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Fundamental Algorithms

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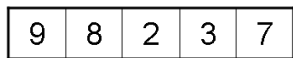
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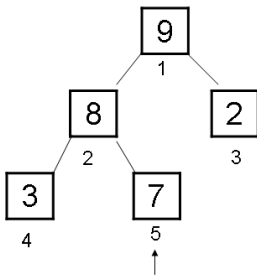
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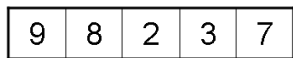
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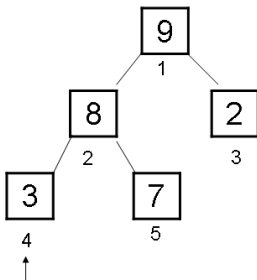
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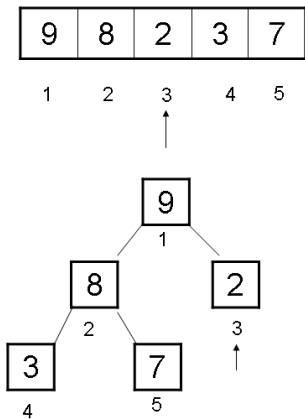
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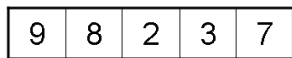
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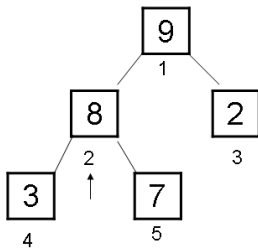
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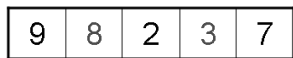
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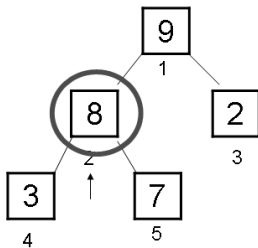
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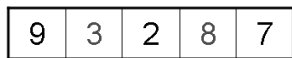
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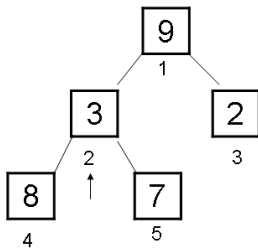
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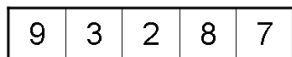
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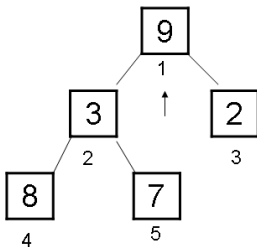
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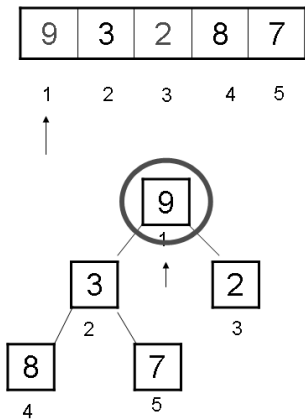
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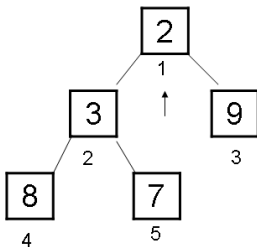
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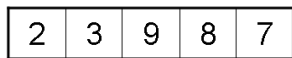
