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Trees

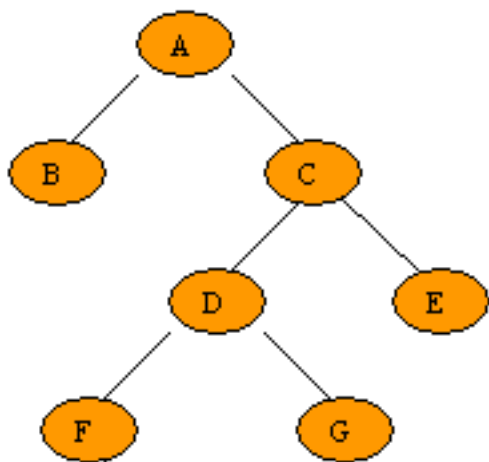
# BINARY TREES

# Binary Trees

- A commonly used type of tree is a binary tree
- Each node has *at most* two (bi) children
- The “tree” is a conceptual structure
- The data can be stored either in
  - a dynamic linked tree structure, or
  - in contiguous memory cells (array) according to a set pattern;
- In other words, implementation can be pointer-based or array-based

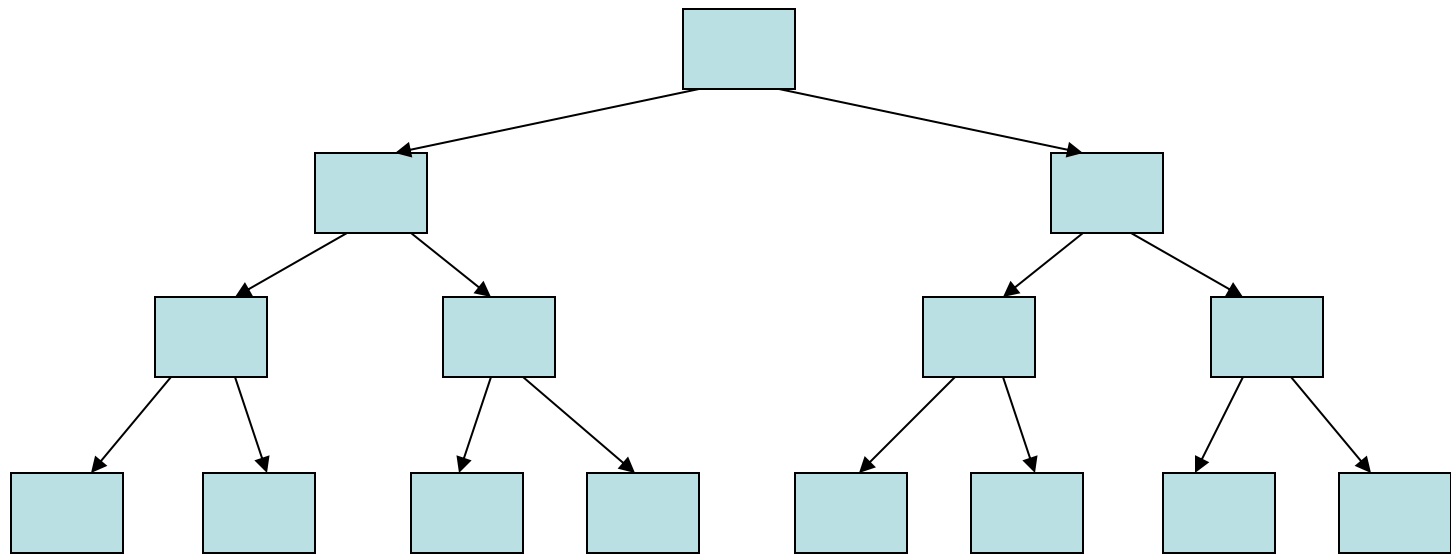
# Binary Trees -Types

- A **rooted binary tree** is a tree with a root node in which every node has at most two children. There are also un-rooted/free trees (known as graphs)!
- A **full binary tree** (sometimes **proper binary tree** or **2-tree** or **strictly binary tree**) is a tree in which every node other than the leaves has two children. Or, perhaps more clearly, every node in a binary tree has exactly (strictly) 0 or 2 children.



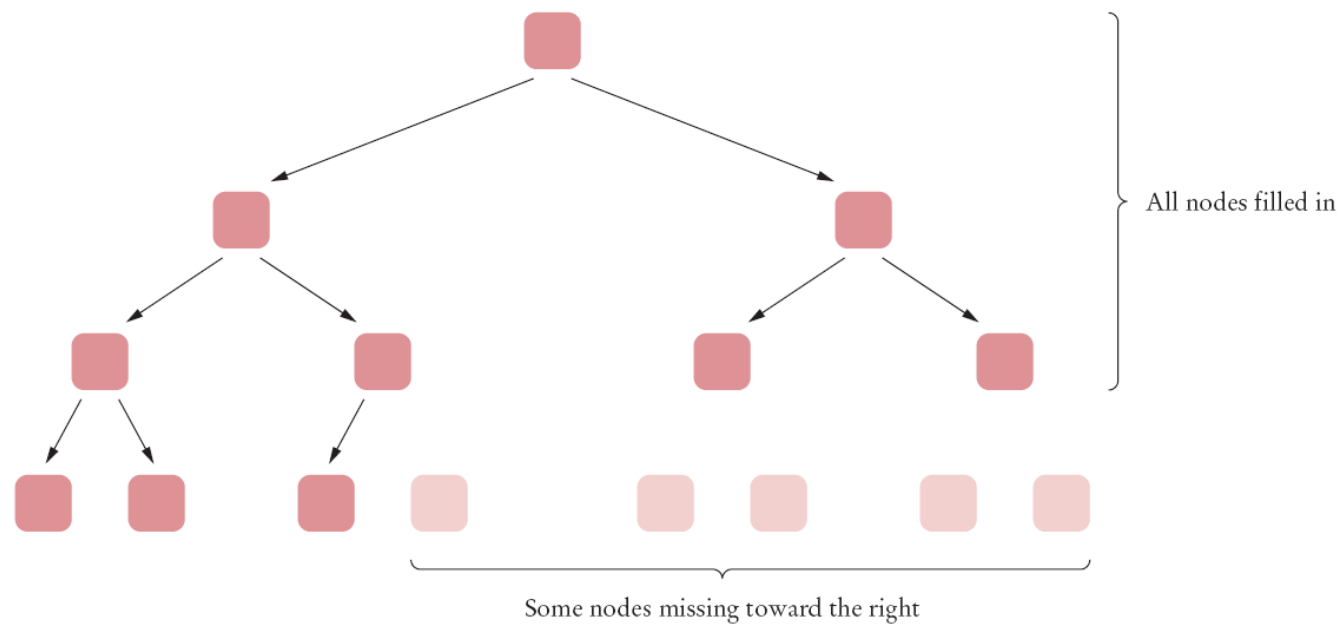
# Binary Trees -Types

- A **complete (or perfect) binary tree** is a binary tree in which every level is completely filled.
  - Example?
  - A family tree?



