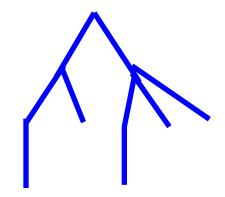
#### Advanced Data Structures

**Succinct Data Structures** 

# **Arbitrary Ordered Trees**

- Use parenthesis notation
- Represent the tree



- As the binary string (((())())((())()): traverse tree as "(" for node, then subtrees, then ")"
- 2 Bits per node

- Transform a tree into a binary string.
- Construct a tree from a binary string.

## Space for trees

- The space used by the tree structure could be the dominating factor in some applications.
  - Eg. More than half of the space used by a standard suffix tree representation is used to store the tree structure.

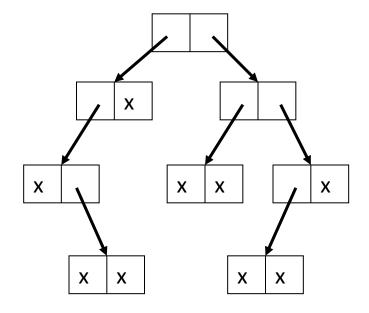
 Standard representations of trees support very few operations. To support other useful queries, they require a large amount of extra space.

#### Standard representation

Binary tree: each node has two pointers to its left and right children

An n-node tree takes

2n pointers or 2n lg n bits



Supports finding left child or right child of a node (in constant time).

For each extra operation (eg. parent, subtree size) we have to pay, roughly, an additional n lg n bits.

# Can we improve the space bound?

 There are less than 2<sup>2n</sup> distinct binary trees on n nodes.

 2n bits are enough to distinguish between any two different binary trees.

 Can we represent an n node binary tree using 2n bits?

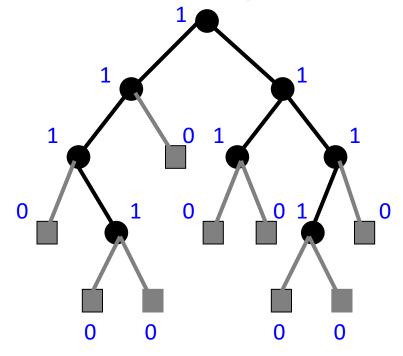
## Heap-like notation for a binary tree

Add external nodes

Label internal nodes with a 1 and external nodes with a 0

Write the labels in level order

1111011010010000



One can reconstruct the tree from this sequence

An n node binary tree can be represented in 2n+1 bits.

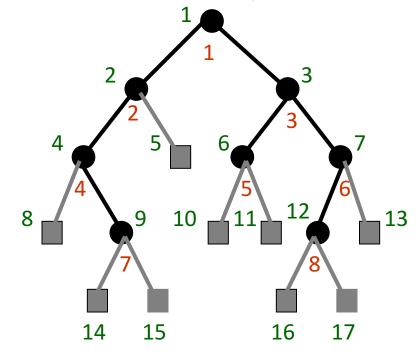
What about the operations?

## Heap-like notation for a binary tree

```
left child(x) = [2x]
right child(x) = [2x+1]
parent(x) = [[x/2]]
```

```
x \rightarrow x: # 1's up to x

x \rightarrow x: position of x-th 1
```



```
      1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

      1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0

      1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17
```

## Rank/Select on a bit vector

Given a bit vector B

```
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15
B: 0 1 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 1 1
```

 $rank_1(i) = # 1's up to position i in B$ 

$$select_1(i) = position of the i-th 1 in B$$

$$(similarly rank_0 and select_0)$$

Given a bit vector of length n, by storing an additional o(n)-bit structure, we can support all four operations in constant time.

$$rank_{1}(5) = 3$$
  
 $select_{1}(4) = 9$   
 $rank_{0}(5) = 2$   
 $select_{0}(4) = 7$ 

An important substructure in most succinct data structures.

Have been implemented.

