

COMP 250

Lecture 22

(rooted) trees

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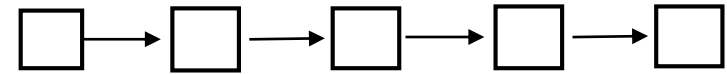
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Linear Data Structures

array

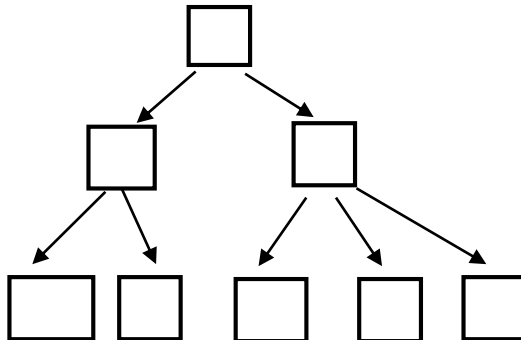


linked list

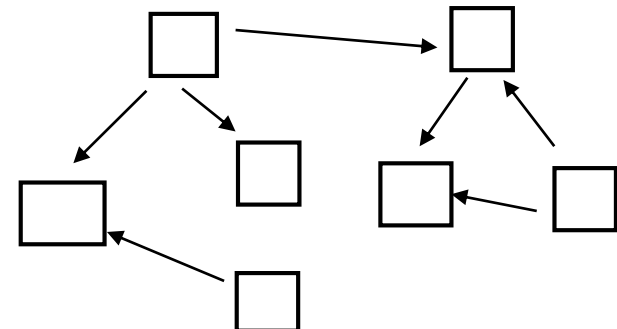


Non-Linear Data Structures

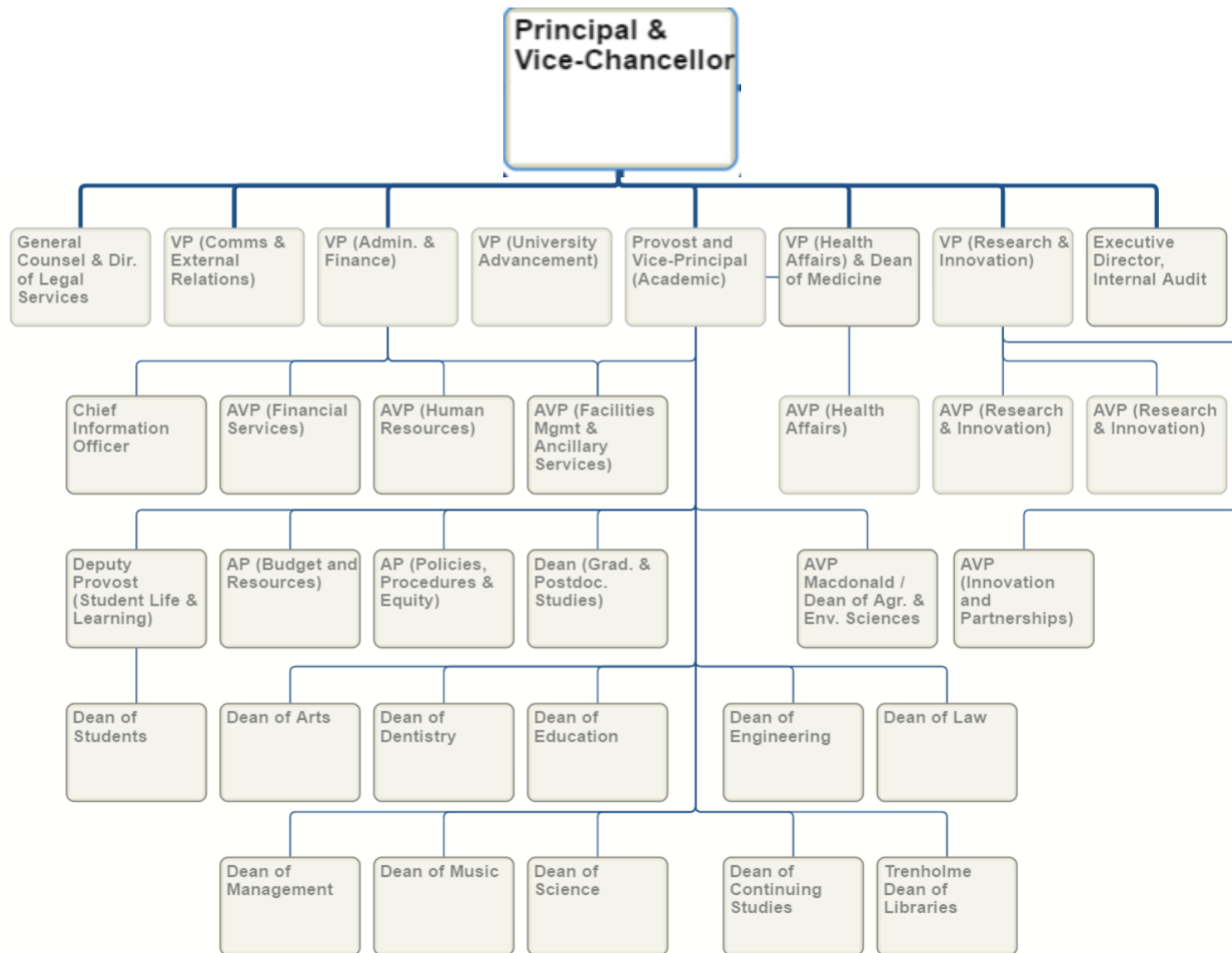
tree



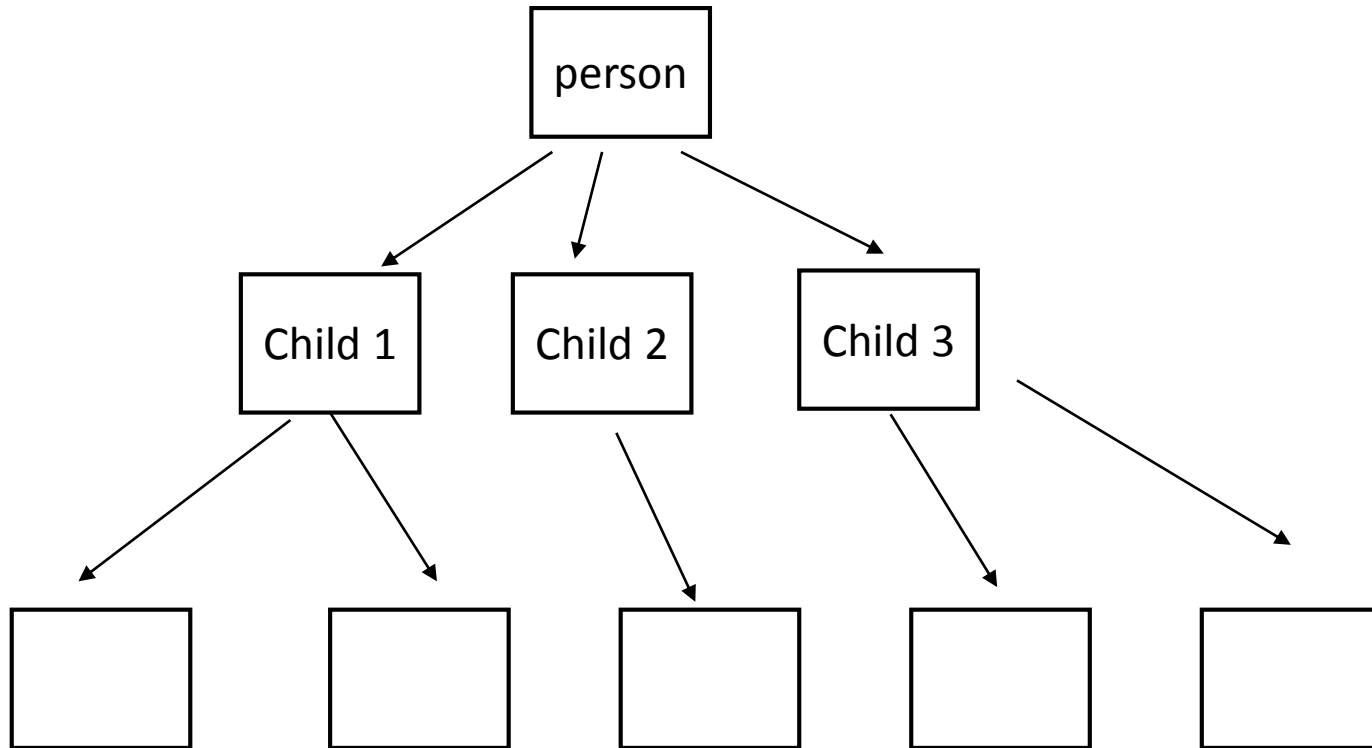
graph



Tree Example: Organization Hierarchy (McGill)

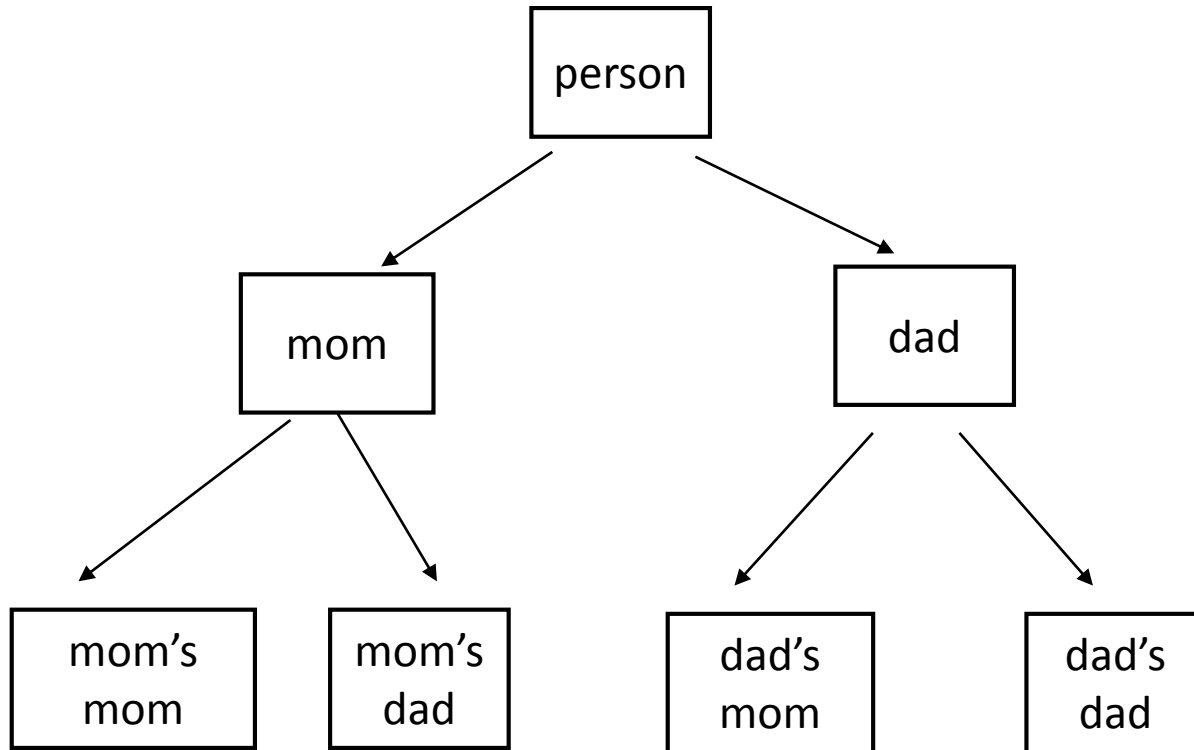


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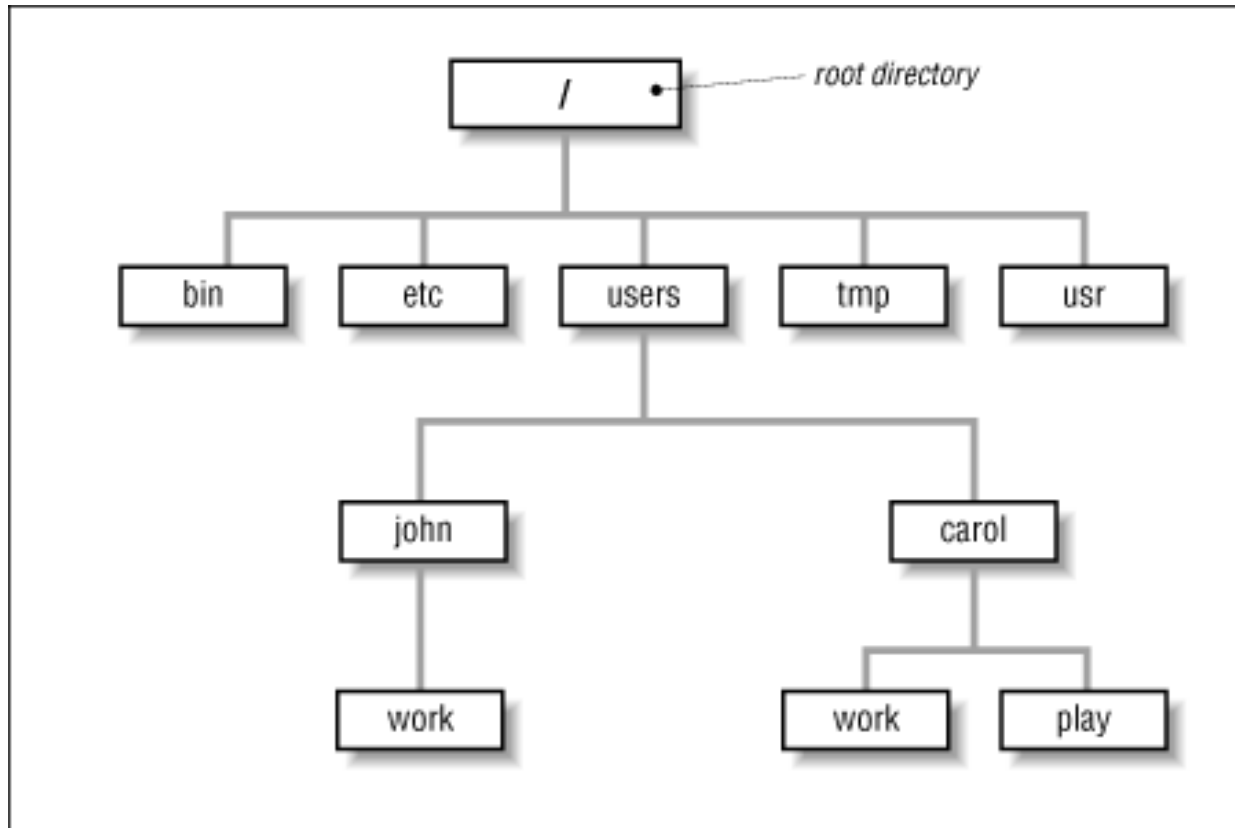
Here I ignore spouses (partner).

