

UNIT 5 – TREES

(Questions 1–40)

Q1. A tree is a _____ data structure.

- a) Linear
- b) Hierarchical
- c) Network
- d) Graph

Q2. The topmost node of a tree is called _____.

- a) Leaf node
- b) Root node
- c) Parent node
- d) Child node

Q3. Fill in the blank: The nodes with no children are called _____.

- a) Parent nodes
- b) Root nodes
- c) Leaf nodes
- d) Internal nodes

Q4. In a binary tree, the maximum number of nodes at level 'l' is _____.

- a) 2^l
- b) 2^{l-1}
- c) l^2
- d) $\log l$

Q5. A binary tree of height h has a maximum of _____ nodes.

- a) 2^h
- b) $2^{h+1} - 1$
- c) h^2
- d) $h \times 2$

Q6. Fill in the blank: In a binary tree, the degree of any node is at most _____.

- a) 3
- b) 2
- c) 1
- d) n

Q7. Which of the following traversals visits nodes in the order “Left \otimes Root \otimes Right”?

- a) Preorder
- b) Inorder
- c) Postorder
- d) Level order

Q8. Preorder traversal order is _____.

- a) Left \otimes Root \otimes Right
- b) Right \otimes Left \otimes Root
- c) Root \otimes Left \otimes Right
- d) Left \otimes Right \otimes Root

Q9. Postorder traversal order is _____.

- a) Root \otimes Left \otimes Right
- b) Left \otimes Root \otimes Right
- c) Left \otimes Right \otimes Root
- d) Right \otimes Root \otimes Left

Q10. Fill in the blank: The number of edges in a tree with n nodes is _____.

- a) n
- b) $n - 1$
- c) $n + 1$
- d) n^2

Q11. A binary tree is said to be **“complete”** when _____.

- a) Every level is completely filled except possibly the last

- b) All nodes have two children
- c) It has no leaf nodes
- d) None of the above

Q12. A **full binary tree** is one in which _____.

- a) Each node has at most one child
- b) Each node has either 0 or 2 children
- c) All nodes are at the same level
- d) None of these

Q13. Fill in the blank: The height of a tree with a single node is _____.

- a) 0
- b) 1
- c) 2
- d) Undefined

Q14. The inorder traversal of a binary search tree gives elements in _____ order.

- a) Ascending
- b) Descending
- c) Random
- d) Spiral

Q15. Which of the following is NOT a valid tree traversal method?

- a) Inorder
- b) Postorder
- c) Crossorder
- d) Preorder

Q16. Fill in the blank: The left child of a node at index i in array representation is stored at _____.

- a) $2i$
- b) $2i + 1$
- c) $i + 1$
- d) $i - 1$

Q17. In array representation, the right child of a node at index i is stored at _____.

- a) $2i$
- b) $2i + 1$
- c) $2i + 2$
- d) $i + 2$

Q18. Fill in the blank: The parent of node at index i in array representation is at index _____.

- a) $(i - 1) / 2$
- b) $(i + 1) / 2$
- c) $i / 2$
- d) $2 / i$

Q19. A tree with all leaves at the same level is called a _____ tree.

- a) Skewed
- b) Perfect binary
- c) Complete
- d) Full

Q20. What is the maximum number of nodes in a binary tree of depth 4?

- a) 8
- b) 15
- c) 16
- d) 31

Q21. Fill in the blank: The **degree** of a tree is the maximum number of _____ of any node.

- a) Parents
- b) Children
- c) Leaves
- d) Levels

Q22. A **binary search tree (BST)** stores values such that:

- a) $\text{Left} < \text{Root} < \text{Right}$

- b) Left > Root < Right
- c) Root < Left < Right
- d) None

Q23. The process of visiting each node exactly once in a tree is called _____.

- a) Traversal
- b) Searching
- c) Insertion
- d) Deletion

Q24. Fill in the blank: A binary tree can be efficiently represented using _____.

- a) Stack
- b) Array or linked list
- c) Queue
- d) Graph

Q25. Which traversal technique is best for expression evaluation?

- a) Preorder
- b) Postorder
- c) Inorder
- d) Level order

Q26. The total number of binary trees possible with 3 nodes is _____.

- a) 3
- b) 5
- c) 7
- d) 15

Q27. Fill in the blank: In a **skewed binary tree**, every parent has only _____.

