# Ch23-Trees

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### 1 Trees

http://openbookproject.net/thinkcs/python/english3e/trees.html-like linked lists, trees are made up of nodes

## 1.1 Binary Tree

- is a commonly used tree in which each node contains a reference to atmost two other nodes (possibly None)
- these references are referred to as the left and right subtrees
- like the node of linked list, each node also contains data/cargo
- like linked lists, trees are recursive data structures that are defined recursively:
  - 1. the empty tree, represented by None, or
  - 2. a node that contains a data and two tree references (left and right subtree)

## 1.2 Building trees

• similar to building linked-list

```
class Tree:
    def __init__(self, data, left=None, right=None):
        self.cargo = data
        self.left = left
        self.right = right

def __str__(self):
    return "{}".format(self.cargo)
```

## 1.2.1 bottom-up way to build-trees

[5]: tree1 = Tree(10, Tree(20), Tree(30))

• first create children and link them to the parent

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[4]: left = Tree(2)
right = Tree(3)
tree = Tree(1, left, right)
```

#### 1.4 Expression trees

[10]: findSum(tree1)

[10]: 60

- trees are natural way to represent the structure of an expression unambigingusly.
- infix expression 1+2\*3 is ambigious unless we know the order of operation that \* happens before +
- we can use tree to represent the same expression
  - operands are leaf nodes
  - operator nodes contain references to their operands; operators are binary (two operands)
- applications:
  - translate expressions to postfix, prefix, and infix
  - compilers use expression trees to parse, optimize, and translate programs
- three ways to traverse trees: pre-order, in-order and post-order

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[18]: expression = Tree('+', Tree(1), Tree('*', Tree(2), Tree(3)))
```

## 1.4.1 pre-order tree traversal

- contents of the root appear before the contents of the children
- recursive algorithm:
  - visit the node
  - visit left subtree
  - visit right subtree

```
[19]: def preorder(tree):
          if not tree:
              return
          print(tree.cargo, end=' ')
          preorder(tree.left)
          preorder(tree.right)
[20]: preorder(expression)
     + 1 * 2 3
     1.4.2 in-order tree traversal
        • contents of the tree appear in order
        • recursive algorithm:

    visit left subtree

             - visit node
             - visit right subtree
[21]: def inorder(tree):
          if not tree:
              return
          inorder(tree.left)
          print(tree.cargo, end=' ')
          inorder(tree.right)
[22]: inorder(expression)
     1 + 2 * 3
[29]: def inorderIndented(tree, level=0):
          if not tree:
              return
          inorderIndented(tree.right, level+1)
                   '*level + str(tree.cargo))
          inorderIndented(tree.left, level+1)
[30]: inorderIndented(expression)
            3
            2
        1
```

### 1.4.3 post-order traversal

• recursive algorithm:

```
1. visit left subtree
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- 2. visit right subtree
- 3. visit node

```
[33]: def postorder(tree):
    if not tree:
        return
    postorder(tree.left)
    postorder(tree.right)
    print(tree.cargo, end=' ')
```

[34]: postorder(expression)

1 2 3 \* +

## 1.5 building an expression tree

- parse an infix expression and build the corresponding expression tree
- e.g., (3+7) \* 9 yields the following tree:
- 1. tokenize expression into python list? How (left as an exercise)
- (3+7) \* 9 = ["(", 3, "+", 7, ")", "\*", 9,"end"]
- 2. "end" token is useful for preventing the parser from reading pas the end of the list

```
[31]: def get_token(token_list, expected):
    if token_list[0] == expected:
        del token_list[0]
        return True
    return False
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[36]: # handles operands
def get_number(token_list):
    x = token_list[0]
    if not isinstance(x, int):
        return None
    del token_list[0]
    return Tree(x, None, None) # leaf node
```

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[37]: token_list = [9, 11, 'end']
x = get_number(token_list)
postorder(x)
```

9

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[38]: print(token_list)
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[11, 'end']

