

# Balanced Search Tree

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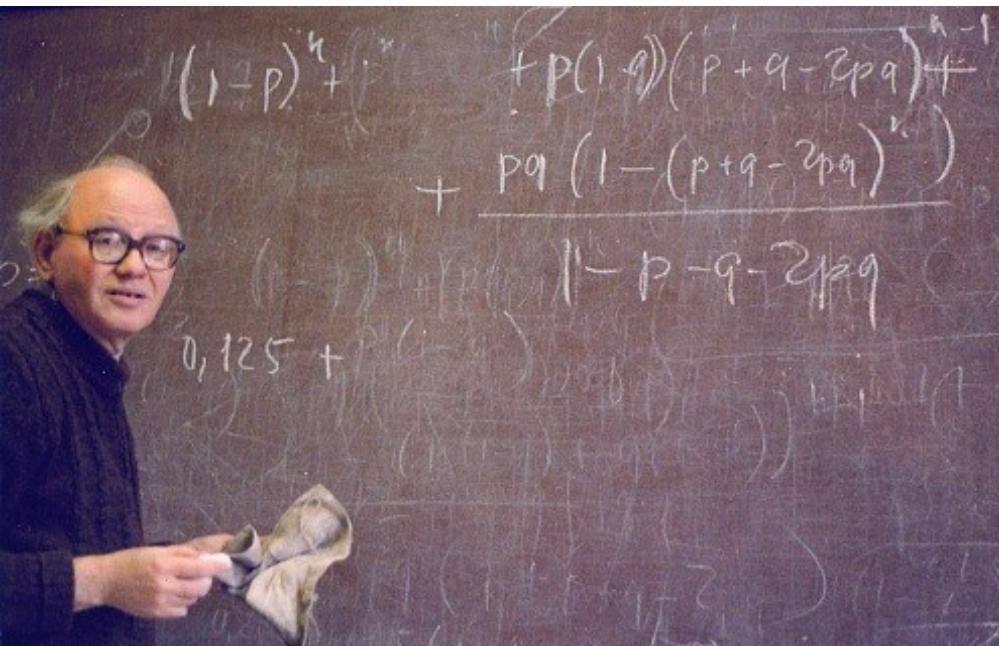
# Introduction

- We have seen that in BST we can search, delet and insert nodes with given key  $k$  in  $O(h)$  where  $h=$ height of the tree
  - A complete binary tree with  $n$  nodes has height  $h=\Theta(\log n)$
- However, insertion and deletion of nodes could unbalance the tree
  - **question:** identify a sequence of  $n$  insertions in a BST (initially empty) such that the resulting BST has height  $\Theta(n)$
- Our aim: keep balanced a BST despite insertions and deletions

# AVL tree

- an AVL tree is a search tree (almost) balanced
  - AVL tree with n nodes supports insert(), delete(), lookup() operations with cost  $O(\log n)$  **in the worst case**
  - Adelson-Velskii, G.; E. M. Landis (1962). "*An algorithm for the organization of information*". Proceedings of the USSR Academy of Sciences 146: 263–266

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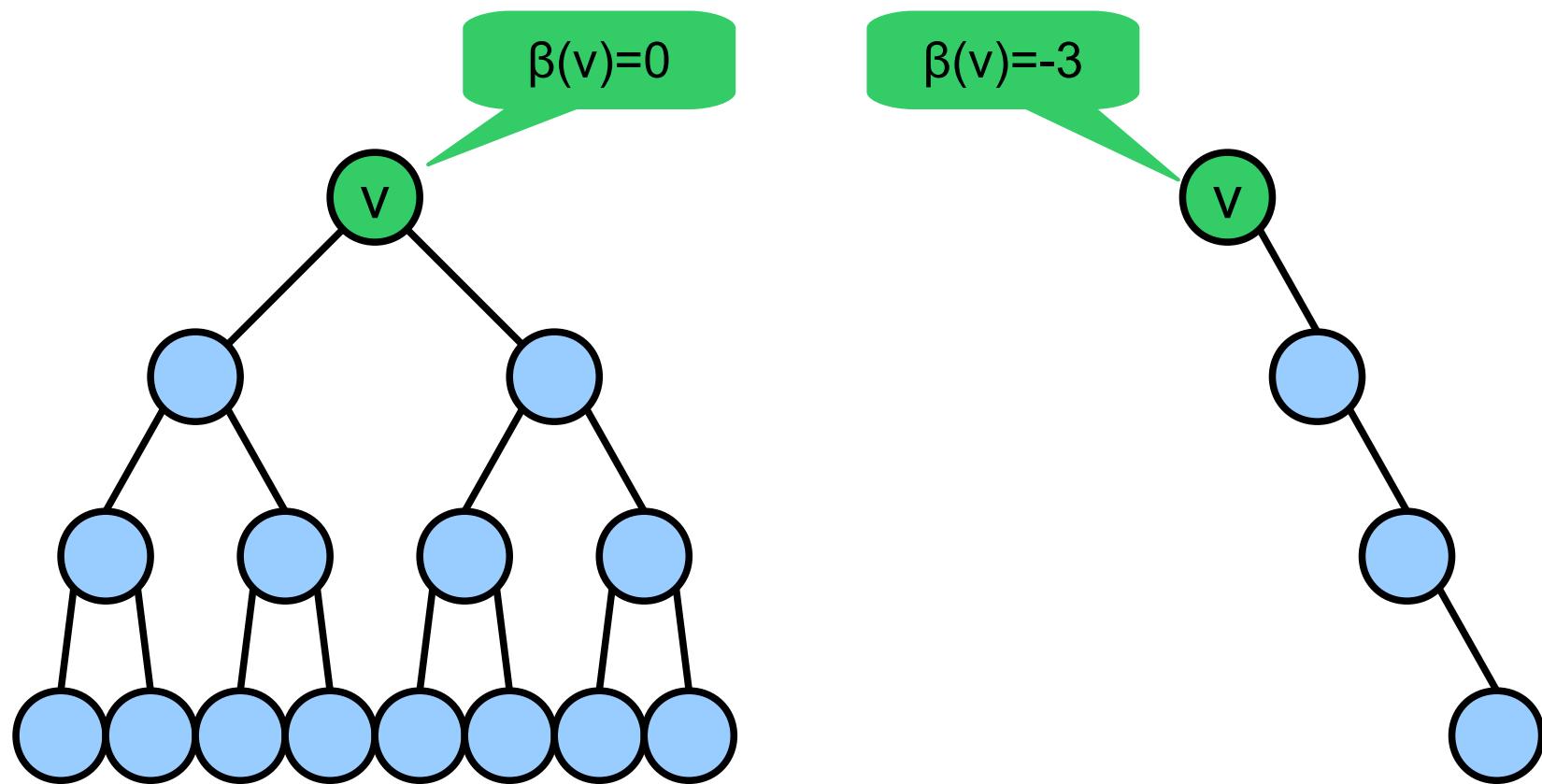
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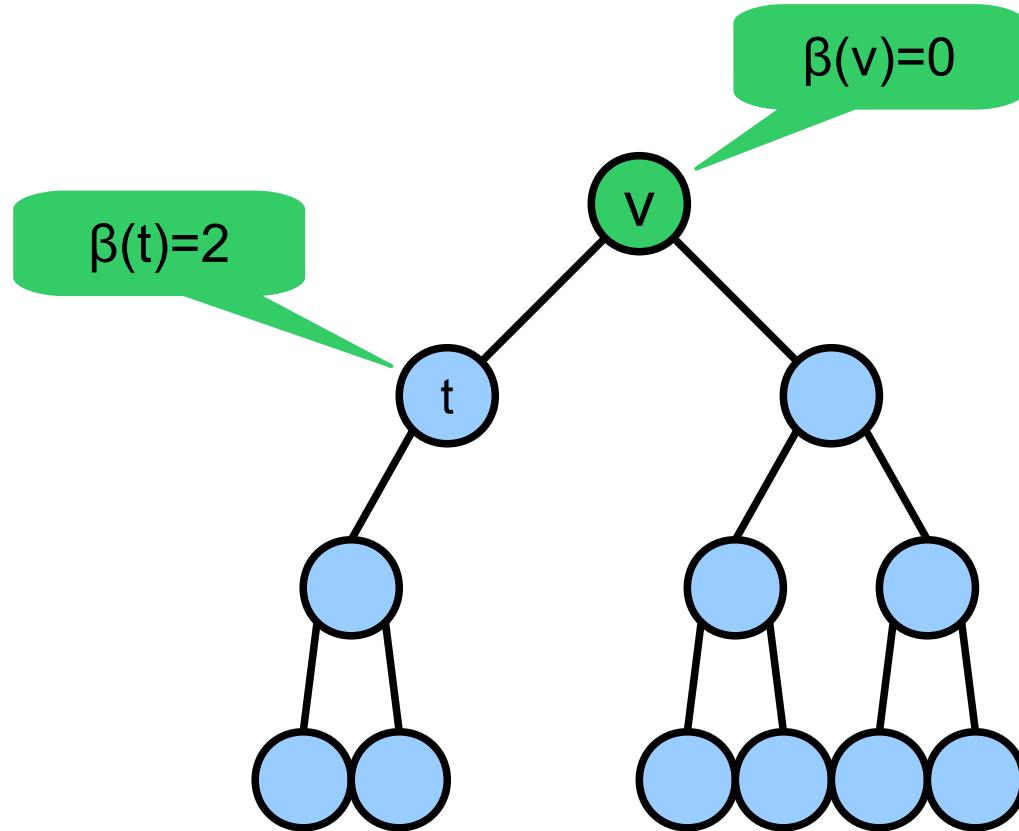
# definitions

- **Balancing factor**
  - The balancing factor  $\beta(v)$  of node  $v$  is the difference of height of left and right subtrees of  $v$  (in order):  
$$\beta(v) = \text{height}(\text{left}(v)) - \text{height}(\text{right}(v))$$
- **Height balancing**
  - A tree is said to be **balanced in height** if the height of subtrees left and right of each node  $v$  is at most 1
  - In other words a tree is balanced in height is for any node  $v$ ,  
$$|\beta(v)| \leq 1$$
- **Definition:** an AVL tree is a BST balanced in height.

# Example

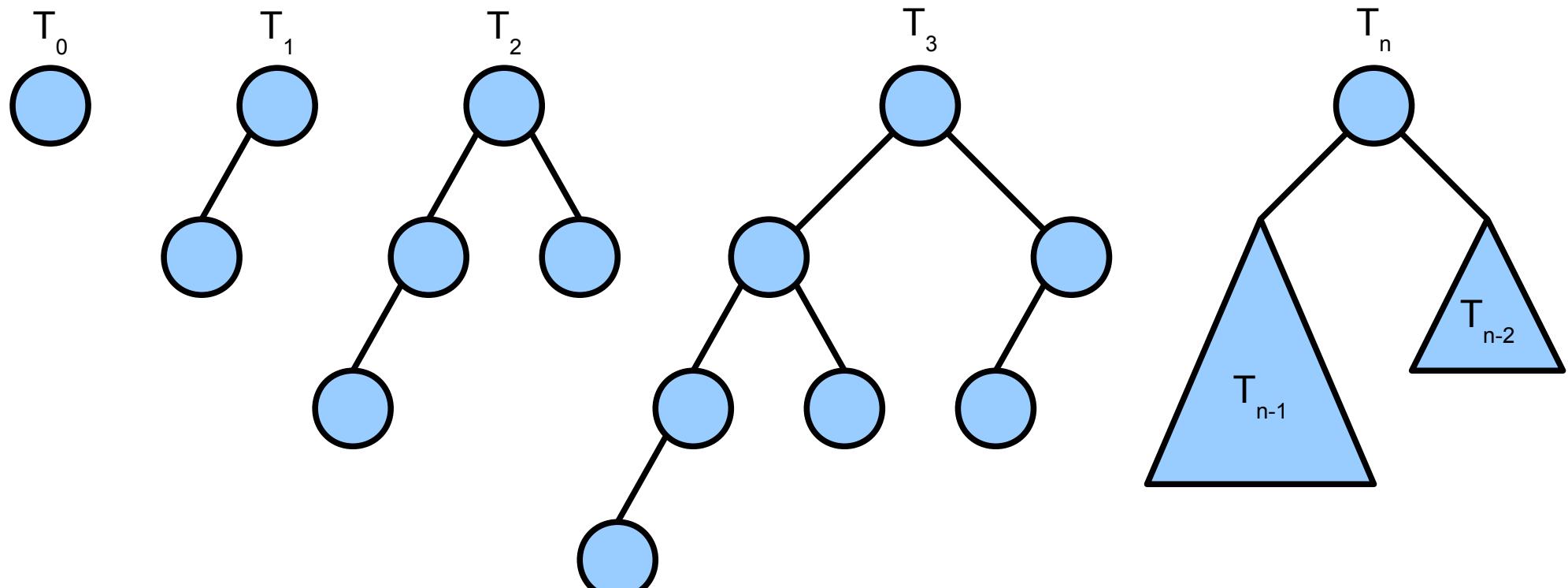


# Example



# Heigth of an AVL tree

- To evaluate the height of AVL trees, we start considering the most “unbalanced” trees we can realize.
- Fibonacci trees



# Heigth of a Fibonacci tree

- Given a Fibonacci tree of heigth  $h$ , let  $n_h$  be the number of nodes.
- We get (by construction) that

$$n_h = n_{h-1} + n_{h-2} + 1$$

- We proof that

$$n_h = F_{h+3} - 1$$

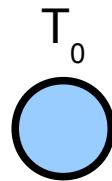
where  $F_n$  is the  $n$ -th Fibonacci number.

# Heigth of a Fibonacci tree

$$n_h = F_{h+3} - 1$$

- Base step:  $h=0$

- $n_0 = 1$



- Inductive step

$$\begin{aligned} n_h &= n_{h-1} + n_{h-2} + 1 \\ &= (F_{h+2} - 1) + (F_{h+1} - 1) + 1 \\ &= F_{h+2} + F_{h+1} - 1 \\ &= F_{h+3} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

# Heigth of a Fibonacci tree

- hence: a Fibonacci tree with height  $h$  has  $F_{h+3} - 1$  nodes
- We note that

$$F_h = \Theta(\phi^h), \phi \approx 1.618$$

hence

$$n_h = F_{h+3} - 1 = \Theta(\phi^h)$$

and we conclude that

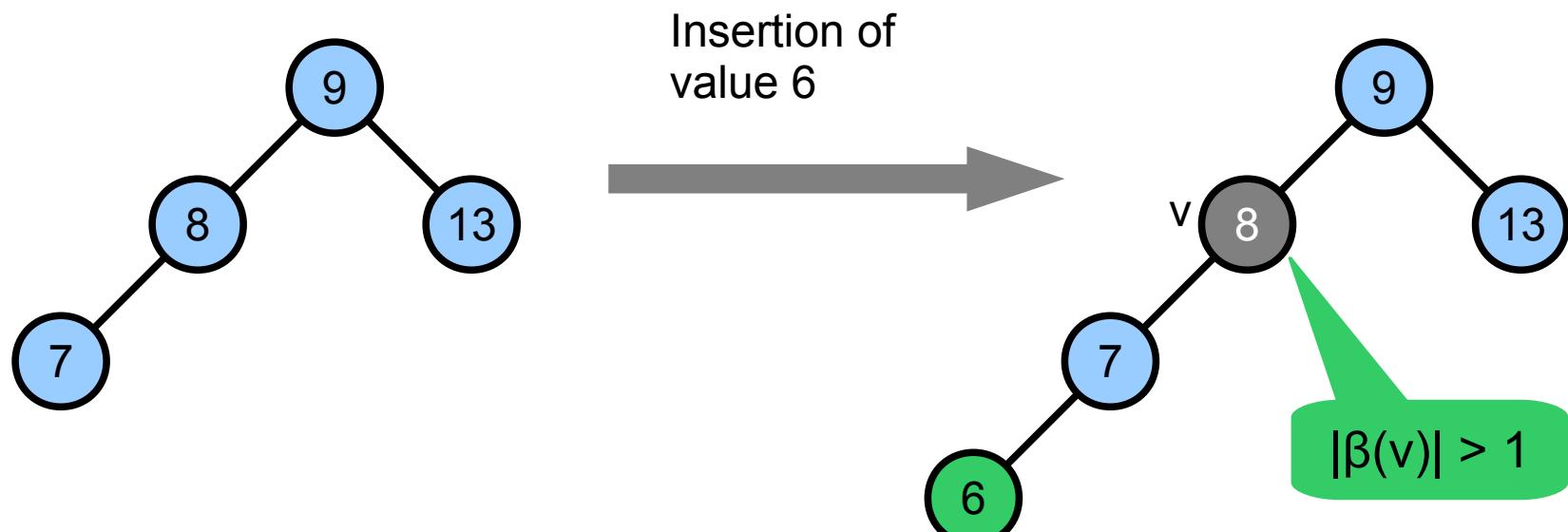
$$h = \Theta(\log n_h)$$

# Conclusion

- Given that...
  - A Fibonacci tree with  $n$  nodes is the AVL tree with maximum height (and  $n$  nodes)
  - Height of a Fibonacci tree with  $n$  nodes is proportional to  $(\log n)$
- ...we conclude:
  - The height of a AVL tree with  $n$  nodes is  $O(\log n)$