# Binary Trees -Types

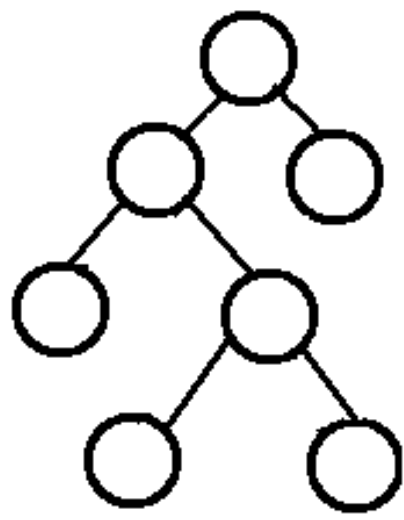
- A tree is called an **almost complete binary tree** or nearly complete binary tree if the last level is not completely filled and all nodes are as far left as possible.



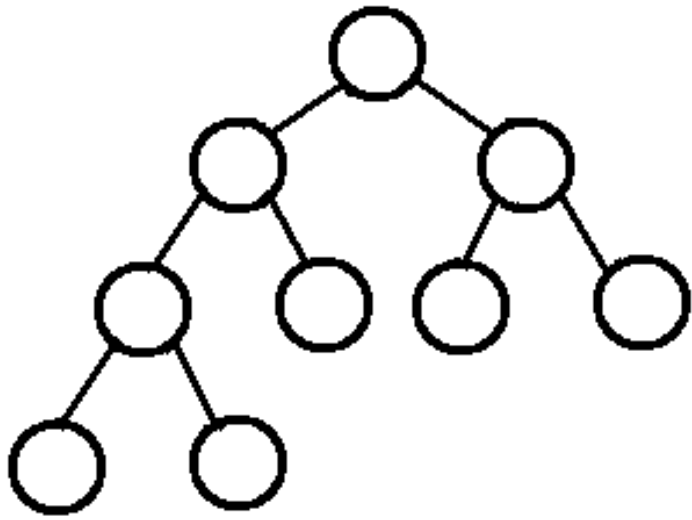
An Almost Complete Tree

# Binary Trees -Types

- What is the difference between full and complete binary tree?



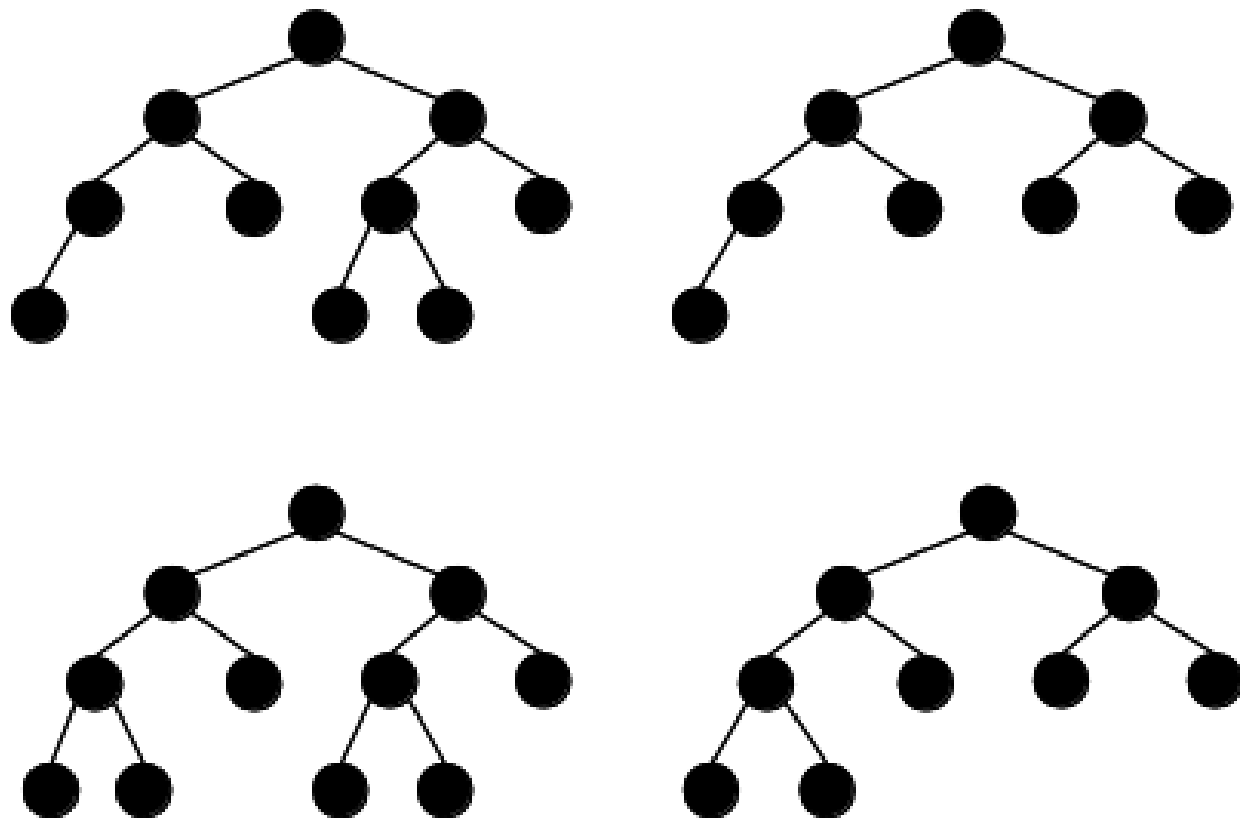
full tree



complete tree

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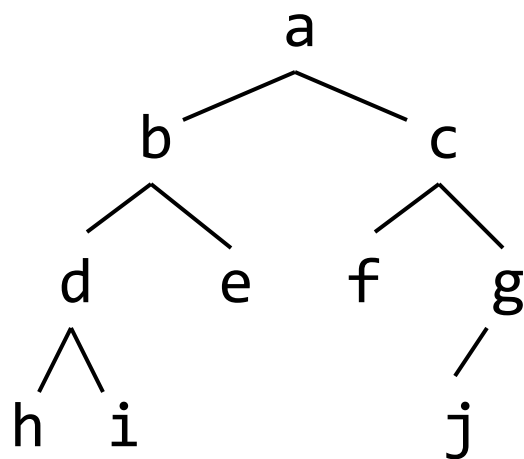




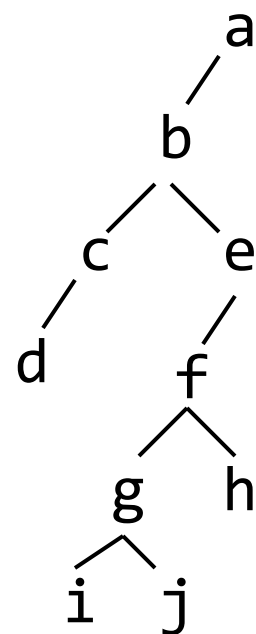
# Binary Trees -Types

- **Balanced binary tree:** for each node, the difference in height of the right and left sub-trees is no more than one
- **Completely balanced tree:** left and right sub-trees of every node have the same height

# Balanced Binary Tree



A balanced binary tree



An unbalanced binary tree

- A binary tree is balanced if every level above the lowest is “complete” (contains  $2^n$  nodes)

# Properties of binary trees

- A complete binary tree of level  $d$  is the strictly binary tree (*full*) all of whose leaves are at level  $d$
- A complete binary tree of level  $d$  has  $2^l$  nodes at each level  $l$  where  $0 \leq l \leq d$
- Total number of nodes ( $tn$ ) in a complete binary tree of depth  $d$  will be:

$$tn = 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^d = \sum_{j=0}^d 2^j = 2^{d+1} - 1$$

# Properties of binary trees

- The number  $n$  of nodes in a binary tree of height  $h$  is at least  $n = h + 1$  and at most  $n = 2^{h+1} - 1$  where  $h$  is the height (or depth) of the tree.

