

# Trees (II)

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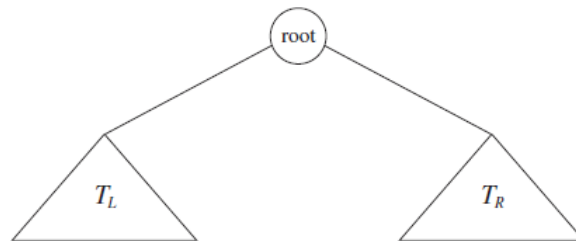
### Module #3: Trees (part II)

#### Outline:

- Binary trees.
- Some bounds on binary trees.
- An application of binary trees.
- Binary tree traversals.

## Binary Trees

- **Definition:** A **binary tree** is a **tree** in which **every node has at most two children**.



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## Binary Trees. Some bounds

- **height** - longest path from root to leaf (count edges)

- For **binary tree** of height  **$h$** :

- **max** number of **leaves**:  $2^h$

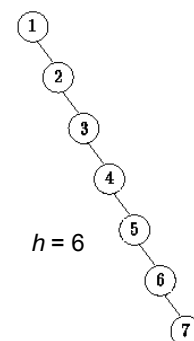
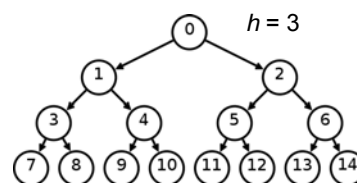
- **max** number of **nodes**:  $2^{h+1} - 1$

$$\left( \sum_{k=0}^{h-1} 2^k = 1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{h-1} = 2^h - 1 \right)$$

- **min** number of **leaves**: 1

- **min** number of **nodes**:  $h + 1$

- For  $N$  nodes, **min height** is  $O(\log N)$  and we want to avoid height =  $O(N)$  (**max height**)



## Implementation of Binary Trees



- The declaration of **tree nodes** is similar in structure to that for doubly linked lists.
- A **node** is a **structure** consisting of the element information plus two references (**left** and **right**) to other **nodes**.
- **Binary Tree Node Class**

```
class BinaryNode
{
    Object element;           // The data in the node
    BinaryNode left;          // Left child
    BinaryNode right;         // Right child
}
```

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## Binary Search Trees. Java Code



- **Binary Node Class**

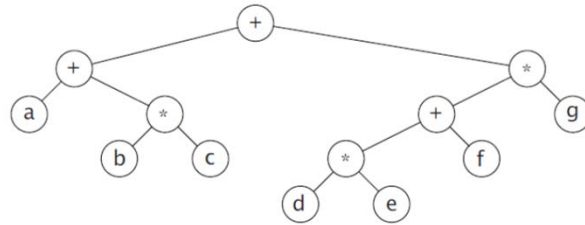
```
private static class BinaryNode<AnyType>
{
    AnyType element; // The data in the node
    BinaryNode<AnyType> left; // Left child
    BinaryNode<AnyType> right; // Right child

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

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

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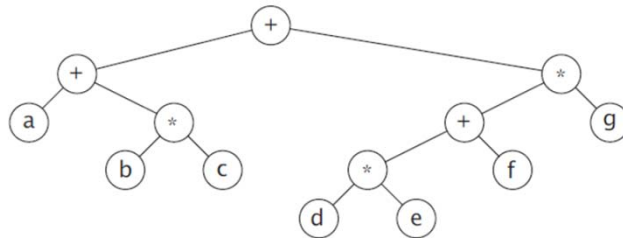
## Expressions Trees (example of Binary Trees)



- The **leaves** of an expression tree are **operands** and the other (internal) nodes contain **operators**.
- The **expression trees are binary**, (in the majority of cases all the operators are binary).
- It is also possible for a node to have only one child, as is the case with the **unary minus** operator.

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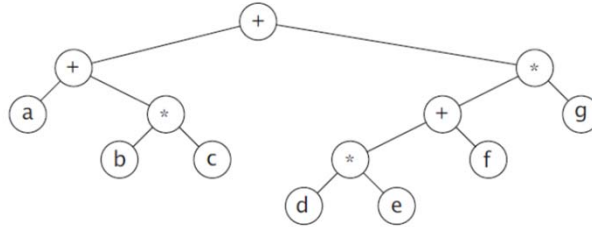
## Expressions Trees (example of Binary Trees)



- How to evaluate an expression tree?
  - Applying the operator at the root to the values obtained by **recursively evaluating the left and right subtrees**.
  - Left subtree:  $a + (b * c)$
  - Right subtree:  $((d * e) + f) * g$
  - The full tree represents:  
 $(a + (b * c)) + (((d * e) + f) * g)$

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## Binary Trees Traversals (inorder, postorder, and preorder traversals)



- **Inorder traversal:** (left, node/root, right)

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

- **Postorder traversal:** (left, right, node/root)

$a b c * + d e * f + g * +$  **postfix notation**

- **Preorder traversal:** (node/root, left, right)

$+ + a * b c * + * d e f g$  **prefix notation**

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