

Implementing Binary Search Trees (BSTs)

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Sit in row H or forward

Binary:

every node has at most
two children

Search:

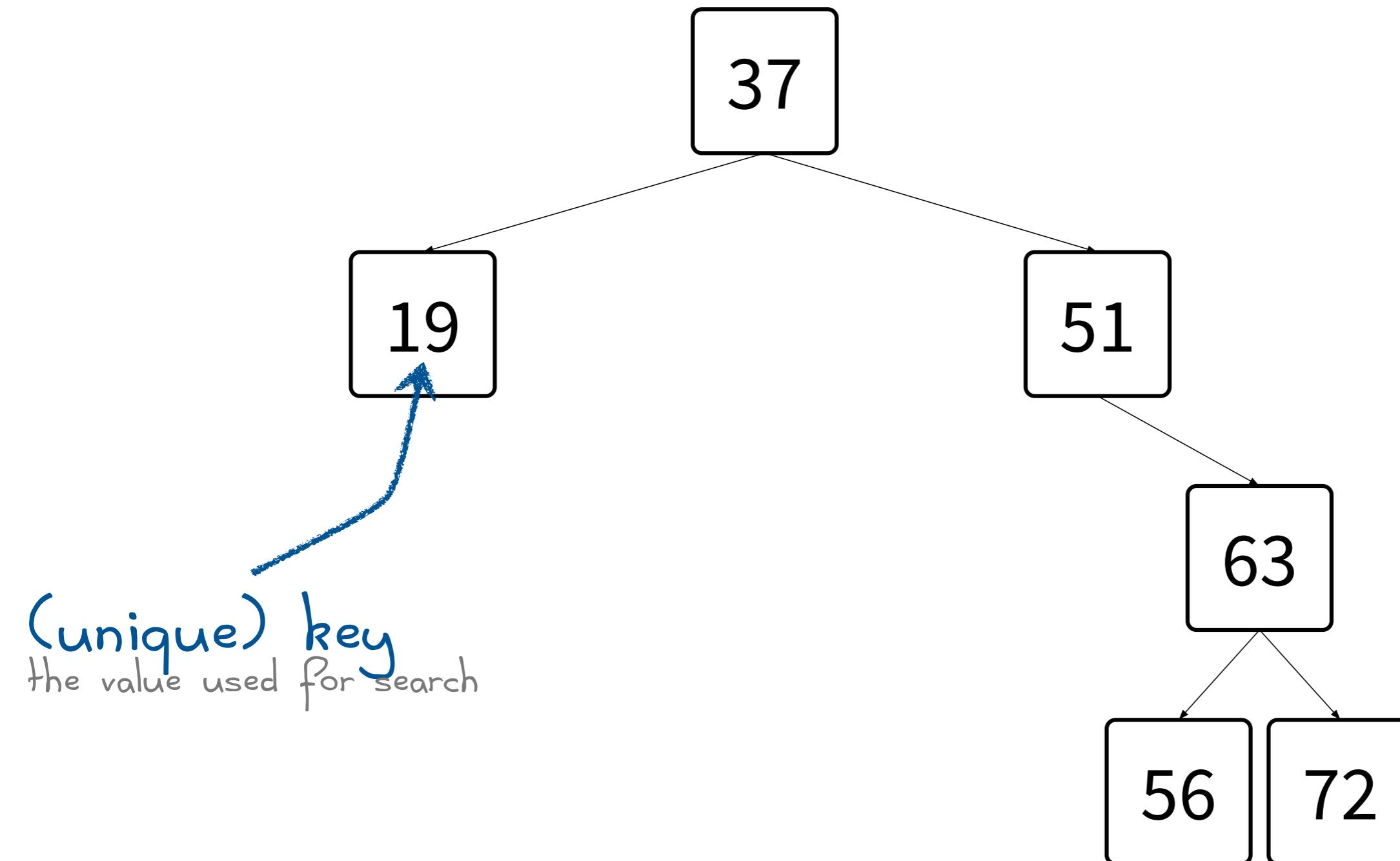
everything to the left: <
everything to the right: >

Trees:

unique root node
exactly one path from
the root to each node

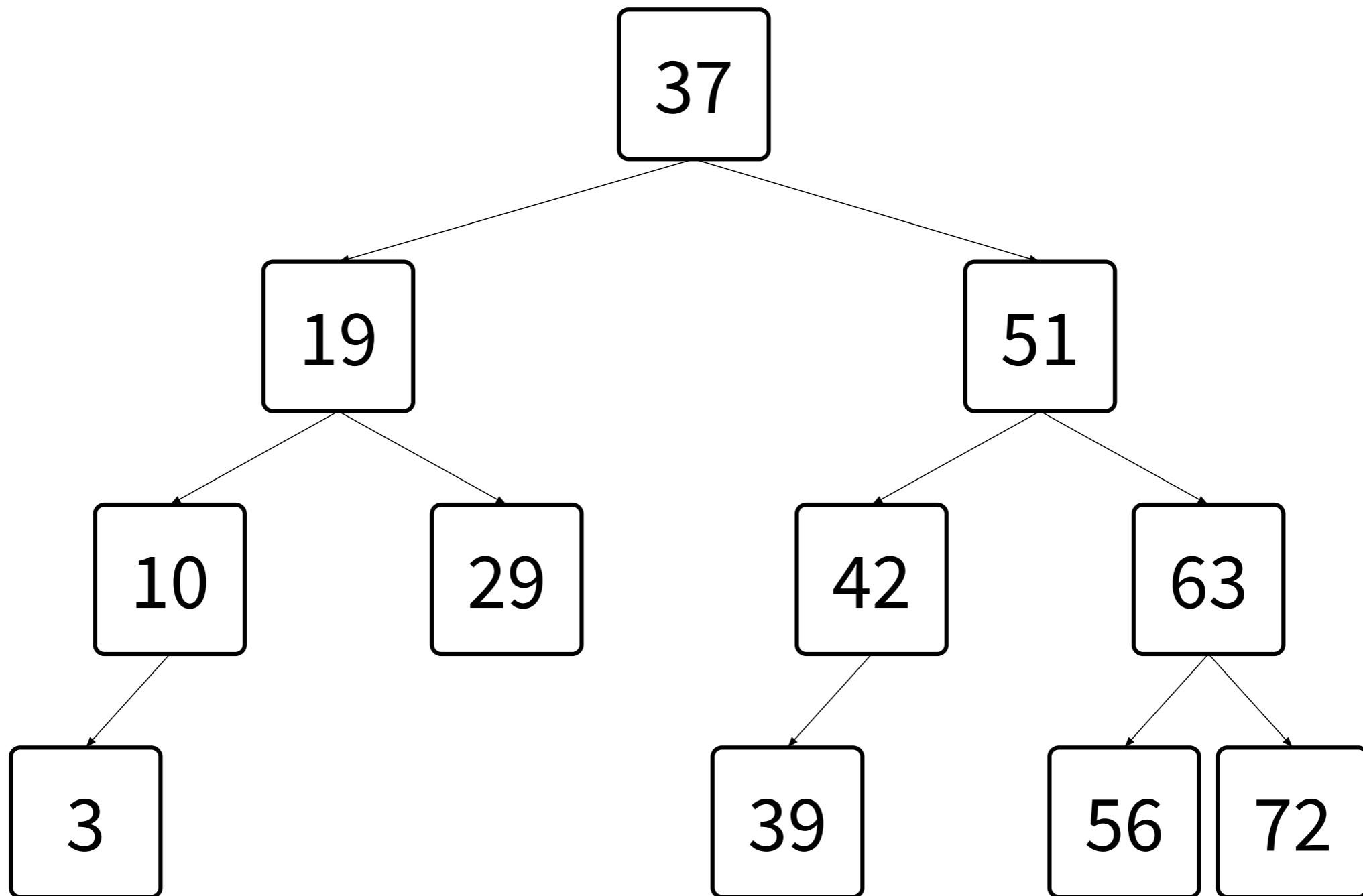
Binary search trees (BSTs)

order: every parent is greater than all the nodes in its left subtree and less than all the nodes in the right