- a) Left child
- b) Right child
- c) One child
- d) Two children

Q28. Which of the following operations cannot be performed directly on array representation of binary trees?

- a) Traversal
- b) Insertion
- c) Deletion of arbitrary node
- d) Access by index

Q29. The space complexity of a recursive traversal of a binary tree is _____.

- a) $O(1)$
- b) $O(n)$
- c) $O(h)$
- d) $O(n^2)$

Q30. Fill in the blank: The time complexity for traversal of a binary tree is _____.

- a) $O(\log n)$
- b) $O(n)$
- c) $O(n \log n)$
- d) $O(n^2)$

Q31. In which traversal method is the root node visited first?

- a) Inorder
- b) Preorder
- c) Postorder
- d) None

Q32. Which traversal of a binary tree is used to **copy** the tree?

- a) Preorder
- b) Inorder
- c) Postorder
- d) Level order

Q33. Fill in the blank: Threaded binary trees are used to make traversal _____.

- a) Faster

- b) Slower
- c) Random
- d) Level-based

Q34. Which type of binary tree allows traversal without using recursion or stack?

- a) Full tree
- b) Threaded tree
- c) Skewed tree
- d) Complete tree

Q35. The time complexity of searching in a balanced BST is _____.

- a) $O(n)$
- b) $O(\log n)$
- c) $O(n \log n)$
- d) $O(1)$

Q36. Fill in the blank: The maximum number of nodes at height h is _____.

- a) $2^{h+1} - 1$
- b) $h + 1$
- c) $2h$
- d) h^2

Q37. Which traversal gives prefix expression for an expression tree?

- a) Postorder
- b) Inorder
- c) Preorder
- d) Level order

Q38. Which traversal gives postfix expression for an expression tree?

- a) Inorder
- b) Postorder
- c) Preorder
- d) Reverse inorder

Q39. Fill in the blank: In a binary search tree, all values in the right subtree are _____ than the root.

- a) Greater
- b) Smaller
- c) Equal
- d) Random

Q40. The height of a binary tree with 15 nodes (perfect binary tree) is _____.

- a) 2
 - b) 3
 - c) 4
 - d) 5
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ANSWER KEY – UNIT 5 (Q1–40)

1. b – Tree is hierarchical.
2. b – Topmost = root.
3. c – Leaf nodes have no children.
4. a – Max nodes at level $l = 2^l$.
5. b – Max = $2^{(h+1)} - 1$.
6. b – Max degree = 2.
7. b – Inorder = Left \otimes Root \otimes Right.
8. c – Preorder = Root \otimes Left \otimes Right.
9. c – Postorder = Left \otimes Right \otimes Root.
10. b – Edges = $n - 1$.
11. a – Complete = all levels filled except possibly last.
12. b – Full = 0 or 2 children.
13. a – Single node \otimes height 0.
14. a – BST inorder = ascending order.
15. c – Crossorder doesn't exist.
16. a – Left child = $2i$.

17. c – Right child = $2i + 2$.
18. a – Parent = $(i - 1)/2$.
19. b – Perfect = all leaves same level.
20. b – Depth 4 $\otimes 2^{(4+1)} - 1 = 31$.
21. b – Degree = max children.
22. a – BST property: Left < Root < Right.
23. a – Traversal = visit all nodes once.
24. b – Array or linked representation.
25. b – Postorder used in expression evaluation.
26. b – 5 unique binary trees for 3 nodes.
27. c – Skewed \otimes every node has one child.
28. c – Deletion arbitrary node complex in array.
29. c – Depends on height $\otimes O(h)$.
30. b – Traversal = $O(n)$.
31. b – Preorder visits root first.
32. a – Preorder used to copy tree.
33. a – Threaded trees make traversal faster.
34. b – Threaded trees avoid recursion/stack.
35. b – Balanced BST = $O(\log n)$ search.
36. a – Max nodes = $2^{(h+1)} - 1$.
37. c – Preorder \otimes prefix expression.
38. b – Postorder \otimes postfix expression.
39. a – Right subtree > root.
40. c – 15 nodes \otimes height = 4.

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(Questions 41–60)

Q41. Which property of BST ensures that searching can be done in $O(\log n)$ time (in best case)?