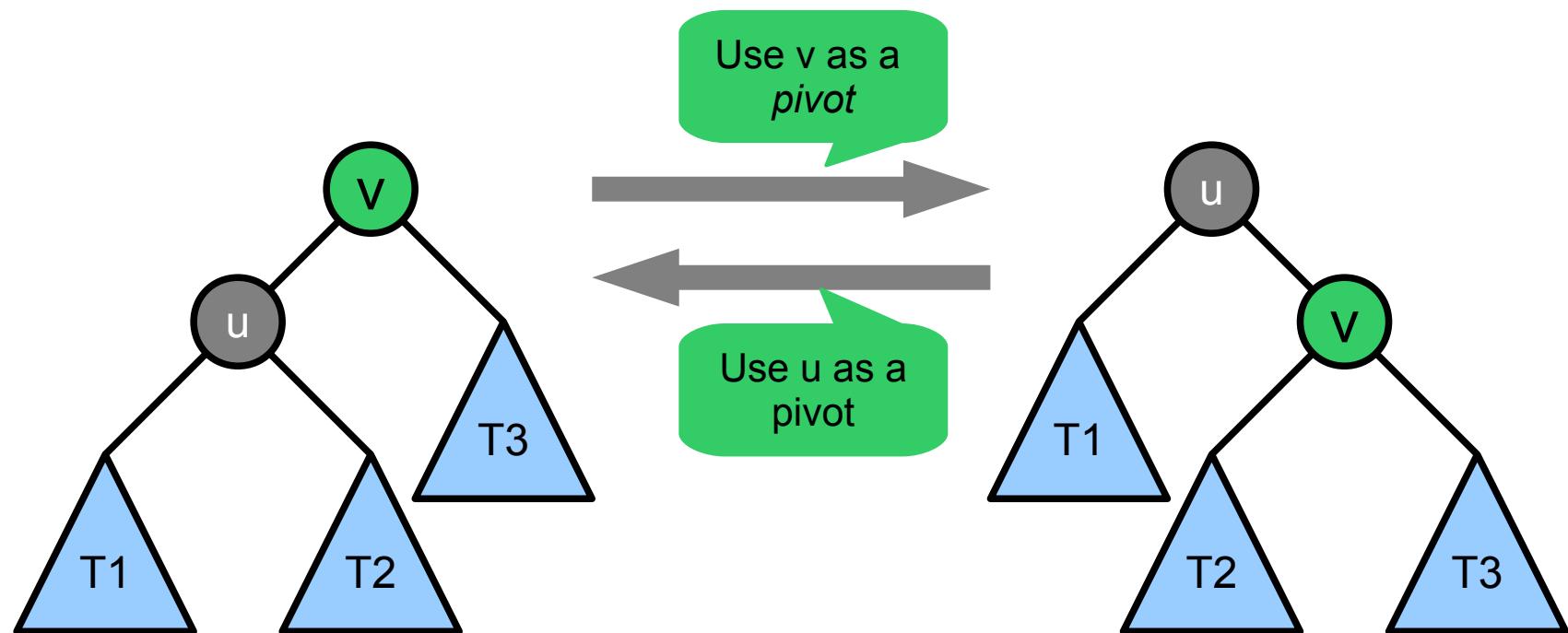
# How to keep the AVL balanced?

- The search() operation in a AVL tree is made as in a generic BST (no modifications)
- Unfortunately, Insert() and delete() require to be modified to maintain the balancing of the AVL tree
- Example



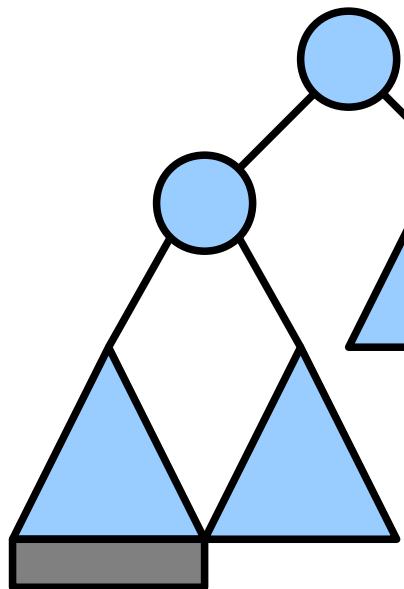
# Rotation operation

- A new fundamental operation to be implemented for balancing the AVL tree is the **simple rotation**
  - **question:** proof that the simple rotation preserves the order relationship of a BST

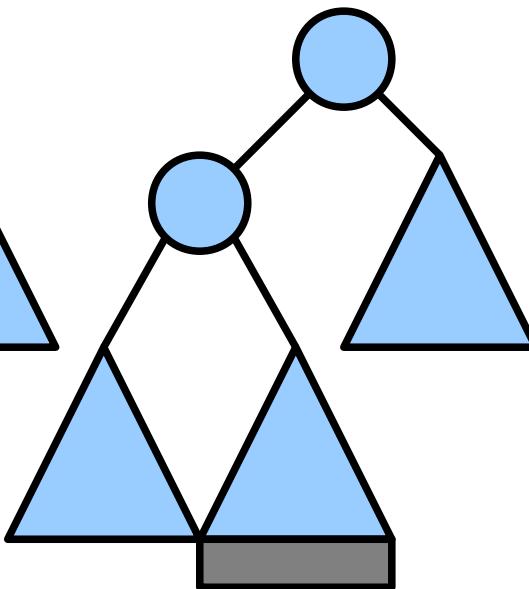


# Rotations

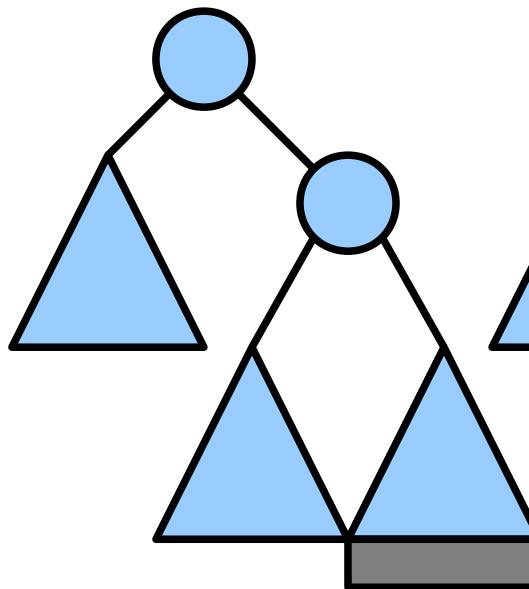
- Let's assume that after a insert() or delete() the AVL tree is unbalanced.
- We have 4 cases (symmetry between 1-2 and 3-4)



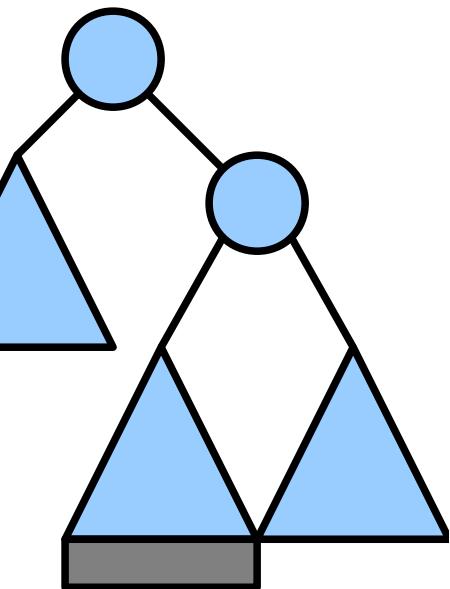
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SD (Sinistro-Destro)



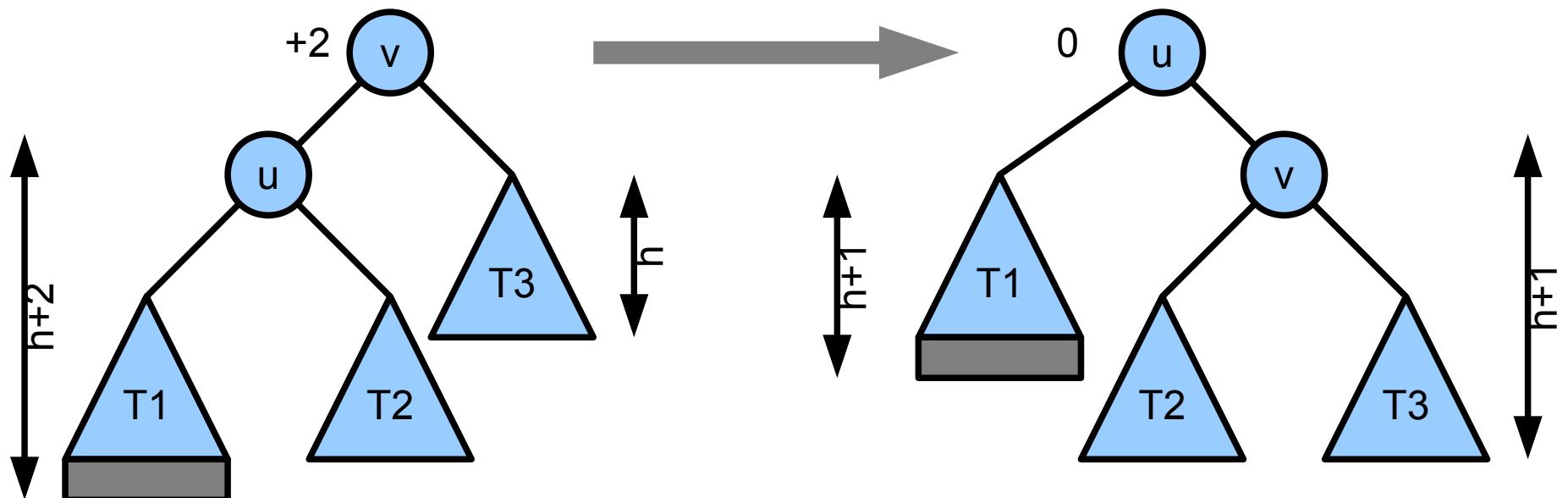
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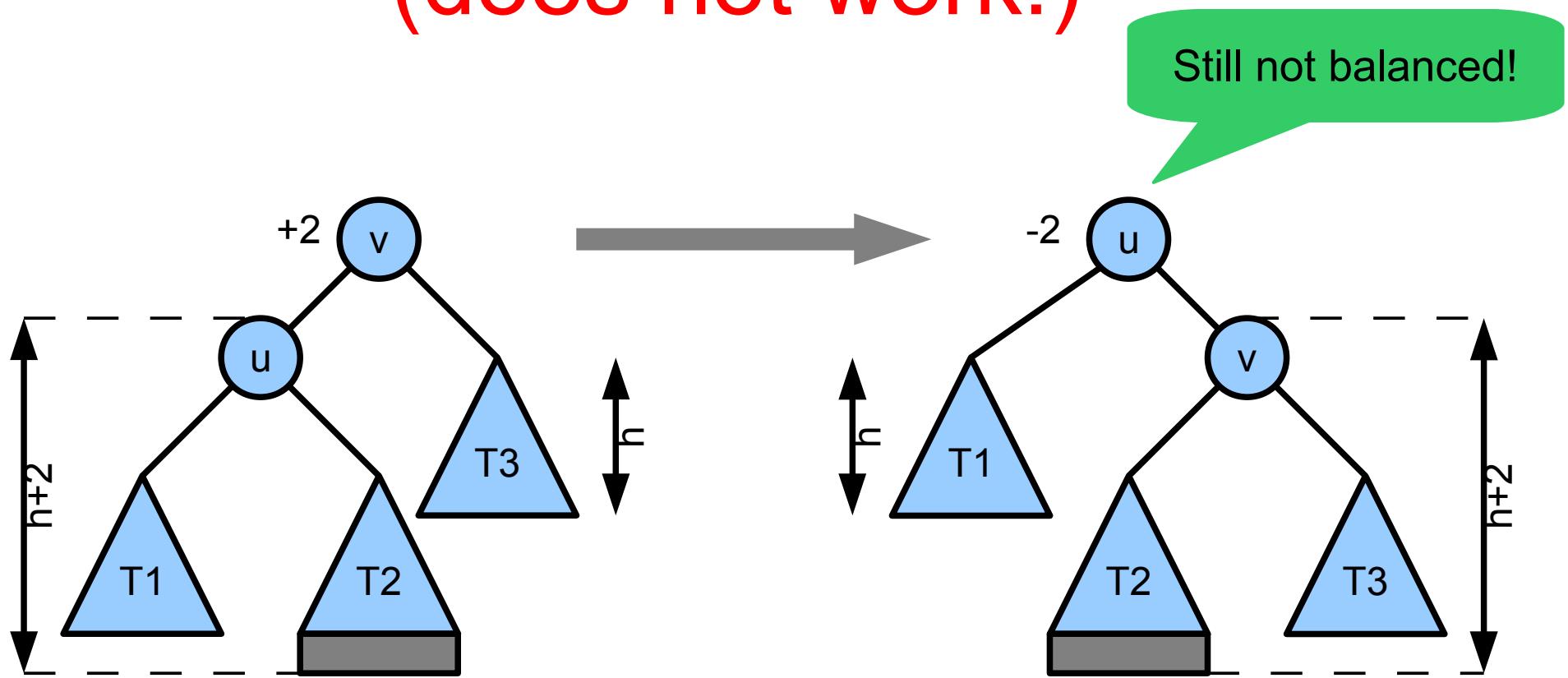
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# Rebalancing: rotation SS

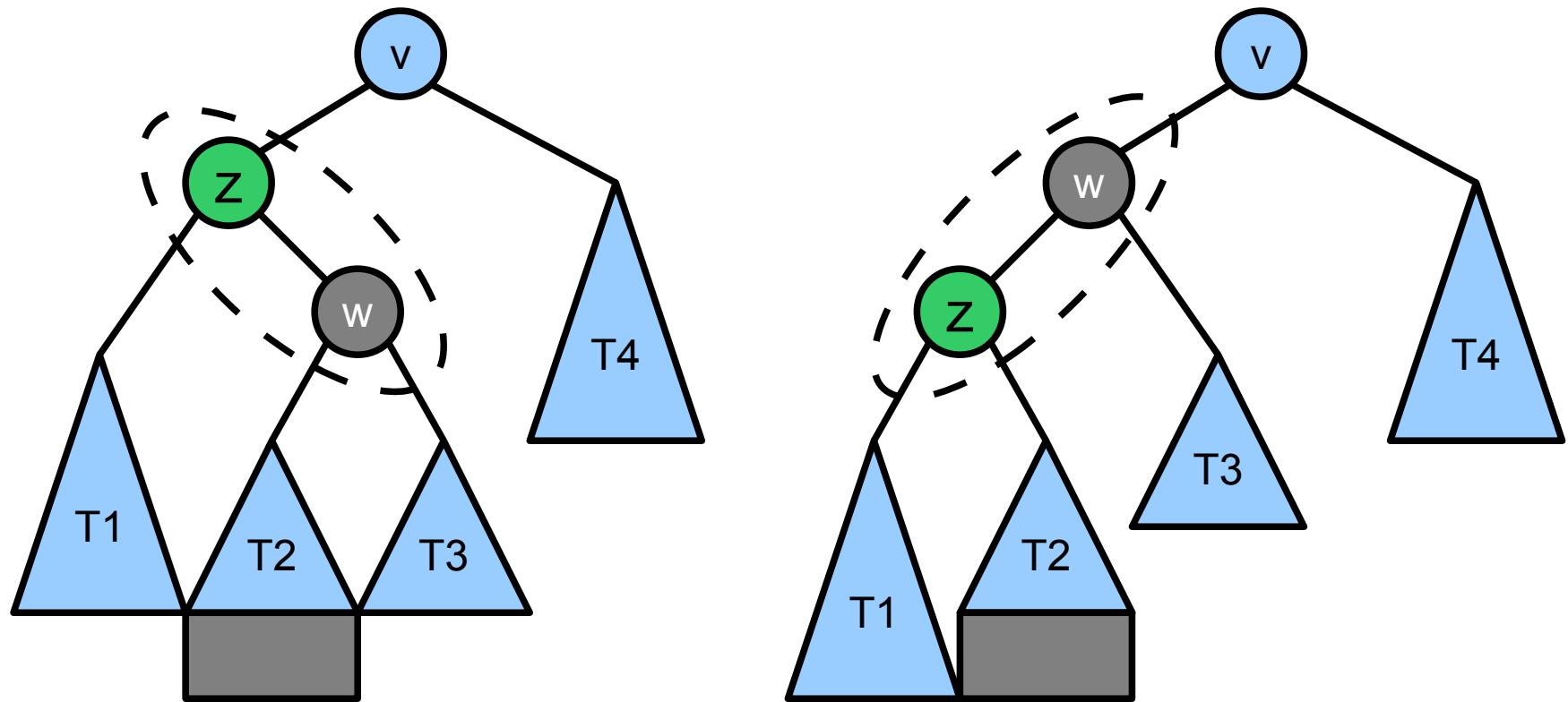
- A clockwise simple rotation of  $u$  on  $v$
- Has cost  $O(1)$



