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# CSC 130: Trees

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# Trees

- A tree is a **collection of nodes**:
  - One node is the **root** node.
- A node contains data and has pointers (possibly null) to other nodes, its children.
  - \* The pointers are directed **edges**.
  - \* Each child node can itself be the root of a **subtree**.
  - \* A **leaf** node is a node that has no children.
- Each node other than the root node has exactly one parent node.

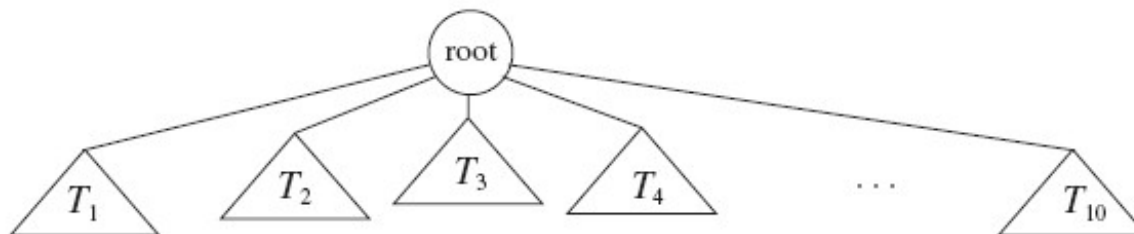


Figure 4.1 Generic tree

# Trees, cont'd

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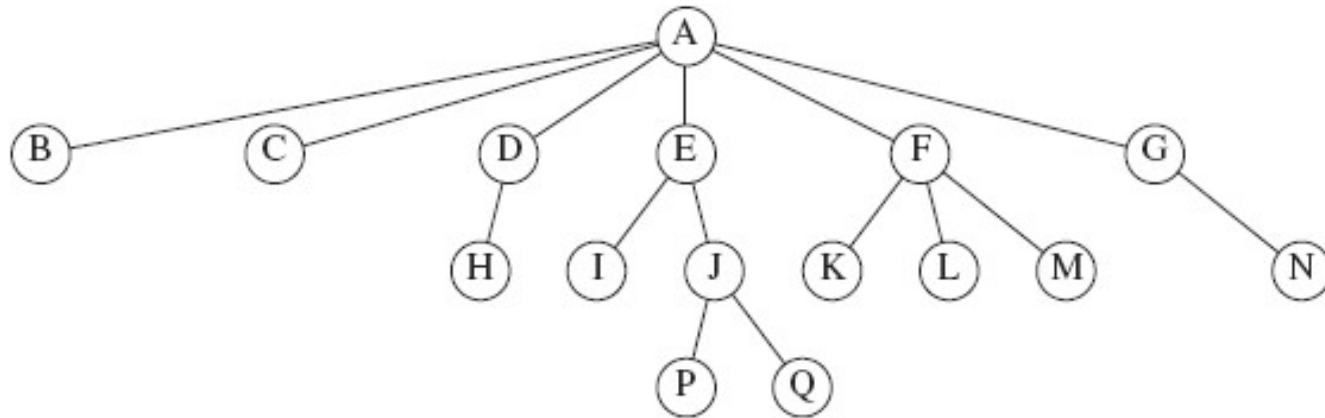


Figure 4.2 A tree

- o The **path** from node  $n_1$  to node  $n_k$  is the sequence of nodes in the tree from  $n_1$  to  $n_k$ .
  - \* What is the path from A to Q? From E to P?
- o The **length** of a path is the number of its edges.
  - \* What is the length of the path from A to Q?

# Trees, cont'd

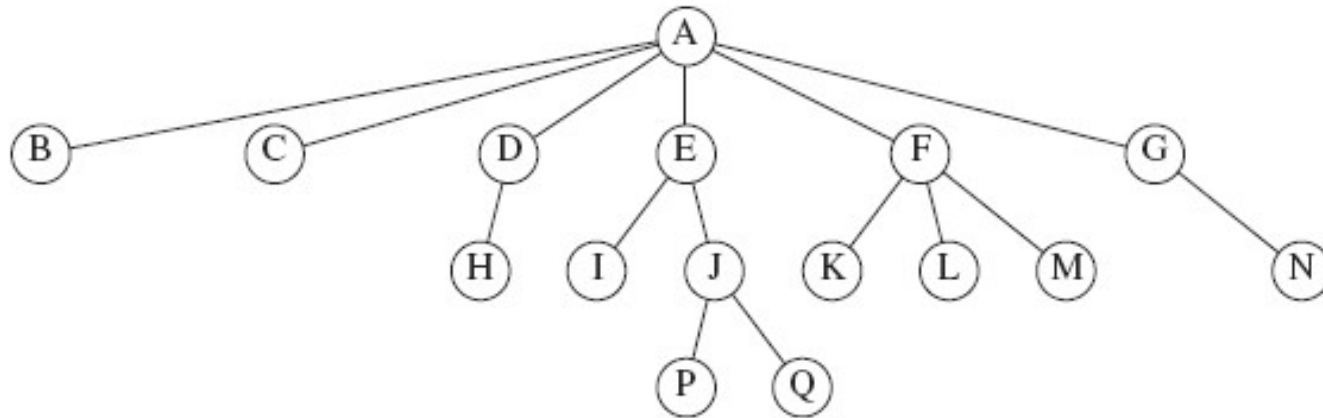


Figure 4.2 A tree

- o The **depth** of a node is the length of the path from the root to that node.
  - \* What is the depth of node J? Of the root node?

