

Lecture 11

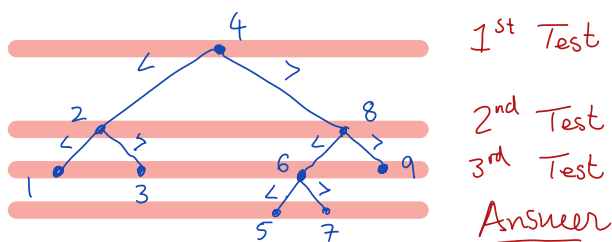
Eg. How many binary tests to find a number? $x \in \{1, \dots, N\}$.

This describes the following situation: You have a number in a box x you can't see, but you know $1 \leq x \leq N$.

You have an operation $(x, 5)$ which tests box against a number (in this case 5) and returns $x < 5$, $x = 5$, $x > 5$.

We model this w/ a tree. Each vertex represents a test $(x, ?)$ and each edge represents either a $<$ or a $>$ outcome:

Eg: $N = 9$:



Every number appears in the tree so if $1 \leq x \leq 9$ then some where in the tree will be a vertex "test" which tells you what x is equal to.

These tests are called binary because they make a binary tree!

This search tree is balanced b/c all the leaves occur in the bottom two levels.

In general, a balanced, binary tree is the fastest way to search with this type of test.

Q: How many tests do we need? Ans: We only need one test at each level, b/c each

Q: So how many levels?

x only travels down one branch.

Soln: for a binary tree $m=2$, and N vertices total we get

$$\begin{cases} n = l + i \\ n = m^i + 1 \end{cases} \quad \& \quad h = \lceil \log_m(n) \rceil \quad \text{where } h = \text{height} = \# \text{ of levels.}$$

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True for any m-ary tree

True for balanced m-ary trees

$m=2$, so we need l to get h .

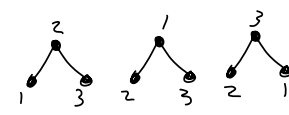
$$\begin{aligned} N &= l + i & \Rightarrow & N - l = \frac{1}{2}(N - 1) \\ N &= 2^i + 1 & \Rightarrow & 2N - 2l = N - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow N = 2l - 1 \Rightarrow l = \frac{N+1}{2} \Rightarrow h = \lceil \log_2(N+1) \rceil - 1$$

Q: How many search trees could we make?

A search tree is really a tree with \mathbb{Z} -valued labels so

Thm [Cayley] There are N^{N-2} non-isomorphic labeled trees with labels $1 \dots N$.

Eg $N=3 \Rightarrow N^{N-2} = 3^{3-2} = 3$. and these are: 

Any other labeled tree with 3 labels is isomorphic to one of these.

Pf: We are interested in the size of the set of N -labeled trees.

so we will define a new set \mathcal{S} which contains exactly

one sequence of numbers for each N -labeled tree. We

will be able to count the sequences easily, and this

will be the number of trees.

Let \mathcal{S} be sequences of the numbers $1, \dots, N$ with length $N-2$.

Eg for $N=4$, $\mathcal{S} = \{ (1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (2,1), (2,2), (2,3), (2,4), (3,1), (3,2), (3,3), (3,4), (4,1), (4,2), (4,3), (4,4) \}$ All sequences of length $4-2=2$.

* How many are there? $(\frac{1}{1}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots, \frac{1}{N-2})$ There are $N-2$

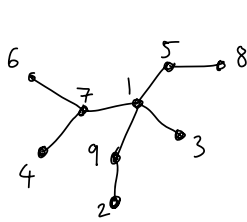
places and N choices for each place so $\underset{1}{N} \cdot \underset{2}{N} \cdot \dots \cdot \underset{N-2}{N} = N^{N-2}$

choices! Thus $|\mathcal{S}| = N^{N-2}$.

But Why is $|\mathcal{S}| = \#$ of N -labeled graphs?

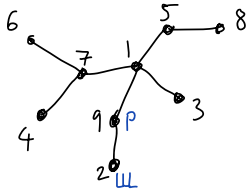
B/c there is a process for turning a tree into a sequence
and another for turning a sequence to a tree.

