

Using the appropriate data structure

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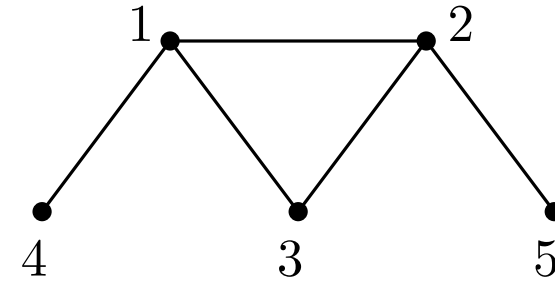
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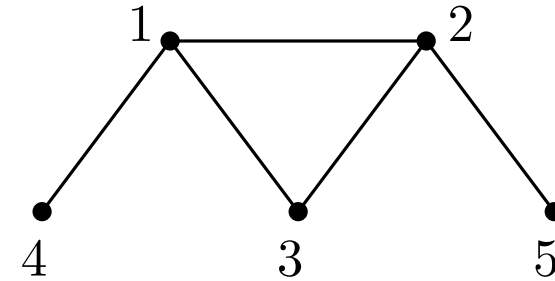


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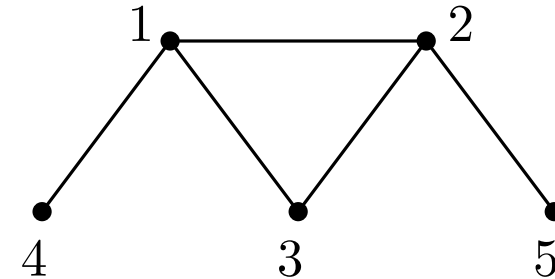
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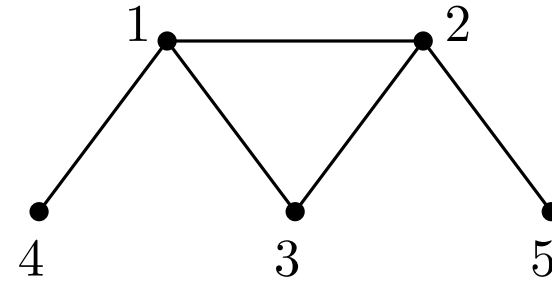
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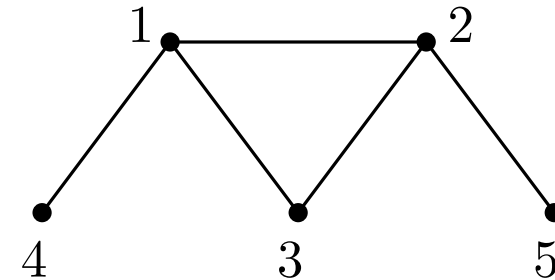
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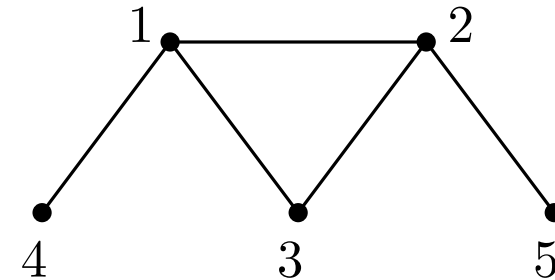
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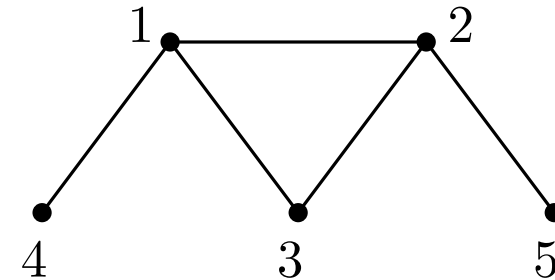
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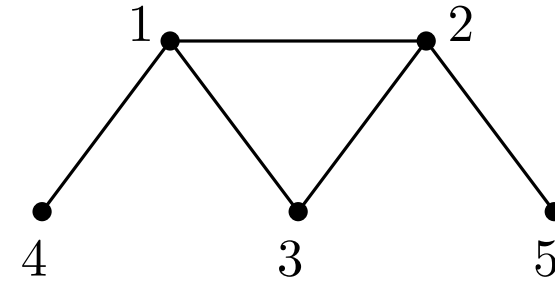
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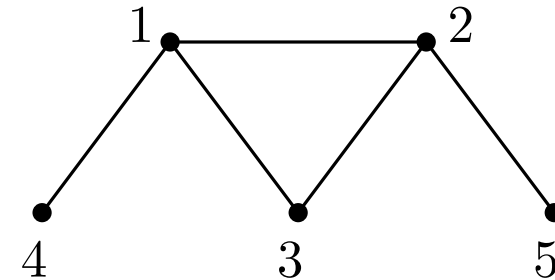
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Two particular lists are:

Stack: LIFO list (insert/delete only at the end)

Queue: LIFO list (insert at the end, delete at the beginning)

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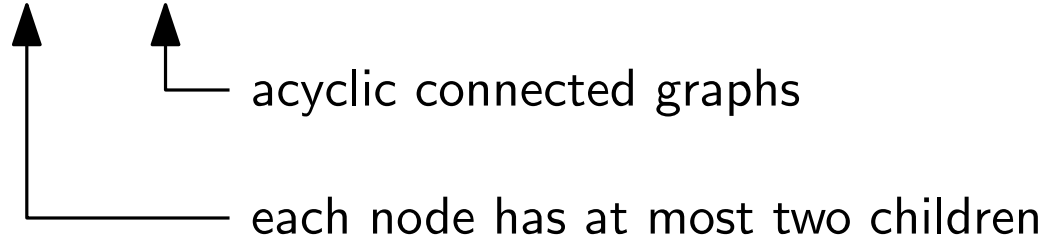
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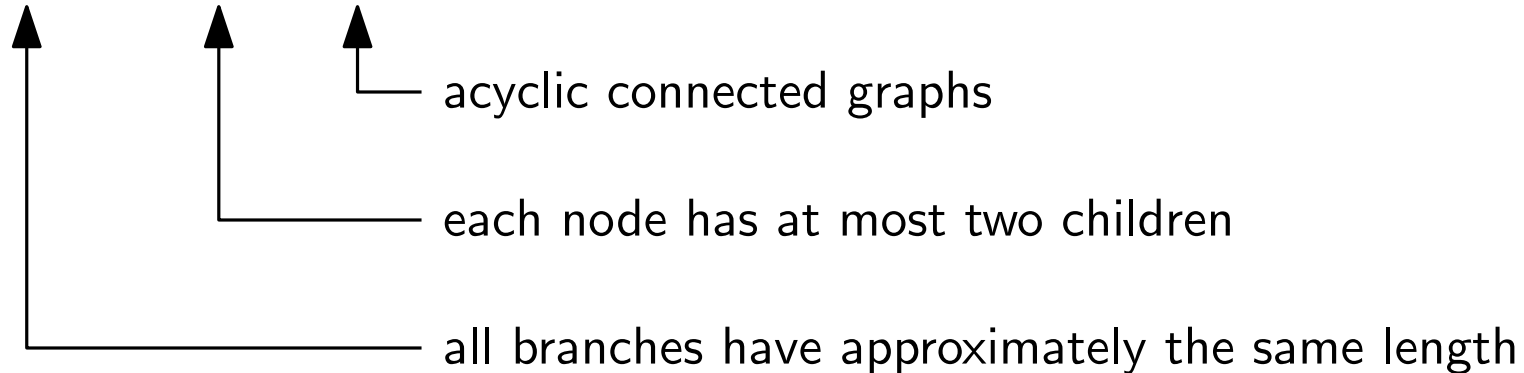