Family Tree (2)

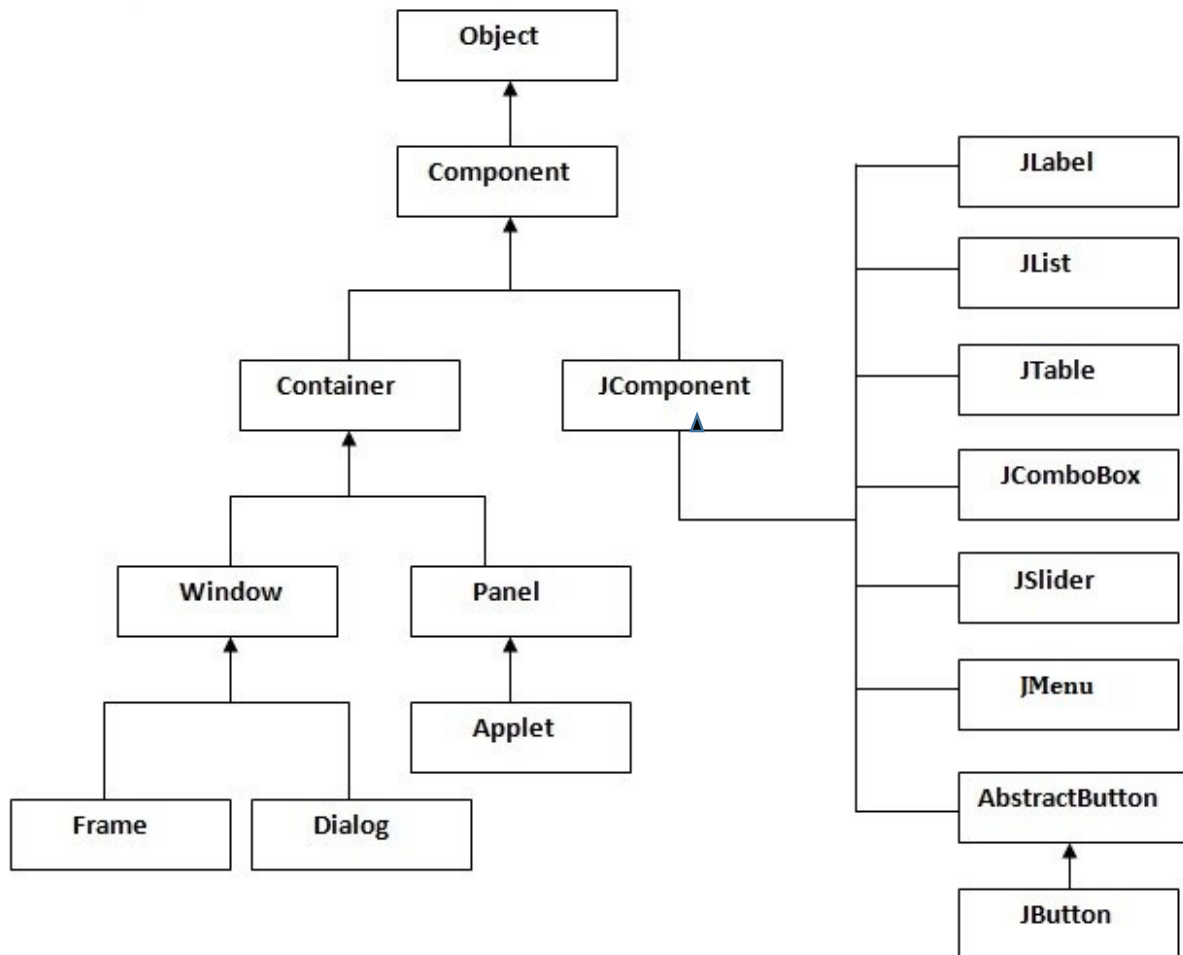


This is an example of a *binary tree*.

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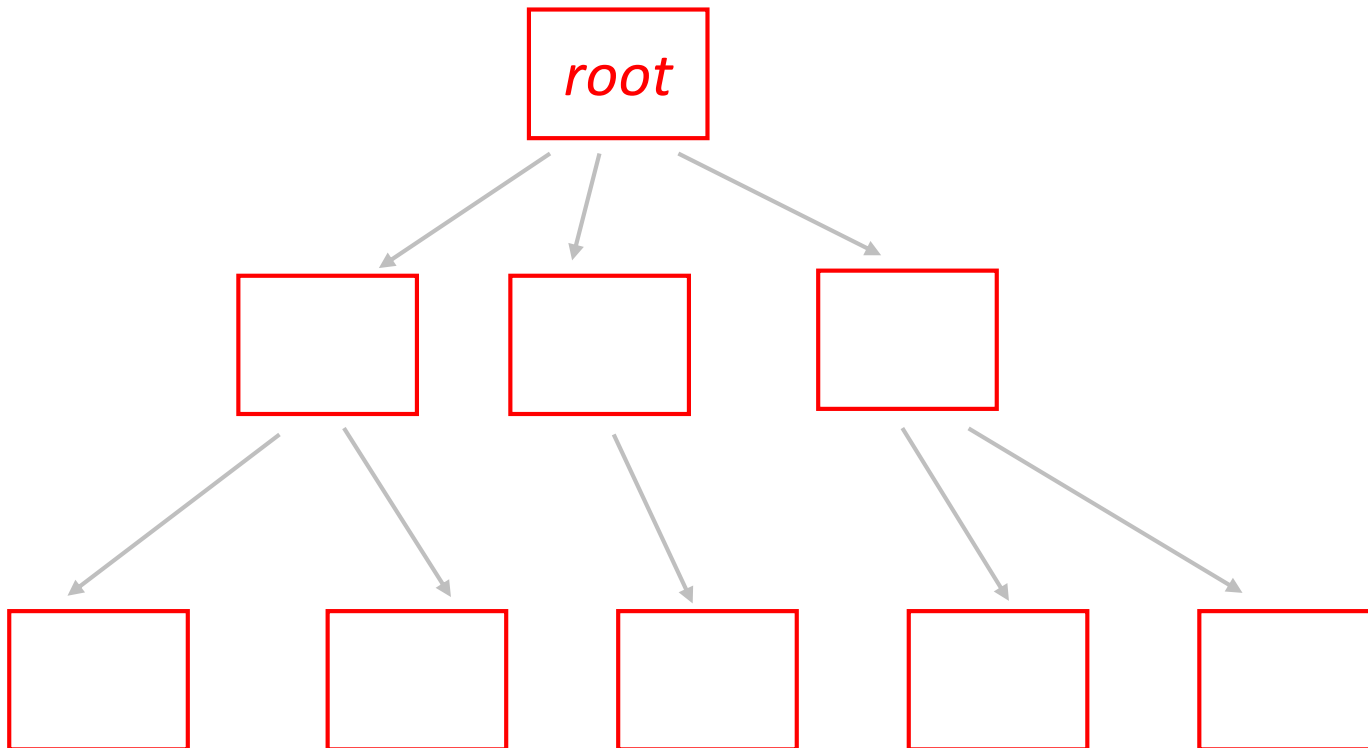