# Properties of binary trees

- The number  $L$  of leaf nodes in a perfect (or complete) binary tree can be found using this formula:  $L = 2^h$  where  $h$  is the depth of the tree
- The number  $n$  of nodes in a perfect (or complete) binary tree can also be found using this formula:  $n = 2L - 1$  where  $L$  is the number of leaf nodes in the tree.

# Questions?

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# Tree ADT

- Objects: any type of objects can be stored in a tree
- accessor methods
  - `root()` – return the root of the tree
  - `parent(p)` – return the parent of a node
  - `children(p)` – returns the children of a node
- query methods
  - `size()` – returns the number of nodes in the tree
  - `isEmpty()` - returns true if the tree is empty
  - `elements()` – returns all elements
  - `isRoot(p)`
- other methods
  - Tree traversal, Node addition/deletion, create/destroy

# Binary Trees Storage

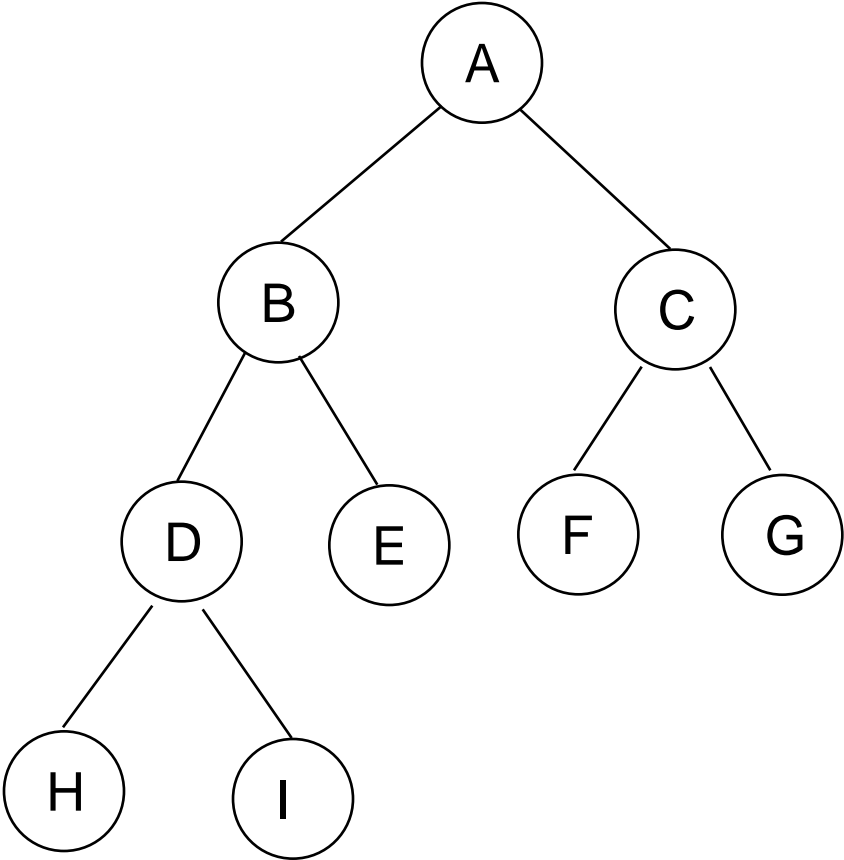
- Array based implementation
- Linked List based implementation



# Binary Tree: contiguous storage

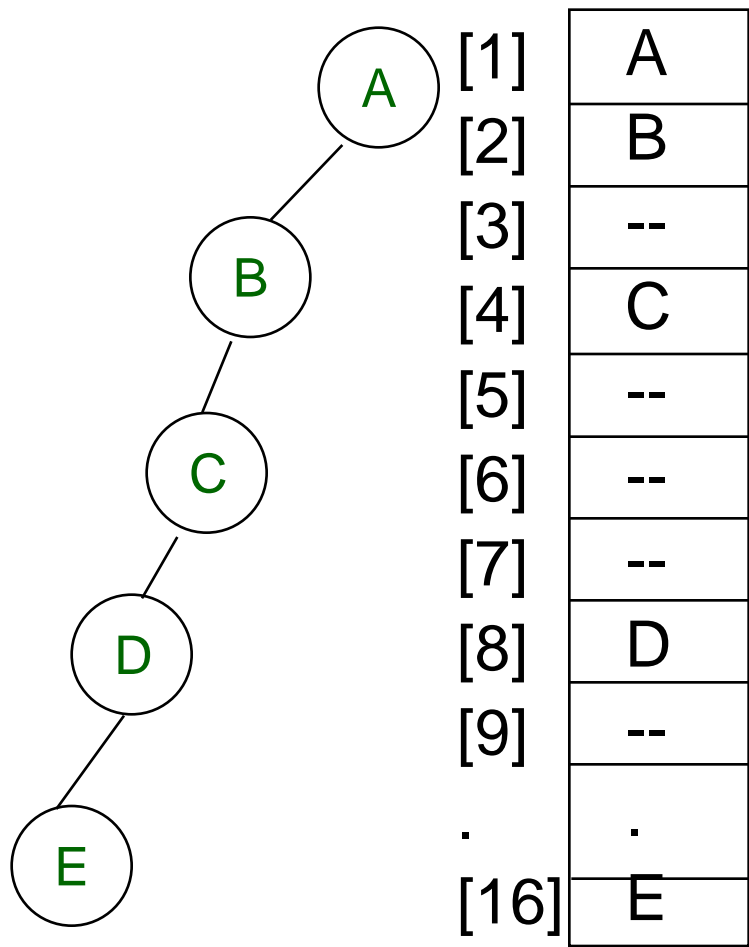
- Value in root node stored first, followed by left child, then right child
- Each successive level in the tree stored left to right; unused nodes in tree represented by a bit pattern to indicate nothing stored there
- Children of any given node  $n$  is stored in cells  $2n$  and  $2n + 1$  (If array index starts at 1)
  - What if it starts at 0?
- Storage allocated for full tree, even if many nodes empty
- What size array is required for a tree of depth  $h$ ?