Balanced binary search trees

structure: every subtree has roughly the same number of nodes as its sibling



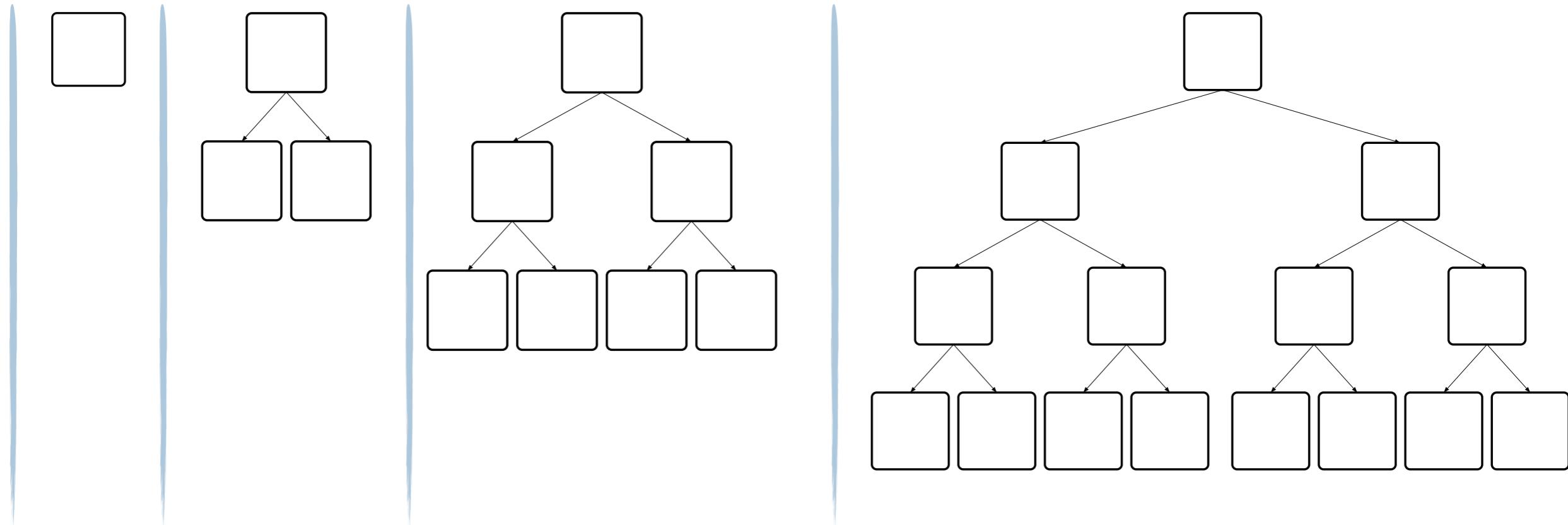
Perfect trees

structure: all leaves are at the same level

$n = 0$ $n = 1$ $n = 3$
 $h = -1$ $h = 0$ $h = 1$

$n = 7$
 $h = 2$

$n = 15$
 $h = 3$



$$h = \lfloor \log_2(n) \rfloor$$

- Most trees aren't perfect (why not?)
- But perfect trees are useful for analyzing balanced trees.

Recall: worst-case analysis

How bad can it get?

Given a collection of size N and an operation:

What's the worst input for the operation?

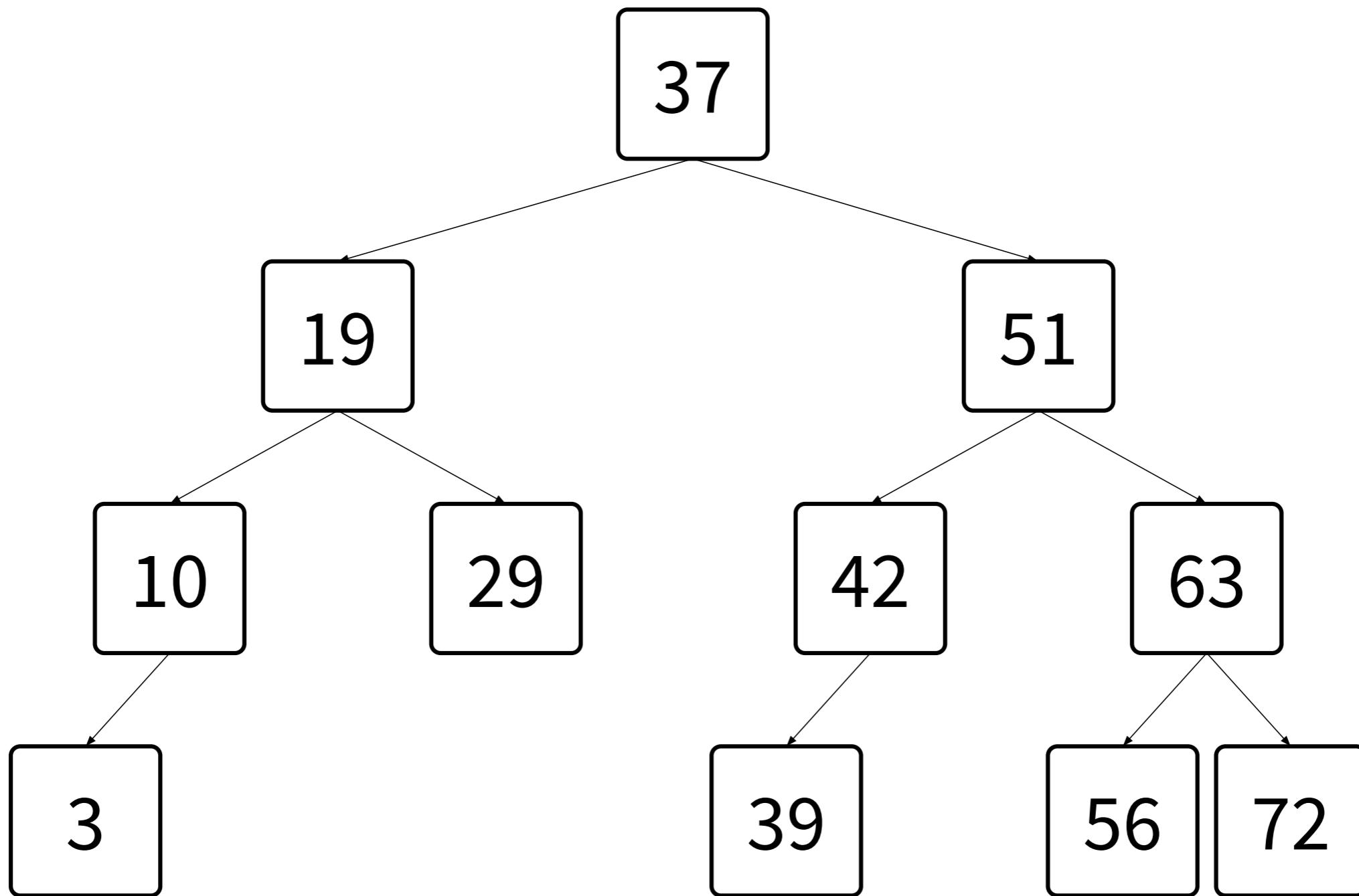
How expensive is the operation, for that input? (cost = # of elements accessed)

	find	insert	max	list elements in order
unsorted array	$O(n)$	$O(n)$ if array is full	$O(n)$	$O(n \log n)$
sorted array	$O(\log n)$	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(n)$
unsorted linked list	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(n \log n)$
sorted linked list	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
hash table	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(n \log n)$
balanced binary search tree (BST)	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(n)$

This week's theme: BSTs

- We'll implement **unbalanced** BSTs
- Our goals are to:
 - practice implementing data structures and algorithms functional (Racket) and imperative (Java) implementations
 - know when to use the right data structure
If we're doing a lot of inserts and lookups and we care about order, we use a tree. Otherwise, we probably use a hash table.

BST algorithm: find





Write pseudocode for find

here's the pseudocode for binary search, to use as a template.

Given a **sorted array** *values* with N numbers and a number *i*
for simplicity, assume N is a power of 2 (e.g., 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, ...)

`binarySearch(i, values):`

 If the list is empty, return false.

 Find the element *mid* at the middle of *values*.

 If *i* == *mid*, return true.

 If *i* < *mid*, call `binarySearch` on the front half of *values*

 If *i* > *mid*, call `binarySearch` on the back half of *values*

BST algorithm: find

Given a BST *values* and a number *i*:

`find(i, values):`

If the tree is empty, return false.

Let *key* be the value at the root of the tree.

If *key* is *i*, return true.

If $i < \text{key}$, call find on the left subtree.

If $i > \text{key}$, call find on the right subtree.