Java Classes e.g. GUI



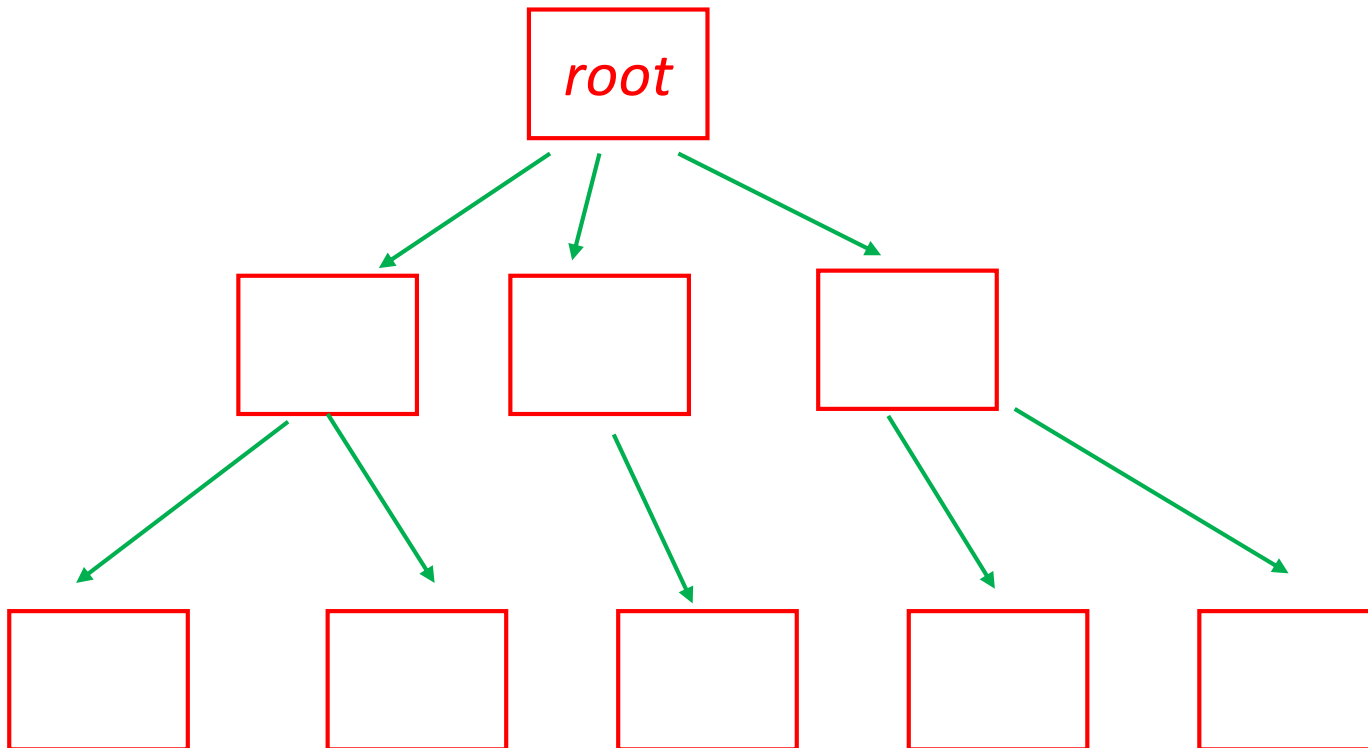
Tree Terminology

node, vertex

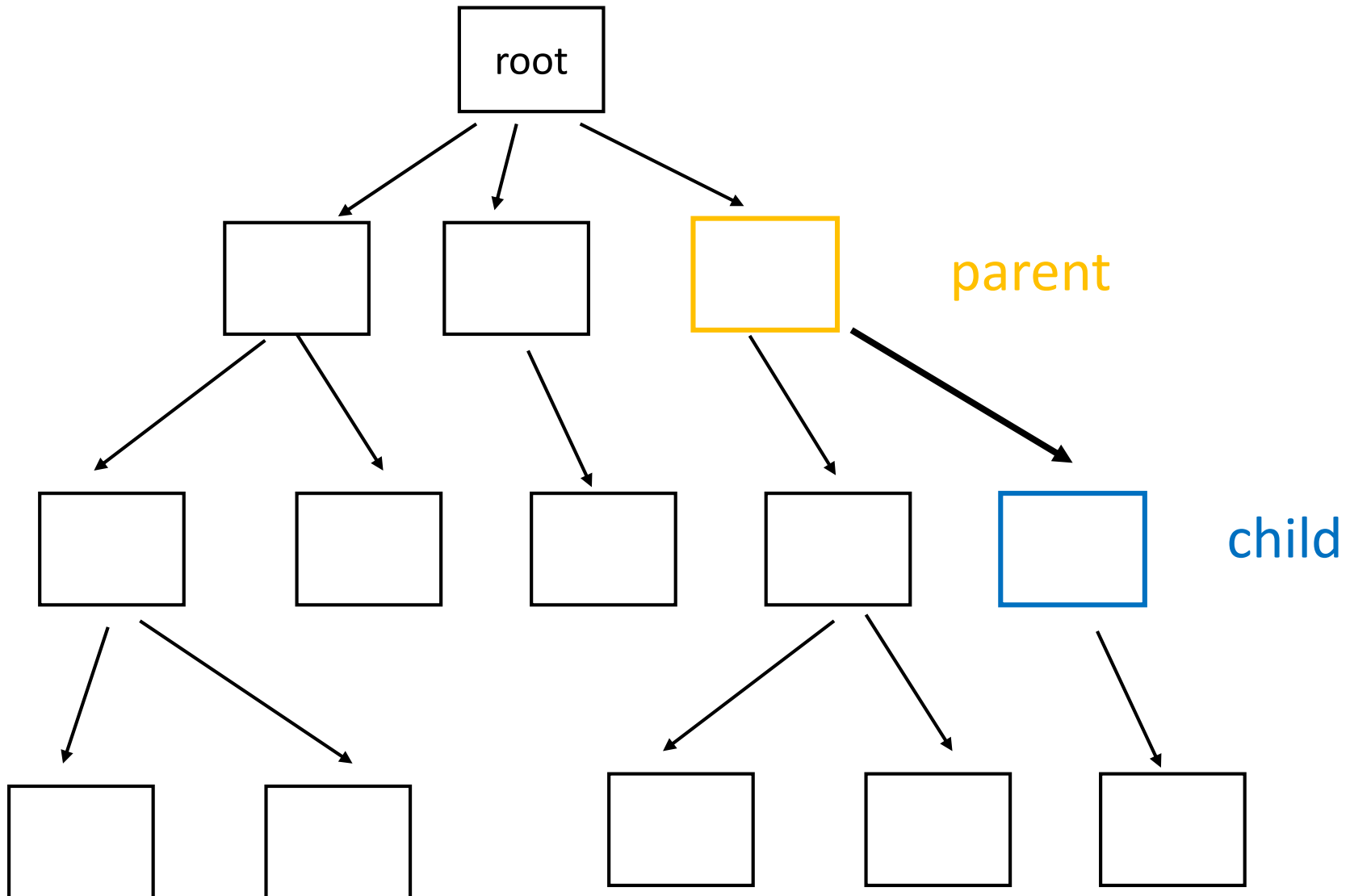


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A directed edge is ordered pair of nodes: (from, to)



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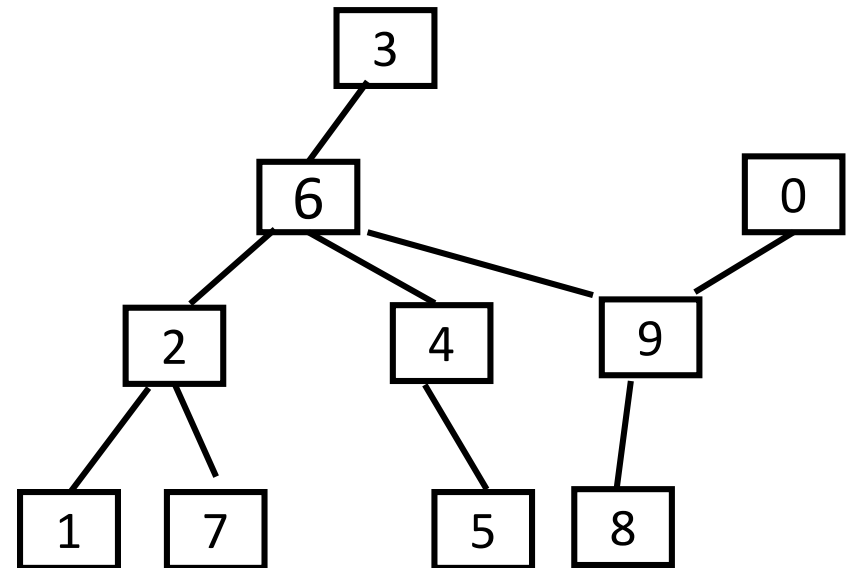
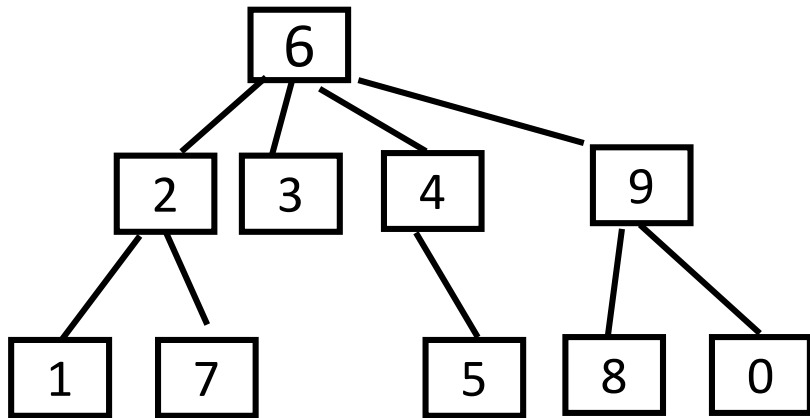
*Most of definitions today
will assume edges are
from parent to child.*

ASIDE: Non-rooted trees

You will see non-rooted trees mostly commonly when edges are not directed, and there is no natural way to define the 'root'.

You will see examples in COMP 251.

Note the two non-rooted trees below are the same.



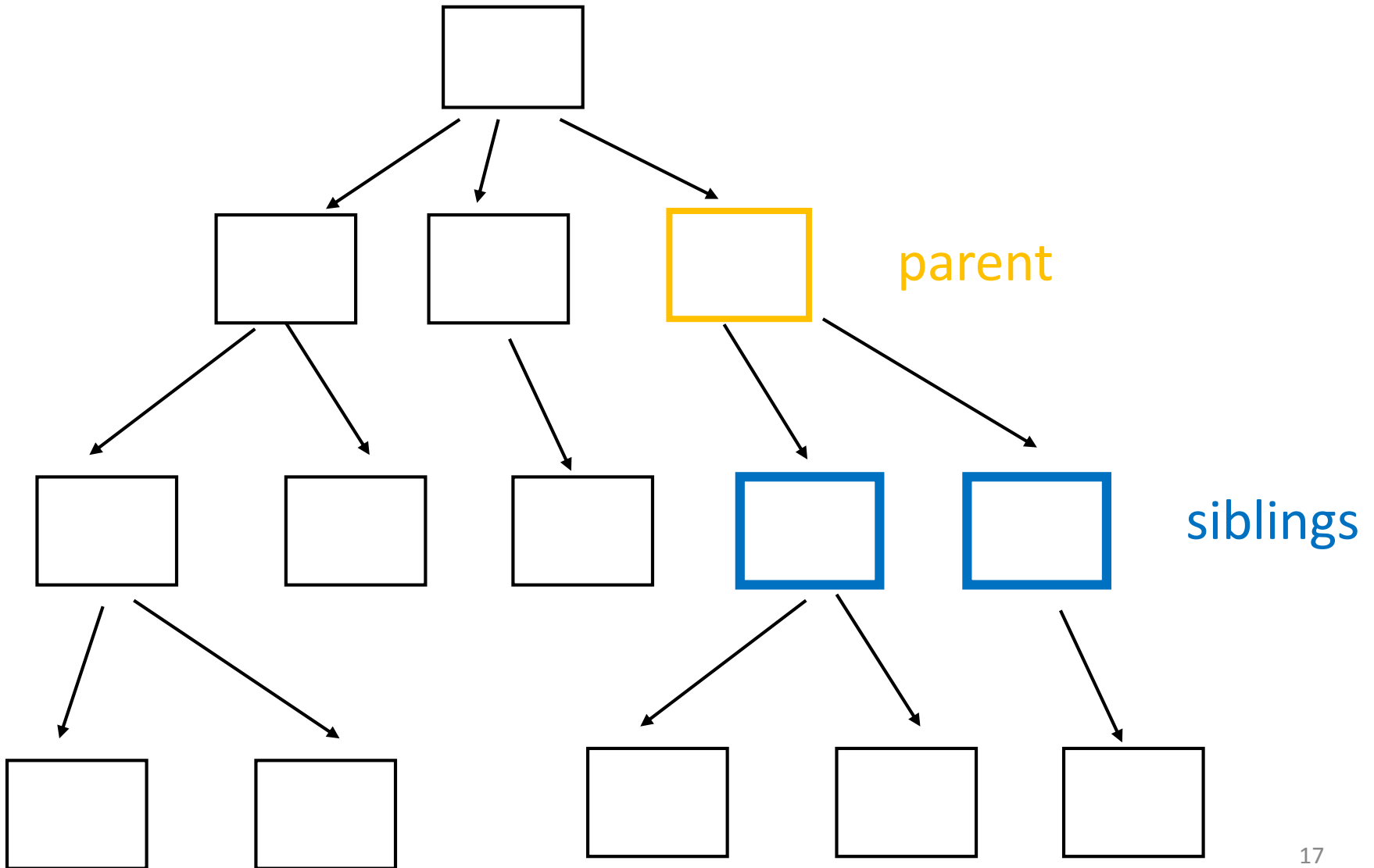
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A: $n - 1$

Since every edge is of the form (parent, child), and each node except the root is a child and each child has exactly one parent.

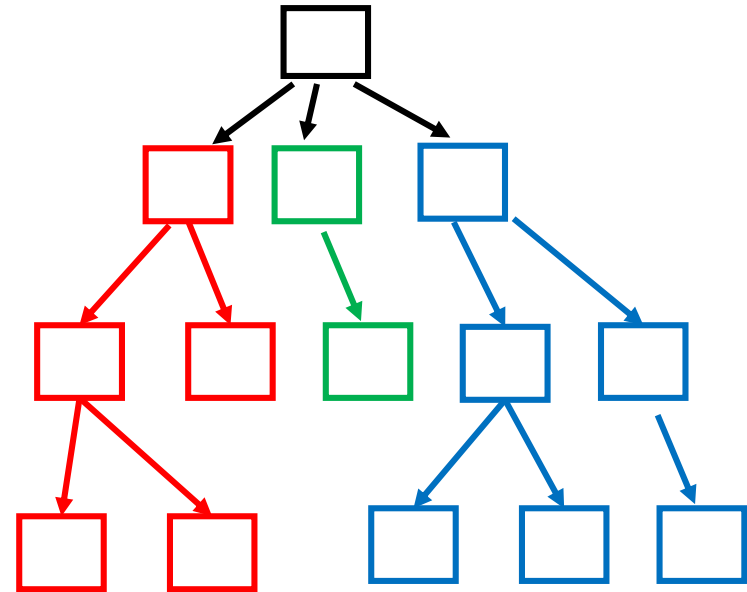
Two nodes are **siblings** if they have the same **parent**.



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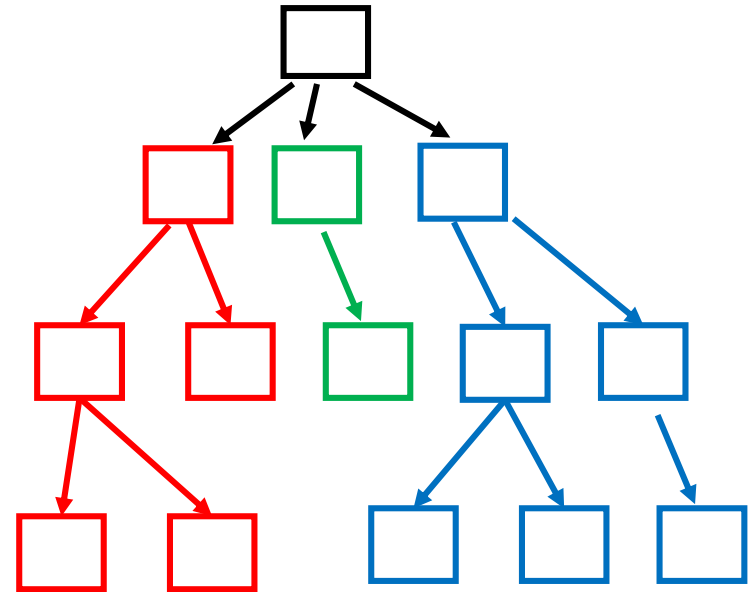


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(that is, it has no parent)