### Binary tree representation

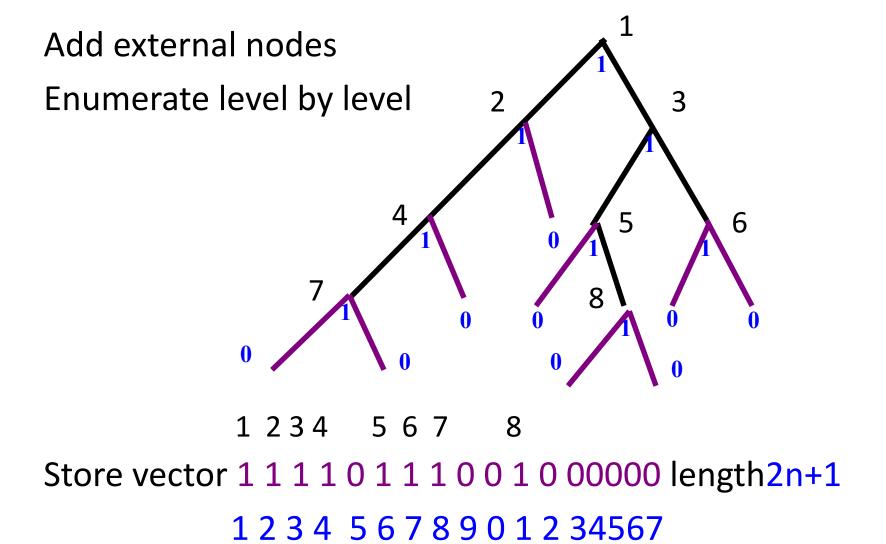
 A binary tree on n nodes can be represented using 2n+o(n) bits to support:

- parent
- left child
- right child

in constant time.

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#### Heap-like Notation for a Binary Tree



#### Ordered trees

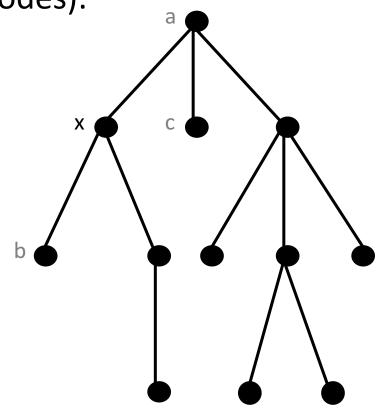
A rooted ordered tree (on n nodes):

#### Navigational operations:

- parent(x) = a
- first child(x) = b
- next sibling(x) = c

#### Other useful operations:

- -degree(x) = 2
- subtree size(x) = 4



#### Ordered trees

- A binary tree representation taking 2n+o(n) bits that supports parent, left child and right child operations in constant time.
- There is a one-to-one correspondence between binary trees and rooted ordered trees
- Gives an ordered tree representation taking 2n+o(n) bits that supports first child, next sibling (but not parent) operations in constant time.
- We will now consider ordered tree representations that support more operations.

## Level-order degree sequence

Write the degree sequence in level order

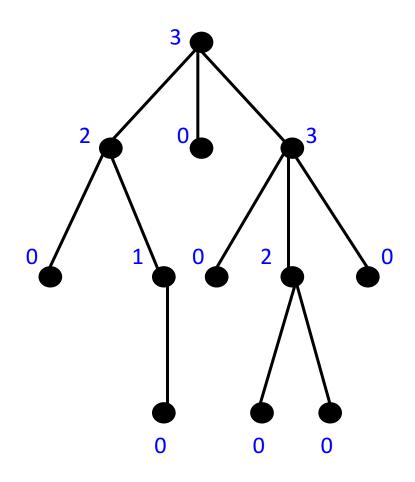
3 2 0 3 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 0

But, this still requires n lg n bits

Solution: write them in unary

11101100111001001100000

Takes 2n-1 bits



A tree is uniquely determined by its degree sequence

# Supporting operations

Add a dummy root so that each node has a corresponding 1

1011101100111001001100000 1 234 56 789 10 1112

node k corresponds to the k-th 1 in the bit sequence

parent(k) = # 0's up to the k-th 1

children of k are stored after the k-th 0

supports: parent, i-th child, degree

(using rank and select)