BST algorithm: insert

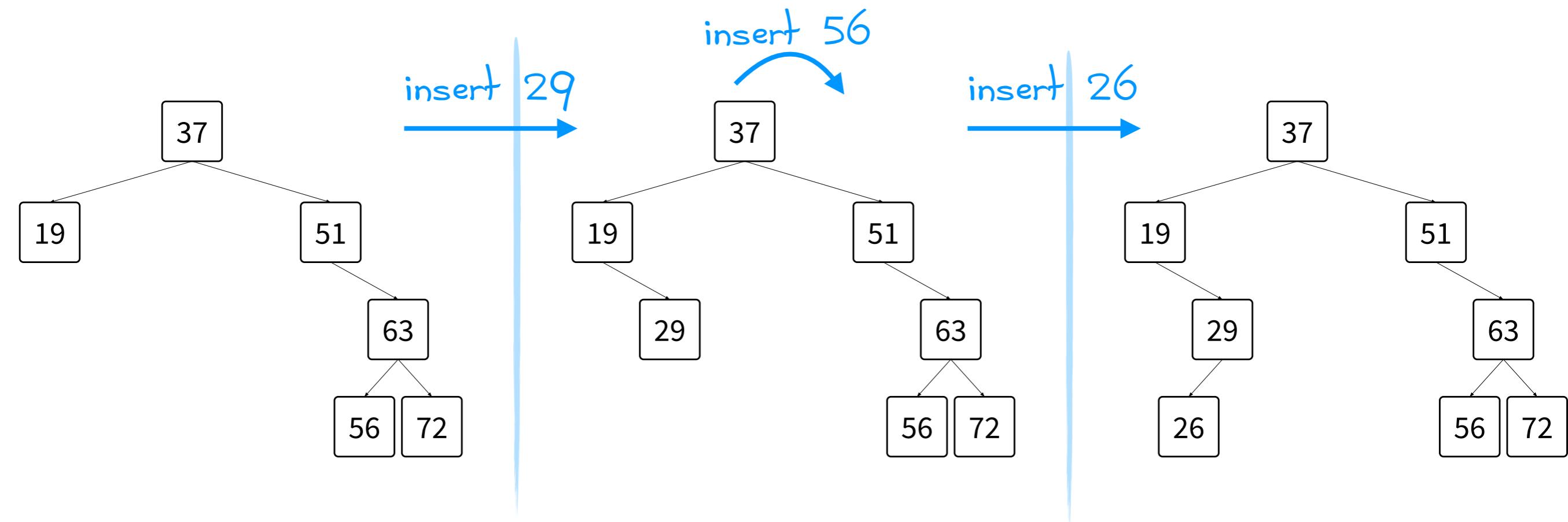
Given a BST *values* and a number *i*:

`insert(i, values):`

Look for *i* in *values*.

If we find it, do nothing (we won't insert duplicates).

Otherwise, **insert *i* as a leaf** where it should be.



BST algorithm: find - insert

to insert

Given a BST *values* and a number i :

insert

~~find~~(*i*, *values*): add *i* as a new node here.

If the tree is empty, ~~return false.~~

Let key be the value at the root of the tree.

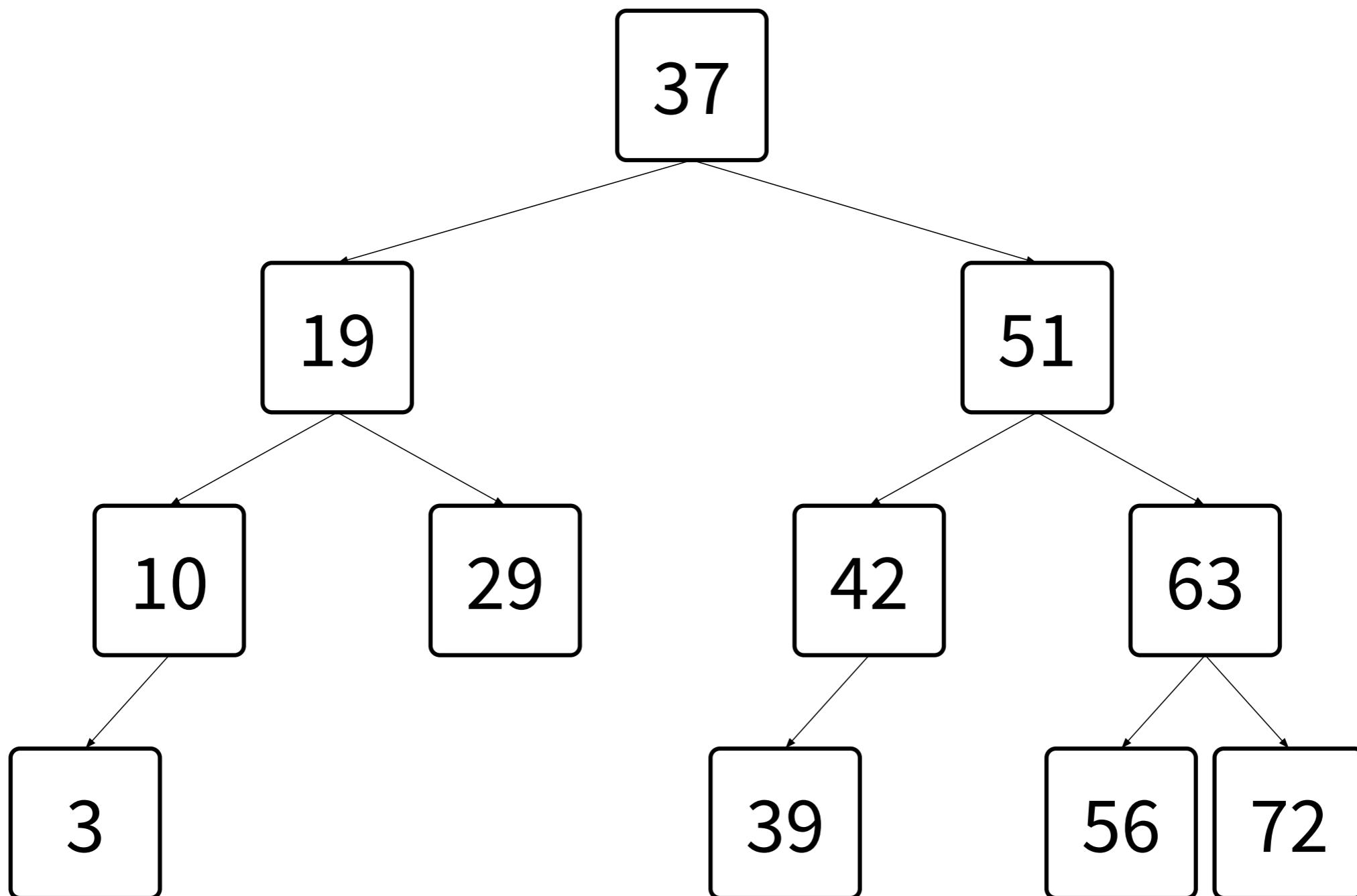
If key is i , ~~return true.~~ do nothing.

If $i < key$, call ~~find~~^{insert} on the left subtree.

