

Searching

SFWRENG 2CO3: Data Structures and Algorithms

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Recap

- ▶ Fundamental analysis of algorithms and data structures.
Correctness, complexity (average, amortized, expected), recurrences, recurrence trees.
- ▶ Basic algorithms.
LINEARSEARCH, BINARYSEARCH, INSERTIONSORT, SELECTIONSORT.
- ▶ Collection types.
Bag, stack, queue, double-ended queue, priority queue.
- ▶ Data structures.
Ring buffer, linked lists, dynamic arrays, trees and heaps.
- ▶ Fast data analysis algorithms.
MERGESORT, MERGE, QUICKSORT, PARTITION, SELECT, HEAPSORT.

Next: Sets and dictionaries

Fundamental tools in the arsenal of programmers.

Most-commonly implemented using either *search trees* or *hash tables*:
vastly different classes of data structures with vastly different properties.

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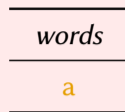
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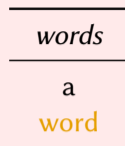
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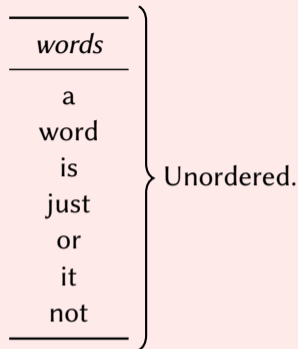
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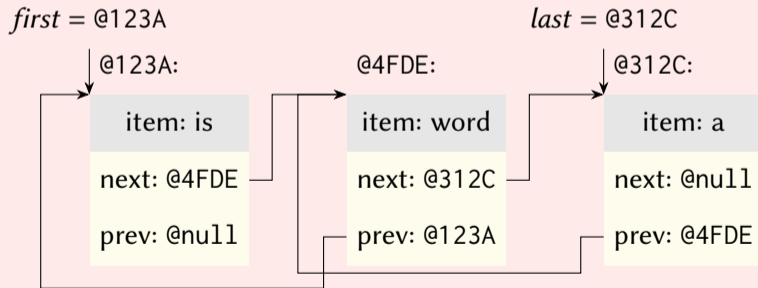
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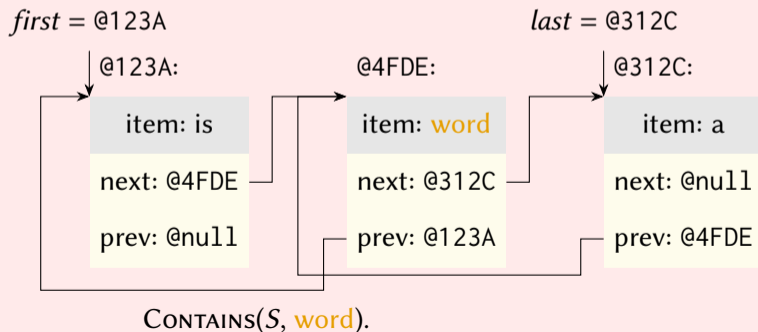


