

Trees



Data Structures

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Introduction -- Terminology

❖ Definition (Tree)

□ A *tree* is a finite set of one or more nodes such that:

- ◆ There is a specially designed node called *root*.
- ◆ The remaining nodes are partitioned into $n \geq 0$ disjoint sets T_1, \dots, T_n , where each of these sets is a tree.
 $\Leftrightarrow T_1, \dots, T_n$ are the subtrees of the root.

❖ Subtrees are prohibited from ever connecting together.

❖ Every node in the tree is the root of some subtree.

Introduction -- Terminology (contd.)

- ❖ The *degree of a node*
 - ❑ The number of subtrees of the node
- ❖ The *degree of a tree*
 - ❑ The maximum degree of the nodes in the tree
- ❖ A *leaf/terminal* node
 - ❑ A node with degree zero

Introduction -- Terminology (contd.)

❖ The *parent (children)* of a node

□ Given a node X and its subtrees T_1, \dots, T_n , which are rooted at node r_1, \dots, r_n , respectively.

◆ X is the parent of r_1, \dots , and r_n . In other words, r_1, \dots , and r_n are X 's children.

❖ *Siblings*

□ Children of the same parent

❖ The *ancestors* of a node

□ All the nodes along the path from the root to the node

Introduction -- Terminology (contd.)

- ❖ The *descendents* of a node
 - ❑ All the nodes that are in its subtrees
- ❖ The *level* of a node
 - ❑ The root is at level one.
 - ❑ Otherwise, the level is the level of its parent plus one.
- ❖ The *height/depth* of a tree
 - ❑ The maximum level of any nodes in the tree

Introduction -- Representation of Trees

❖ List Representation

□ Write a tree as a list in which each of the subtrees is also a list

◆ Example: (p.193, Fig. 5.2)

(A (B (E (K, L), F), C(G), D(H (M), I, J)))

Introduction -- Representation of Trees in Memory

❖ Linked lists

- ❑ A node with varying number of fields

- ◆ p. 195, Fig. 5.4

- ❑ Each link represents a child of the node.

❖ Left Child-Right Sibling Representation

- ❑ Exactly two link or pointer fields per node

- ◆ p.195 Fig. 5.5

- ❑ The order of children in a tree is not important.

- ⇒ Any of the children of a node could be its leftmost child and any of its siblings could be the closest right sibling.

- ◆ Example: p. 196, Fig. 5.6



Binary Trees

❖ Definition (Binary Trees)

- ❑ A *binary tree* is a finite set of nodes that is either empty or consists of a root and two disjoint binary trees called the left subtree and the right subtree.

❖ The chief characteristics of a binary tree

- ❑ The degree of any given node must not exceed two.
- ❑ The order of subtrees is not irrelevant any more.
- ❑ May have zero nodes



Binary Trees (contd.)

- ❖ The binary tree ADT (p.199, ADT 5.1)
- ❖ A binary tree vs. A tree
 - ❑ An empty tree is invalid while a binary tree may have zero nodes.
 - ❑ The order of subtrees is irrelevant in a tree while the order of children is distinguishable in a binary tree.
 - ◆ p. 199, Fig. 5.9



Binary Trees (contd.)

❖ Two special types of binary trees

❑ Skewed trees

- ◆ Skewed to the left or to the right (p. 200, Fig. 5.10(a))

❑ Complete binary trees

- ◆ => All the leaf nodes are on two adjacent levels. (p. 200, Fig. 5.9(b))

Binary Trees -- Properties

❖ Lemma 5.2 [*Maximum number of nodes*]:

- ❑ The maximum number of nodes on level i of a binary tree is 2^{i-1} , $i \geq 1$
- ❑ The maximum number of nodes in a binary tree of depth k is $2^k - 1$, $k \geq 1$
- ❑ proof: ref. p. 200~201

❖ Lemma 5.3 [*Relation between number of leaf nodes and nodes of degree 2*]:

- ❑ For any nonempty binary tree, T , if n_0 is the number of leaf nodes and n_2 the number of nodes of degree 2, then $n_0 = n_2 + 1$.