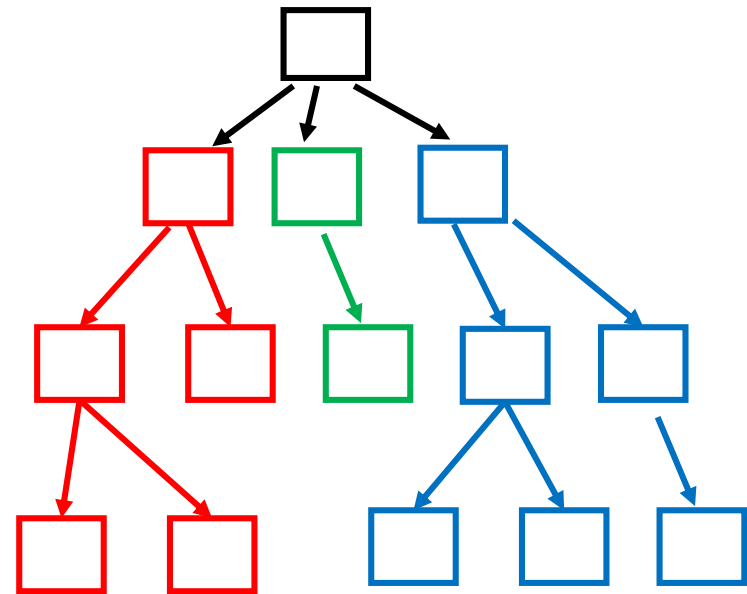


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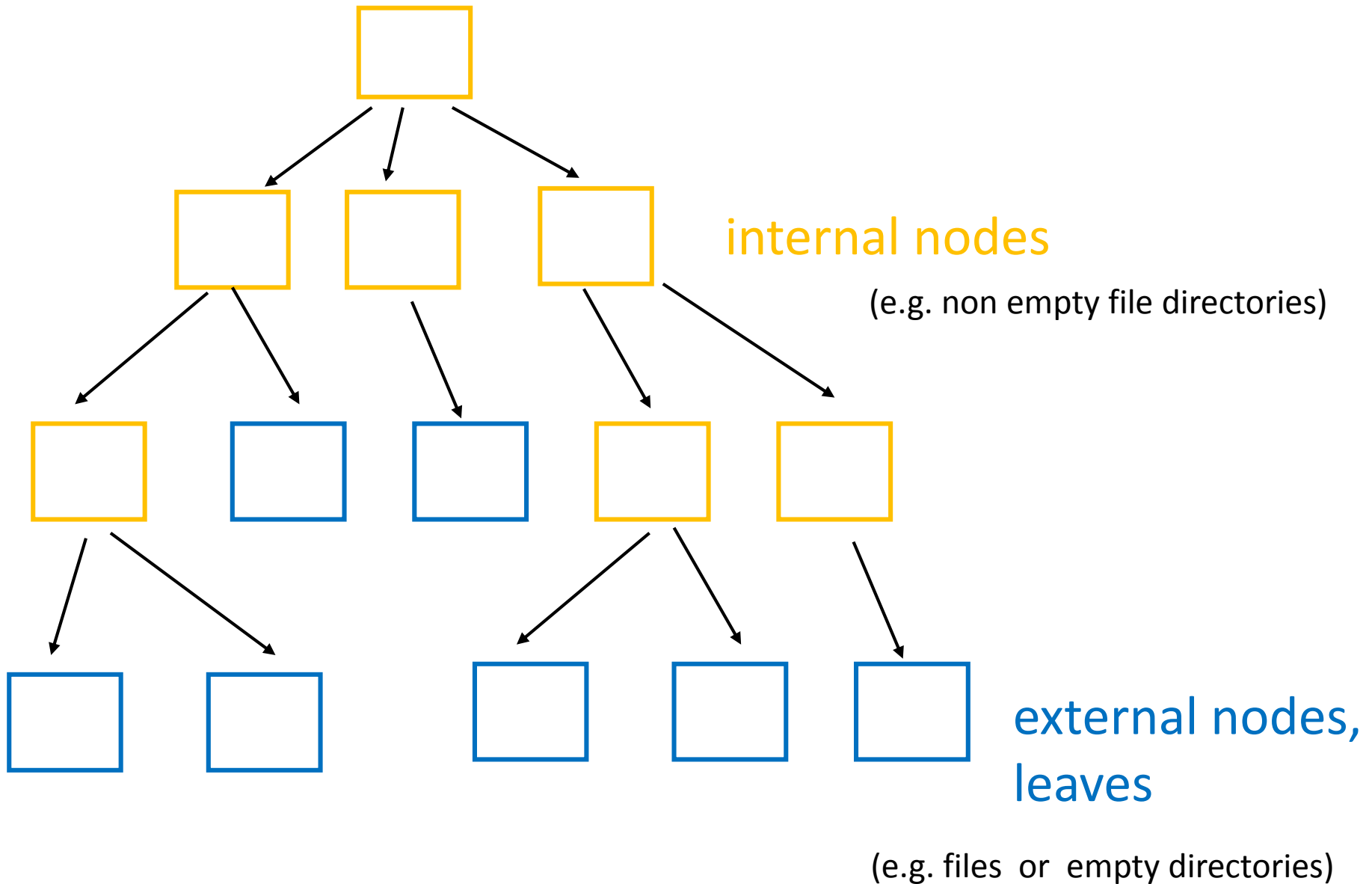
Recursive definition of rooted tree

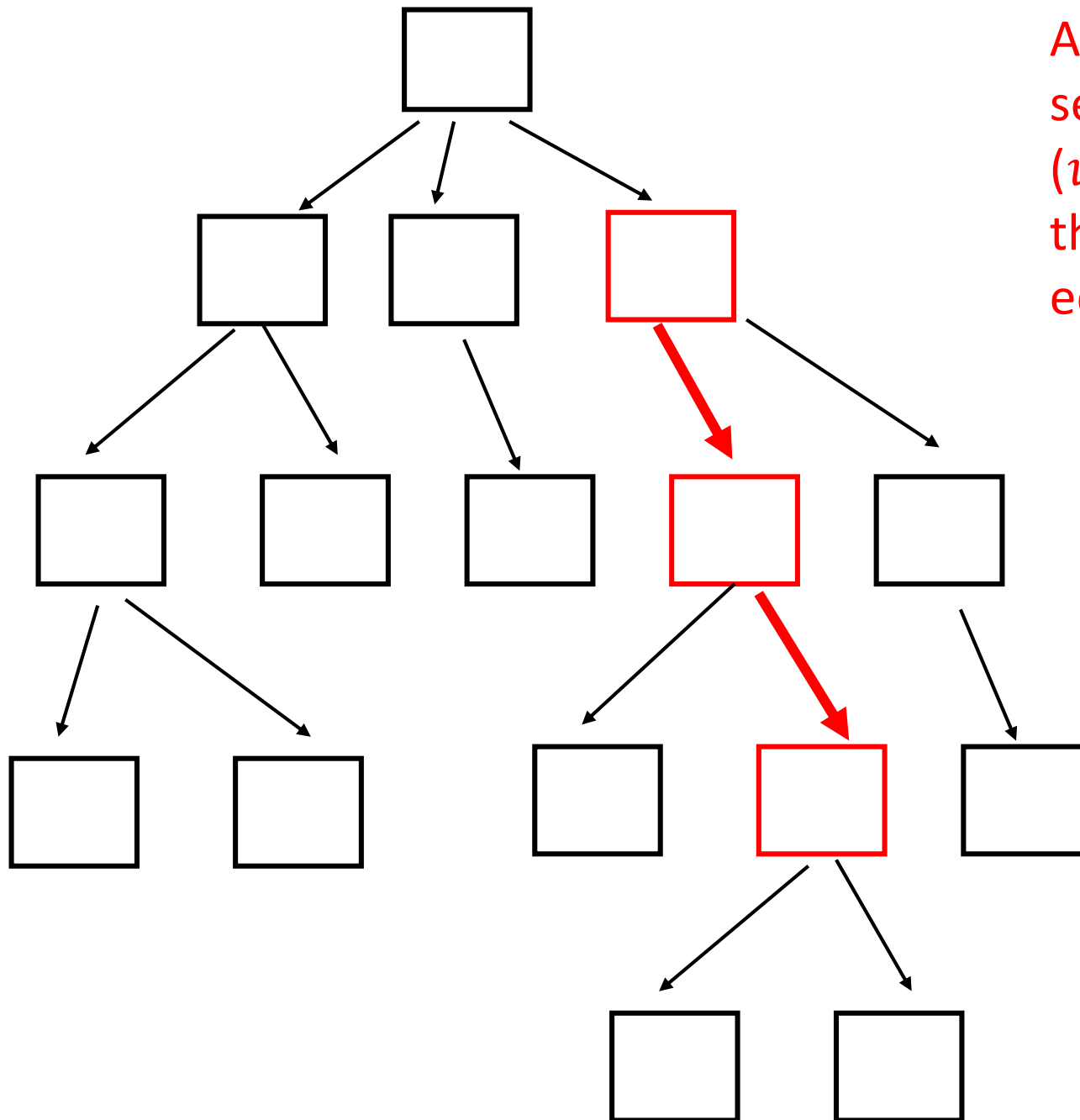
A tree T is a finite set of $n \geq 0$ nodes such that:

- if $n > 0$ then one of the nodes is the root r
- if $n > 1$ then the $n - 1$ non-root nodes are partitioned into non-empty subsets T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k , each of which is a tree (called a subtree”), and the roots of the subtrees are the children of root r .



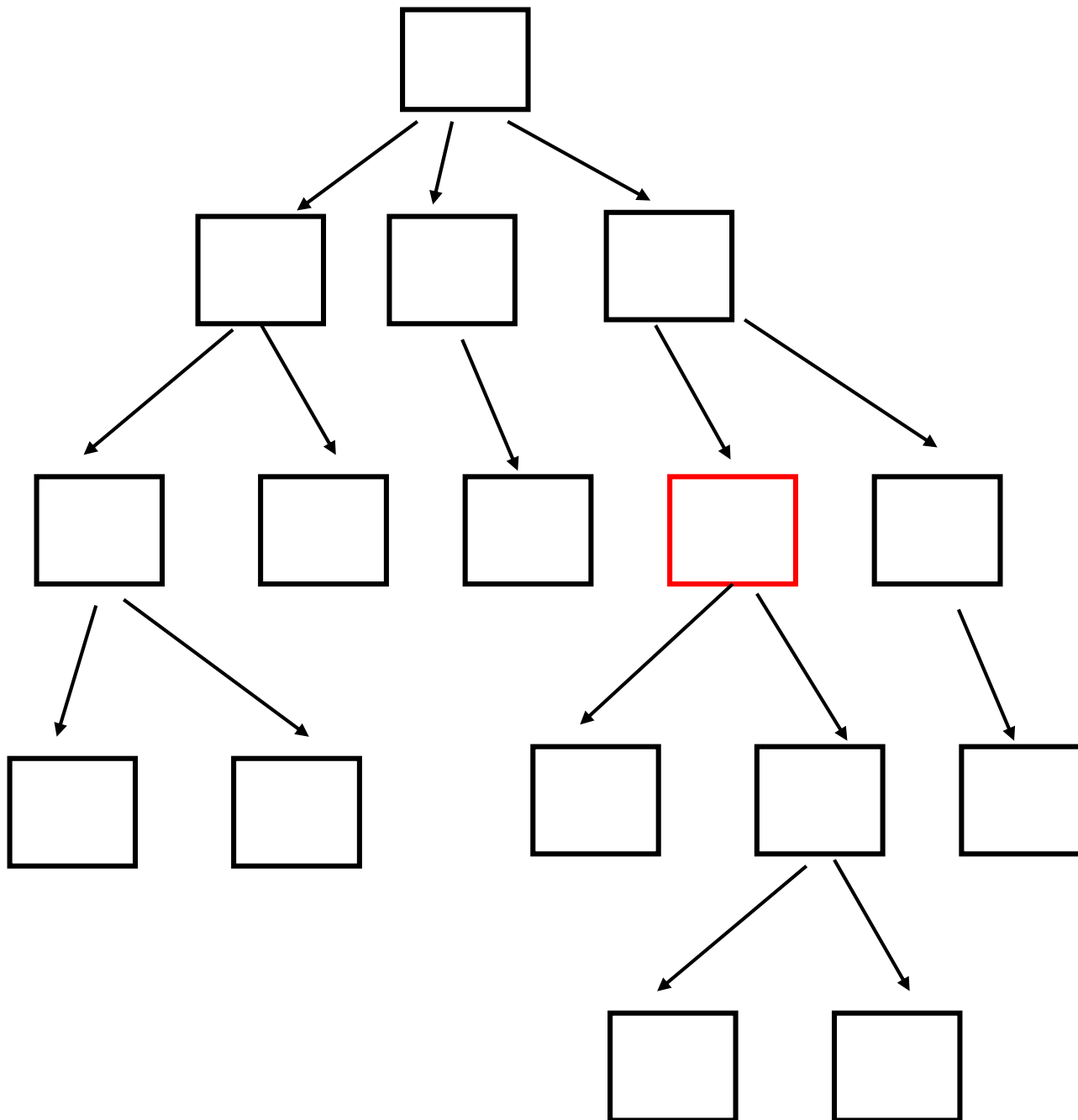
This definition assumes directed edges (“...children...”) but we could change the wording so that it does not assume directed edges.





