

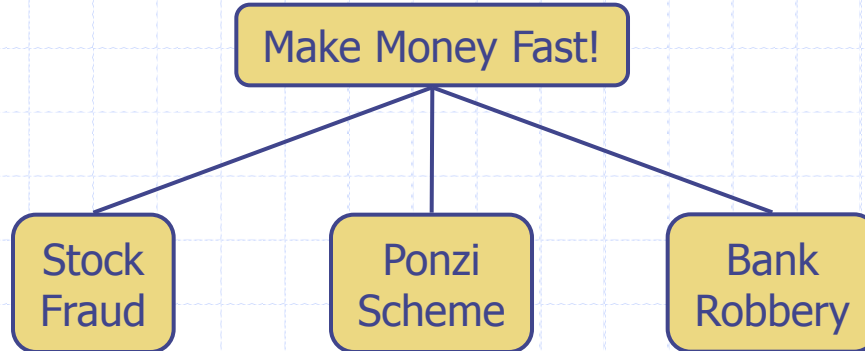
# Lecture 6: Tree Structures

(Chapter 7 from the book)

# Agenda

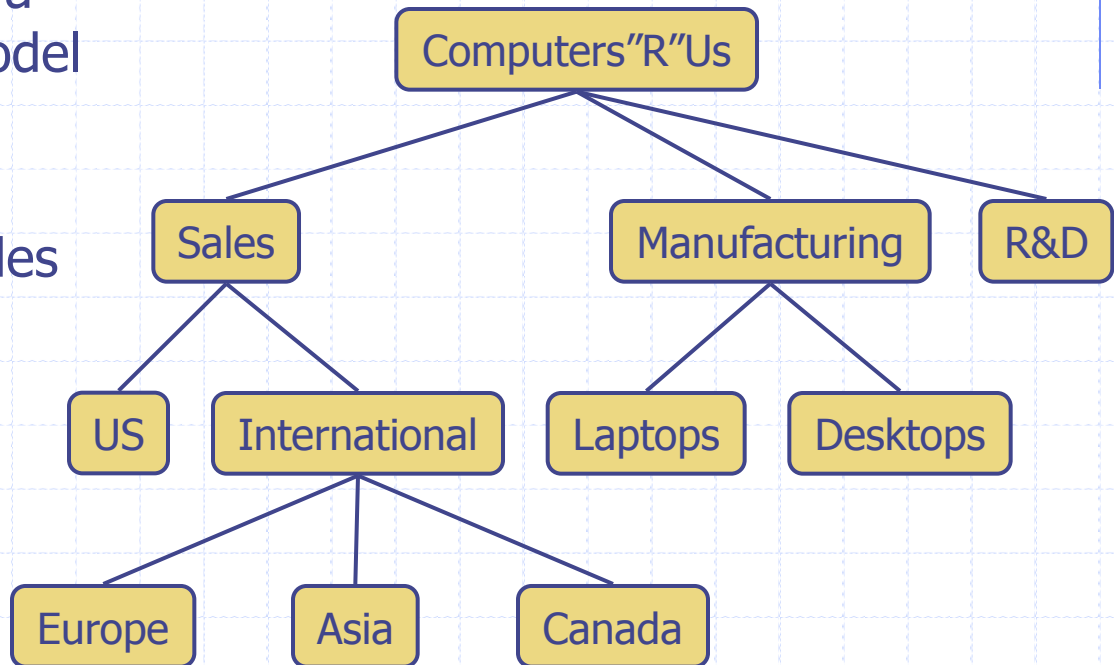
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# General Trees



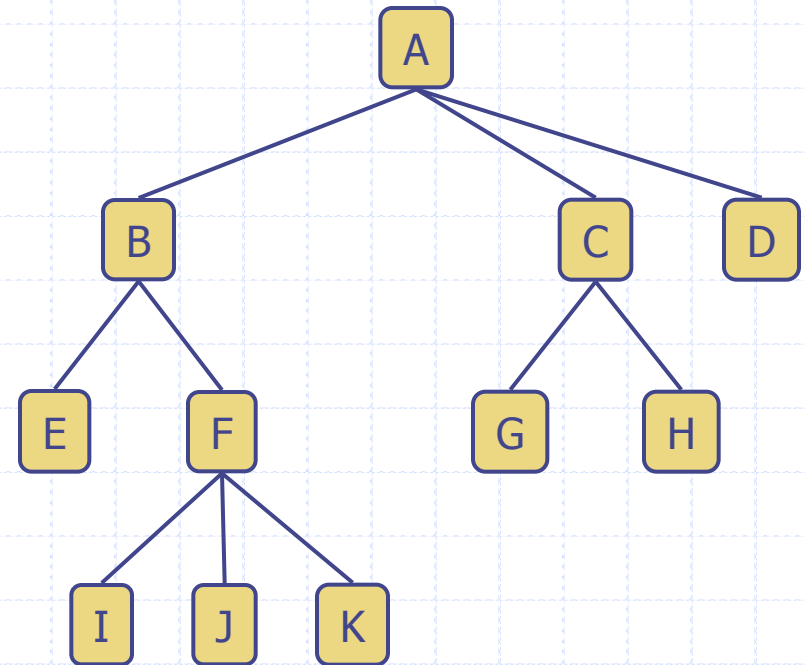
# What is a Tree

- ❑ In computer science, a tree is an abstract model of a hierarchical structure (nonlinear)
- ❑ A tree consists of nodes with a parent-child relation
- ❑ Applications:
  - Organization charts
  - File systems
  - Programming environments



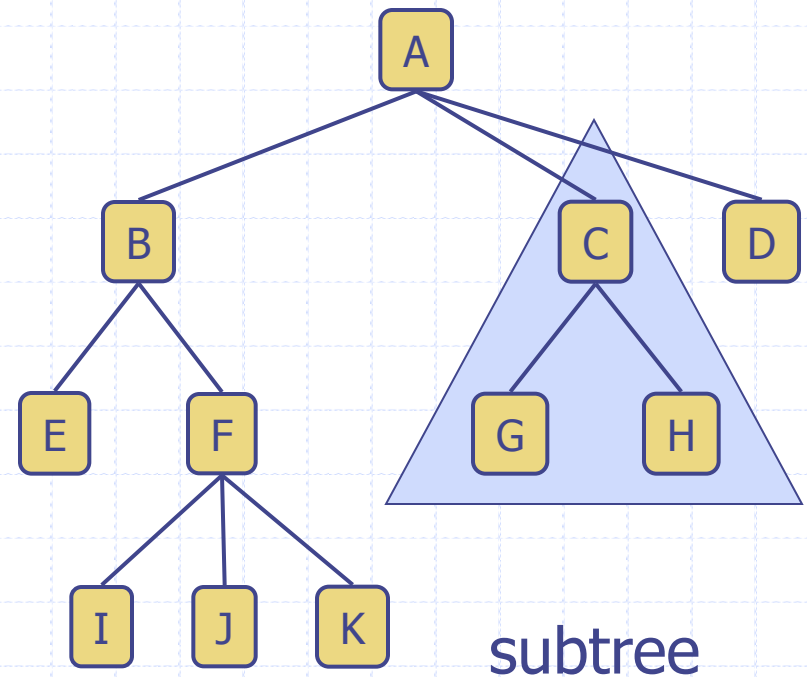
# Tree Terminology

- ❑ Each node (except root – top node) has parent and zero or more children
- ❑ **Root:** node without parent (A)
- ❑ **Internal node:** node with at least one child (A, B, C, F)
- ❑ **External node** (a.k.a. leaf ): node without children (E, I, J, K, G, H, D)
- ❑ **Ancestors of a node:** parent, grandparent, grand-grandparent, etc.
- ❑ **Descendant of a node:** child, grandchild, grand-grandchild, etc.
- ❑ **Siblings:** children of the same parent (e.g. I, J, K)



# Tree Terminology

- **Depth of a node:** number of ancestors (e.g. for F it is 2)
- **Height of a tree:** maximum depth of any node (3)
- **Subtree:** tree consisting of a node and its descendants



# Formal Tree Definition

- Tree  $T$  is a set of nodes storing elements such that the nodes have a parent-child relationship, that satisfies the following properties:
  - If  $T$  is nonempty, it has a special node, called the root of  $T$ , that has no parent.
  - Each node  $v$  of  $T$  different from the root has a unique parent node  $w$ . Every node with parent  $w$  is a child of  $w$ .