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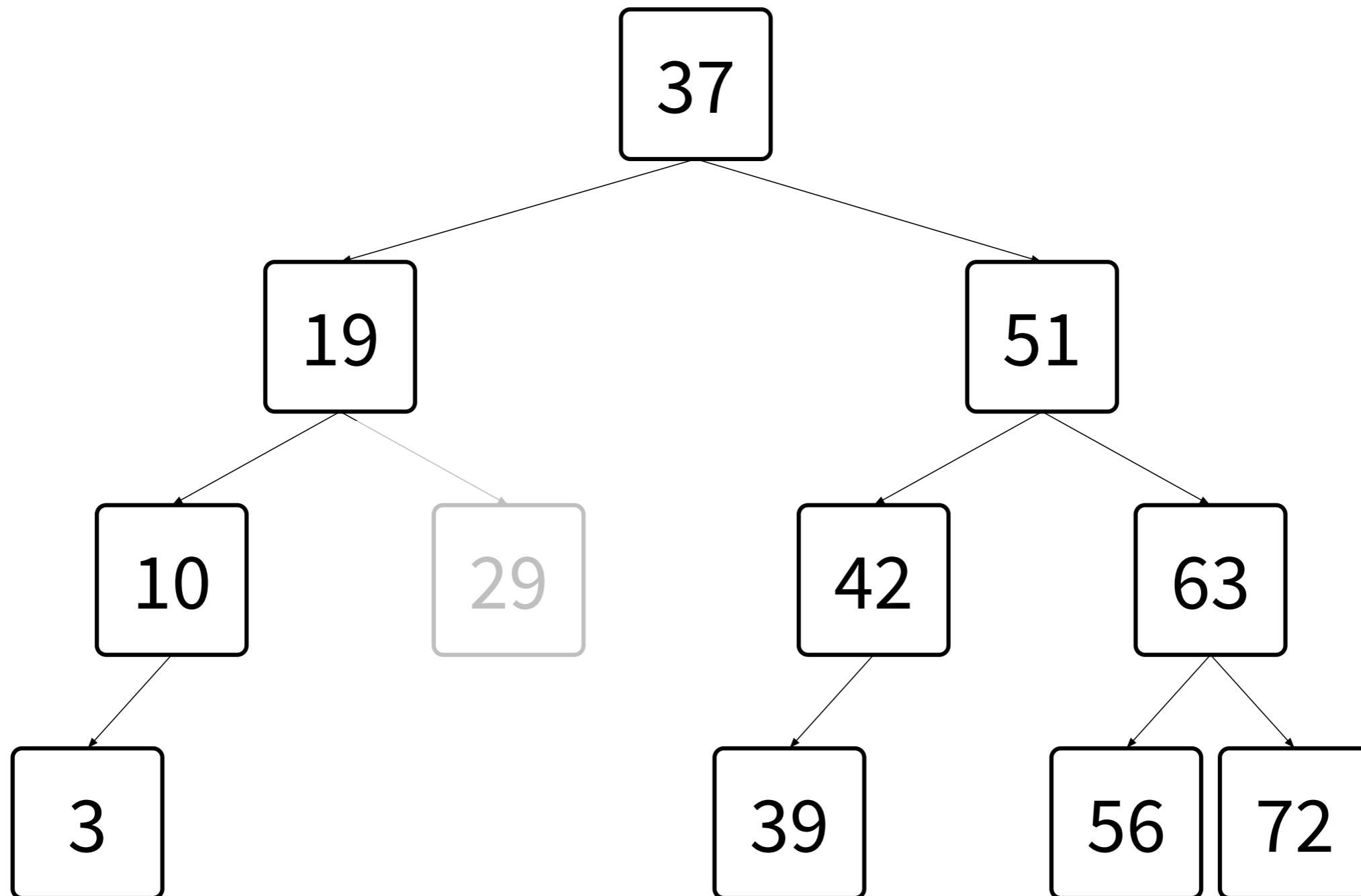
BUT: it's not always easy to implement this idea.

