

# CS 2

## Introduction to Programming Methods

# Trees

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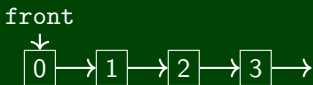
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- 1 `LinkedLists` to `BinaryTrees`
- 2 Why Do We Care About Binary Trees?
- 3 Printing Recursively
- 4 Introducing BSTs
- 5 BST Methods

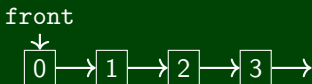
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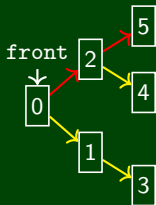
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What if we added more fields?

- Multiple data fields?
- Multiple “next” fields?

## Nodes with Multiple next Fields

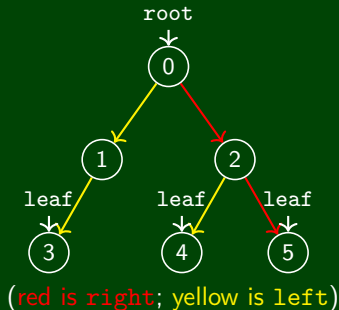
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(yellow is next2; red is next1)

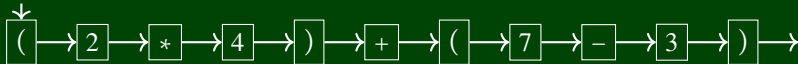
## Binary Trees

```
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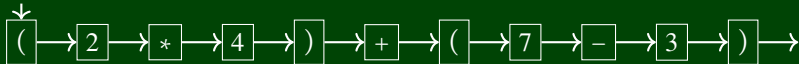


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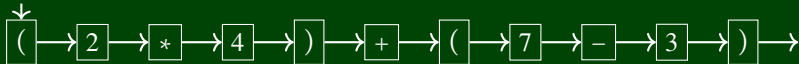


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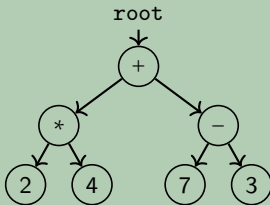
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What about this structure instead?



**Now we can see the order of operations much more clearly!**

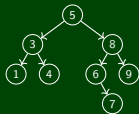
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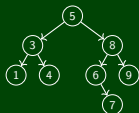
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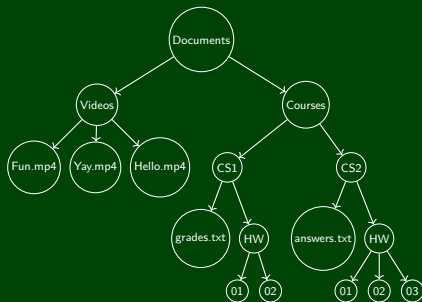
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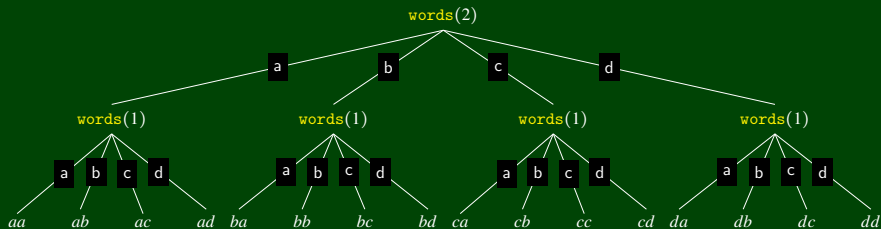
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- Directory File Structure



- Recursive Trees (including things like games of Tic-Tac-Toe)



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**How do we go in every direction in a tree?**

**USE RECURSION!**



To print a LinkedList...

- Print the **front** of the list
- Print the **next** of the list (recursively)

## Code

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1 public void print() {  
2     print(this.front);  
3 }  
4  
5 public void print(Node c) {  
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8         print(c.next);  
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```

To print a BinaryTree...

- Print the **root** of the tree
- Print the **left** of the tree (recursively)
- Print the **right** of the tree (recursively)

Code

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Binary Tree methods are just normal recursive functions. The base case/recursive calls will always be similar.

### Writing a Binary Tree Method

- The base case is `current == null`.
- First recursive case is `method(current.left)`
- Second recursive case is `method(current.right)`

```
1 public type method(...) {
2     return method(this.root, ...);
3 }
4 private type method(TreeNode current, ...) {
5     if (current == null) { /* DO BASE CASE */ }
6
7     // Do the left recursive case:
8     type leftResult = method(current.left, ...);
9
10    // Do the right recursive case:
11    type rightResult = method(current.right, ...);
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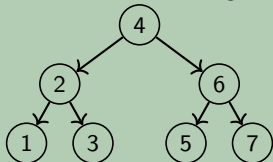
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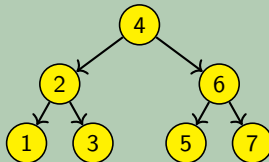
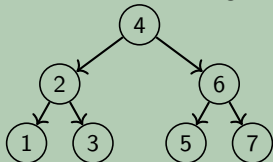