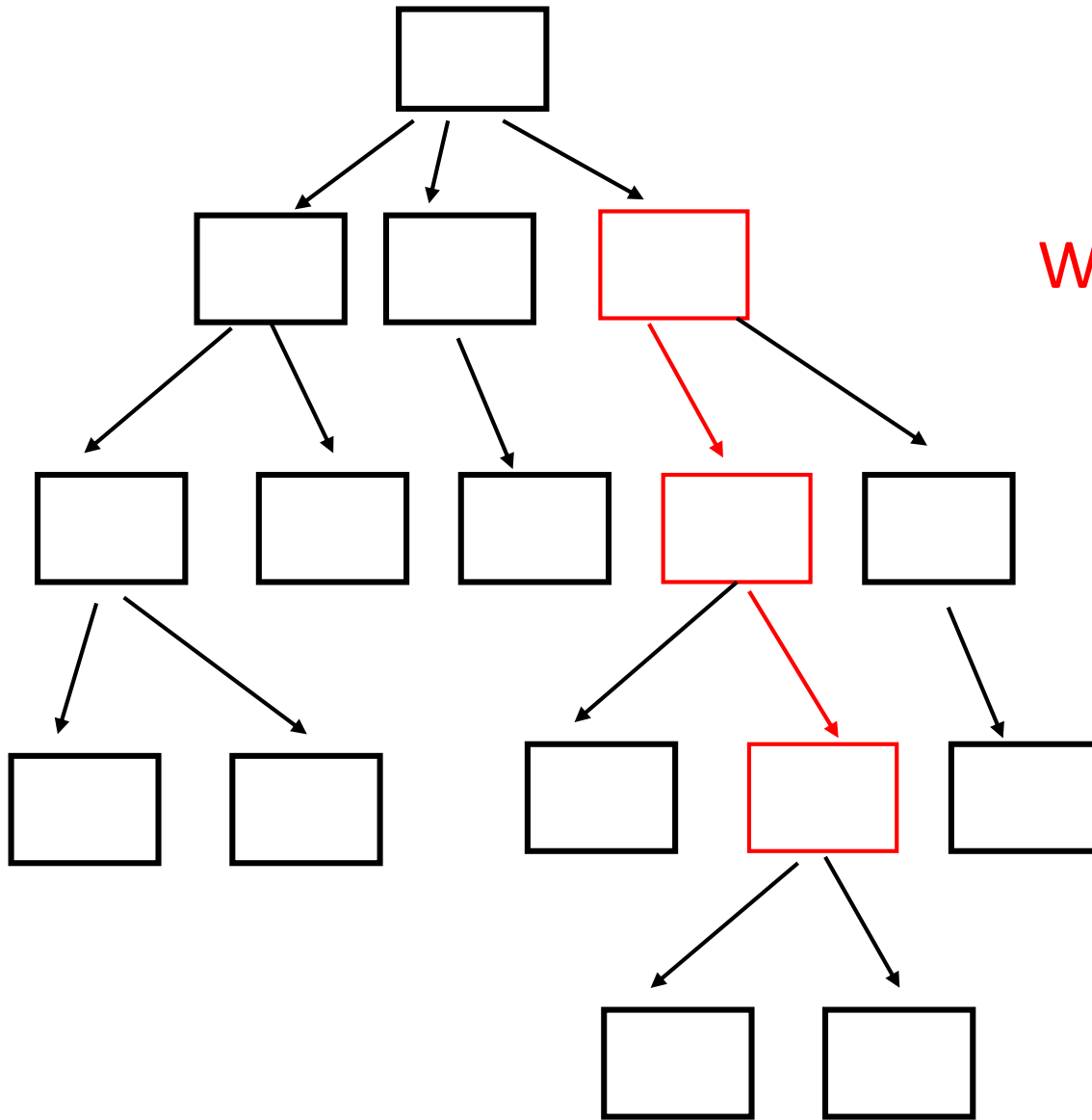
A **path** in a tree is a sequence of nodes (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k) such that (v_i, v_{i+1}) is an edge.

The **length** of a path is *the number of edges in the path* (number of nodes in the path minus 1)



A path with just one node (v_1) has length = 0, since it has no edges.

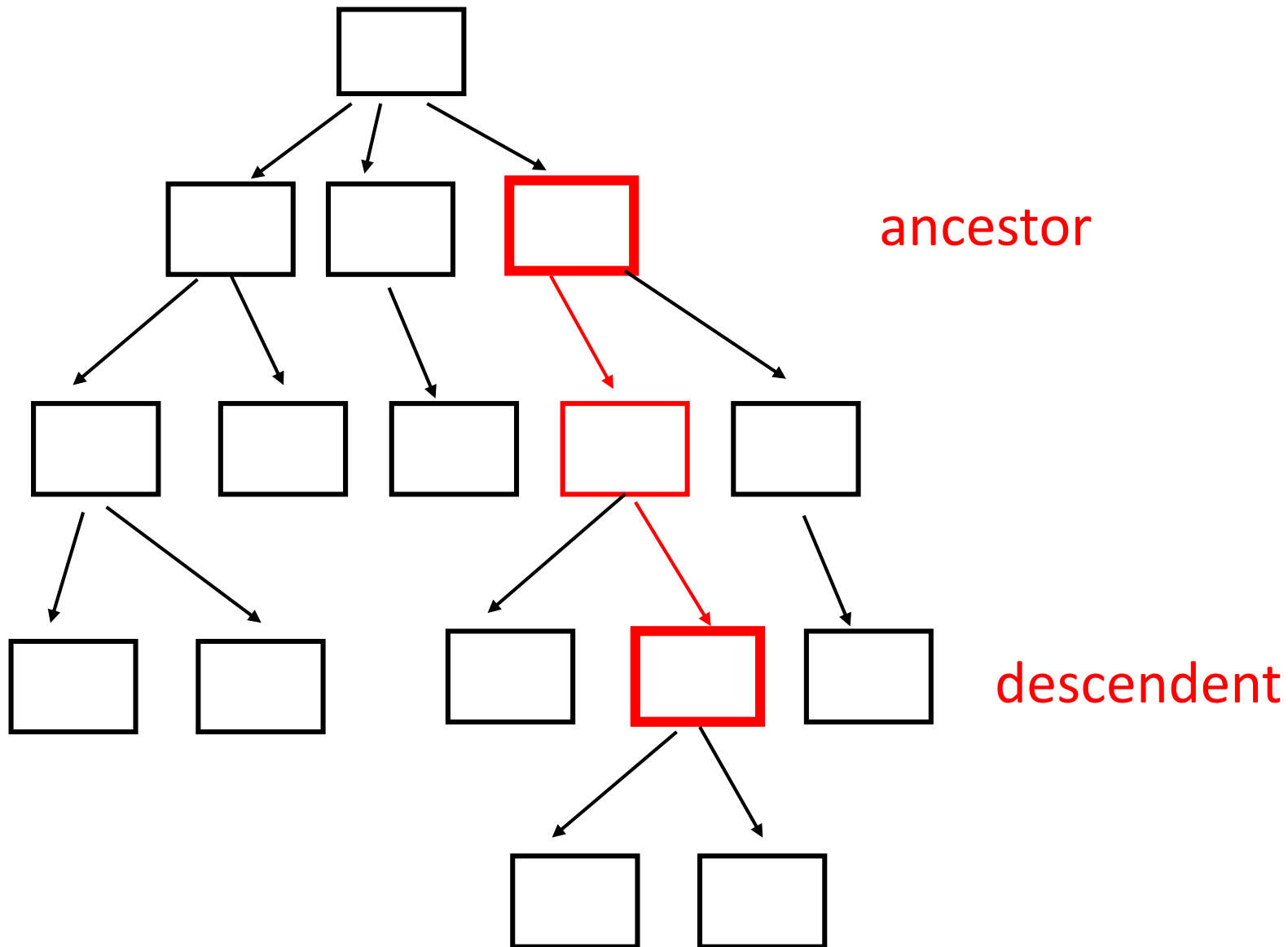




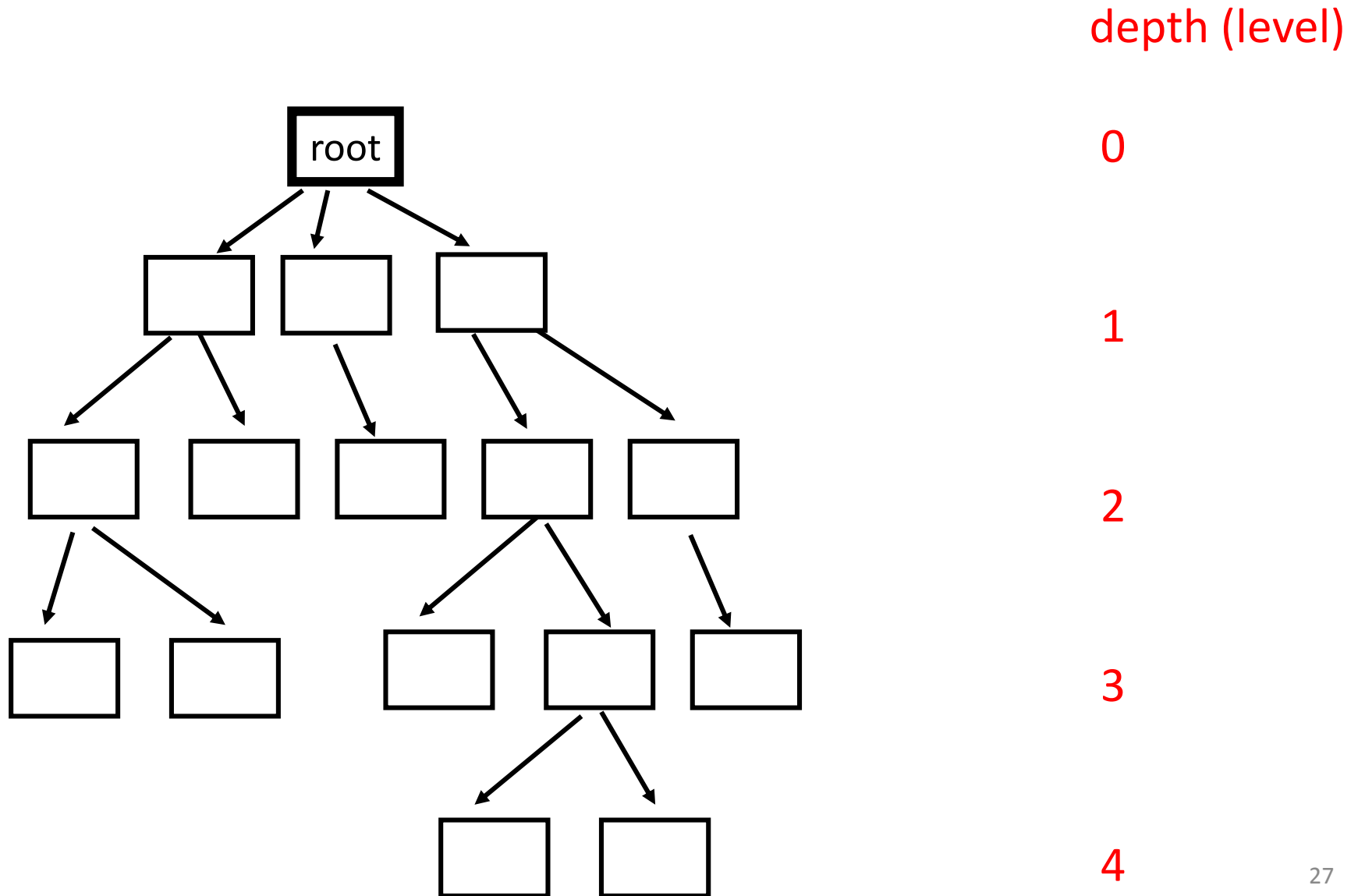
What is the path length?

Answer: 2 (edges)

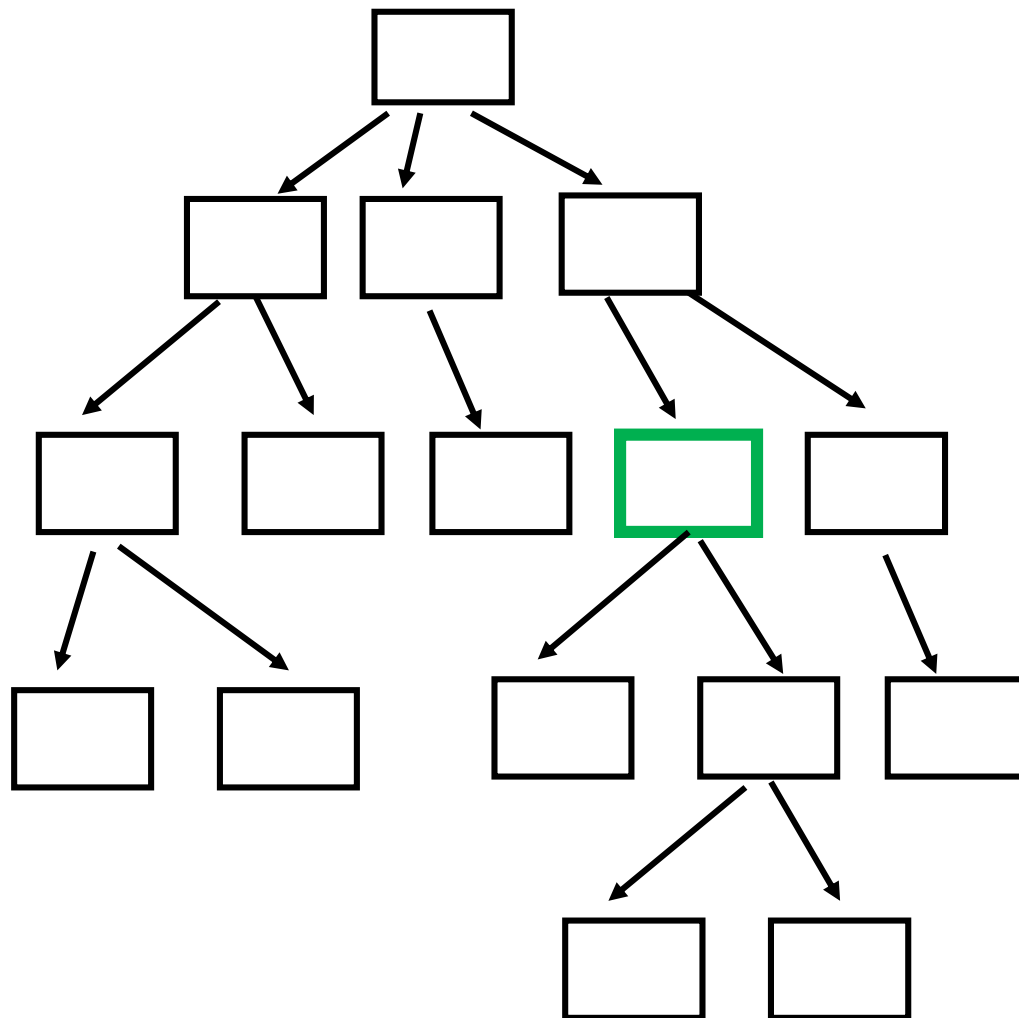
Node v is an **ancestor** of node w if there is a path from v to w. Similarly, node w is a **descendent** of node v.