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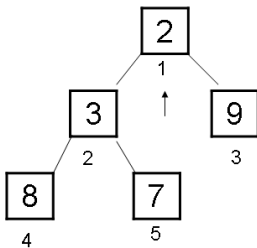
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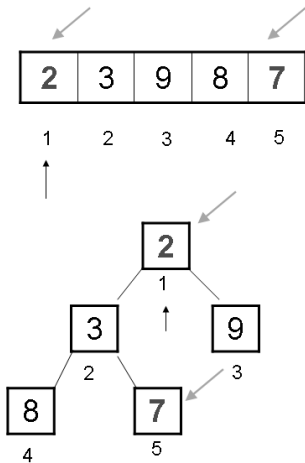
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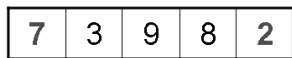
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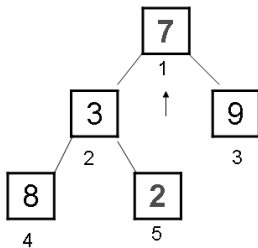
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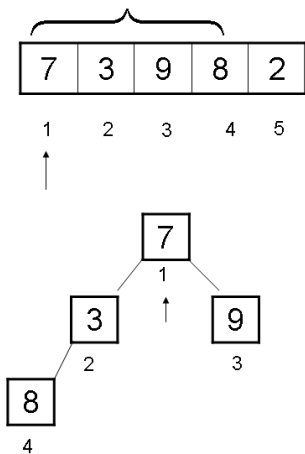
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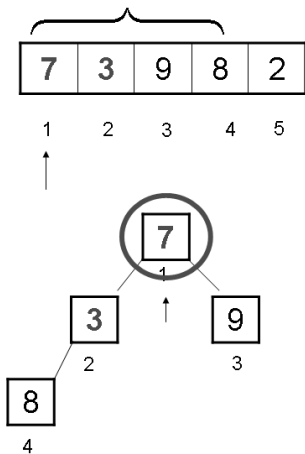
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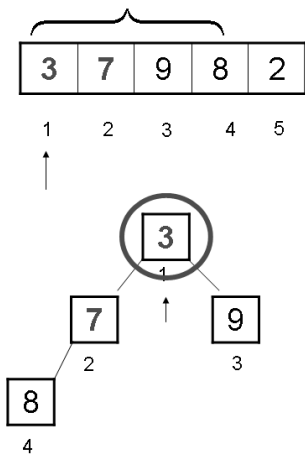
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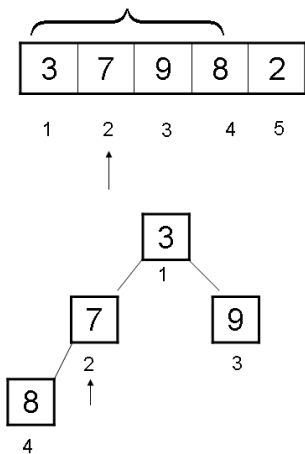
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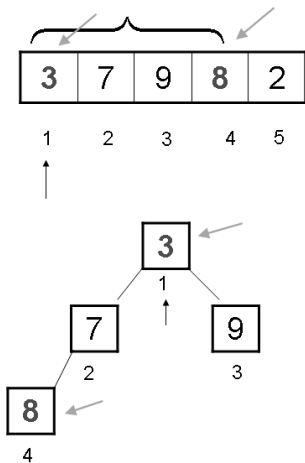
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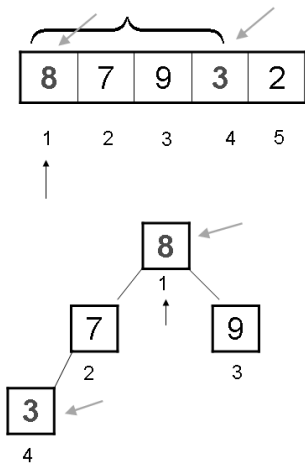
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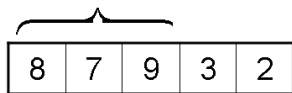
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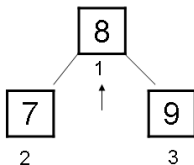
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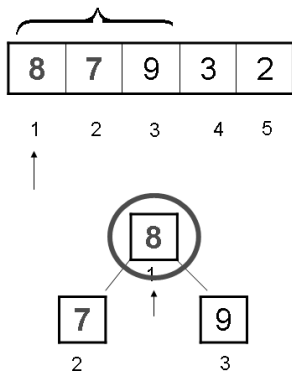
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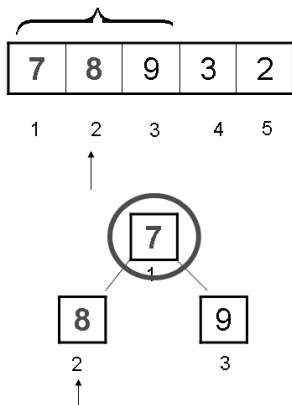
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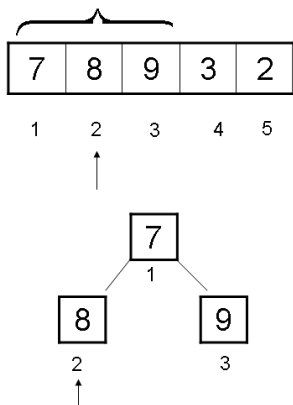
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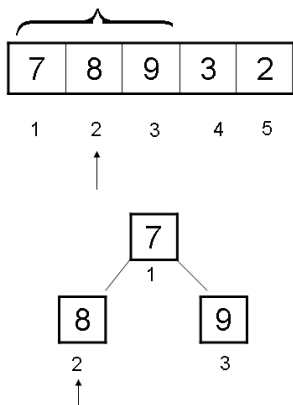