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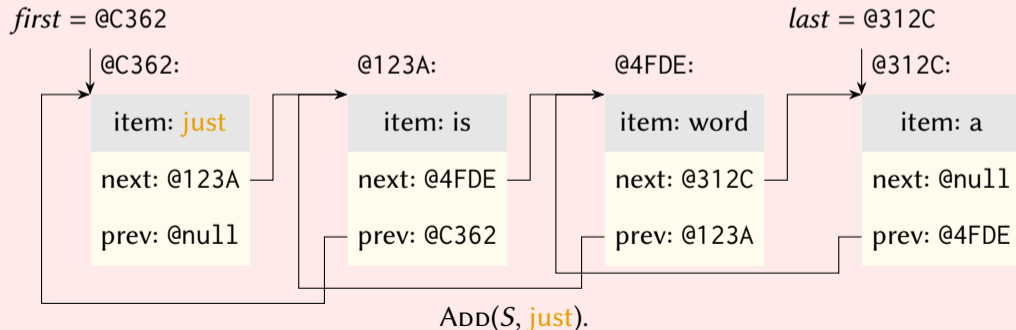
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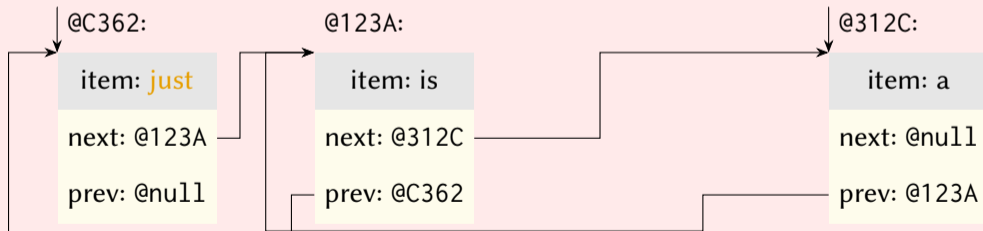
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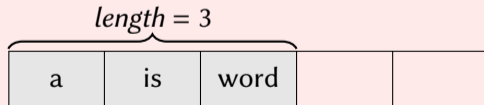
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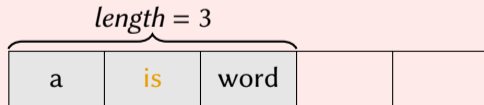
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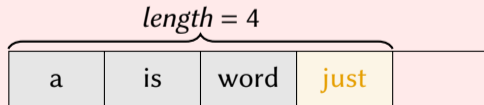
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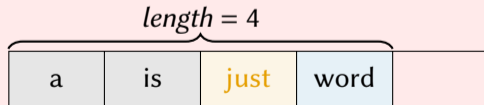
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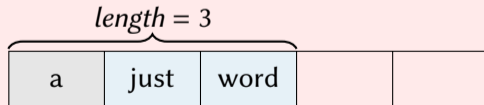
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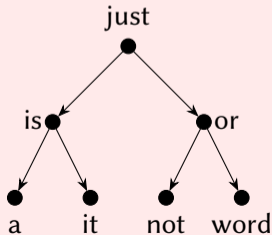
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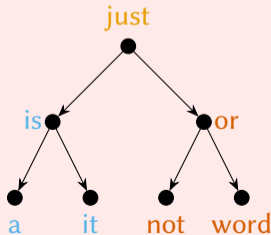
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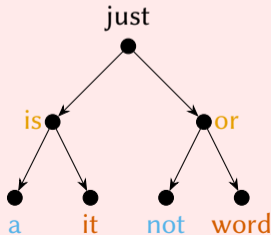
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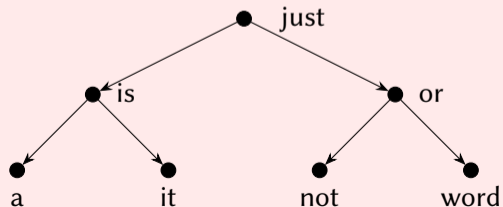
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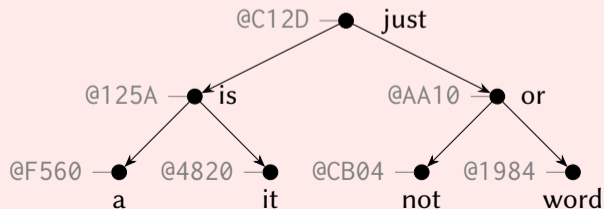
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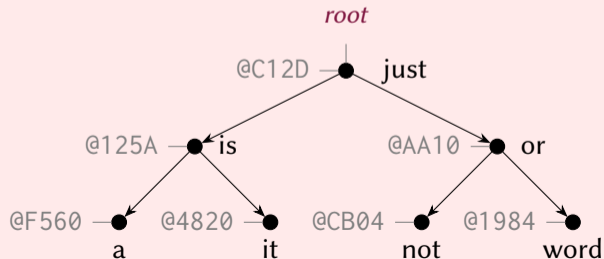