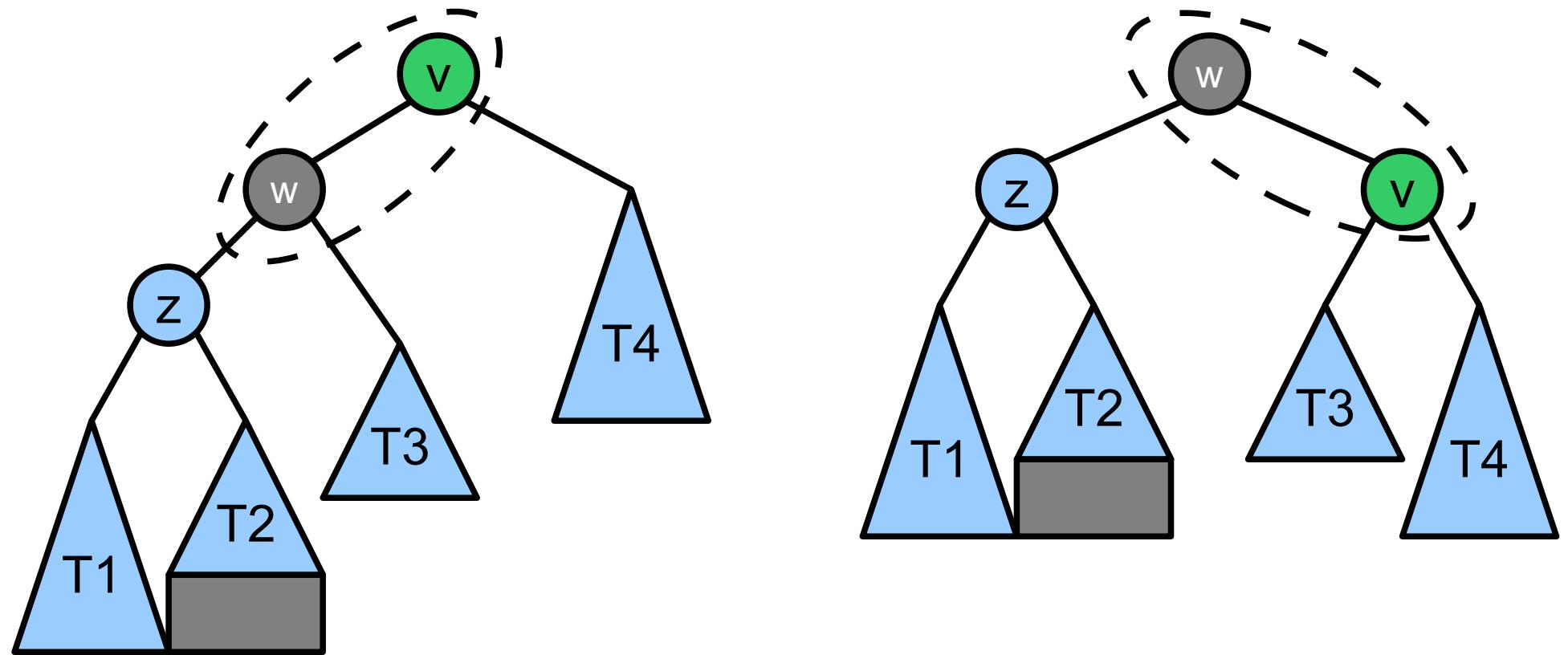
# Rebalancing: rotation SD (does not work!)



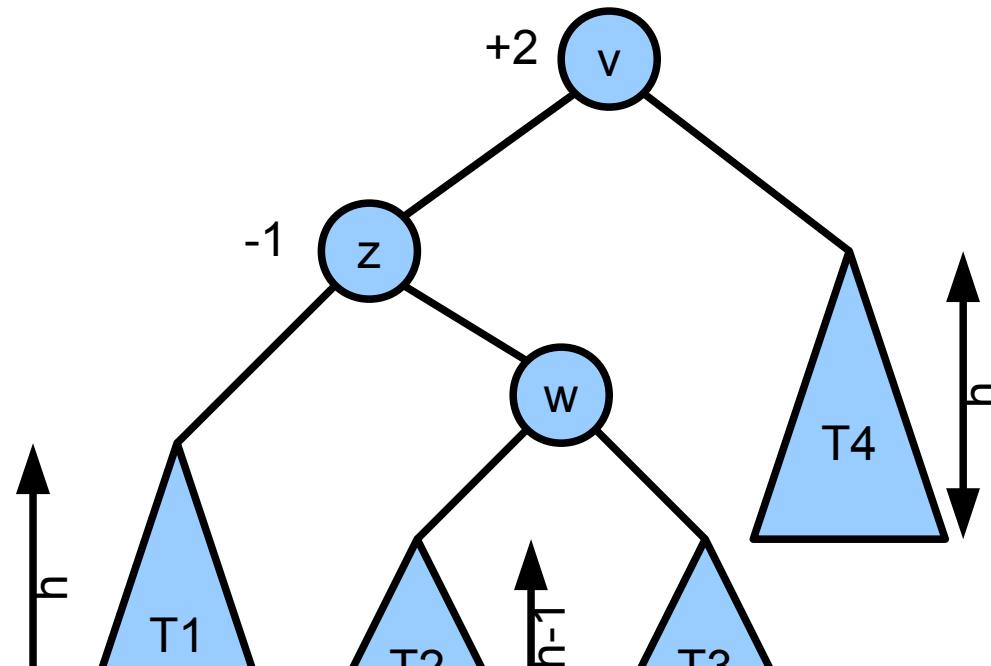
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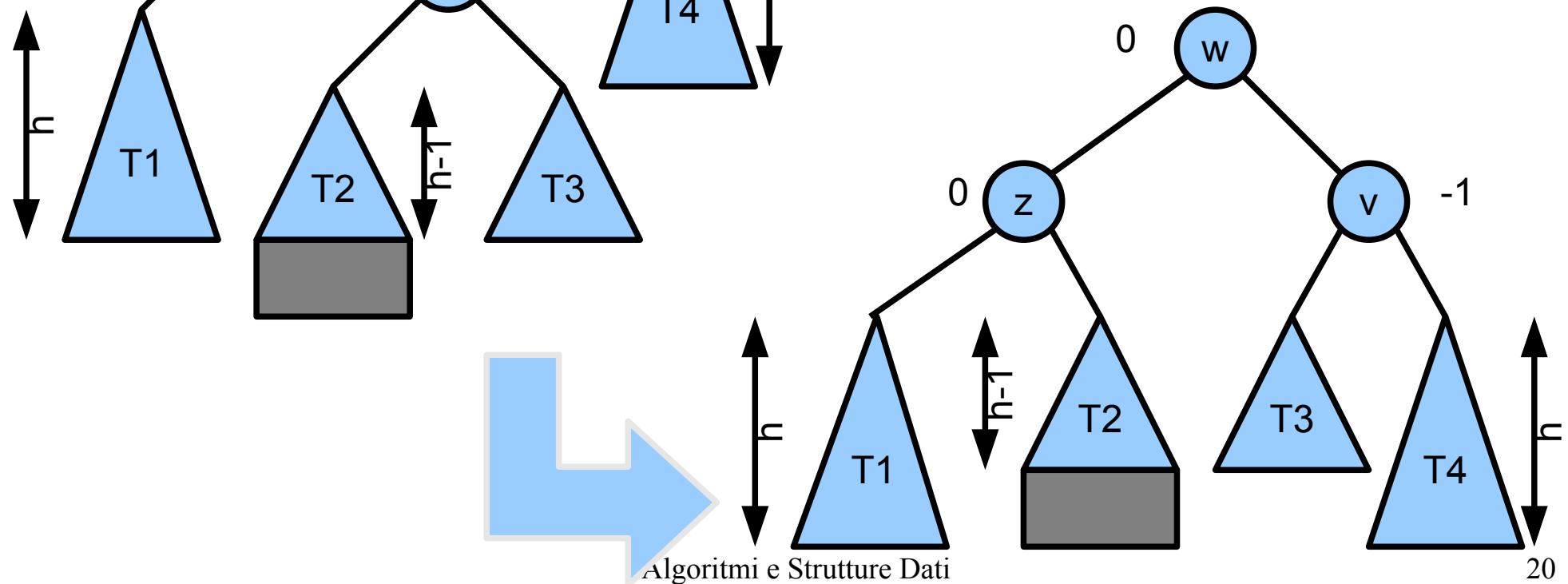
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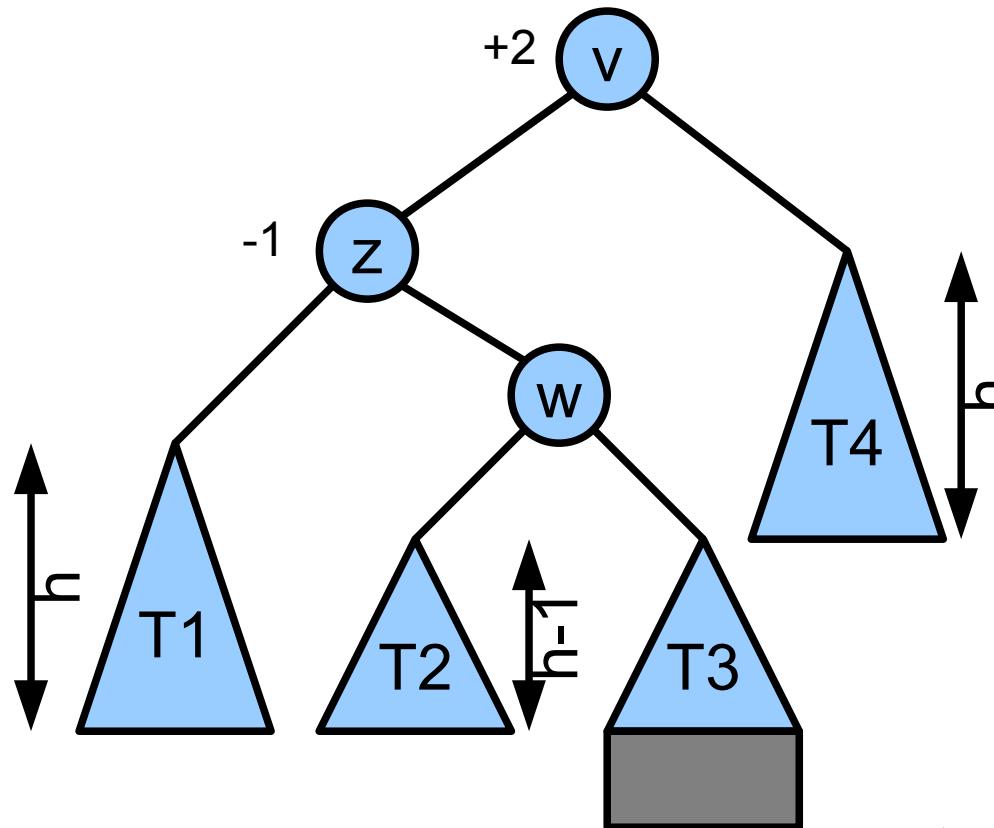
# Rebalancing: rotation SD case 1



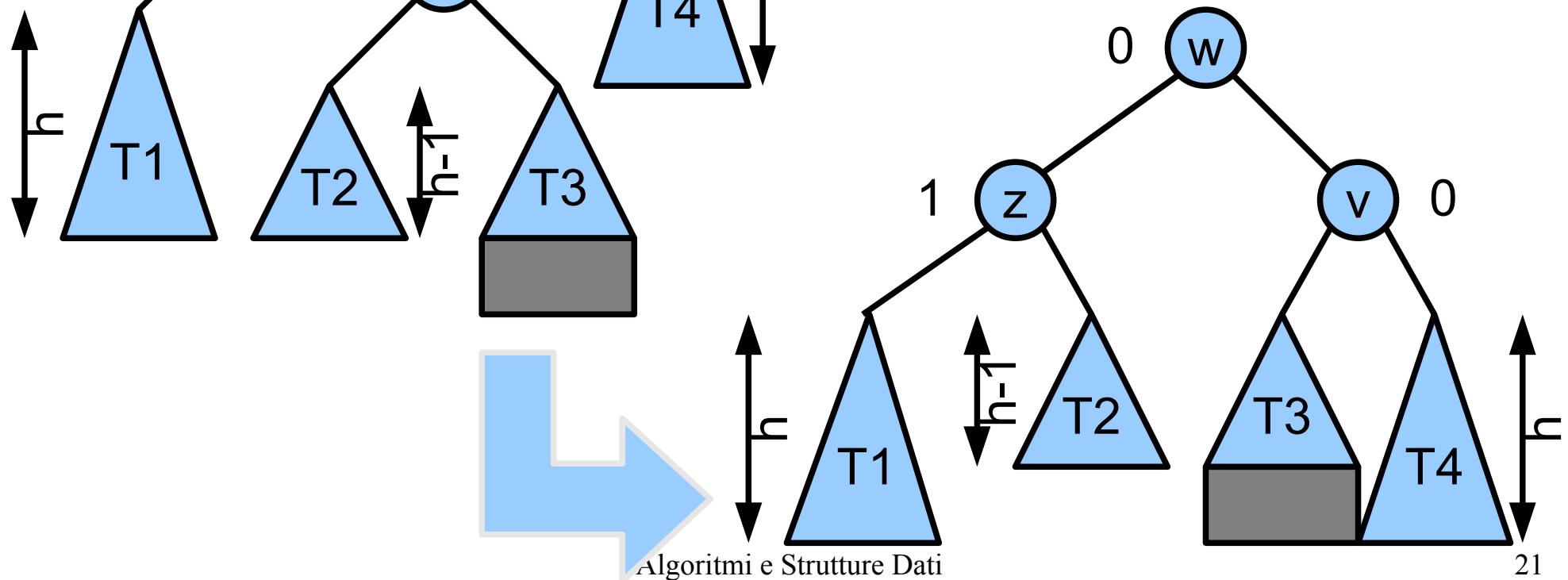
Double rotation: first one to the left on  $z$  as pivot, and second one to the right with  $v$  as pivot



# Rebalancing: rotation SD case 2



Double rotation: first one to the left with  $z$  as pivot and second one to the right with  $v$  as pivot



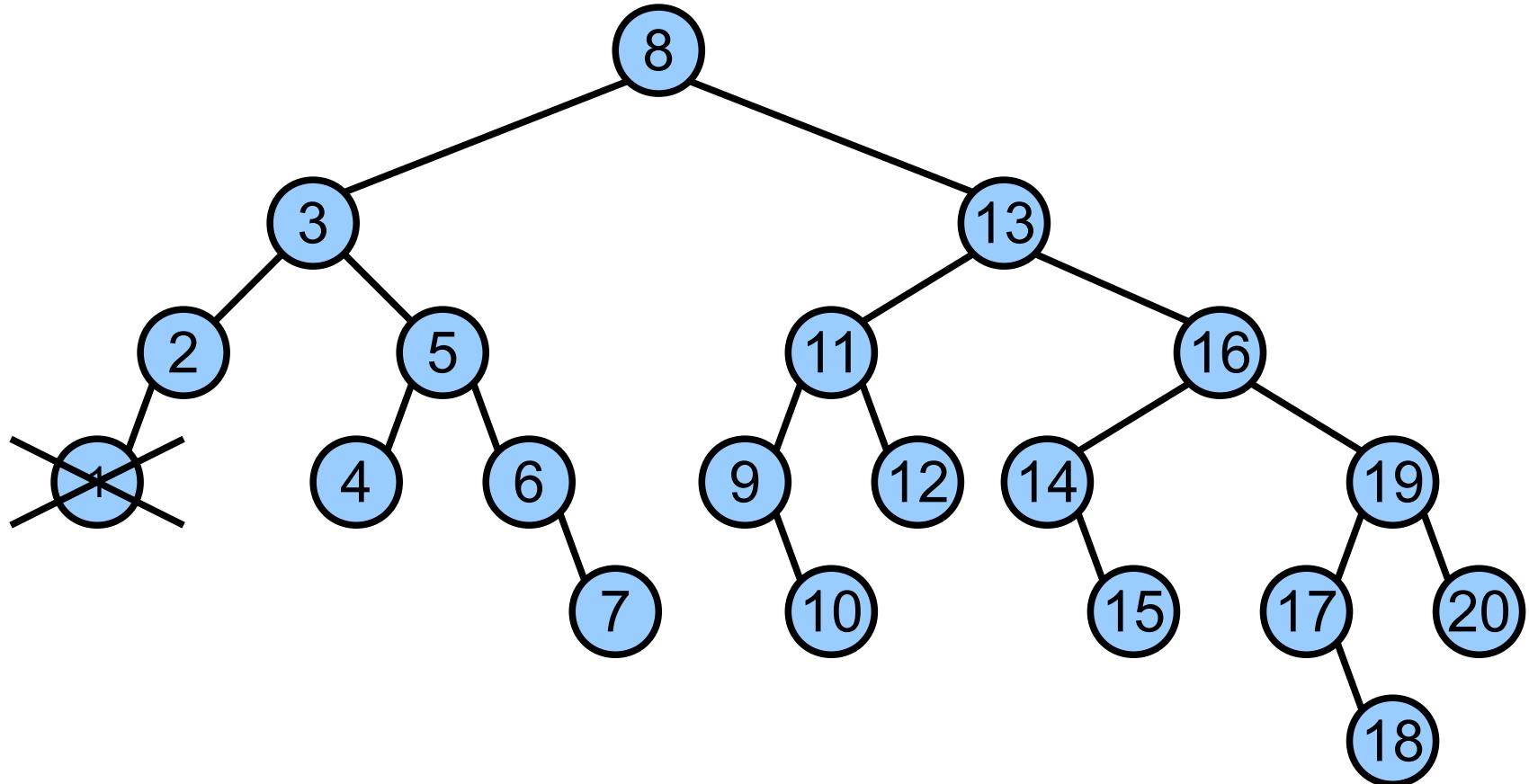
# AVL tree: Insertion

- Insert a new value like in traditional BSTs
- Recalculate all the balancing factors changed:
  - At most, the recalculation is done for nodes on the path from the leaf inserted up to the root, hence cost is  $O(\log n)$
- If at least a node has balancing factor  $\pm 2$  (**critical node**), we need to rebalance the tree by using the rotations
  - Note: in case of insertion, there is only one critical node.
- Overall cost:  $O(\log n)$