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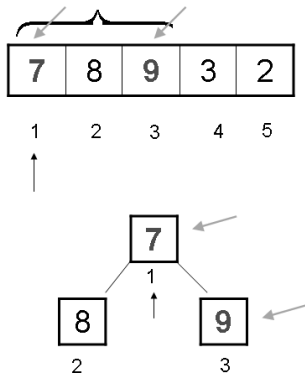
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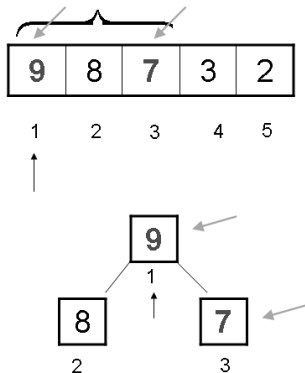
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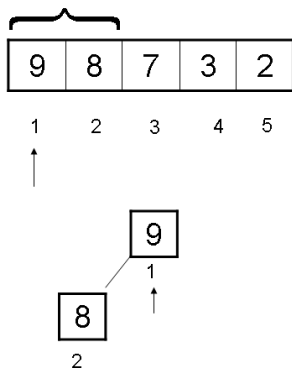
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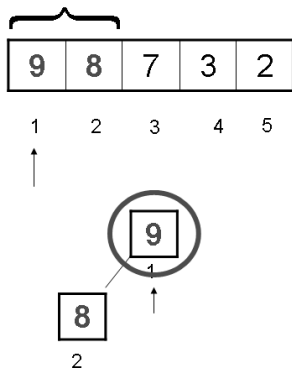
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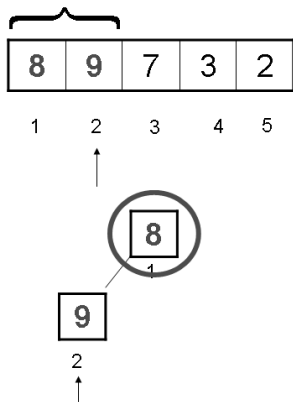
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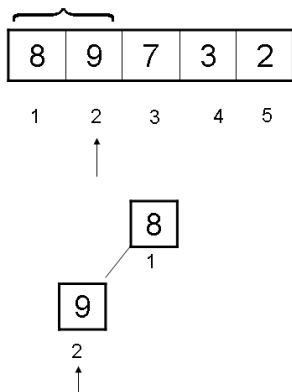
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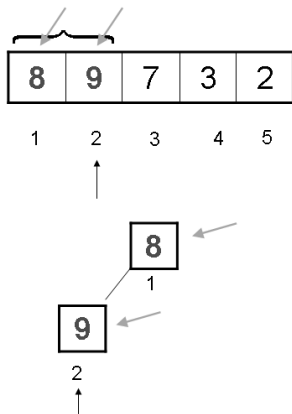
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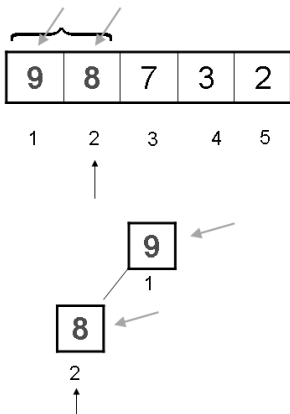
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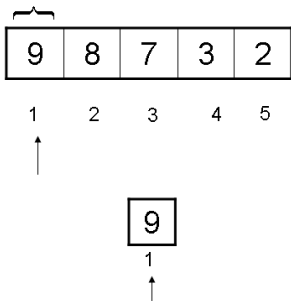
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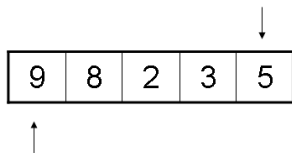
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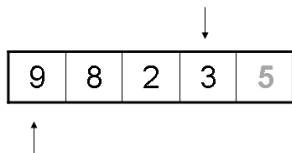
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    unsigned  $piv := r$ 
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        while ( $A[i] < A[piv] \wedge i < j$ ) do  $i++$  od
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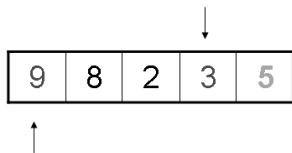
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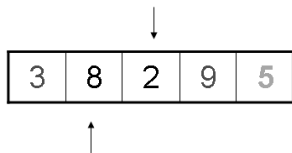
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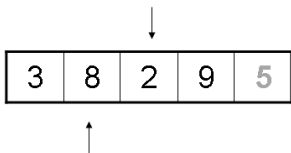
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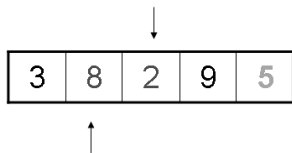
