

# Tree Structures and Tree Traversals

Readings - Chapter 8

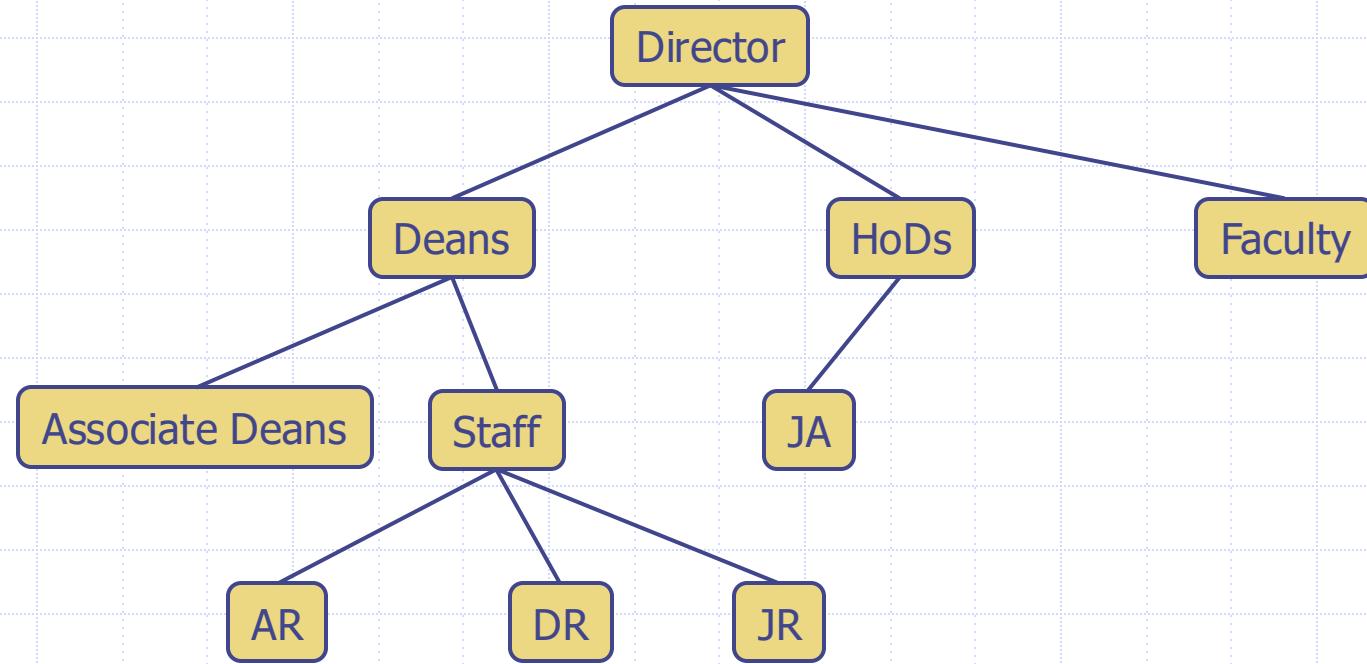
# Trees

- Abstract model of a hierarchical structure
- A tree consists of nodes with a parent-child relation



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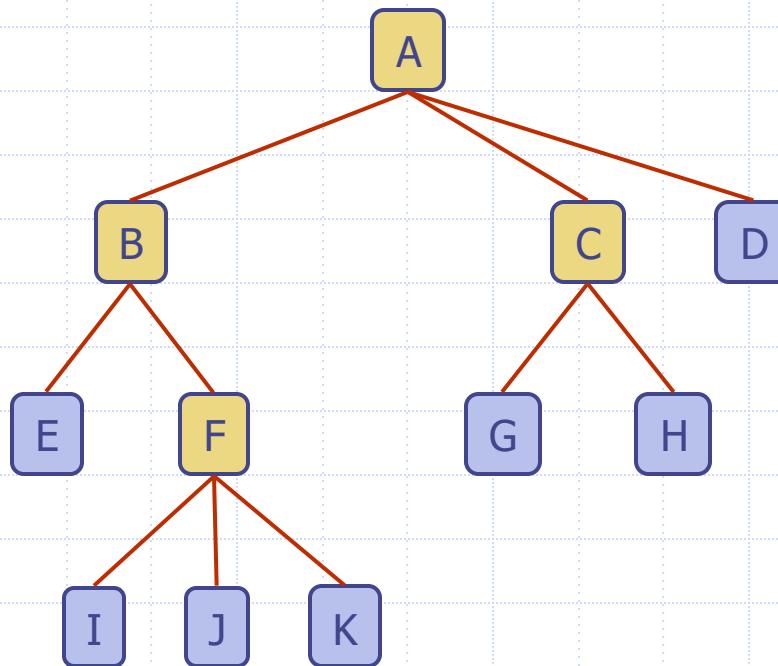
# Trees - Examples