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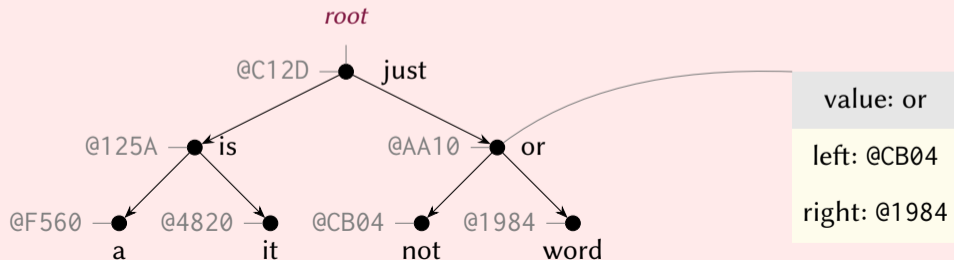
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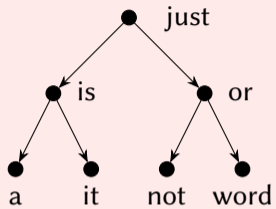
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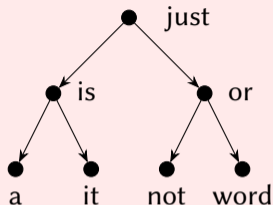
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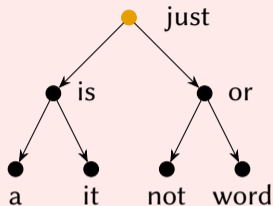
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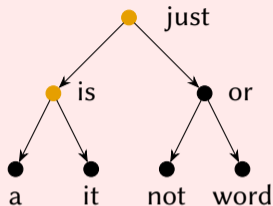
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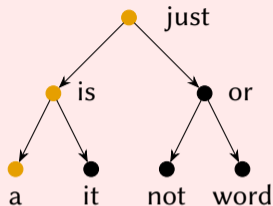
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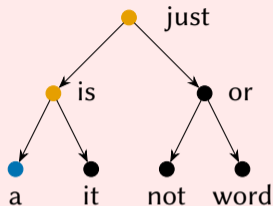
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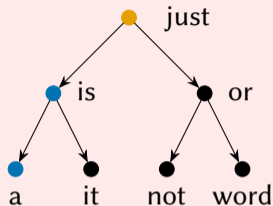
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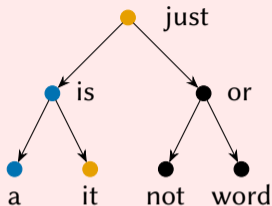
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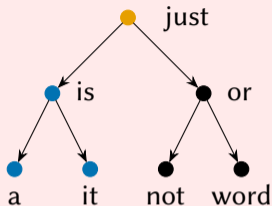
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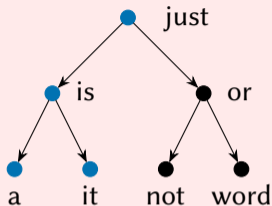
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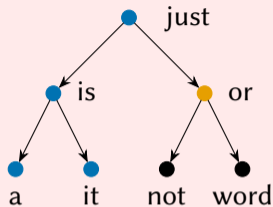
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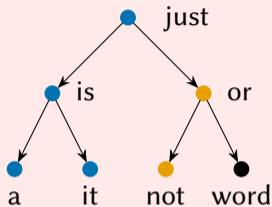
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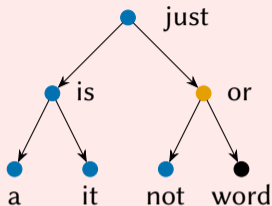
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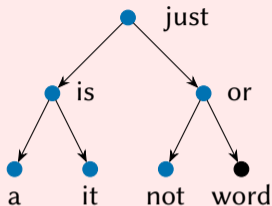
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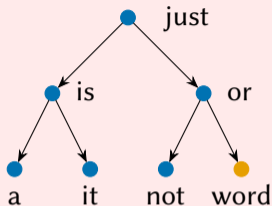
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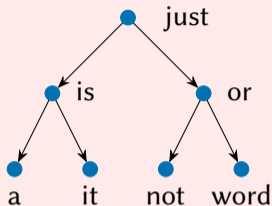
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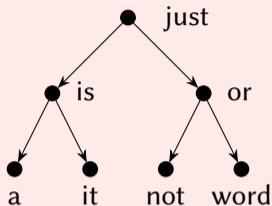
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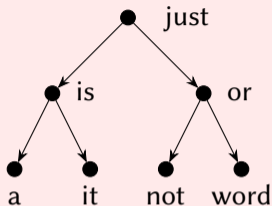