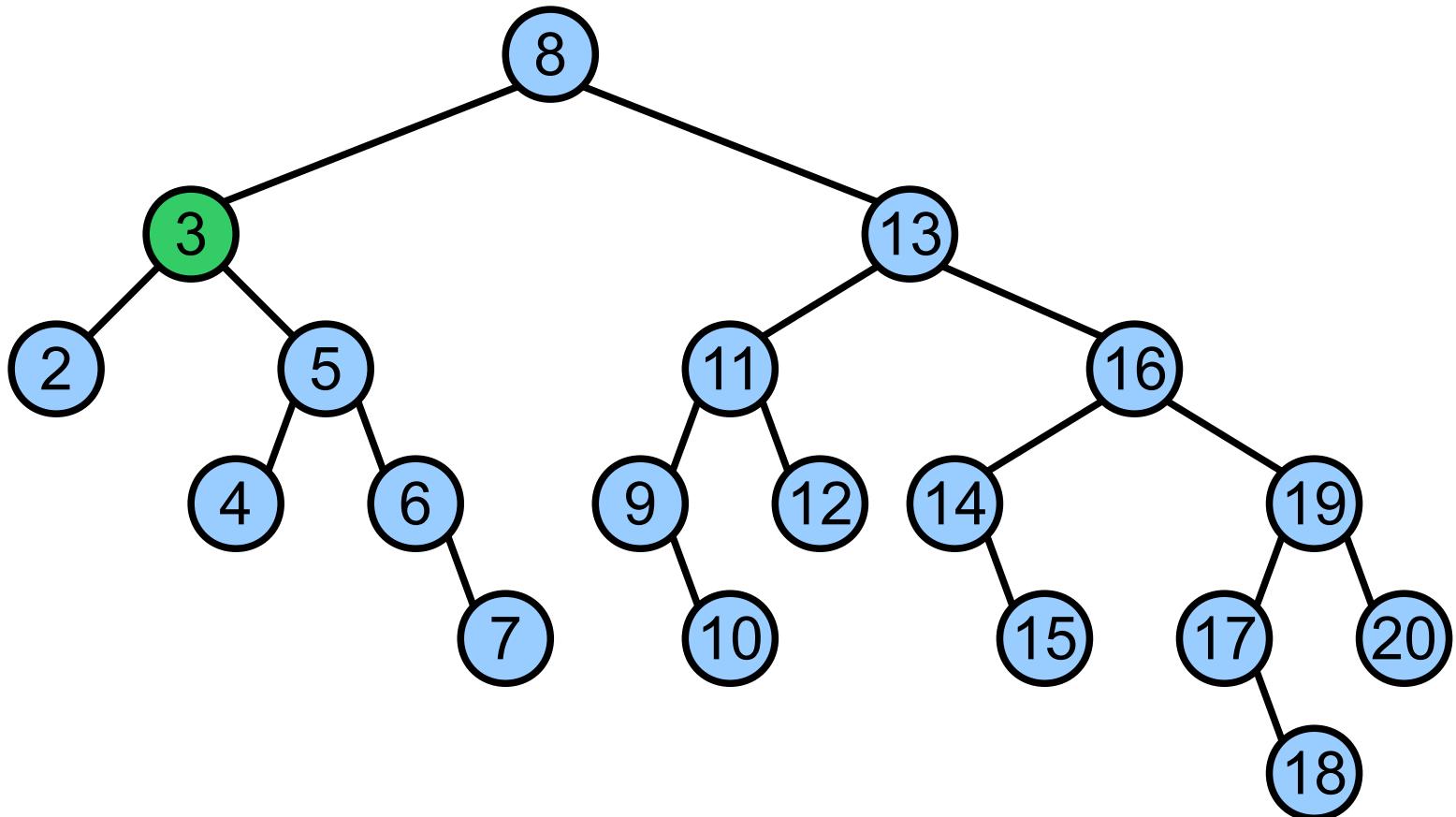
# AVL tree: deletion

- Remove a node like in traditional BSTs
- Recalculate all the balancing factors changed:
  - At most, the recalculation is done for nodes on the path from the leaf deleted up to the root, hence cost is  $O(\log n)$
- For each node with balancing factor  $\pm 2$  (**critical node**), we need to rebalance the tree by using the rotations
  - Note: in case of deletion, more than one nodes could result with a balancing index  $\pm 2$
- Overall cose:  $O(\log n)$

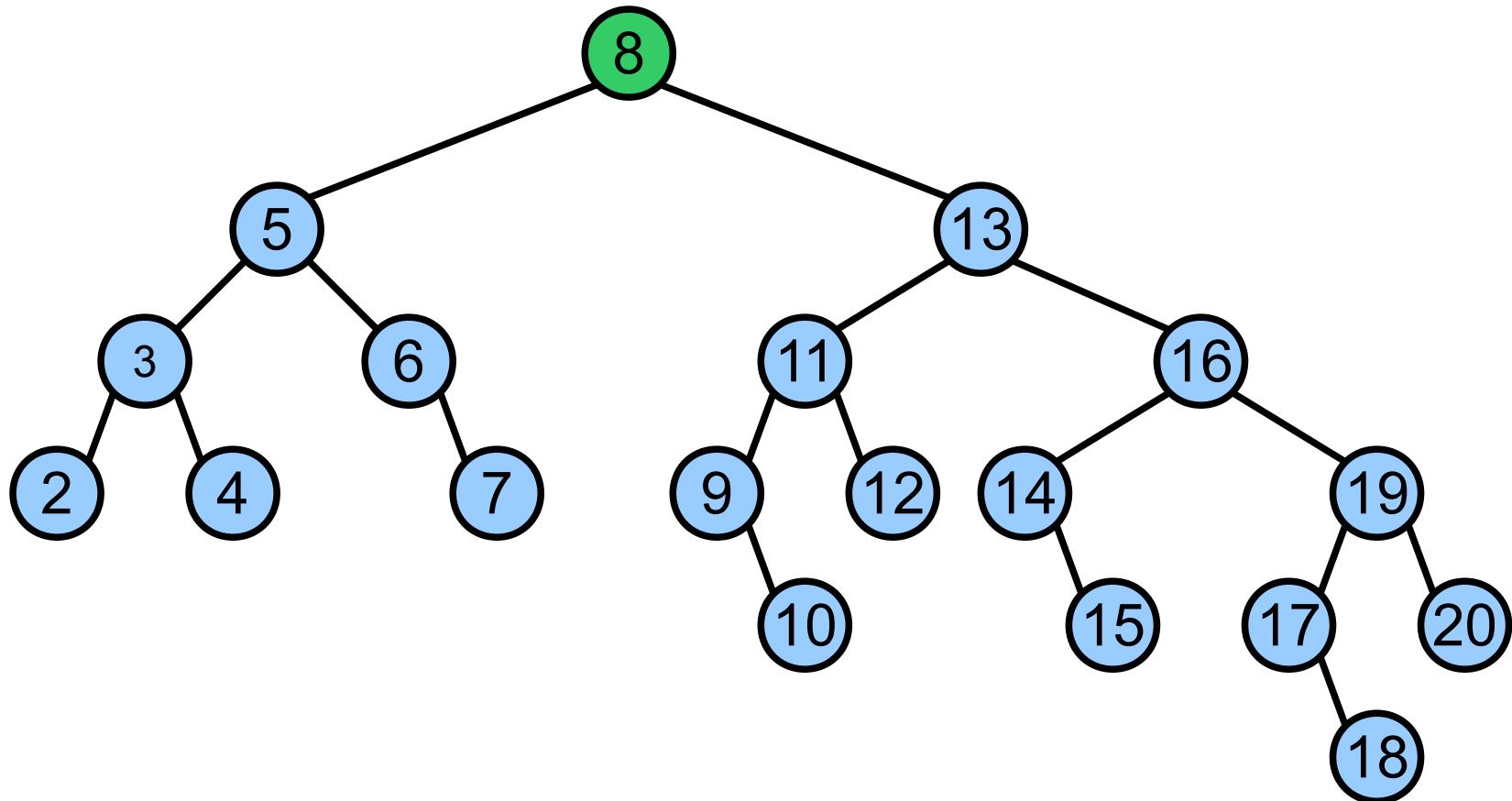
# Example: deletion with cascade rotations



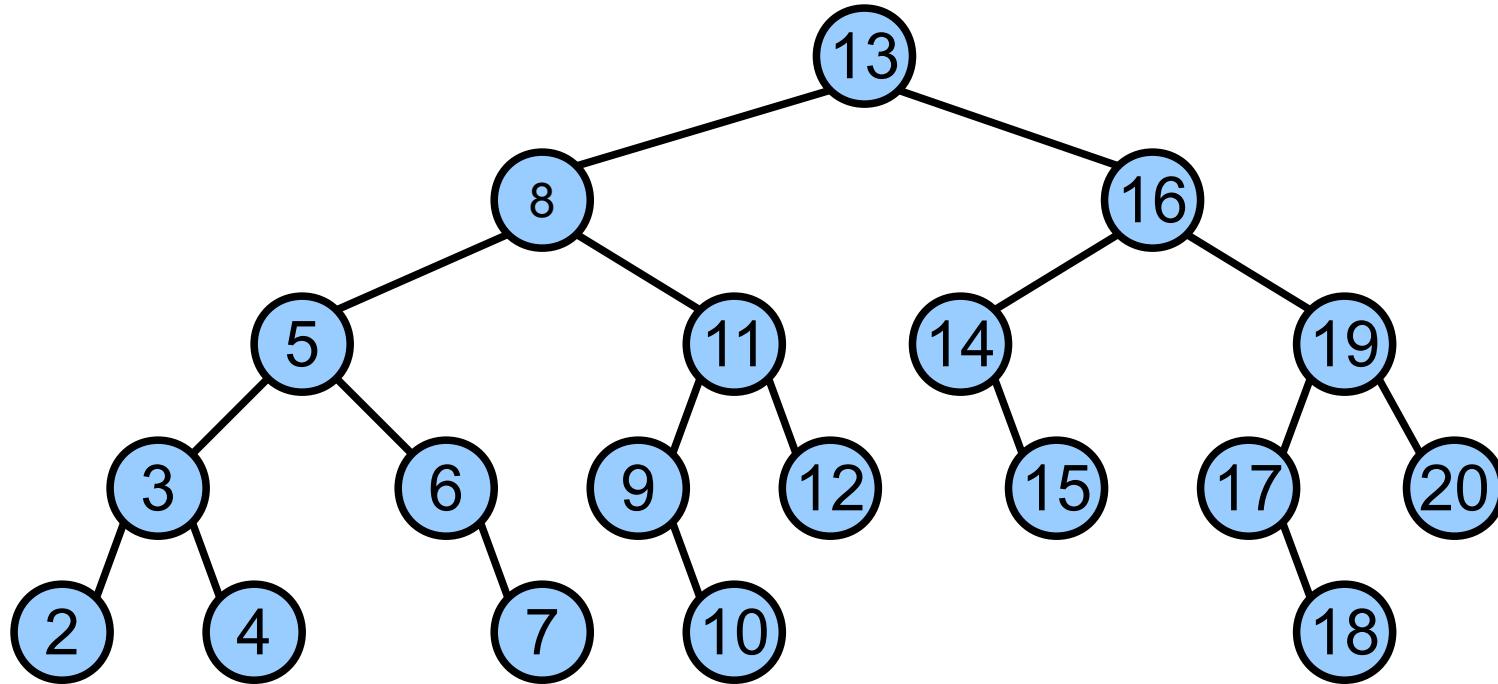
# Apply left rotation on 3



# Apply left rotation on 8



# New balanced AVL



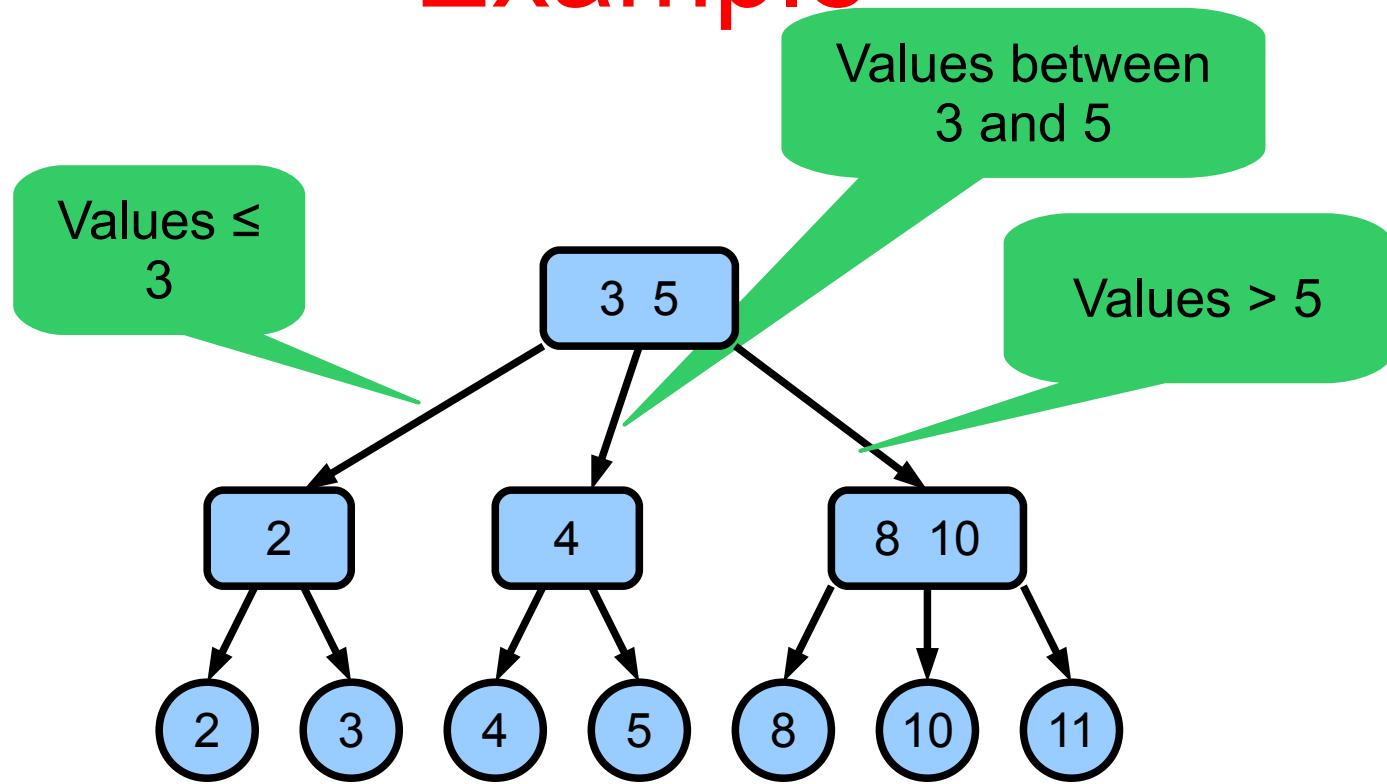
# AVL trees: summary

- $\text{search( Key k )}$ 
  - $O(\log n)$  in the worst case
- $\text{insert( Key k, Item t )}$ 
  - $O(\log n)$  in the worst case
- $\text{delete( Key k )}$ 
  - $O(\log n)$  in the worst case