# Trees, cont'd

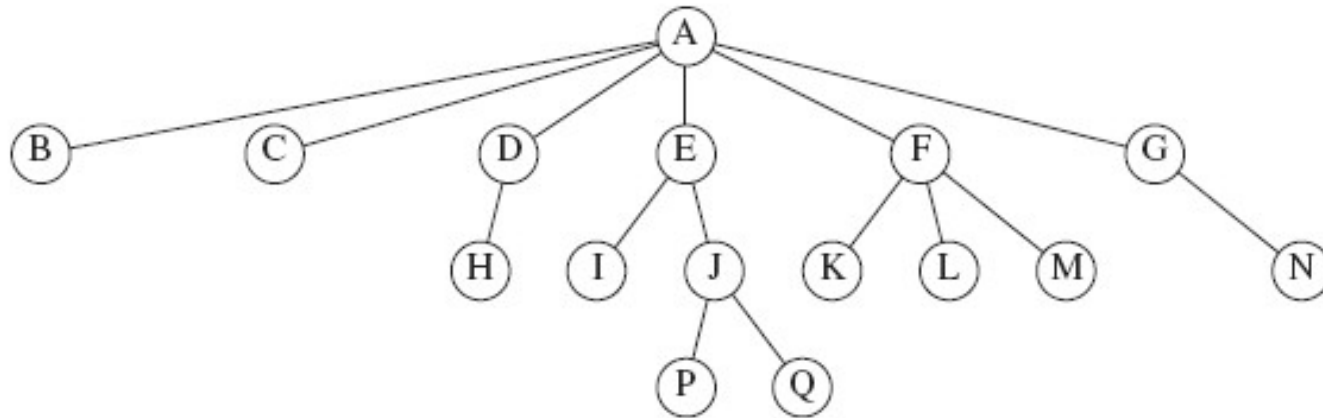


Figure 4.2 A tree

- The **height** of a node is the length of the longest path from the node to a leaf node.
  - \* What is the height of node E? Of the root node?
- Depth of a tree = depth of its deepest node = height of the tree

# Tree Implementation

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- In general, a tree node can have an arbitrary number of child nodes.
- Therefore, each tree node should have
  - \* a link to its first child, and
  - \* a link to its next sibling:

```
class TreeNode
{
    Object    element;
    TreeNode  firstChild;
    TreeNode  nextSibling;
}
```

# Tree Implementation, *cont'd*

- Conceptual view of a tree:

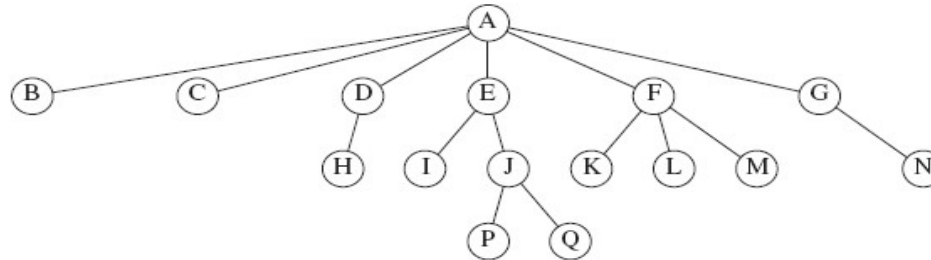


Figure 4.2 A tree

- Implementation view of the same tree:

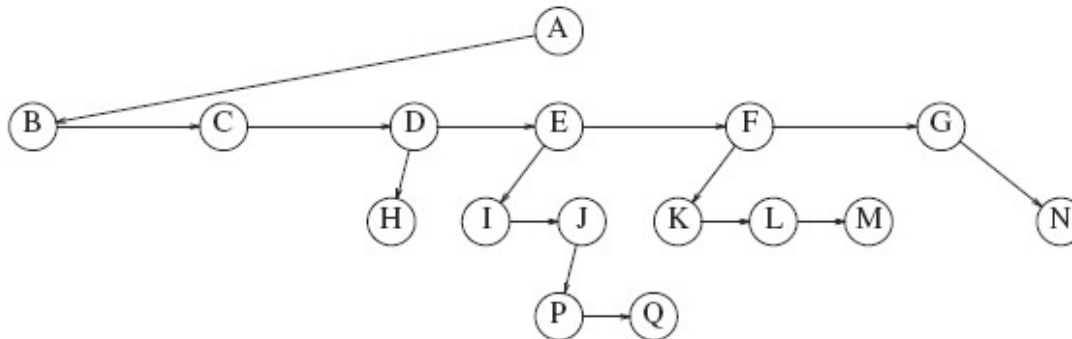


Figure 4.4 First child/next sibling representation of the tree shown in Figure 4.2

# Tree Traversals

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- There are several different algorithms to “walk” or “traverse” a tree.
- Each algorithm determines a unique order that each and every node in the tree is “visited”.