□ **Note that tree can be empty!**

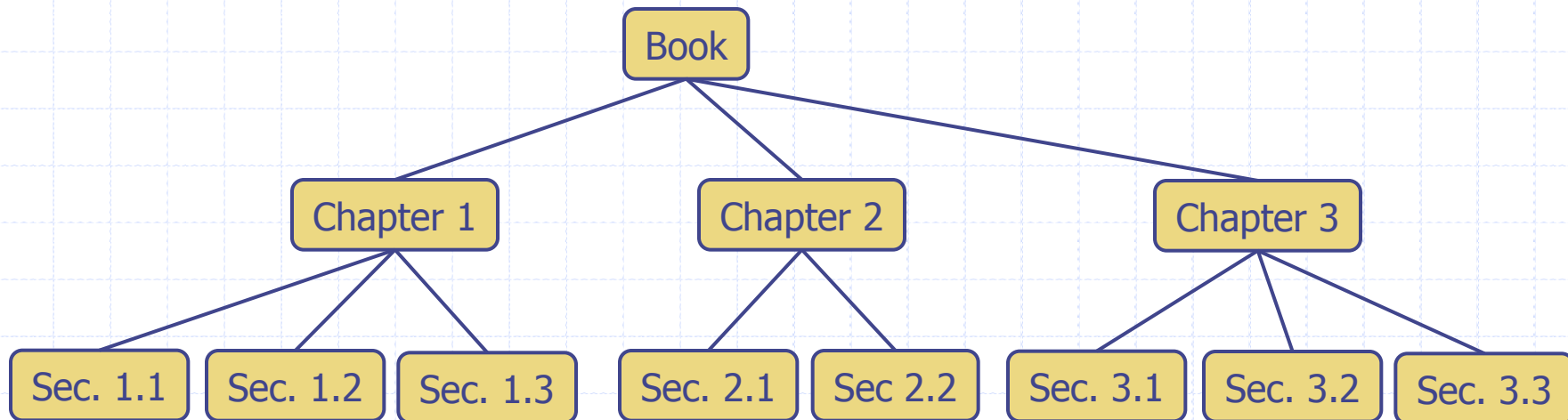
# Exercise 1 – Tree

- Draw a tree that has 11 nodes.  
6 of those nodes are leaves.
- For each node:
  - name its ancestors and descendants,
  - Name its siblings,
  - say if the node is internal or external,
  - give its depth.
- Evaluate the height of the tree



# Ordered Tree

- A tree is ordered if there is a linear ordering defined for the children of each node
  - We can identify the children of node as being the first, second, third, etc.
- Ordered trees typically indicate the linear order among siblings by listing them in the correct order.



# Tree ADT

- Tree ADT stores elements at positions, which, as with positions in a list, are defined relative to neighbouring positions.
- As with a list position, a position object for a tree supports the method
  - `element()` – return the object stored at this position
- The positions in a tree are its nodes, and neighbouring positions satisfy the parent-child relationships that define a valid tree.
- Accessor methods:
  - position `root()` – return the tree's root; an error occurs if the tree is empty;
  - position `parent(v)` – return the parent of `v`, an error occurs if `v` is the root;
  - Iterable `children(v)` – return an iterable collection containing the children of node `v`.

# Tree ADT (cont.)

## ◆ Query methods:

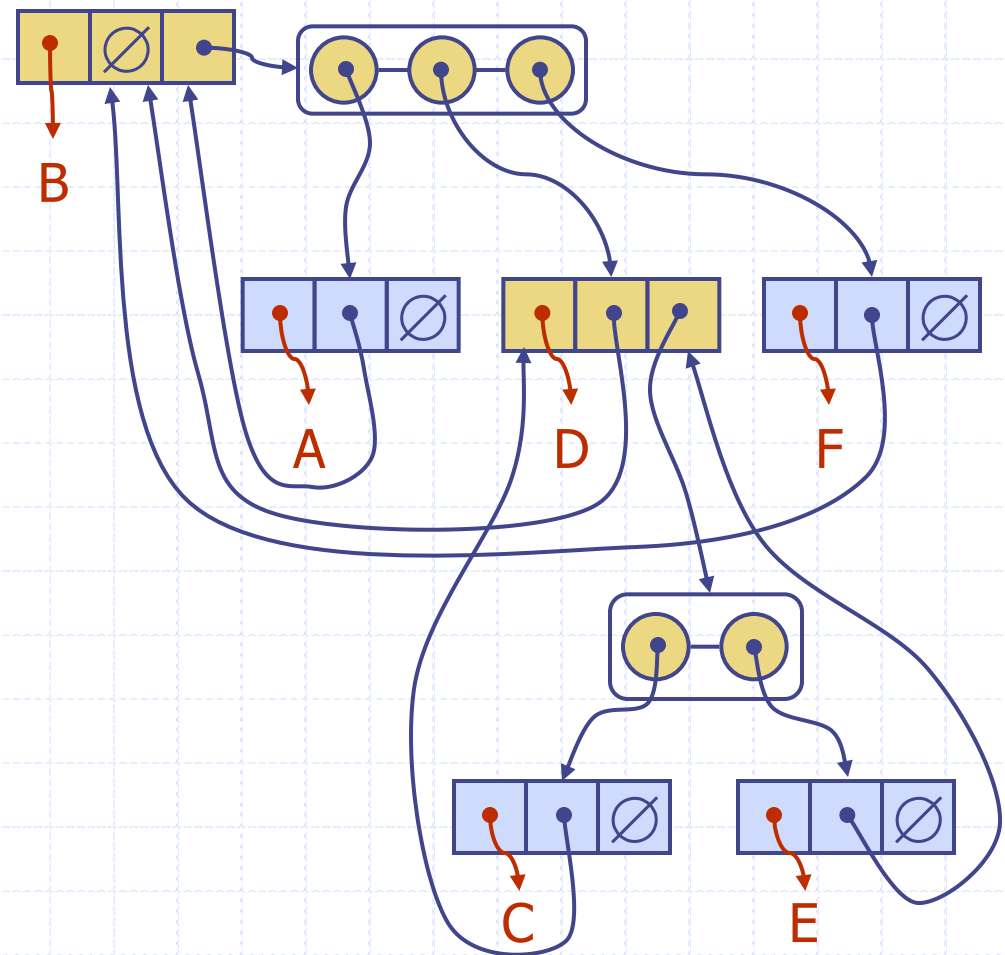
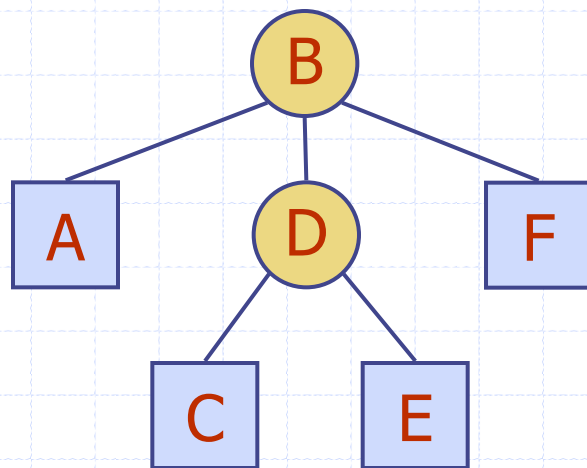
- boolean **isInternal**(v) – test whether node v is internal;
  - boolean **isExternal**(v) – test whether node v is external;
  - boolean **isRoot**(v) – test whether node v is a root.
- These methods make programming with trees easier and more readable as we can use them in the conditionals of ***if*** statements and ***while*** loops

# Tree ADT (cont.)

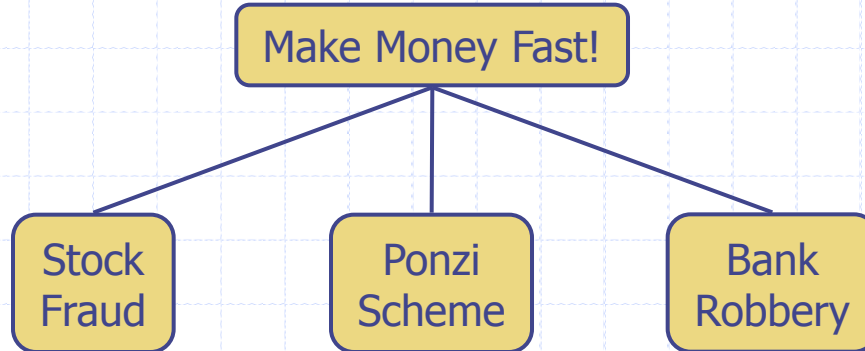
- Generic methods:
  - integer **size()** – return the number of nodes in the tree;
  - boolean **isEmpty()** – test whether the tree has any nodes or not;
  - Iterator **iterator()** – return an iterator of all the elements stored at nodes of the tree;
  - Iterable **positions()** – return an iterable collection of all the nodes of the tree;
  - element **replace** ( $v$ ,  $e$ ) – replace with  $e$  and return the element stored at node  $v$ .