Binary Trees -- Properties (contd.)

❖ Definition (Full Binary Trees)

- ❑ A *full binary tree* of depth k is a binary tree of depth k having $2^k - 1$ nodes, $k \geq 0$.
- ❑ A numbering scheme
 - ◆ Starting with the root on level 1, continue with the nodes on level 2, and so on.
 - ◆ Nodes on any level are numbered from left to right.
 - ◆ p. 202, Fig. 5.11

Binary Trees -- Properties (contd.)

❖ Definition (Complete Binary Trees)

- A binary tree with n nodes and depth k is complete *iff* its nodes correspond to the nodes numbered from 1 to n in the binary tree of depth k .

Binary Trees -- Representation

❖ Array Representation

- A one-dimensional array

 - ◆ The 0th position of the array is a dummy element.

- **Lemma 5.4:** If a complete binary tree with n nodes (depth = $\lfloor \log_2 n + 1 \rfloor$) is represented sequentially, then for any node with index i , $1 \leq i \leq n$, we have:

 - ◆ $parent(i)$ is at $\lfloor i/2 \rfloor$ if $i \neq 1$. If $i = 1$, i is at the root and has no parent.

 - ◆ $left_child(i)$ is at $2i$ if $2i \leq n$. If $2i > n$, then i has no left child.

 - ◆ $right_child(i)$ is at $2i + 1$ if $2i + 1 \leq n$. If $2i + 1 > n$, then i has no right child.

Binary Trees -- Representation (contd.)

- ❑ In the worst case, a skewed tree of depth k requires $2^k - 1$ spaces

 - ◆ Only k spaces will be occupied.

- ❑ Disadvantages

 - ◆ A waste of space

 - ◆ The general inadequacies of sequential representation

❖ Linked Representation

- ❑ Three fields (p. 204)

 - ◆ *left_child*, *data*, and *right_child*

- ❑ A fourth field, *parent*, is added if it is necessary to know the parents of random nodes.



Binary Tree Traversals

❖ What is “tree traversal”?