BST algorithm: delete



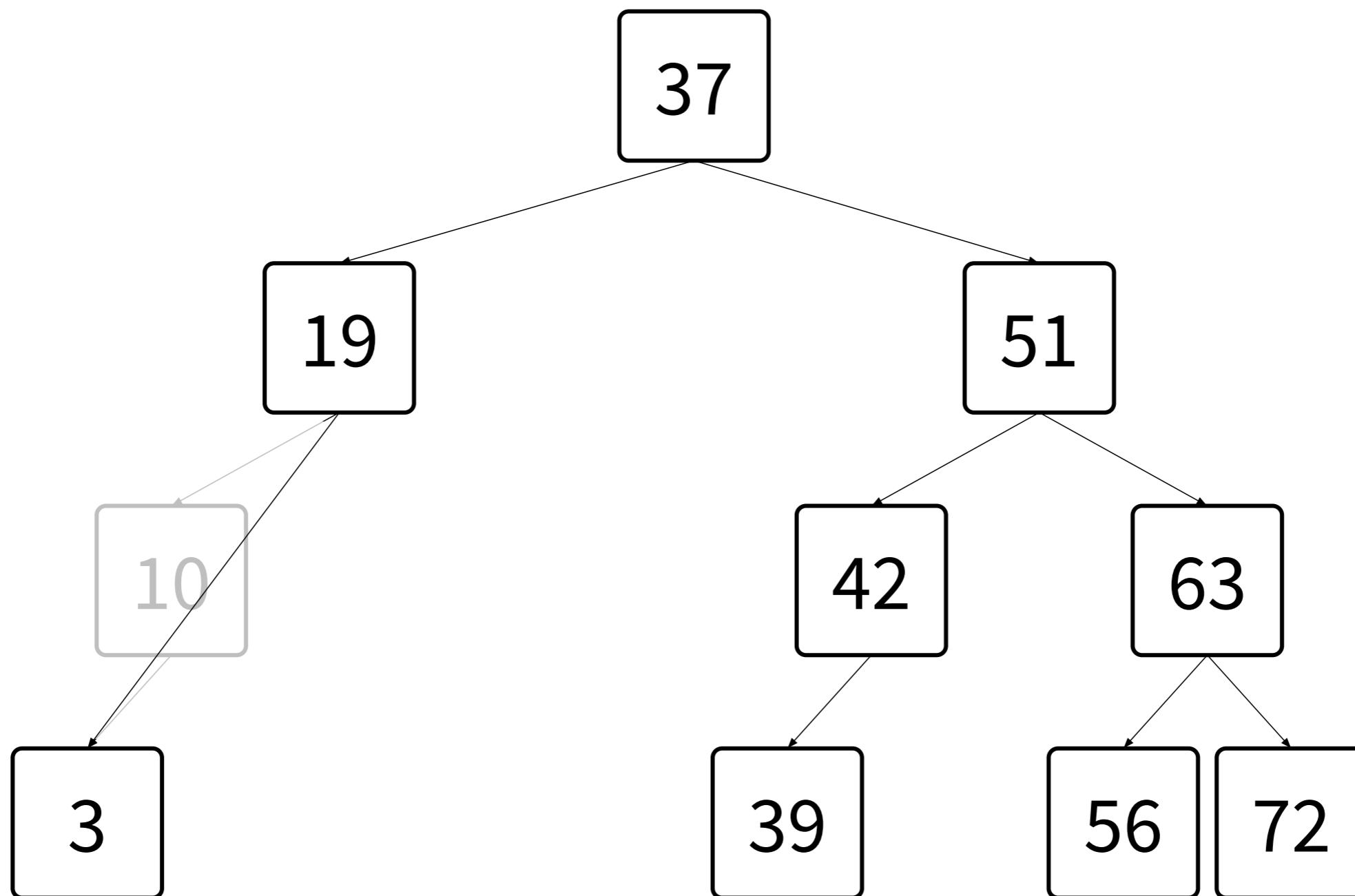
BST algorithm: delete

Zero children



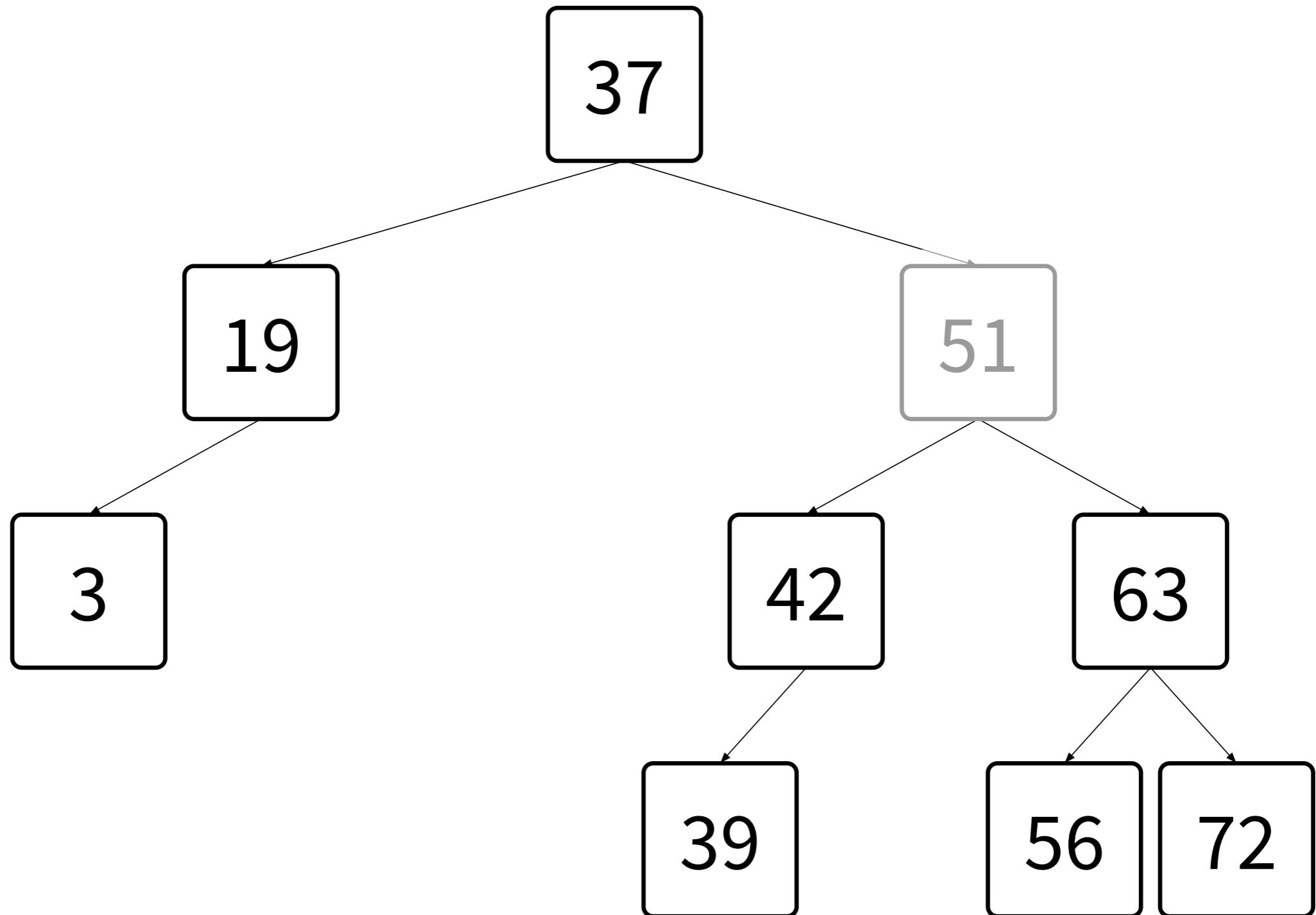
BST algorithm: delete

One child



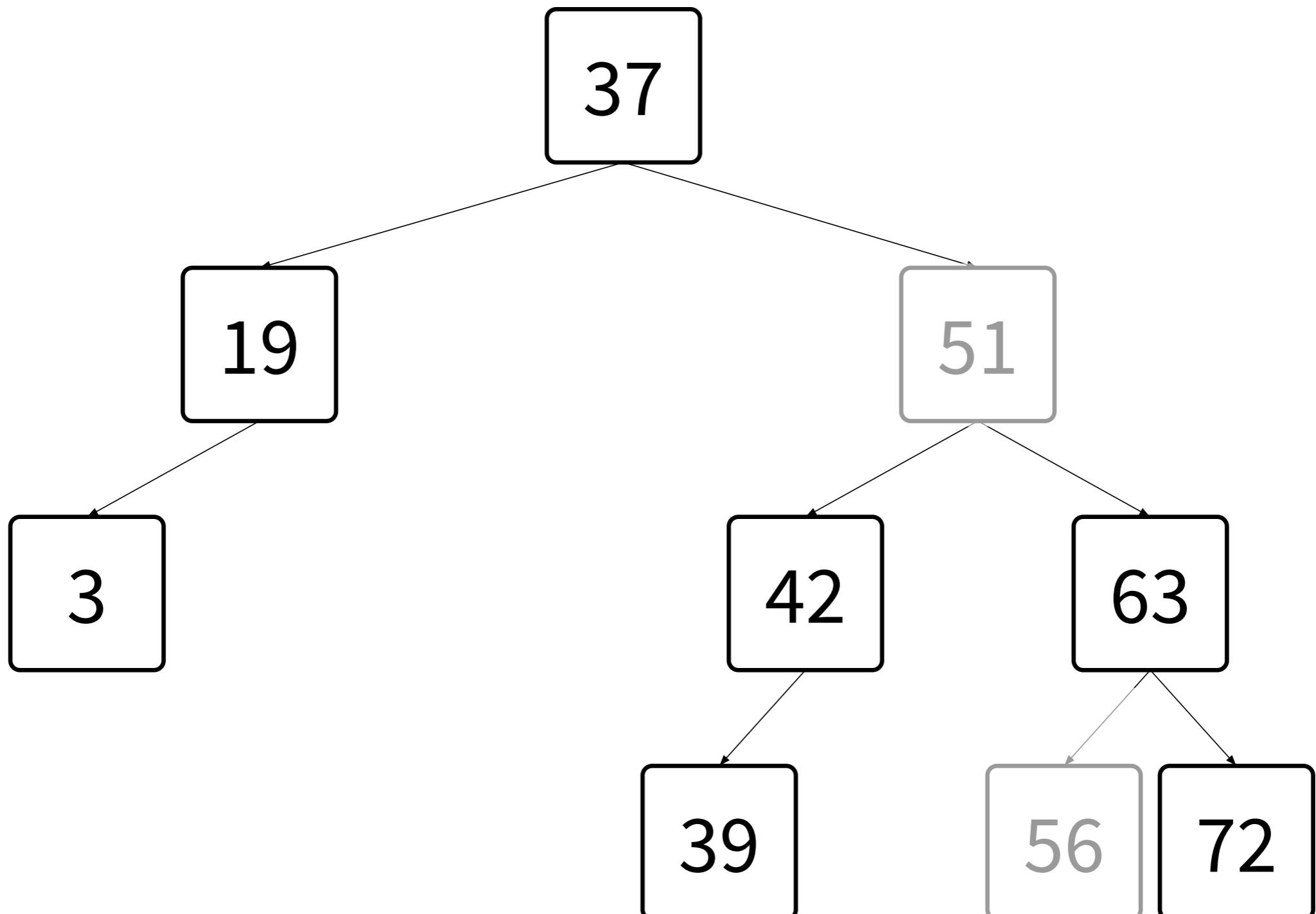
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Two children



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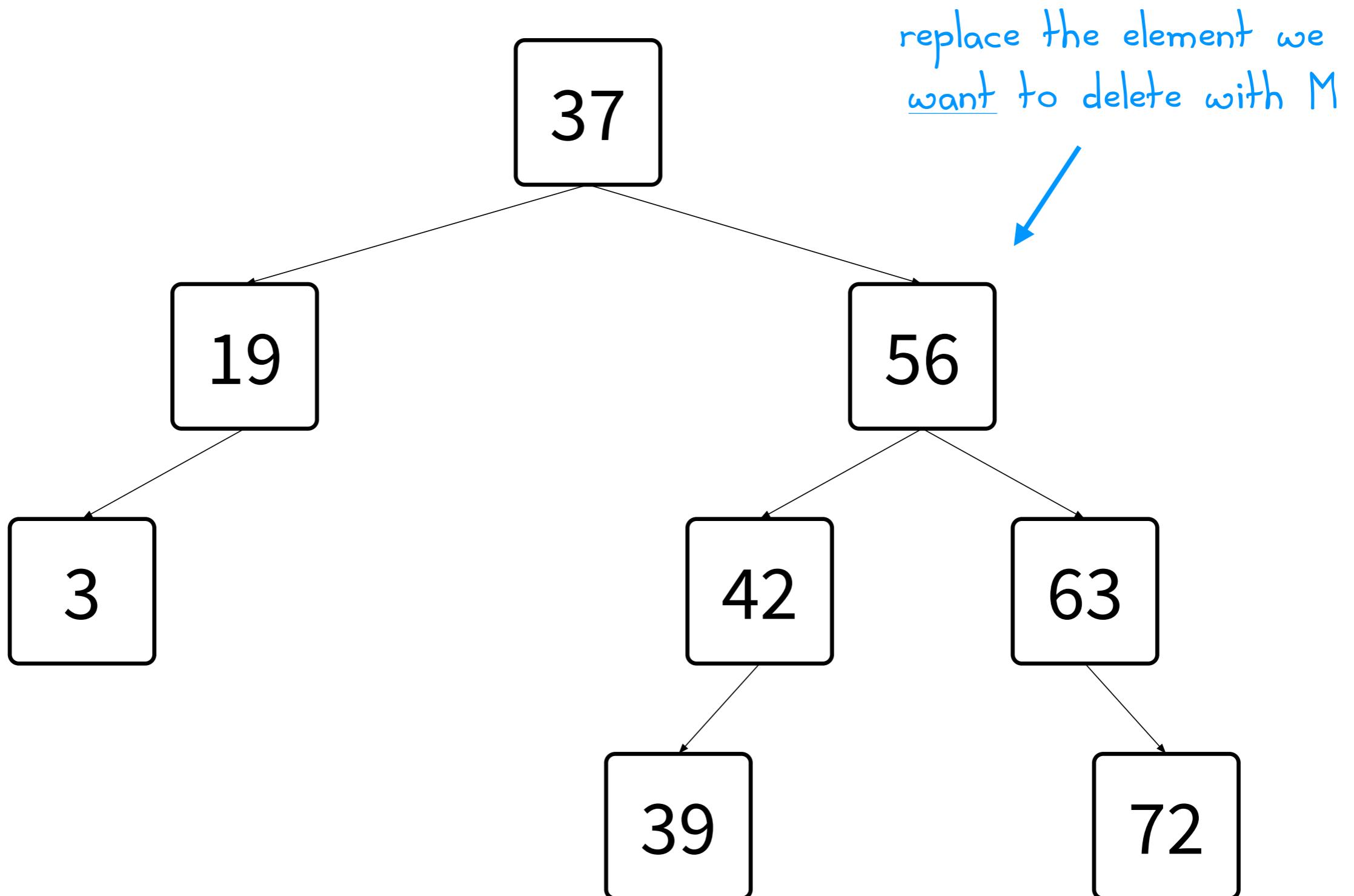
Two children