A complete (almost) binary tree in array



[1]	A
[2]	B
[3]	C
[4]	D
[5]	E
[6]	F
[7]	G
[8]	H
[9]	I

A binary tree (incomplete) in array



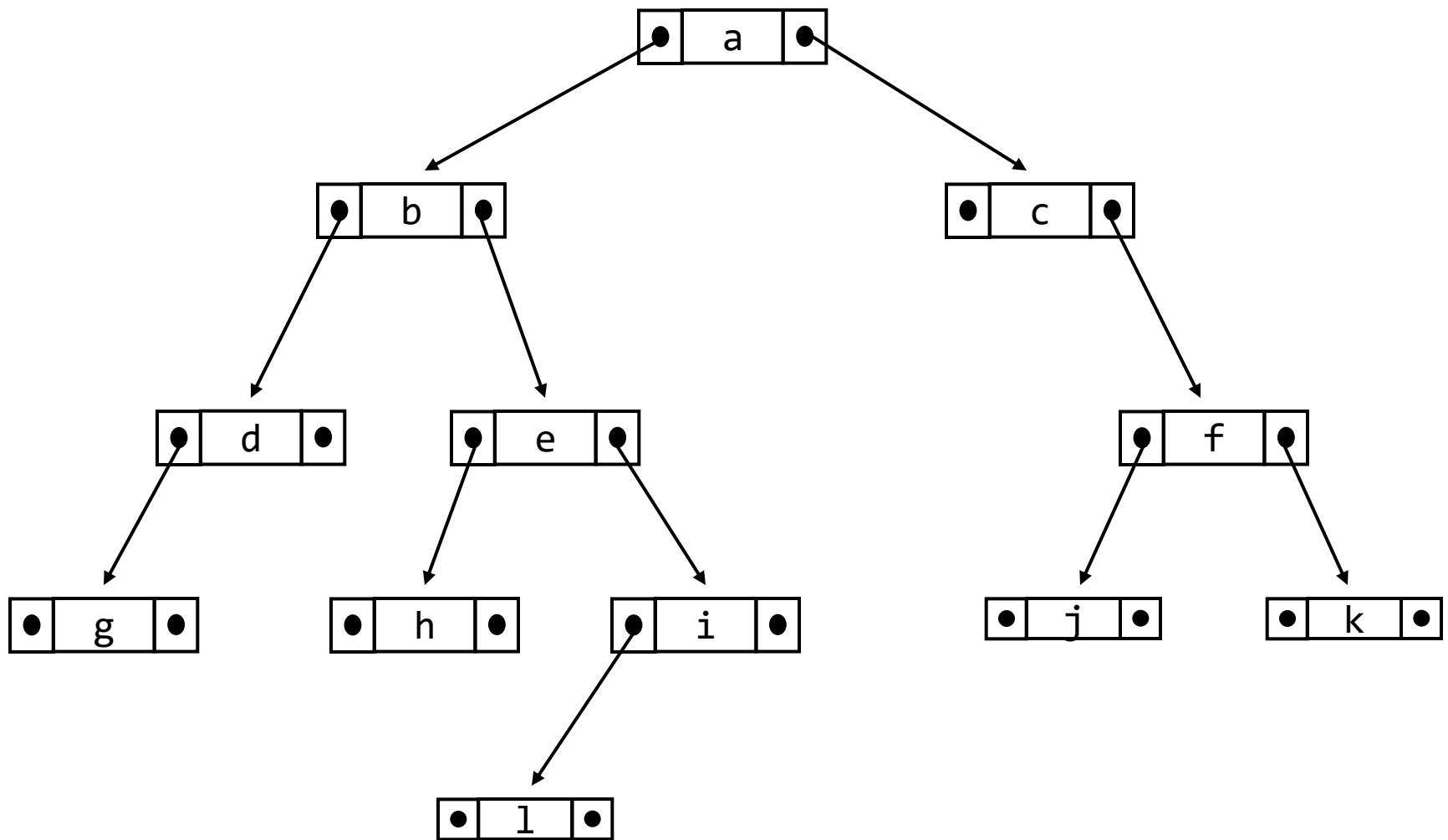
# Binary Tree: as a linked structure

- Each node in the tree consists of:
  - The data, or value contained in the element
  - A left child pointer (pointer to first child)
  - A right child pointer (pointer to second child)

# Binary Tree: as a linked structure

- A root pointer points to the root node
  - Follow pointers to find every other element in the tree
- Add and remove nodes by manipulating pointers
- Leaf nodes have child pointers set to null

```
class CBinTree
{
    struct Node
    {
        int value;
        Node *LeftChild,*RightChild;
    }*Root;
    /**Operations***/
    /***/
};
```



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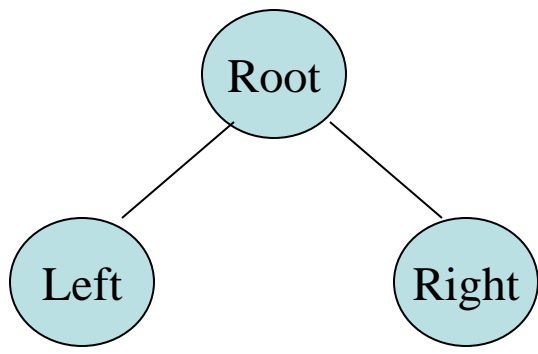


# Traversal of Binary Trees

- Pass through all nodes of tree
  - Inorder (symmetric traversal)
  - Preorder
  - Postorder

# Trees Traversal

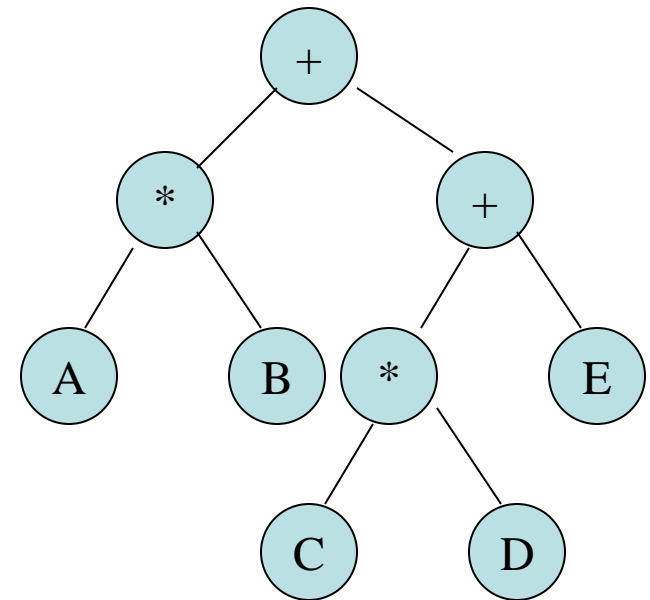
- Inorder
  - (Left) Root (Right)
- Preorder
  - Root (Left) (Right)
- Postorder
  - (Left) (Right) Root



# Inorder Traversal

Left Root Right manner

- Left + Right
- [Left\*Right]+[Left+Right]
- $(A*B)+[(Left*Right)+E]$
- $(A*B)+[(C*D)+E]$

