

INFSCI 2500  
Lecture 7  
Binary Trees

## Today's Plan

- HW 3 review
- Midterm review
- Understand what binary trees are
- Binary Tree Theorem
- External Path Length Theorem
- HW 4 Assign

## HW3 Review

## Midterm Review

## Binary Tree Definition

A binary tree  $t$  is either empty or consists of an element, called the root, and two distinct binary trees called left subtree and right subtree.

$\text{leftTree}(t)$

$\text{rightTree}(t)$

## Binary Tree Definition

- Root is shown at the top
- Elements are connected by lines
- Subtrees are also binary trees

- Examples 1-4

## Binary Tree Properties

- tree – whole structure
- root – topmost element
- branch – line from root to subtree
- leaf – element with empty subtrees

## Binary Tree Properties

- Number of leaves in a tree  $t$  (pseudocode)

if  $t$  is empty

$\text{leaves}(t) = 0$

else if  $t$  consists of root only

$\text{leaves}(t) = 1$

else

$\text{leaves}(t) = \text{leaves}(\text{leftTree}(t)) +$

$\text{leaves}(\text{rightTree}(t))$

## Binary Tree Properties

- Each element is uniquely identified by location  
(ex 5)

element value = “-” at  $\text{root}(t)$

element value = “-” at  $\text{root}(\text{rightTree}(\text{leftTree}(t)))$

## Binary Tree Properties

- Parent – X is parent of Y and Z (ex 6)
- Left child – Y is left child of X
- Right child – Z is right child of X
- Each element has 0,1, or 2 children
- Each element has 0 or 1 parent

## Binary Tree Properties

- Ancestor – A is an ancestor of B if B is in the subtree with root A
- Descendant – B is a descendant of A if A is the root of the subtree B is in.
  - If A is ancestor of B, B is descendant of A
- Path – If A is ancestor of B, path from A to B is the sequence where each element is the parent of the next in sequence (ex 4)

## Binary Tree Properties

- Height – Number of branches between root and farthest leaf. (ex 7)
  - AKA 1 plus height of tallest subtree
  - Root only tree has height=0
  - Therefore empty tree has height = -1

## Binary Tree Properties

Recursive definition of height pseudocode

if t is empty

    height(t)= -1

else

    height(t) =

        1+max[height(leftTree(t)),height(rightTree(t))]

## Binary Tree Properties

- Height describes the whole tree
- Level partially describes an element's position
  - level(e) = # of branches between root and e (ex 7)

## Binary Tree Properties

- Recursive definition of level pseudocode

if x is the root element,

    level(x) = 0

else

    level(x)=1+level(parent(x))

## Binary Tree Properties

- Two-tree
  - binary tree that is empty or each nonleaf has two branches (ex 8)

Binary Tree t is a two-tree if:

t is empty

OR

both subtrees of t are empty or

    both subtrees of t are nonempty two-trees

## Binary Tree Properties

- Full tree – binary tree t is full if it is a two-tree with all leaves on same level (ex 9)

Binary tree t is full if t is empty

OR

t's left and right subtrees have the same height and are both full

## Binary Tree Properties

- Number of elements n(t) in a full binary tree is proportional to height(t)
- $n(t)=2^{k+1}-1$ ,  $k \geq 1$ 
  - $k=\text{height}(t)$ ,  $n = \# \text{ elements}$

if t is empty,

    n(t)=0

else

    n(t) = 1+n(leftTree(t))+n(rightTree(t))

## Binary Tree Properties

- Complete – If tree  $t$  is full through to the next-to-lowest level and leaves are on the left.
- All full binary trees are complete  
– reverse not true (ex 10)

## Binary Tree Properties

- Position – we can assign position numbers to elements in a complete binary tree

Root = 0

If element at position  $i$  has children,

left child position =  $2i+1$

right child position =  $2i+2$  (ex11)

parent position =  $(i-1)/2$  //int division

- We can use position to implement binary trees with arrays  
(element at position  $i$  stored at index  $i$ )

## Binary Tree Theorem

For a binary tree  $t$ ,

$\text{leaves}(t) \leq n(t)$  and  $\text{leaves}(t) = n(t)$

IFF

$t$  is empty or  $t$  only has one element

## Binary Tree Theorem

For a nonempty binary tree  $t$

1.  $\text{leaves}(t) \leq \lceil n(t)+1 \rceil / 2.0$  //float division (ex 12)
2.  $\lceil n(t)+1 \rceil / 2.0 \leq 2^{\text{height}(t)}$
3. Equality holds in 1 IFF  $t$  is a two-tree (ex 13)
4. Equality holds in 2 IFF  $t$  is full (ex 13)

## Binary Tree Theorem

Logic lesson – IFF implies a bi-conditional relationship.

