

Topic

Binary Trees (Non-Linear Data Structures)

Linear Data Structures

- Arrays
- Linked lists
- Skip lists
- Self-organizing lists

Non-Linear Data Structures

- Hierarchical representation?
 - Trees
 - General Trees
 - Binary Trees
 - Search Trees
 - Balanced Trees
 - Heaps
 - ..

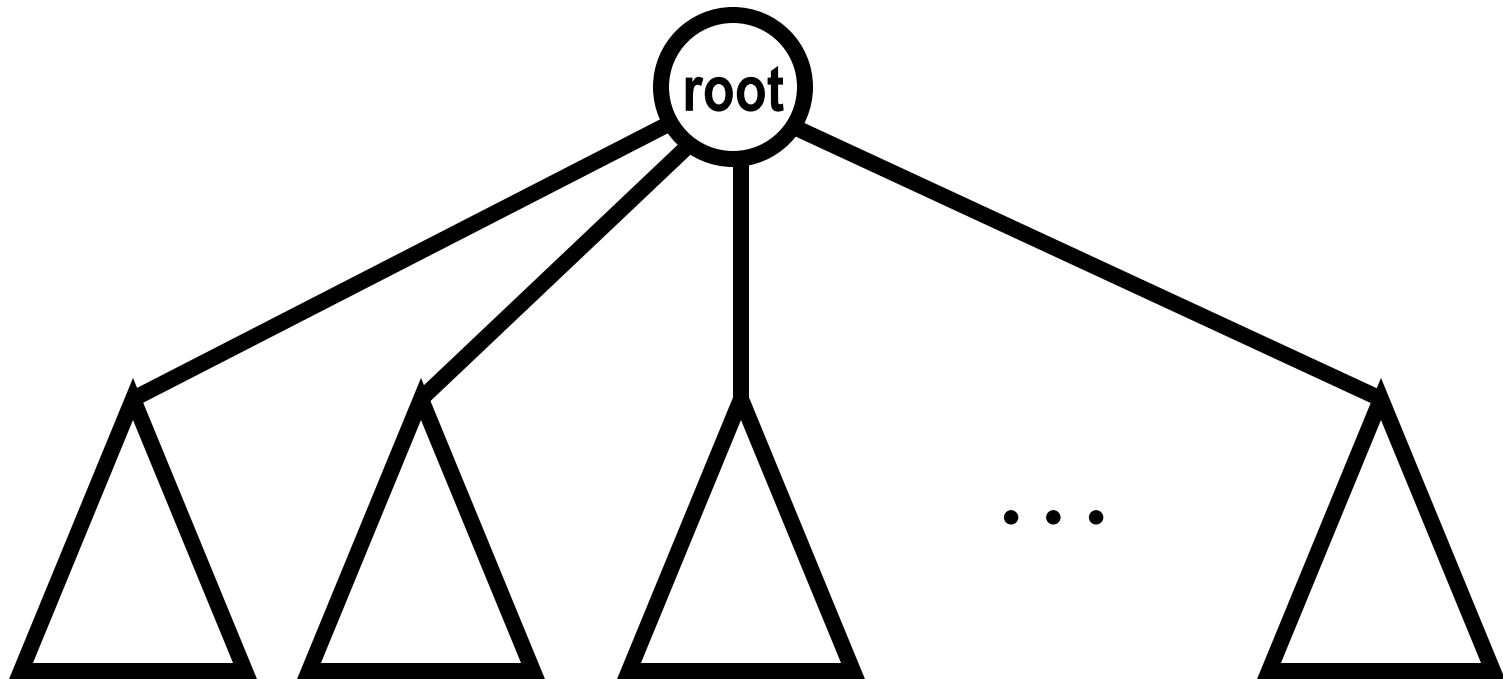


General Trees

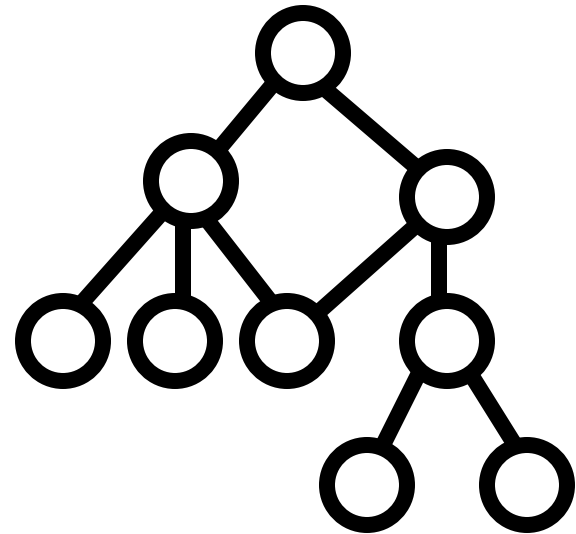
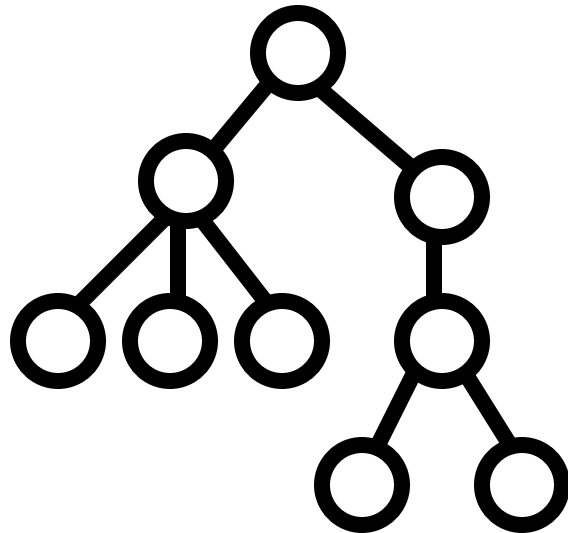
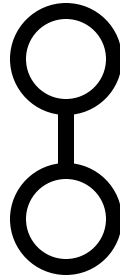
A (Rooted) Tree?

- A finite, nonempty set of nodes and edges s.t.
 - ➔ **One special node** (the root of the tree)
 - ➔ Each node may be associated (edge) with one or more different nodes (its children).
 - ➔ Each node except the root has exactly one parent. The root node has no parent (no incoming edge).
 - ➔ **There exists a unique path from the root to any other node!**

General Rooted Trees

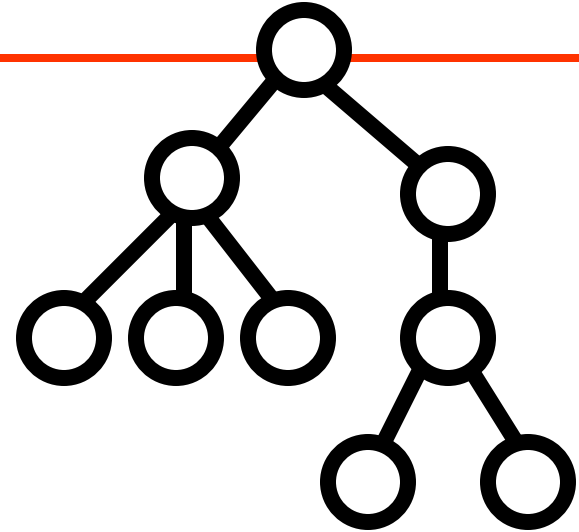


Example: (General Rooted) Trees?



More Terminology

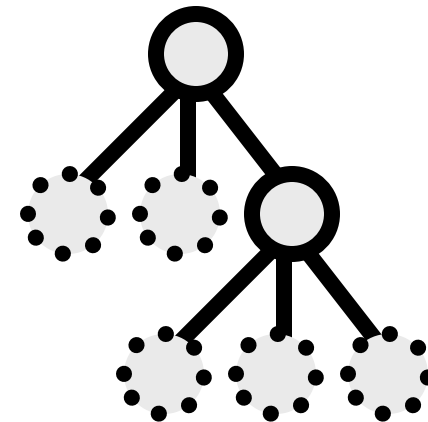
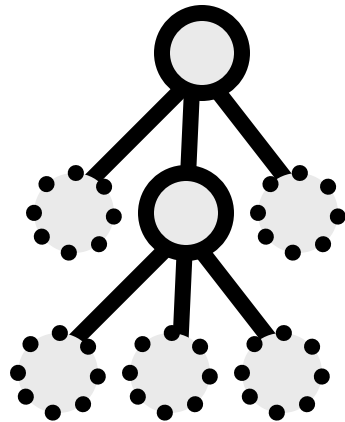
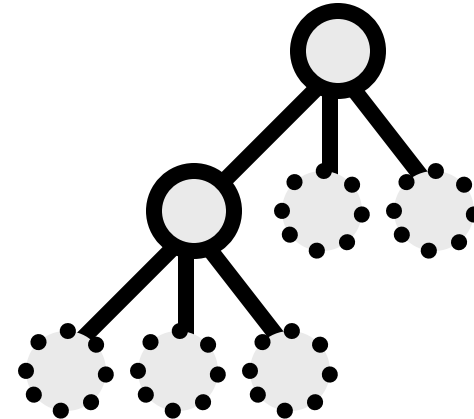
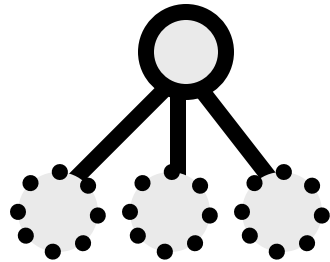
- **Path**
 - ➔ A sequence of nodes.
- **Level** of a node
- **Height** of a node
 - ➔ The number of nodes in the longest path from that node to a leaf.
- **Height** of a tree
 - ➔ The height of the root node.




An N-ary Tree?

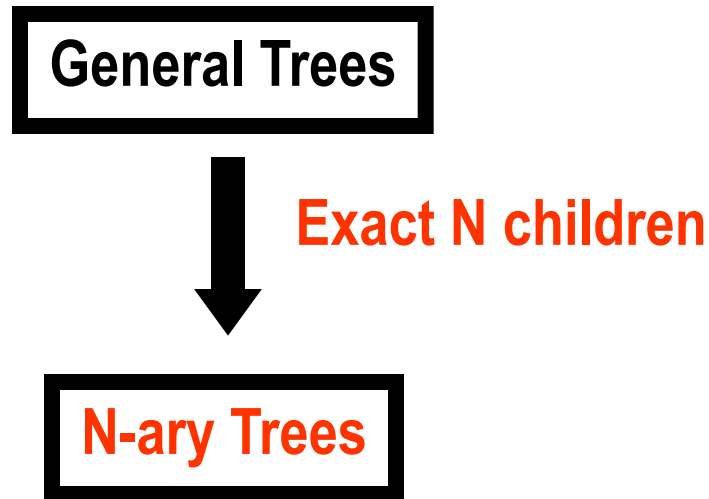
- Each node may be associated (edge) with **exactly N** different nodes (its children).
- If the set is empty (no node), then **an empty N-ary tree**.

Example: N-ary Trees (N=3)



* Note:  = Empty tree!

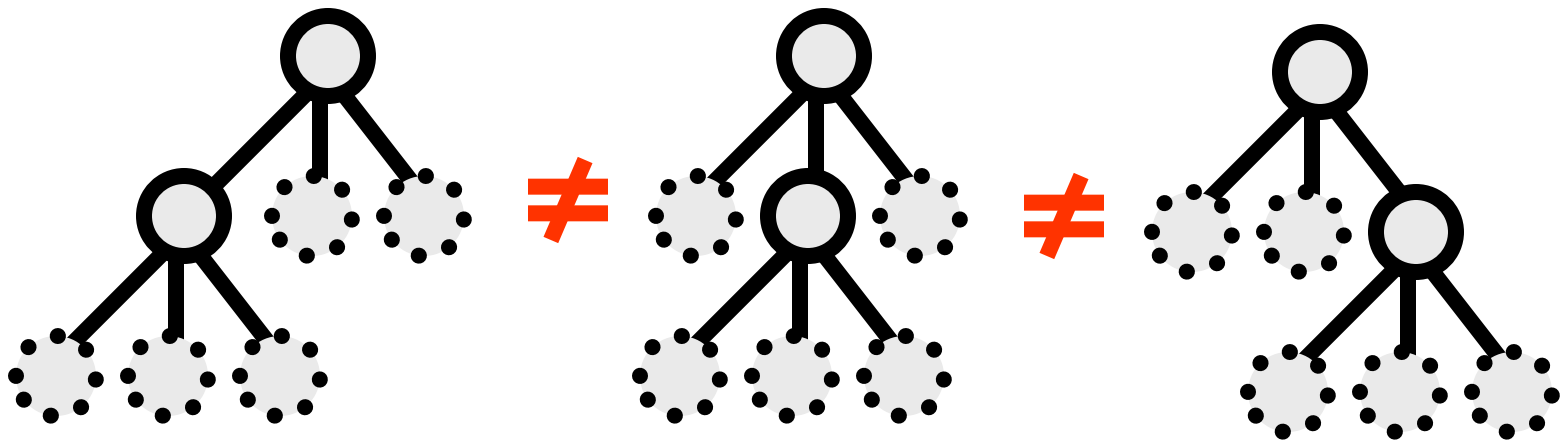
The World of Trees



An Ordered Tree?

- A rooted tree in which the **children** of each node **are ordered**.
 - ➔ first child, second child, third child, etc. ...
- Most practical implementations of trees define an implicit ordering of the subtrees.

