

Nodes and References Implementation of a Tree

In this notebook is the code corresponding to the lecture for implementing the representation of a Tree as a class with nodes and references!

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In [1]: class BinaryTree(object):
    def __init__(self, rootObj):
        self.key = rootObj
        self.leftChild = None
        self.rightChild = None

    def insertLeft(self, newNode):
        if self.leftChild == None:
            self.leftChild = BinaryTree(newNode)
        else:
            t = BinaryTree(newNode)
            t.leftChild = self.leftChild
            self.leftChild = t

    def insertRight(self, newNode):
        if self.rightChild == None:
            self.rightChild = BinaryTree(newNode)
        else:
            t = BinaryTree(newNode)
            t.rightChild = self.rightChild
            self.rightChild = t

    def getRightChild(self):
        return self.rightChild

    def getLeftChild(self):
        return self.leftChild

    def setRootVal(self, obj):
        self.key = obj

    def getRootVal(self):
        return self.key
```

We can see some examples of creating a tree and assigning children. Note that some outputs are Trees themselves!

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In [3]: r = BinaryTree('a')
print(r.getRootVal())
print(r.getLeftChild())
r.insertLeft('b')
print(r.getLeftChild())
print(r.getLeftChild().getRootVal())
r.insertRight('c')
print(r.getRightChild())
print(r.getRightChild().getRootVal())
r.getRightChild().setRootVal('hello')
print(r.getRightChild().getRootVal())
```

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a
None
<__main__.BinaryTree object at 0x7f7c951d7340>
b
<__main__.BinaryTree object at 0x7f7c951d7370>
c
hello
```