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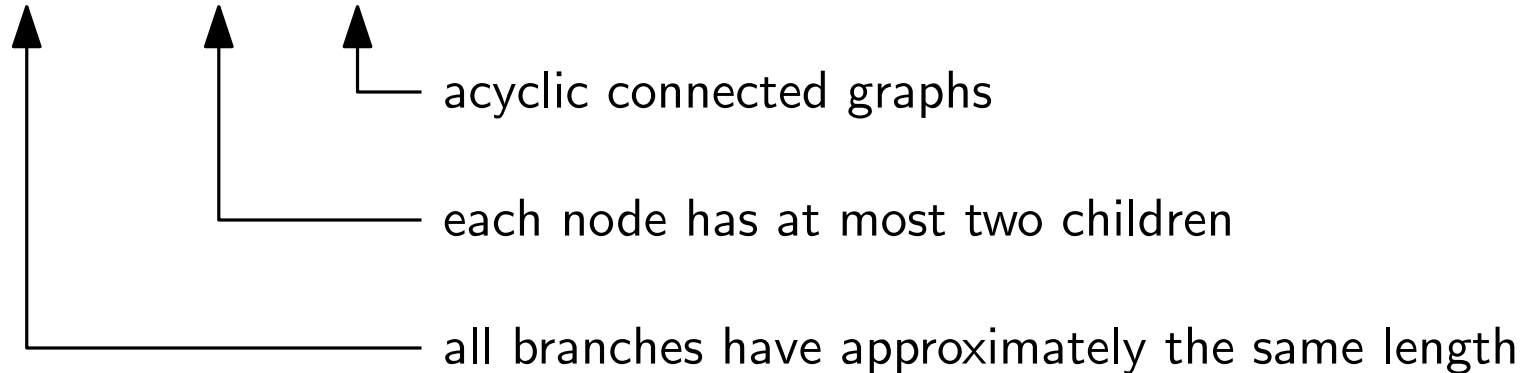


