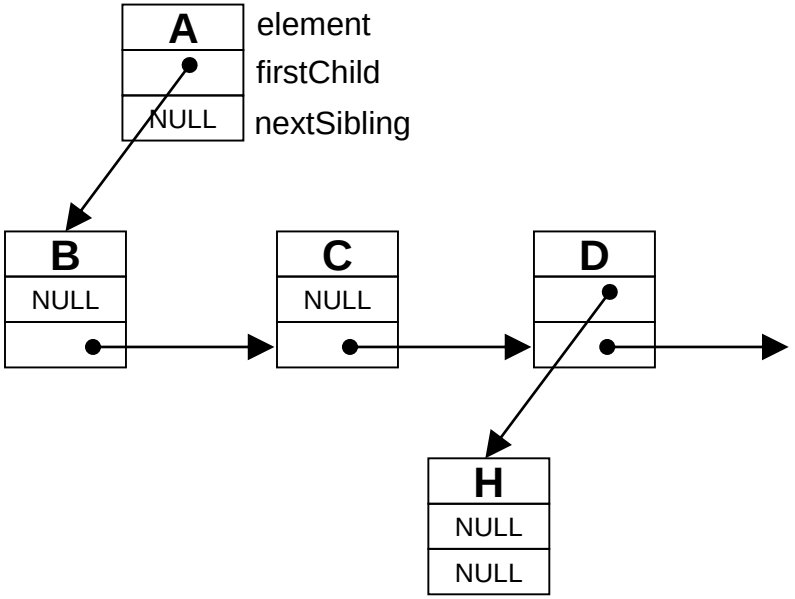
# Implementation of Trees

```
struct TreeNode {
    Object       element;
    struct TreeNode *firstChild;
    struct TreeNode *nextSibling;
};
```