Example: Ordered Trees



Different Views on Trees

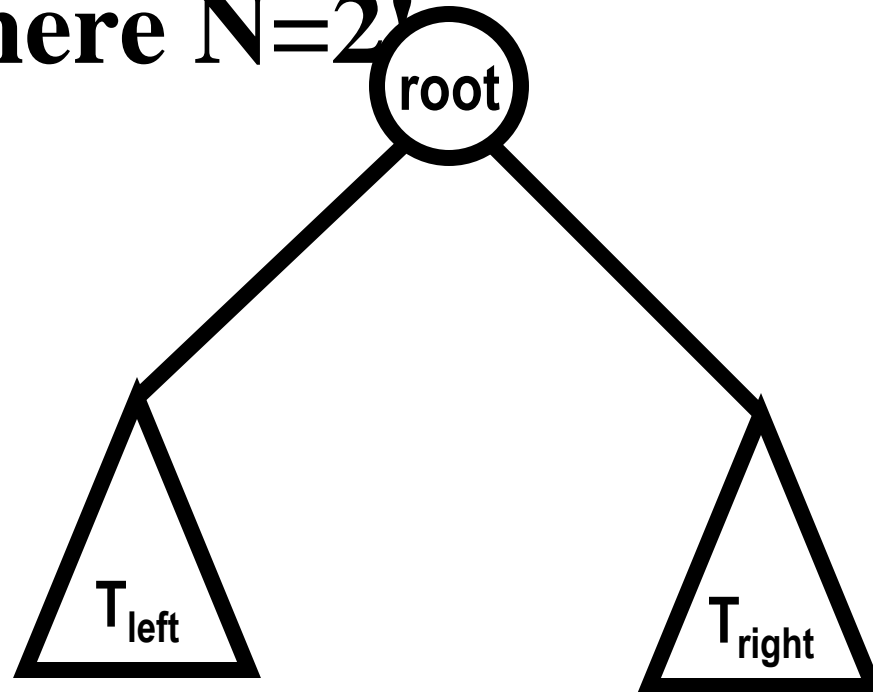
- We may view trees as
 - ➔ A mathematical construct.
 - ➔ A data structure.
 - ➔ An abstract data type.



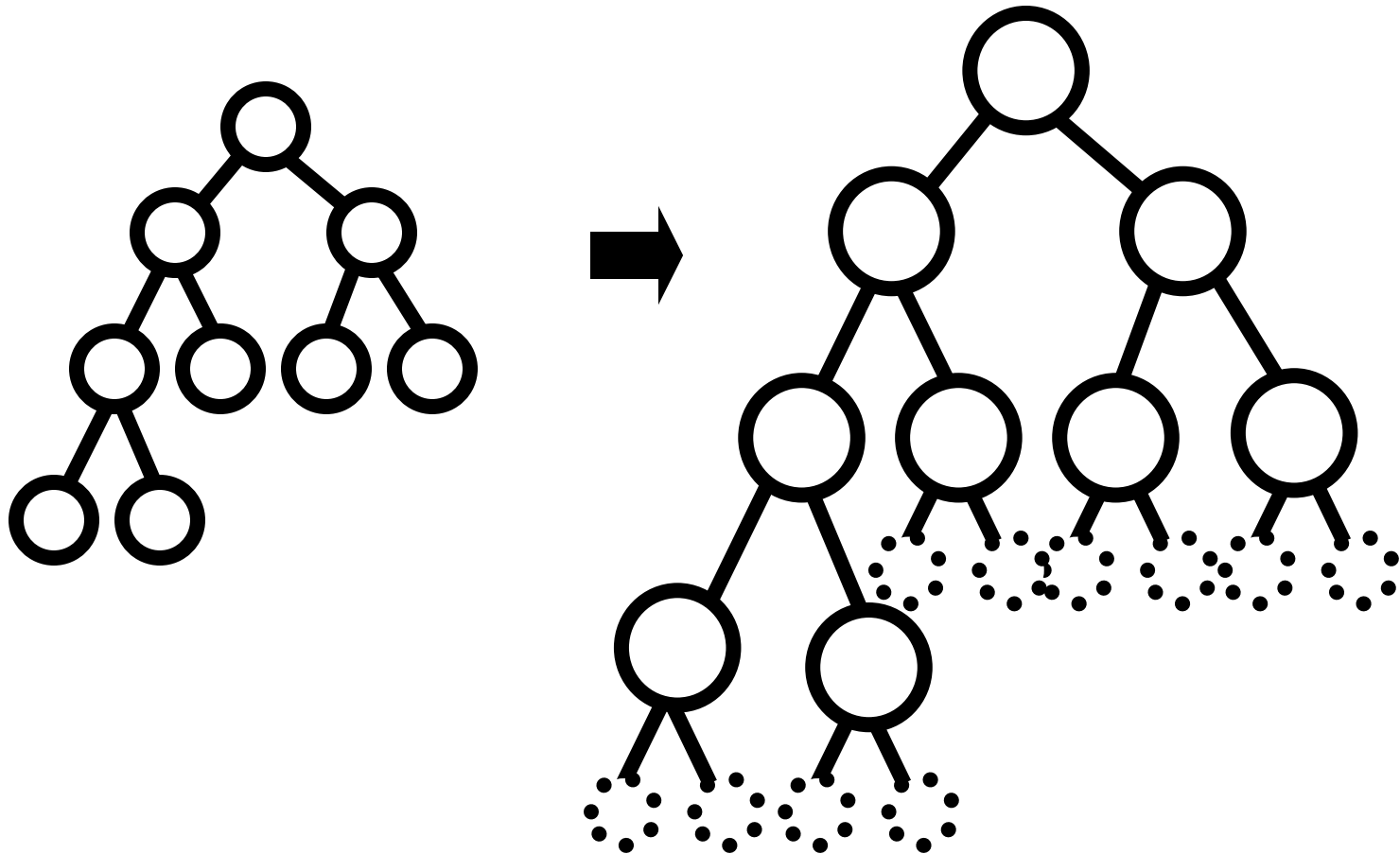
Binary Trees


Binary Trees

- A binary tree is an ordered N-ary tree where $N=2$

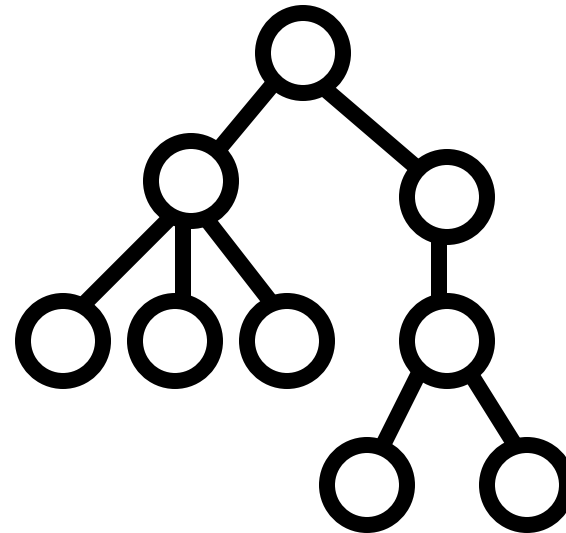
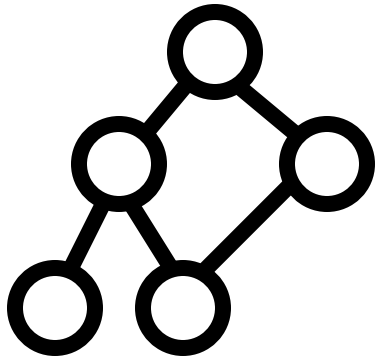


Example: Binary Trees

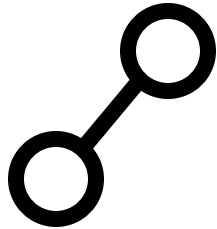


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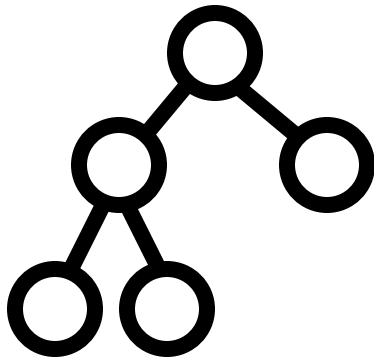
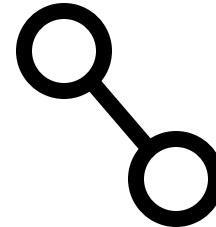
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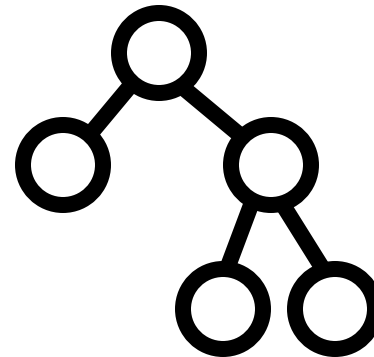
Two Different Binary Trees



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Quiz

- How many different binary trees with 3 nodes?
→ 5
- How many different binary trees with 4 nodes?
→ 14

Quiz

- What is the range of possible heights of a binary tree with 3 nodes?
→ 2 to 3
- What is the range of possible heights of a binary tree with 100 nodes?
→ 7 to 100

The World of Trees



Different Shapes of Binary Trees

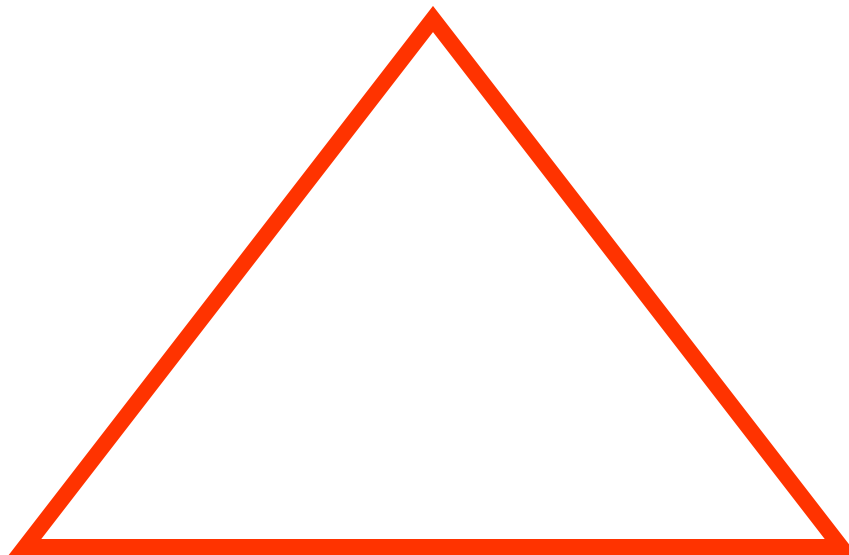
- **Short & Fat** binary trees
 - ➔ A full binary tree
 - ➔ A complete binary tree
 - ➔ A balanced binary tree
- **Tall & Skinny** binary trees
 - ➔ A skewed binary tree

A Full Binary Tree

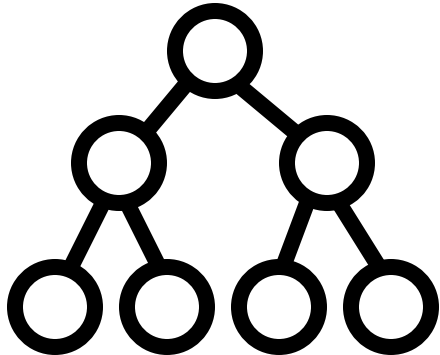
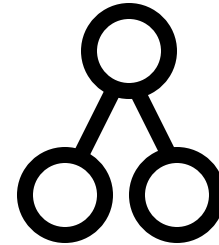
- A binary tree in which
 - ➔ All of the leaves are on the same level. (at level h for the binary tree of height h .)
 - ➔ Every nonleaf node has exactly two children.

Shape of A Full Binary Tree

- The basic shape of a full binary tree is triangular!



Example: Full Binary Trees

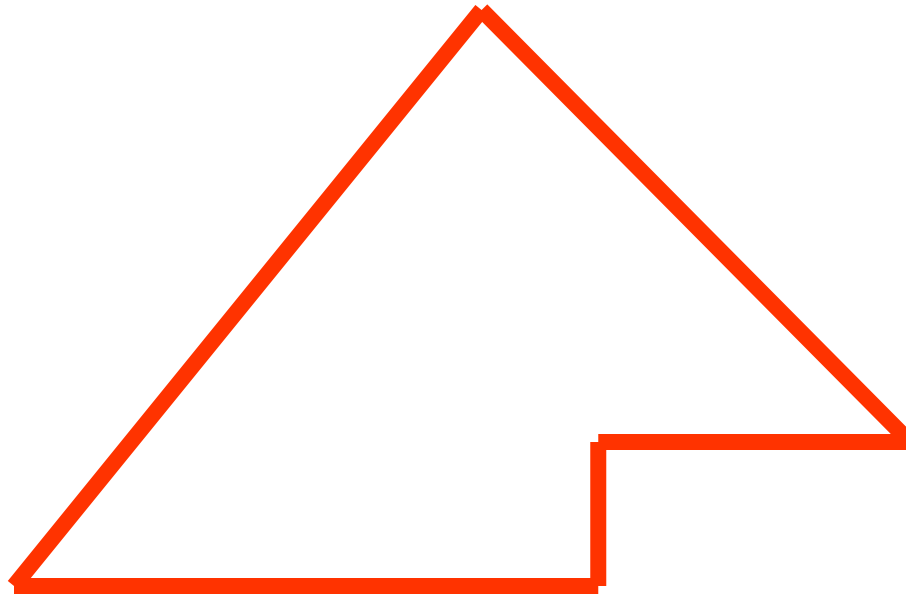


A Complete Binary Tree

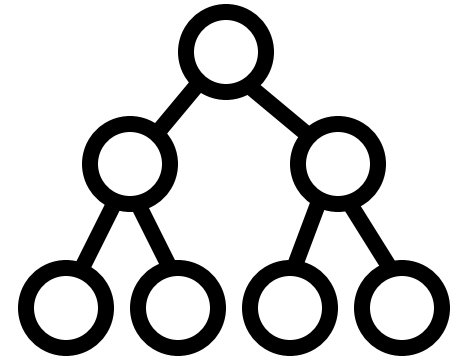
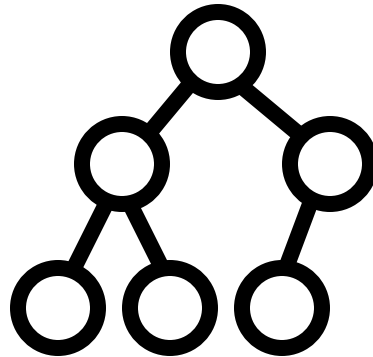
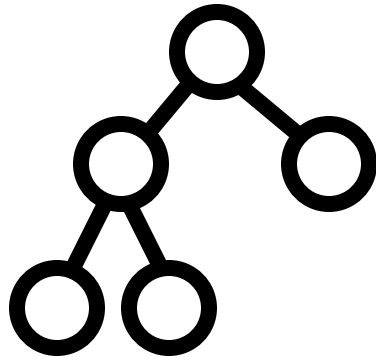
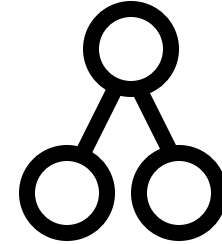
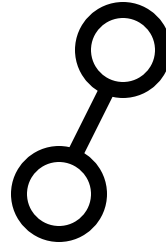
- A binary tree that is
 - ➔ Either full binary tree
 - ➔ Or full through the next-to-last level, with the leaves on the last level as far to the left as possible (filled in from left to right).
- A binary tree in which all leaf nodes are at level n or $n-1$, and all leaves at level n are towards the left.
- A binary tree of height h that is full to level $h-1$ and has level h filled from left to right.