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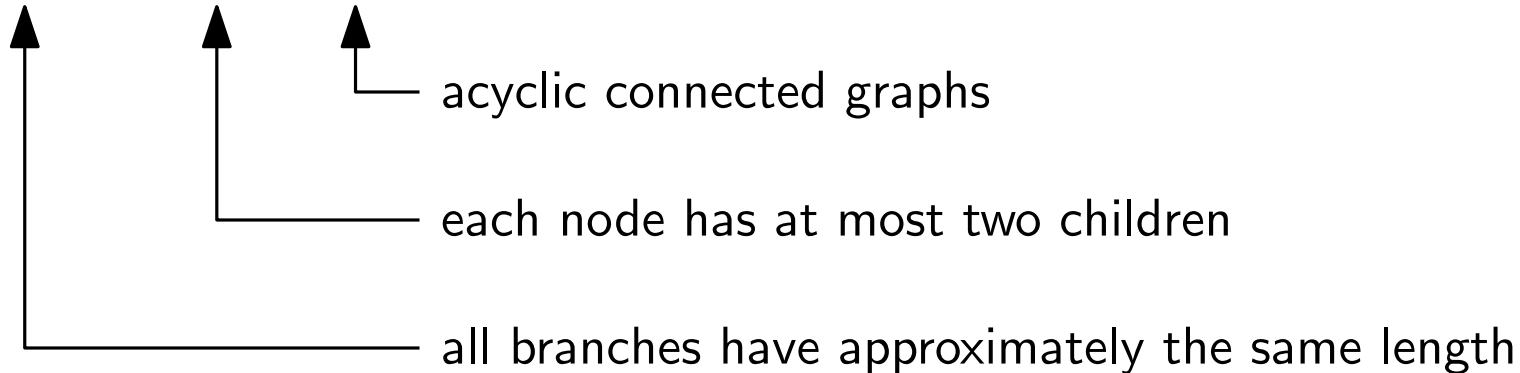
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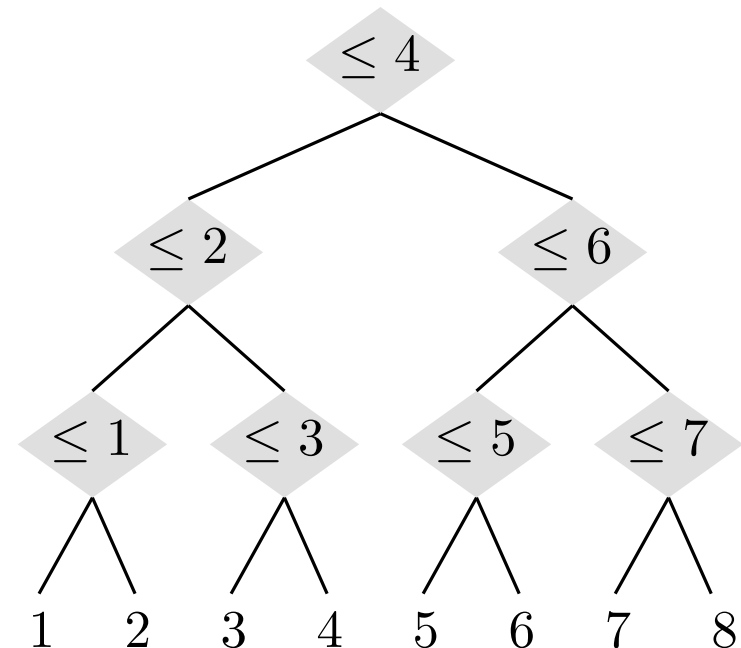
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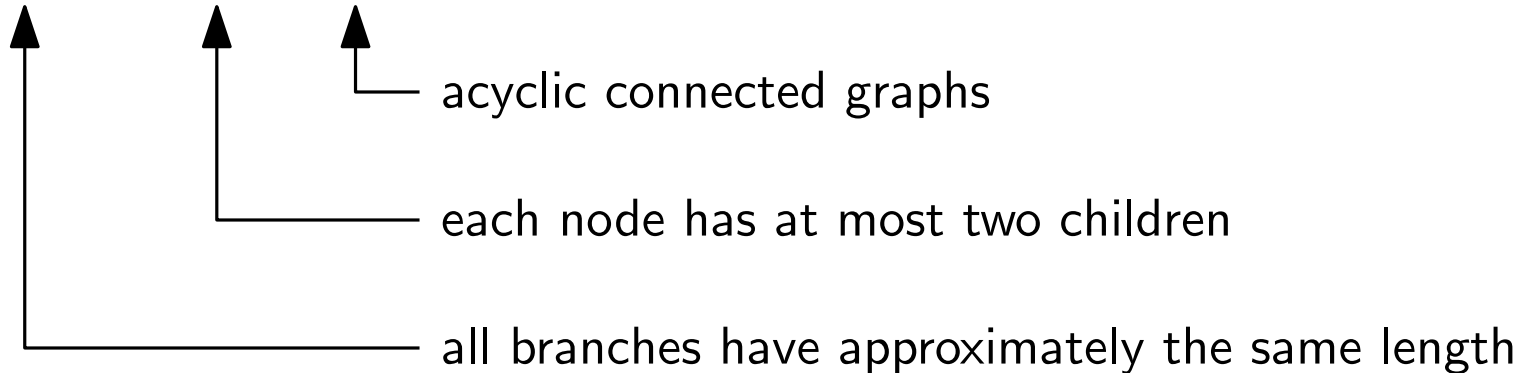


