

#### **Introduction to Computer Science: Programming Methodology**

## **Lecture 11 Tree**

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# **Tree**

• A tree is a data structure that stores elements hierarchically

• With the exception of the top element, each element in a tree has a parent element and zero or more children elements

• We typically call the top element the root of the tree, but it is drawn as the highest element

#### Example: The organization of a company



### Semantic concept



# **Formal definition of a tree**

• Formally, we define a tree T as a set of nodes storing elements such that the nodes have a parent-child relationship that satisfies the following properties:

- $\checkmark$  If T is nonempty, it has a special node, called the root of T, that has no parent.
- $\checkmark$  Each node **v** of **T** (different from the root) has a unique parent node w; every node with parent w is a child of w.

# **Edge and path**

- An edge of tree  $\overline{T}$  is a pair of nodes  $(u,v)$  such that  $u$  is the parent of v, or vice versa
- A path of T is a sequence of nodes such that any two consecutive nodes in the sequence form an edge
- The depth of a node v is the length of the path connecting root node and v

# **Internal and leaf nodes**

•A node is called a leaf node if it has no child

• If a node has at least one child, it is an internal node

# **Ordered tree**

• A tree is ordered if there is a meaningful linear order among the children of each node; such an order is usually visualized by arranging siblings from left to right, according to their order



# Example: File system



A file is a leaf node, and a folder/directory is an internal node

# **Binary tree**

- A binary tree is an ordered tree with the following properties:
	- 1. Every node has at most two children
	- 2. Each child node is labelled as being either a left child or a right child
	- 3. A left child precedes a right child in the order of children of a node
- The subtree rooted at a left or right child of an internal node v is called a left subtree or right subtree, respectively, of v
- A binary tree is proper if each node has either zero or two children. Some people also refer to such trees as being full binary trees

## A wild binary tree



### Example: Represent an expression with binary tree

• An arithmetic expression can be represented by a binary tree whose leaves are associated with variables or constants, and whose internal nodes are associated with one of the operators +, −, ×, and /



# **Binary tree class**

• We define a tree class based on a class called Node; an element is stored as a node

• Each node contains three references, one pointing to the parent node, two pointing to the child nodes

# **Implementing the binary tree**

class Node:

```
def __init_(self, element, parent = None, \
    left = None, right = None:
    self. element = elementself. parent = parent
    self. left = leftself.right = right
```
class LBTree:

```
def init (self):
   self.root = Noneself. size = 0def len (self):return self. size
```
 $def$  find root  $(self)$ : return self root

 $def$  parent (self,  $p$ ): return p. parent

 $def$  left $(self, p)$ : return p. left

 $def right(self, p)$ : return p. right

 $def num_cchild(self, p)$ :  $count = 0$ if p. left is not None:  $count+=1$ if p.right is not None:  $count+=1$ return count

# **Implementing the binary tree**

```
def addroot(self, e):
    if self. root is not None:
        print ('Root already exists.')
        return None
    self. size = 1self. root = Node(e)return self.root
```

```
def addlet(self, p, e):
    if p. left is not None:
        print ('Left child already exists.')
        return None
    self.size += 1p. left = Node(e, p)return p. left
```

```
def add\_right(self, p, e):
    if p.right is not None:
        print ('Right child already exists.')
        return None
    self.size += 1p. right = Node(e, p)return p.right
```

```
def replace (self, p, e) :
    old = p. element
    p. element = e
    return old
```

```
def delete(self, p):
    if p. parent. left is p:
        p. parent. left = Noneif p. parent. right is p:
        p. parent. right = None
    return p. element
```
#### Example: Use the binary tree class

 $\gg$  main()