The **depth** or **level** of a node is the length of the path *from the root to the node*.



How to compute $\text{depth}(v)$?



depth (level)

0

1

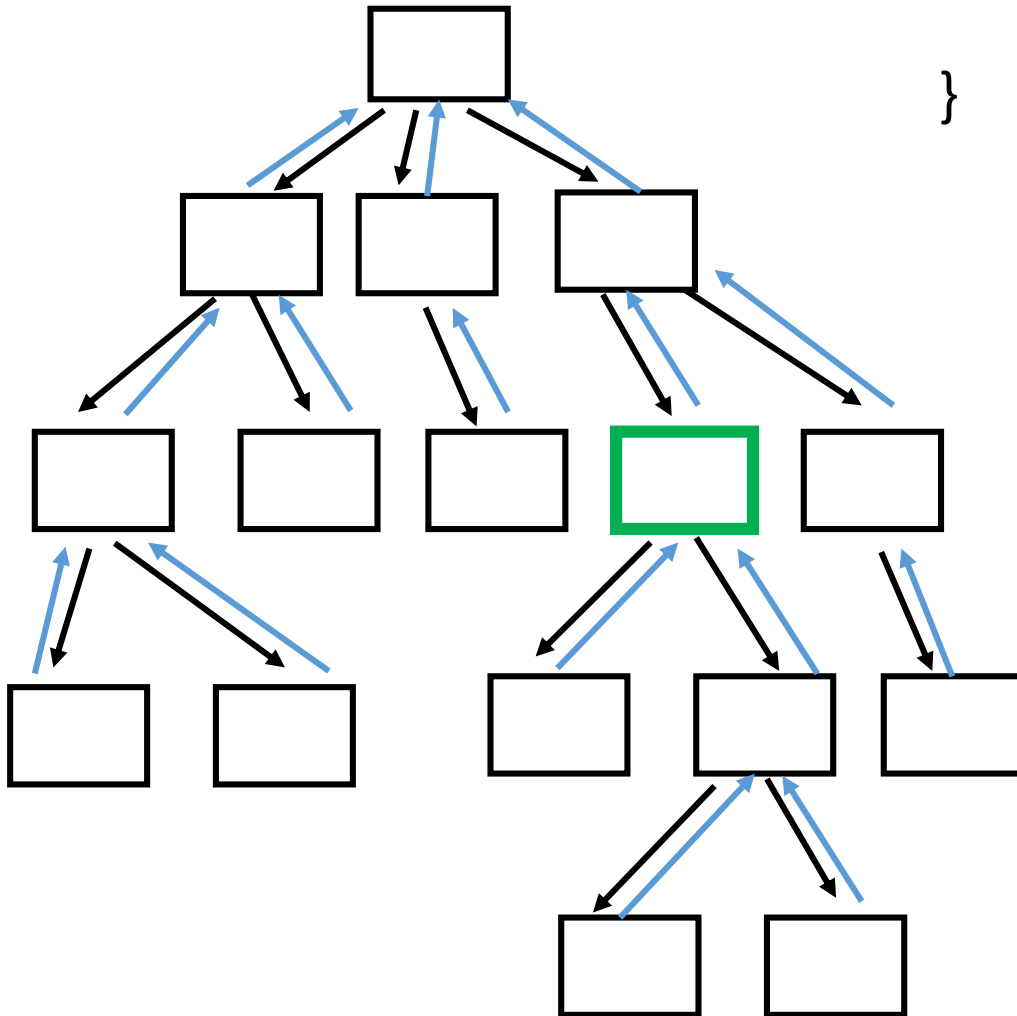
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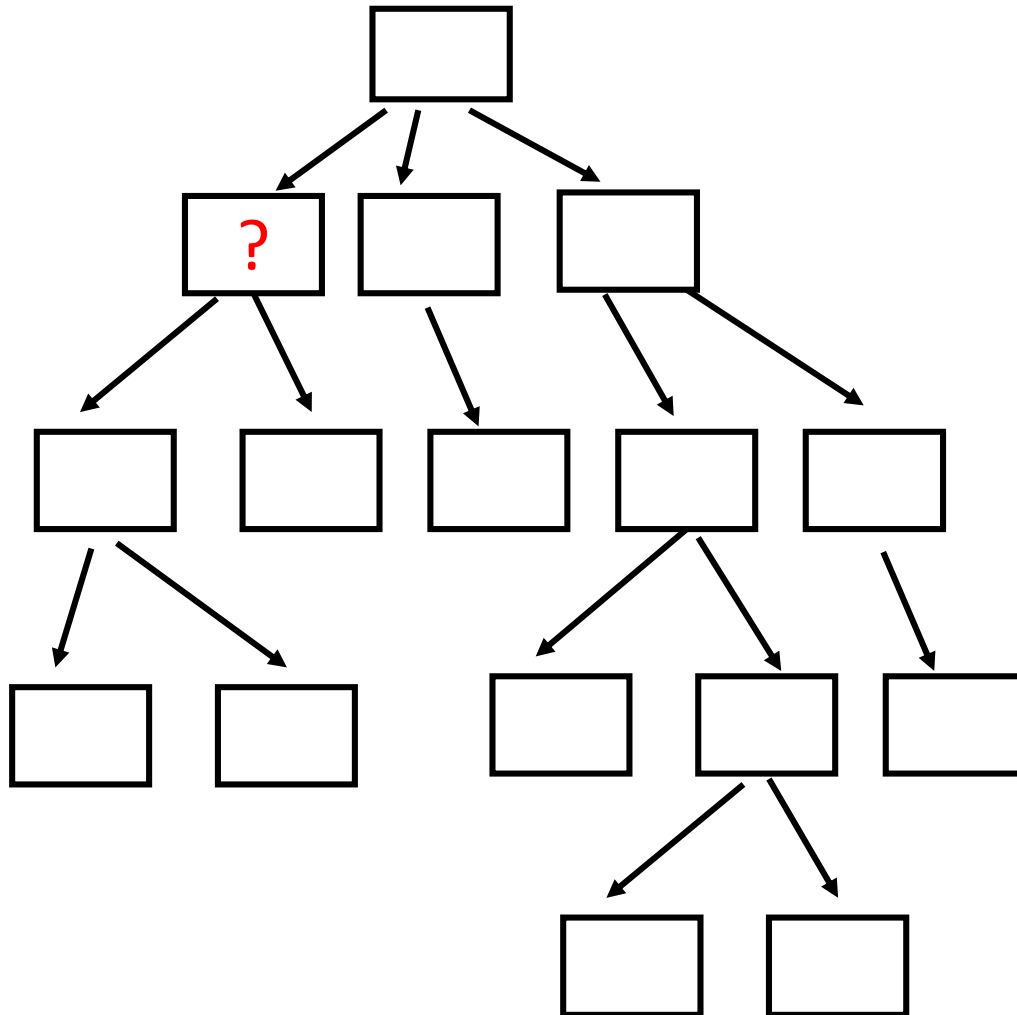
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This requires parent links.
This is analogous to a 'prev'
link in a doubly linked list.

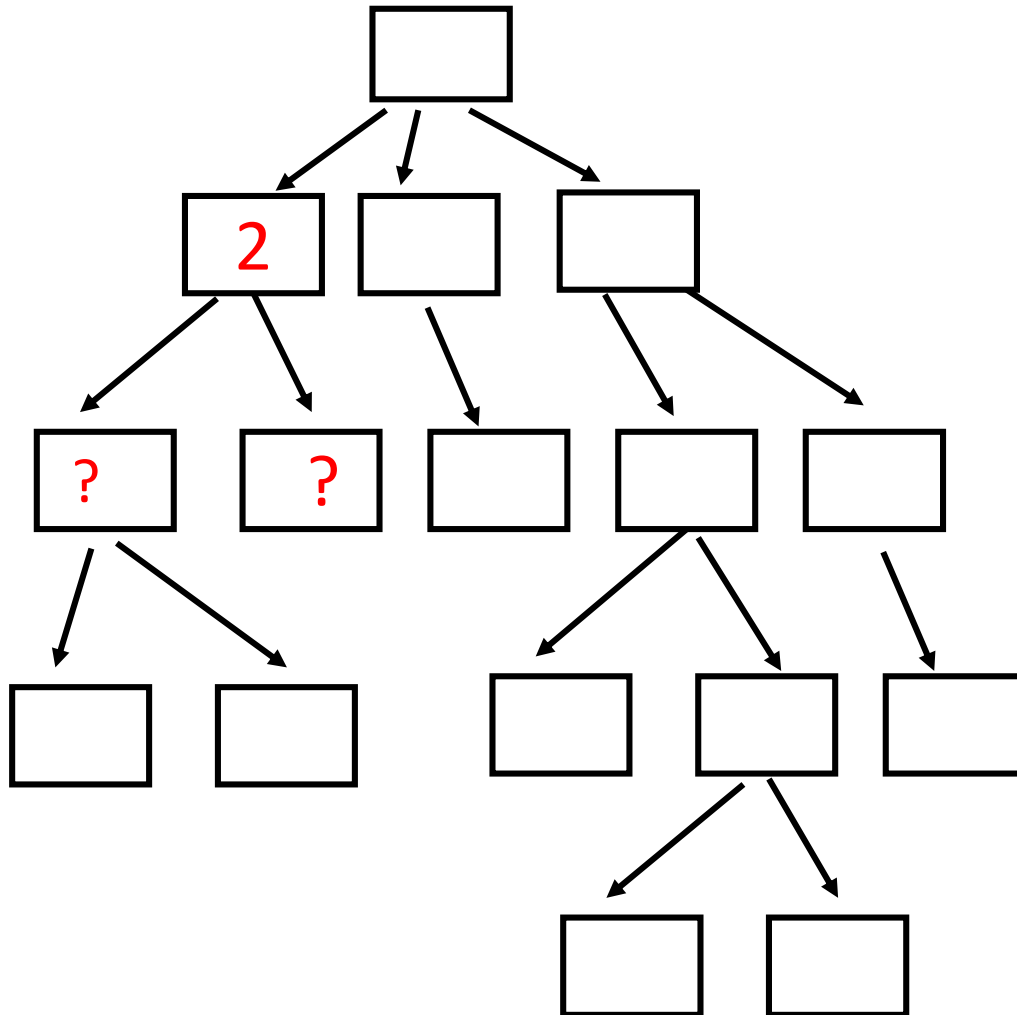
```
depth( v ){  
    if ( v.parent == null)    //root  
        return  0  
    else  
        return  1 + depth( v.parent )  
}
```