- ❑ Visiting each node in the tree exactly once

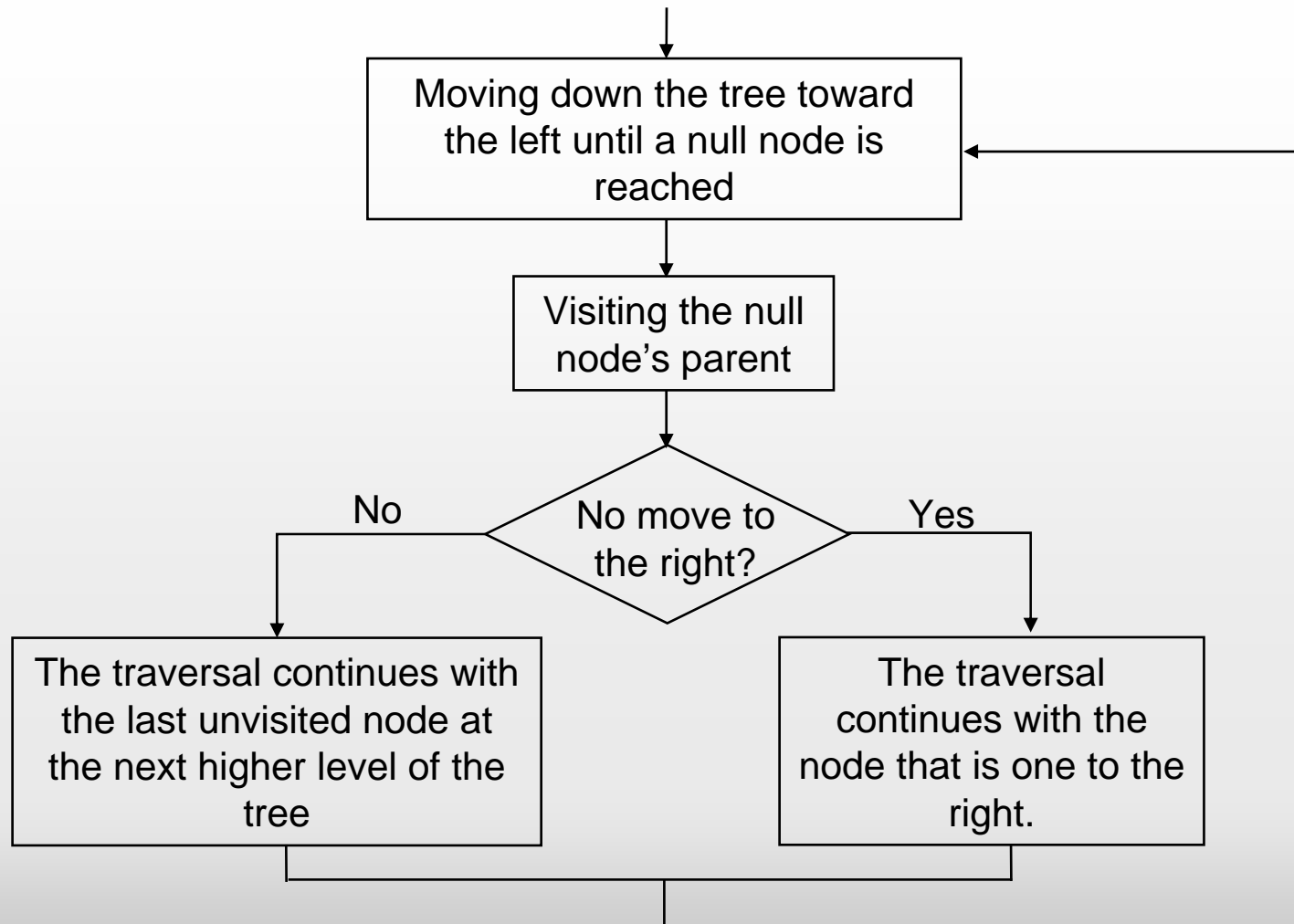
❖ Notations

- ❑ *L* -- Moving left
- ❑ *V* -- Visiting the node
- ❑ *R* -- Moving right

❖ Three possible traversals if we traverse left before right (Example: p. 206)

- ❑ *LVR* (inorder), *LRV* (postorder), and *VLR* (preorder)

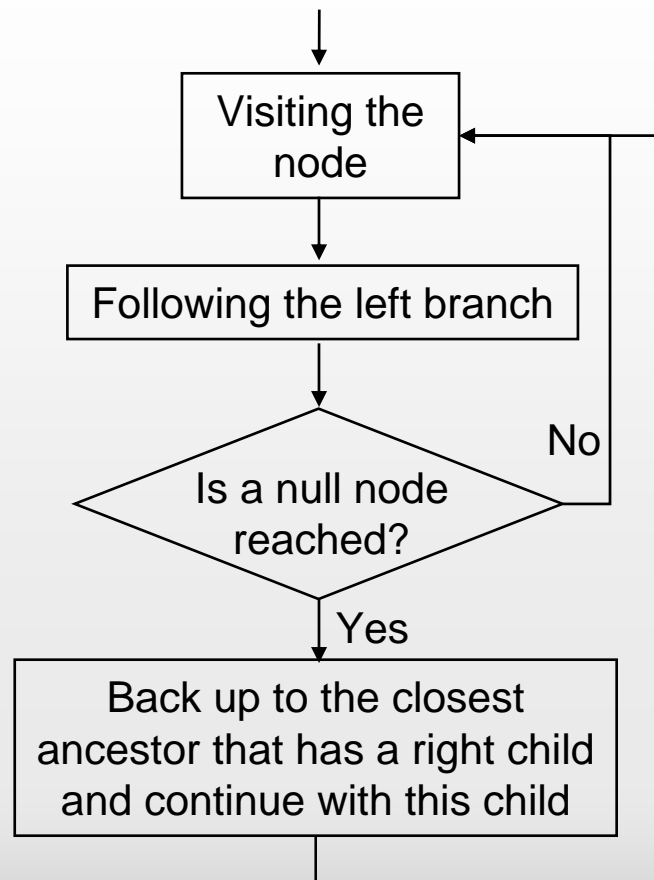
Binary Tree Traversals -- Inorder Traversal



Binary Tree Traversals -- Inorder Traversal (contd.)