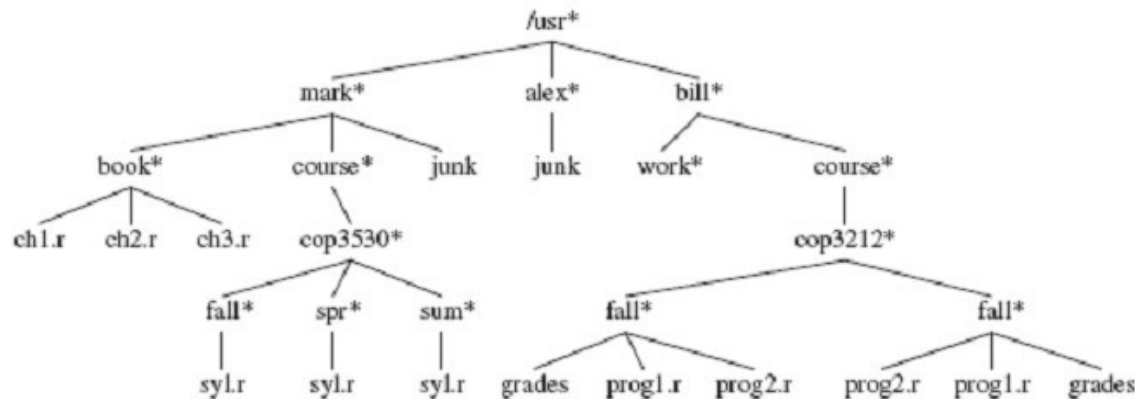


# Preorder Tree Traversal

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- First visit a node.
  - \* Visit the node before (pre) visiting its child nodes.
- Then recursively visit each of the node's child nodes in sibling order.

# Preorder Tree Traversal, *cont'd*



```
/usr
mark
  book
    ch1.r
    ch2.r
    ch3.r
  course
    cop3530
      fall
        syl.r
      spr
        syl.r
      sum
        syl.r
  junk
alex
  junk
bill
  work
  course
    cop3212
      fall
        grades
        prog1.r
        prog2.r
      fall
        prog2.r
        prog1.r
        grades
```

Figure 4.5 UNIX directory

```
private void listAll(int depth)
{
    printName(depth);
    if (isDirectory()) {
        for each file f in directory {
            f.listAll(depth+1);
        }
    }
}

public void listAll()
{
    listAll(0);
}
```

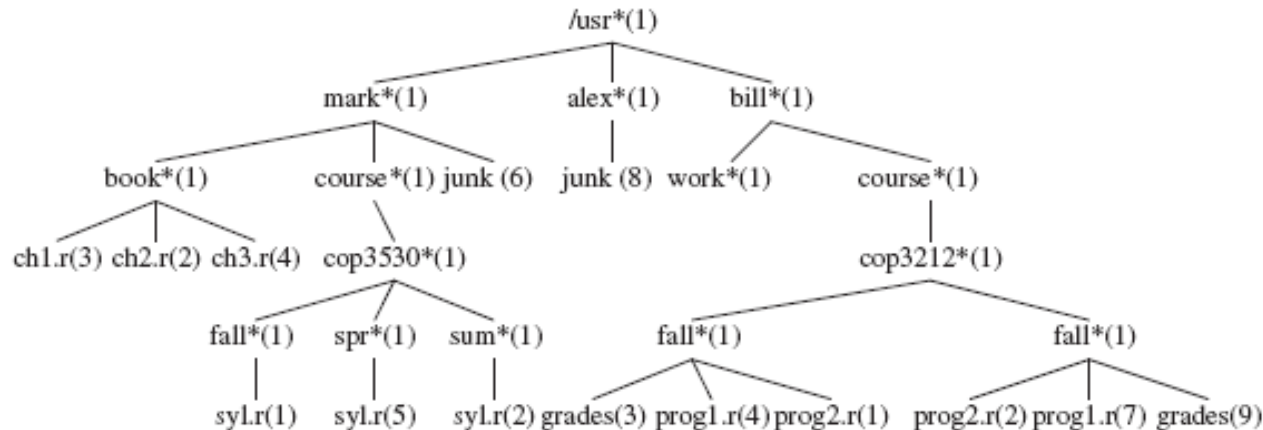
Figure 4.7 The (preorder) directory listing

# Postorder Tree Traversal

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- First recursively visit each of a node's child nodes in sibling order.
- Then visit the node itself.

# Postorder Tree Traversal, *cont'd*



**Figure 4.8** UNIX directory with file sizes obtained via postorder traversal

```
private void size()
{
    int totalSize =
    sizeofThisFile();

    if (isDirectory()) {
        for each file f in
        directory {
            totalSize += f.size();
        }
    }
}
```

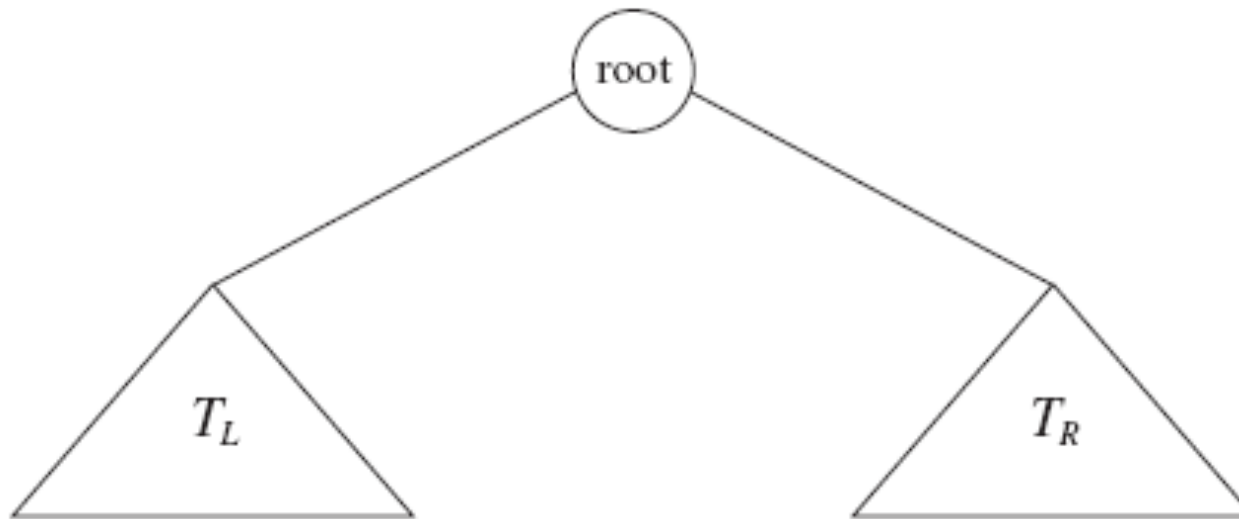
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| ch2.r   | 2  |
| ch3.r   | 4  |
| book    | 10 |
| syl.r   | 1  |
| fall    | 2  |
| syl.r   | 5  |
| spr     | 6  |
| syl.r   | 2  |
| sum     | 3  |
| cop3530 | 12 |
| course  | 13 |
| junk    | 6  |
| mark    | 30 |
| junk    | 8  |
| alex    | 9  |
| work    | 1  |
| grades  | 3  |
| prog1.r | 4  |
| prog2.r | 1  |
| fall    | 9  |
| prog2.r | 2  |
| prog1.r | 7  |
| grades  | 9  |
| fall    | 19 |
| cop3212 | 29 |
| course  | 30 |
| bill    | 32 |
| /usr    | 72 |