Shape of A Complete Binary Tree

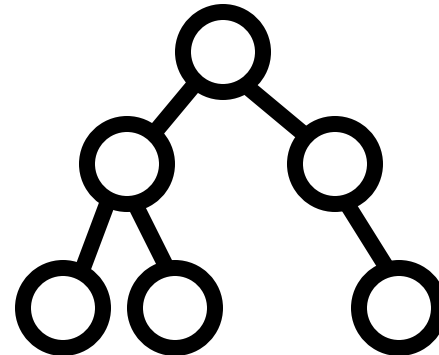
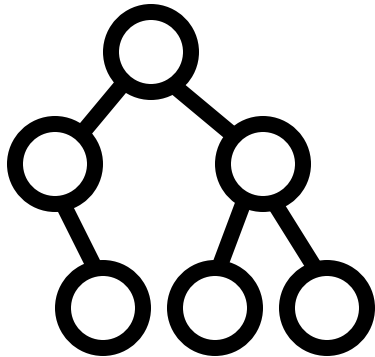
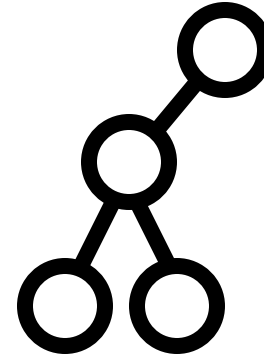
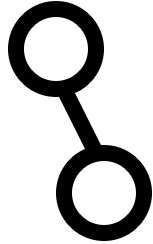
- The basic shape of a complete binary tree is like



Example: Complete Binary Trees?



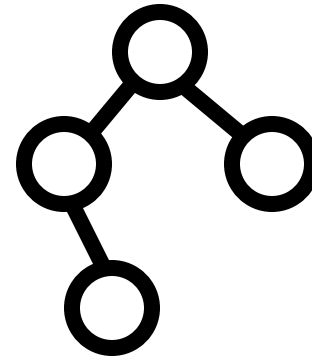
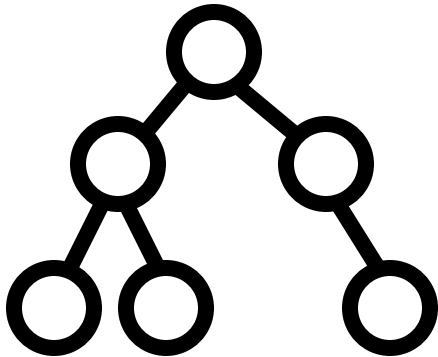
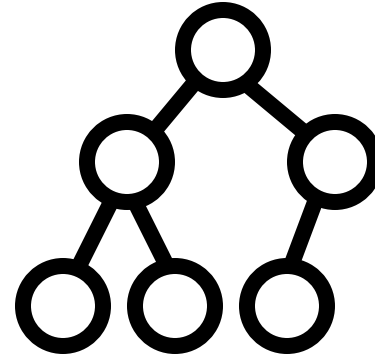
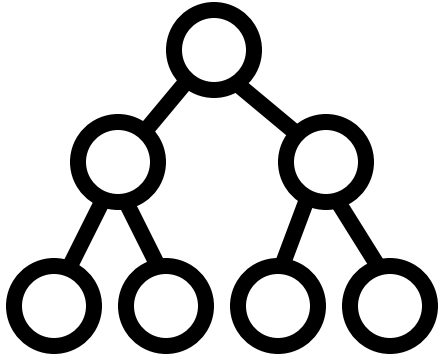
Example: Complete Binary Trees?



A (Height) Balanced Binary Tree

- A binary tree in which the left and right subtrees of any node have heights that differ **by at most 1**.

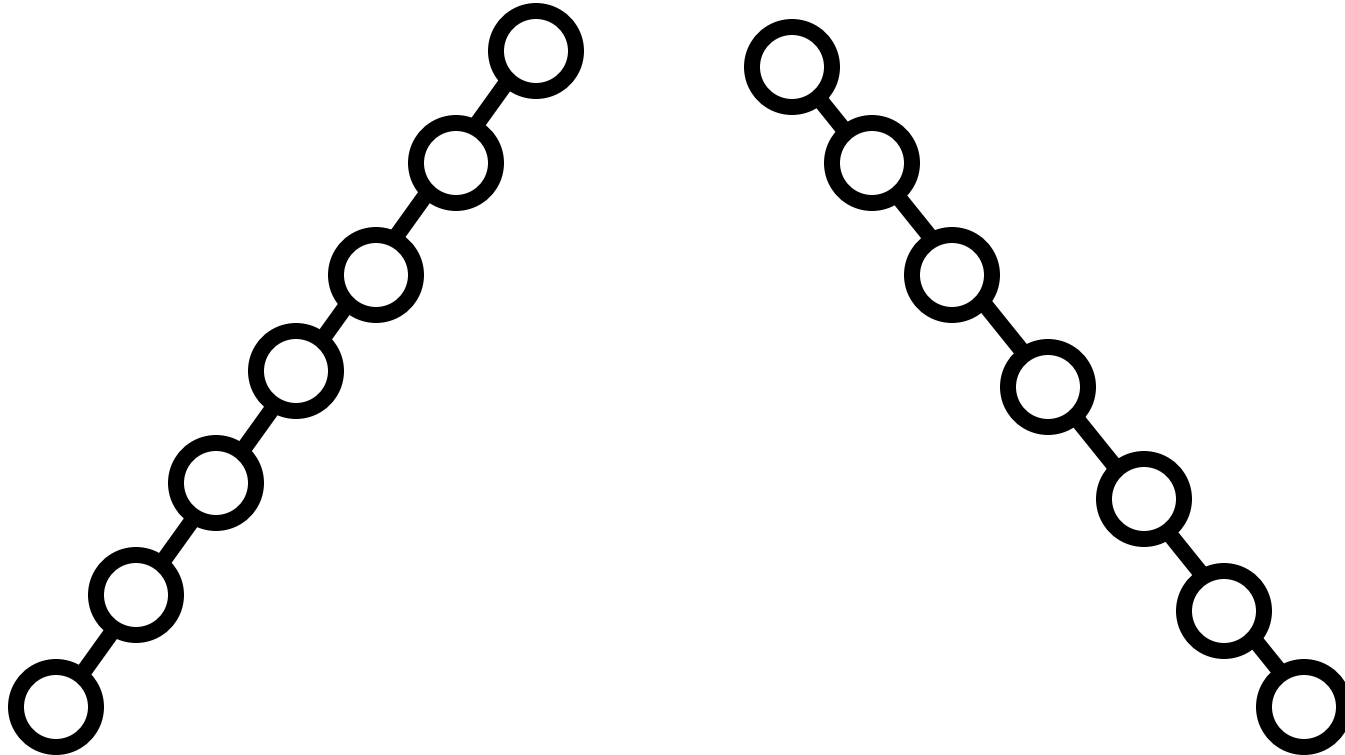
Example: (Height) Balanced Binary Trees



A Skewed Binary Tree

- A degenerate binary tree
- A skewed binary tree is expensive to process!

Example: Skewed Binary Trees



Quiz

- Is a full binary tree complete?
→ Yes!
- Is a complete binary tree full?
→ No!
- Is a full binary tree balanced?
→ Yes!
- Is a complete binary tree balanced?
→ Yes!

Properties of Binary Trees

- What is the maximum height of a binary tree with n nodes?

→ n

The **maximum height** of a binary tree
with **n** nodes is **n** .

Properties of Binary Trees

- What is the minimum height of a binary tree with n nodes?
→ $\lceil \log (n+1) \rceil$ where the ceiling of $\log (n+1) = \log (n+1)$ rounded up.

The minimum height of a binary tree with n nodes is $\lceil \log (n+1) \rceil$.
(The ceiling of $\log (n+1) = \log (n+1)$ rounded up.)

Properties of Binary Trees

The **height** of a binary tree with **n** nodes is at least $\lceil \log(n+1) \rceil$ and at most **n**.

Properties of Binary Trees

- What is the minimum number of nodes that a binary tree of height h can have?

→ h

The **minimum** number of nodes that a **binary tree** of height **h** can have is **h** .

Properties of Binary Trees

- What is the maximum number of nodes that a full binary tree of height h can have?

→ $2^h - 1$

The **maximum** number of nodes that a **binary tree** of height **h** can have is **$2^h - 1$** .

Properties of Binary Trees

- **Full binary trees and complete binary trees have the minimum height!**
- **Skewed (degenerate) binary trees have the maximum height!**



Representation of Binary Trees

How to Represent a Binary Tree?

- An array-based representation
- An array-based representation **for complete binary trees**
- A pointer-based representation

1. An Array-Based Representation

- Represent a node in the binary tree as a structure
 - ➔ A data
 - ➔ Two indexes (One for each child)
- Represent the binary tree as an array of structures.

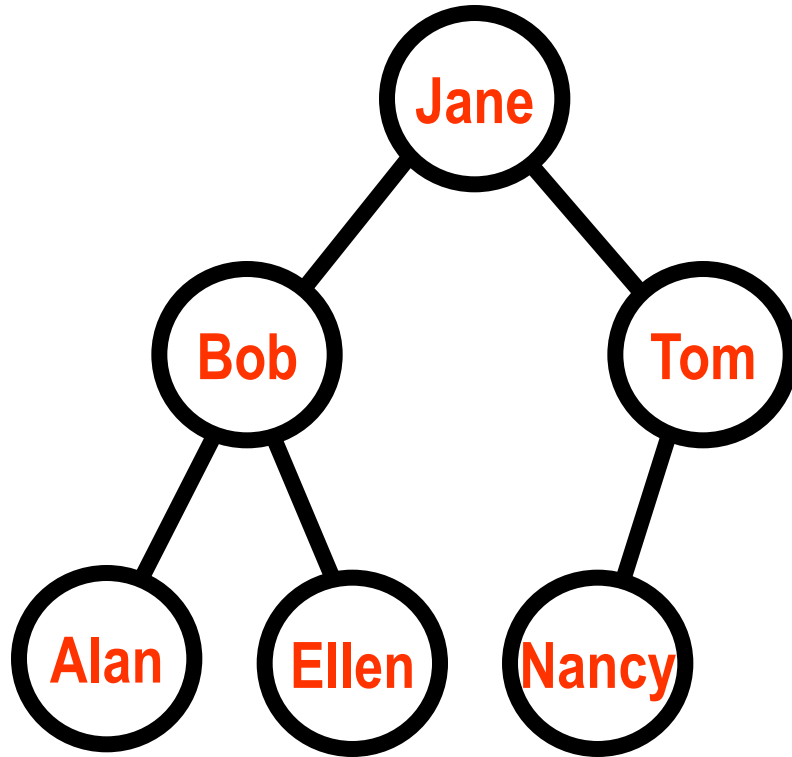
An Array-Based Representation

```
const int MAX_NODES = 100;

struct BTnode
{
    typedef string DataType;
    DataType Data;
    int Lchild;
    int Rchild;
};

BTnode BT[MAX_NODES];
int Root;
int Free;
```

An Array-Based Representation



BT	Data	Lchild	Rchild	Root
0	Jane	1	2	0
1	Bob	3	4	
2	Tom	5	-1	
3	Alan	-1	-1	
4	Ellen	-1	-1	
5	Nancy	-1	-1	
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				Free
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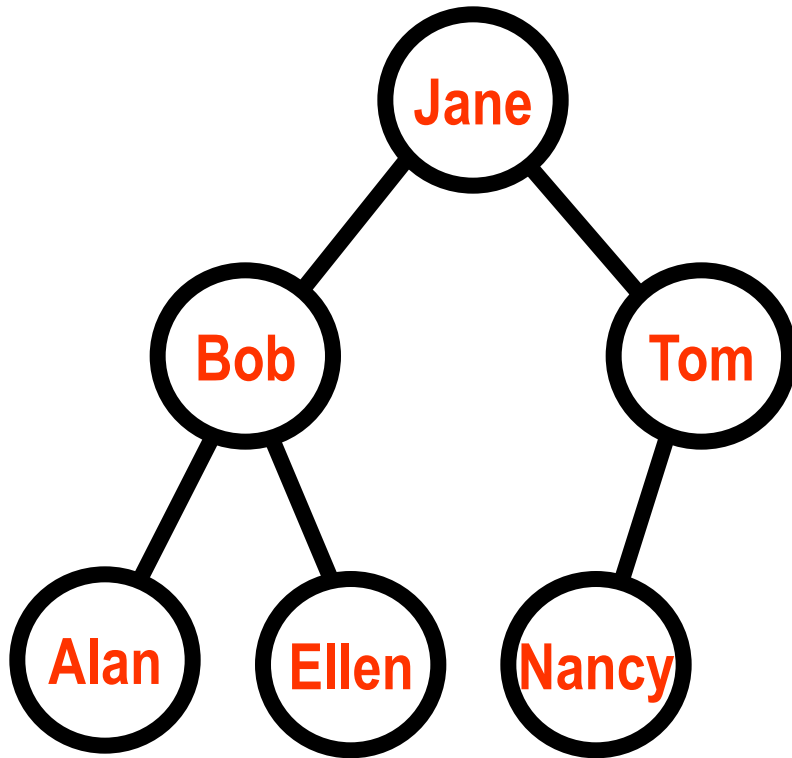
2. An Array-Based Representation of a Complete Binary Tree

- A **better** array-based representation for a complete binary tree!
- Represent a node in the binary tree as
 - A data
- Represent the binary tree as an array.