- ❖ Recursive inorder traversal (p. 207, Program 5.1)
- ❖ For a binary tree with an arithmetic expression, the inorder traversal would produce the infix form of the expression.
- ❖ Iterative inorder traversal (p. 210, Program 5.4)
 - ❑ To simulate the recursion, we must create a stack.
 - ❑ The time complexity and space complexity are both $O(n)$.

Binary Tree Traversals -- Preorder Traversal



Binary Tree Traversals -- Preorder Traversal (contd.)

- ❖ Recursive preorder traversal (p. 208, Program 5.2)
- ❖ Using a preorder traversal, the nodes of a binary tree with arithmetic expression can be output as the prefix form of the expression.

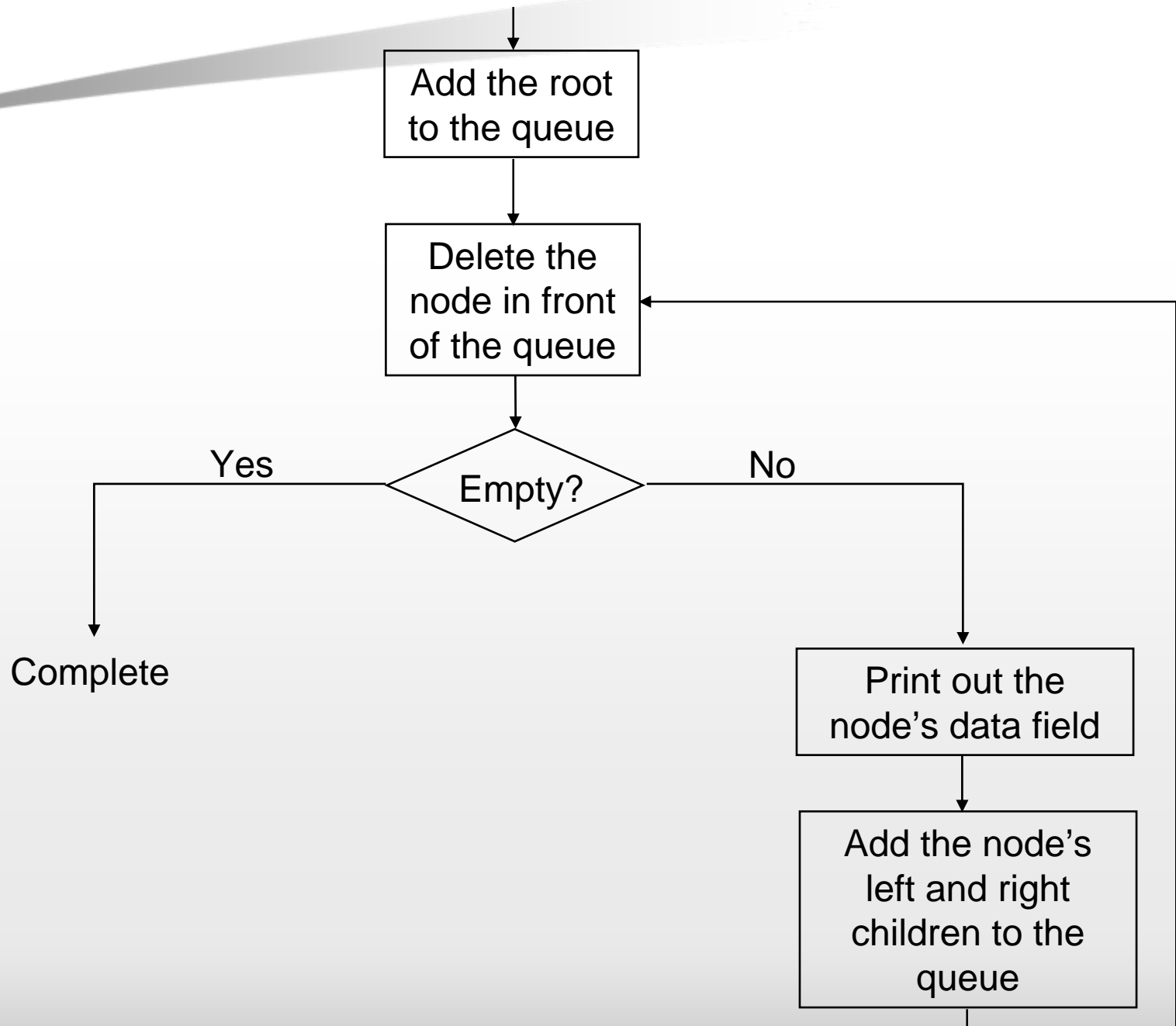


Binary Tree Traversals -- Postorder Traversal

- ❖ Postorder traversal visits a node's two children before it visits the node
 - ❑ A node's children will be output before the node.
 - ❑ p. 209, Program 5.3
 - ❑ Postfix forms

Binary Tree Traversals -- Level Order Traversal

- ❖ This type of traversal requires a queue.
- ❖ Visits the nodes using the ordering scheme shown in Fig. 5.11
 - p. 211, Program 5.5
 - ◆ A circular queue is used.



The Heap Abstract Data Type

❖ **Definition** (Max (Min) Trees)

- ❑ A *max (min) tree* is a tree in which the key value in each node is no smaller (larger) than the key values in its children (if any).

❖ **Definition** (Max (Min) Heaps)

- ❑ A *max (min) heap* is a complete binary tree that is also a max (min) tree.
- ❖ An array can be used to represent a heap.
 - ❑ The addressing scheme provided by Lemma 5.3

The Heap Abstract Data Type (contd.)

- ❖ The basic operations of the ADT of a max heap (p. 223, ADT 5.2)
 - ❑ Creation of an empty heap
 - ❑ Insertion of a new element into the heap