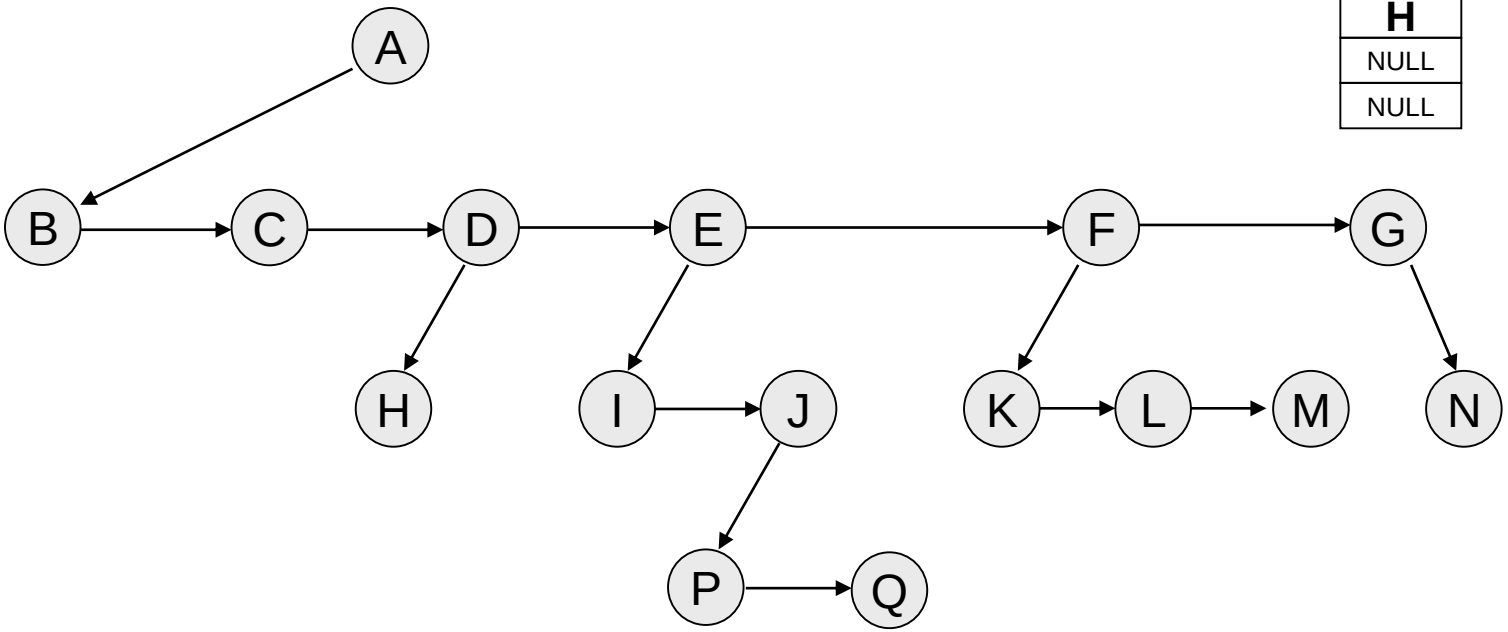
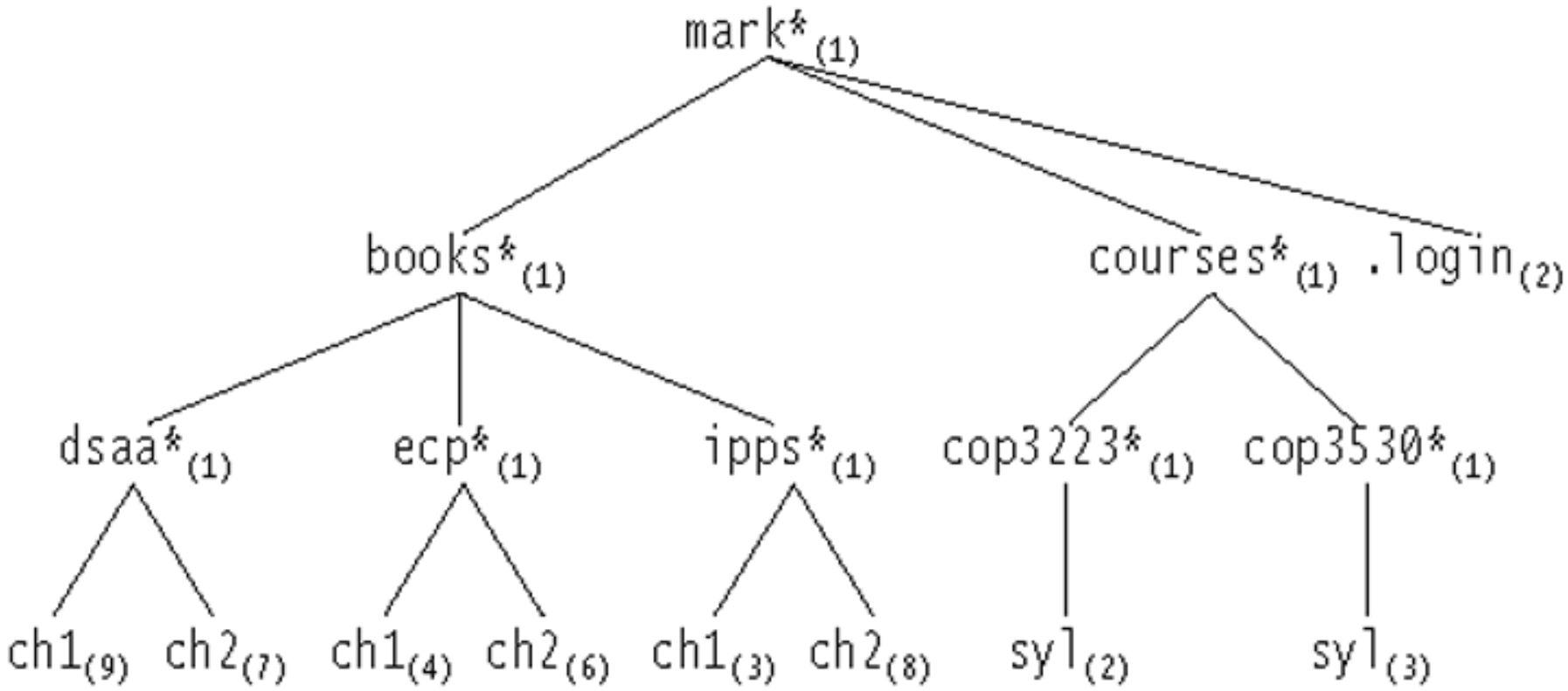



