Administrative Details

- Lab 9 Posted: Gardner’s Hex-a-Pawn
  - Another partner lab!
  - Challenging to design & debug! A well-thought-out design document will be key
- \( n \times n \) chessboard with \( 2n \) pawns
- Task:
  - build a GameTree of all possible board states
  - Implement Player classes for human, random, comp.
    - Computer will “trim” its tree to eliminate losing moves!
  - Players can play against each other (like CoinStrip)
Last Time

- Search!
  - OrderedVector
  - BinarySearchTree
- BST Implementation details:
  - locate: return node containing value OR node where value should be added to the tree (as a child)
  - predecessor: return the node whose value precedes target value (i.e. immediately before it in the BST’s ordering)
  - add
Binary Search Tree Add

• Remember!!! A binary tree is a binary search tree if it is:
  • Empty, or a binary tree where
  • (1) All nodes in the left subtree are less than or equal to the root (2) all nodes in the right subtree are greater than or equal to the root, and (3) the left and right subtrees are binary search trees.

• In our implementation, right subtrees only hold values that are strictly greater than the root
How to Add Duplicate Values

How to perform: bst.add("v")

locate("v").setLeft(new BinaryTree("v"));
First (Bad) Attempt: add(E value)

```java
public void add(E value) {
    BinaryTree<E> newNode = new BinaryTree<E>(value, EMPTY, EMPTY);
    if (root.isEmpty()) {
        root = newNode;
    } else {
        BinaryTree<E> insertLocation = locate(root, value);
        E nodeValue = insertLocation.value();
        if (ordering.compare(value, nodeValue) > 0)
            insertLocation.setRight(newNode); // value > nodeValue
        else
            insertLocation.setLeft(newNode); // value <= nodeValue
    }
    count++;
}
```

Problem: If duplicate values are allowed in the BST, the left subtree might not be empty when setLeft is called
Strategy: Add Duplicates to Predecessor

- If insertLocation has a left child:
  - Find insertLocation’s predecessor, then
  - Add duplicate node as right child of its predecessor
    - Why?
      - What are the relationships among root, pred(root), and node?

- Make duplicate values the successor of their predecessor!
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        } else {
            // value <= nodeValue
            if (insertLocation.left().isEmpty())
                insertLocation.setLeft(newNode);
            else
                predecessor(insertLocation).setRight(newNode);
        }
    }
    count++;
}
How to Find Predecessor?

**predecessor(root)** is the rightmost node in root’s left subtree
// return node with largest value in root’s left subtree
// pre: root is not empty, root’s left child is not empty
protected BinaryTree<E> predecessor(BinaryTree<E> root) {
    BinaryTree<E> result = root.left();

    while (!result.right().isEmpty())
        result = result.right();

    return result;
}
BST Operations

BST methods (OrderedStructure + friends):

- locate(E item)
- contains(E item)
- get(E item)
- predecessor(E item)
- add(E item)
- remove(E item)
Removal

• If we can remove the root, we can remove any element in a BST in the same way
  • Why?

• We need to implement:
  • public E remove(E item)

• We can benefit from a helper:
  • protected BT removeTop(BT top)
    • removeTop(BT top) removes top, and returns the root node of the resulting tree

• Assuming removeTop works, let’s implement remove
public E remove(E value) {
    // base case 1: empty tree
    if (isEmpty()) return null;

    // base case 2: root contains value
    if (value.equals(root.value())) {
        E result = root.value();
        count--;
        root = removeTop(root);
        return result;
    }

    ...

BST remove()

// general case: find node that holds value, remove node,
// and re-attach resulting tree at node’s old location
BinaryTree<E> location = locate(root,value);
if (value.equals(location.value())) {
    // found node with value
    count--;  // we are about to remove a node...
    BinaryTree<E> parent = location.parent();
    if (parent.right() == location) { // removing right child
        parent.setRight(removeTop(location));
    } else { // removing left child
        parent.setLeft(removeTop(location));
    }
    return location.value();
}

// if we got here, value not found in tree, nothing to do
return null;
What about `removeTop(BST top)`

- **Task:**
  - Disconnect BST top from tree
    - This breaks the left and right subtrees
  - Reassemble left and right subtrees into a valid BST
  - Return root of newly assembled BST

- Let’s look at some pseudo-code
  - *(We will break it down into cases)*
RemoveTop(topNode)

Detach left and right sub-trees from root (i.e. topNode) if either left or right is empty, return the other one.

if left has no right child
    make right the right child of left then return left

Otherwise find largest node C in left

    // C is the right child of its own parent P
    // C is the predecessor of right (ignoring topNode)

Detach C from P; make C’s left child the right child of P
Make C new root with left and right as its sub-trees
Case 1: No left binary tree

\[
x \quad \text{x.right} \quad \text{return} \quad \text{x.right}
\]
Case 2: No right binary tree
Case 3: Left has no right subtree

Remember, in our BST:
\[ x \text{.left} \leq x < x \text{.right} \]
Case 4: General Case (HARD!)

- Consider our BST requirements:
  - Left subtree must be $\leq$ root
  - Right subtree must be $\geq$ root
- Strategy: replace the root with the largest value that is less than or equal to it
  - $\text{predecessor}(\text{root})$: rightmost left descendant
- This may require reattaching the predecessor’s left subtree!
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Let’s Write Some Code

- removeTop.java