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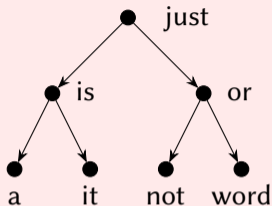
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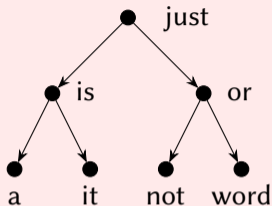
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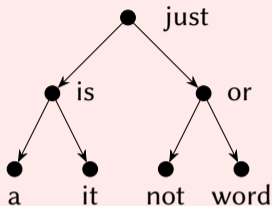


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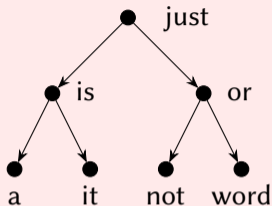
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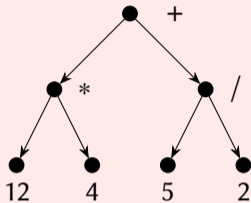
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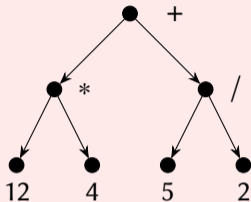
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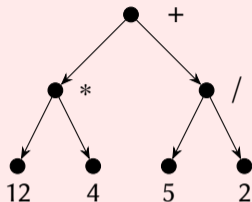
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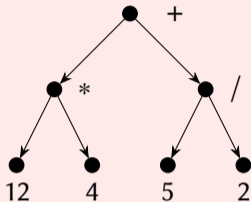


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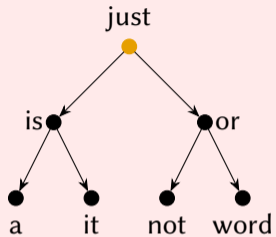


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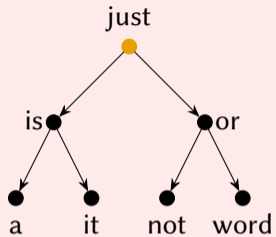
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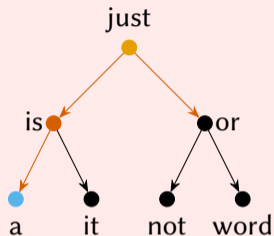
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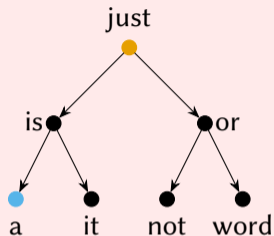
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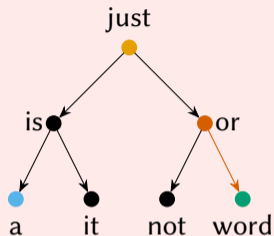
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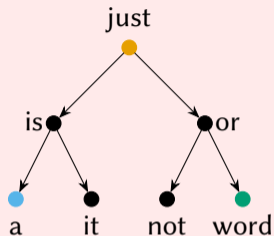