Turning a tree to a sequence:



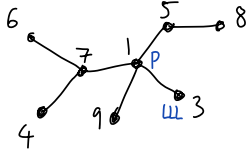
Process: Find Lowest Labeled Leaf "L.L.L."
 Find its Parent
 Add the parent to the list
 Delete the leaf
 Repeat
 Stop when 2 vertices remain.

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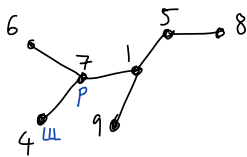
L.L.L. = 2,
 parent = 9 so List = (9,

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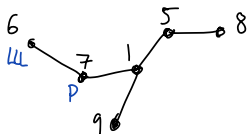
L.L.L. = 3
 parent = 1 so List = (9, 1

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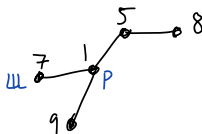
L.L.L. = 4
 parent = 7 so List = (9, 1, 7

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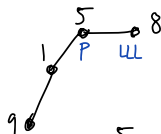
L.L.L. = 6
 parent = 7 so List = (9, 1, 7, 7

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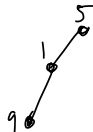
L.L.L. = 7
 parent = 1 so List = (9, 1, 7, 7, 1

⑥



L.L.L. = 8
 parent = 5 so List = (9, 1, 7, 7, 1, 5

⑦



L.L.L. = 5
 parent = 1 so List = (9, 1, 7, 7, 1, 5, 1

⑧



Two left so STOP, list = (9, 1, 7, 7, 1, 5, 1) ∈ S.

N-2 = 7 entries ↗

Turning a sequence into a tree: Eg (5, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3).

Write $[1, \dots, N]$ below the sequence then connect a vertex labeled with the smallest available number in $[1, \dots, N]$, which is NOT left in the sequence, to the vertex with the left most entry of the sequence then remove that entry from the sequence and and $[1, \dots, N]$ s.

Eg: ① $[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]$
(5, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3)

Setup.

① $[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]$
(5, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3) → No 1's
↳ leftmost.

① $[2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]$
(2, 2, 3, 3, 3) → No 4's
↳ leftmost.

① $[2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8]$
(2, 2, 3, 3, 3) → No 5's
↳ leftmost.

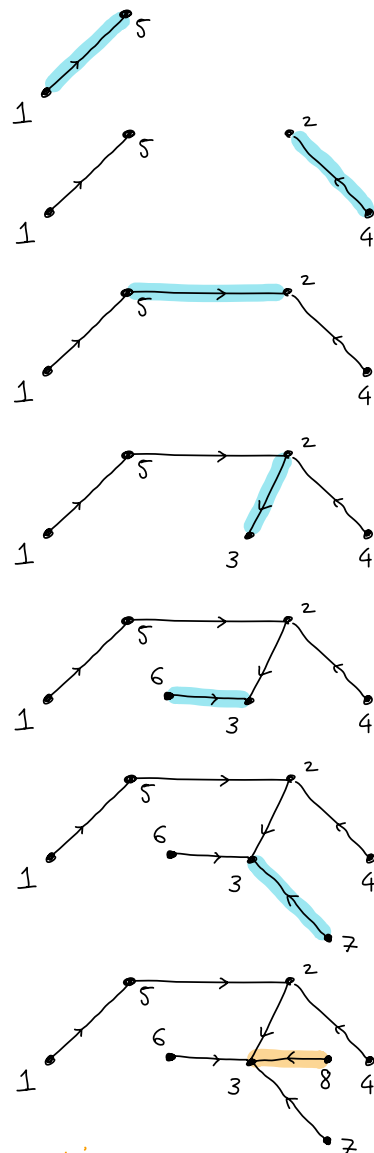
① $[2, 3, 6, 7, 8]$
(2, 2, 3, 3, 3) → No 2's
↳ leftmost.

① $[3, 6, 7, 8]$
(2, 2, 3, 3, 3) → No 6's
↳ leftmost.

① $[3, 7, 8]$
(2, 2, 3, 3, 3) → No 7's
↳ leftmost.

① $[3, 8]$
(2, 2, 3, 3, 3)

Finish by connecting last two vertices.



If you can turn graph → sequence and sequence → graph then there are the same number of each. There are N^{N-2} sequences so there are N^{N-2} labeled trees