 - ❑ Deletion of the largest element from the heap
- ❖ The real challenge is the design of the representation of a heap for efficient insertion and deletion.

The Heap Abstract Data Type -- Priority Queues

- ❖ One of applications of heaps
 - ❑ Note: Heaps are only one way to implement priority queues.
 - ❑ The insertion and deletion times for several representations of priority queues

The Heap Abstract Data Type -- Insertion into A Max Heap

- ❖ Example: p. 226, Fig. 5.27
- ❖ Implementation of heap insertion
 - Go from an element to its parent
 - ◆ How to get a node's parent?
 - ⇒ A parent field is added if we use linked representation.
 - ⇒ It is much easier if we choose the array representation for a heap since a heap is a complete binary tree.
 - p. 227, Program 5.13
 - Time complexity: $O(\log n)$

The Heap Abstract Data Type --

Deletion from A Max Heap

- ❖ Step 1: Take the deleted element from the root of the heap.
- ❖ Step 2: Move down the heap, compare and exchange parent and child nodes until the heap definition is re-established.
 - ❑ Example: p. 228, Fig. 5.28
 - ❑ p. 229, Program 5.14
- ❖ Time complexity: $O(\log n)$

Binary Search Trees

❖ A heap is not well suited for applications in which we must delete arbitrary elements.

❖ **Definition** (Binary Search Trees)

□ A *binary search tree* is a binary tree. If it is not empty it satisfies the following properties:

- ◆ Every element has a key, and no two elements have the same key, i.e., the keys are unique. ⇐ Redundant!
- ◆ The keys in a nonempty left subtree must be smaller than the key in the root of the subtree.
- ◆ The keys in a nonempty right subtree must be larger than the key in the root of the subtree.
- ◆ The left and right subtrees are also binary search trees.