# 2-3 trees

- Definition: a 2-3 tree is a tree where:
  - Every internal node has 2 or 3 children and all the paths root/leaf have the same length
  - The leaves contain the keys and associated values, and they are sorted from left to right in ascending order of key
  - Every internal node  $v$  maintains two information:
    - $S[v]$  is the max key in the subtree whose root is the left child
    - $M[v]$  is the max key in the subtree whose root is the central child (if  $v$  has only 2 children, it will contain  $S[v]$  only)

# Example



# Heighth of 2-3 trees

- let  $T$  be a 2-3 tree with  $n$  nodes,  $f$  leaves and heighth  $h$ . Then the following inequalities hold:

$$2^{h+1} - 1 \leq n \leq (3^{h+1} - 1)/2$$

$$2^h \leq f \leq 3^h$$

- In particular, we can conclude that the heighth of a 2-3 tree is  $\Theta(\log n)$

# Heigth of 2-3 trees

## proof

- By induction on  $h$ : if  $h=0$ , the tree has only one node (leaf) and the relations are satisfied.
- if  $h>0$ , let's consider the 2-3 tree  $T'$  without the lower level (leaves). Let  $n'$  and  $f'$  be the number of nodes and leaves in  $T'$ 
  - Inductive assumption  $2^{h-1} \leq f' \leq 3^{h-1}$
  - Every leaf in  $T'$  can have 2 or 3 children, so we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}2 \times 2^{h-1} &\leq f \leq 3 \times 3^{h-1} \\2^h &\leq f \leq 3^h\end{aligned}$$

# Heigth of 2-3 trees

## proof

- for the number of nodes, the inductive assumption is

$$2^h - 1 \leq n' \leq (3^h - 1)/2$$

- We observe that  $n = n' + f$ , hence

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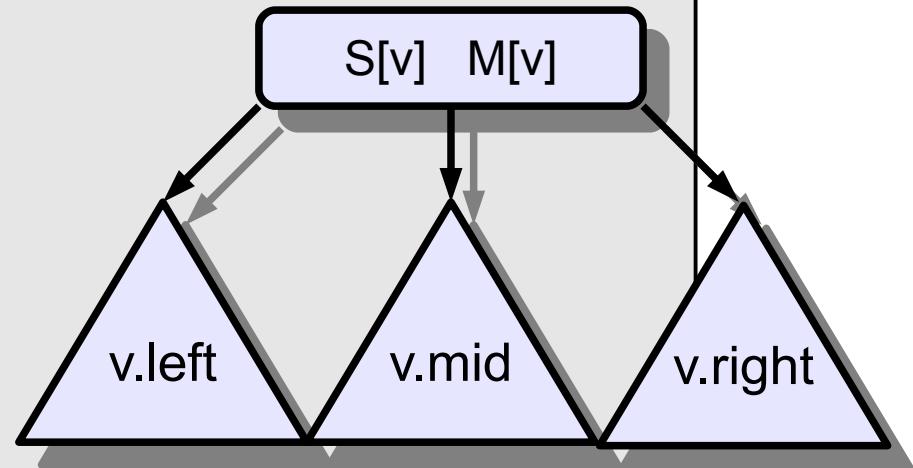
and we obtain

$$2^h + 2^h - 1 \leq n \leq (3^h - 1)/2 + 3^h$$

$$2^{h+1} - 1 \leq n \leq (3^{h+1} - 1)/2$$

# search

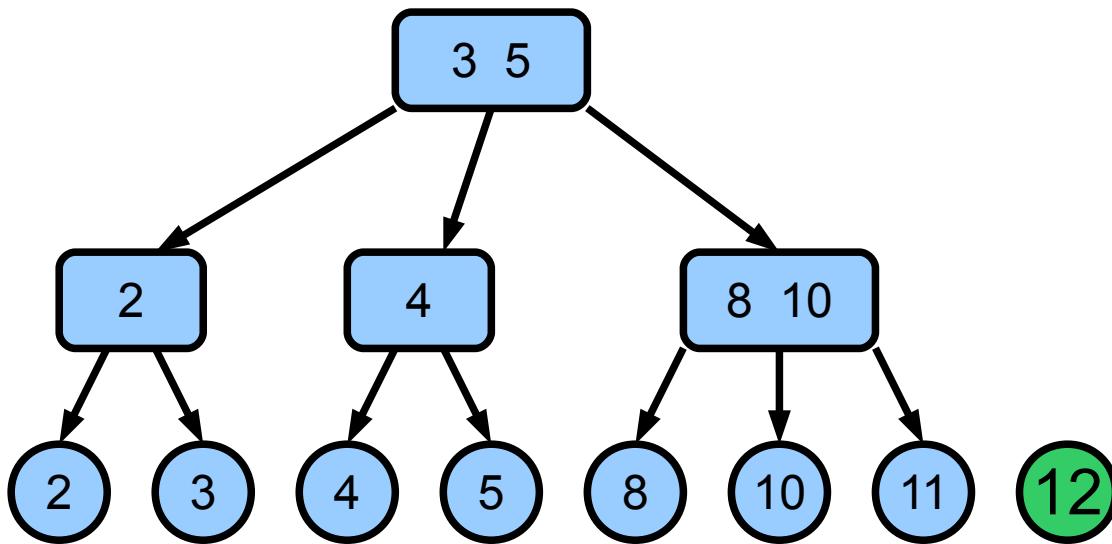
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Algorithm 23search( T, k )
    if ( T == null ) then
        return null;
    endif
    node v := T.root;
    if ( v is a leaf ) then
        if ( key of v == k ) then
            return v;
        else
            return null;
        endif
    else // v is not a leaf
        if ( k ≤ S[v] ) then
            return 23search( v.left, k );
        elseif ( v.right != null && k > M[v] ) then
            return 23search( v.right, k );
        else
            return 23search( v.mid, k );
        endif
    endif
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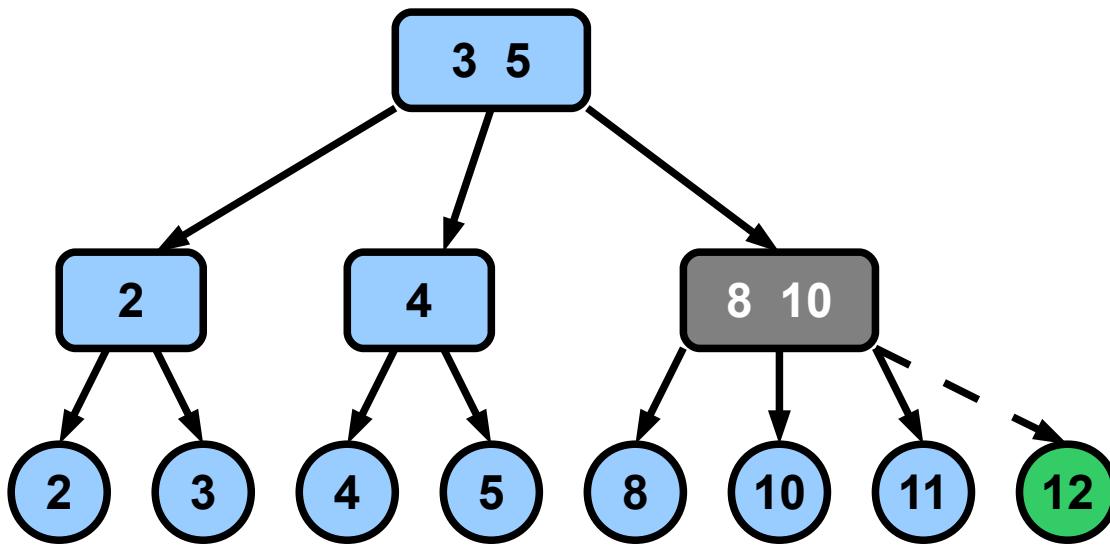
# Insertion

- Create a leaf  $v$  with key  $k$
- By using the search operation, we find a node  $u$  in the penultimate level, who will become the father of  $v$
- We add  $v$  as a child of  $u$ , if possible
  - if  $u$  already has 3 children, we need to make an operation of splitting (split), which could also propagate back up to the root.

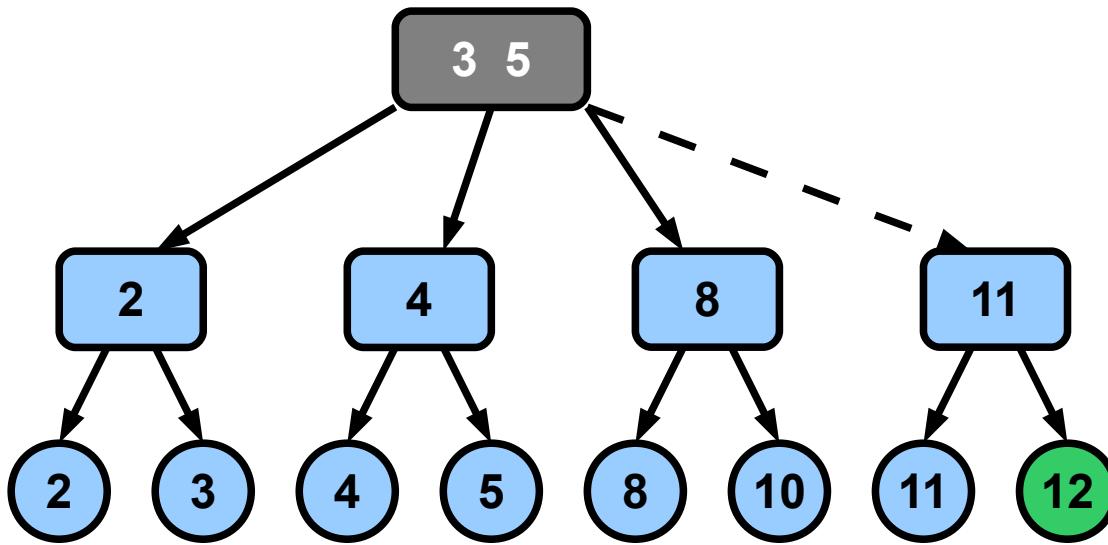
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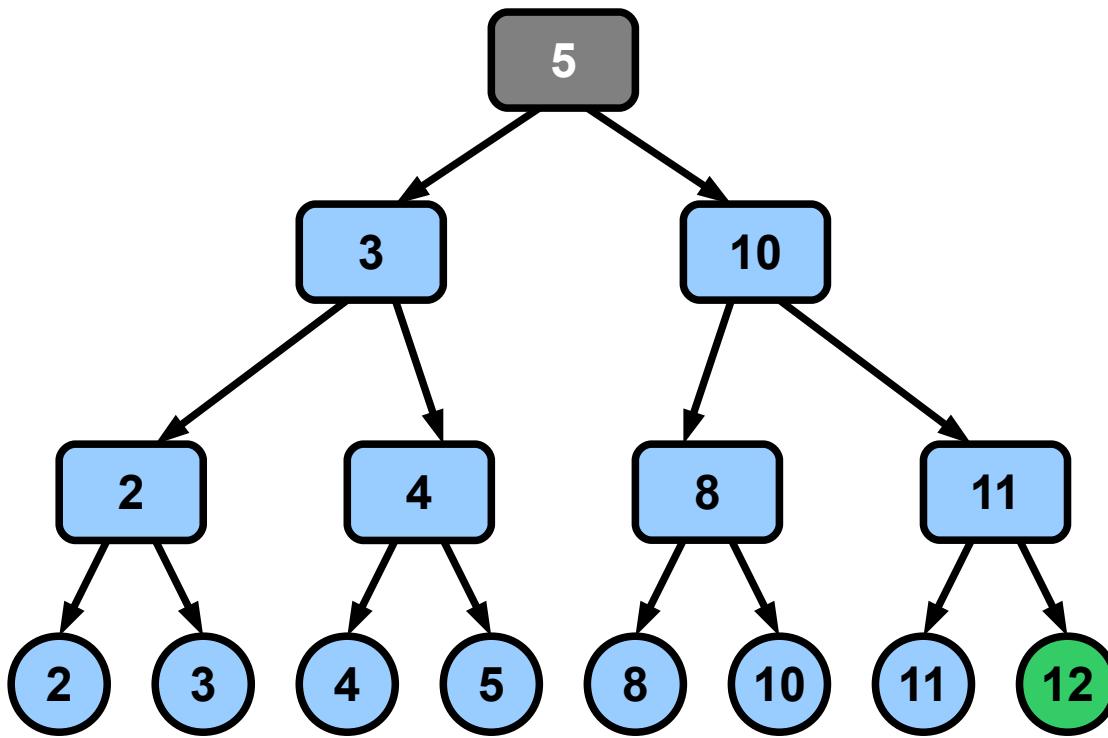
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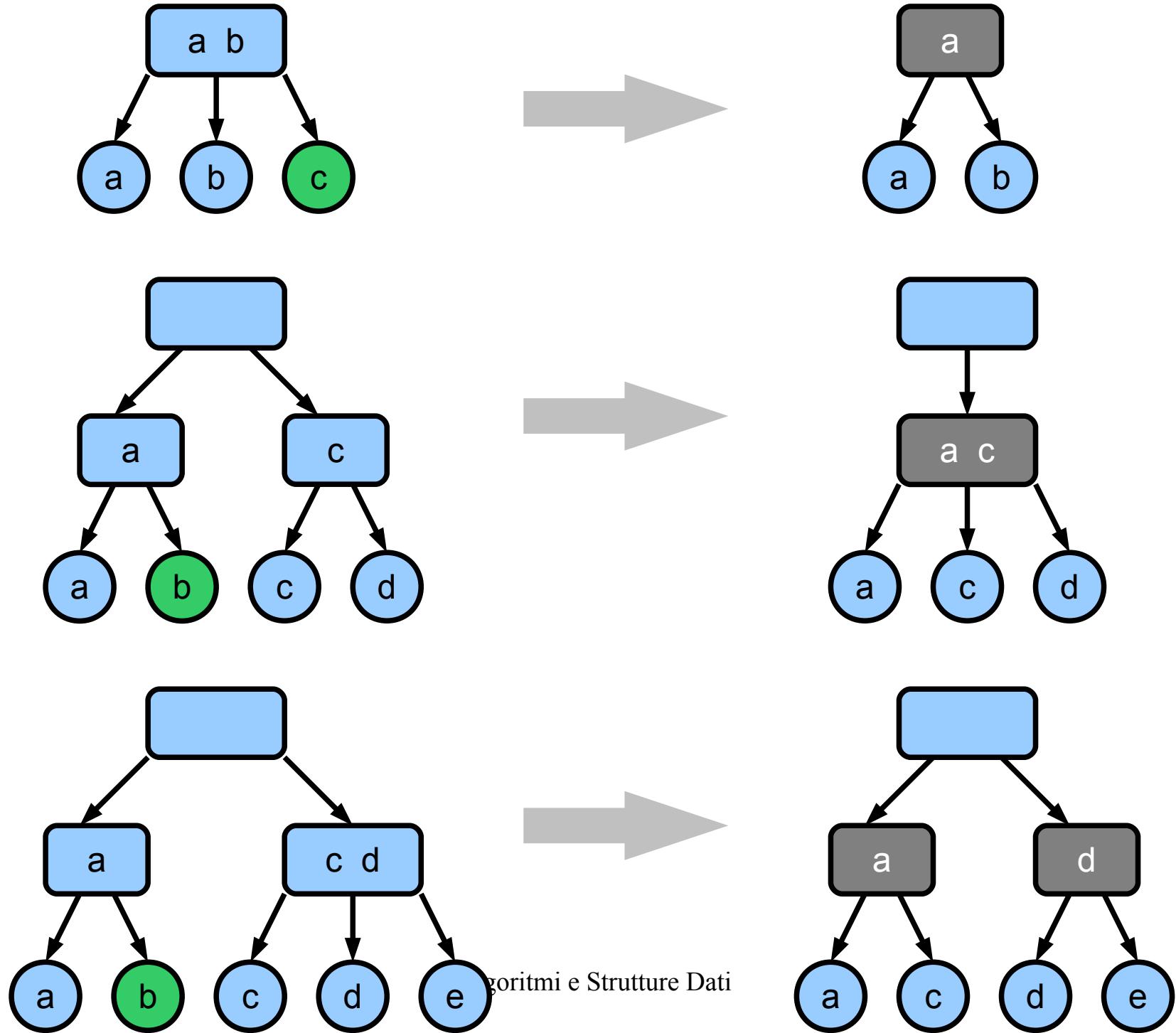