**Figure 4.10** Trace of the size function

# Binary Trees

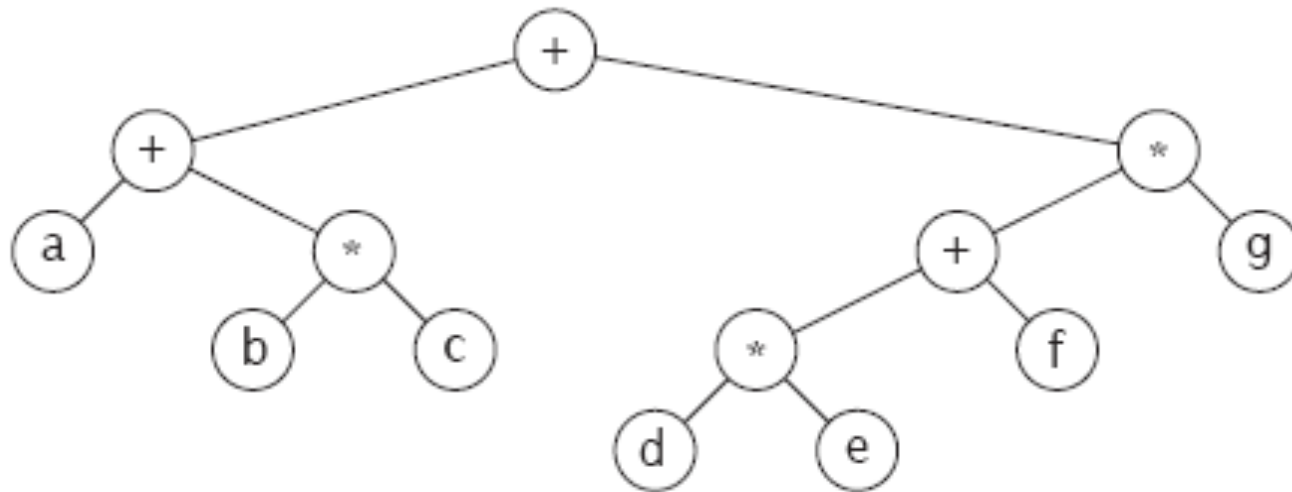
- A **binary tree** is a tree where each node can have **0, 1, or 2 child nodes**.
  - \* The depth of an average binary tree with  $N$  nodes is much smaller than  $N$ :  $O(\sqrt{N})$



**Figure 4.11** Generic binary tree

# Binary Trees, *cont'd*

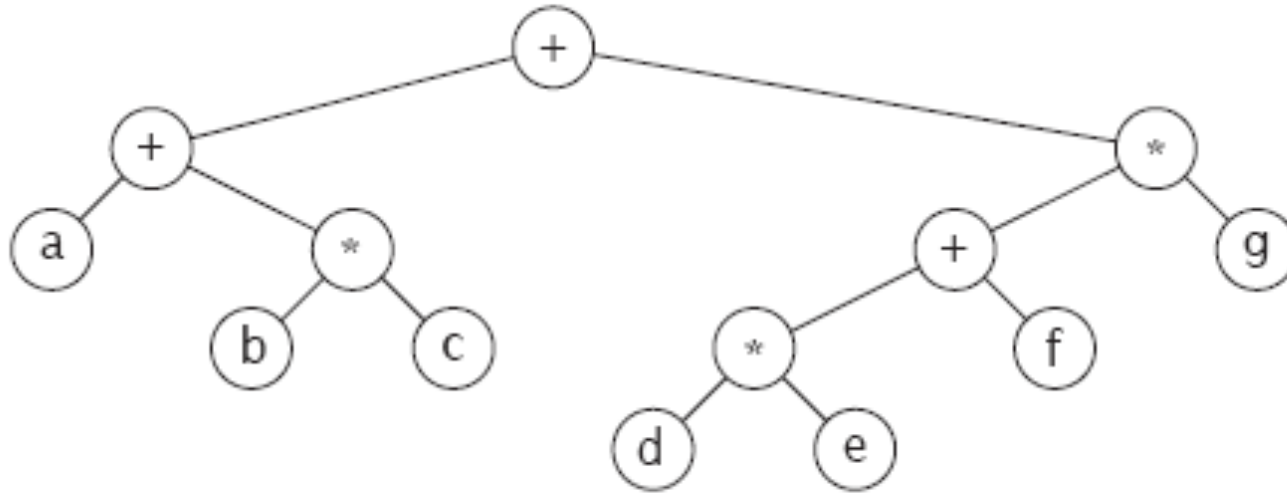
- An arithmetic expression tree:



**Figure 4.14** Expression tree for  $(a + b * c) + ((d * e + f) * g)$

- \* Understand from the textbook how this tree is built.
  - Or take Compilers

# Conversion from Infix to Postfix Notation



**Figure 4.14** Expression tree for  $(a + b * c) + ((d * e + f) * g)$

- Do a **postorder walk** of our expression tree to output the expression in **postfix notation**:

$abc^*+de^*f+g^*+$

# Binary Search Trees

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- A **binary search tree** has these properties for each of its nodes:
  - \* All the values in the node's **left subtree** is **less than** the value of the node itself.
  - \* All the values in the node's **right subtree** is **greater than** the value of the node itself.

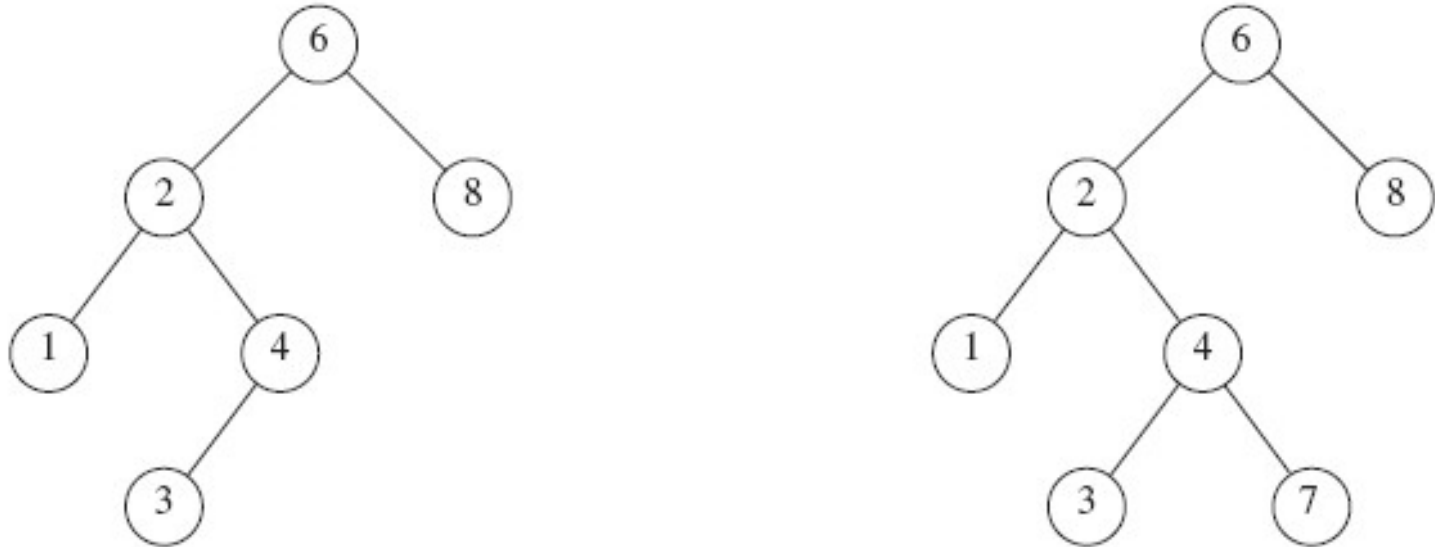


# Inorder Tree Traversal

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- Recursively visit a node's left subtree.
- Visit the node itself.
- Recursively visit the node's right subtree.
- If you do an inorder walk of a binary search tree, you will visit the nodes in sorted order.

# Inorder Tree Traversal, *cont'd*



**Figure 4.15** Two binary trees (only the left tree is a search tree)

- o An **inorder walk** of the left tree visits the nodes in sorted order: 1 2 3 4 6 8

# The Binary Search Tree ADT

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- The node class of our binary search tree ADT.

```
private static class BinaryNode<AnyType>
{
    AnyType element;           // data in the node
    BinaryNode<AnyType> left;  // left child
    BinaryNode<AnyType> right; // right child

    BinaryNode(AnyType theElement)
    {
        this(theElement, null, null);
    }

    BinaryNode(AnyType theElement,
    BinaryNode<AnyType> lt,
    BinaryNode<AnyType> rt)
    {
        element = theElement;
        left     = lt;
        right    = rt;
    }
}
```

# The Binary Search Tree ADT

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```
public class BinarySearchTree<AnyType extends Comparable<? super AnyType>>
{
    private BinaryNode<AnyType> root;

    public BinarySearchTree()
    {
        root = null;
    }

    private BinaryNode<AnyType> findMin(BinaryNode<AnyType> t)
    {
        ...
    }

    ...

    private static class BinaryNode<AnyType>
    {
        ...
    }
}
```

# The Binary Search Tree: Min and Max

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- Finding the **minimum and maximum values** in a binary search tree is easy.
  - \* The leftmost node has the minimum value.
  - \* The rightmost node has the maximum value.
- You can find the minimum and maximum values recursively or (better) iteratively.

# The Binary Search Tree: Min and Max, *cont'd*

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- o Recursive code to find the minimum value.
  - \* Chase down the left child links.

```
private BinaryNode<AnyType> findMin(BinaryNode<AnyType> t)
{
    if (t == null) {
        return null;
    }
    else if (t.left == null) {
        return t; // found the leftmost node
    }
    else {
        return findMin(t.left);
    }
}
```

# The Binary Search Tree: Min and Max, *cont'd*

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- Iterative code to find the maximum value.
  - \* Chase down the right child links.