# Linked Structure for Trees

- A node is represented by an object storing
  - Element
  - Parent node
  - Sequence of children nodes
- Node objects implement the Position ADT



# Tree Traversal Algorithms

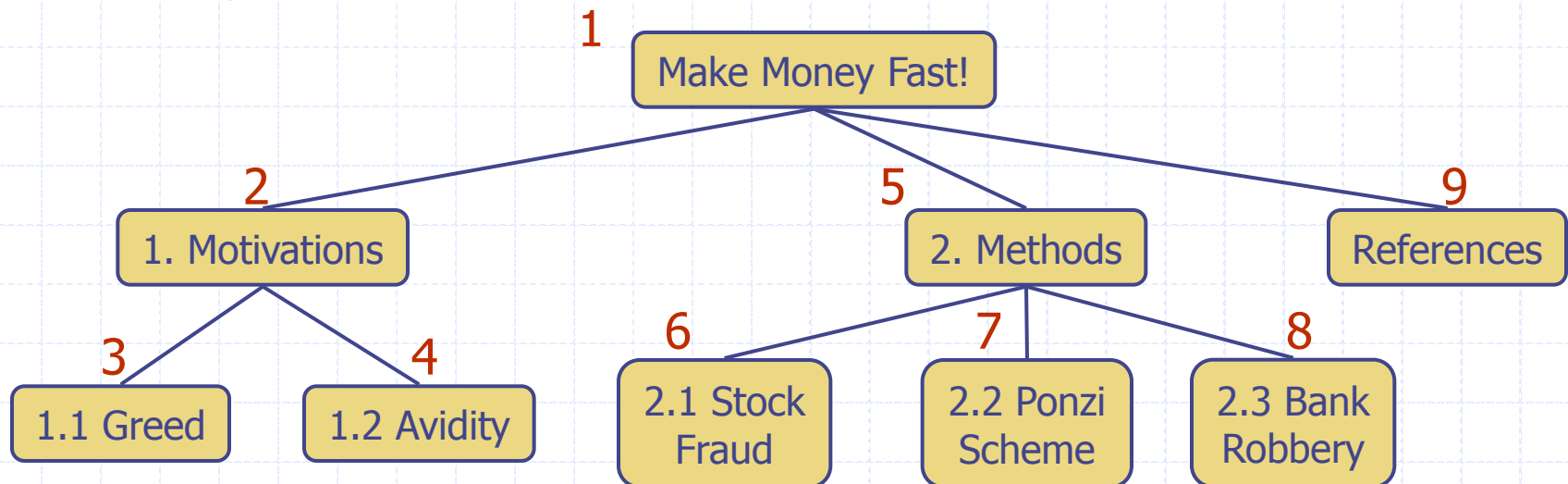


# Traversal of a Tree

- A traversal of a tree  $T$  is a systematic way of accessing, or “visiting”, all the nodes of  $T$ .
- Traversal schemes:
  - Preorder traversal
  - Postorder traversal

# Preorder Traversal

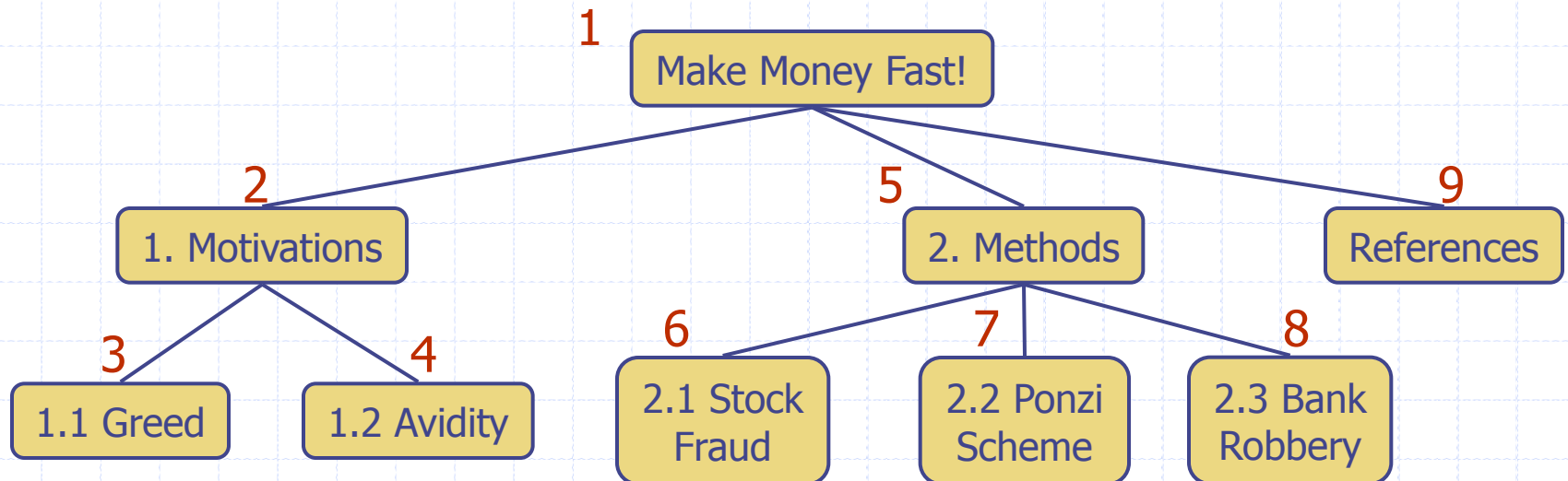
- ❑ In a preorder traversal, a node is visited before its descendants.
- ❑ Parents always come before their children.
- ❑ Note that if the tree is ordered, then the subtrees are traversed according to the order of children.
- ❑ Application: print a structured document.
- ❑ Running time for the tree with  $n$  nodes:  $O(n)$





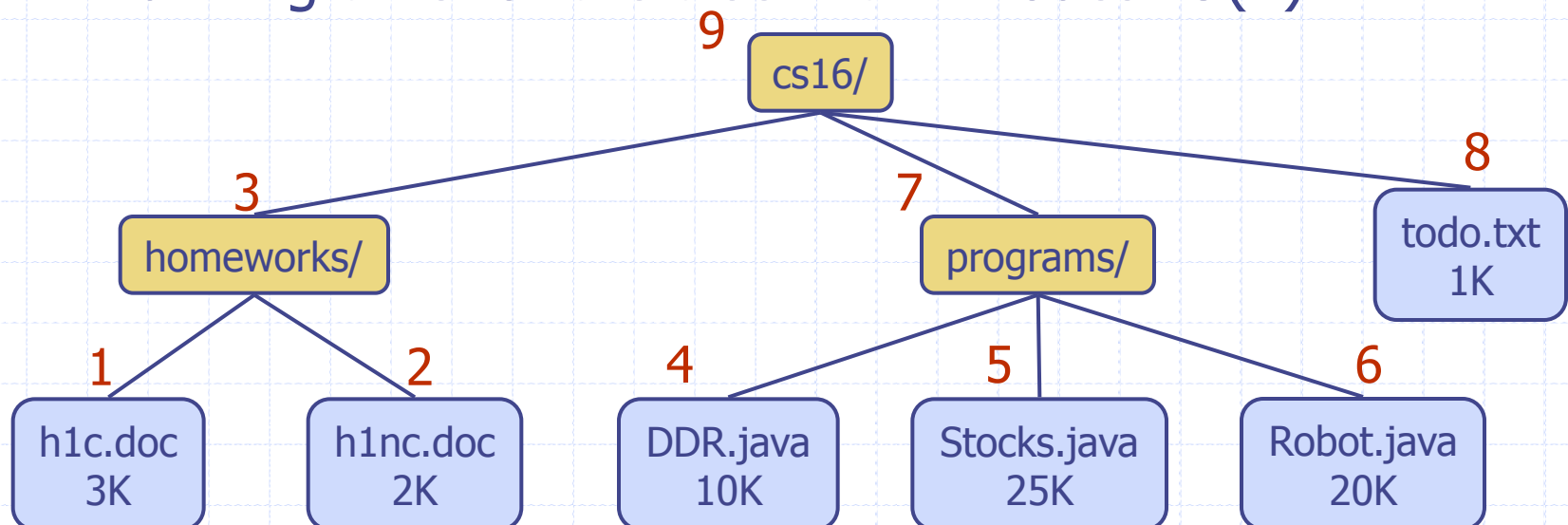
# Preorder Traversal

**Algorithm** *preOrder*( $T, v$ )  
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**for each** child  $w$  of  $v$  in  $T$   
*preorder* ( $T, w$ )