Binary Search Trees -- Search

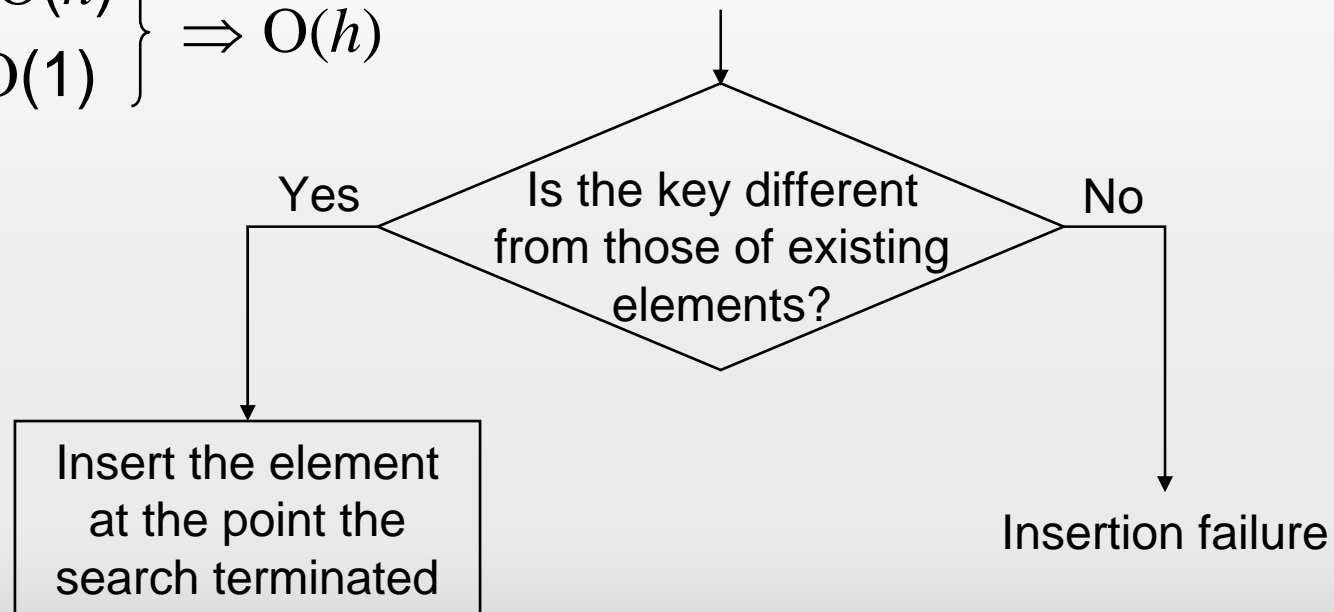
- ❖ p. 233, Program 5.15 (Recursive version)
- ❖ p. 233, Program 5.16 (Iterative version)
- ❖ Analysis
 - If h is the height of the binary search tree
 - ◆ Recursive version: $O(h)$
 - ⇒ Additional stack space requirement: $O(h)$
 - ◆ Iterative version: $O(h)$

Binary Search Trees -- Insertion

❖ p. 235, Program 5.17

❖ Analysis

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \square \text{Search: } O(h) \\ \square \text{Attach: } O(1) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow O(h)$



Binary Search Trees -- Deletion

- ❖ Deletion of a leaf node is easy.
- ❖ For the nonleaf node case
 - ❑ Replace the target node with either the largest element in its left subtree or the smallest element in its right subtree.
 - ❑ Delete the replacing element from the subtree
- ❖ Time complexity: $O(h)$

Set Representation

❖ Assumptions

- ❑ The elements of the set are the numbers 0, 1, 2, ..., $n-1$.
- ❑ The sets being represented are pairwise disjoint.
 - ◆ If S_i and S_j are two sets and $i \neq j$, then there is no element that is in both S_i and S_j .
 - ◆ Example: $S_1 = \{0, 6, 7, 8\}$, $S_2 = \{1, 4, 9\}$, $S_3 = \{2, 3, 5\}$
- ❑ For each set, link the nodes from the children to the parent.
 - ◆ p. 248, Fig, 5.37

Set Representation (contd.)