```
private BinaryNode<AnyType> findMax(BinaryNode<AnyType> t)
{
    if (t != null) {
        while (t.right != null) {
            t = t.right;
        }
    }

    return t;
}
```

# Checkpoint

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- Design an algorithm which checks if a binary tree is a binary search tree



# In-order traversal Solution

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- In-order traversal, copy the elements to an array, and then check to see if the array is sorted.
  - Takes extra memory
  - Can't handle duplicate values in the tree properly... Why?

# In-order traversal Solution

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## o Solution without Array

```
public static Integer last_printed = null;
public static boolean checkBST(TreeNode n){
    if (n == null) return true;
    // check / recurse left
    if (!checkBST(n.left)) return false;

    // check current
    if( last_printed != null && n.data <= last_printed) {
        return false;
    }

    //check / recurse right
    if (!checkBST(n.right)) return false;

    return true;
}
```

$\text{left.data} \leq \text{current.data} < \text{right.data}$

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- ALL left nodes must be less than or equal to the current node, which must be less than all right nodes
- Let's draw out some examples

# Min Max Approach

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```
boolean checkBST(TreeNode n){
    return checkBST(n, null, null);
}

boolean checkBST(TreeNode n, Integer min, Integer max){
    if(n == null){
        return true;
    }

    if((min != null && n.data <= min) ||
        (max != null && n.data > max)){
        return false;
    }

    if(!checkBST(n.left, min, n.data) ||
        !checkBST(n.right, n.data, max)){
        return false;
    }
    return true;
}
```

# The Binary Search Tree: Contains

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- Does a binary search tree contain a **target value**?
- **Search recursively** starting at the root node:
  - \* If the target value is **less than** the node's value, then search the node's **left subtree**.
  - \* If the target value is **greater than** the node's value, then search the node's **right subtree**.
  - \* If the values are **equal**, then yes, the target value **is contained** in the tree.
  - \* If you “run off the bottom” of the tree, then no, the target value is **not contained** in the tree.

# The Binary Search Tree: Contains, *cont'd*

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```
private boolean contains (AnyType x, BinaryNode<AnyType> t)
{
    if (t == null) return false;

    int compareResult = x.compareTo(t.element);

    if (compareResult < 0) {
        return contains(x, t.left);
    }
    else if (compareResult > 0) {
        return contains(x, t.right);
    }
    else {
        return true; // Match
    }
}
```

# The Binary Search Tree: Insert

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- o To **insert** a target value into the tree:
  - \* Proceed as if you are checking whether the tree contains the target value.
- o As you're recursively examining left and right subtrees, if you **encounter a null link** (either a left link or a right link), then **that's where the new value should be inserted**.
  - \* Create a new node containing the target value and replace the null link with a link to the new node.
  - \* So the new node is attached to the **last-visited node**.

# The Binary Search Tree: Insert, *cont'd*

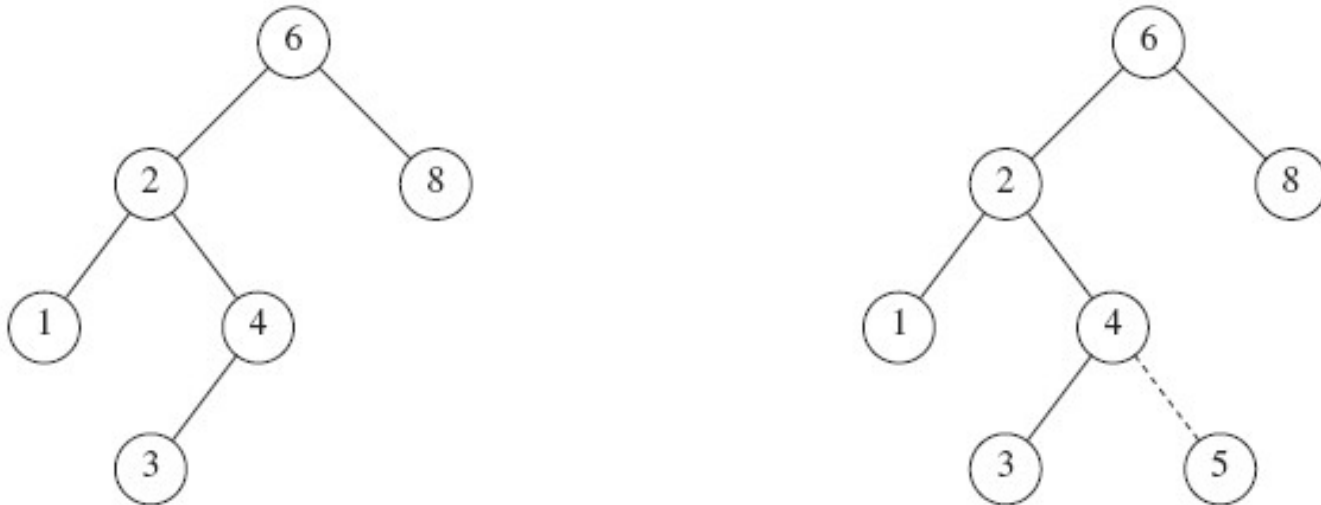
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- If the target value is already in the tree, either:
  - \* Insert a duplicate value into the tree.
  - \* Don't insert but “update” the existing node.



# The Binary Search Tree: Insert

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**Figure 4.21** Binary search trees before and after inserting 5

# The Binary Search Tree: Insert