↑
find the minimum M of the
right subtree & delete it

BST algorithm: delete

Two children



BST algorithm: delete

Given a BST *values* and a number *i*:

`delete(i, values):`

If the tree is empty, do nothing.

Otherwise, let *key* be the value at the root of the tree.

If $i < \text{key}$, call delete on the left subtree.

If $i > \text{key}$, call delete on the right subtree.

If $i = \text{key}$:

If the root has 1 child, that child is the new root.

If the root has 2 children:

1. Let *m* be the smallest value in the right subtree.
2. Delete *m* from the right subtree.
3. Make *m* the new root value.



BSTs in Racket

Designing and implementing a new data structure

Interface and implementation

- **Interface**

Describes: **what** this data structure can do

- **Implementation: encoding**

Describes: **how** the structure is stored, using existing data structures

- **Implementation: operations**

Defines: **how** the structure provides its interface via algorithms over the encoding

It should be possible to replace the implementation without modifying the interface.

Our BST will be
unbalanced and functional

Our Racket trees: Interface

Inductive data structure, manipulated via constructors, accessors, and operations

Constructors

```
(define (make-BST key left right)...)  
(define (make-empty-BST) ...)  
(define (make-BST-leaf key) ...)
```

Read-only operations

```
(define (emptyTree? tree) ...)  
(define (leaf? tree) ...)  
(define (key tree) ...)  
(define (leftTree tree) ...)  
(define (rightTree tree) ...)
```

Our Racket trees: list encoding

Tree constructors

```
> (make-empty-BST)  
'()
```

```
> (make-BST-leaf 3)  
'(3 () ())
```

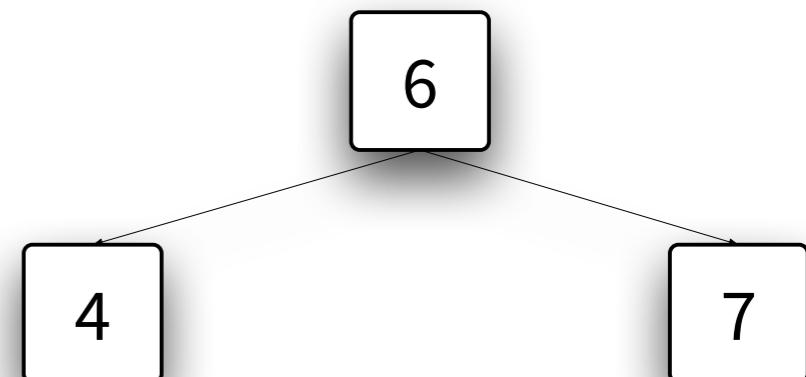
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```
> (make-BST 6  
          (make-empty-BST)  
          (make-BST-leaf 7))  
'(6 () (7 () ()))
```

6

7

```
> (make-BST 6  
          (make-BST-leaf 4)  
          (make-BST-leaf 7))  
'(6 (4 () ()) (7 () ()))
```



Our Racket trees: Implementation

How would you encode a BST as a list?

```
(define (make-empty-BST)
        )
```

```
(define (make-BST key left right)
        )
```

Our Racket trees: list encoding

Tree operations

```
> (key 3 ) → 3
```

```
> (key 6 ) → 6
```

A diagram showing a tree structure. A square node labeled '6' has a horizontal line extending to the right, ending in a small circle. This circle is connected by a vertical line to a square node labeled '7'. Another horizontal line extends from the right side of the '6' node, ending in a small circle.

```
> (key 6 ) → 6
```

A diagram showing a tree structure. A square node labeled '6' has two horizontal lines extending from its left and right sides, each ending in a small circle. These circles are connected by vertical lines to two separate square nodes, one labeled '4' and one labeled '7'.

BSTs in Java

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Our BST will be an unbalanced TreeMap

Interface

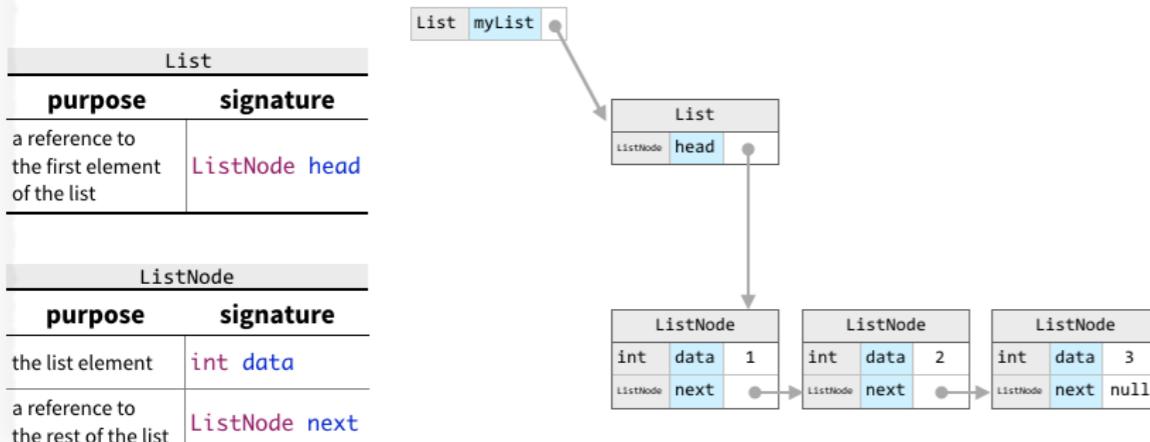
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<code>Set<Map.Entry<K,V>></code>	<code>entrySet()</code> Returns a <code>Set</code> view of the mappings contained in this map.

Based on Java's map interface
bonus: generic trees!

Encoding

We divide the representation into two classes: List and ListNode



Based on our LinkedList encoding using nodes

Implementation

This week's assignment :)

How can we use our BST?

We want to ask: “What’s X’s favorite number?”
for some person X

The interface is a map: `String → Integer`