❖ The minimal operations

- ❑ *Disjoint set union (union (i, j))*

- ◆ If S_i and S_j are two disjoint sets, then $S_i \cup S_j = \{ x \mid x \in S_i \text{ or } x \in S_j \}$

- ❑ *find(i)*

- ◆ Find the set containing the element, i .

❖ For simplicity, each set is identified by its root of the tree representing it.

- ❑ Example: We refer to S_1 as 0.

Set Representation (contd.)

- ❖ Each node needs only one field, the index of its parent.
 - ❑ The only data structure needed is an array, as depicted in Fig. 5.40 on p. 249.
 - ❑ Root nodes have a parent of -1.
 - ❑ *union* (i, j) (p. 250, Program 5.19)
 - ◆ Assuming that the convention is that the first tree becomes a subtree of the second, $\text{parent}[i] = j$.
 - ❑ *find*(i) (p. 250, Program 5.19)
 - ◆ Follow the indices starting at i and continue until a negative parent index is reached.

Set Representation (contd.)

□ Analysis

- ◆ Performance characteristics are not very good, especially for a series of find operations over a degenerate tree.

- ◆ Example: p. 251, Fig. 5.41

- ◆ The total time needed to process $n-1$ finds is: $\sum_{i=2}^n i = O(n^2)$

□ How to avoid the creation of degenerate trees?

- ◆ Solution: Adopt Weighting Rule for union(i, j)!

❖ **Definition** (Weighting Rule for union(i, j))

- If the number of nodes in tree i is less than the number in tree j then make j the parent of i ; otherwise make i the parent of j .

Set Representation (contd.)

- ❖ By incorporating the weighting rule, the union operation takes the form given in *WeightedUnion* (p. 252, Program 5.20).
- ❖ **Lemma 5.5:** Let T be a tree with n nodes created as a result of *WeightedUnion*. No node in T has level greater than $\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1$.
 - The time to process a find in an n element tree is $O(\log_2 n)$.
- ❖ **Definition [Collapsing rule]:** If j is a node on the path from i to its root then make j a child of the root.

Set Representation (contd.)

- ❖ By incorporating the collapsing rule, the find operation takes the form given in *find2* (p. 255, Program 5.21).
 - ❑ Roughly doubles the time for an individual find
 - ❑ However, the worst case time over a sequence of finds is reduced.
 - ❑ Example: p. 253, Example 5.4

Set Representation (contd.)

❖ **Definition** (Ackermann's function $A(p, q)$)

$$A(p, q) = \begin{cases} 2^q & p = 1 \text{ and } q \geq 1 \\ A(p-1, 2) & p \geq 2 \text{ and } q = 1 \\ A(p-1, A(p, q-1)) & p \geq 2 \text{ and } q \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

❖ **Definition** ($\alpha(m, n)$, related to a functional inverse of Ackermann's function $A(p, q)$)

$$\square \alpha(m, n) = \min \{ z \geq 1 \mid A(z, 4^{\lceil m/n \rceil}) > \log_2 n \}$$

Set Representation (contd.)

❖ Lemma 5.6 [Tarjan and Van Leeuwen]

□ Let $T(f, u)$ be the maximum time required to process any inter-mixed sequence of f finds and u unions. Assume that $u \geq n/2$ Then:

$$k_1(u + f\alpha(f + u, u)) \leq T(f, u) \leq k_2(u + f\alpha(f + u, u))$$

for some positive constants k_1 and k_2 .

Set Representation -- Equivalence Classes

- ❖ Regard the equivalence classes to be generated as sets
- ❖ How to process an equivalence pair, $i \equiv j$?
 - ❑ Determine the sets containing i and j .
 - ◆ different \Rightarrow union operation
 - ◆ the same \Rightarrow do nothing
 - ❑ So, two finds and at most one union are needed to perform for each equivalence pair.
 - ❑ Time complexity: $O(n + m\alpha(2m, \min\{n-1, m\}))$, if we have n polygons and $m \geq n$ equivalence pairs