An Array-Based Representation of a Complete Binary Tree

```
const int MAX_NODES = 100;  
  
typedef string DataType;  
  
DataType BT[MAX_NODES];  
int Root;
```


An Array-Based Representation of a Complete Binary Tree



BT	Data	
0	Jane	← Root
1	Bob	BT[0]
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3	Alan	
4	Ellen	
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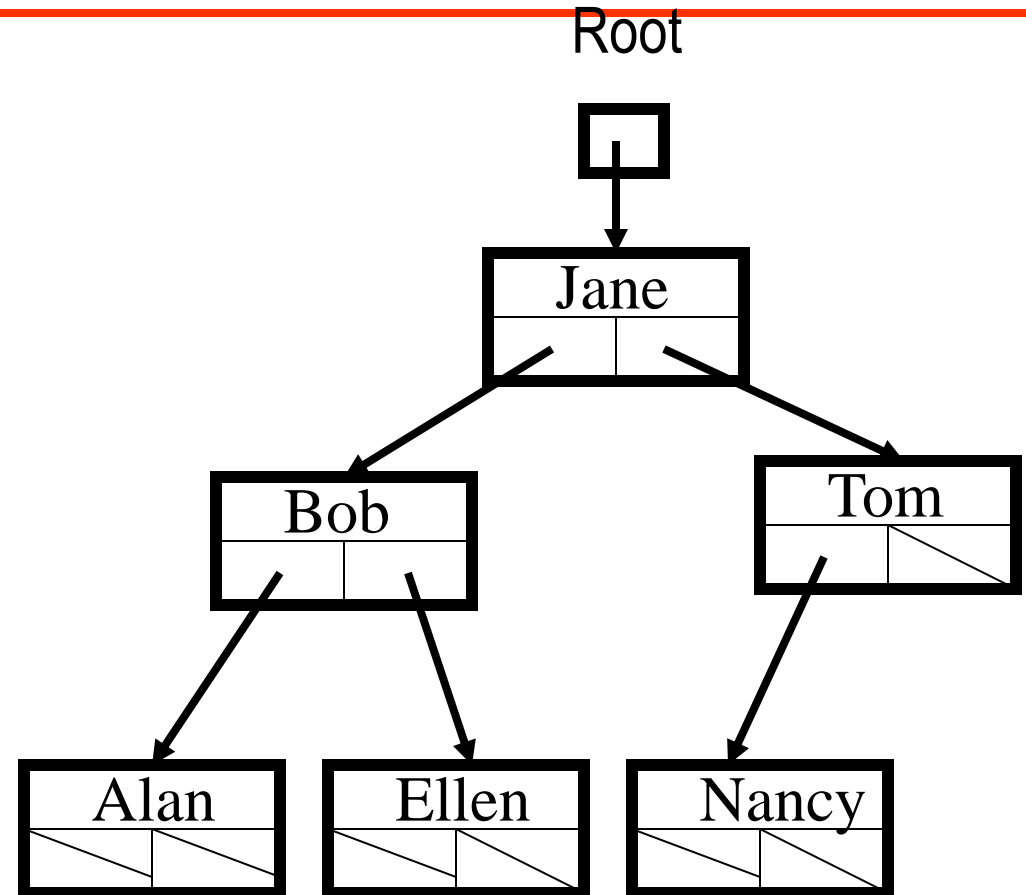
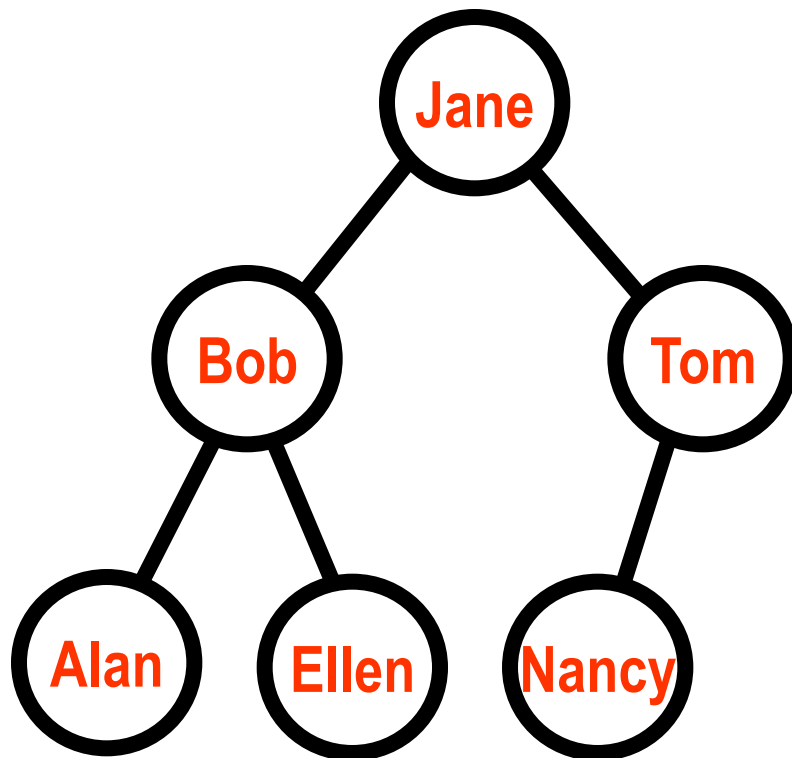
An Array-Based Representation of a Complete Binary Tree

- Any node $BT[i]$
 - Its left child =
 - $BT[2 * i + 1]$
 - Its right child =
 - $BT[2 * i + 2]$
 - Its parent =
 - $BT[(i - 1) / 2]$
- Must maintain it as a complete binary tree!
- Limited **delete**!

3. A Pointer-Based Representation

- Represent a node in the binary tree as a structure
 - ➔ A data
 - ➔ Two pointers (One for each child)
- Represent the binary tree as a linked structure.

A Pointer-Based Representation



A Pointer-Based Representation

```
struct BTnode
{
    typedef string DataType;
    DataType Data;
    BTnode* LchildPtr;
    BTnode* RchildPtr;
};

BTnode* rootBT;
```

A Pointer-Based Representation using Template

```
template<class DataType>
struct BTreeNode
{
    DataType Data;
    BTreeNode<DataType>* LchildPtr;
    BTreeNode<DataType>* RchildPtr;
};
```

```
BTreeNode<DataType>* rootBT;
```

A Pointer-Based Representation using Template Class

```
template<class DataType>
class BTreeNode
{
Public:
    BTreeNode() ;
    BTreeNode(DataType D, BTreeNode<DataType>* l,
               BTreeNode<DataType>* r)
        :data(D), LchildPtr(l),
RchildPtr(r) { }
    friend class BT<DataType>;
private:
    DataType data;
    BTreeNode<DataType>* LchildPtr;
    BTreeNode<DataType>* RchildPtr;
};
```

A Pointer-Based Representation using Template Class

```
template<class DataType>
class BT
{
Public:
    BT () ;
    ...
private:
    BTreeNode<DataType>* rootBT;
    ...
};
```




Binary Trees as ADTs

Operations on Binary Trees

- Create an empty binary tree.
- Create a one-node binary tree, given an item.
- Create a binary tree, given an item for its root and two binary trees for the root's left and right subtrees.
- Attach a left or right child to the binary tree's root.
- Attach a left or right subtree to the binary tree's root.
- Detach a left or right subtree to the binary tree's root.
- Destroy a binary tree.

More Operations on Binary Trees

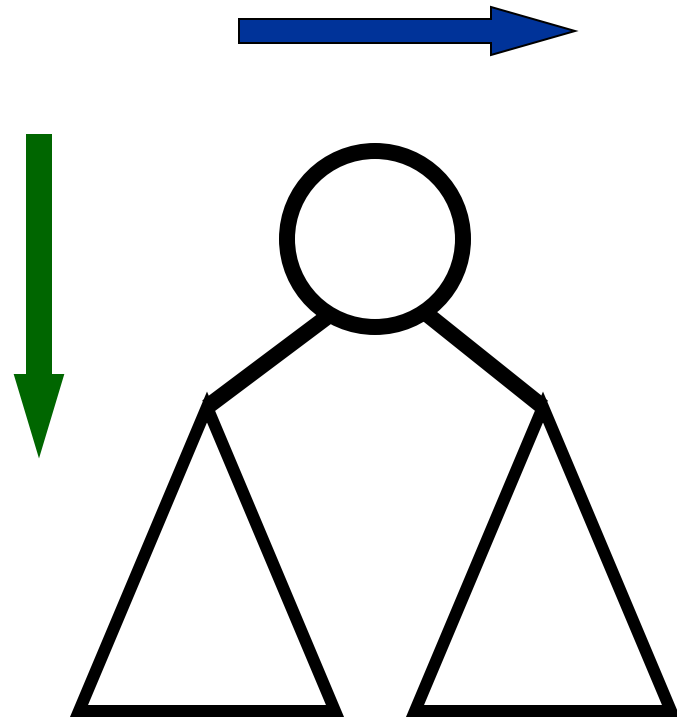
- Determine whether a binary tree empty?
- Determine or change the data in the binary tree's root.
- Return a copy of the left or right subtree of the binary tree's root.
- Traverse the nodes in a binary tree in preorder, inorder or postorder.
- ...

Traversal Operations on Binary Trees

- It is frequently necessary to examine every node exactly once in a binary tree.
- Binary tree traversal is the process of
 - ➔ Visiting systematically all the nodes of a binary tree and
 - ➔ Performing a task (calling a visit procedure like print).

Traversal Operations on Binary Trees

- Two essential approaches:
 - Depth-first traversal
 - Breadth-first traversal



Possible Depth-First Traversals

- Six possible ways to arrange those tasks:
 - ➔ 1. Process a node, then left-child subtree, then right-child subtree.
 - ➔ 2. Process left-child subtree, then a node, then right-child subtree.
 - ➔ 3. Process left-child subtree, then right-child subtree, then a node.
 - ➔ 4. Process a node, then right -child subtree, then left-child subtree.
 - ➔ 5. Process right -child subtree, then a node, then left-child subtree.
 - ➔ 6. Process right -child subtree, then left-child subtree, then a node.
- In almost all cases, the subtrees are analyzed left to right!

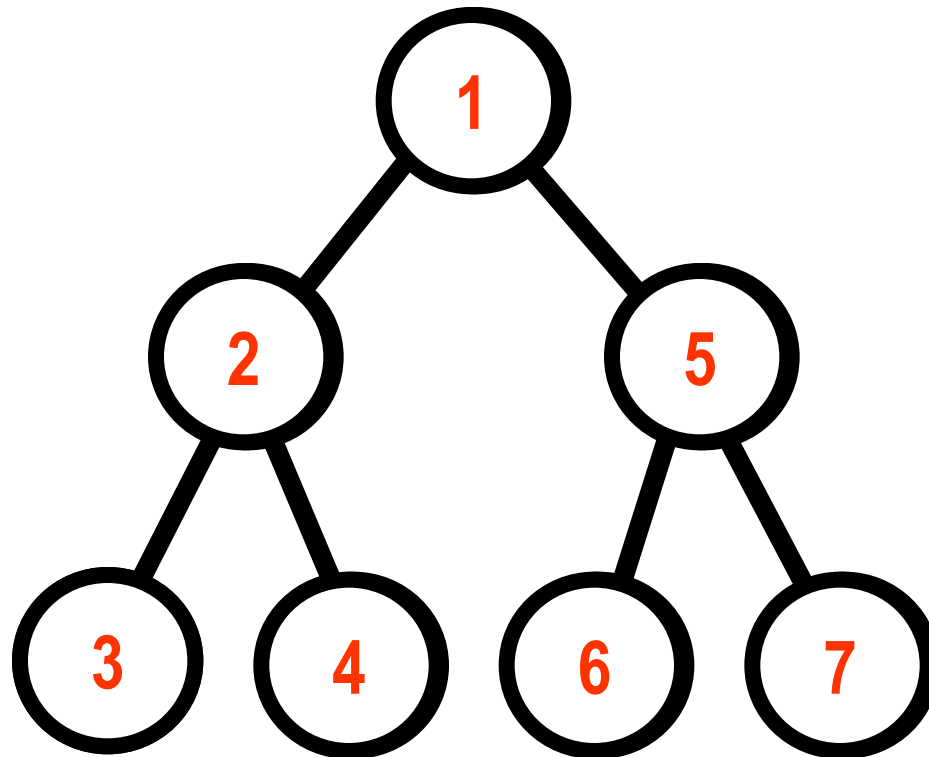
Common Binary Tree Traversals

- Three ways to arrange those tasks:
 - ➔ 1. Process a node, then its left-child subtree, then its right-child subtree.
➔ **Preorder Traversal**
 - ➔ 2. Process its left-child subtree, then a node, then its right-child subtree.
➔ **Inorder Traversal**
 - ➔ 3. Process its left-child subtree, then its right-child subtree, then a node.
➔ **Postorder Traversal**