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[39]: def get_product(token_list):
          a = get_number(token_list)
          if get_token(token_list, '*'):
              b = get_number(token_list)
              return Tree('*', a, b)
          return a
[40]: token_list = [9, '*', 11, 'end']
      tree = get_product(token_list)
[42]: postorder(tree)
     9 11 *
[44]: token_list = [9, '+', 11, 'end']
      tree = get_product(token_list)
      postorder(tree)
     9
[45]: # adapt the function for compound product such as 3 * (5 * (7 * 9))
      def get_product(token_list):
          a = get_number(token_list)
          if get_token(token_list, '*'):
              b = get_product(token_list)
              return Tree('*', a, b)
          return a
[46]: token_list = [2, "*", 3, "*", 5 , "*", 7, "end"]
      tree = get_product(token_list)
      postorder(tree)
     2 3 5 7 * * *
[47]: # a sum can be a tree with + at the root, a product on the left, and a sum on
       \rightarrow the right.
      # Or, a sum can be just a product.
      def get_sum(token_list):
          a = get_product(token_list)
          if get_token(token_list, "+"):
              b = get_sum(token_list)
              return Tree("+", a, b)
[48]: token_list = [9, "*", 11, "+", 5, "*", 7, "end"]
      tree = get_sum(token_list)
```

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[49]: postorder(tree)
     9 11 * 5 7 * +
[52]: # handle parenthesis
      def get_number(token_list):
          if get_token(token_list, "("):
              x = get_sum(token_list)  # Get the subexpression
get_token(token_list, ")")  # Remove the closing parenthesis
              return x
          else:
              x = token list[0]
              if not isinstance(x, int):
                  return None
              del token_list[0]
              return Tree(x, None, None)
[53]: # 9 * (11 + 5) * 7
      token_list = [9, "*", "(", 11, "+", 5, ")", "*", 7, "end"]
      tree = get_sum(token_list)
      postorder(tree)
     9 11 5 + 7 * *
     1.6 handling errors on malformed expressions
[54]: # handle parenthesis
      def get_number(token_list):
          if get_token(token_list, "("):
              x = get_sum(token_list) # Get the subexpression
              if not get_token(token_list, ")"): # Remove the closing parenthesis
                  raise ValueError('Missing close parenthesis!')
              return x
          else:
              x = token_list[0]
              if not isinstance(x, int):
                  return None
              del token list[0]
              return Tree(x, None, None)
[55]: token_list = [9, "*", "(", 11, "+", 5, "*", 7, "end"]
      tree = get_sum(token_list)
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postorder(tree)

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ValueError
                                                Traceback (most recent call_
→last)
       <ipython-input-55-4140410c22b2> in <module>()
        1 token_list = [9, "*", "(", 11, "+", 5, "*", 7, "end"]
   ----> 2 tree = get_sum(token_list)
        3 postorder(tree)
       <ipython-input-47-840e89a9fc06> in get_sum(token_list)
        2 # Or, a sum can be just a product.
        3 def get_sum(token_list):
             a = get_product(token_list)
   ---> 4
             if get_token(token_list, "+"):
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                  b = get_sum(token_list)
       <ipython-input-45-dc9c6c17cd73> in get_product(token_list)
              a = get_number(token_list)
              if get_token(token_list, '*'):
   ---> 4
                  b = get_product(token_list)
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                  return Tree('*', a, b)
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             return a
       <ipython-input-45-dc9c6c17cd73> in get_product(token_list)
        1 def get_product(token_list):
   ---> 2
             a = get_number(token_list)
             if get_token(token_list, '*'):
        3
                  b = get_product(token_list)
        5
                  return Tree('*', a, b)
       <ipython-input-54-e5973ec52d85> in get_number(token_list)
                  x = get_sum(token_list)  # Get the subexpression
                  if not get_token(token_list, ")"): # Remove the closing ⊔
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→parenthesis
  ----> 6
                      raise ValueError('Missing close parenthesis!')
        7
                  return x
              else:
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ValueError: Missing close parenthesis!

# 1.7 exercises:

- 1. Modify inorder function so that it puts parentheses around every operator and pair of operands. Is the output correct and unambiguous? Are the parentheses always necessary?
- 2. Write a function that takes an expression string and returns a token list.
- 3. Find other places in the expression tree functions where errors can occur and add appropriate raise statements. Test your code with improperly formed expressions.

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