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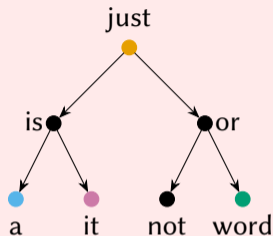
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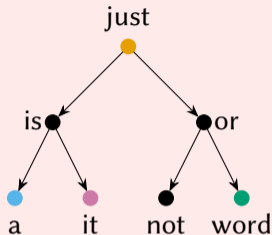
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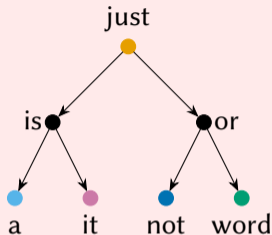
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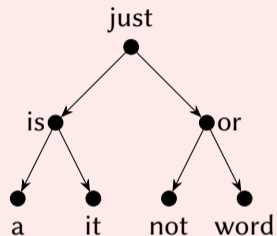
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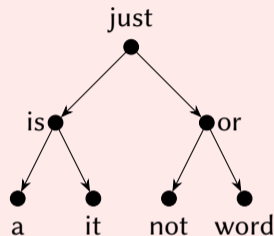
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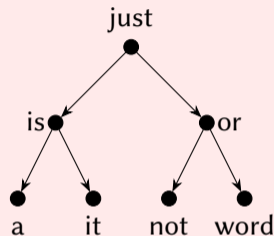
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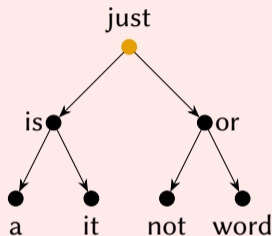
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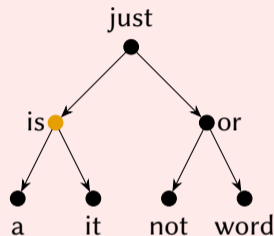
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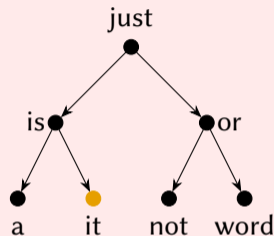
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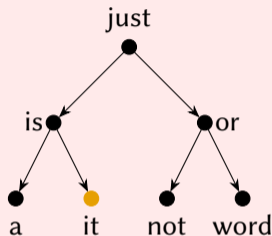
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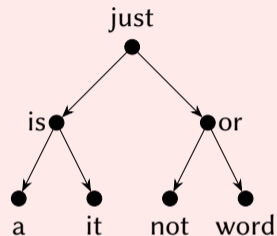
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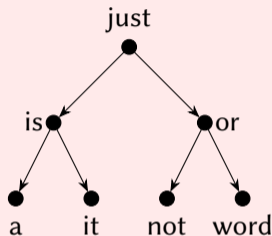
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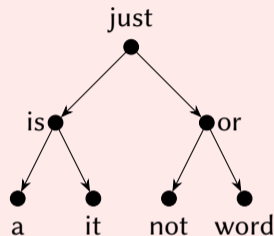
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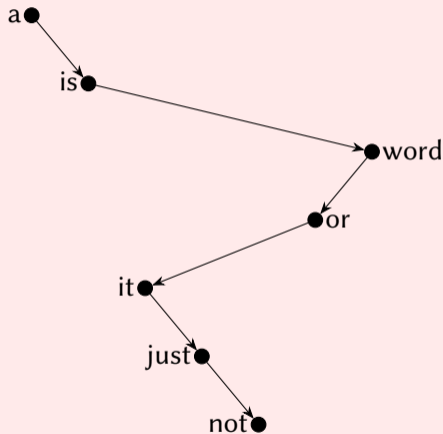
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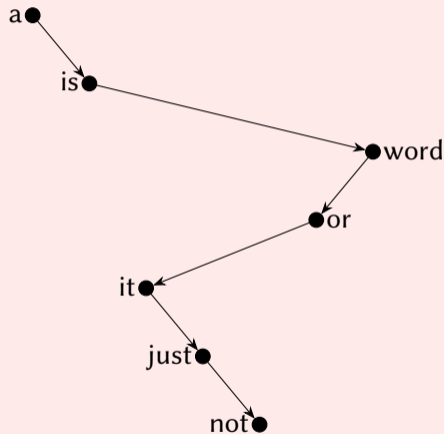
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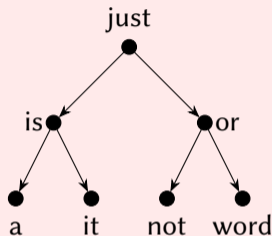
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High-level sketch: adding value v