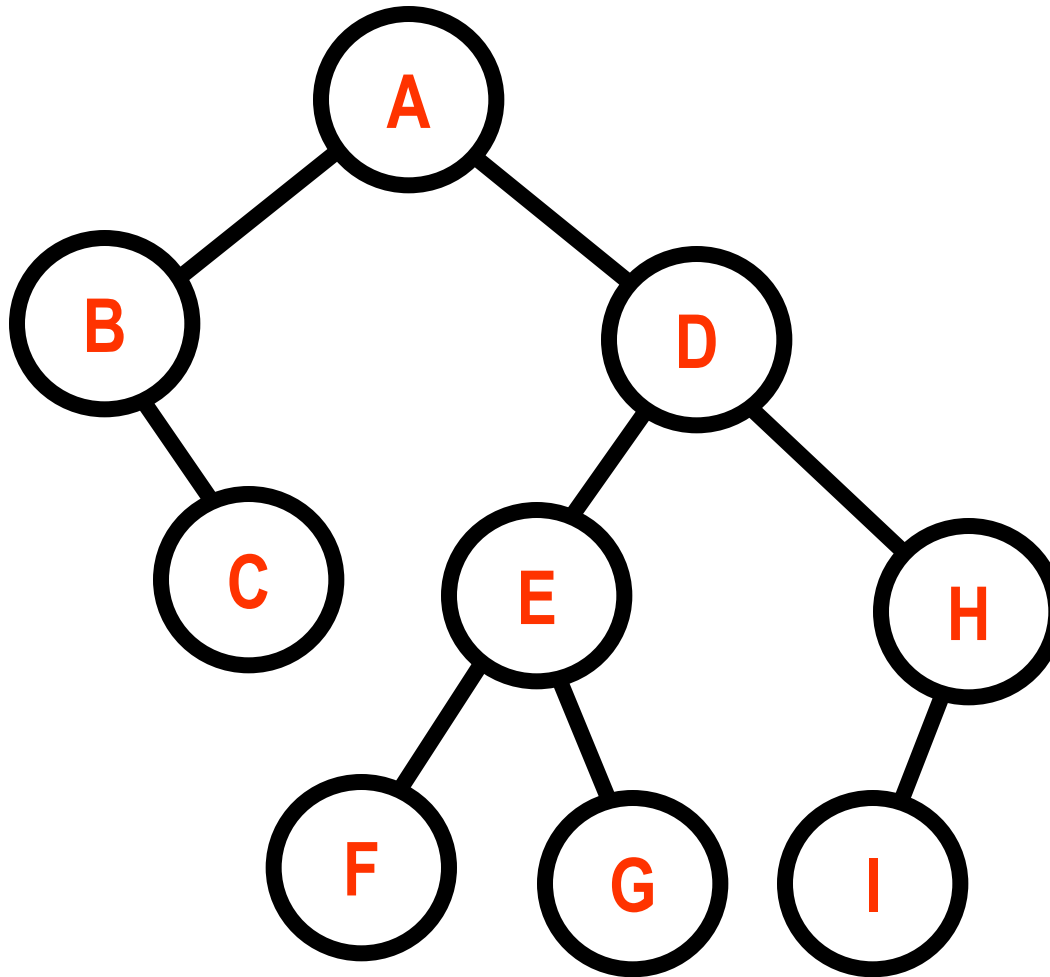
1. Pre-order Traversal

- If the tree is not empty then
 - ➔ Visit the root
 - ➔ Preorder traverse the left subtree recursively
 - ➔ Preorder traverse the right subtree recursively

Pre-order Traversal - Processing Order



Example: Preorder traversal



A B C D E F G H I

Preorder Traversal & Print

```
void preorder_print(BTnode* rootBT)
{
    if (rootBT != NULL)
    {
        cout << rootBT->Data << endl;
        preorder_print(rootBT-> LchildPtr);
        preorder_print(rootBT-> RchildPtr);
    }
}
```

Preorder Traversal and Operation

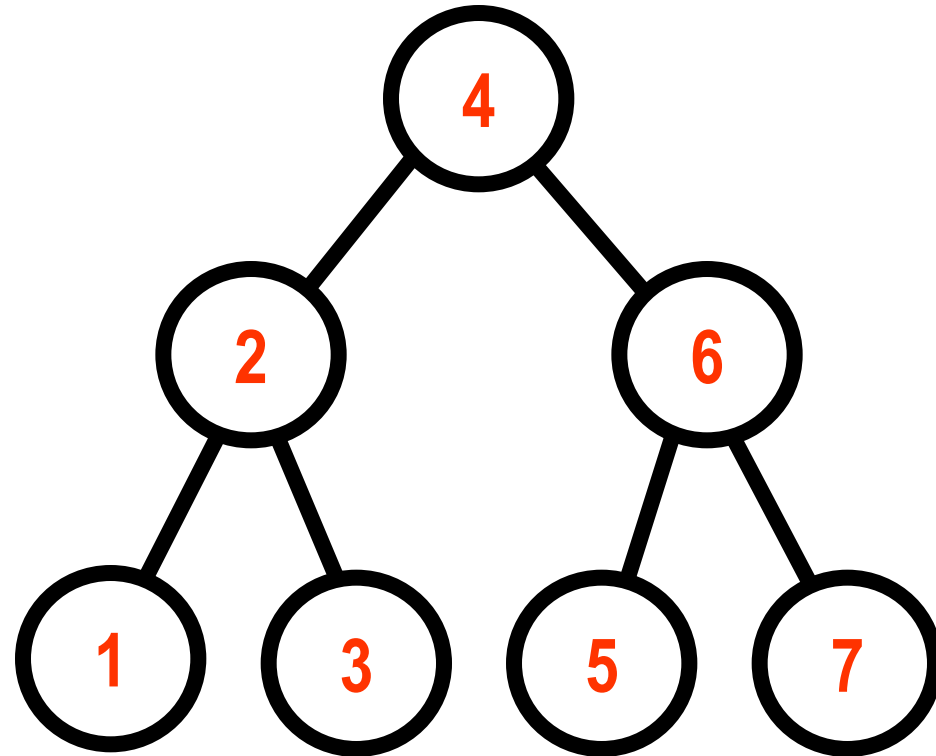
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typedef void (*fType) (DataType& AnItem) ;

void preorder (BTnode* rootBT, fType Op)
{
    if (rootBT != NULL)
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    }
}
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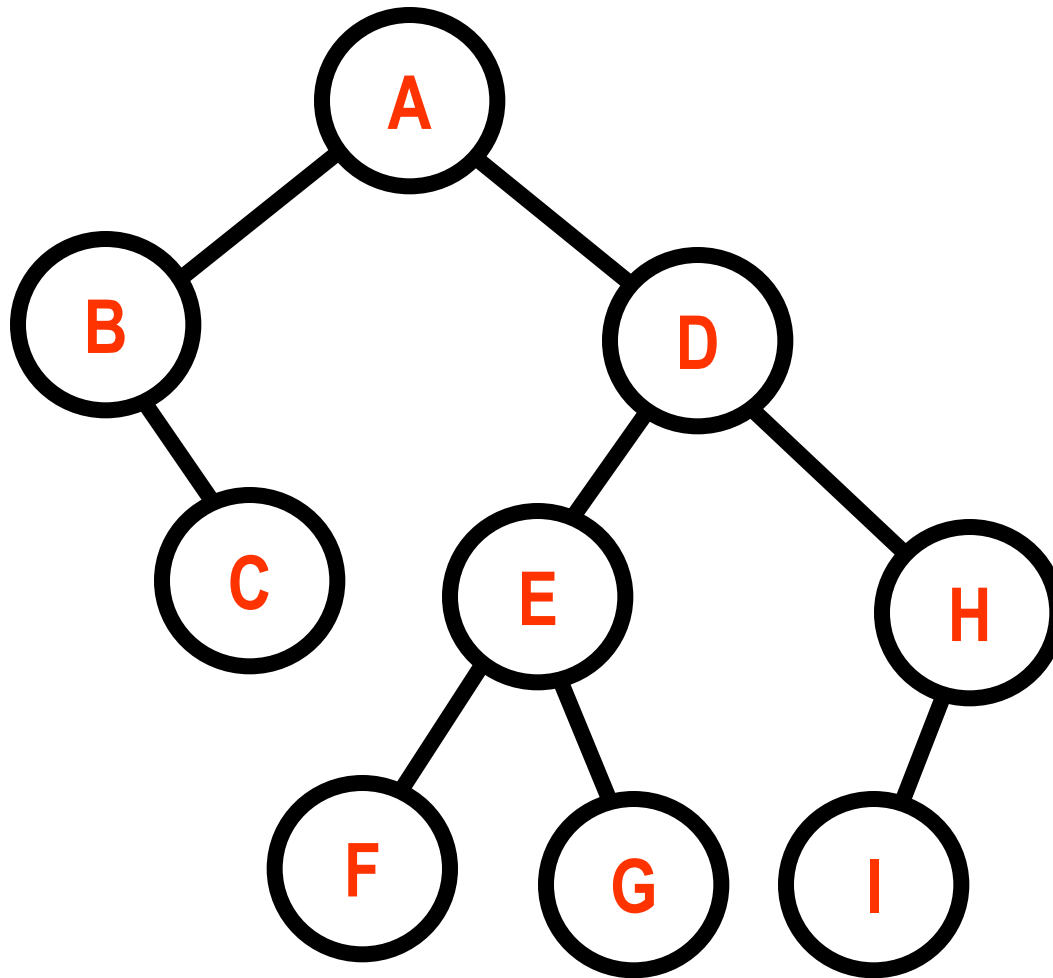
2. In-order Traversal

- If the tree is not empty then
 - ➔ Inorder traverse the left subtree recursively
 - ➔ Visit the root
 - ➔ Inorder traverse the right subtree recursively

In-order Traversal - Processing Order



Example: Inorder traversal



B C A F E G D I H

Inorder Traversal & Print

```
void inorder_print(BTnode* rootBT)
{
    if (rootBT != NULL)
    {
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        cout << rootBT->Data << endl;
        inorder_print(rootBT-> RchildPtr);
    }
}
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Inorder Traversal and Operation

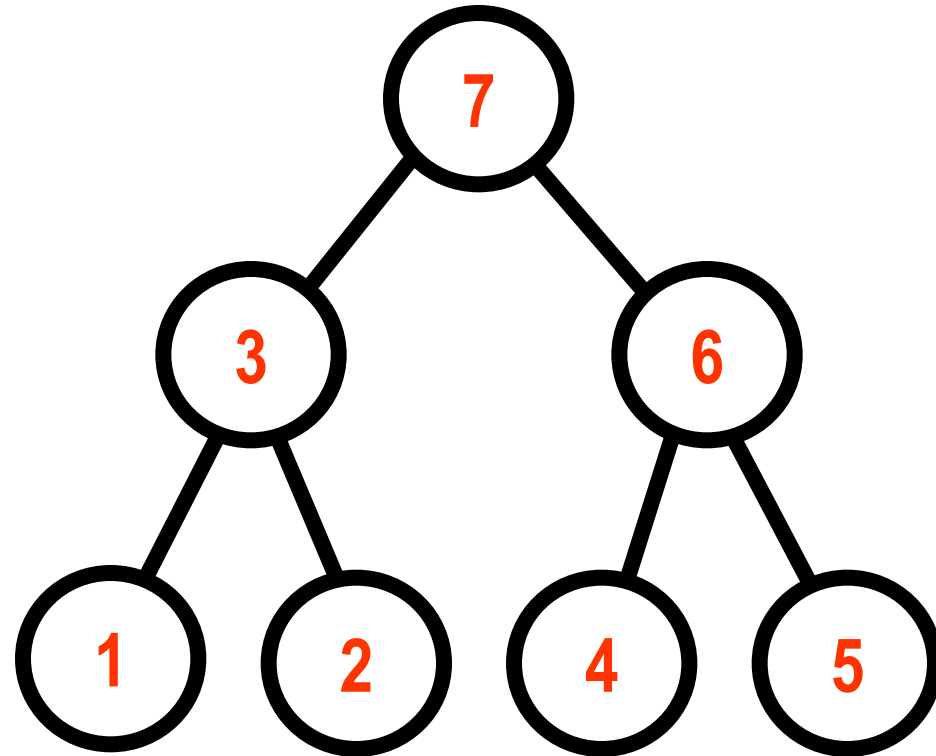
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void inorder(BTnode* rootBT, fType Op)
{
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}
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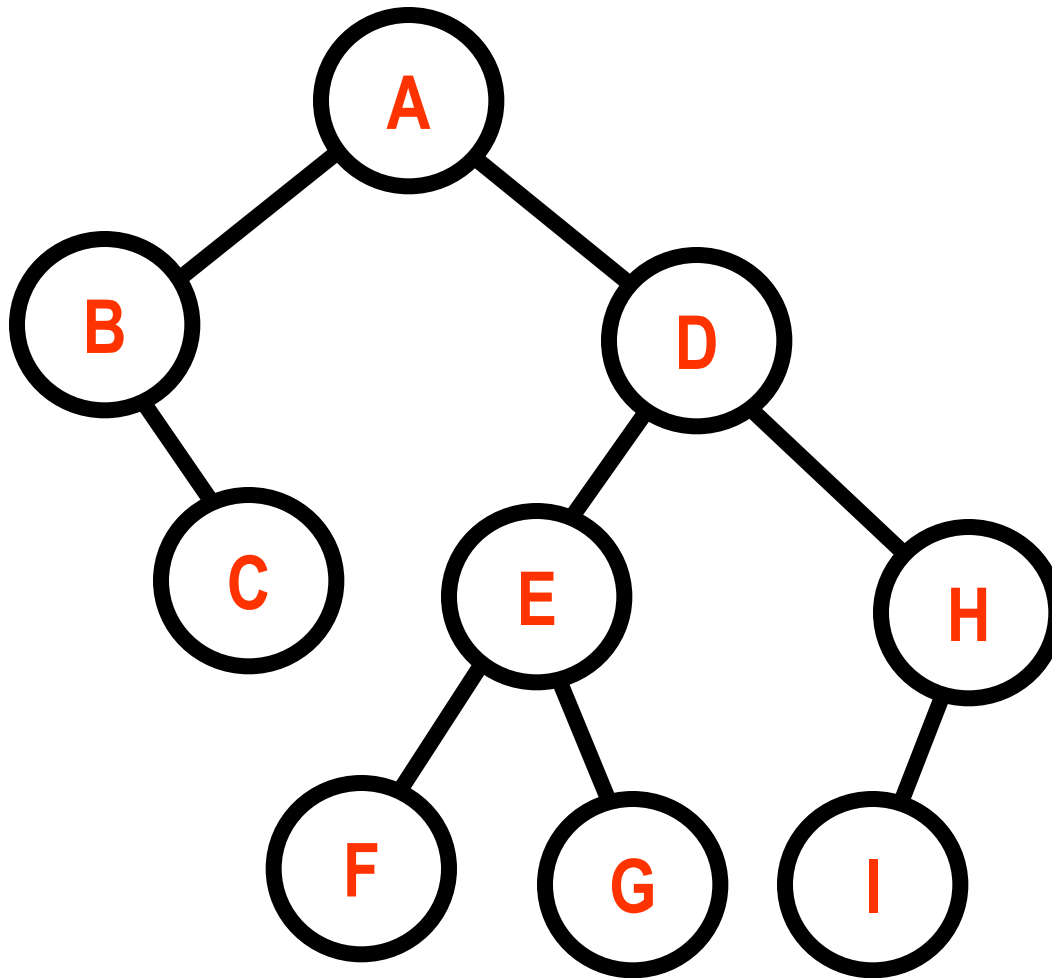
3. Post-order Traversal

- If the tree is not empty then
 - ➔ Postorder traverse the left subtree recursively
 - ➔ Postorder traverse the right subtree recursively
 - ➔ Visit the root

Post-order Traversal - Processing Order



Example: Postorder traversal



C B F G E I H D A

Postorder Traversal & Print