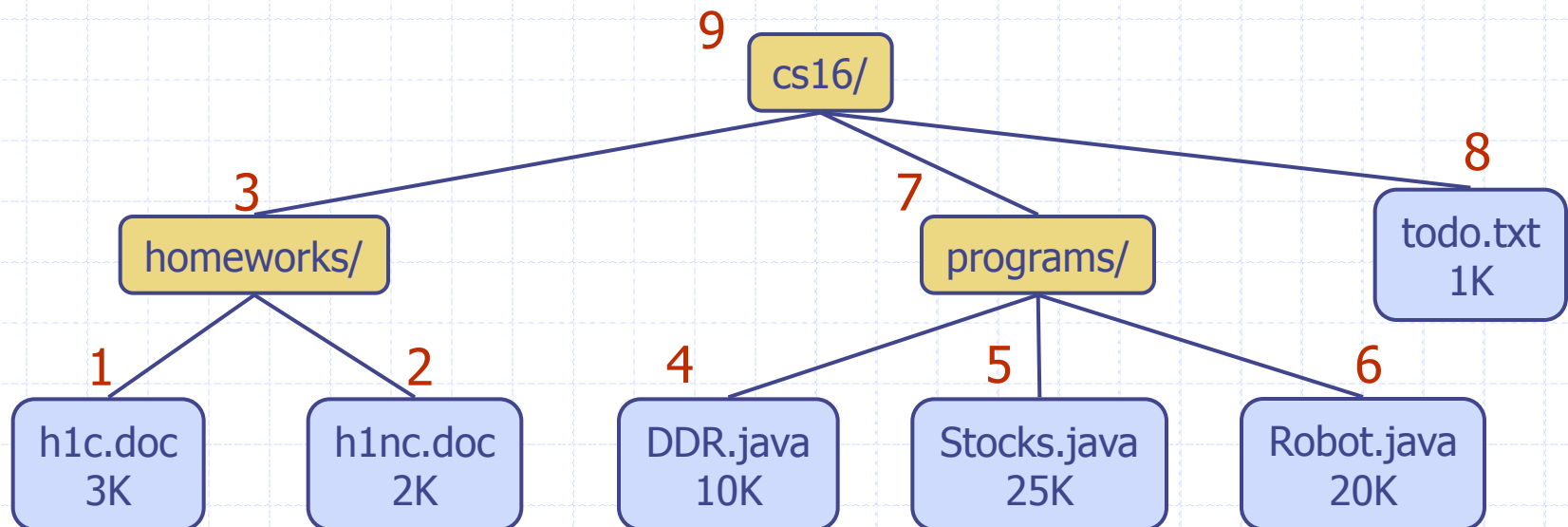
# Postorder Traversal

- In a postorder traversal, a node is visited after its descendants
- Application: compute space used by files in a directory and its subdirectories
- Running time for the tree with  $n$  nodes:  $O(n)$

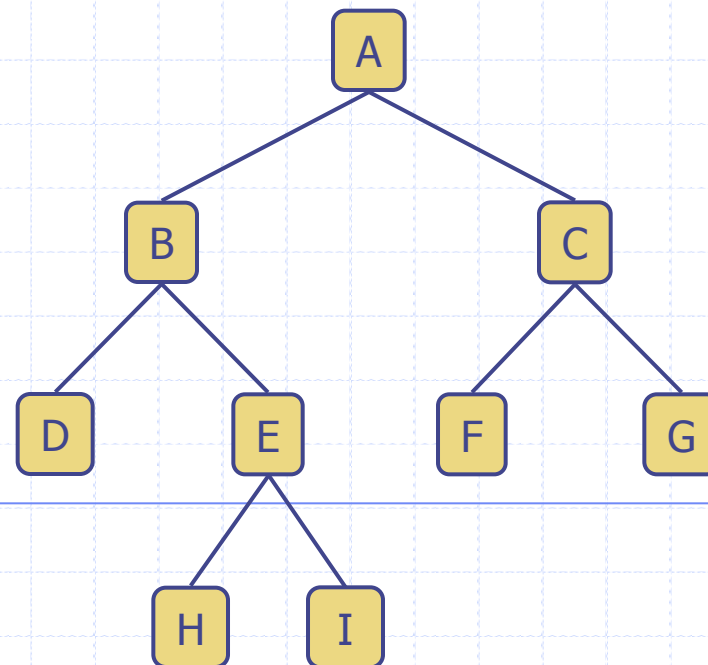


# Postorder Traversal

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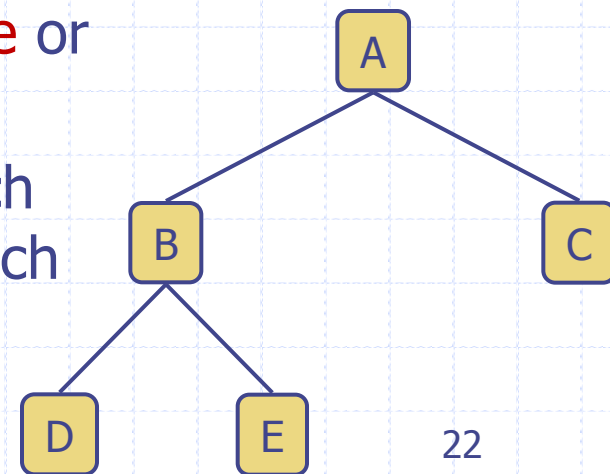


# Binary Trees



# Binary Trees – Definition

- A binary tree is an ordered tree with the following properties:
  - Each internal node has **at most two children**
  - Each child node is labeled as being either a **left child** or a **right child**
  - A left child precedes a right child in the ordering of children of a node
- The subtree rooted at a left or right child of an internal node  $v$  is called a **left subtree** or **right subtree**, respectively, of  $v$ .
- A binary tree is **proper** (a.k.a. full) if each node has either zero or two children. Each internal node has exactly two children.

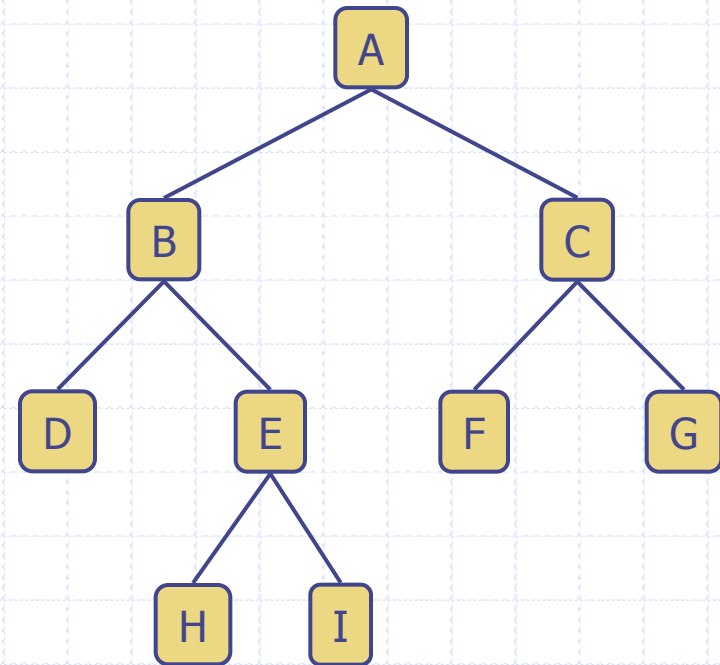


# Binary Trees – Recursive Def.

- A binary tree  $T$  is either empty or consists of
  - A node  $r$ , called the root of  $T$  and storing the element
  - A binary tree, called the left subtree of  $T$
  - A binary tree, called the right subtree of  $T$ .