# Insertion: cost

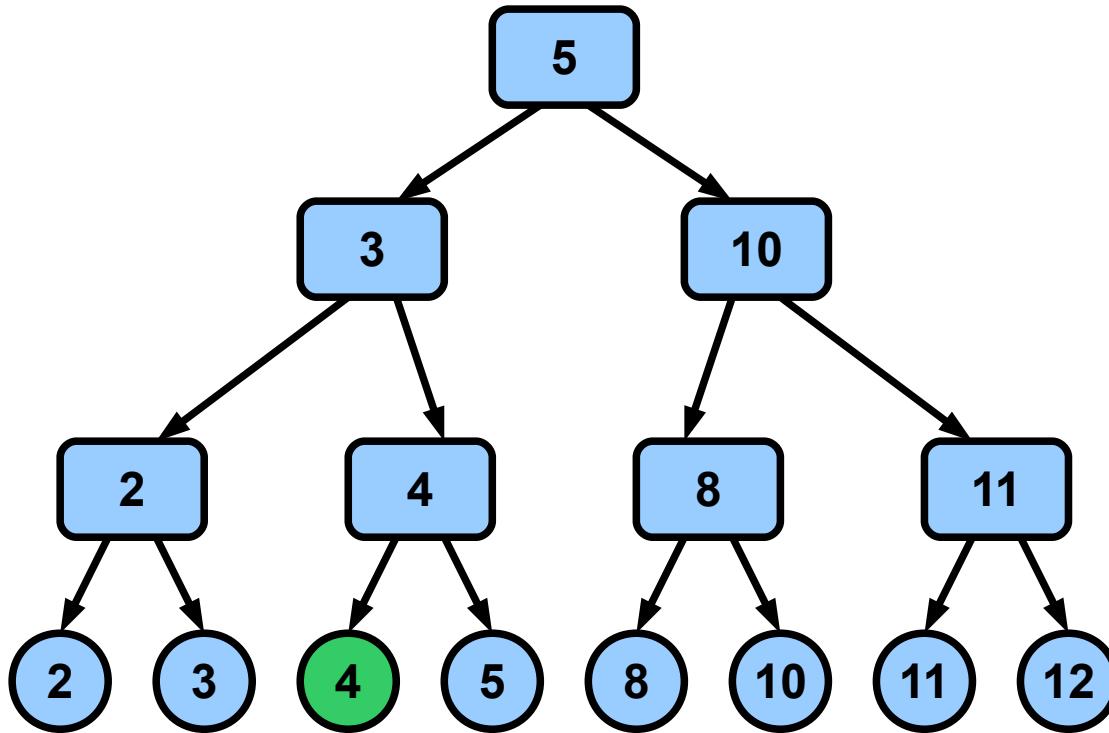
- $O(\log n)$  to identify the father of the new node
- $O(\log n)$  split in the worst case, each one with cost  $O(1)$
- Overall, the cost of the insertion is  $O(\log n)$

# Deletion

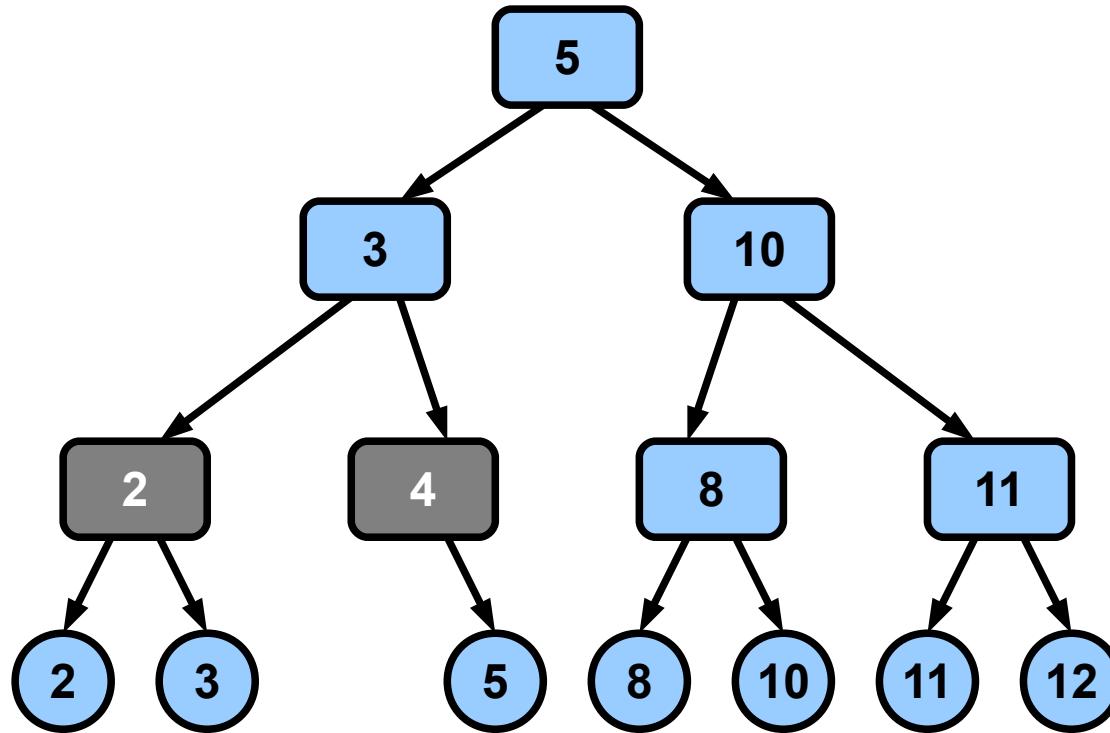
- We find a leaf  $v$  with the key to delete
- We remove  $v$ , detaching the node from the father  $u$ 
  - If  $u$  had 2 children, it remains with only 1 child (violating the property of 2-3 trees). So we need to merge the node  $U$  with a neighbor.
  - The merging operation could propagate up to the root.



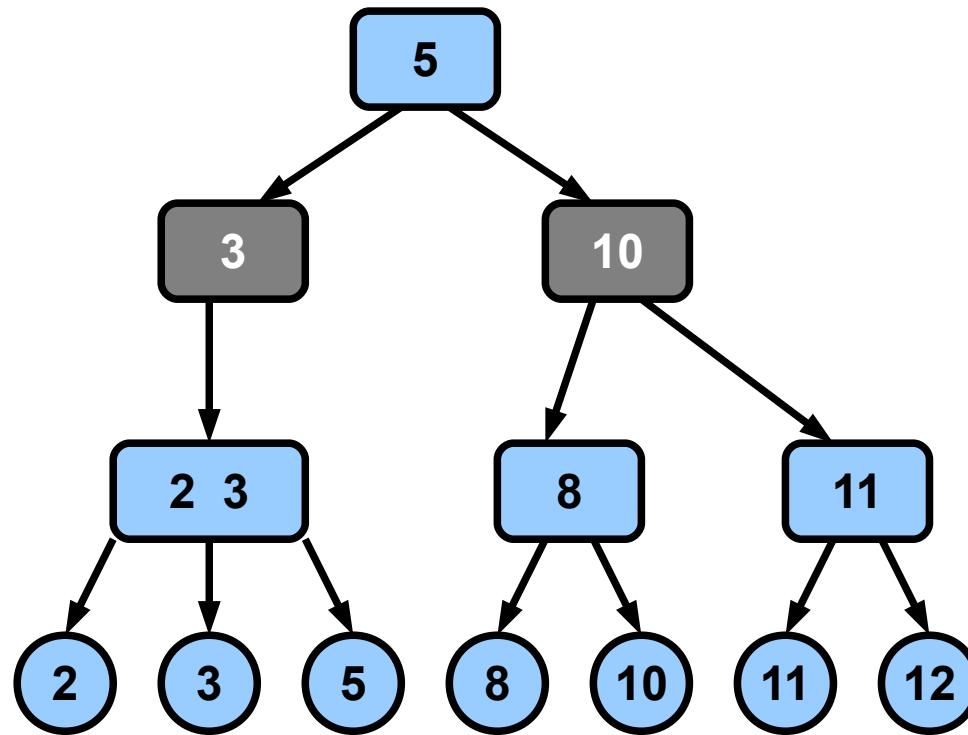
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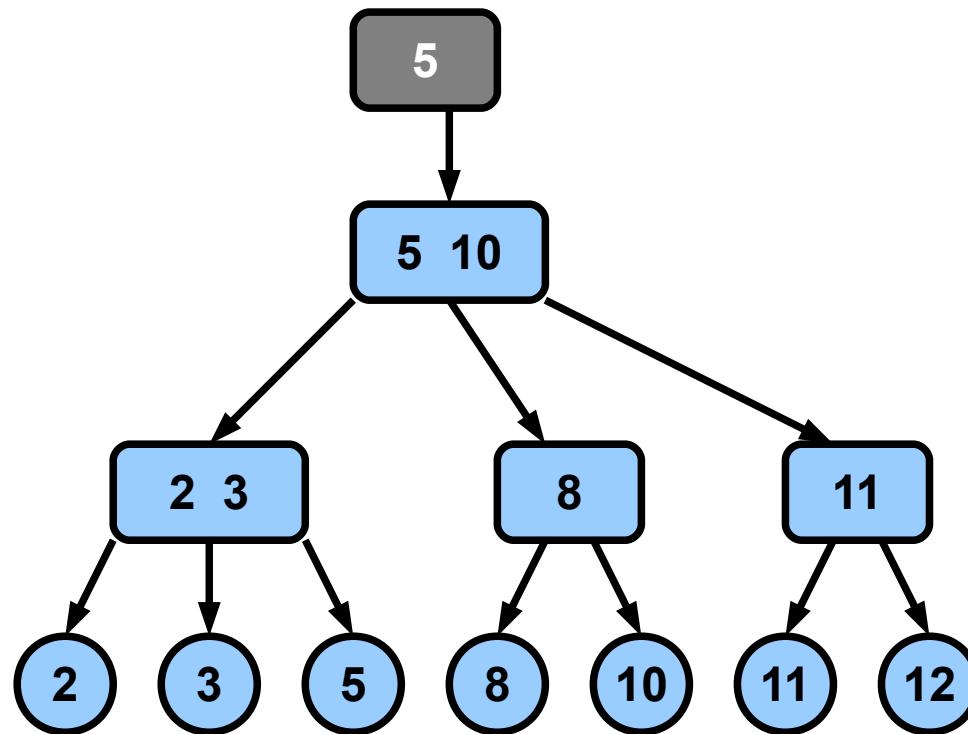
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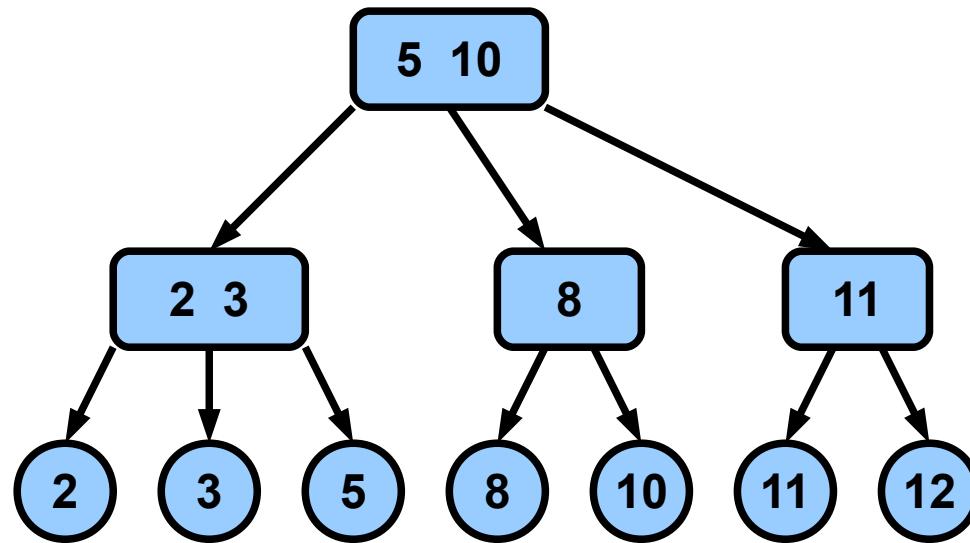
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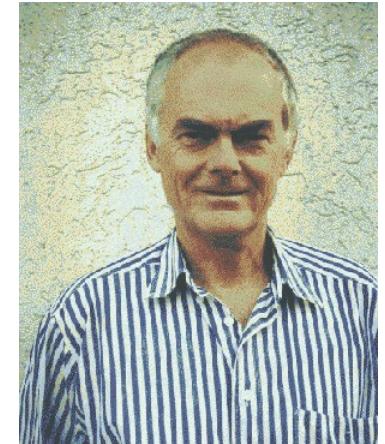


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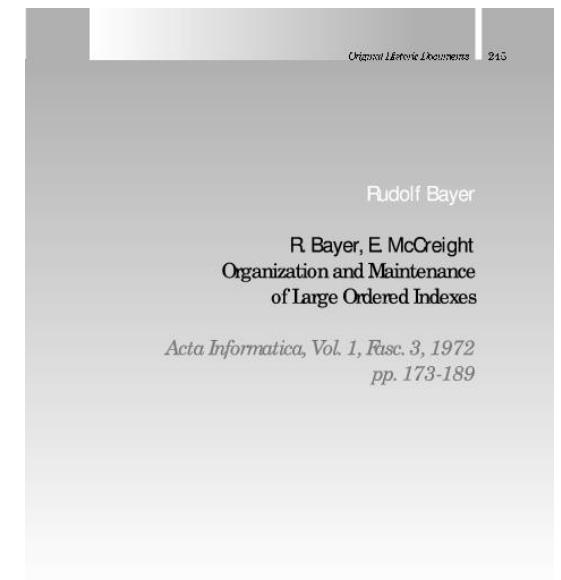
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# B-Tree

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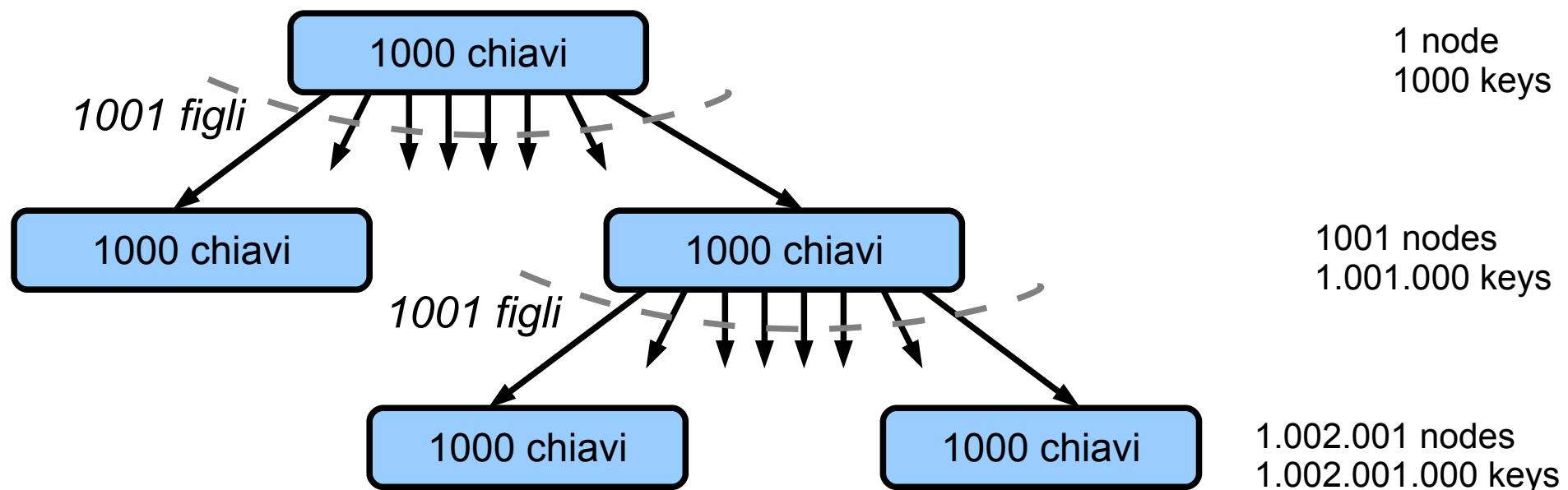


- Data structure used in applications needing to manage sets of ordered keys
- a variation (B+-Tree) is used in:
  - **Filesystem:** btrfs, NTFS, ReiserFS, NSS, XFS, JFS to index metadata
  - **Relational Database:** IBM DB2, Informix, Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle 8, Sybase ASI, PostgreSQL, Firebird, MySQL to index tables