1. Make a node m for value v .
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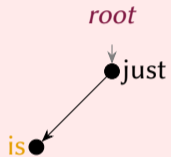
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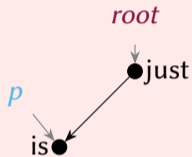
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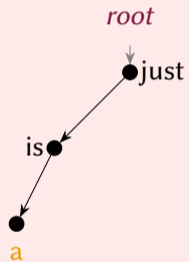
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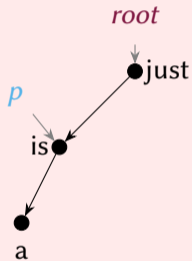
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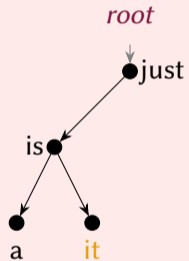
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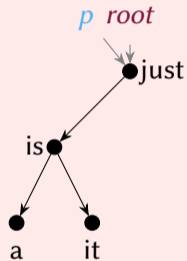
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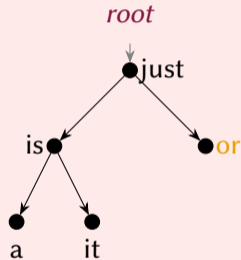
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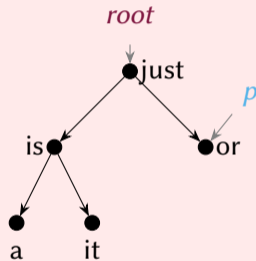
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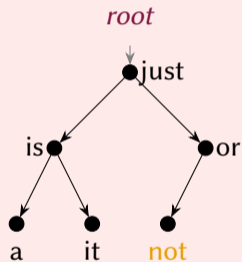
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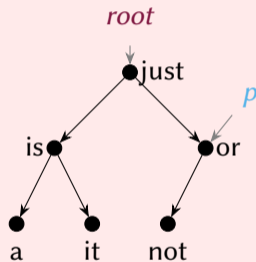
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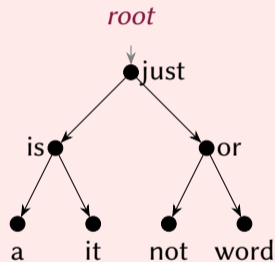
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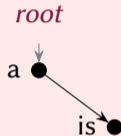
