

Rooted Binary Trees

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In this paper I formalize rooted binary trees in path semantics.

A rooted binary tree is a binary tree where there exists a function ``root``:

```
root : binary_tree → bool
root(a) = parent(a) == a
```

The ``root`` is a node which parent is itself.

The parent of a binary tree is defined as following:

```
parent : binary_tree → branch
parent(a) = has_parent := ∃ x { left(x) == a ∨ right(x) == a }
                        if has_parent { why(has_parent) } else { a }
```

Here, the ``why`` function uses the secret-notation from the language Dyon. This can be thought of as extracting the ``x`` for which left or right child is the node.

An alternative definition using a loop which returns ``opt[binary_tree]``:

```
parent : binary_tree → branch
parent(a) = parent := argany x { left(x) == a || right(x) == a }
                        if let some(x) = parent { x } else { a }
```

Since ``parent`` constrained to roots is the identity function

```
parent{root} <=> id
parent{root} <=> idT
```

What can be said about ``T`` is that it must be a ``root``, since ``id`` returns the input, which is a ``root``. However, ``parent`` returns only branches, so since ``id`` returns the input, the input must be a ``branch``:

```
T <=> root ∧ branch
```

```
id : T → T
```

This means that if a node is a root, is also a branch:

```
root => branch
```