Part 1 -  $\text{leaves}(t) \leq \lceil n(t)+1 \rceil / 2.0$

Part 3 - Equality holds in 1 IFF  $t$  is a two-tree

If  $t$  is a nonempty two-tree

THEN  $\text{leaves}(t) = \lceil n(t)+1 \rceil / 2.0$

AND if  $\text{leaves}(t) = \lceil n(t)+1 \rceil / 2.0$

THEN  $t$  must be a nonempty two-tree

## Binary Tree Theorem

From part 4:

$$\lceil n(t)+1 \rceil / 2.0 = 2^{\text{height}(t)}$$

$$\text{height}(t) = \log_2(\lceil n(t)+1 \rceil / 2.0) \\ = \log_2(n(t)+1) - 1$$

Therefore  $\text{height}(t)$  for a full tree grows logarithmically

Lists grow linearly!

## Binary Tree Theorem

- Chain – binary tree where each nonleaf has one child (ex 14)
- $\text{Height}(t)$  grows linearly
- If we maintain nonchain trees, then inserting and removing will be  $O(\log(n))$
- Arraylist/linkedList inserting/removing at index is  $O(n)$

## External Path Length

For a nonempty binary tree  $t$ ,

external path length of  $t$ ,  $E(t)$ , is the sum of the depths(levels) of the leaves in  $t$  (ex 15)

## External Path Length Theorem

For a binary tree  $t$  with  $k > 0$  leaves,

$$E(t) \geq (k/2) \text{ floor}(\log_2 k)$$

Lower bound on external path length

## Binary Tree Traversal

Traversal – algorithm which processes each element in binary tree *t* exactly once.

inOrder  
postOrder  
preOrder  
breadthFirst

## inOrder Traversal

- Left-Root-Right
    - First process left subtree, then root, then right subtree
- ```
inOrder(t){  
    if(t is not empty){  
        inOrder(leftTree(t));  
        process root of t;  
        inOrder(rightTree(t));  
    }  
} (ex 16)
```

## inOrder Traversal

- For a binary search tree, inOrder processes elements in order (ex 17)
- Binary Search Tree (BST) – all elements in left subtree are less than the root, which is less than all elements in the right subtree. Also both subtrees are BST's

## postOrder Traversal

- Left-Right-Root
    - First process left subtree, then right subtree, then root
- ```
postOrder(t){  
    if(t is not empty){  
        postOrder(leftTree(t));  
        postOrder(rightTree(t));  
        process root of t;  
    }  
} (ex 18)
```

## postOrder Traversal

- For an expression tree, postOrder produces postFix notation (reverse polish notation)
- Expression tree – Each nonleaf is a binary operator with operands in left and right subtrees.

## preOrder Traversal

- Root-Left-Right
    - First process root, then left subtree, then right subtree
- ```
preOrder(t){  
    if(t is not empty){  
        process root of t;  
        preOrder(leftTree(t));  
        preOrder(rightTree(t));  
    }  
} (ex 19)
```

## preOrder Traversal

- For an expression tree, preOrder produces preFix notation (polish notation)
- preOrder is AKA depth-first search
  - goes all the way left (down) first, then right

## breadthFirst Traversal (Level by Level)

- Root, then children of root left to right, then grandchildren of the root left to right, etc.  
(ex 20)
- Generate level by level a list of nonempty subtrees.
- Retrieve subtrees in the same order they were generated.
- What data structure to use?

## breadthFirst Traversal (Level by Level)

```
//queue is a queue of binary trees, tree is a binary tree  
breadthFirst(t){  
    if (t is not empty){  
        queue.enqueue(t);  
        while(queue not empty){  
            tree = queue.dequeue();  
            process tree's root;  
            if(leftTree(tree) is not empty){  
                queue.enqueue(leftTree(tree));  
            }  
            if(rightTree(tree) is not empty){  
                queue.enqueue(rightTree(tree));  
            }  
        }  
    }  
} (ex 21)
```

## Binary Tree Exercises (ex 22)

- What is the root element?
- What is  $n(t)$ ?
- What is  $leaves(t)$ ?
- What is  $height(t)$ ?
- What is  $height(leftTree(t))$ ?
- What is  $height(rightTree(t))$ ?
- What is level of F?
- What is depth of C?

Build SimpleBinaryTree.java

## Binary Tree Exercises

- How many children does C have?
- What is the parent of F?
- What are the descendants of B?
- What are the ancestors of F?
- Output of inOrder transversal?
- Output of postOrder transversal?
- Output of preOrder transversal?
- Output of breadthFirst transversal?

HW4 Assign

## Binary Tree Exercises

- Construct a 2-tree that is not complete
- Construct a complete tree that is not a 2-tree
- Construct a complete 2-tree that is not full
- How many leaves in a 2-tree with 17 elements
- How many leaves in a 2-tree with 731 elements
- Why must a 2-tree always have an odd number of elements?