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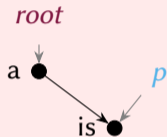
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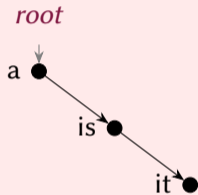
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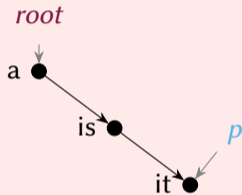
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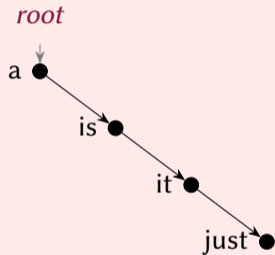
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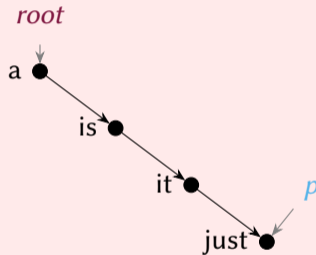
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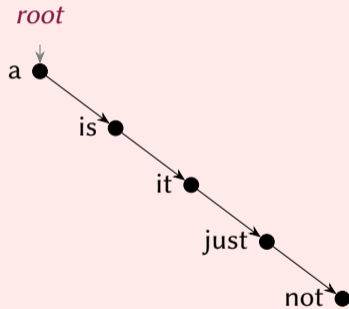
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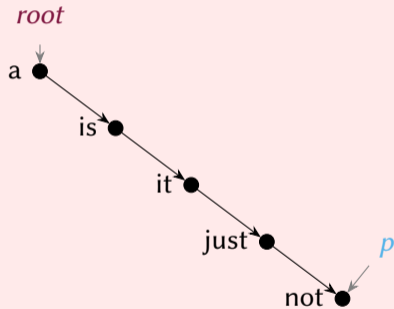
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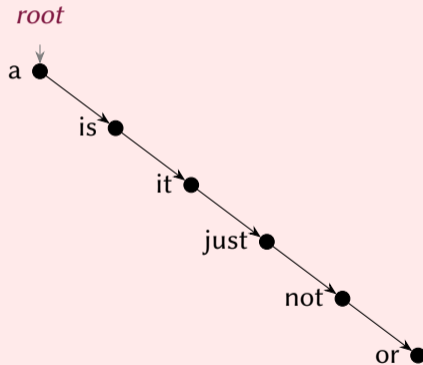
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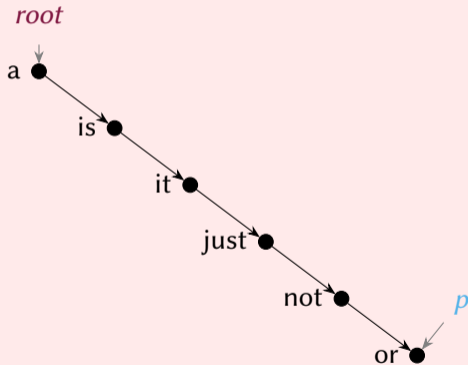
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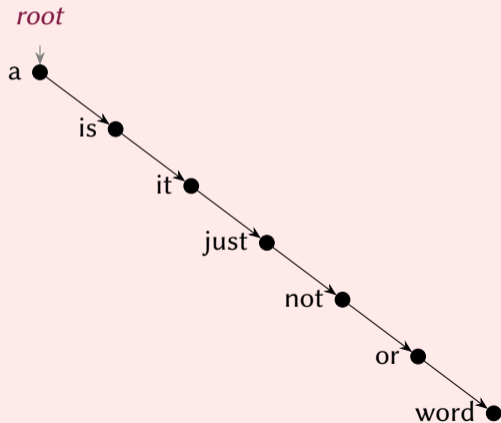
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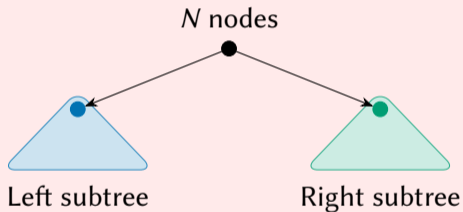
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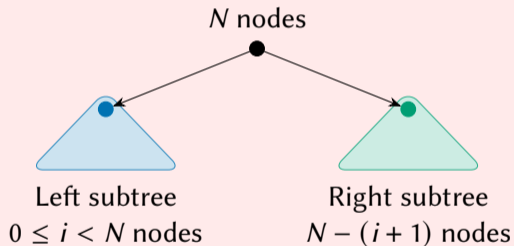