- a) Tree is complete
- b) Tree is balanced
- c) Tree is full
- d) Tree is skewed

Q42. Fill in the blank: The left child of a node in a BST always has a value _____ the node's value.

- a) Greater than
- b) Equal to
- c) Less than
- d) Random

Q43. Which of the following traversals of BST gives sorted order?

- a) Preorder
- b) Postorder
- c) Inorder
- d) Level order

Q44. If elements are inserted in increasing order into a BST, the resulting tree will be _____.

- a) Balanced
- b) Left-skewed
- c) Right-skewed
- d) Perfect

Q45. Fill in the blank: Insertion in BST takes _____ time on average.

- a) $O(1)$
- b) $O(n)$
- c) $O(\log n)$
- d) $O(n^2)$

Q46. What happens to the height of BST when data is inserted in sorted order?

- a) Decreases
- b) Increases (becomes skewed)

- c) Remains balanced
- d) Randomly changes

Q47. The inorder predecessor of a node in BST is the _____.

- a) Largest value in its left subtree
- b) Smallest value in its right subtree
- c) Parent node
- d) Root node

Q48. The inorder successor of a node in BST is _____.

- a) Smallest value in right subtree
- b) Largest in left subtree
- c) Parent node
- d) None

Q49. Fill in the blank: Deletion of a node with two children in BST is done by replacing it with its _____.

- a) Root
- b) Successor or predecessor
- c) Child node
- d) Random node

Q50. Which operation requires re-linking of pointers in BST?

- a) Searching
- b) Traversal
- c) Deletion
- d) Printing

Q51. What is the time complexity of searching an element in an unbalanced BST?

- a) $O(n)$
- b) $O(\log n)$
- c) $O(n^2)$
- d) $O(1)$

Q52. Fill in the blank: A **balanced BST** ensures that difference in height between left and right subtrees is at most _____.

- a) 0
- b) 1
- c) 2
- d) n

Q53. Which traversal is used for non-recursive tree traversal using stack?

- a) Preorder
- b) Inorder
- c) Level order
- d) Postorder

Q54. The maximum height of a BST with 7 nodes (worst case) is _____.

- a) 2
- b) 3
- c) 6
- d) 7

Q55. Fill in the blank: A **threaded binary tree** replaces NULL pointers with _____.

- a) Child links
- b) Parent links
- c) Inorder predecessor/successor links
- d) Random pointers

Q56. The purpose of threading in binary trees is to _____.

- a) Make traversal faster
- b) Reduce memory
- c) Eliminate recursion and stack
- d) Both (a) and (c)

Q57. In a right-threaded binary tree, the right null pointer points to _____.

- a) Inorder successor
- b) Inorder predecessor

- c) Root
- d) Leaf node

Q58. Fill in the blank: In a left-threaded tree, the left null pointer points to the node's _____.

- a) Inorder predecessor
- b) Inorder successor
- c) Root
- d) Leaf

Q59. Threaded binary trees are especially useful for _____.

- a) Postorder traversal
- b) Inorder traversal
- c) Level order traversal
- d) Preorder traversal

Q60. What is the time complexity of inorder traversal in a threaded binary tree?

- a) $O(1)$
- b) $O(\log n)$
- c) $O(n)$
- d) $O(n^2)$

ANSWER KEY (Q41–60)

- 41. b – Balanced BST ensures $O(\log n)$ operations.
- 42. c – Left < Node < Right property.
- 43. c – Inorder traversal gives ascending order.
- 44. c – Sequential insertions ☐ right-skewed tree.
- 45. c – Average insertion = $O(\log n)$.
- 46. b – Becomes skewed; height increases.
- 47. a – Inorder predecessor = largest in left subtree.
- 48. a – Inorder successor = smallest in right subtree.
- 49. b – Replace with inorder successor/predecessor.

50. c – Deletion changes links.
51. a – Unbalanced tree $\otimes O(n)$.
52. b – Balanced if height difference ≤ 1 .
53. b – Inorder often implemented with stack.
54. d – Worst = skewed \otimes height = $n = 7$.
55. c – Threads replace nulls with inorder links.
56. d – Speeds traversal and avoids recursion.
57. a – Right-thread \otimes inorder successor.
58. a – Left-thread \otimes inorder predecessor.
59. b – Threaded trees optimize inorder traversal.
60. c – Visit each node once $\otimes O(n)$.
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(Questions 61–80)

Q61. Which traversal is best suited to generate an expression tree from postfix expression?

