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Jennifer Widom 2001 EE quals questions with sample solutions:
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Consider a binary tree with values in each node. That is, each node N
of the tree has:
 N. value: an integer
 N. left: the root of the left subtree, or NULL
 N.right: the root of the right subtree, or NULL
Every node has either two children or zero (i.e., N.left = NULL iff
N.right = NULL), but trees need not be balanced.
(1) Write a recursive function Sum(T) that returns the sum of all
values in the binary tree rooted at T. Do not use any global
variables.
  Sum(T):
    if T.left = NULL then return(T.value)
    else return(T. value + Sum(T. left) + Sum(T. right))
(2) Write a recursive function Height(T) that returns the length of
the longest path from the root of the binary tree rooted at T to a
leaf. Do not use any global variables.
  Height(T):
    if T.left = NULL then return(0)
    else return(1 + max(Height(T.left), Height(T.right)))
(3) Write a recursive function MinTwo(T) that returns the two smallest
values in the binary tree rooted at T. You may assume the tree
contains at least 2 (therefore 3) nodes, and that each value in the
tree is unique. Do not use any global variables.
  MinTwo(T):
    // local variable temp has type set of integers
    if T.left = NULL then return({T.value})
    else begin
       temp := MinTwo(T.left) UNION MinTwo(T.right) UNION {T.value};
      return({min(temp), min(temp - min(temp))})
    end
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