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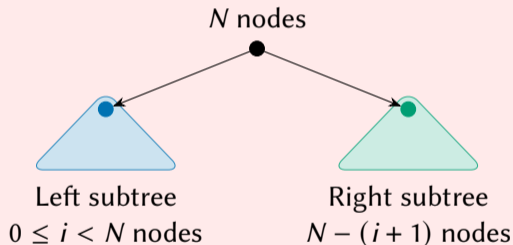


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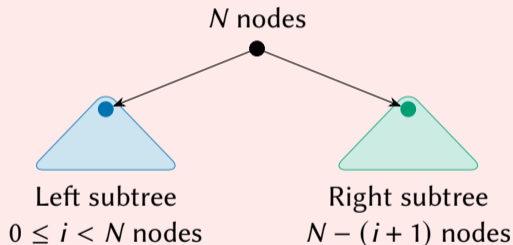
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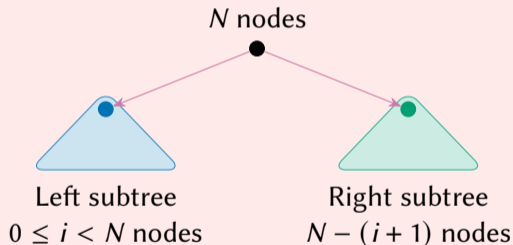
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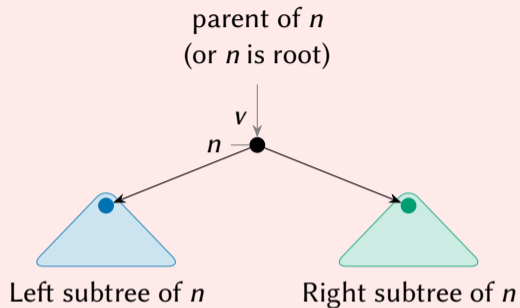
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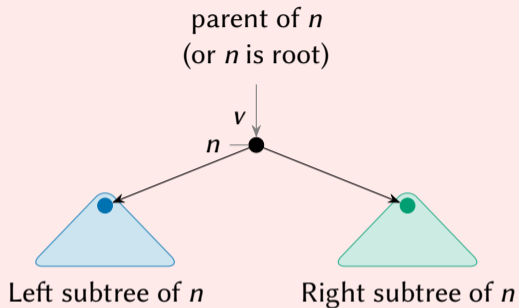
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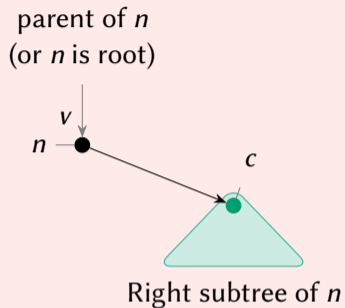
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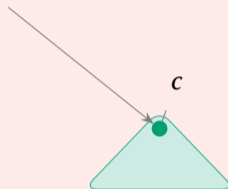
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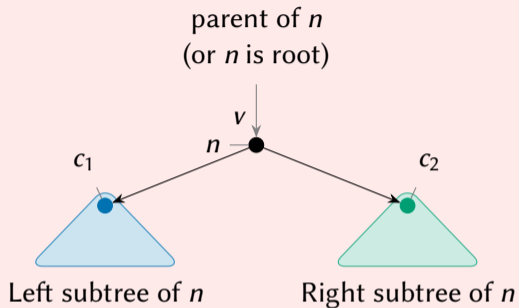
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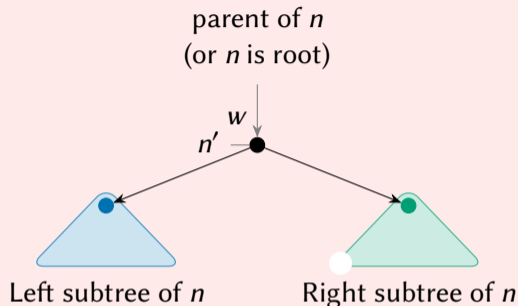
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