- a) Preorder
- b) Postorder
- c) Level order
- d) Inorder

Q62. Fill in the blank: In an **expression tree**, leaves represent _____.

- a) Operators
- b) Operands
- c) Variables
- d) None

Q63. Internal nodes of an expression tree are always _____.

- a) Operands
- b) Operators
- c) Constants
- d) Pointers

Q64. The inorder traversal of an expression tree gives _____.

- a) Prefix expression
- b) Postfix expression
- c) Infix expression
- d) Random order

Q65. Fill in the blank: Postorder traversal of an expression tree gives _____.

- a) Infix expression
- b) Prefix expression
- c) Postfix expression
- d) Level order expression

Q66. Which traversal gives prefix notation?

- a) Postorder
- b) Inorder
- c) Preorder
- d) Level order

Q67. Expression tree for $(A + B) * (C - D)$ will have _____ as root.

- a) +
- b) *
- c) -
- d) D

Q68. The postorder traversal of expression tree of $(A + B * C)$ is _____.

- a) ABC*+
- b) AB+C*
- c) A+BC*
- d) CBA*+

Q69. Fill in the blank: The height of an expression tree depends on the number of _____.

- a) Operators

- b) Operands
- c) Variables
- d) Parentheses

Q70. Evaluation of expression tree is done using _____ traversal.

- a) Inorder
- b) Preorder
- c) Postorder
- d) Level order

Q71. Which traversal of expression tree can be used to generate machine code?

- a) Preorder
- b) Inorder
- c) Postorder
- d) None

Q72. Fill in the blank: Expression trees help in converting infix to _____ or _____ forms.

- a) Prefix, Postfix
- b) Preorder, Level order
- c) Postorder, Inorder
- d) Left, Right

Q73. Expression tree nodes can store _____.

- a) Numbers only
- b) Operators and operands both
- c) Only symbols
- d) None

Q74. Fill in the blank: Evaluation of expression tree proceeds in _____ manner.

- a) Bottom-up
- b) Top-down
- c) Random
- d) Parallel

Q75. Which of the following is an application of binary trees?

- a) Expression parsing
- b) File system structure
- c) Hierarchical data storage
- d) All of the above

Q76. Fill in the blank: Binary search trees are used for implementing _____.

- a) Dictionaries
- b) Queues
- c) Stacks
- d) Heaps

Q77. A BST storing student roll numbers helps in _____.

- a) Random insertion
- b) Fast searching
- c) Sequential traversal only
- d) None

Q78. Fill in the blank: AVL trees are BSTs with additional balancing condition to maintain _____.

- a) Order property
- b) Height balance
- c) Thread links
- d) Symmetry

Q79. The balance factor of a node in AVL tree is calculated as _____.

- a) LeftHeight + RightHeight
- b) RightHeight - LeftHeight
- c) LeftHeight - RightHeight
- d) (Left + Right) / 2

Q80. Fill in the blank: A balance factor value of _____ indicates a balanced node.

- a) 1

- b) 0
 - c) -1
 - d) Both b and c
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ANSWER KEY (Q61–80)

- 61. b – Build tree from postfix via postorder.
 - 62. b – Leaves = operands.
 - 63. b – Internal = operators.
 - 64. c – Inorder = infix form.
 - 65. c – Postorder = postfix expression.
 - 66. c – Preorder \otimes prefix notation.
 - 67. b – Root operator = *.
 - 68. a – Postorder \otimes ABC*+.
 - 69. a – Depends on operators.
 - 70. c – Postorder for evaluation.
 - 71. c – Postorder gives execution order.
 - 72. a – Converts infix \otimes prefix/postfix.
 - 73. b – Both operators and operands.
 - 74. a – Evaluation proceeds bottom-up.
 - 75. d – All are applications.
 - 76. a – BST implements dictionaries/maps.
 - 77. b – BST = efficient search.
 - 78. b – AVL ensures height balancing.
 - 79. c – LeftHeight – RightHeight.
 - 80. d – Balance = 0 or ± 1 means balanced.
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(Questions 81–100)

Q81. Fill in the blank: A node in a binary tree can have at most _____ children.