**Figure 2:** The Unix directory with file sizes

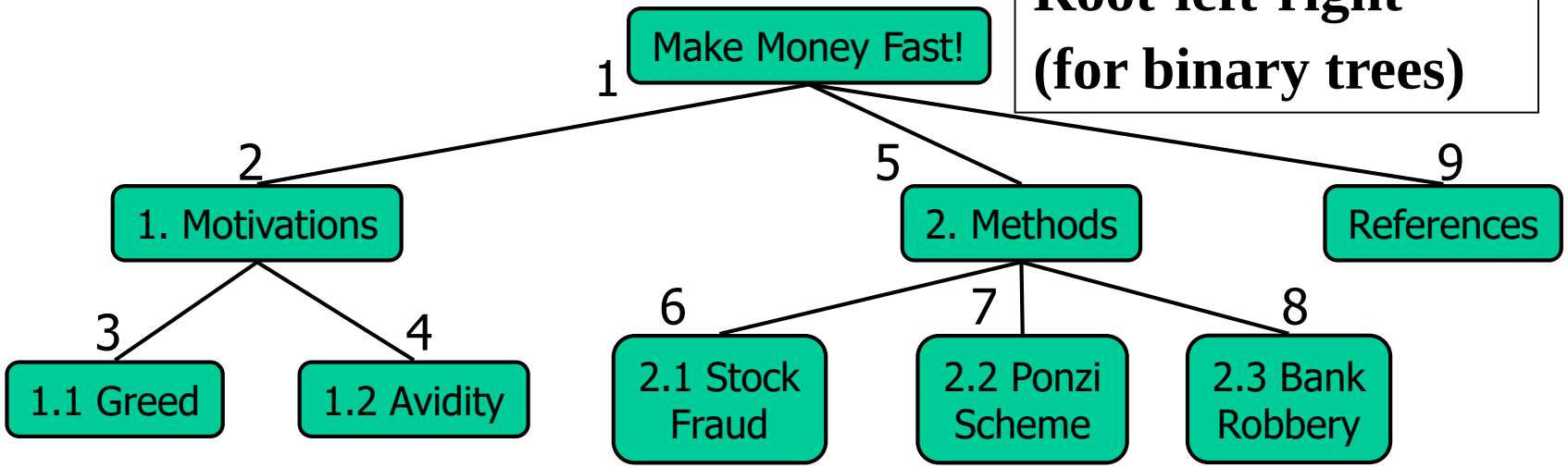


# Preorder Traversal

- A traversal visits the nodes of a tree in a systematic manner
- In a preorder traversal, a node is visited before its descendants
- Application: print a structured document

**Algorithm *preOrder*(*v*)**
  ***visit*(*v*)**
  **for each** child ***w*** of ***v***
    ***preorder*** (***w***)

**Root-left-right**
**(for binary trees)**

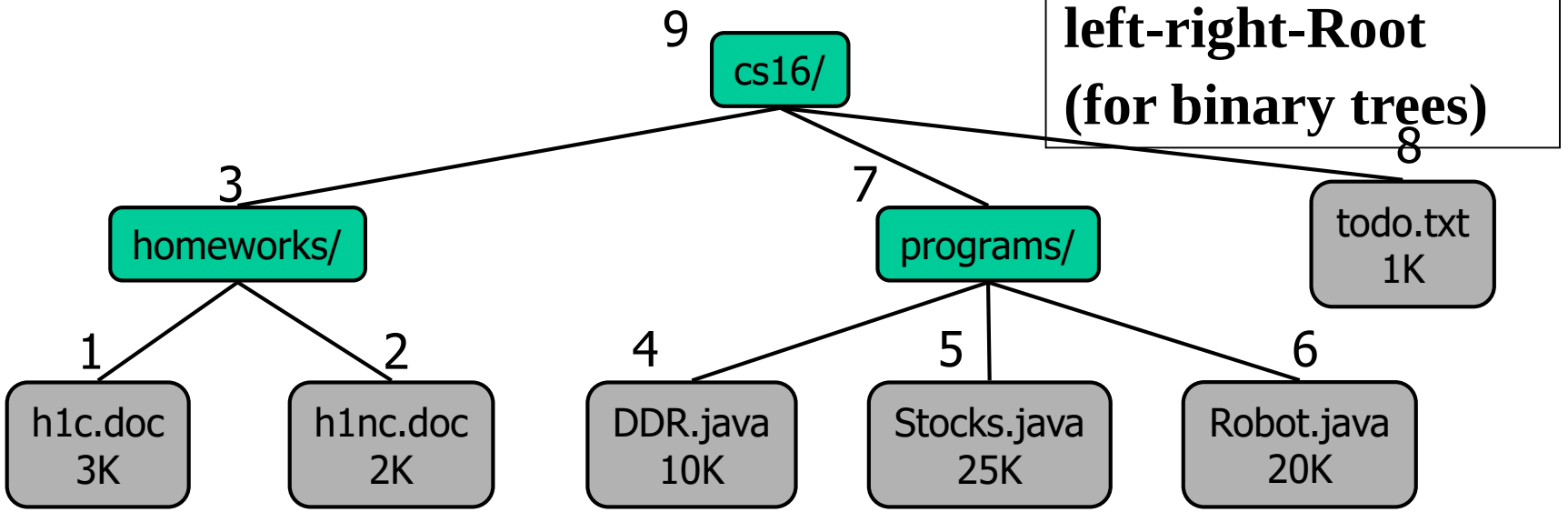


# Postorder Traversal

- In a postorder traversal, a node is visited after its descendants
- Application: compute space used by files in a directory and its subdirectories

**Algorithm *postOrder*(*v*)**
  **for each** child ***w*** of ***v***
    ***postOrder*** (***w***)
  ***visit*(*v*)**

**left-right-Root**
**(for binary trees)**



# Inorder Traversal

- In an inorder traversal, left node is visited followed by the Root followed by the right node (binary)
- Application: fast sorting on binary search trees

**Algorithm *inOrder*(*v*)**

***if(v == NULL) return***

***inOrder* (*v.left*)**

***visit*(*v*)**

***inOrder* (*v.right*)**

**left-Root-right**

**(applicable to only binary trees only)**