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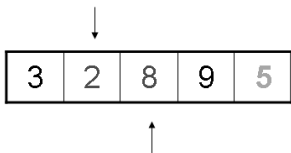
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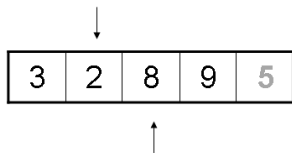
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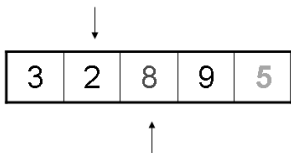
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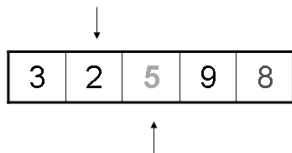
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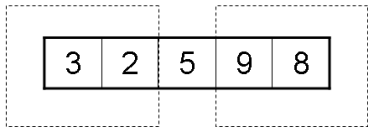
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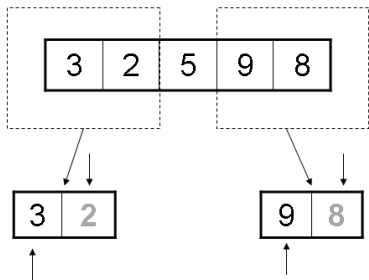
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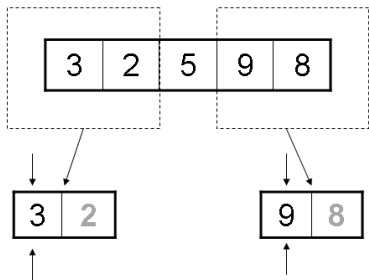
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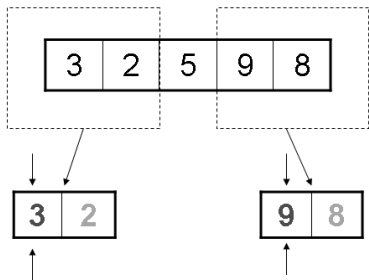
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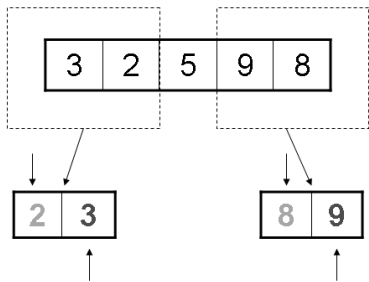
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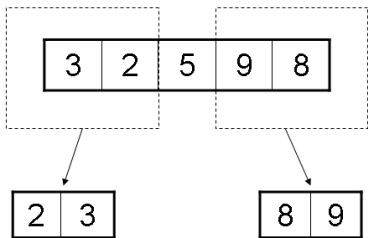
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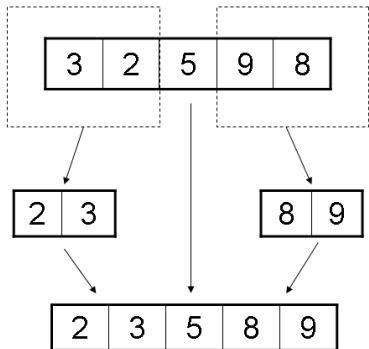
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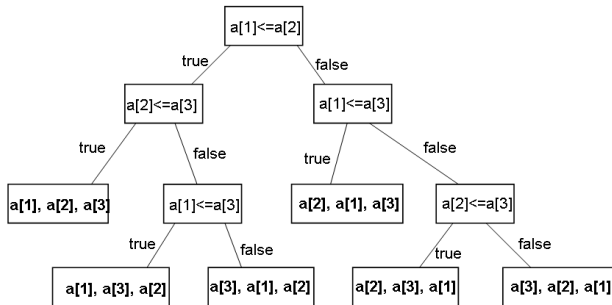
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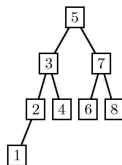
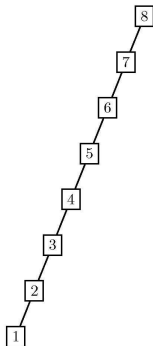
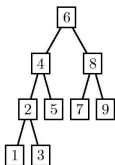
A binary tree whose vertices are annotated with key values satisfies the **search tree condition** iff, for every vertex v , the key stored in v is greater than all keys stored in v 's left subtree and less than all keys stored in v 's right subtree.