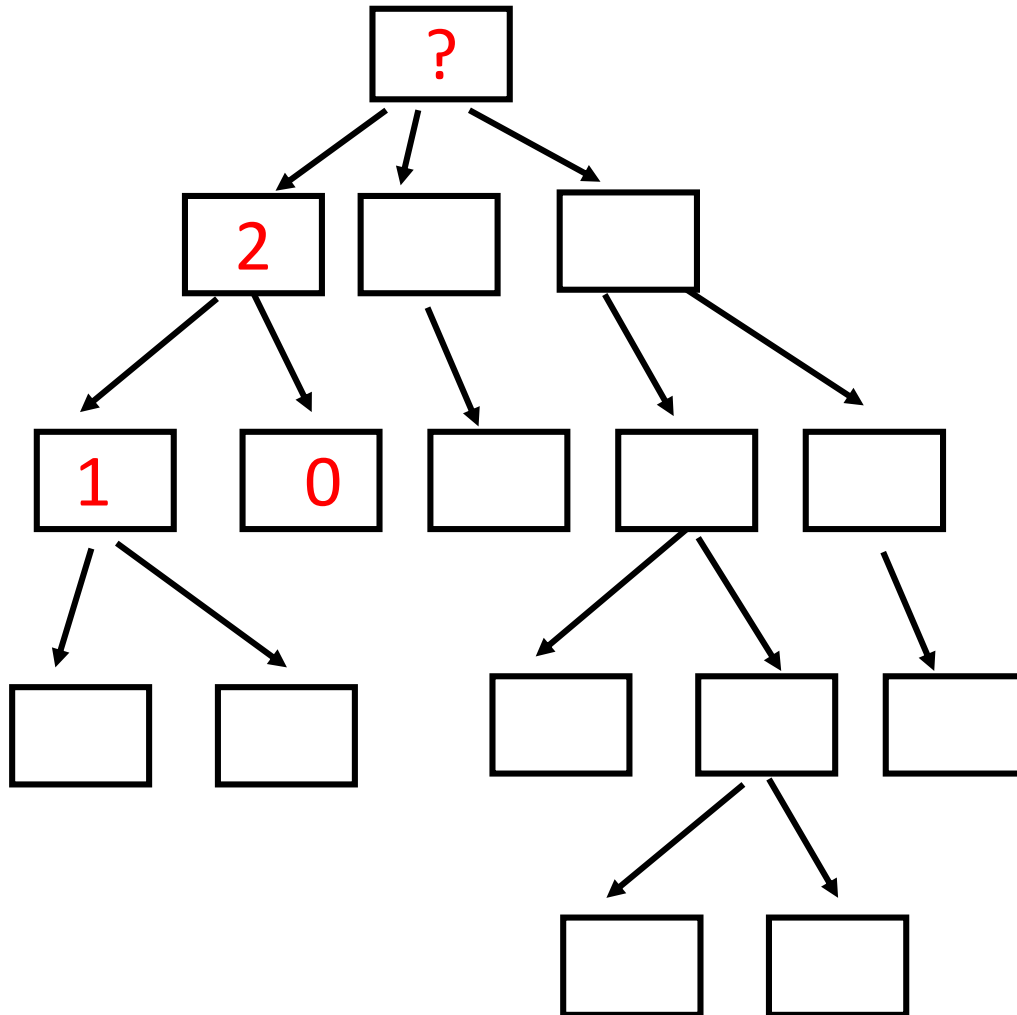
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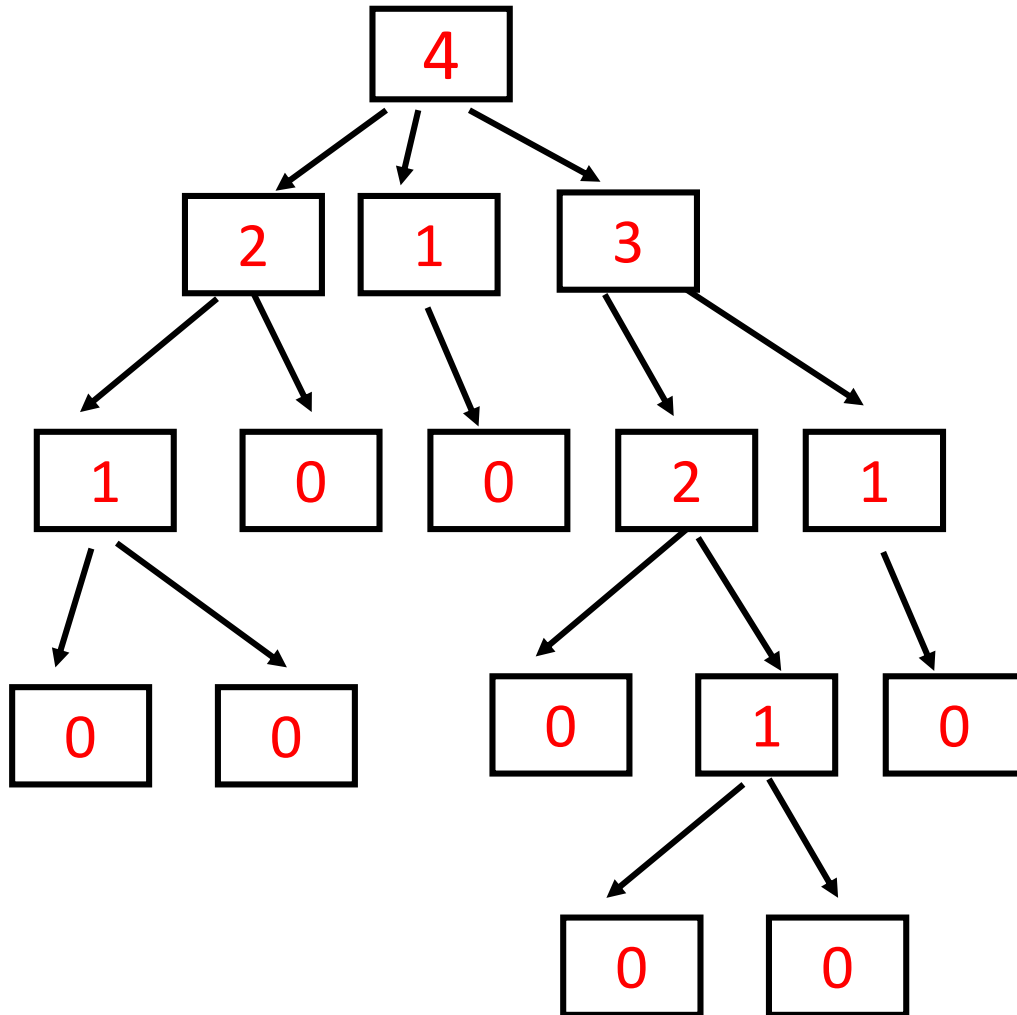
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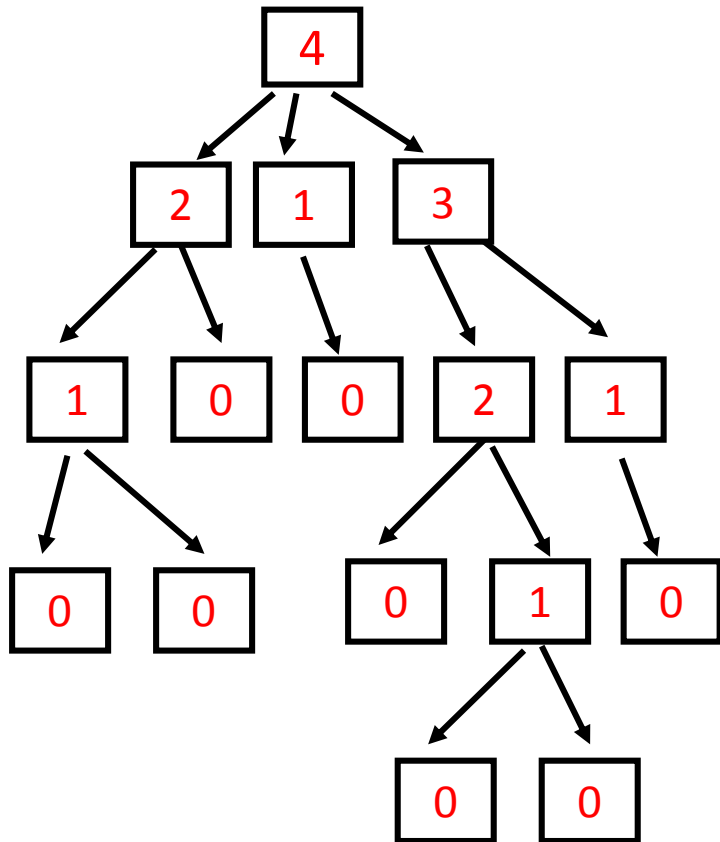


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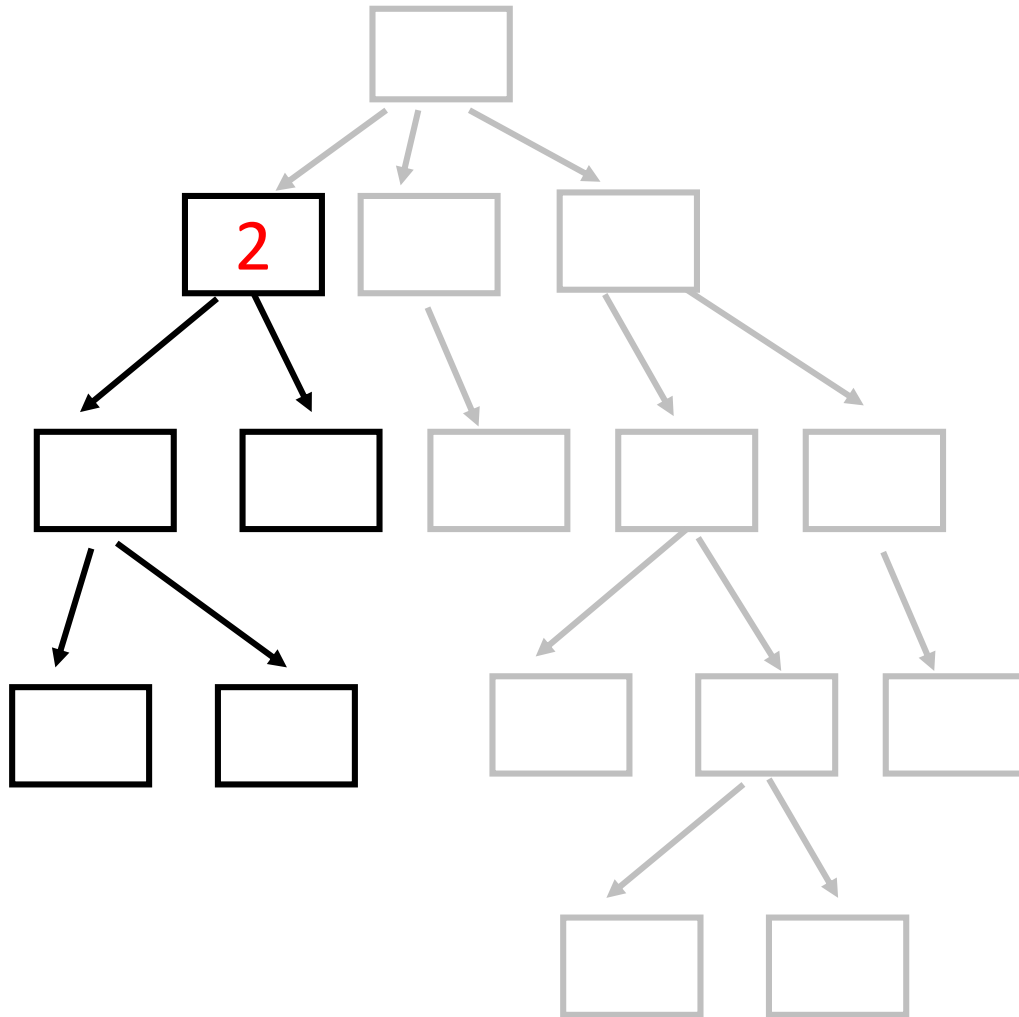
How to compute height(**v**) ?





```
height(v){  
  if (v is a leaf)  
    return 0  
  else{  
    h = 0  
    for each child w of v  
      h = max(h, height(w))  
    return 1 + h  
  }  
}
```

The **height** of a node is the maximum length of a path from that node to a leaf. **To understand the definition, think of the height of the subtree defined by that node.**



How to implement a tree in Java?