```
private BinaryNode<AnyType> insert(AnyType x, BinaryNode<AnyType> t)
{
    // Create a new node to be attached
    // to the last-visited node.
    if (t == null) {
        return new BinaryNode<>(x, null, null);
    }

    int compareResult = x.compareTo(t.element);

    // Find the insertion point.
    if (compareResult < 0) {
        t.left = insert(x, t.left);
    }
    else if (compareResult > 0) {
        t.right = insert(x, t.right);
    }
    else {
        // Duplicate: do nothing.
    }

    return t;
}
```

Only when a null link is encountered is a node created and returned.

The newly created node will be attached to the last-visited node.

# Next class

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- Binary Search Tree: Remove
- Fun with Binary Search Trees

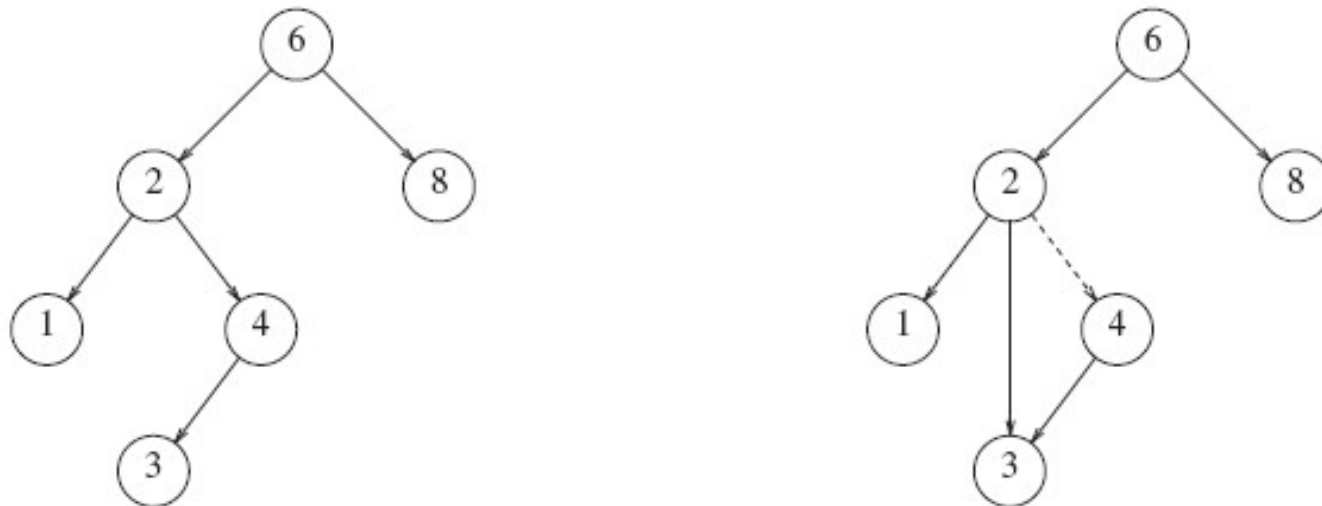
# The Binary Search Tree: Remove

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- After removing a node from a binary search tree, **the remaining nodes must still be in order.**
- **No child case:** The target node to be removed is a leaf node.
  - \* Just remove the target node.

# The Binary Search Tree: Remove, *cont'd*

- **One child case:** The target node to be removed has one child node.
  - \* Change the parent's link to the target node to point instead to the target node's child.



**Figure 4.23** Deletion of a node (4) with one child, before and after

# The Binary Search Tree: Remove, *cont'd*

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- **Two children case:** The target node to be removed has two child nodes.
  - \* This is the complicated case.
- How do we restructure the tree so that the order of the node values is preserved?

# The Binary Search Tree: Remove, *cont'd*

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- Recall what happens you remove a list node.

- \* Assume that the list is sorted.



- \* If we delete target node 5, which node takes its place?

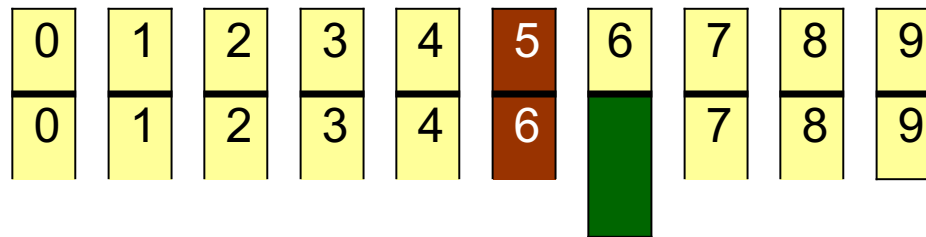


- \* The replacement node is the node that is immediately after the target node in the sorted order.

# The Binary Search Tree: Remove, *cont'd*

- A somewhat convoluted way to do this:

- \* Replace the target node's value with the successor node's value.

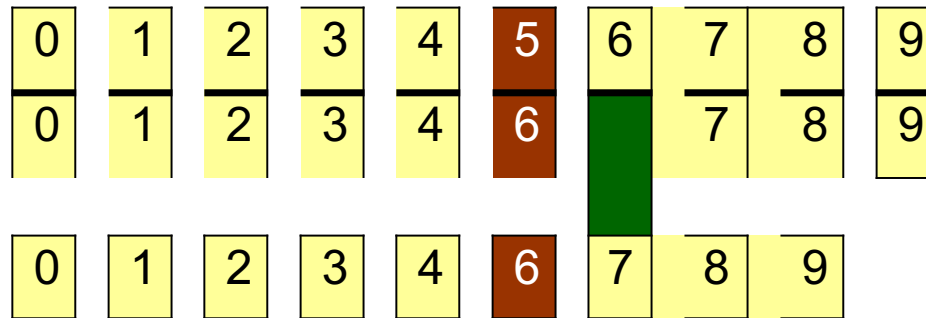


- \* Then remove the successor node, which is now “empty”.





# The Binary Search Tree: Remove, *cont'd*



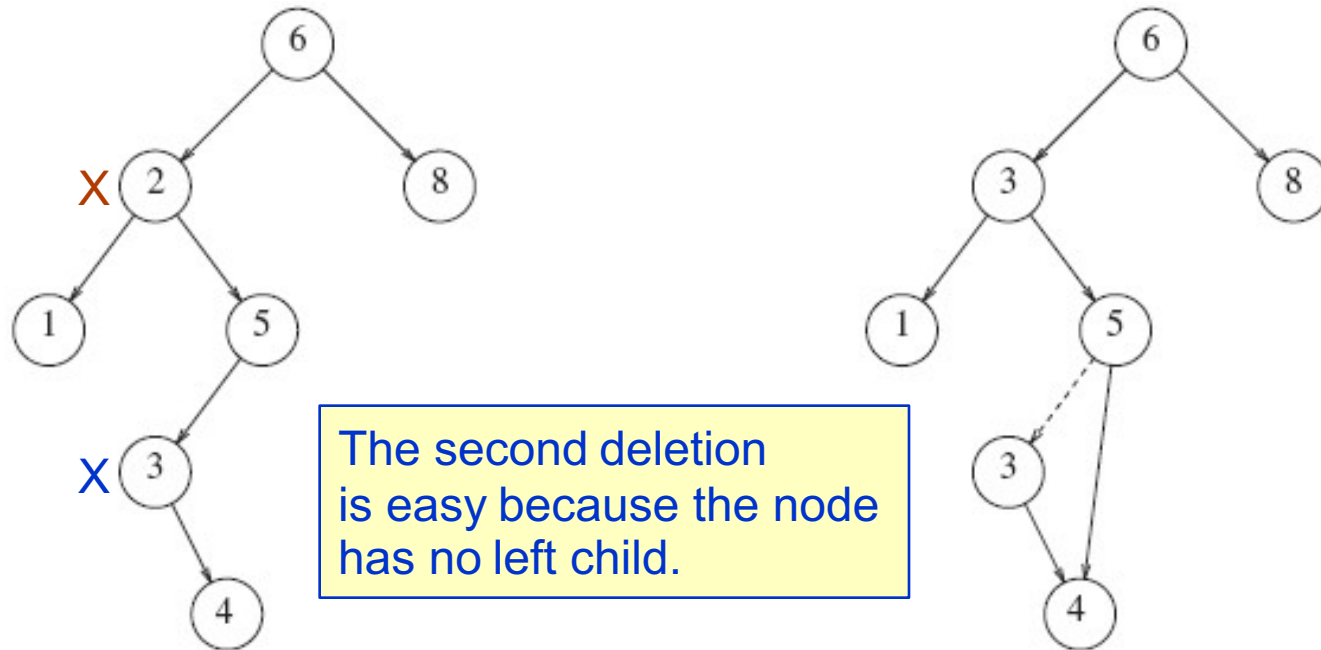
- o The same convoluted process happens when you remove a node from a binary search tree.
  - n The successor node is the node that is immediately after the deleted node in the sorted order.
  - n Replace the target node's value with the successor node's value.
  - n Remove the successor node, which is now "empty".

# The Binary Search Tree: Remove, *cont'd*

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- If you have a target node in a binary search tree, where is the node that is its **immediate successor** in the sort order?
  - \* The successor's value is  $\geq$  than the target value.
  - \* It must be the **minimum value in the right subtree**.
- General idea:
  - \* Replace the value in the target node with the value of the successor node.
    - The successor node is now “empty”.
  - \* **Recursively delete** the successor node.

# The Binary Search Tree: Remove, *cont'd*



**Figure 4.24** Deletion of a node (2) with two children, before and after

- Replace the value of the target node 2 with the value of the successor node 3.
- Now recursively remove node 3.

# The Binary Search Tree: Remove, *cont'd*