```
favoriteNumbers.put("Chris", 30);  
favoriteNumbers.put("Ben", 26);  
favoriteNumbers.get("Chris"); // returns 30
```

We’ll encode the information as a BST of key/value pairs:

key = person’s name

value = person’s favorite number

Let's take this step-by-step

1. Encoding for a BST that stores numbers

Based on our previous encoding for a linked list that stores numbers

2. Encoding for a BST that stores pairs: name + number

So we can ask for someone's favorite number

3. Bonus: Encoding for a BST that stores arbitrary pairs

So we can use this data structure to store lots of things

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So that it behaves (almost) like the built-in map!

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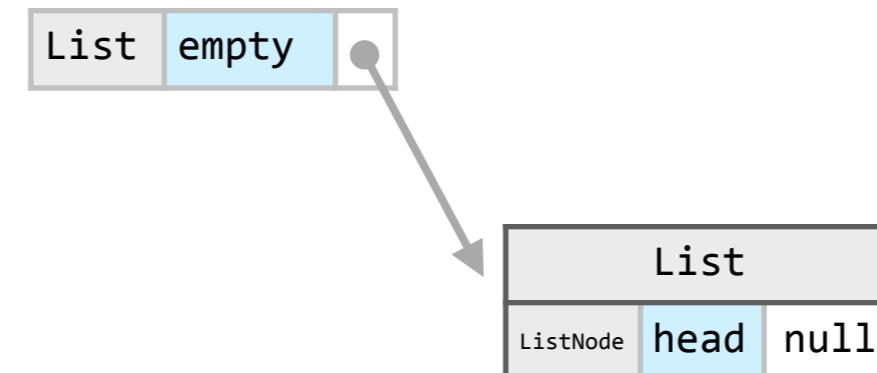
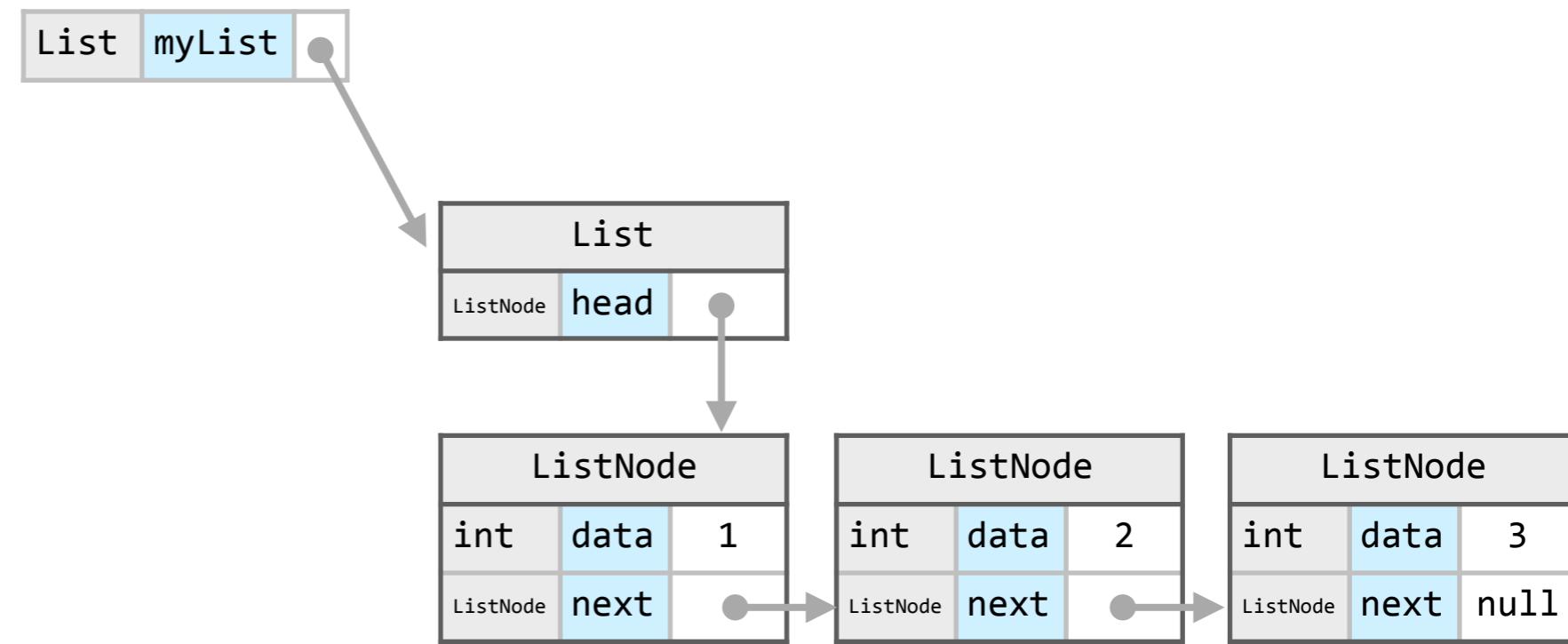
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Recall: a linked list's representation

We divide the representation into two classes: List and ListNode

List	
purpose	signature
a reference to the first element of the list	<code>ListNode head</code>
ListNode	
purpose	signature
the list element	<code>int data</code>
a reference to the rest of the list	<code>ListNode next</code>

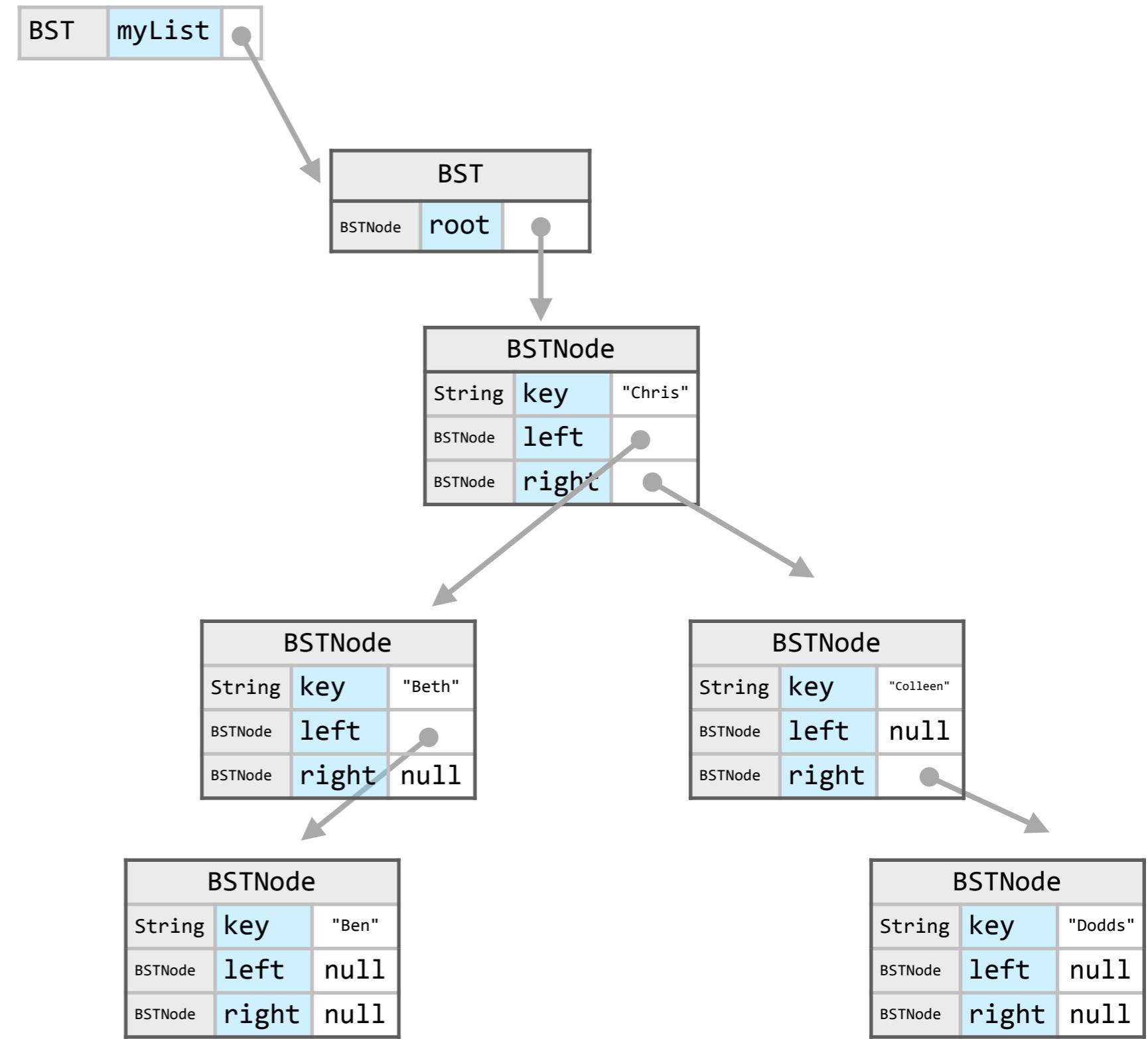
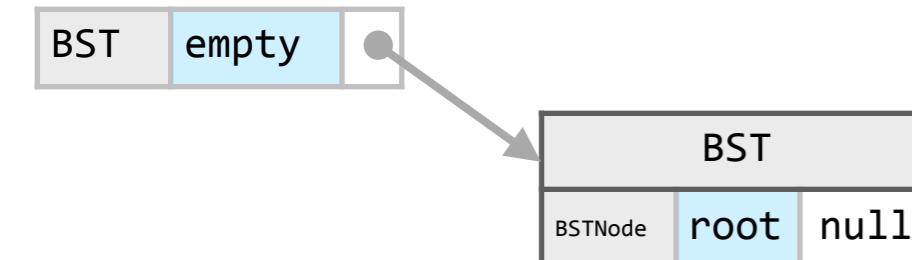


A BST's representation

We divide the representation into two classes: BST and BSTNode

BST	
purpose	signature
a reference to the top of the BST	BSTNode root

BSTNode	
purpose	signature
the node element	String key
a reference to the left subtree	BSTNode left
a reference to the right subtree	BSTNode right



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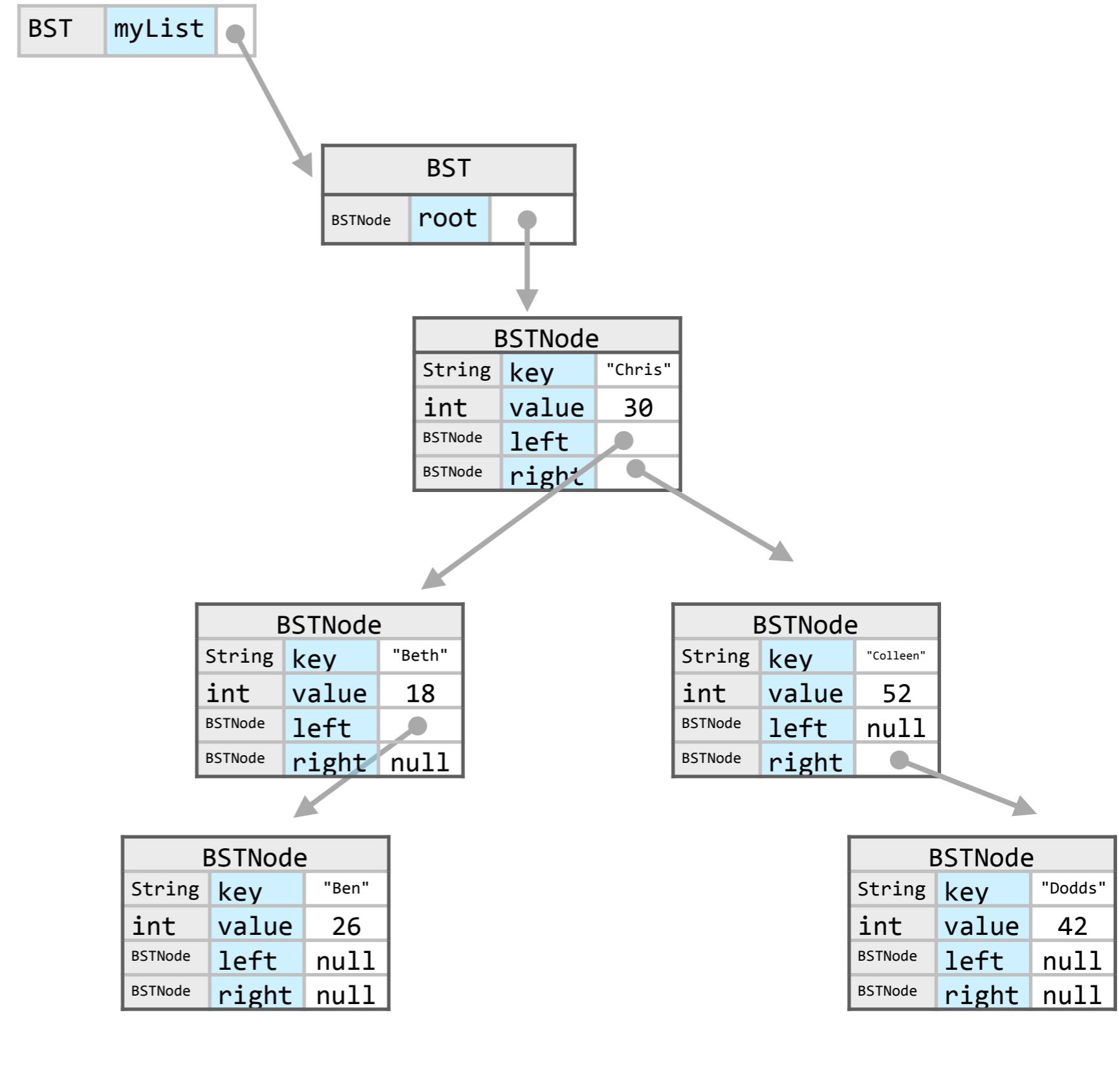
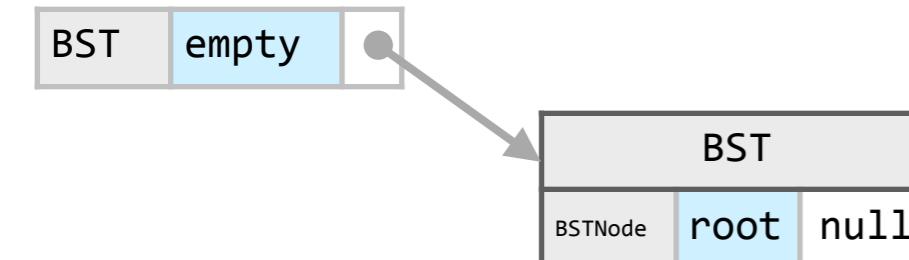
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purpose	signature
used for search	String key
the data to store	int value
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a reference to the right subtree	BSTNode right



Our code so far...