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) n

Q82. In level order traversal, nodes are visited using which data structure?

- a) Stack
- b) Queue
- c) Linked list
- d) Array

Q83. Time complexity of inserting a node in BST (average case) is _____.

- a) $O(n)$
- b) $O(\log n)$
- c) $O(1)$
- d) $O(n^2)$

Q84. Fill in the blank: The number of nodes in a perfect binary tree of height h is _____.

- a) $2h$
- b) $2^{(h+1)} - 1$
- c) h^2
- d) $h \times 2$

Q85. Which traversal visits the nodes in breadth-first order?

- a) Level order
- b) Inorder
- c) Postorder
- d) Preorder

Q86. Fill in the blank: Recursive traversal requires _____ data structure internally.

- a) Stack
- b) Queue
- c) Array

d) Graph

Q87. The time complexity of searching in a BST in worst case is _____.

- a) $O(1)$
- b) $O(\log n)$
- c) $O(n)$
- d) $O(n \log n)$

Q88. Fill in the blank: Height-balanced trees improve the _____ of search operation.

- a) Accuracy
- b) Time efficiency
- c) Space
- d) Randomness

Q89. Which tree traversal is suitable for deleting a tree safely (freeing memory)?

- a) Inorder
- b) Postorder
- c) Preorder
- d) Level order

Q90. Fill in the blank: In a BST, the smallest element is found by going to the _____.

- a) Rightmost node
- b) Leftmost node
- c) Root
- d) Any leaf

Q91. Maximum number of nodes in a binary tree with depth 'd' is _____.

- a) $2d$
- b) $2^{(d+1)} - 1$
- c) 2^d
- d) $d \times 2$

Q92. Fill in the blank: The height of an empty binary tree is defined as _____.

- a) -1
- b) 0
- c) 1
- d) Undefined

Q93. In BST, deleting a node with one child requires _____.

- a) Replacing node with child
- b) Deleting entire subtree
- c) Swapping values
- d) None

Q94. Fill in the blank: The traversal which first visits the leftmost node and ends at rightmost node is _____.

- a) Preorder
- b) Inorder
- c) Postorder
- d) Level order

Q95. The space complexity of a recursive tree traversal depends on _____.

- a) Degree
- b) Height
- c) Depth
- d) Both b and c

Q96. Fill in the blank: A binary tree with all nodes having either 0 or 2 children is called _____.

- a) Full binary tree
- b) Perfect binary tree
- c) Complete binary tree
- d) AVL tree

Q97. In a threaded binary tree, traversal does not need _____.

- a) Stack
- b) Queue
- c) Root

d) Pointers

Q98. Fill in the blank: The number of possible binary trees with 4 nodes is _____.

- a) 8
- b) 14
- c) 16
- d) 24

Q99. The time complexity of all traversal operations in a binary tree is _____.

- a) $O(n)$
- b) $O(\log n)$
- c) $O(n \log n)$
- d) $O(n^2)$

Q100. Fill in the blank: The primary application of expression trees is in _____.

- a) Compilers
- b) Networking
- c) Memory allocation
- d) Database indexing

ANSWER KEY (Q81–Q100)

- 81. b – Binary = 2 children max.
- 82. b – Queue used in level order.
- 83. b – Average insertion/search = $O(\log n)$.
- 84. b – Perfect tree = $2^{h+1} - 1$.
- 85. a – Level order = breadth-first.
- 86. a – Recursion uses call stack.
- 87. c – Worst case = skewed tree $\otimes O(n)$.
- 88. b – Balanced tree improves time efficiency.
- 89. b – Postorder deletes children before parent.
- 90. b – Minimum = leftmost node.

- 91. b – Max nodes = $2^{d+1} - 1$.
- 92. a – Empty tree height = -1.
- 93. a – Replace with its child link.
- 94. b – Left to right order \otimes inorder.
- 95. d – Depends on height/depth.
- 96. a – Full binary = 0 or 2 children.
- 97. a – No recursion/stack required.
- 98. b – 14 trees possible (Catalan number).
- 99. a – Traversal visits each node $\otimes O(n)$.
- 100. a – Expression trees used in compiler parsing.

\otimes END OF UNIT 5 – TREES (Q1–100)