```
void postorder_print(BTnode* rootBT)
{
    if (rootBT != NULL)
    {
        postorder_print(rootBT-> LchildPtr);
        postorder_print(rootBT-> RchildPtr);
        cout << rootBT->Data << endl;
    }
}
```

Postorder Traversal and Operation

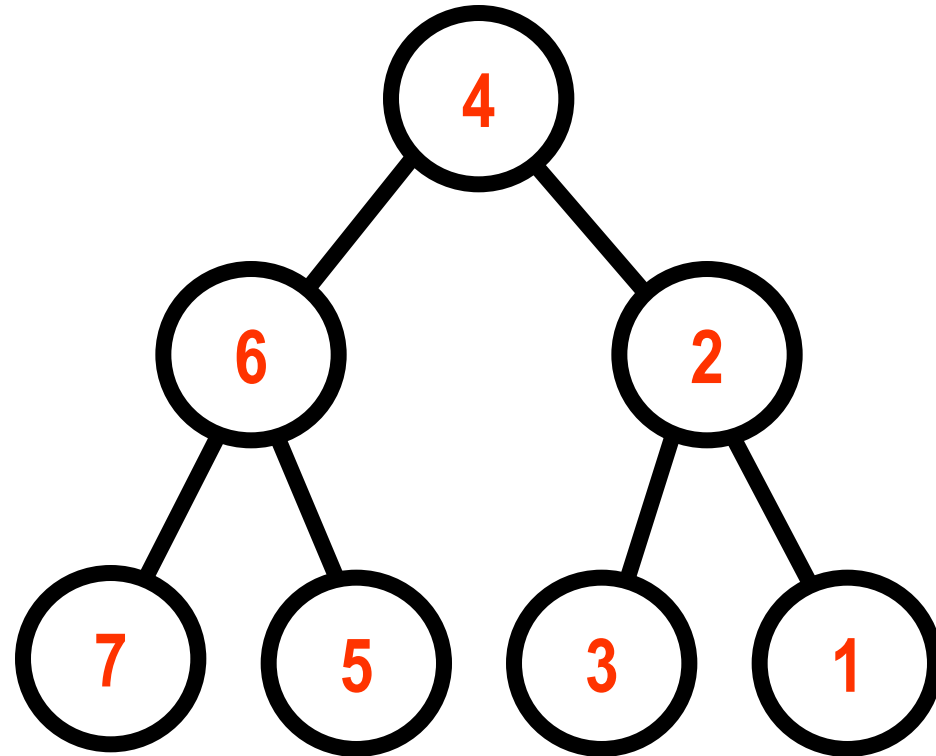
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void postorder (BTnode* rootBT, fType Op)
{
    if (rootBT != NULL)
    {
        postorder (rootBT-> LchildPtr) ;
        postorder (rootBT-> RchildPtr) ;
        Op (rootBT->Data) ;
    }
}
```

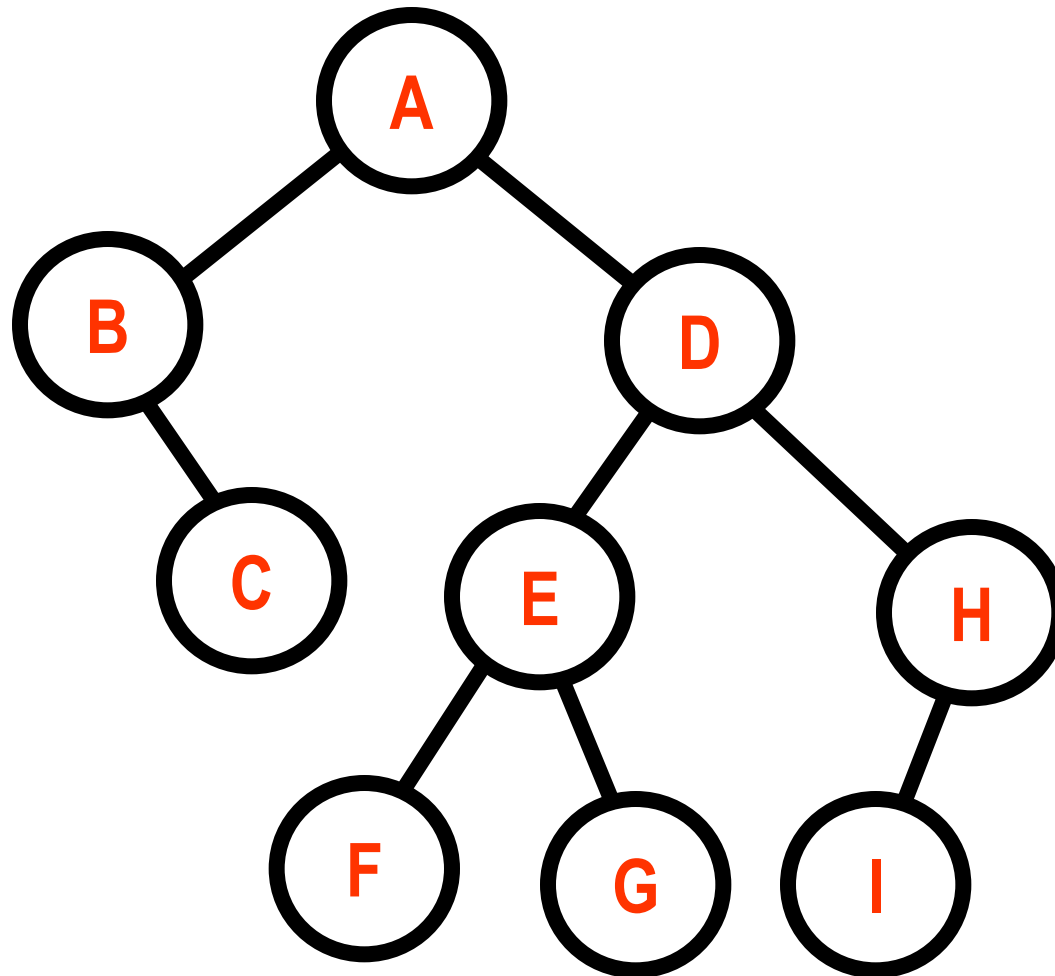
5. Backward In-order Traversal

- 5. Process right-child subtree, then a node, then left-child subtree.
- If the tree is not empty then
 - ➔ Backward Inorder traverse the right subtree recursively
 - ➔ Visit the root
 - ➔ Backward Inorder traverse the left subtree recursively

Backward In-order Traversal - Processing Order

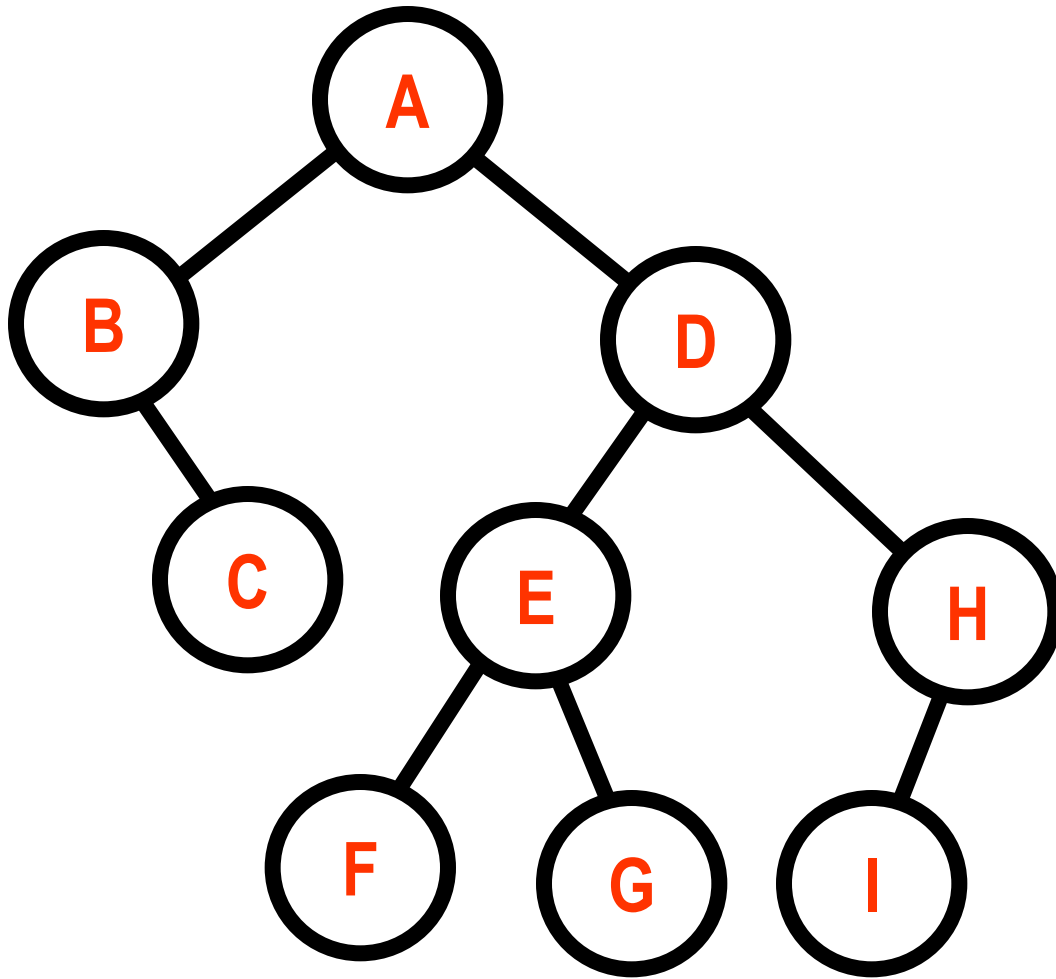


Example: Backward Inorder Traversal



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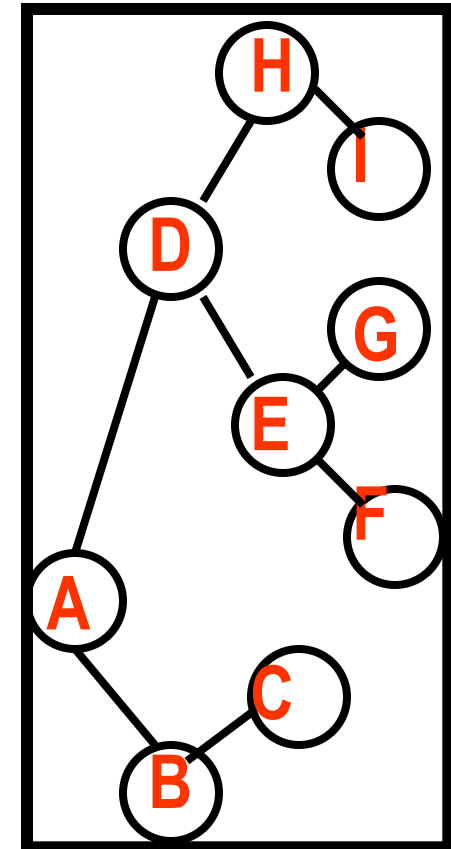
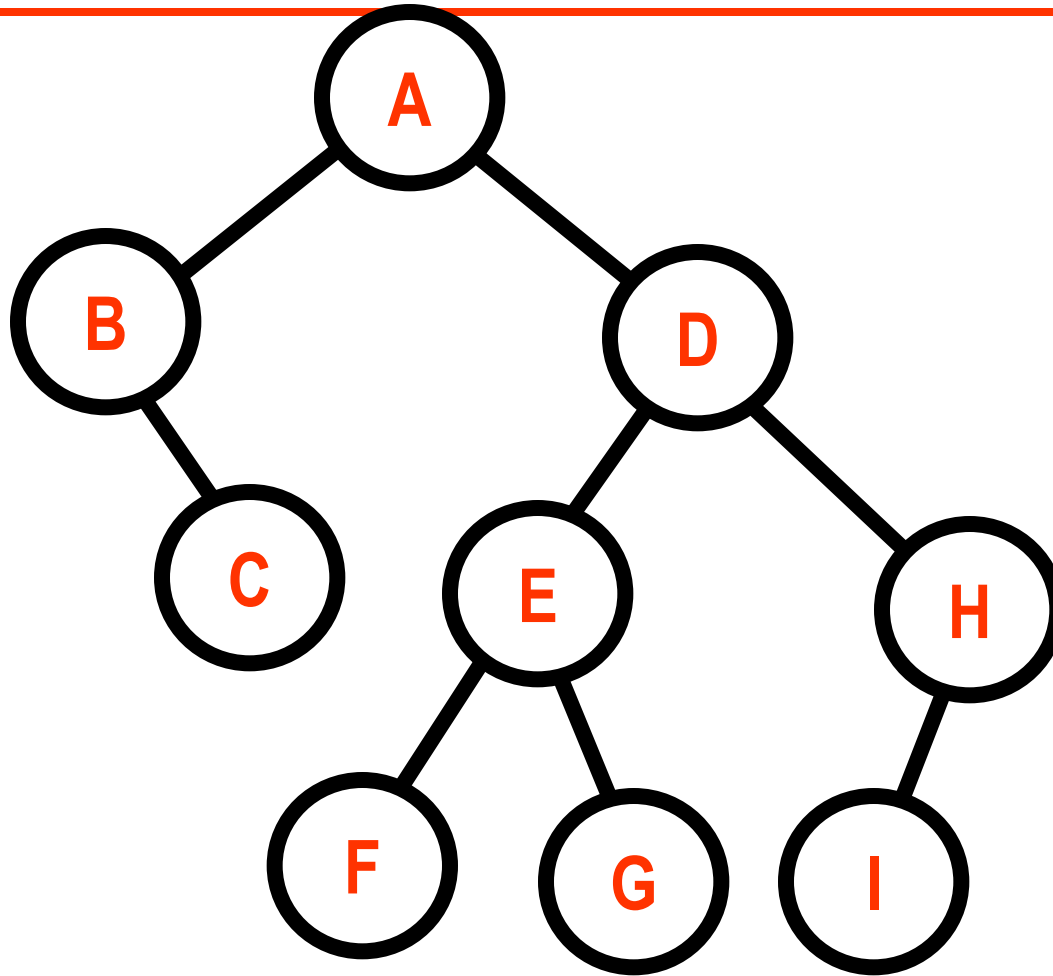
Example: Backward Inorder Traversal