```
private BinaryNode<AnyType> remove(AnyType x, BinaryNode<AnyType> t)
{
    if (t == null) return t;

    int compareResult = x.compareTo(t.element);

    if (compareResult < 0) {
        t.left = remove(x, t.left);
    }
    else if (compareResult > 0) {
        t.right = remove(x, t.right);
    }

    else if (t.left != null && t.right != null) {
        t.element = findMin(t.right).element;
        t.right = remove(t.element, t.right);
    }

    else {
        t = (t.left != null) ? t.left : t.right;
    }

    return t;
}
```

Item not found: do nothing.

Two children:  
Replace the target value with the successor value.  
Then recursively remove the successor node.

No children or one child.

# The Binary Search Tree Animations

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- Download Java applets from <http://www.informit.com/content/images/0672324539/downloads/ExamplePrograms.ZIP>
- These are from the book *Data Structures and Algorithms in Java, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition*, by Robert LaFlore: <http://www.informit.com/store/data-structures-and-algorithms-in-java-9780672324536>
- The **binary search tree applet**
- Run with the **appletviewer** application that is in your **java/bin** directory:  
`appletviewer Tree.html`

# Fun with Binary Search Trees

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- Implement a function to check if a binary tree is balanced. For the purposes of this question, a balanced tree is defined to be a tree such that the heights of the two subtrees of any node never differ by more than one

# Fun with Binary Search Trees

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- Given a sorted (increasing order) array with unique integer elements, write an algorithm to create a binary search tree with minimal height