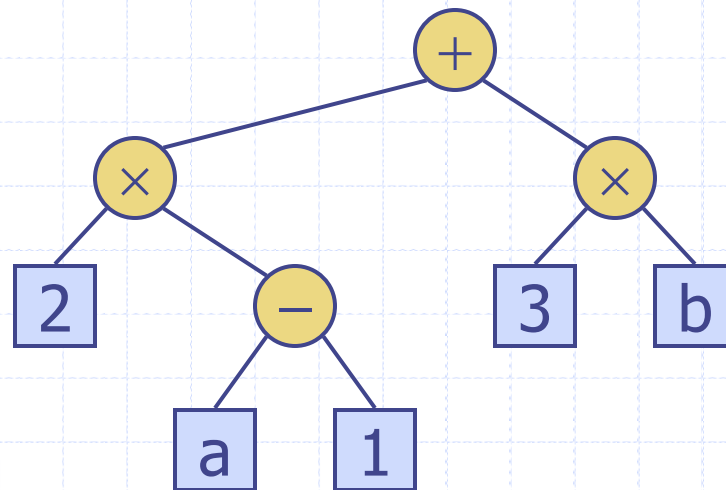
# Binary Trees – Applications

- Applications:
  - arithmetic expressions
  - decision processes
  - searching



# Arithmetic Expression Tree

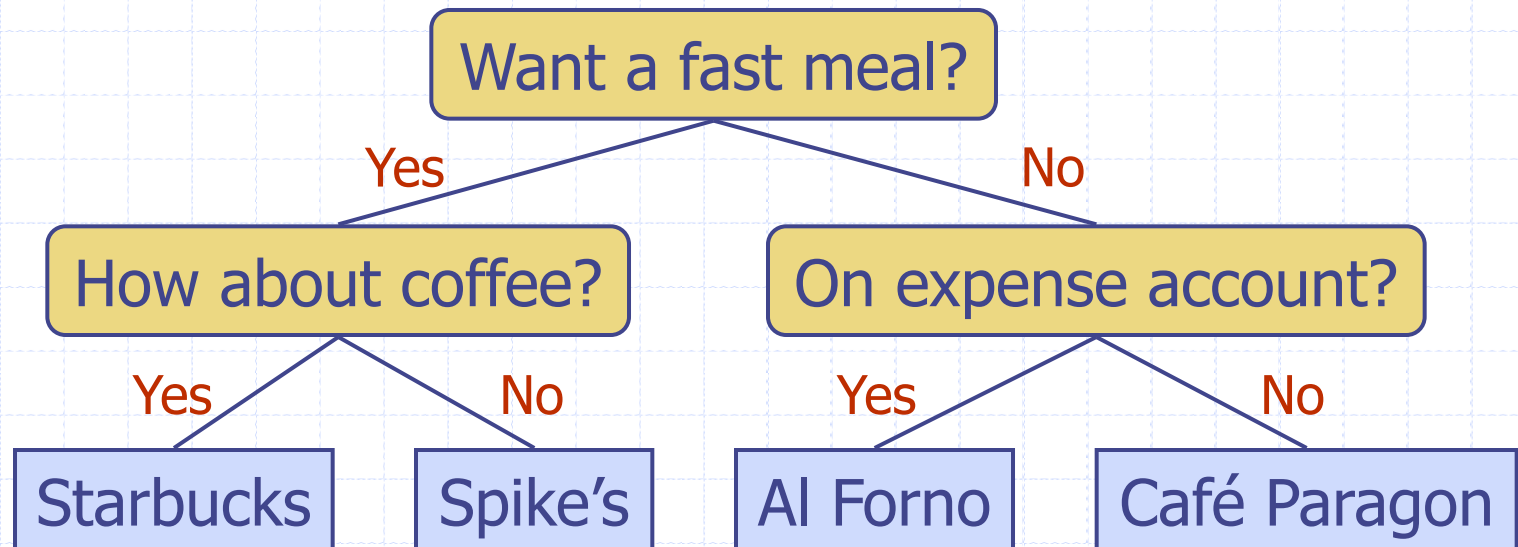
- Binary tree associated with an arithmetic expression
  - internal nodes: operators
  - external nodes: operands
- Example: arithmetic expression tree for the expression  $(2 \times (a - 1) + (3 \times b))$





# Decision Tree

- Binary tree associated with a decision process
  - internal nodes: questions with yes/no answer
  - external nodes: decisions
- Example: dining decision



# Properties of Binary Trees

## □ Notation

- $n$  – number of nodes
- $n_e$  – number of external nodes
- $n_i$  – number of internal nodes
- $h$  – height

## ◆ Properties:

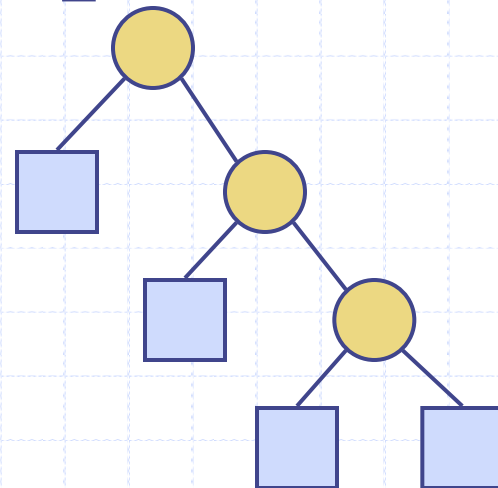
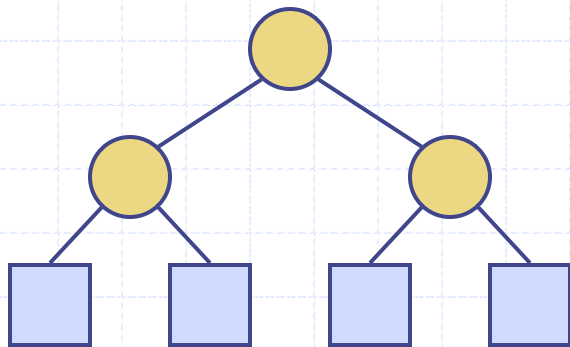
a)  $h+1 \leq n \leq 2^{h+1} - 1$

b)  $1 \leq n_e \leq 2^h$

c)  $h \leq n_i \leq 2^h - 1$

d)  $\log_2(n+1) - 1 \leq h \leq n-1$

For  $n \geq 1$



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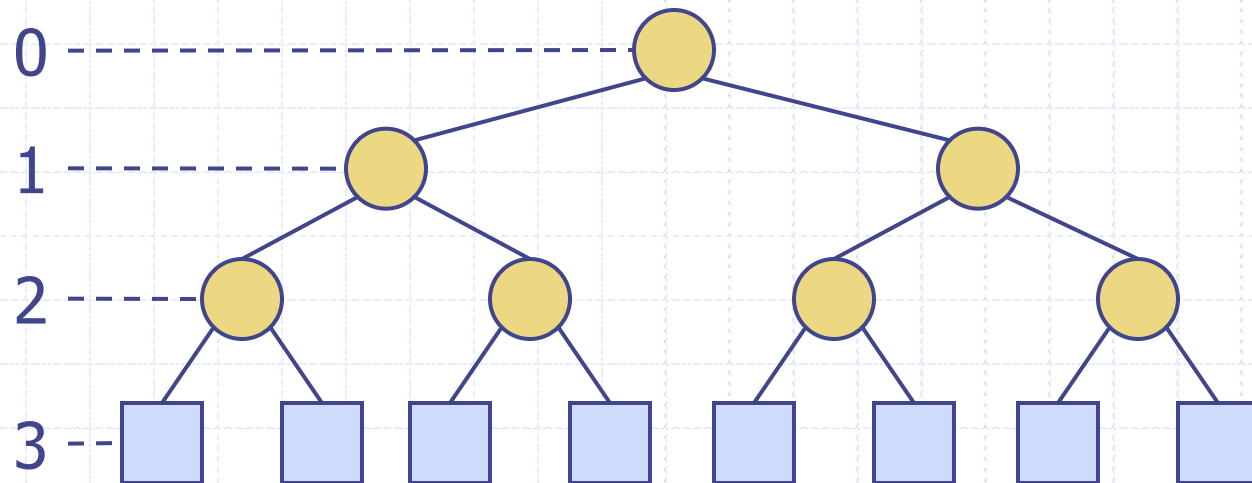
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For  $n \geq 1$

Height –  $h$



$h=3$   
 $n_e=8$   
 $n_i=7$   
 $n=15$

# Properties of Binary Trees

a)  $h+1 \leq n \leq 2^{h+1} - 1$

a)  $4 \leq 7 \leq 15$

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c)  $h \leq n_i \leq 2^h - 1$