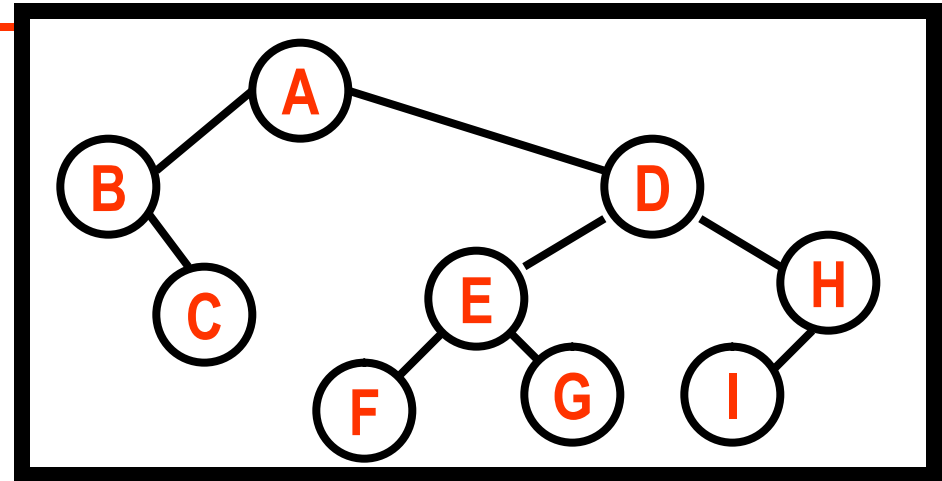
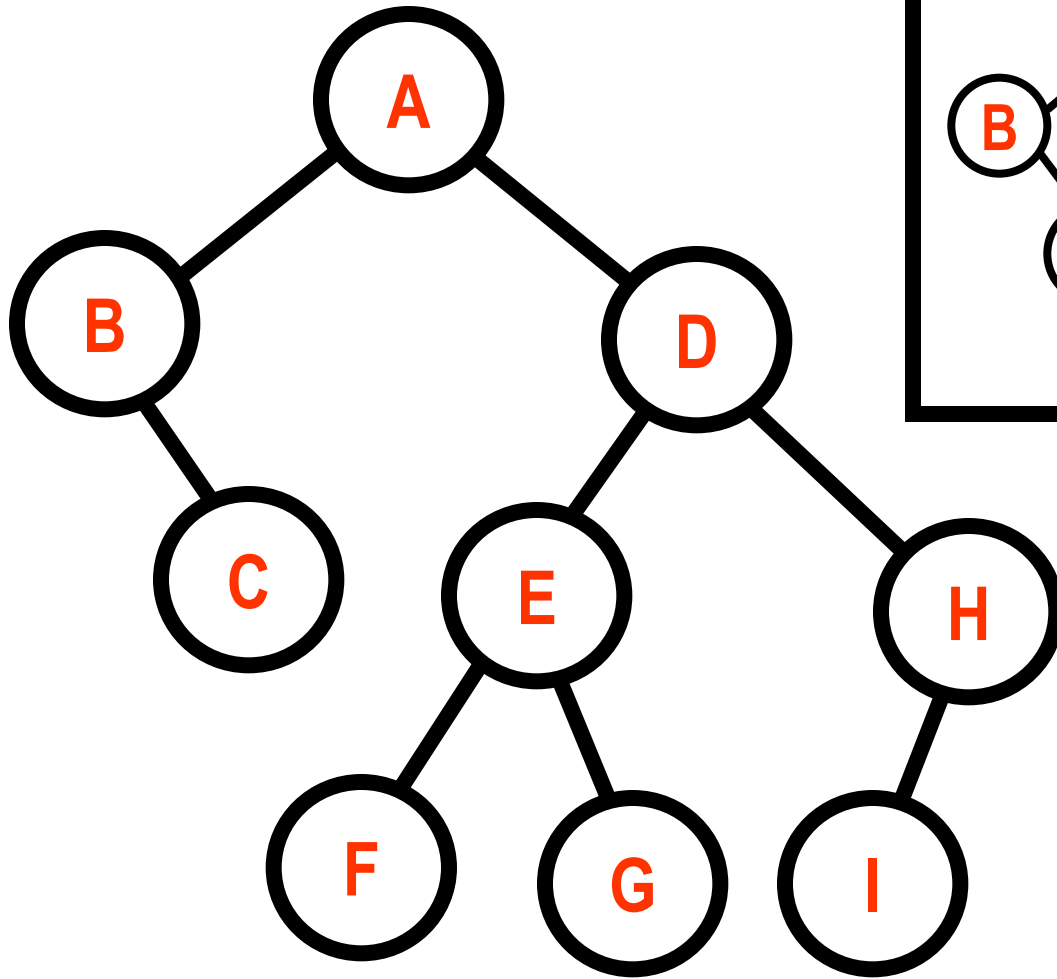
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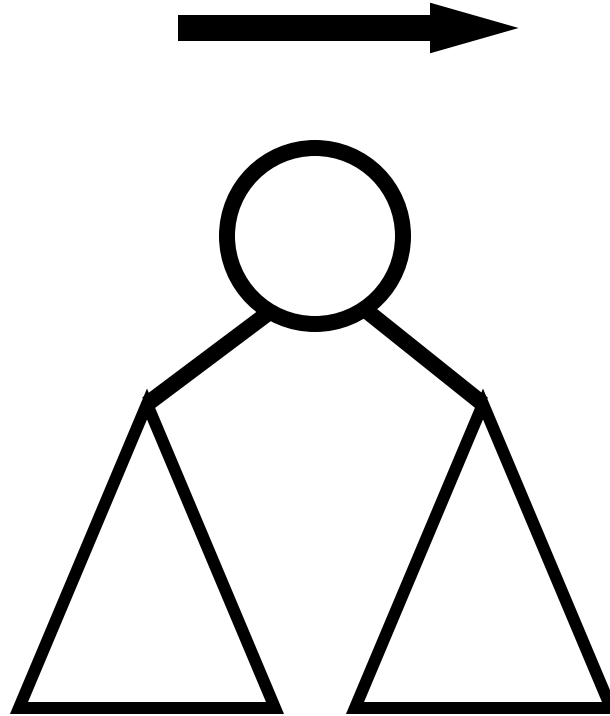
Example: Backward Inorder traversal



Example: Backward Inorder traversal



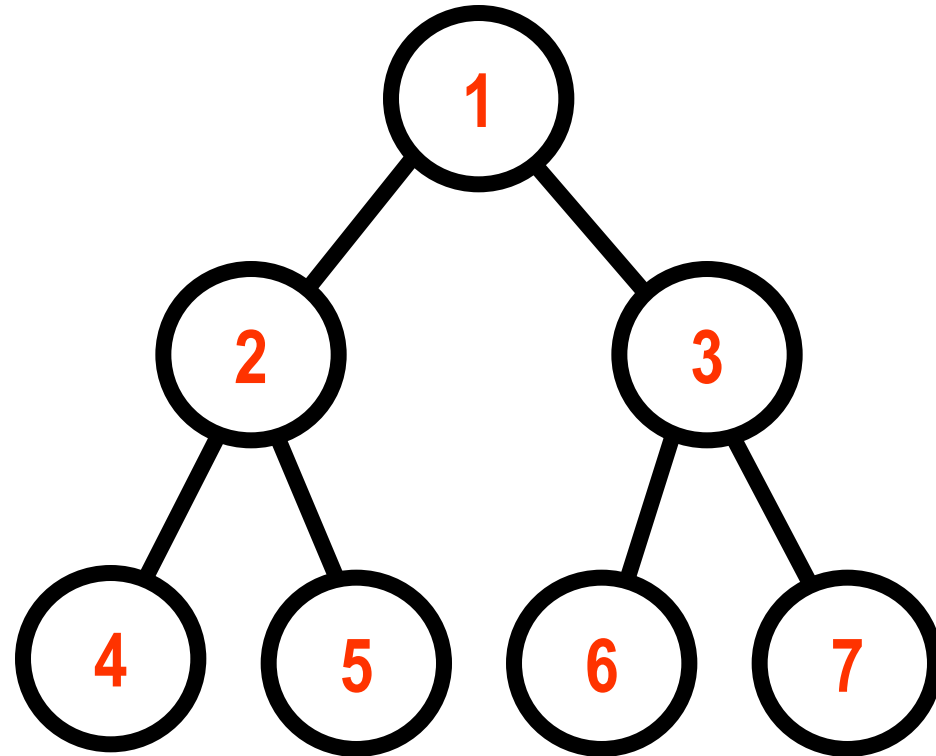
Breadth-First Traversal of Binary Trees



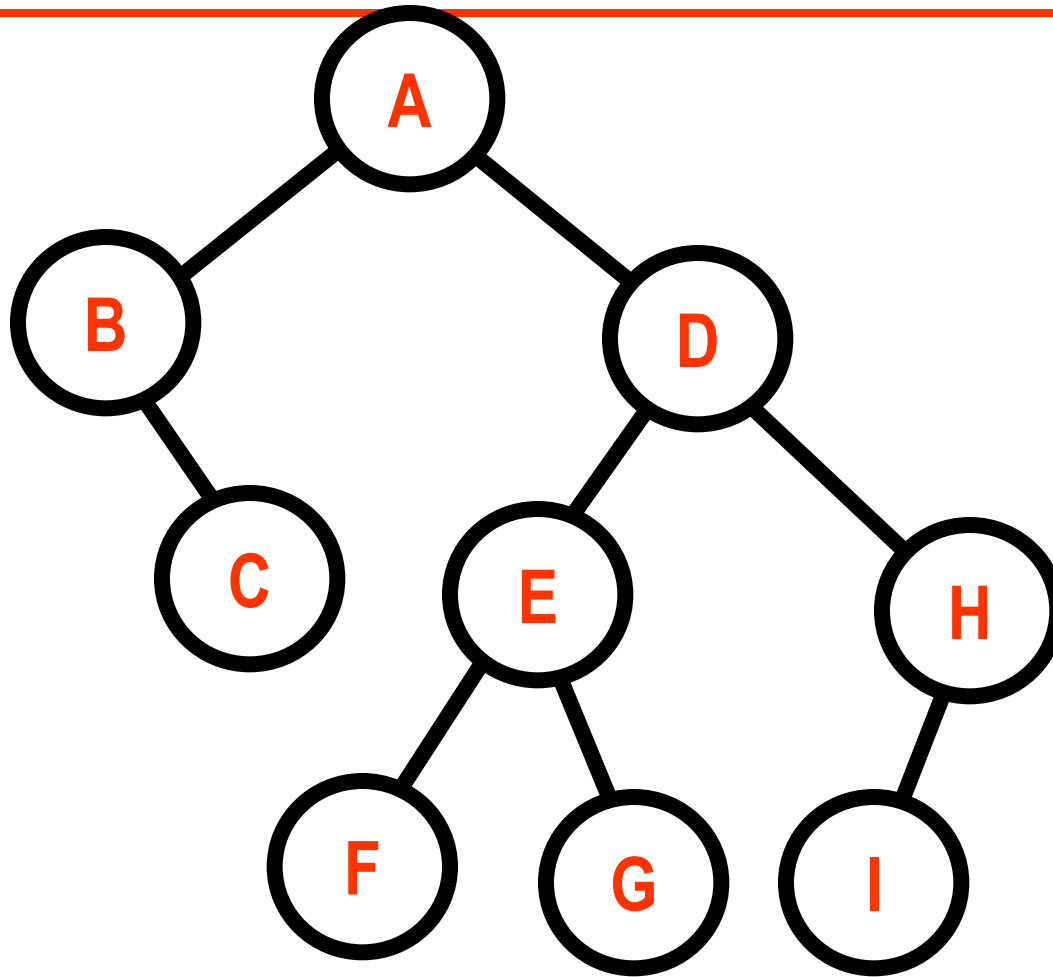
Breadth-First (Level-order) Traversal

- If the tree is not empty then then visit the nodes in the order of their level (depth) in the tree.
 - ➔ Visit all the nodes at depth zero (the root).
 - ➔ Then, all the nodes from left to right at depth one
 - ➔ Then, all the nodes from left to right at depth two
 - ➔ Then, all the nodes from left to right at depth three
 - ➔ And so on ...

