

Exercises for 17 Jun 2020

1. Discuss the merits of using `std::shared_ptr` vs `std::unique_ptr` to manage the ownership of child nodes in a tree.

Here are functions of `unique_ptr` and `shared_ptr`.

1. `unique_ptr`: allows only one owner of the underlying pointer
2. `shared_ptr` allows multiple owners of the same pointer (Reference count is maintained)

Considering the definition of the tree. The pointer points to the child is better to use `unique_ptr`. Since the child only has one parent node.

2. Implement a tree ADT (*abstract data type*) in which each node can have an arbitrary number of children. Implement the following methods to populate your tree. Write test code to build a tree with some pre-defined structure and use a debugger to verify that the tree has the structure you intended.

```
/**
 * Set the value of the tree's root node.
 */
Tree& setRoot(T value);

/**
 * Add a leaf node to the top level of this tree.
 */
Tree& addChild(T value);

/**
 * Add a subtree to the top level of this tree, using move
 * semantics to "steal" the subtree's nodes.
 */
Tree& addSubtree(Tree<T>&&);
```

Exercises for 19 Jun 2020

Consider the alternate child-and-sibling structure [described here](#).

1. Does this necessitate a change to your smart-pointer strategy (using `std::shared_ptr` or `std::unique_ptr`)? Why or why not?

No. I can still use `unique_ptr`. because every sibling only points to one child.

2. Re-implement your tree data structure to use the child-and-sibling node structure.

All changes are in Node class. the `addChild` method is changed. a new method named `addSibling` is added. Two field: `child_` and `sibling_` are added.

Exercises for 25 Jun 2020

1. Implement pre- and post-order traversal in your tree data structure, passing an instantiation of the following function template to your traversal method (i.e., your test code should call something like `myTree.visitPreorder(visit<double>())`):

```

template<typename T>
void visit(const T &value)
{
    static size_t i = 0;
    std::cout << "Node " << i++ << ": " << value << "\n";
}

```

pseudocode:

```

def visit_preorder(node, fn):
    if node is None:
        return

    fn(node)
    for child in children:
        visit_preorder(child, fn)

def visit_postorder(node, fn):
    if node is None:
        return

    for child in children:
        visit_preorder(child, fn)
    fn(node)

```

2. [optional] Implement level-order traversal for your tree data structure. You may find the [queue-based algorithm described on Wikipedia's "Tree Traversal" page](#) to be helpful.

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