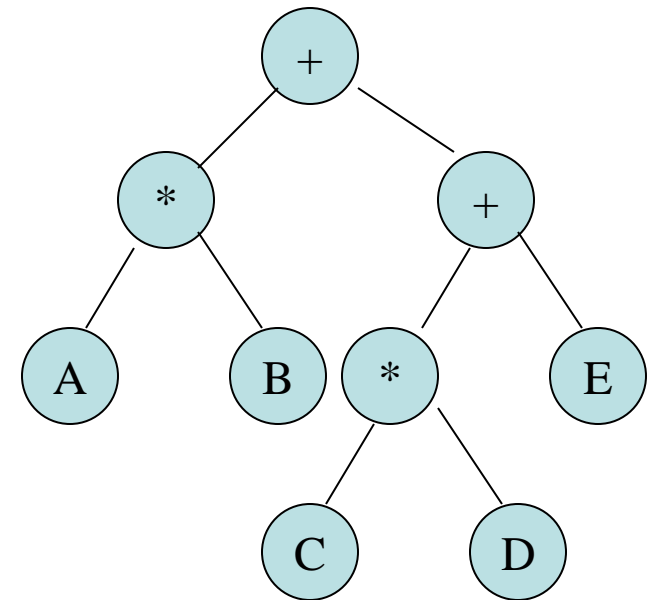


**$(A*B)+(C*D+E)$**

# Preorder Traversal

Root Left Right manner

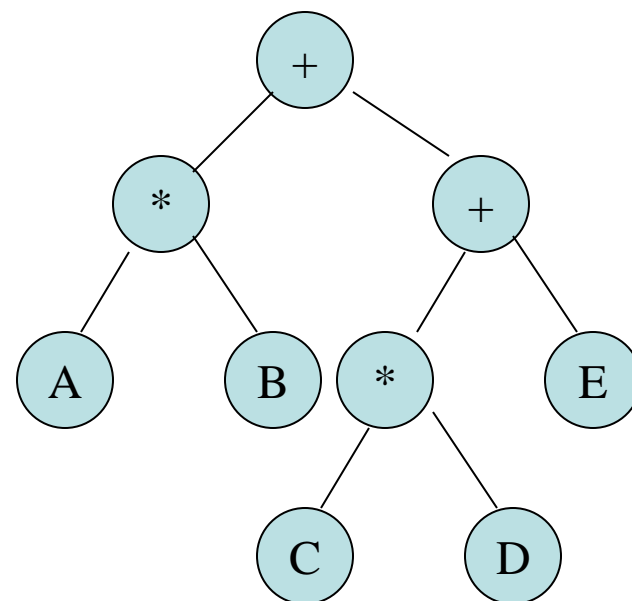
- + Left Right
- + [\*Left Right] [+Left Right]
- +(\*AB) [+ \*Left Right E]
- +\*AB + \*C D E



# Postorder Traversal

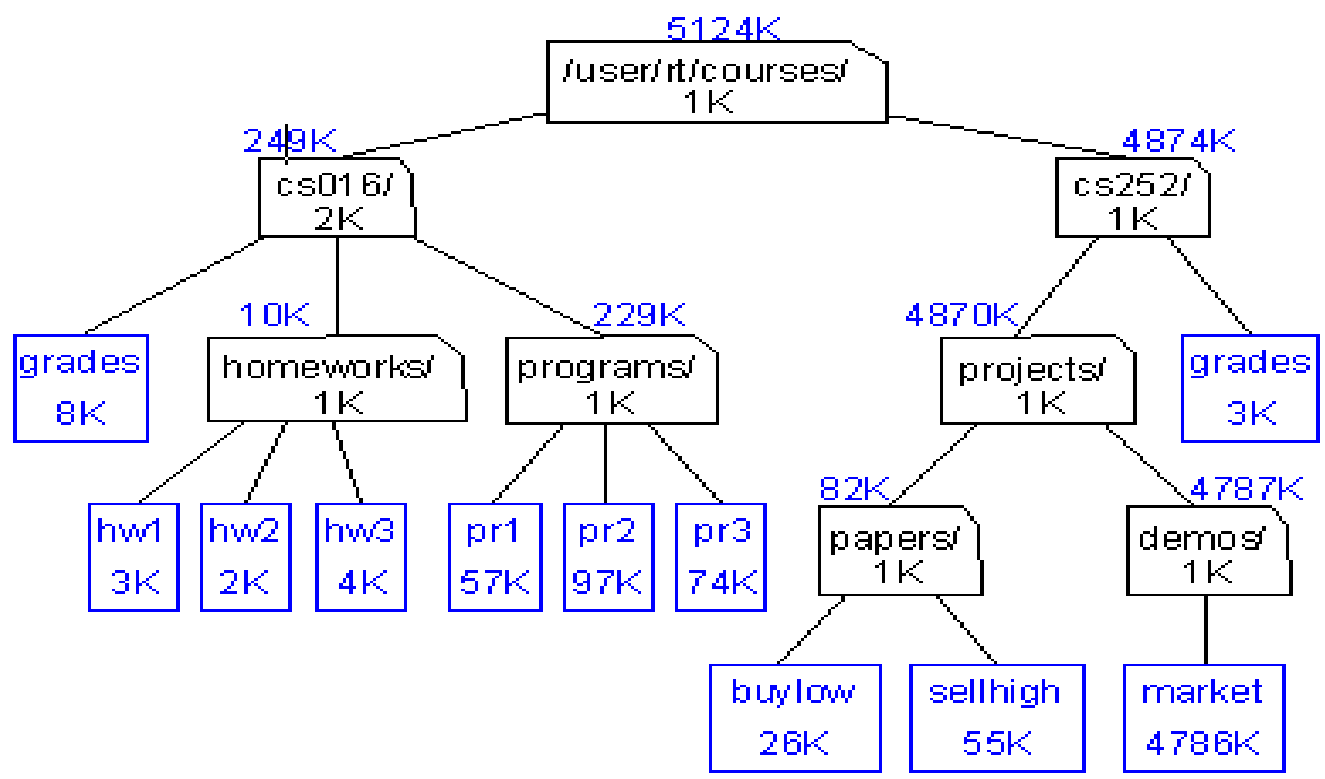
Left Right Root manner

- Left Right +
- [Left Right \*] [Left Right+] +
- (AB\*) [Left Right \* E + ]+
- (AB\*) [C D \* E + ]+
- AB\* C D \* E + +



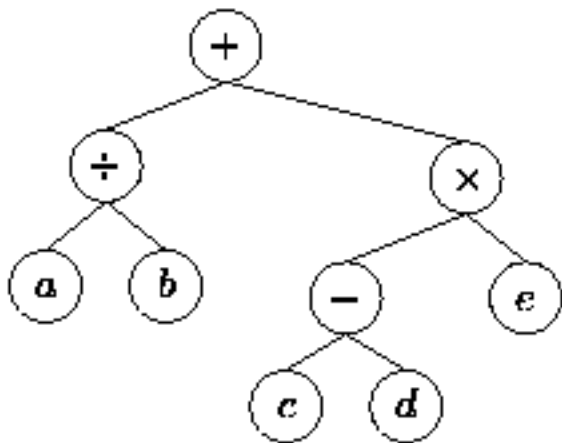
# Example

- du (disk usage) command in Unix
  - which traversal should be used?