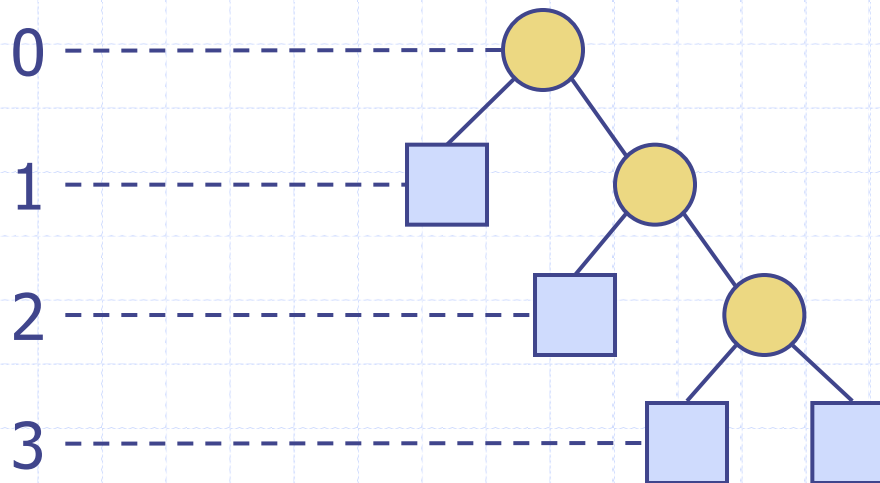
c)  $3 \leq 3 \leq 7$

d)  $\log_2(n+1) - 1 \leq h \leq n-1$

d)  $2 \leq 3 \leq 6$

For  $n \geq 1$

Height –  $h$



$h=3$   
 $n_e=4$   
 $n_i=3$   
 $n=7$

Trees

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For  $n \geq 1$

a)  $1 \leq 1 \leq 1$

b)  $1 \leq 1 \leq 1$

c)  $0 \leq 0 \leq 0$

d)  $0 \leq 0 \leq 0$

Height –  $h$

0



$h=0$

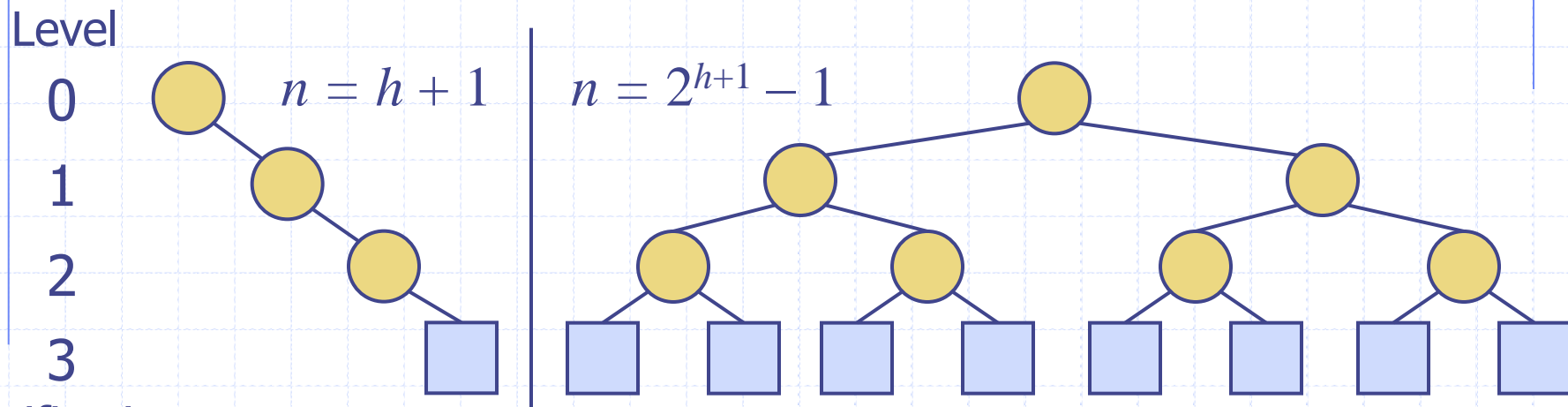
$n_e=1$

$n_i=0$

$n=1$

# Properties of Binary Trees

a) Let  $n \geq 1$  be the number of elements in a binary tree of height  $h$   
 $\geq 0$  then:  $h+1 \leq n \leq 2^{h+1} - 1$



## Justification

- We must have at least one element at each level  $0, 1, \dots, h$ , so  $n \geq h+1$
- At each level  $i$ , for  $i=0, 1, \dots, h$  there are at most  $2^i$  elements at this level, so we have:

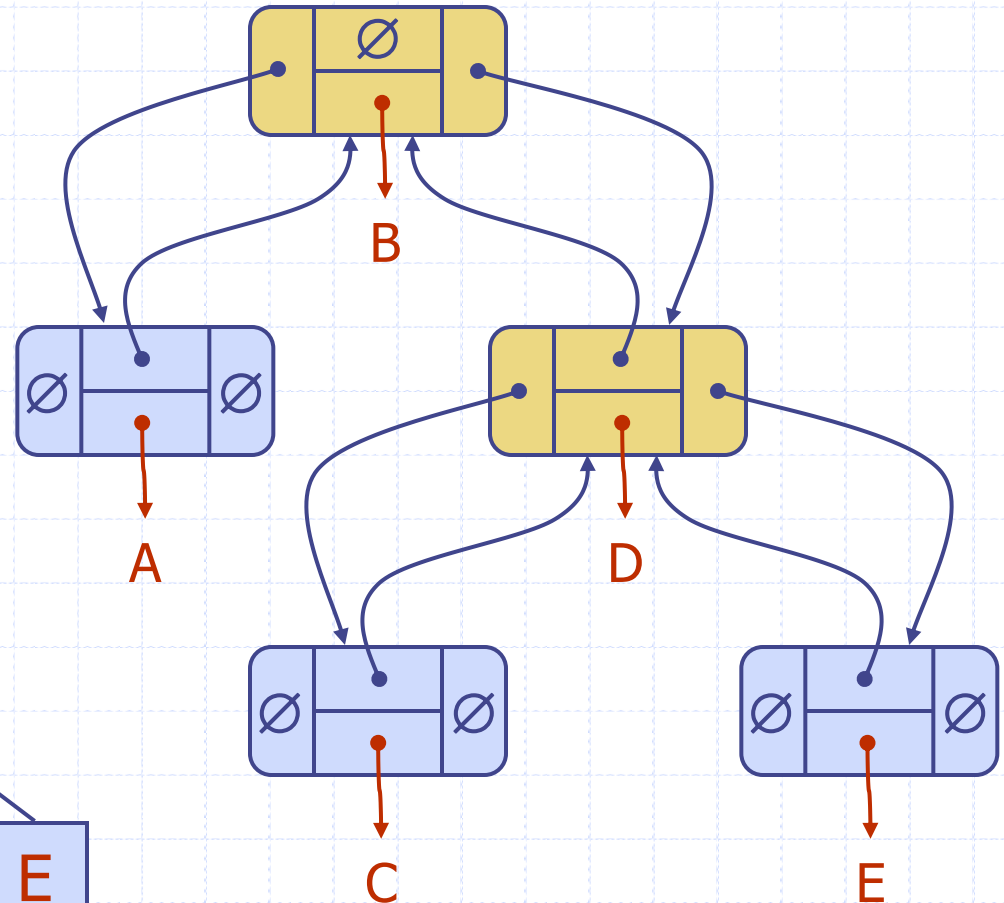
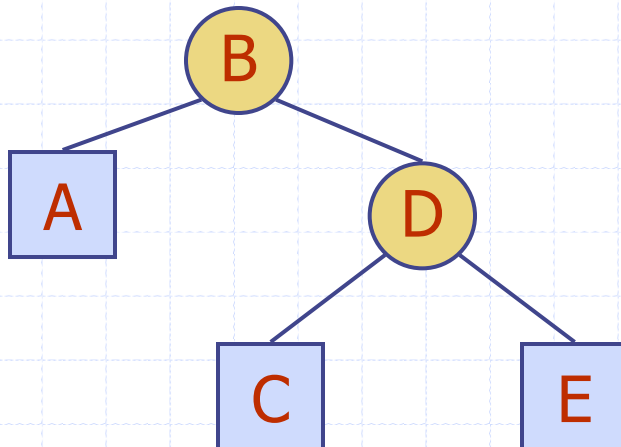
$$n \leq \sum_{i=0}^h 2^i = 1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^h = 1 \cdot \frac{1 - 2^{h+1}}{1 - 2} = 2^{h+1} - 1$$

# BinaryTree ADT

- The BinaryTree ADT extends the Tree ADT, i.e., it inherits all the methods of the Tree ADT
- Additional methods:
  - position **left**( $v$ ) – return the left child of  $v$ ;
  - position **right**( $v$ ) – return the right child of  $v$ ;
  - boolean **hasLeft**( $v$ ) – test whether  $v$  has a left child
  - boolean **hasRight**( $v$ ) – test whether  $v$  has a right child

# Linked Structure for Binary Trees

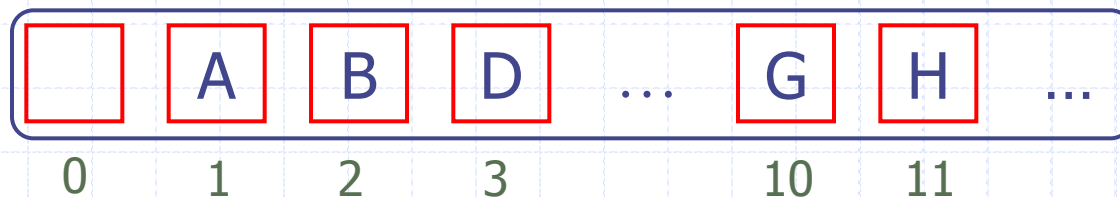
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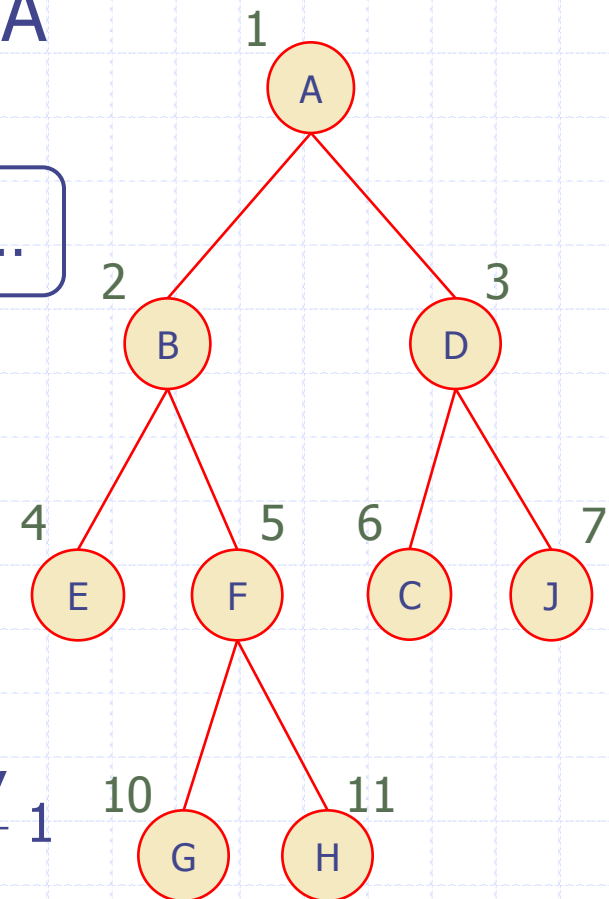


