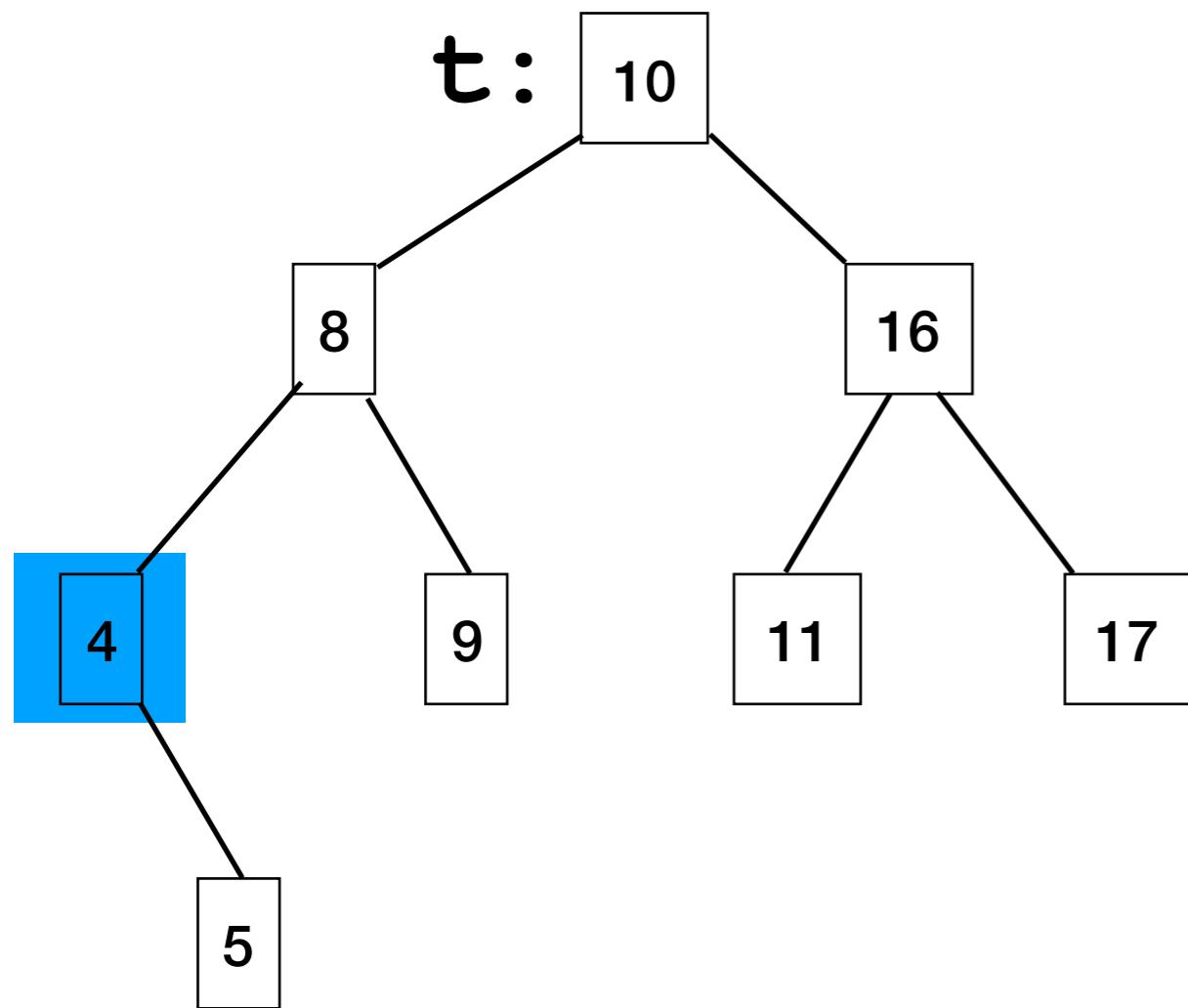
Inserting into a BST - the nonexistent case



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Inserting into a BST - the nonexistent case