```
public class UnbalancedBSTMap {  
  
    /** a reference to the root of the tree (null if the tree is empty) */  
    BSTNode rootNode;  
  
    private class BSTNode {  
        private String key;  
        private Integer value;  
        private BSTNode leftTree;  
        private BSTNode rightTree;  
  
        private BSTNode(String inputKey, Integer inputValue,  
                        BSTNode inputLeftT, BSTNode inputRightT) {  
            if (inputKey == null || inputValue == null) {  
                throw new IllegalArgumentException(  
                    "Inserted keys and values must be non-null");  
            }  
            this.key = inputKey;  
            this.value = inputValue;  
            this.leftTree = inputLeftT;  
            this.rightTree = inputRightT;  
        }  
    }  
}
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An inflexible BSTNode

We can only map Strings to Integers

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        }  
    }  
}
```

A flexible BSTNode

Now we can store lots of kinds of things!

type parameters
aka "generics"

```
public class UnbalancedBSTMap<KeyType, ValueType> {  
  
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            this.rightTree = inputRightT;  
        }  
    }  
}  
UnbalancedBSTMap<Integer, String> numbers =  
    new UnbalancedBSTMap<Integer, String>();
```

A flexible BSTNode

But we can't compare keys :(

```
public class UnbalancedBSTMap<KeyType, ValueType> {  
  
    /** a reference to the root of the tree (null if the tree is empty) **/  
    BSTNode rootNode;  
  
    private class BSTNode {  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

`find(i, values):`

If the tree is empty, return false.

Let `key` be the value at the root of the tree.

If `key` is `i`, return true.

If `i < key`, call `find` on the left subtree.

If `i > key`, call `find` on the right subtree.

```
String s1 = "Ben";  
String s2 = "Chris";  
System.out.println(s1 < s2);
```

The operator < is undefined for the argument type(s) java.lang.String, java.lang.String

Java's Comparable interface to the rescue!

We use the `compareTo` method to determine <, ==, or >

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A flexible BSTNode

Now we can store lots of kinds of **comparable** things!

```
public class UnbalancedBSTMap<KeyType extends Comparable<KeyType>, ValueType> {  
    /** a reference to the root of the tree (null if the tree is empty) */  
    BSTNode rootNode;  
  
    private class BSTNode {  
        ...  
    }  
  
    private boolean inOrderKeys(KeyType key1, KeyType key2) {  
        return key1.compareTo(key2) < 0;  
    }  
}
```

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	boolean	equals(Object o) Compares the specified object with this map for equality.
	V	get(Object key) Returns the value to which the specified key is mapped, or <code>null</code> if this map contains no mapping for the key.

Java's Map interface

We want our tree to behave like a map

So our class needs to implement the Map interface

```
public class UnbalancedBSTMap<KeyType extends Comparable<KeyType>, ValueType>
    implements Map<KeyType, ValueType> {

    /** a reference to the root of the tree (null if the tree is empty) */
    BSTNode rootNode;

    private class BSTNode {
        ...
    }

    ...

    @Override
    public boolean isEmpty() {
        // TODO Auto-generated method stub
        return false;
    }

    @Override
    public ValueType get(Object key) {
        // TODO Auto-generated method stub
        return null;
    }

    ...
}
```

The next assignment

- Given a partial tree implementation in Racket, write a few more tree operations (including remove!)
- Provide a Big-O analysis of some of your Racket code
- Given a partial tree implementation in Java, write several more tree operations (including remove!)

Start Early.

Read everything.

Ask questions.