Level-order Traversal - Processing Order



Example: Levelorder traversal



A B D C E H F G I



Expression Tree ADT

Algebraic Expressions: Notations

- Algebraic expressions
 - Fully parenthesized Infix notation
 - Not fully parenthesized Infix notation
 - Postfix notation
 - Prefix notation

1. Fully Parenthesized Infix Notation

- We need to place parentheses around each pair of operands together with their operator!
- Examples:
 - $(1+2)$
 - $(1+(2 * 3))$
 - $((1 + 2) * 3)$
 - $((a / b) + ((c - d) * e))$
- Inconvenient!

2. Not Fully Parenthesized Infix Notation

- We can omit unnecessary parentheses!
- Examples:
 - $(1+2) \rightarrow 1 + 2$
 - $(1+ (2 * 3)) \rightarrow 1+ 2 * 3$
 - $((1 + 2) * 3) \rightarrow (1 + 2) * 3$
 - $((a / b) + ((c - d) * e)) \rightarrow a / b + (c - d) * e$
- Convenient, BUT, we need rules to interpret correctly.

Not Fully Parenthesized Infix Notation

- Operator precedence rule
 - ➔ $*$ / higher than $+$ -
- Operator association rule
 - ➔ Associate from left to right
- Examples: (Interpretation using rules)
 - ➔ $1 + 2 \rightarrow (1+2)$
 - ➔ $1 + 2 * 3 \rightarrow (1 + (2 * 3))$
 - ➔ $(1 + 2) * 3 \rightarrow ((1 + 2) * 3)$
 - ➔ $a / b + (c - d) * e \rightarrow ((a / b) + ((c - d) * e))$

3. Postfix Notation

- Postfix Notation:

→ $\langle \text{postfix} \rangle := \langle \text{id} \rangle \mid (\langle \text{postfix} \rangle \langle \text{postfix} \rangle \langle \text{op} \rangle)$

→ $\langle \text{op} \rangle := + \mid - \mid * \mid /$

→ $\langle \text{id} \rangle := \langle \text{variable} \rangle \mid \langle \text{number} \rangle$

- Examples:

→ $(1+2) \rightarrow 1+2 \rightarrow 1\ 2\ +$

→ $(1+(2*3)) \rightarrow 1+2*3 \rightarrow 1\ 2\ 3\ *\ +$

→ $((1+2)*3) \rightarrow (1+2)*3 \rightarrow 1\ 2\ +\ 3\ *$

→ $((a/b) + ((c-d)*e)) \rightarrow a/b + (c-d)*e \rightarrow a\ b\ /\ c\ d - e\ *\ +$

4. Prefix Notation

- Postfix Notation:

→ $\langle \text{prefix} \rangle := \langle \text{id} \rangle \mid (\langle \text{op} \rangle \langle \text{prefix} \rangle \langle \text{prefix} \rangle)$

→ $\langle \text{op} \rangle := + \mid - \mid * \mid /$

→ $\langle \text{id} \rangle := \langle \text{variable} \rangle \mid \langle \text{number} \rangle$

- Examples:

→ $(1+2) \rightarrow 1+2 \rightarrow +\ 1\ 2$

→ $(1+(2*3)) \rightarrow 1+2*3 \rightarrow +\ 1\ * \ 2\ 3$

→ $((1+2)*3) \rightarrow (1+2)*3 \rightarrow *\ +\ 1\ 2\ 3$

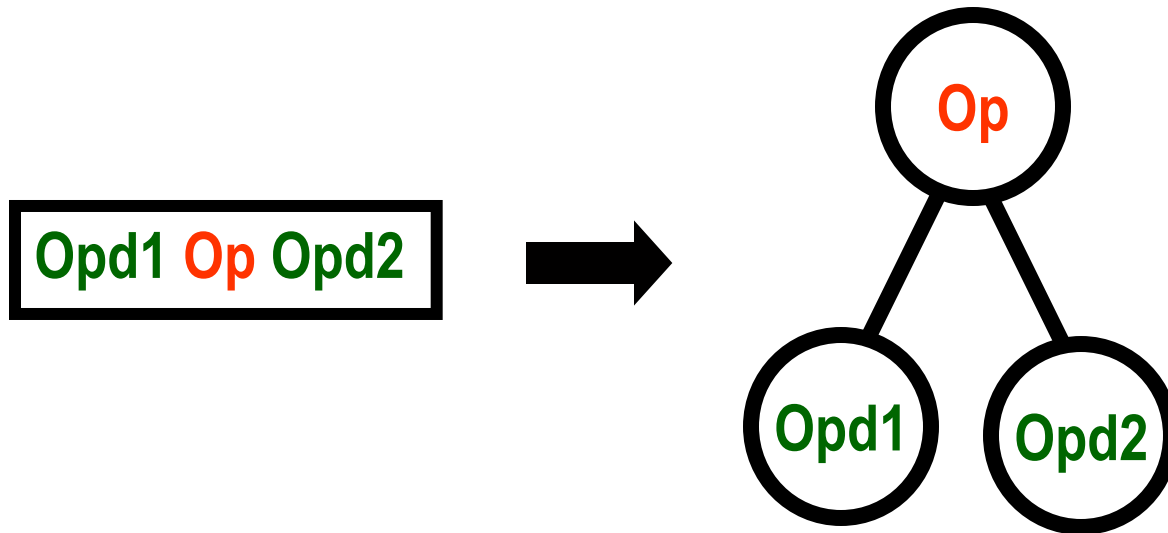
→ $((a/b) + ((c-d)*e)) \rightarrow a/b + (c-d)*e \rightarrow +\ /$
 $\quad\quad\quad a\ b\ *\ -\ c\ d\ e$

Postfix and Prefix Notations

- Postfix and prefix notations do not need!
 - Parentheses
 - Operator precedence rules
 - Operator association rules

Algebraic Expressions as Expression Trees

- Algebraic expressions involving binary operations can be represented by labeled binary trees.
- Expression trees represent algebraic expressions!

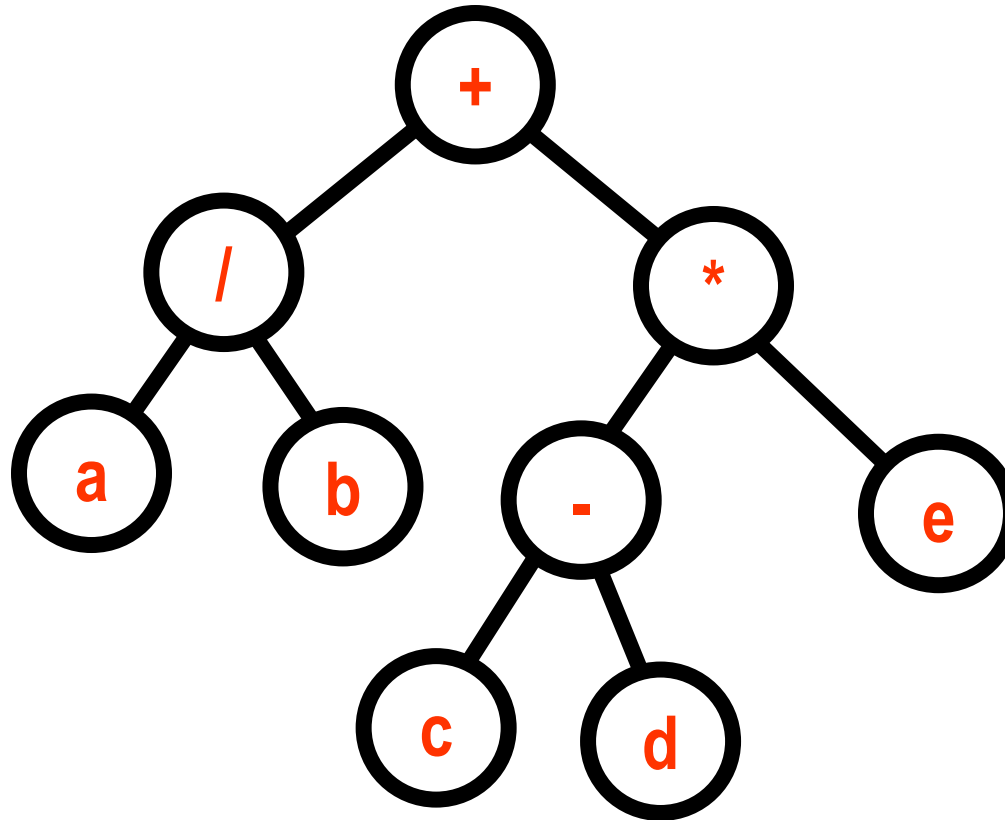


Algebraic Expression

$$a / b + (c - d) * e$$

- $((a / b) + ((c - d) * e))$
- $a b / c d - e * +$
- $+ / a b * - c d e$

Expression Tree for $a / b + (c - d) * e$



Expression Tree ADT

```
// exprtree.h
// Class declarations for the linked implementation of the
// Expression Tree ADT
//-----
class ExprTree;      // Forward declaration of the ExprTree class

class ExprTreeNode    // Facilitator class for the ExprTree class
{
private:
    // Constructor
    ExprTreeNode ( char elem,
                   ExprTreeNode *leftPtr, ExprTreeNode *rightPtr );

    // Data members
    char dataItem;      // Expression tree data item
    ExprTreeNode *left, // Pointer to the left child
                  *right; // Pointer to the right child
    friend class ExprTree;
};
```

Expression Tree ADT

```
class ExprTree
{
    public:
        // Constructor
        ExprTree ();
        // Destructor
        ~ExprTree ();
        // Expression tree manipulation operations
        void build ();           // Build tree from prefix expression
        void expression () const; // Output expression in infix form
        float evaluate () const; // Evaluate expression
        void clear ();          // Clear tree
}
```

Expression Tree ADT

**// Output the tree structure -- used in testing/debugging
void showStructure () const;**

ExprTree (const ExprTree &valueTree); // Copy constructor

Expression Tree ADT

private:

**// Recursive partners of the public member functions -- insert
// prototypes of these functions here.**

void buildSub (ExprTreeNode *&p);

void exprSub (ExprTreeNode *p) const;

float evaluateSub (ExprTreeNode *p) const;

void clearSub (ExprTreeNode *p);

void showSub (ExprTreeNode *p, int level) const;

// Data member

ExprTreeNode *root; // Pointer to the root node

};

Expression Tree ADT

```
//-----  
//  exprtree.cpp  
//-----  
ExprTreeNode:: ExprTreeNode ( char nodeDataItem,  
                               ExprTreeNode *leftPtr,  
                               ExprTreeNode *rightPtr )  
// Creates an expression tree node containing  
// data item nodeDataItem,  
// left child pointer leftPtr, and right child pointer rightPtr.  
  
: dataItem(nodeDataItem),  
  left(leftPtr),  
  right(rightPtr)
```

}

Expression Tree ADT

ExprTree:: ExprTree ()

// Creates an empty expression tree.

**: root(0)
{ }**

Expression Tree ADT

```
//-----
```

```
ExprTree:: ~ExprTree ()
```

```
// Frees the memory used by an expression tree.
```

```
{
```

```
    clear();
```

```
}
```

```
void ExprTree:: clear ()
```

```
// Removes all the nodes from an expression tree.
```

```
{
```

```
    clearSub(root);
```

```
    root = 0;
```

```
}
```

Expression Tree ADT

```
void ExprTree:: clearSub ( ExprTreeNode *p )
```

```
// Recursive partner of the clear() function. Clears the subtree  
// pointed to by p.
```

```
{  
    if ( p != 0 )  
    {  
        clearSub(p->left);  
        clearSub(p->right);  
        delete p;  
    }  
}
```

Expression Tree ADT

```
void ExprTree:: build ()  
// Reads a prefix expression (consisting of single-digit, nonnegative  
// integers and arithmetic operators) from the keyboard and  
// builds the corresponding expression tree.  
{  
    buildSub(root);  
}
```

Expression Tree ADT

```
void ExprTree:: buildSub ( ExprTreeNode *&p )
// Recursive partner of the build() function. Builds a subtree and
// sets p to point to its root.
{
    char ch; // Input operator or number
    cin >> ch;
    p = new ExprTreeNode(ch,0,0); // Link in node
    if ( !isdigit(ch) )           // Operator -- construct subtrees
    {
        buildSub(p->left);
        buildSub(p->right);
    }
}
```

Expression Tree ADT

```
void ExprTree:: expression () const  
// Outputs the corresponding arithmetic expression in fully  
// parenthesized infix form.  
{  
    exprSub(root);  
}
```

Expression Tree ADT

```
void ExprTree:: exprSub ( ExprTreeNode *p ) const
// Recursive partner of the expression() function.
// Outputs the subtree pointed to by p.
{
    if ( p != 0 )
    {
        if ( !isdigit(p->dataItem) ) cout << '(';
        exprSub(p->left);
        cout << p->dataItem;
        exprSub(p->right);
        if ( !isdigit(p->dataItem) ) cout << ')';
    }
}
```

Expression Tree ADT

```
float ExprTree:: evaluate ()  
// Returns the value of the corresponding arithmetic expression.  
  
{  
    // Requires that the tree is not empty  
return evaluateSub(root);  
}
```


Expression Tree ADT

```
float ExprTree::evaluateSub ( ExprTreeNode *p ) const
// Recursive partner of the evaluate() function. Returns the value of
// subtree pointed to by p.
{
    float l, r,    // Intermediate results
        result;   // Result returned
    if ( isdigit(p->dataItem) )
        result = p->dataItem - '0';    // Convert from char to number
    else
    {
        l = evaluateSub(p->left);    // Evaluate subtrees
        r = evaluateSub(p->right);
        switch ( p->dataItem )        // Combine results
        {
            case '+' : result = l + r; break;
            case '-' : result = l - r; break;
            case '*' : result = l * r; break;
            case '/' : result = l / r;
        }
    }
    return result;
}
```