# Array-Based Representation of Binary Trees

- Nodes are stored in an array  $A$



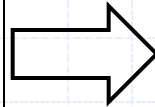
- Node  $v$  is stored at  $A[\text{rank}(v)]$ 
  - $\text{rank}(\text{root}) = 1$
  - if node is the left child of  $\text{parent}(\text{node})$ ,  
 $\text{rank}(\text{node}) = 2 \cdot \text{rank}(\text{parent}(\text{node}))$
  - if node is the right child of  $\text{parent}(\text{node})$ ,  
 $\text{rank}(\text{node}) = 2 \cdot \text{rank}(\text{parent}(\text{node})) + 1$



# Preorder Traversal

- The preorder traversal for general trees can be applied to any binary tree.
- However, the algorithm can be simplified:

**Algorithm** *preOrder*( $T, v$ )  
    *visit*( $v$ )  
    **for each** child  $w$  of  $v$  in  $T$   
        *preorder* ( $T, w$ )

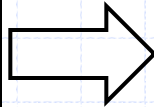


**Algorithm** *binaryPreorder*( $T, v$ )  
    *visit*( $v$ )  
    **if** *hasLeft* ( $v$ ) **then**  
        *binaryPreorder*( $T, \text{left}(v)$ )  
    **if** *hasRight* ( $v$ ) **then**  
        *binaryPreorder*( $T, \text{right}(v)$ )  
    c

# Postorder Traversal

- The postorder traversal for general trees can be applied to any binary tree.
- However, the algorithm can be simplified:

**Algorithm** *postOrder*( $T, v$ )  
  **for each** child  $w$  of  $v$  in  $T$   
    *postOrder* ( $T, w$ )  
  *visit*( $v$ )



**Algorithm** *binaryPostorder*( $T, v$ )  
  **if** *hasLeft* ( $v$ ) **then**  
    *binaryPostorder*( $T, \text{left}(v)$ )  
  **if** *hasRight* ( $v$ ) **then**  
    *binaryPostorder*( $T, \text{right}(v)$ )  
  *visit*( $v$ )

# Inorder Traversal

- In an inorder traversal a node is visited after its left subtree and before its right subtree
- Application: draw a binary tree
  - $x(v)$  = inorder rank of  $v$
  - $y(v)$  = depth of  $v$

**Algorithm** *inOrder*( $T, v$ )

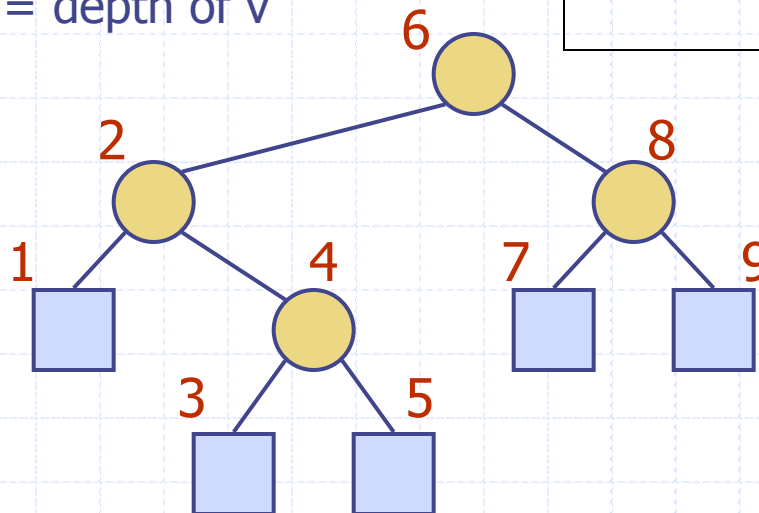
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*inOrder* ( $T, \text{left}(v)$ )

*visit*( $v$ )

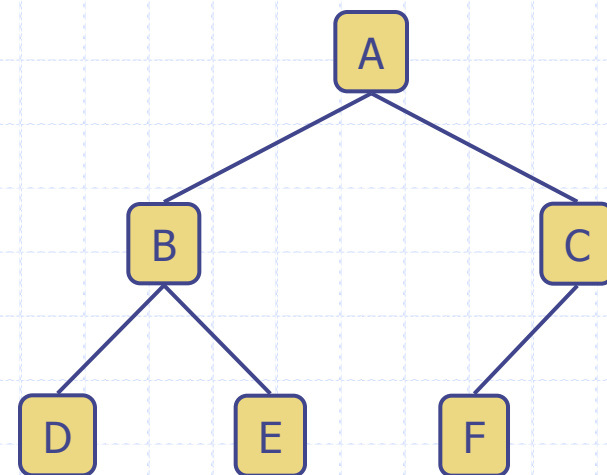
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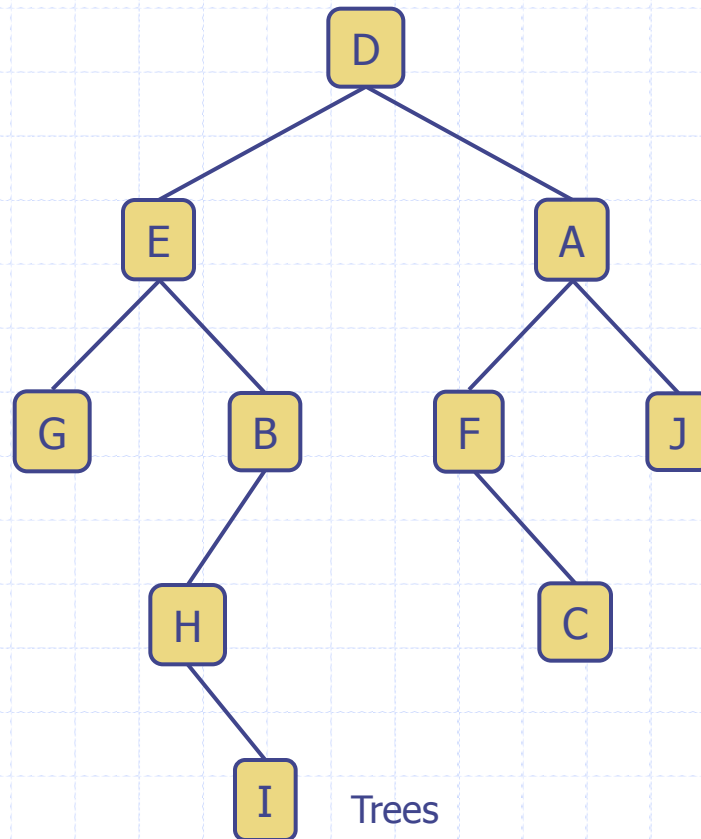
# Binary Tree Traversals – To sum up

- Basic operations of the Binary Tree data structure are systematic traversals of the nodes of the tree.
- The common ways of traverse a binary tree are:
  - Preorder: Visit-Left-Right
  - Inorder: Left-Visit-Right
  - Postorder: Left-Right-Visit
- Example
  - Preorder: A [left] [right] = A B D E C F
  - Inorder: [left] A [right] = D B E A F C
  - Postorder: [left] [right] A = D E B F C A
- See also:
  - <http://www.khanacademy.org/cs/depth-first-traversals-of-binary-trees/934024358>



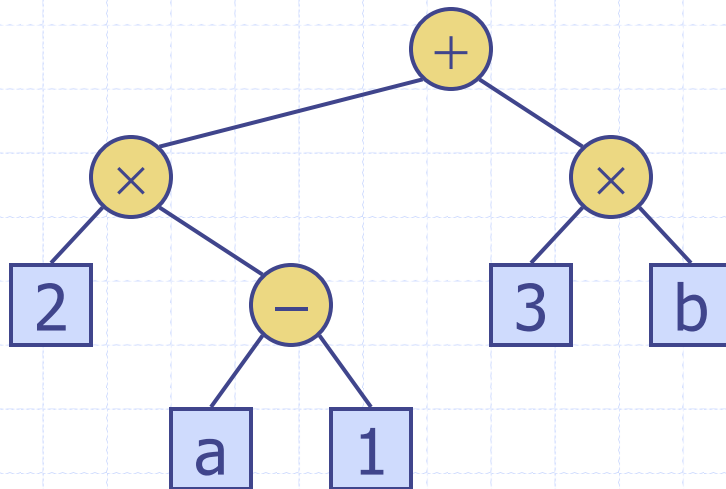
## Exercise 2 – Binary tree traversals

- List the nodes of the following binary tree in preorder, postorder and inorder traversals.