10

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```
print(t, root, element)print (t. root. left. element)
print (t. root. right. element)
print (t. root. left. right. element)
```
#### Traverse a linked list



p = head while(p!=None): print(p.element) p = p.pointer

#### Traverse a binary tree



# **Different traversing strategies**

#### • **Pre-order (depth-first)**

- Visit the node
- Traverse the left subtree in pre-order
- Traverse the right subtree in pre-order

#### • **In-order**

- Traverse the left subtree in in-order
- Visit the node
- Traverse the right subtree in in-order

#### • **Post-order**

- Traverse the left subtree in post-order
- Traverse the right subtree in post-order
- Visit the node

# **Pre-order traversal**





= A B D C **E G** F H I

#### Example: Represent an expression



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 $(A+B)/(C^*D)-E^*(F-G)+H$ 



Question: Given an expression, what is the relationship between its postfix and post-order?

### Implementation (Pseudocode)

#### **INORDER-TREE-WALK**(x)

1. **if** x is not None:

E.g.:

- 2. **then** INORDER-TREE-WALK ( left [x] )
- 3. print key [x]
- 4. INORDER-TREE-WALK ( right [x] )



Output: 2 3 5 5 7 9

- **Running time:** 
	- $\circ$   $\Theta(n)$ , where n is the size of the tree rooted at x

#### Exercise

• Given a binary tree, show its pre-order, in-order, and postorder



- Pre-order=[3, 9, 20, 15, 7]
- In-order=[9, 3, 15, 20, 7]
- Post-order=[9, 15, 7, 20, 3]

## Example: Reconstruct a binary tree



## Reconstruct a binary tree

#### **Looking at the left subtree of B:**

- "preorder : CDE" => C is the root
- Then, "inorder: D**C**E"

#### **Looking at the right subtree of A:**

- "preorder : XZUTY"  $\Rightarrow$  X is the root
- Then, "inorder: UZT**X**Y"



 $(Y)$ 

### Reconstruct a binary tree

**Looking at the left subtree of X:**

- "pre-order : ZUT" => Z is the root
- Then, "in-order: U**Z**T"



## Reconstruct a binary tree



**Example: Pre-order sequence: ABC**

**Post-order sequence: CBA**

We can construct 2 different binary trees:



### Exercise

- Construct a binary tree such that
	- Pre-order=[3,9,20,15,7]
	- In-order=[9,3,15,20,7]



### Exercise

- Construct a binary tree such that
	- Pre-order=[A, B, C, D, E, X, Z, U, T, Y]
	- Post-order= $[D, E, C, B, U, T, Z, Y, X, A]$



### Practice

• **Find the maximal element of a binary tree**

# Example: Find the max number

class Node:

```
def __init__(self, key=None, left=None, right=None):
    self(key = keyself.left = left
    self.right = right
def findMax(root):
   if (root == None):
```
return float('-inf')

res = root.data

lres = findMax(root.left)

rres = findMax(root.right)

return max(res, lres, rres)

### Practice

#### • **Check if two binary trees are identical or not**







# Example: Check Identity

def isIdentical(x, y):

if x is None and y is None:

return True

return (x is not None and y is not None) and **(x.key == y.key) and \**

**isIdentical(x.left, y.left) and isIdentical(x.right, y.right)**

### Practice

• Swap a tree (**Convert a binary tree to its mirror**)



## Example: Convert a binary tree to its mirror

def swap(root):

if root is None:

#### return

```
temp = root.left
root.left = root.right
root.right = temp
```
def convertToMirror(root):

if root is None:

#### return

convertToMirror(root.left) convertToMirror(root.right) swap(root)

#### Practice

• **Check if a binary tree is symmetric or not**



# Example: Check if a binary tree is symmetric

def isSymmetric(X, Y):

if X is None and Y is None:

return True

return (X is not None and Y is not None) and  $\setminus$ isSymmetric(X.left, Y.right) and  $\setminus$ isSymmetric(X.right, Y.left)

# **Summary: Tree Traversal**



• Level-order **(Breadth First)**

# **Depth first search over a tree**

- Depth-first search (DFS) is a fundamental algorithm for traversing or searching tree data structures
- One starts at the root and explores as deep as possible along each branch before backtracking



Example: search a path in a maze



# **The code of DFS over a binary tree**

```
def DFSearch(t):
    if t:
        print(t. element)if (t. left is None) and (t. right is None):
        return
    else:
        if t. left is not None:
            DFSearch(t, left)if t. right is not None:
            DFSearch(t, right)
```
# **The code of DFS over a binary tree**

**Question**: Is this pre-order, in-order, or post-order DFS?

```
def DFSearch(t):
    if t:
        print(t. element)if (t. left is None) and (t. right is None):
        return
    else:
        if t. left is not None:
            DFSearch(t, left)if t. right is not None:
            DFSearch(t, right)
```
# **Breadth first search over a tree**

- Breadth-first search (BFS) is another very important algorithm for traversing or searching tree data structures
- Starts at the root and we visit all the positions at depth d before we visit the positions at depth  $d + 1$



# **Breadth first search (BFS)**

#### • **Intuition of BFS**

- Given a source root  $s$ , always visit nodes that are closer to the source *s* first before visiting the others
- The result may not be unique, if we do not define an order among out-going edges from a node
	- Possible results
		- $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_3$ ,  $v_4$ ,  $v_5$ ,  $v_6$ ,  $v_7$
		- $v_1$ ,  $v_3$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_7$ ,  $v_6$ ,  $v_5$ ,  $v_4$
	- we could impose an order for children (from left to right)
		- $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7$  (now become unique)



#### Example: finding the best move in a game



# **The code of BFS over a binary tree**

 $def$  BFSearch $(t)$ :

 $q = ListQueue()$ q. enqueue $(t)$ 