# Expression tress

- What is an algebraic expression?
- Each algebraic expressions has an inherent tree-like structure
- Example:  $a/b + (c-d) * e$  can be represented as



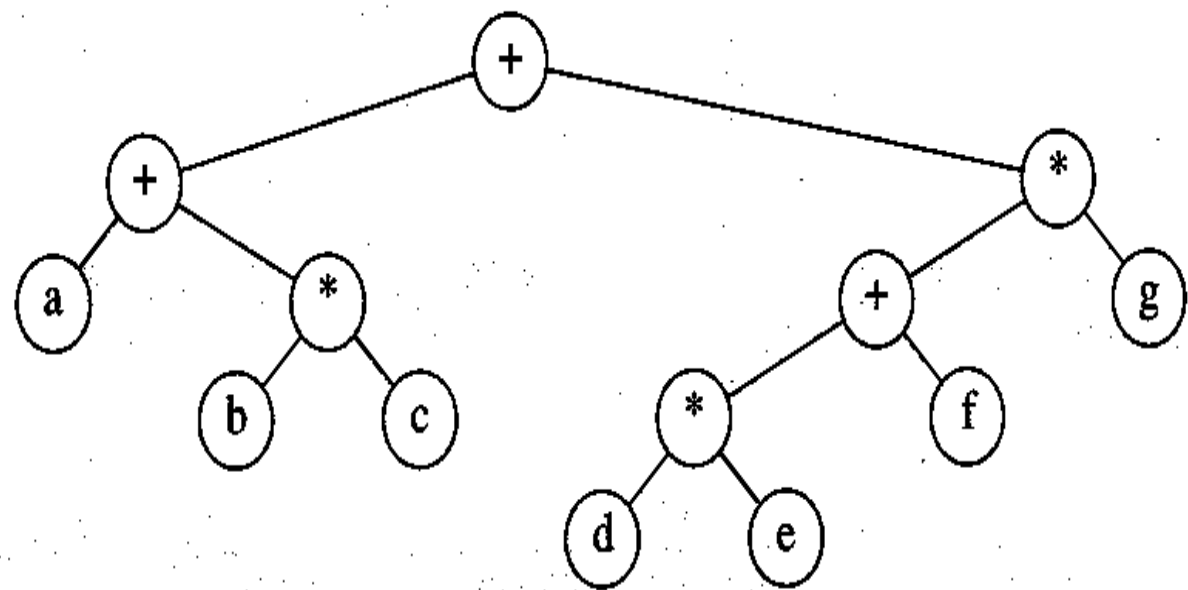
# Expression Trees

- The terminal nodes (leaves) of an expression tree are the variables or constants in the expression ( $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ ,  $d$ , and  $e$ ).
- The non-terminal nodes of an expression tree are the operators ( $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $*$ , and  $/$ ).
- No parentheses but the tree representation has captured the intent of the parentheses since the subtraction is lower in the tree than the multiplication.



# Expression Trees

$(a+b*c) + ((d*e+f)*g)$

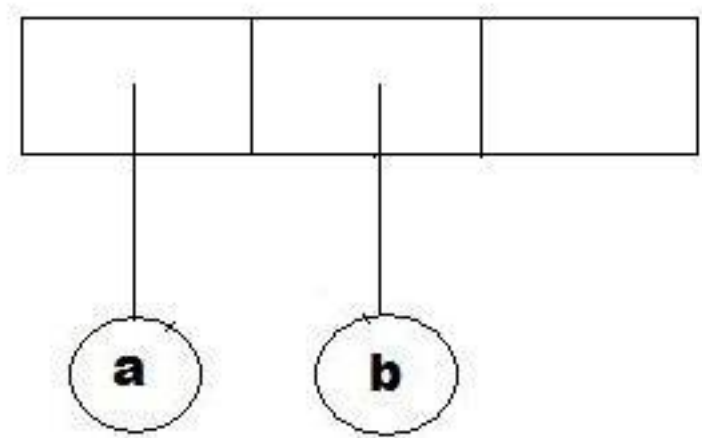


## Algorithm: convert postfix into expression tree

- Read one symbol at a time from the expression.
  - If the symbol is an operand, one-node tree is created and a pointer is pushed onto a Stack
  - If the symbol is an operator, the pointers are popped to two trees  $T1$  and  $T2$  from the stack and a new tree whose root is the operator and whose left and right children point to  $T2$  and  $T1$  respectively is formed . A pointer to this new tree is then pushed to the Stack.