Definition 8

A **binary search tree** is an undirected, rooted binary tree whose vertices are annotated with key values in such a way that the search tree condition is satisfied.

The tree is stored based on records: Each vertex v is associated to a record with the fields $v.key$ (key value), $v.data$ (data contents), $v.left$ (left child) and $v.right$ (right child).

Example:



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data is_element(key  $k$ ){
   $v := \text{root of the tree}$ 
  while ( $v$  is not a leaf) do
    if ( $v.\text{key} = k$ ) then  $\text{location} := v$ ; return  $v.\text{data}$ 
    elsif ( $v.\text{key} > k$ ) then
      if ( $v.\text{left} \neq \text{NULL}$ ) then  $v := v.\text{left}$ 
      else  $\text{location} := \text{NULL}$ ; return NULL;
    else
      if ( $v.\text{right} \neq \text{NULL}$ ) then  $v := v.\text{right}$ 
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1.1.2 insert

First, `is_element()` is executed. Suppose, the key value k to be inserted is not yet contained in the tree. Then the search ends at a vertex (leaf or vertex with only one child) which is stored in *location*. This is the position where a new leaf containing k should be added.

Algorithm

```
void insert(key  $k$ , data  $d$ ){
    if (is_element( $k$ )=NULL) then
         $v$ :=new vertex
         $v.key := k$ ;  $v.data := d$ 
        if ( $location.key > k$ ) then  $location.left := v$ 
        else  $location.right := v$ 
        fi
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}
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1.1.3 delete

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Algorithm

```
void delete(key  $k$ ){  
  if (is_element( $k$ )=NULL) then return  
   $v := location$   
  if ( $v$  is a leaf) then remove  $v$   
  elsif ( $v.left$ =NULL od  $v.right$ =NULL) then  
    replace  $v$  by its child  
  else  
     $w := v.right$   
    while ( $w.left \neq NULL$ ) do  $w := w.left$  od  
    swap  $v$  and  $w$   
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