```
while q. is empty () is False:
    cNode = q. dequeue()if cNode. left is not None:
        q. enqueue (cNode. left)
    if cNode.right is not None:
        q. enqueue (cNode. right)
    print (cNode. element)
```
- At the beginning, color all nodes to be white
- Create a queue  $Q$ , enqueue the root
- Repeat the following until queue  $Q$  is empty **BFS procedure**<br>
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• Create a queue  $Q$ , enqueue the root<br>
• Repeat the following until queue  $Q$  is empty<br>
• Dequeue from  $Q$ , let the node be  $v$ <br>
• Enqueue children of  $v$ 
	- Dequeue from  $Q$ , let the node be  $\nu$
	- Enqueue children of  $\nu$  into  $Q$
	- Visit  $\nu$
	- **Example**:
		- Assume the source is  $v_1$

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Q = (v_1)
$$
  
After dequeuing  $v_1$   

$$
Q = (v_2, v_3)
$$



### Practice

• Walk through BST for this given tree



Think about a tree "with a circle"

## DFS and BFS work for general graphs





Tree Graph

# **Binary search tree (optional)**

- BST is a tree such that for each node T,
	- the key values in its left subtree are *smaller* than the key value of T
	- the key values in its right subtree are *larger than* the key value of T





# BST (Optional)

- Support many dynamic set operations
	- searchKey, findMin, findMax, successor, insert,
- Running time of basic operations on BST
	- On average:  $\Theta$ (logn)
		- The expected height of the tree is log n
	- In the worst case:  $\Theta(n)$ 
		- The tree is a linear chain of n nodes

## Example: Searching for a Key

- Given a pointer to the root of a tree and a key k:
	- Return a pointer to a node with key k if one exists, otherwise return None
- Example



- Search for key 13:
	- 15 → 6 → 7 → 13

# Example: Searching for a Key

**find**(x, k):

- 1. **if** x is None or k is key [x]
- 2. **then return** x
- 3. **if** k < key [x]
- 4. **then return** find(left [x], k )
- 5. **else return** find(right [x], k )

Running Time: O (h), h is the height of the tree



# Example: Finding the Minimum

- Goal: find the minimum value in a BST
	- Following left child pointers from the root, until a None is encountered

**findMin**(x)

- 1. **while** left [x] is not None
- 2. **do**  $x \leftarrow$  left  $[x]$
- 3. **return** x



 $Minimum = 2$ 

Running time: O(h) h is the height of tree

## Successor

Def: successor  $(x) = y$ , such that key [y] is the smallest key *>* key [x]  $\triangleright$  E.g.: successor (15) = successor (13) = 15 successor (9) = 13 17



- Case 1: right  $(x)$  is non-empty
	- successor  $(x)$  = the minimum in right  $(x)$
- ▶ Case 2: right (x) is empty
	- go up the tree until the current node is a left child: successor (x ) is the parent of the current node
	- if you cannot go further (and you reached the root): x is the largest element

# Example: Finding the Successor

**successor***(x)*

- 1. **if** right [x] is not None
- 2. **then return** findMin(right [x])
- 3.  $y \leftarrow p[x]$
- $4.$  **while** y is not None and  $x =$  right [y]
- 5. **do**  $x \leftarrow y$
- 6.  $y \leftarrow p[y]$
- $7.$  **return**  $y$   $\qquad \qquad$   $\qquad \qquad$   $\qquad \qquad$   $\qquad \qquad$   $\qquad$   $\qquad$



Running time: O (h) h is the height of the tree

## Example: Insertion

- ▶ Goal: Insert value v into a binary search tree
- $\triangleright$  Find the position and insert as a leaf:
	- If key  $[x] < v$  move to the right child of x, else move to the left child of x
	- When x is None, we found the correct position
	- If v < key [y] insert the new node as y's left child else insert it as y's right child
	- Begin at the root, go down the tree and maintain:
		- Pointer x : traces the downward path (current node)
		- Pointer y : parent of x ("trailing pointer")



### Exercise 1

• Build a binary search tree for the following sequence 15, 6, 18, 3, 7, 17, 20, 2, 4