# B-Tree

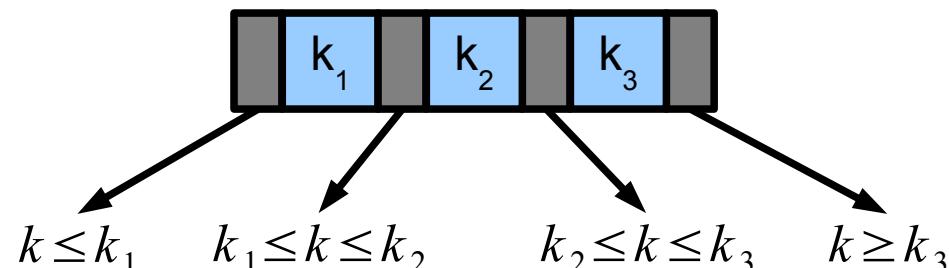
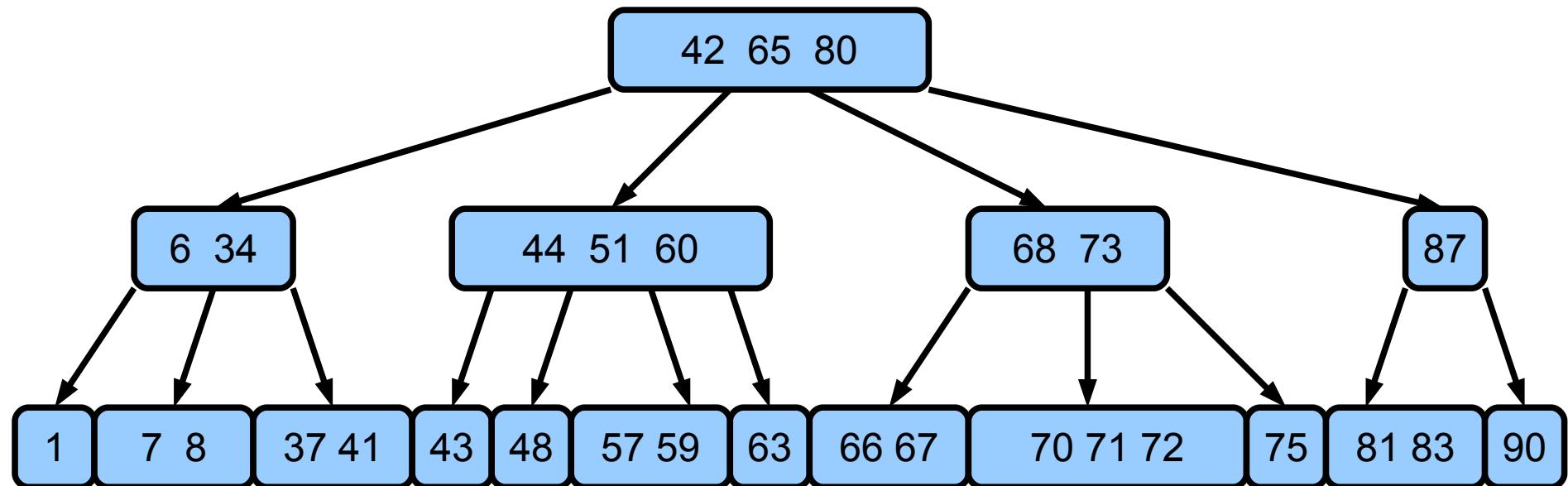
- Since every node can have a high number of children, B-trees can efficiently index big amounts of data on external memory (discs), reducing I/O operations.



# B-Tree

- a B-Tree with grade  $t$  ( $\geq 2$ ) has the following properties:
  - All the leaves have the same depth
  - Every node  $v$  different than the root maintains  $k(v)$  ordered keys:
$$\text{key}_1(v) \leq \text{key}_2(v) \leq \dots \leq \text{key}_{k(v)}(v)$$
such that  $t-1 \leq k(v) \leq 2t-1$
  - The root has at least 1 and at most  $2t-1$  ordered keys
  - Every internal node  $v$  has  $k(v)+1$  children
  - The keys  $\text{key}(v)$  split the intervals of keys stored in every subtree. If  $c_i$  is a key of the  $i$ -th subtree of a node  $v$ , then
$$c_1 \leq \text{key}_1(v) \leq c_2 \leq \text{key}_2(v) \leq \dots \leq c_{k(v)} \leq \text{key}_{k(v)}(v) \leq c_{k(v)+1}$$

# Example: B-Tree with $t=2$



# Heigth of a B-Tree

- a B-Tree with  $n$  keys has height

$$h \leq \log_t \frac{n+1}{2}$$

- proof

- Given all B-trees of grade  $t$ , the highest one is the one with the lower number of children per node (that is, with  $t$  children)
- 1 node has depth zero (the root)
- 2 nodes have depth 1
- $2t$  nodes have depth 2
- $2t^2$  nodes have depth 3
- ...
- $2t^{i-1}$  nodes have depth  $i$

# Height of a B-Tree

- Total number of nodes in a B-Tree with height  $h$

$$1 + \sum_{i=1}^h 2t^{i-1}$$

- Since every node but the root contains exactly  $t-1$  keys, the number of keys  $n$  satisfies:

$$\begin{aligned} n &\geq 1 + (t-1) \sum_{i=1}^h 2t^{i-1} \\ &= 1 + 2(t-1) \frac{t^h - 1}{t-1} = 2t^h - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\sum_{i=1}^h t^{i-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{h-1} t^i = \frac{t^h - 1}{t - 1}$

# Heigth of a B-tree

- given  $n \geq 2t^h - 1$

we get  $t^h \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$

and applying the log base t we get:

$$h \leq \log_t \frac{n+1}{2}$$

# Search operation on B-tree

- Is a generalization of the search on BST
  - In each step we search the key in the current node
  - If the key is found we stop
  - If the key is not found we search it in the subtree who may contain it

```
algorithm search(root v of a B-Tree, key x) → elem
    i ← 1
    while (i ≤ k(v) && x > keyi(v)) do
        i ← i+1;
    endwhile
    if (i ≤ k(v) && x == keyi(v)) then
        return elemi(v);
    else
        if (v is a leaf) then
            return null
        else
            return search(i-th child of v, x);
        endif
    endif
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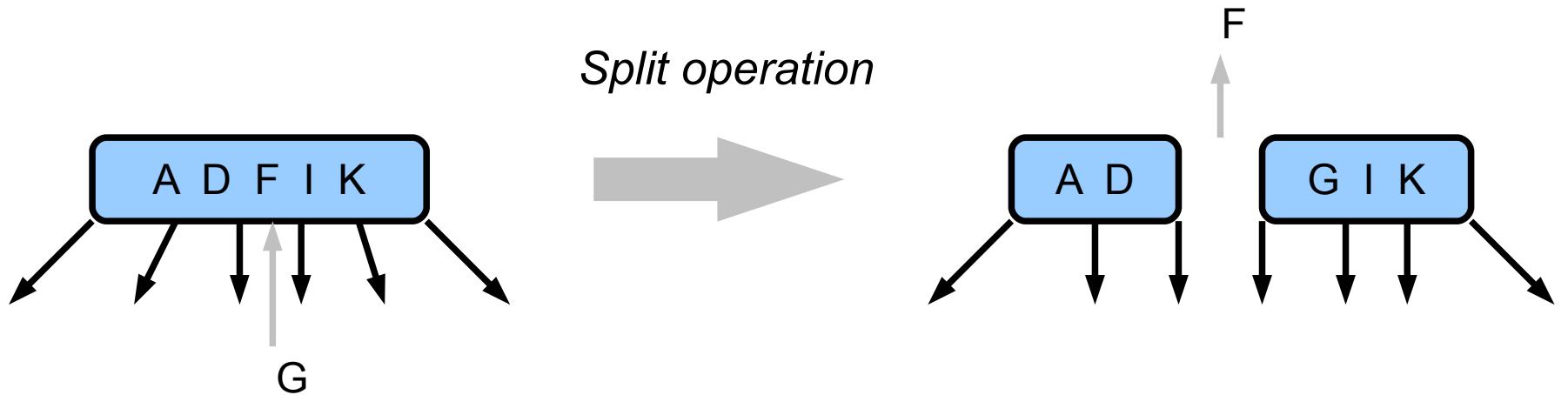
# Search operation on B-tree

- Computational cost
  - Number of visited nodes is  $O(\log_t n)$
  - Every visit costs  $O(t)$  doing a linear scan of the keys.
  - Total  $O(t \log_t n)$ 
    - However, since the keys are sorted in each node, we can exploit a binary search in time  $O(\log t)$  instead of  $O(t)$ . In this case, the total cost becomes  $O(\log t \log_t n) = O(\log n)$  (using the rule for changing the base of log)

# Insert a key in a B-tree

- We search() the leaf  $f$  in which to insert key  $k$
- If the leaf is not full (it has less than  $2t-1$  keys) we insert  $k$  in the correct position and we stop.
- If the leaf is full (has  $2t-1$  keys) then
  - Node  $f$  is split into two (split operation) and the  $t$ -th key is moved in the father of  $f$
  - If the father of  $f$  already had  $2t-1$  keys (full) we need to split it in the same way, (this may continue up to the root).
  - In the worst case (when all the path from the leaf  $f$  to the root is made of full nodes) the consecutive splits will create a new root.

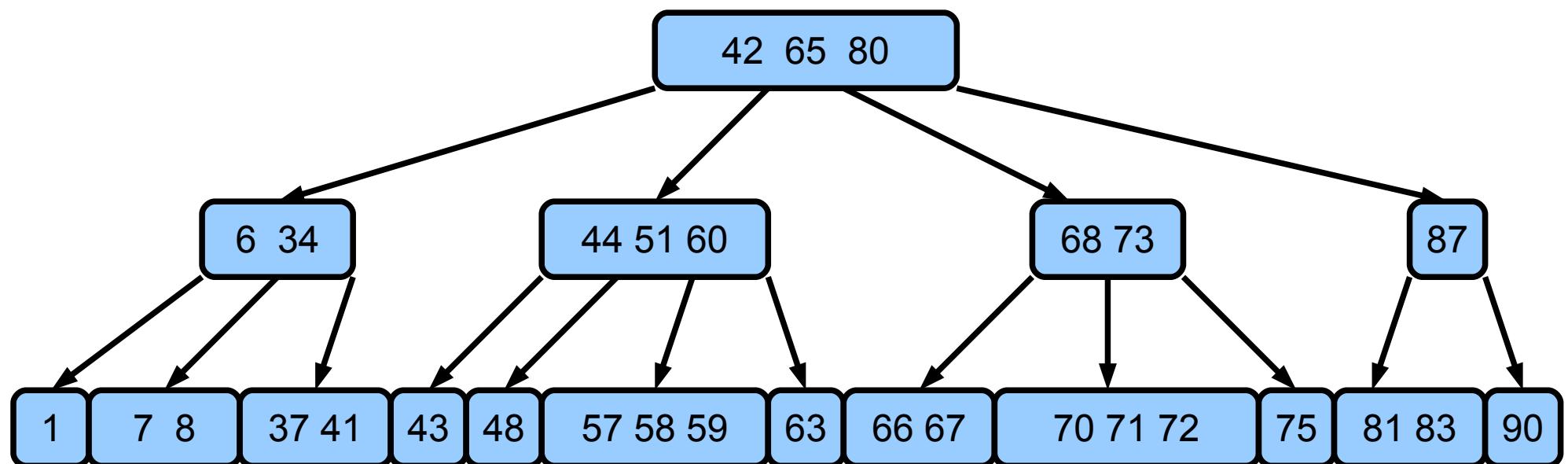
# Insert a key in a B-tree



- Computational cost
  - Visited nodes are  $O(\log_t n)$
  - Each visit costs  $O(t)$  in the worst case (due to split operations)
  - Total  $O(t \log_t n)$

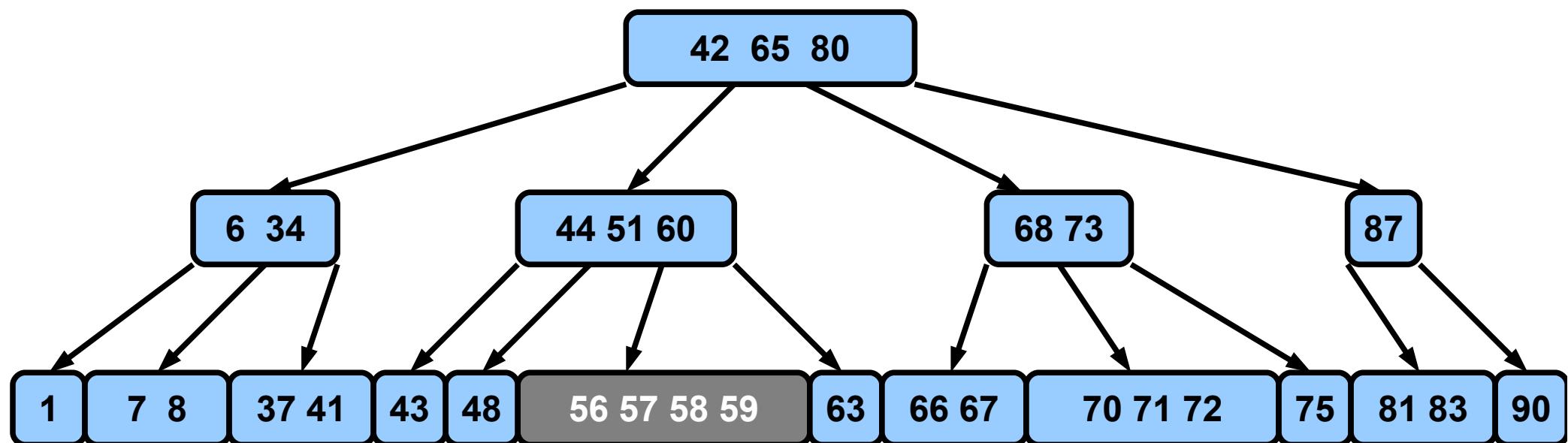
# Insert a key in a B-tree

- Example ( $t=2$ )

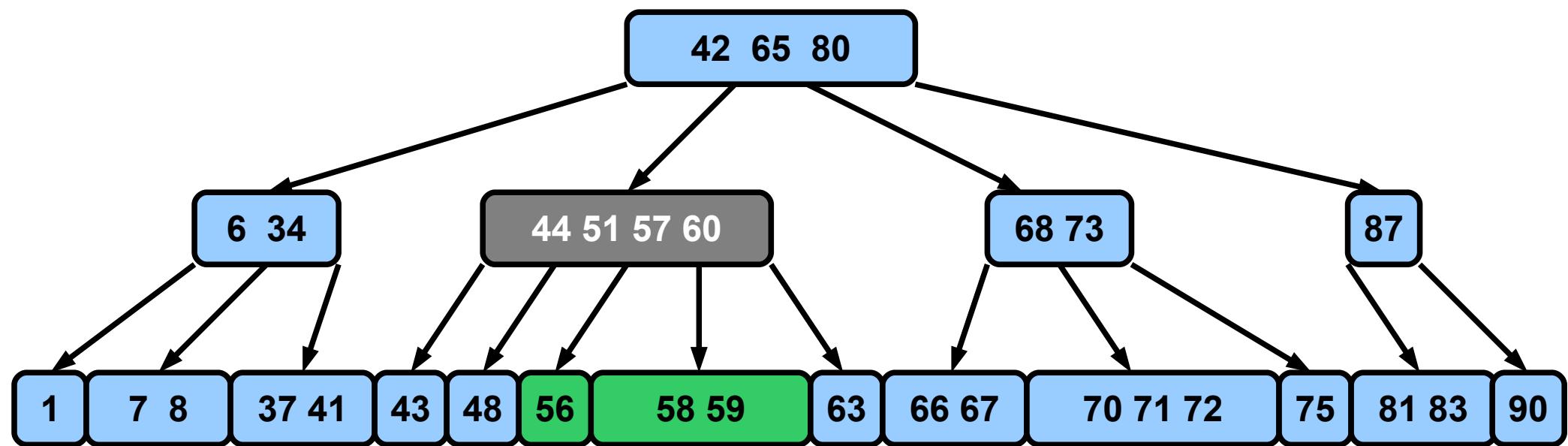


# Insert a key in a B-tree

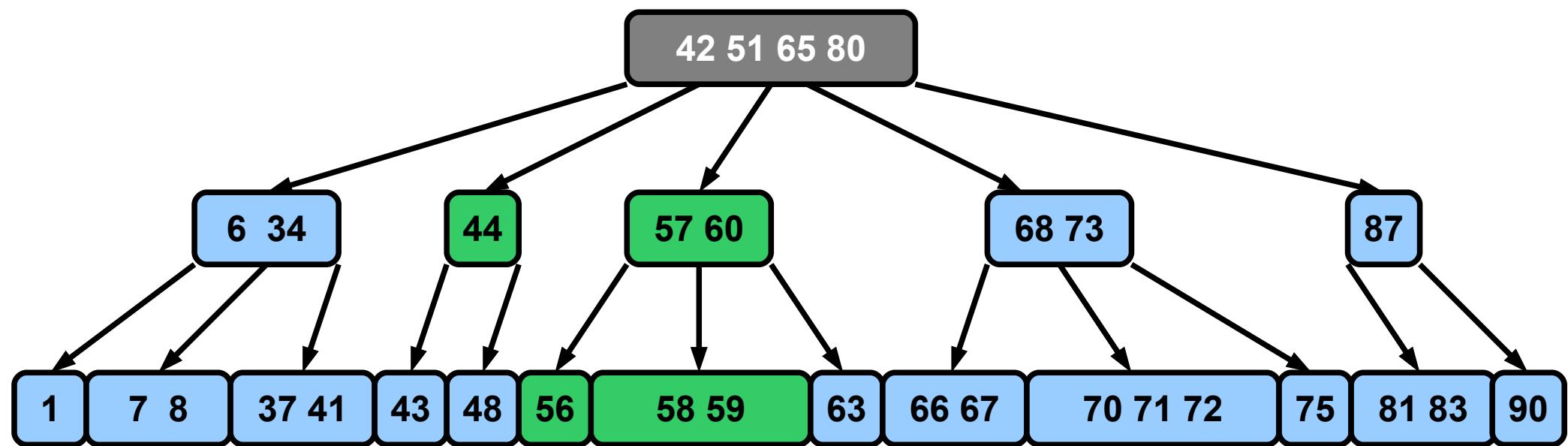
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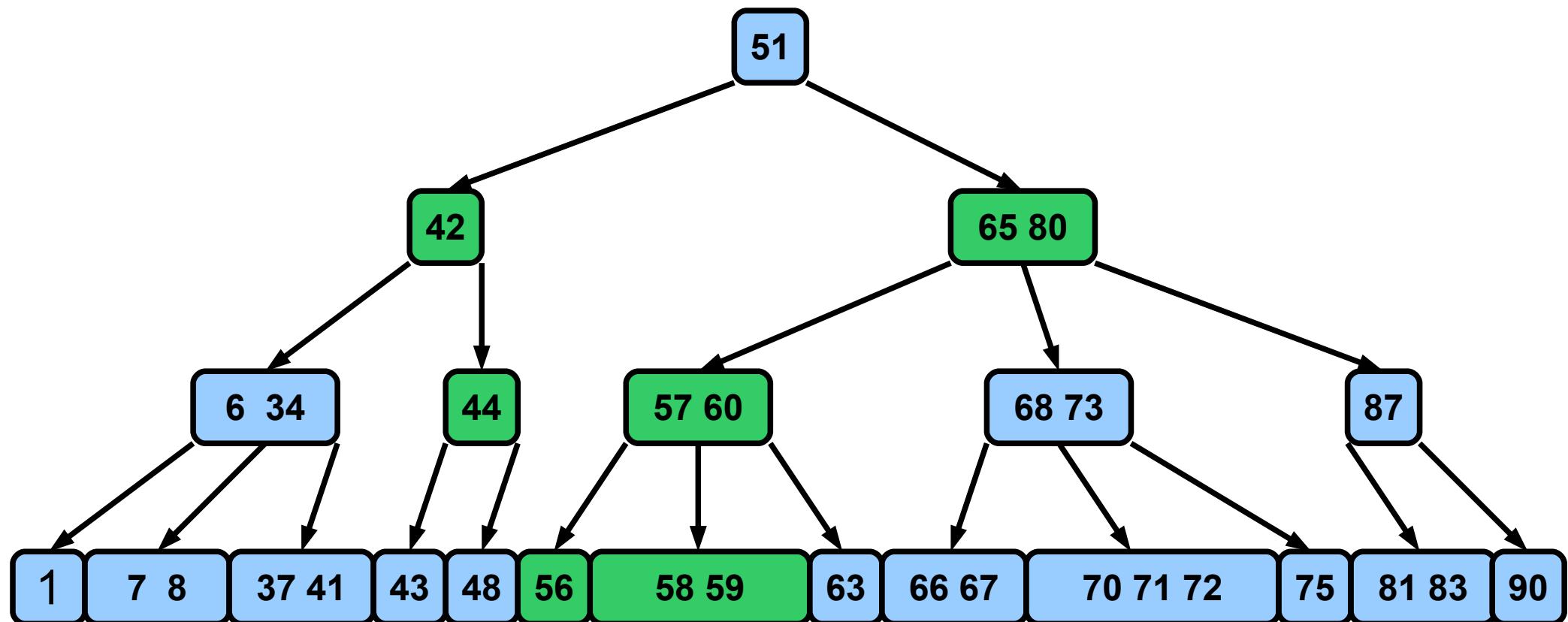
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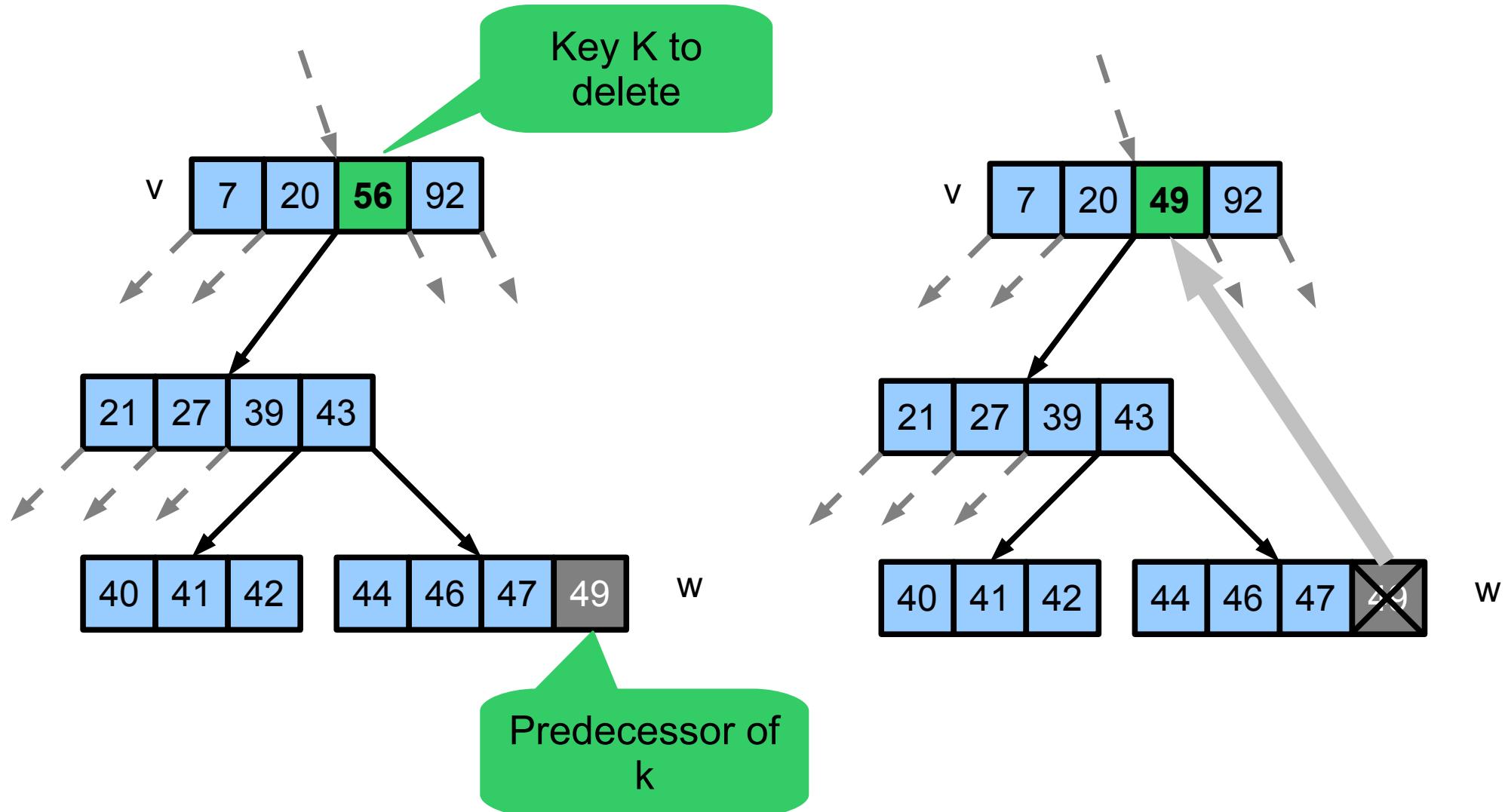
# Insert a key in a B-tree



# Delete a key from a B-tree

- If the key  $k$  to delete is in a node  $v$  which is not a leaf
  - We find the node containing the predecessor value of  $k$
  - We move the max key in  $w$  in the place of the deleted key  $k$
  - We exploit the next case by removing the max key in  $w$
- If the key  $k$  to delete is in a leaf  $v$ 
  - If the leaf has more than  $t-1$  keys, just remove  $k$  and stop
  - If the leaf contains  $k-1$  keys, by removing  $k$  we go below the minimum threshold. So we have to cases based on adjacent brothers:
    - If at least uno of the brothers has  $>t-1$  keys we redistribute the keys
    - If none of the adjacent brothers has  $>t-1$  keys we make a *fusion* operation.

# B-Tree operations: deletion from internal node



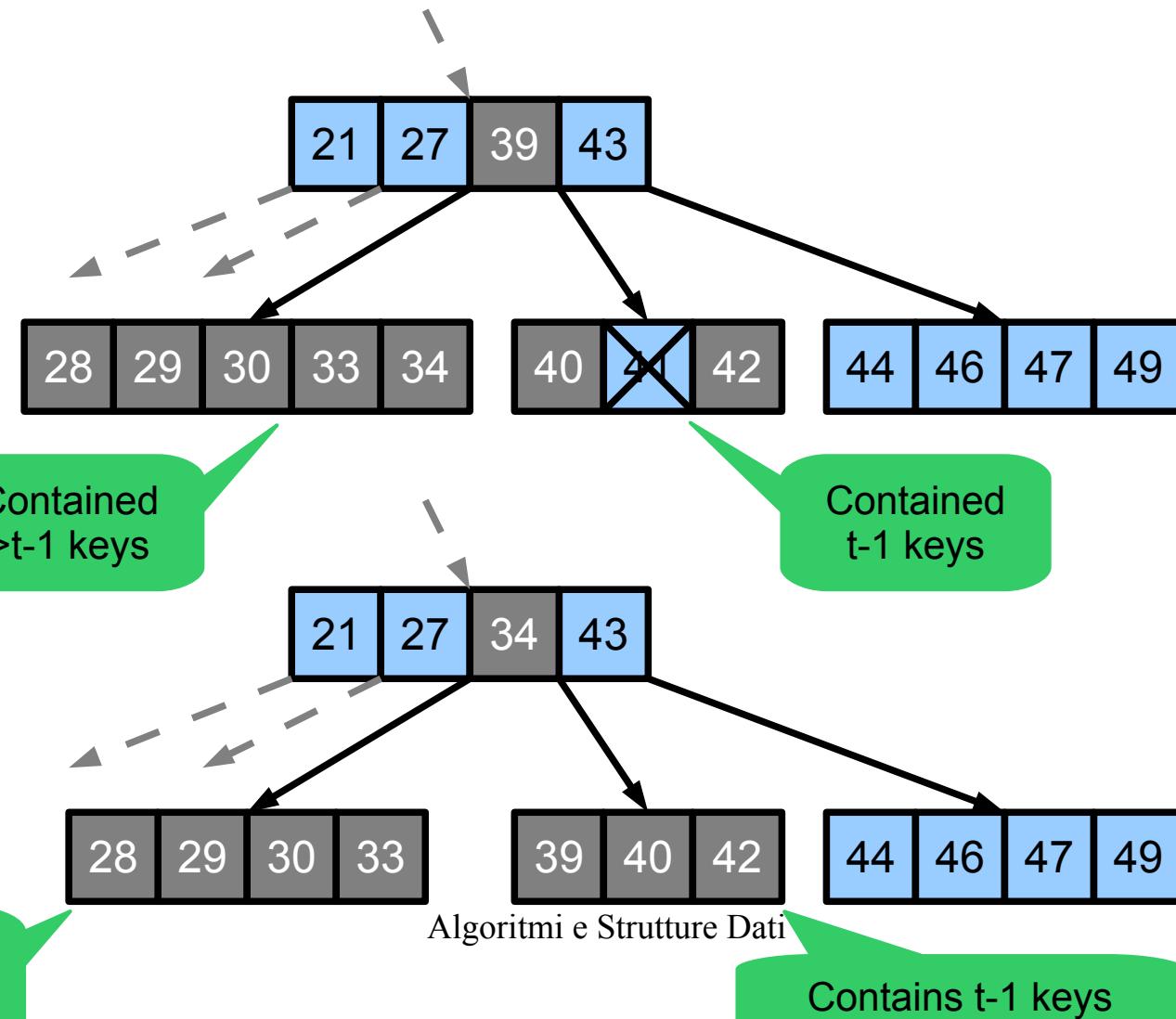
# B-tree operations deletion from a leaf

- First case: leaf contains  $> t-1$  keys
  - We remove the key from the leaf (now leaf contains  $\geq t-1$  keys)
- Second case: the leaf contains exactly  $t-1$  keys. We have two possibilities:
  - Redistribute keys with one adjacent brother
  - Merge the leaf with an adjacent brother

# B-tree operations

## delete from almost empty leaf—case 1

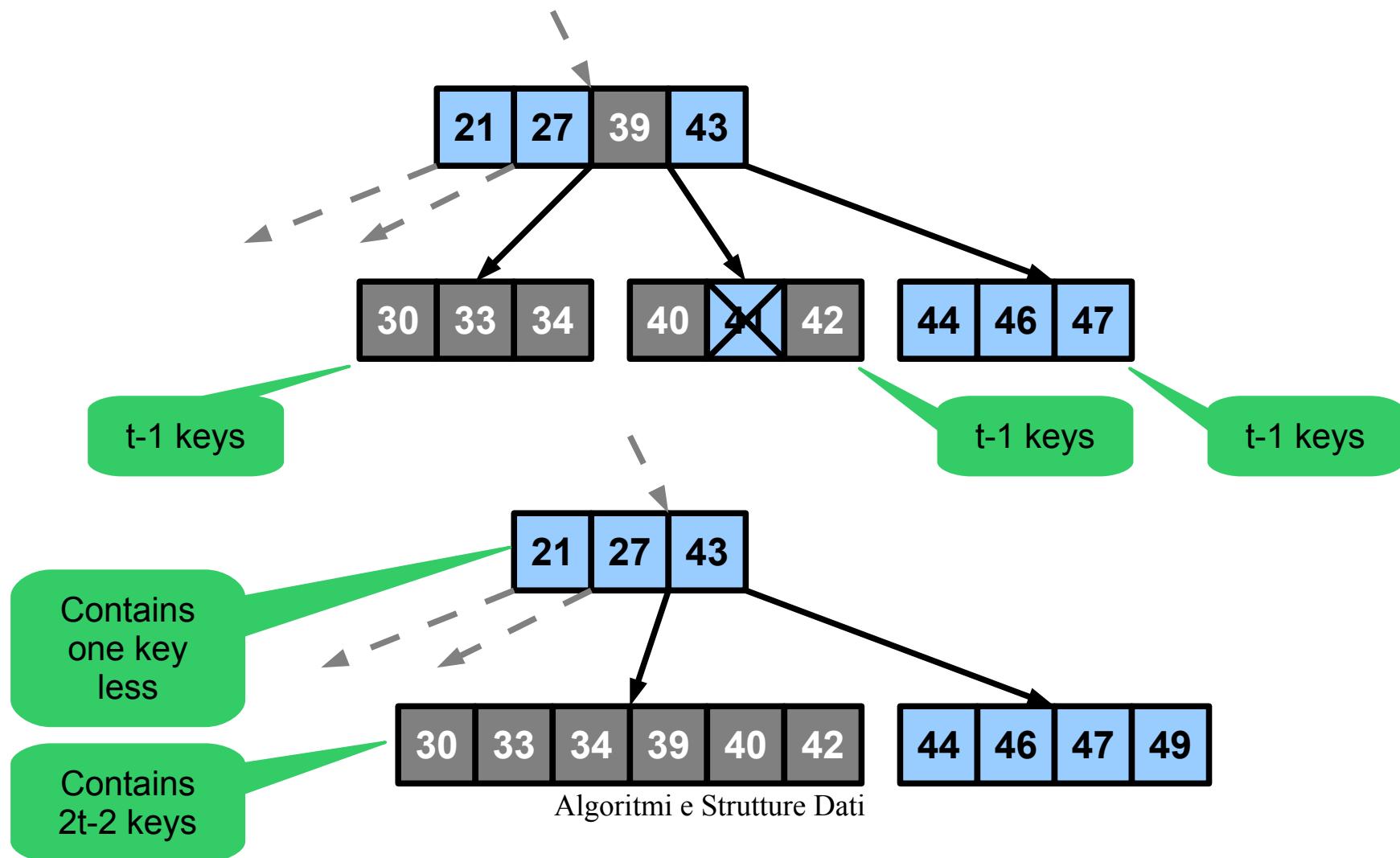
- Given a B-tree fragment with  $t=4$



# B-tree operations

## delete from almost empty leaf—case 2

- Given a B-tree fragment with  $t=4$  (fusion)



# summary

	search	insert	delete
Sorted array	$O(\log n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Unsorted list	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(n)$
BST	$O(h)$	$O(h)$	$O(h)$
AVL tree	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$
2-3 tree	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$
B-Tree	$O(\log t \log_t n) = O(\log n)$	$O(t \log_t n)$	$O(t \log_t n)$

Note all the costs refer to worst cases.