# Print Arithmetic Expressions

- Specialization of an inorder traversal
  - print operand or operator when visiting node
  - print "(" before traversing left subtree
  - print ")" after traversing right subtree



**Algorithm** *printExpression*( $T, v$ )

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if hasLeft ( $v$ )
    print "("
    inOrder ( $T, \text{left}(v)$ )
    print( $v.\text{element}$  ())
if hasRight ( $v$ )
    inOrder ( $T, \text{right}(v)$ )
    print ")"
  
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$((2 \times (a - 1)) + (3 \times b))$

# Evaluate Arithmetic Expressions

- Specialization of a postorder traversal
  - recursive method returning the value of a subtree
  - when visiting an internal node, combine the values of the subtrees

**Algorithm** *evalExpr*(*T*, *v*)

**if** *isExternal* (*v*)

**return** *v.element* ()

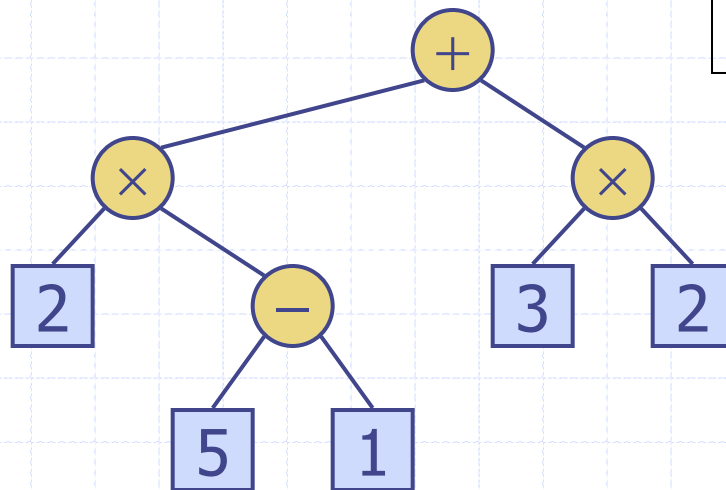
**else**

*x* ← *evalExpr*(*T*, *leftChild* (*v*))

*y* ← *evalExpr*(*T*, *rightChild* (*v*))

    ◇ ← operator stored at *v*

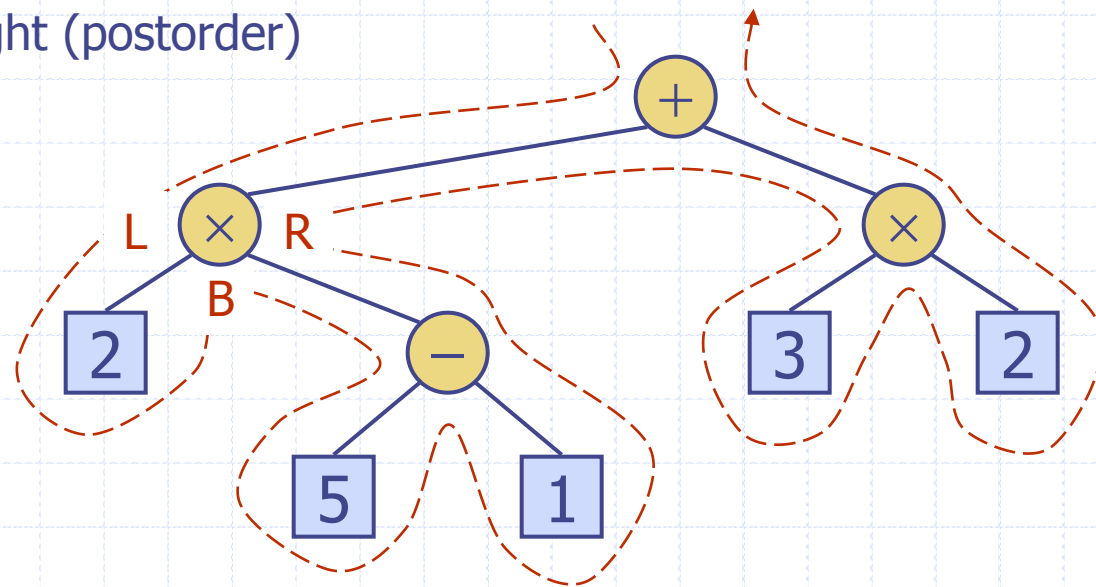
**return** *x* ◇ *y*



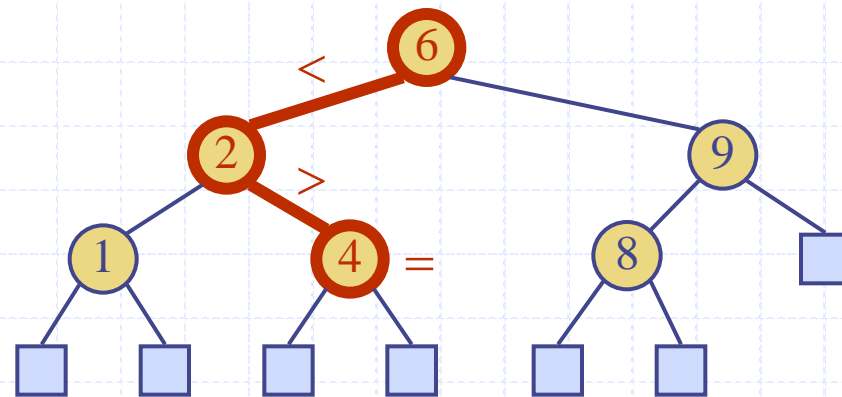


# Euler Tour Traversal

- ❑ Generic traversal of a binary tree
- ❑ Includes a special cases the preorder, postorder and inorder traversals
- ❑ Walk around the tree and visit each node three times:
  - on the left (preorder)
  - from below (inorder)
  - on the right (postorder)

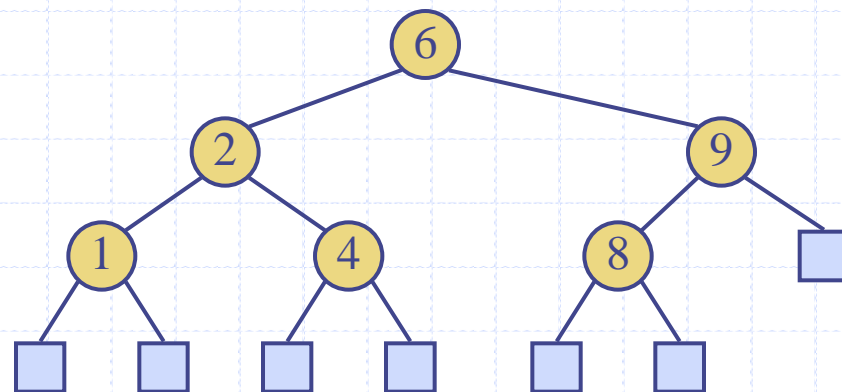


# Binary Search Trees



# Binary Search Trees

- A binary search tree is a binary tree storing keys (or key-value entries) at its internal nodes and satisfying the following property:
  - Let  $u$ ,  $v$ , and  $w$  be three nodes such that  $u$  is in the left subtree of  $v$  and  $w$  is in the right subtree of  $v$ . We have  $key(u) \leq key(v) \leq key(w)$
- An inorder traversal of a binary search tree visits the keys in increasing order
- External nodes do not store items

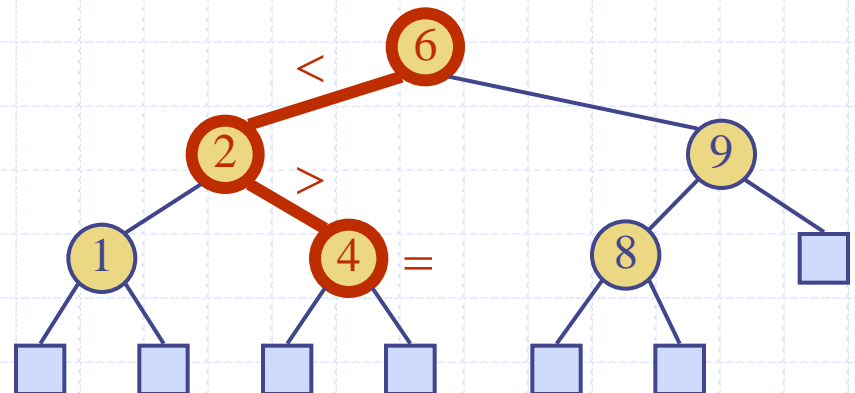


# Search

- To search for a key  $k$ , we trace a downward path starting at the root
- The next node visited depends on the comparison of  $k$  with the key of the current node
- If we reach a leaf, the key is not found
- Example:  
TreeSearch(4, root)

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Algorithm TreeSearch( $k, v$ )
  if isExternal ( $v$ )
    return  $v$ 
  if  $k < \text{key}(v)$ 
    return TreeSearch( $k, \text{left}(v)$ )
  else if  $k = \text{key}(v)$ 
    return  $v$ 
  else {  $k > \text{key}(v)$  }
    return TreeSearch( $k, \text{right}(v)$ )
  
```



## Exercise 3 – Binary search tree

- Represent the below array as a binary search tree and show the execution of *TreeSearch* algorithm.
- Give the set of steps that have to be performed in order to find element “Paul” in an ordered array presented below

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Iain	Beryl	Otto	Anne	George	Janet	Paul	Rachel