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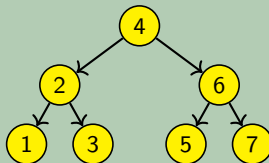
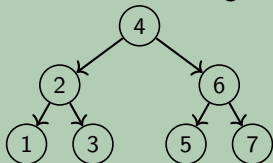


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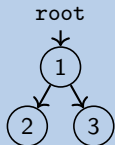
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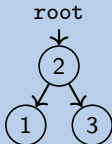
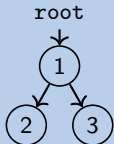
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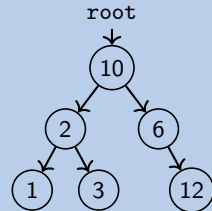
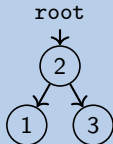
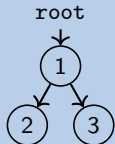
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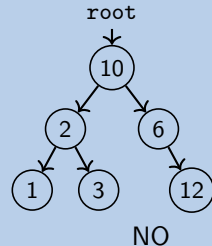
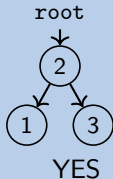
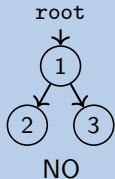
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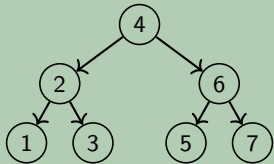
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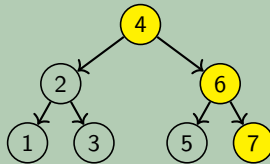
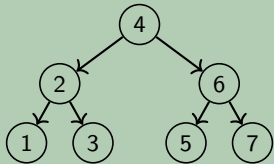
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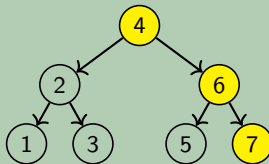
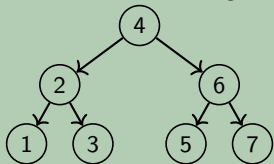
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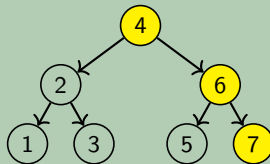
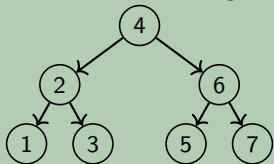


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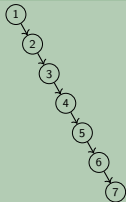
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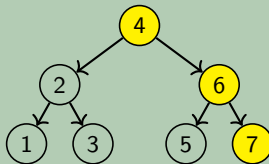
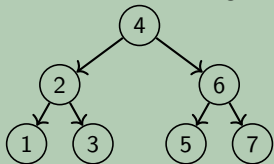
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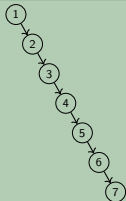
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This is the same tree, but now **we have to visit all the nodes!**

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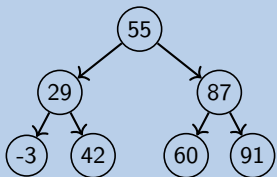
Write a method `add` in the `BST` class with the following signature:

```
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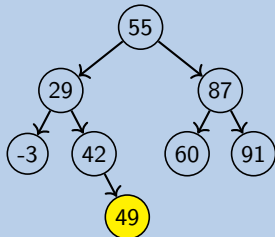
that preserves the BST property.

Example (`tree.add(49)`)

**Before**



**After**



## Attempt #1

```
1 public void add(int value) {  
2     add(this.root, value);  
3 }  
4 private void add(IntTreeNode current, int value) {  
5     if (current == null) {  
6         current = new IntTreeNode(value);  
7     }  
8     else if (current.data > value) {  
9         add(current.left, value);  
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What's wrong with this solution?

Just like with `LinkedLists` where we must change `front` or `.next`, we're not actually changing anything here. We're discarding the result.

Consider the following code:

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**We must USE the result; otherwise, it gets discarded**

If you want to write a method that can change the object that a variable refers to, you must do three things:

- 1 Pass in the original state of the object to the method
- 2 Return the new (possibly changed) object from the method
- 3 Re-assign the caller's variable to store the returned result

```
1    p = change(p); // in main
2    public static Point change(Point thePoint) {
3        thePoint = new Point(99, -1);
4        return thePoint;
5    }
```

## Fixed Attempt

```
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This works because we **always update the result**, **always return the result**, and **always update the root**.