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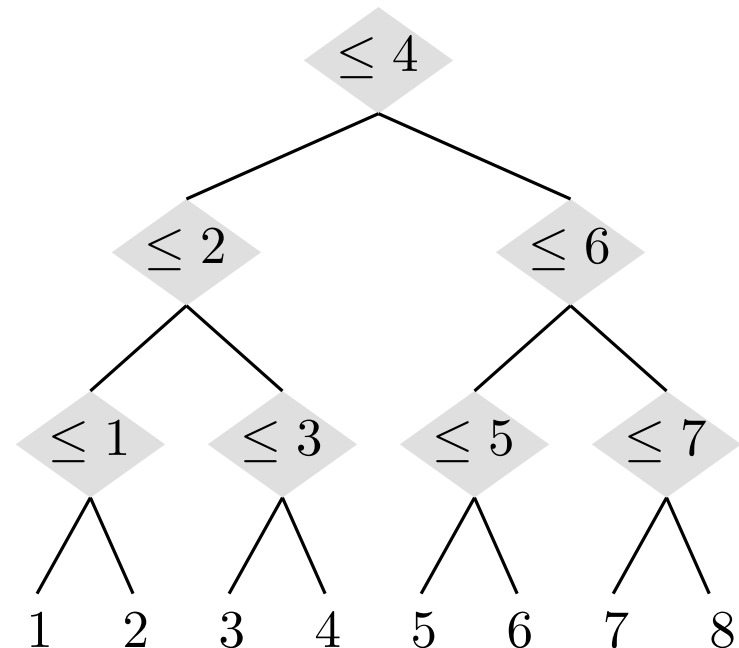
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- Locate(3.5)
- Min(S)
- Insert(3.5)
- Delete(3)

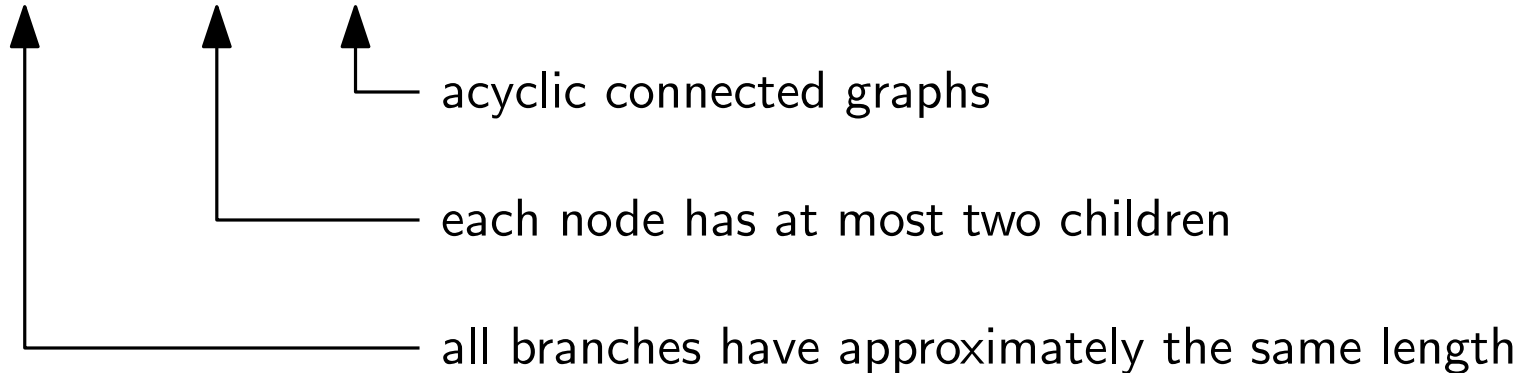


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Theorem

Given a set S of n elements of a totally ordered univers \mathcal{U} , it is possible to build a balanced binary search tree representing S using $O(n)$ space and $O(n \log n)$ time.

Then:

- memberQ
 - locate
 - min/max
 - insert/delete
 - next/previous
- run in $O(\log n)$ time
- runs in $O(1)$ time

FURTHER READING

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