`insert(t, 5)`

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`insert(left, 5)`

$5 < 8$

`insert(left, 5)`

$5 > 4$

`insert(right, 5)`

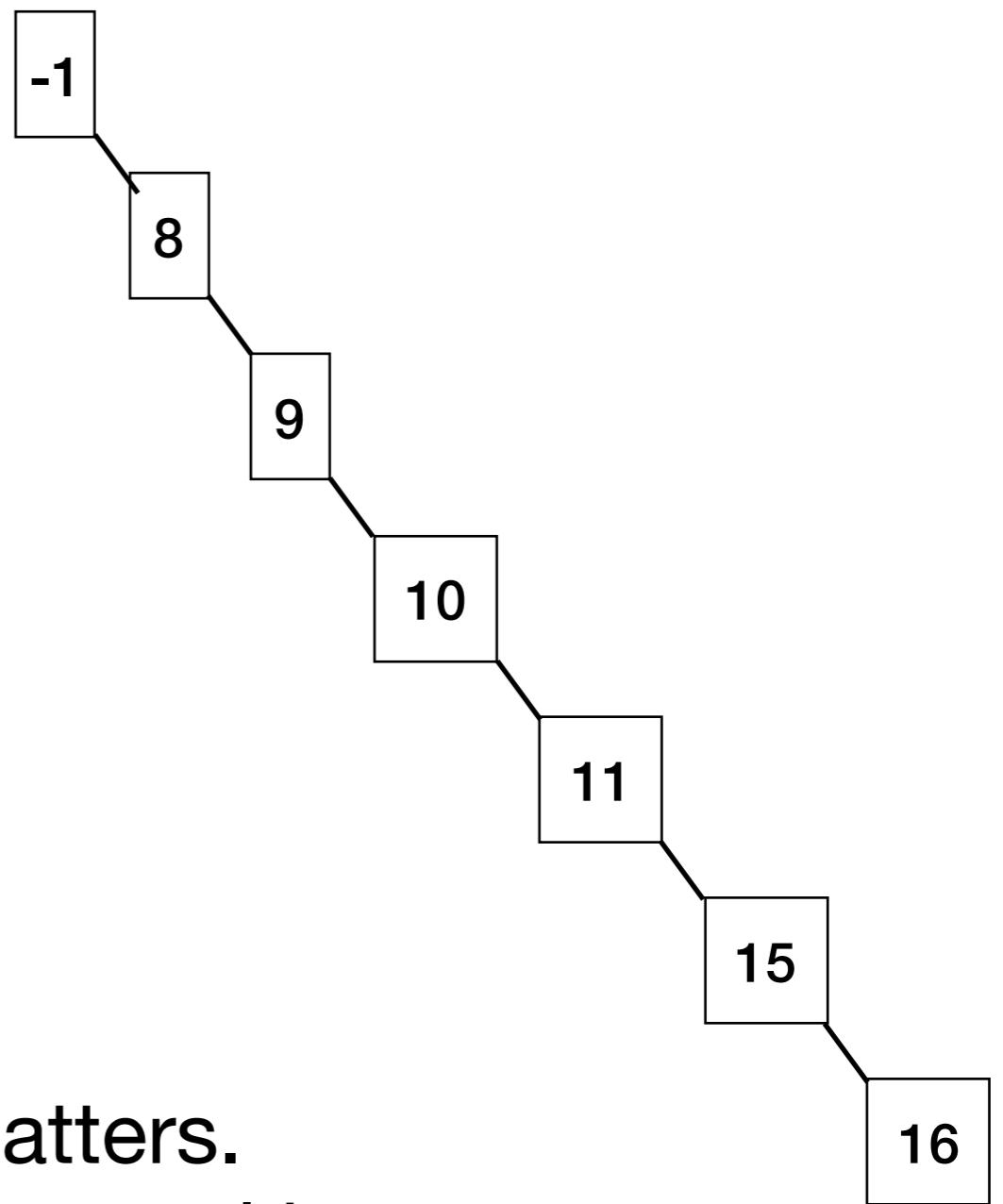
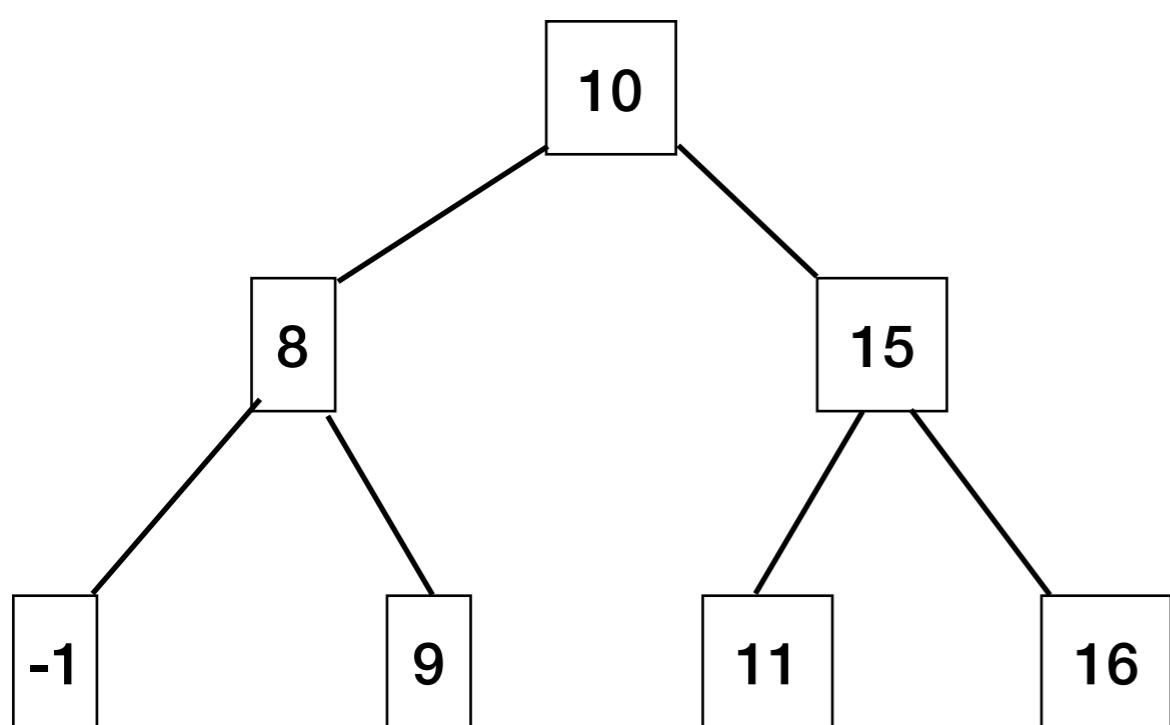
null - not found. insert it here!

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(10)  
t.insert(11)  
t.insert(15)  
t.insert(16)  
t.insert(16)
```

Let's Build Some Trees



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