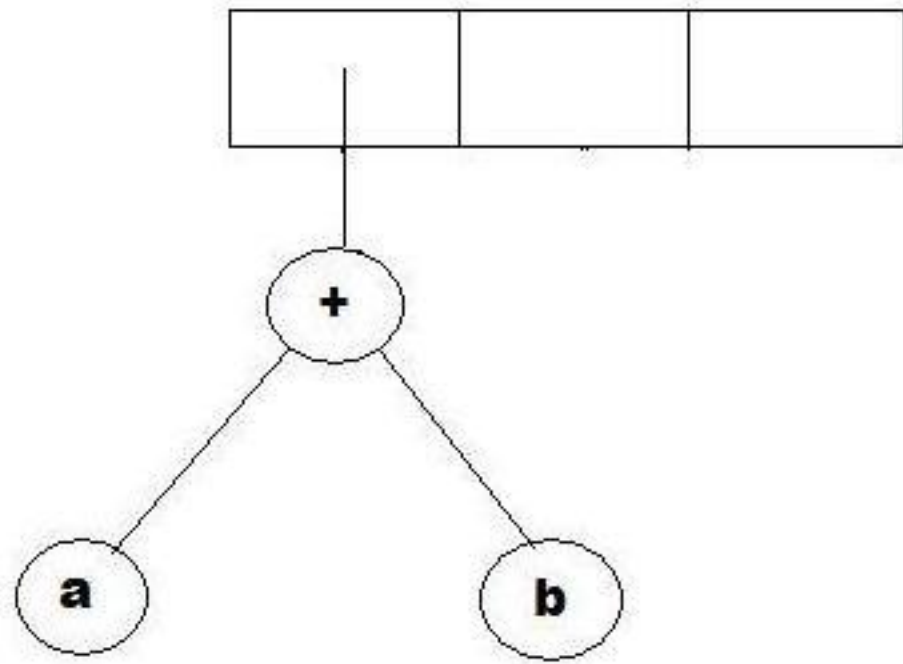
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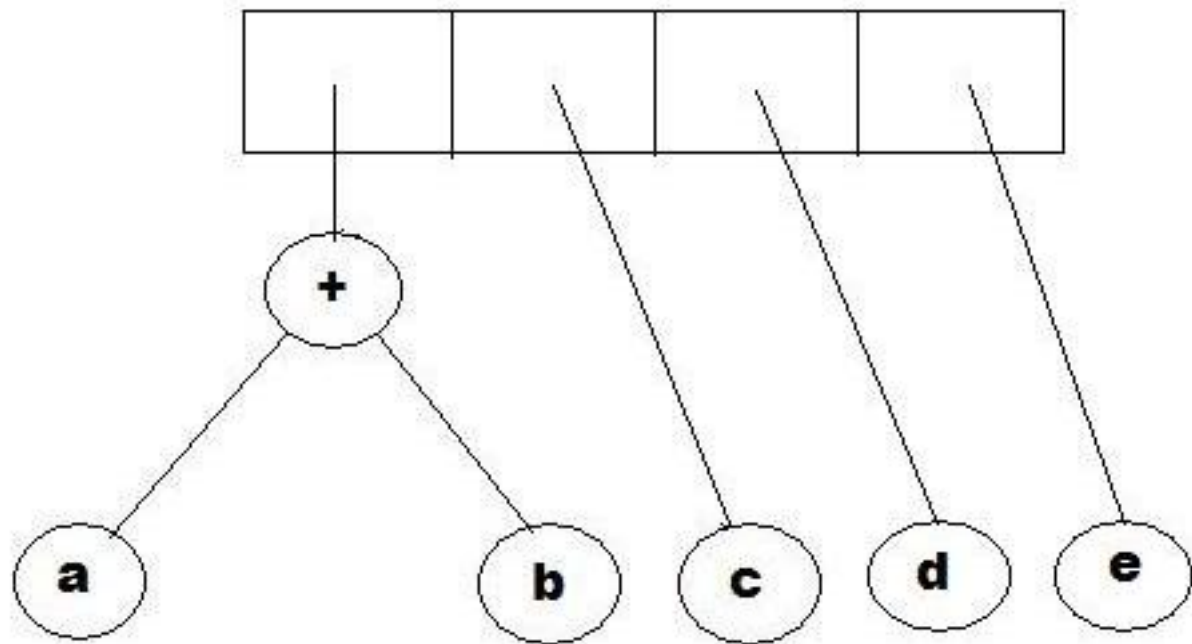
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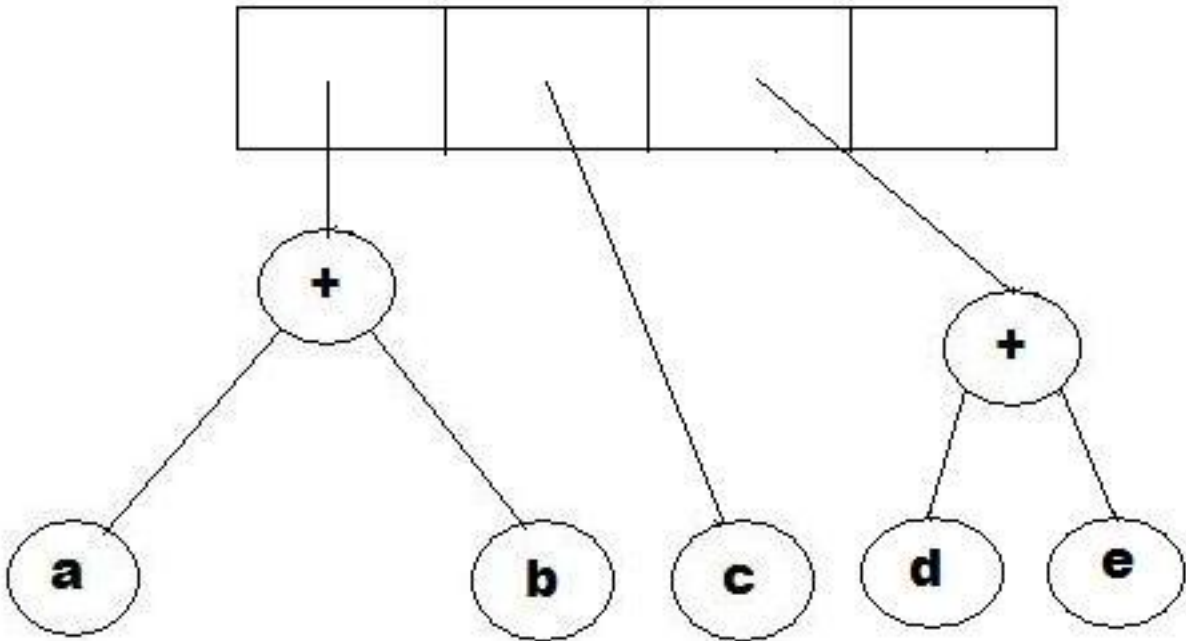
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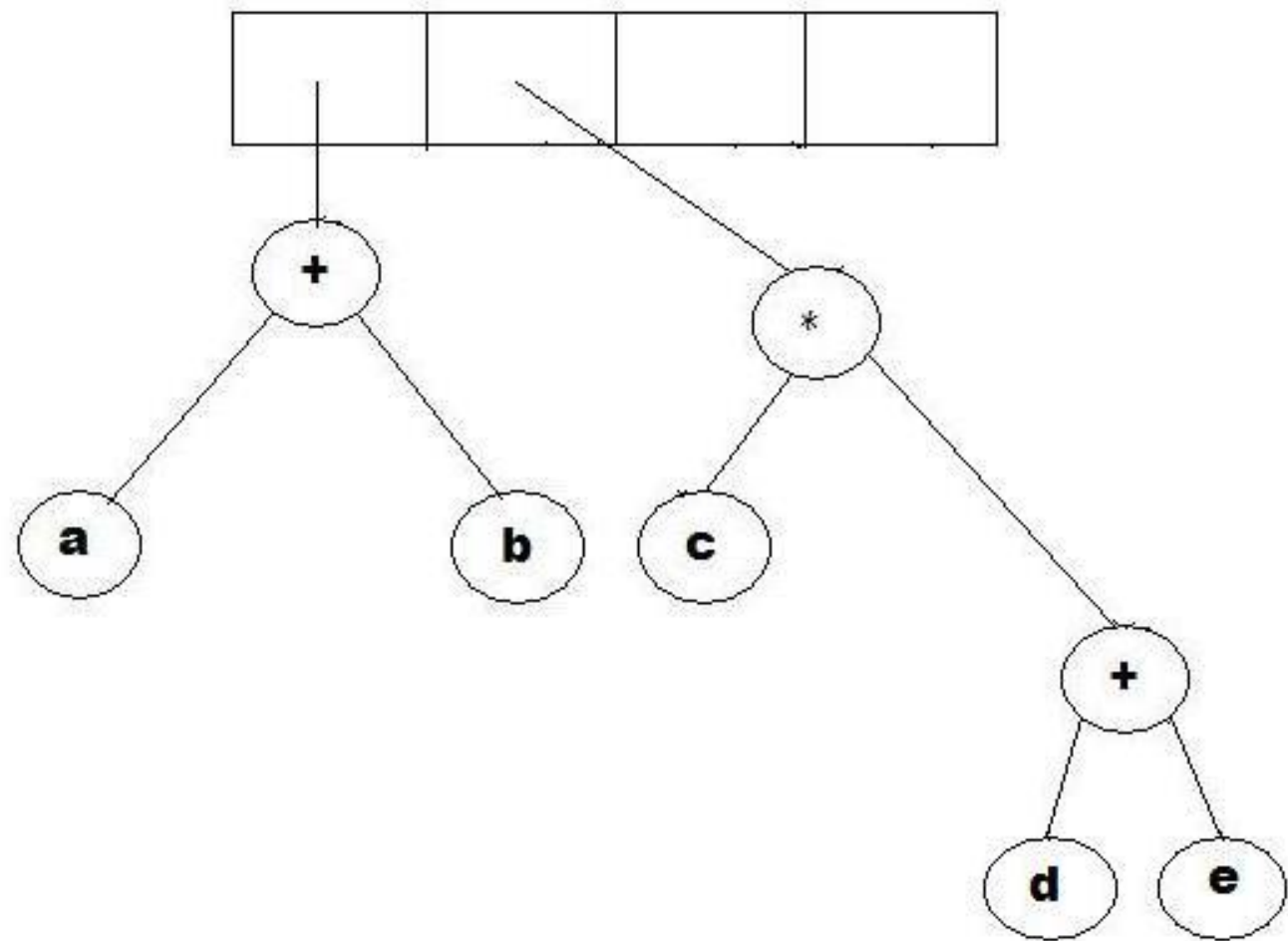
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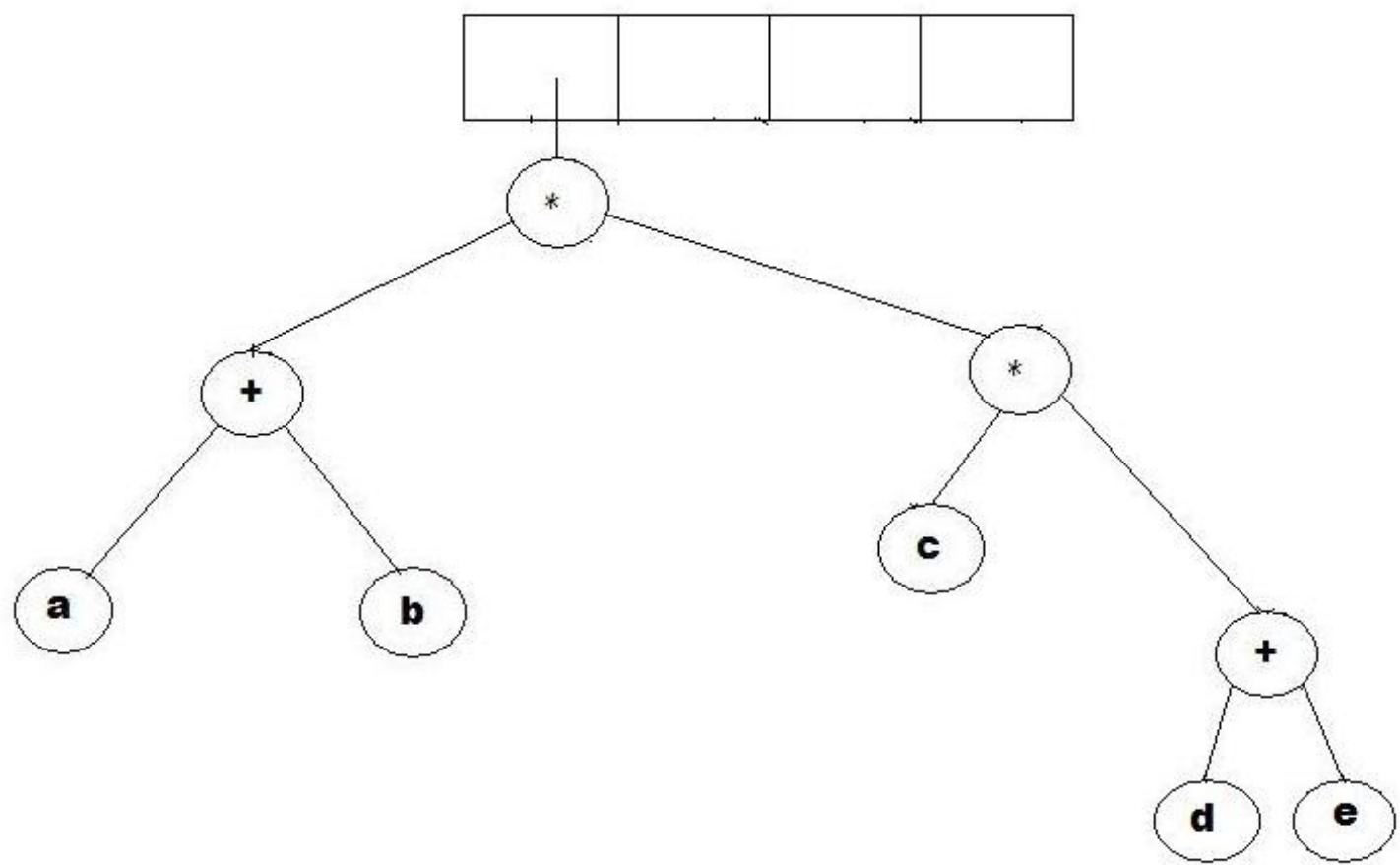
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Algorithm: convert postfix into expression tree

