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a) We prove the following statement by structural induction on T , the root of a tree.

STATEMENT $S(T)$: Calling **preorder** on a tree T prints the labels of T in preorder.

BASIS. The basis is where T is a single node. Then line (1) prints the label of T , line (2) gets the leftmost child which is NULL, and thus line (3) fails, stopping execution of **preorder**.

INDUCTION. Suppose T is not a leaf. Then T has at least one child. Assume by the inductive hypothesis that **preorder** prints the labels of the children of T in preorder. Clearly the label of the root of T is printed by line (1). This proves the inductive step. We conclude that $S(T)$ is true for all labeled trees T . ♦

b) We prove the following statement by structural induction on T , the root of a tree.

STATEMENT $S(T)$: Calling **postorder** on a tree T prints the labels of T in postorder.

BASIS. Consider when T is a leaf. Line (1) assigns c and line (2) fails. All that is left is for line (5) to print the label of T .

INDUCTION. Suppose T is not a leaf. Then T has at least one child. Assume by the inductive hypothesis that **postorder** prints the labels of the children of T in postorder. After the labels of the children of T have been printed, then lastly on line (5), the label of the root of T is printed. This is the correct behavior for postorder, and proves the inductive step. Therefore $S(T)$ holds for all labeled trees T . ♦

2. We prove the following statement by induction on n , the number of nodes a tree has.

STATEMENT $S(n)$: If a tree T has n nodes with each having a branching factor b , then there are $1 + (b - 1)n$ NULL pointers among its nodes.

BASIS. Suppose $n = 1$. Then T is a leaf. Thus there are $1 + (b - 1)1 = b$ NULL pointers in the root of T .

INDUCTION. Suppose $n \geq 1$. Consider that T has $n + 1$ nodes. Thus T has at least one child. Assume by the inductive hypothesis that all but one leaf of T , that being n nodes, together have $1 + (b - 1)n$ NULL pointers among them. Therefore all the nodes of T have a total of $1 + (b - 1)(n + 1) = b(n + 1) - n$ NULL pointers. This proves the inductive step. We conclude that $S(n)$ holds. ♦

3. We prove the following statement by structural induction on T , the root of a tree.

STATEMENT $S(T)$: The number of nodes in T is 1 more than the sum of the degrees of the nodes.

BASIS. Suppose T has only one node, the root. The degree of the root is 0. Thus the number of nodes in T is 1.

INDUCTION. Suppose the root of T has children. Let n be the root of T . Let c_i for $1 \leq i \leq k$ be the children of n . By the inductive hypothesis we know that the

number of nodes in T is 1 more than the sum of the degrees of the nodes in T . The number of nodes in T is 1 more than the sum of the number of nodes in each c_i . The sum of the degrees of all the nodes in T is the sum of the degrees of all c_i plus the degree of n .