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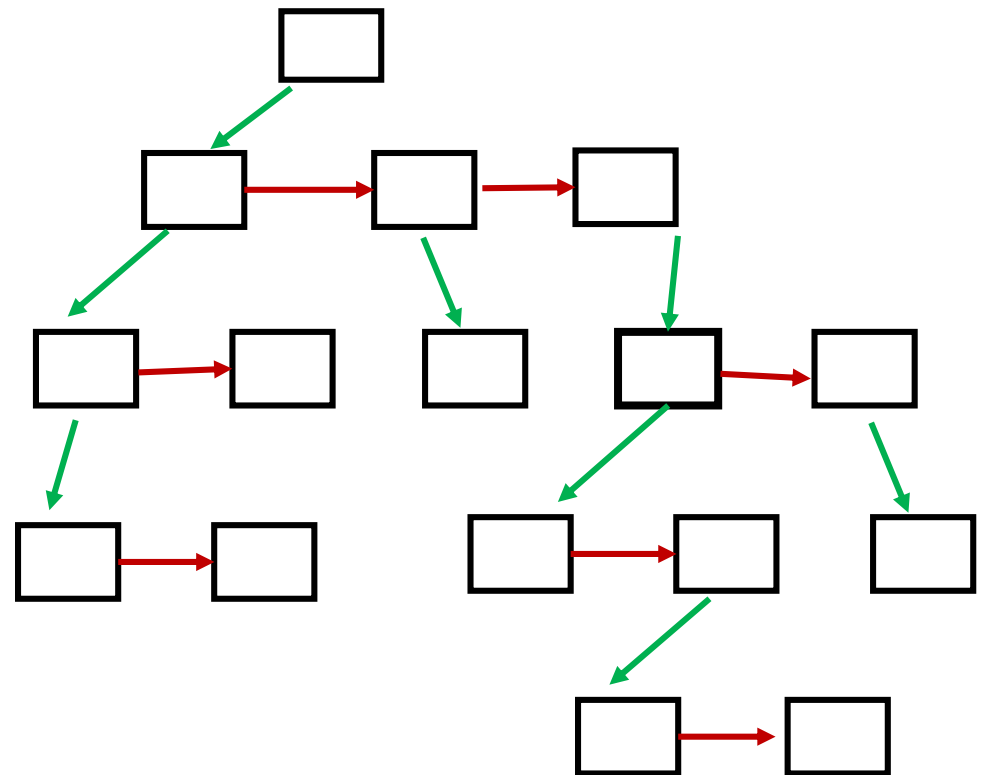
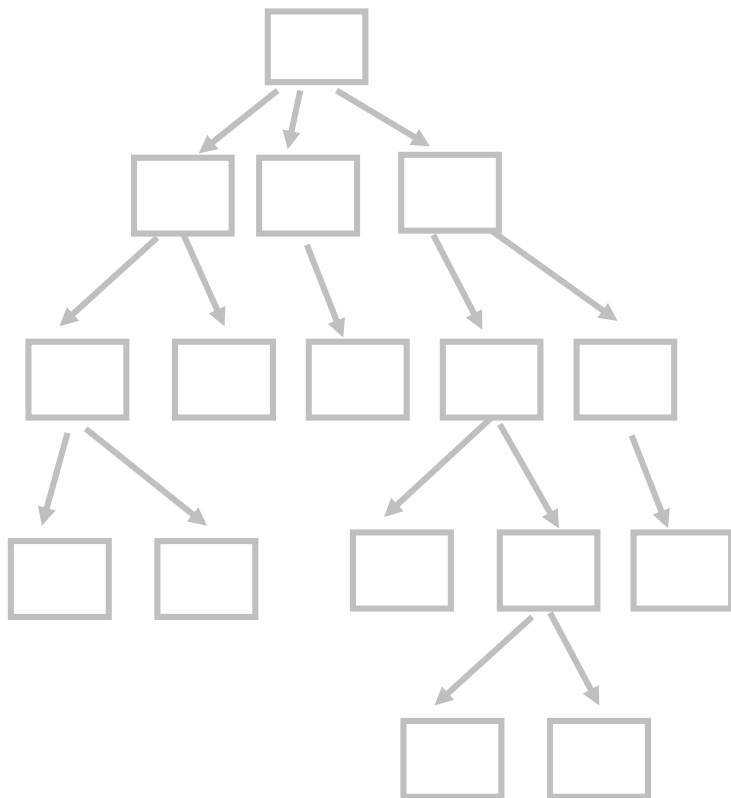
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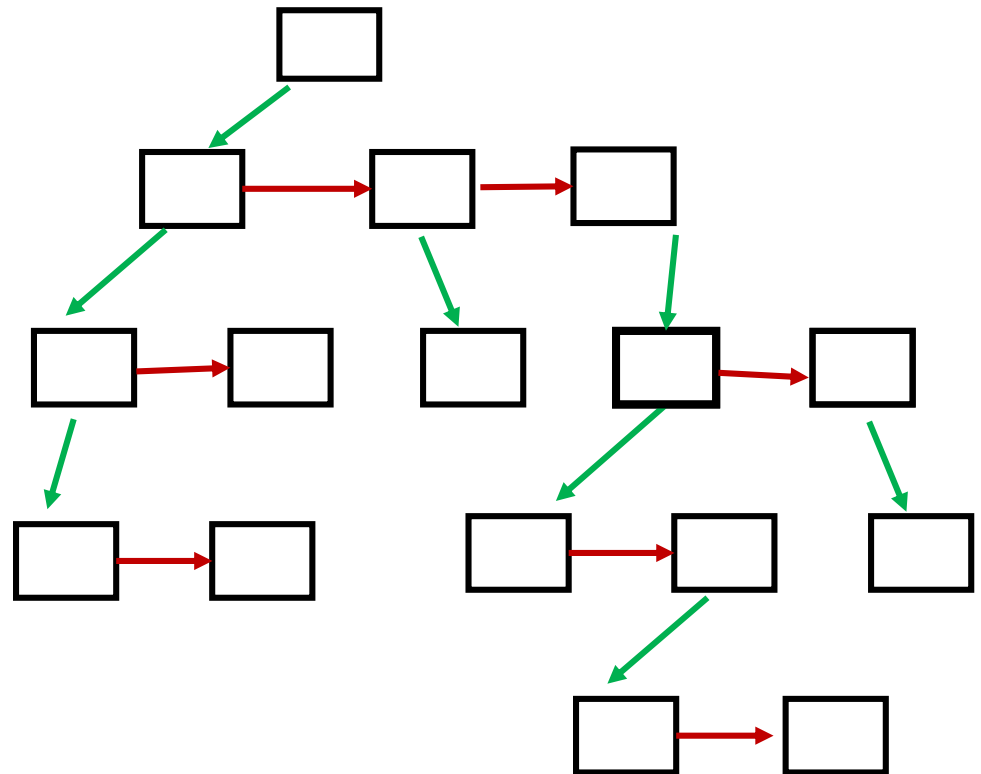
```
class TreeNode<T>{  
    T element;  
  
    ArrayList< TreeNode<T> > children;  
  
    TreeNode<T> parent; // optional  
}
```

Another common implementation:
'first child, next sibling'



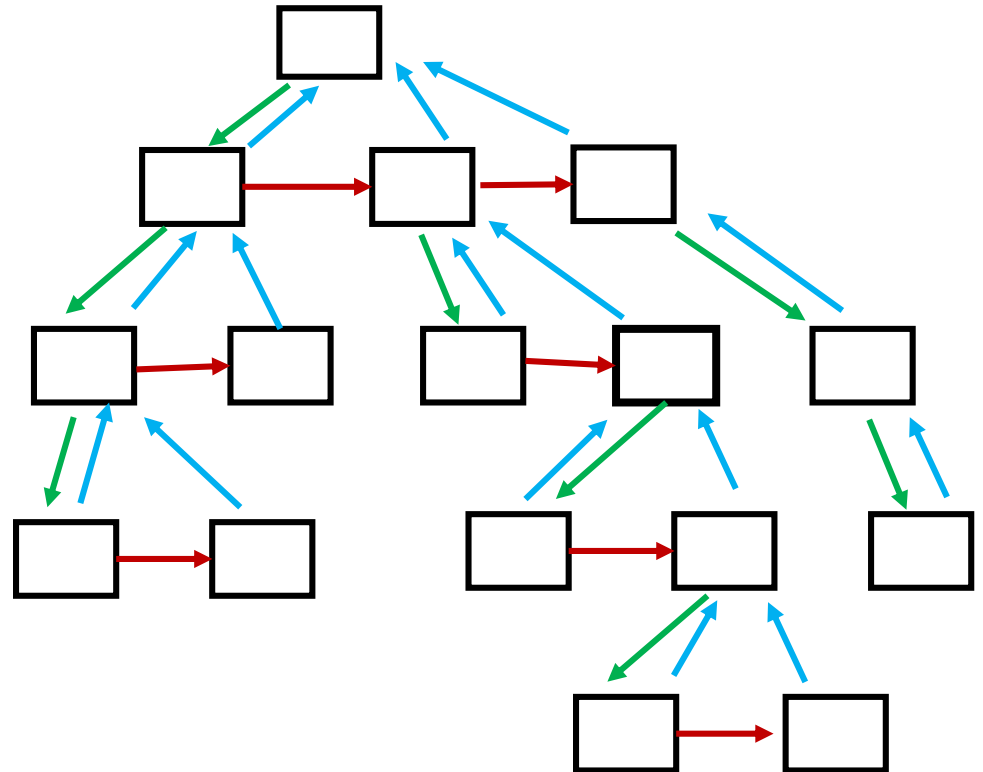
More common implementation: 'first child, next sibling' (similar to singly linked lists)

```
class Tree<T>{  
    TreeNode<T> root;  
    :  
  
    // inner class  
  
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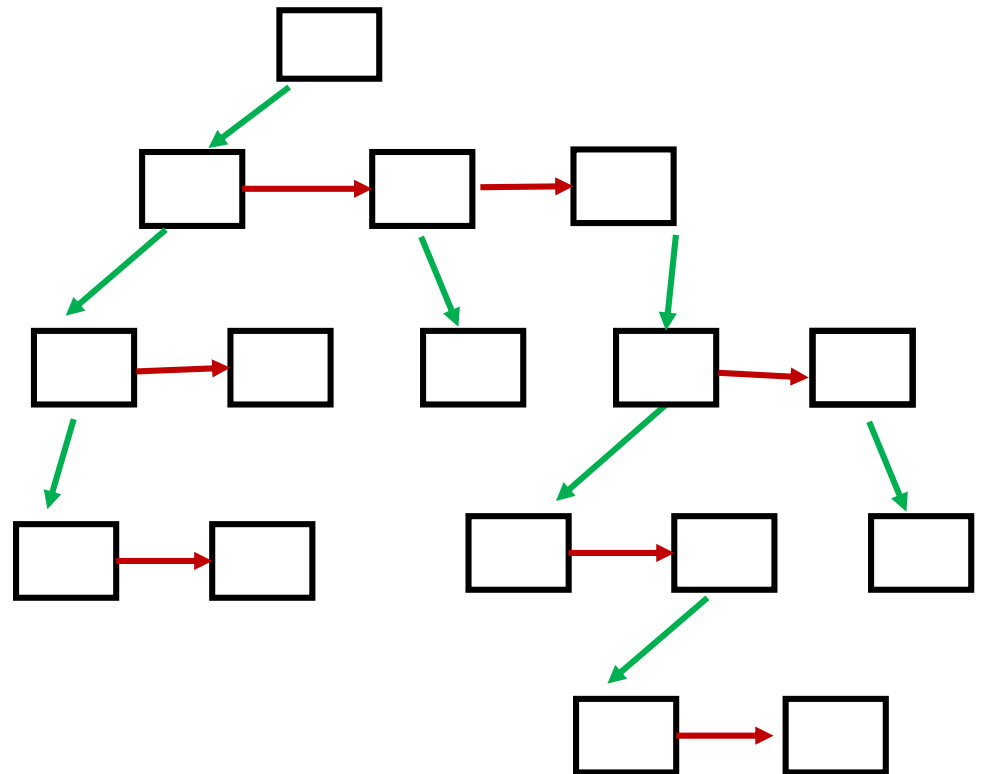


A tree of what? Each node has an element (not illustrated on right)

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Announcements

- Friday Nov. 2 lecture for Sec. 001 (10:35-11:25) will be in ENGTR 0100
- Quiz 3 on Friday Nov . 2
(OOD, induction&recursion)
- A3 will be posted by early next week (“decision trees”)

Exercise (time permitting)

A tree can be represented using lists, as follows:

```
tree      =      root      |      ( root listOfSubTrees )
```

```
listOfSubTrees  =  tree | tree listOfSubTrees
```

Note that `listOfSubTrees` cannot be empty
i.e. `()` is not allowed.

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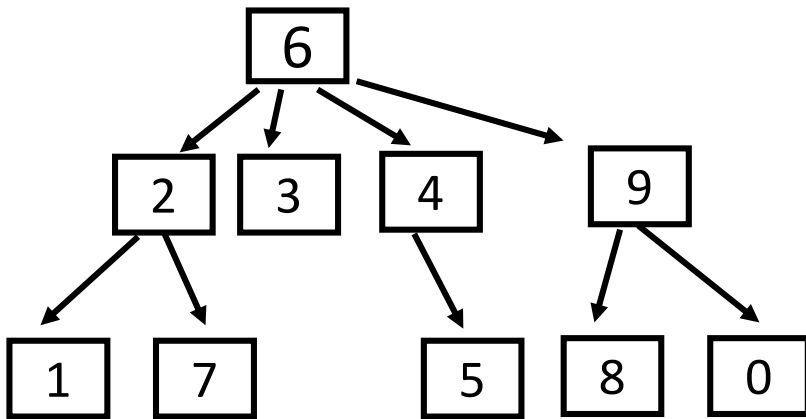
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Draw the tree that corresponds to the following list, where the elements are single digits.

```
( 6 ( 2 1 7 ) 3 ( 4 5 ) ( 9 8 0 ) )
```

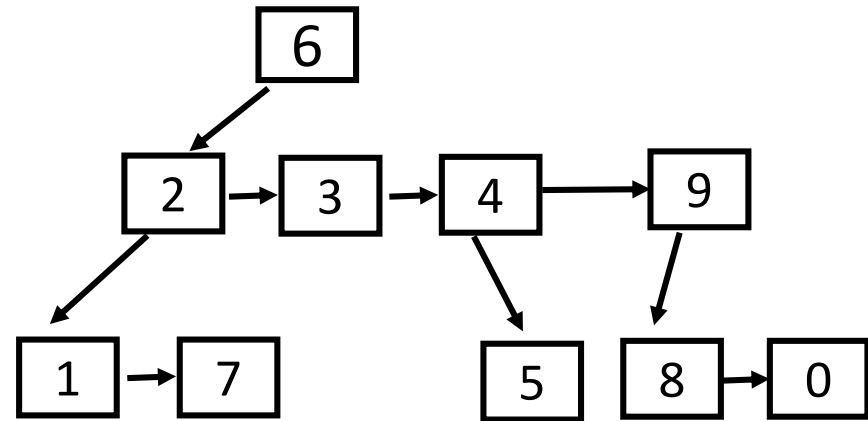
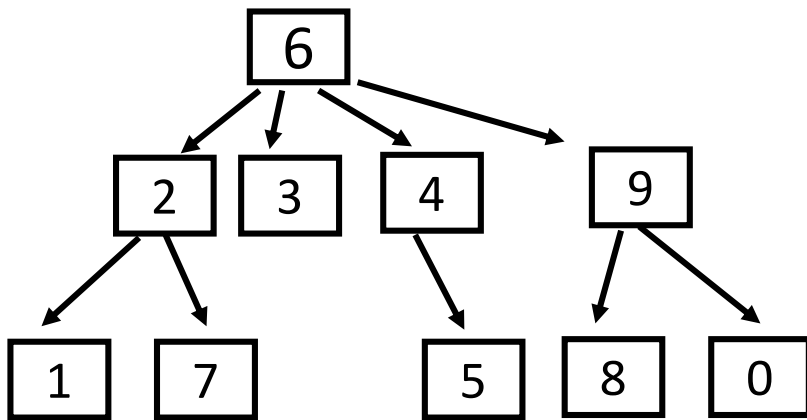
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