Example: a b + c d e + \* \*





# Why use expression trees?

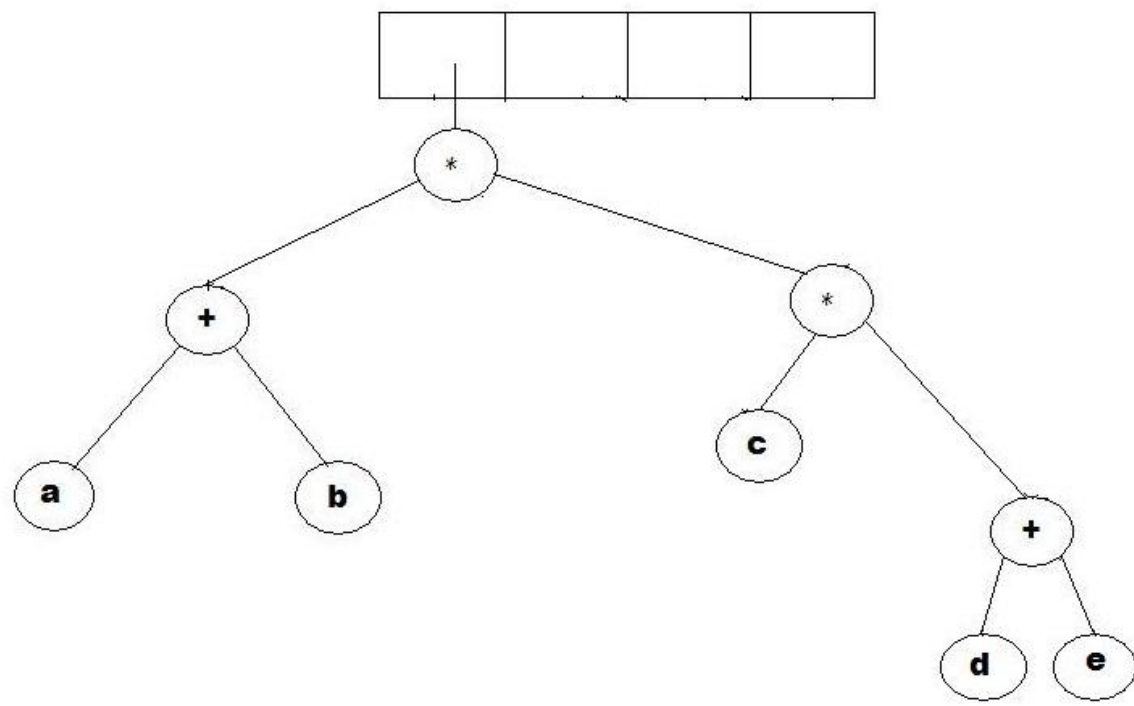
- Perhaps the simplest thing to do is to print the expression represented by the tree.
- But it would be better if we can somehow evaluate the tree to get results.
- Any suggestions on how this can be done?

# How to evaluate an expression tree?

- To evaluate a binary expression tree, we just need to do a post-order traversal of the tree, and ask each node to evaluate itself.
- An operand node evaluates itself by just returning its value. An operator node has to apply the operator for that node to the result of evaluating its left sub-tree and its right sub-tree.

# How to evaluate an expression tree?

- Example:  $a\ b\ +\ c\ d\ e\ +\ *\ *$   
 $1\ 2\ +\ 3\ 4\ 5\ +\ *\ *$



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