organization structure of a corporation

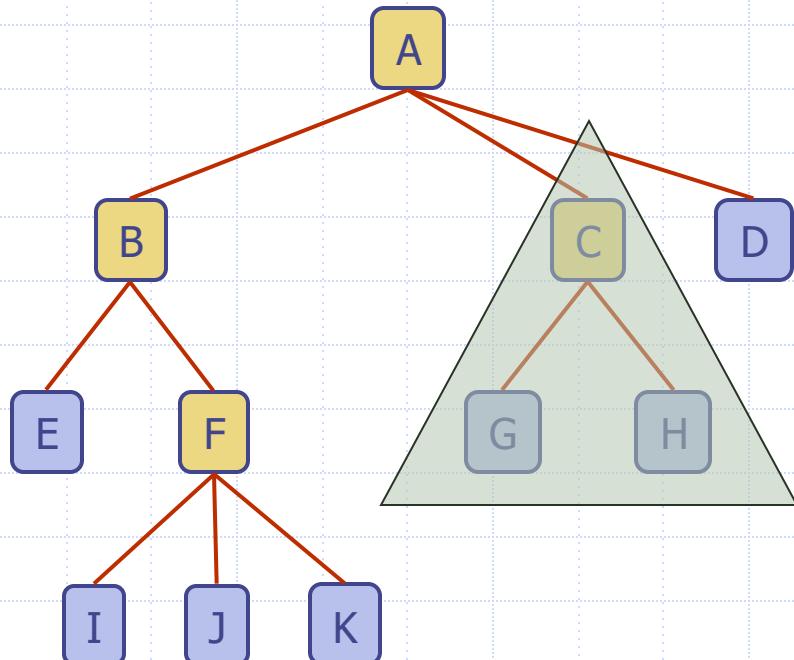
# Trees - Terminology

- *A* is the *root* node
- *B* is *parent* of *E* and *F*
- *A* is *ancestor* of *E* and *F*
- *E* and *F* are *descendants* of *A*
- *C* is the *sibling* of *B*
- *E* and *F* are *children* of *B*
- *E*, *I*, *J*, *K*, *G*, *H*, and *D* are *leaves*
- *A*, *B*, *C*, and *F* are *internal nodes*



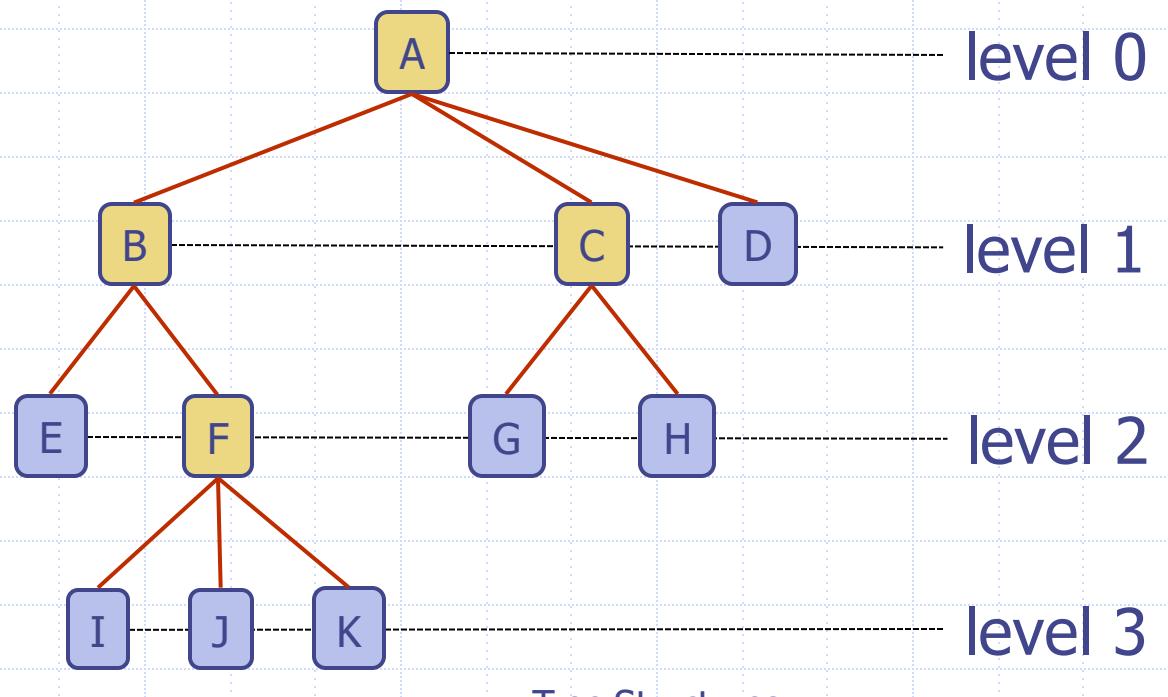
# Trees - Terminology (2)

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- ❑ *Subtree*: tree consisting of node and its descendants



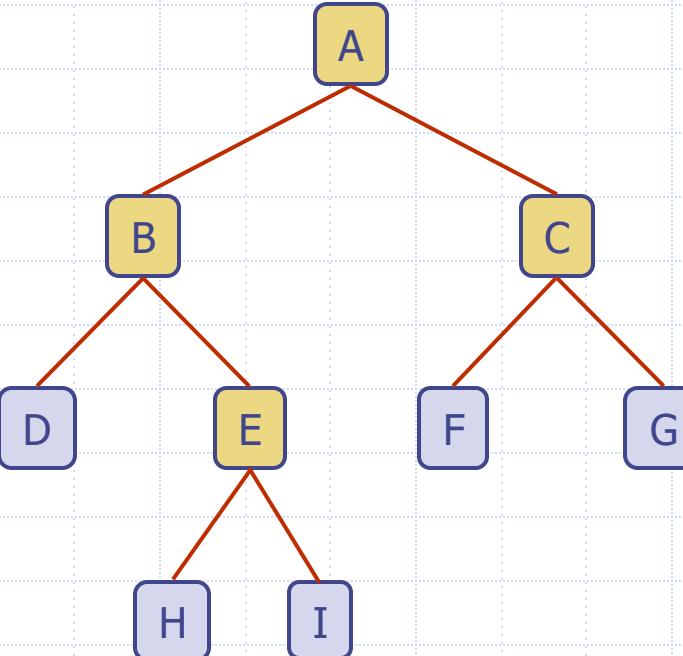
# Trees - Terminology (3)

- The *depth (level)* of E is 2
- The *height* of the tree is 3
- The *degree* of node F is 3



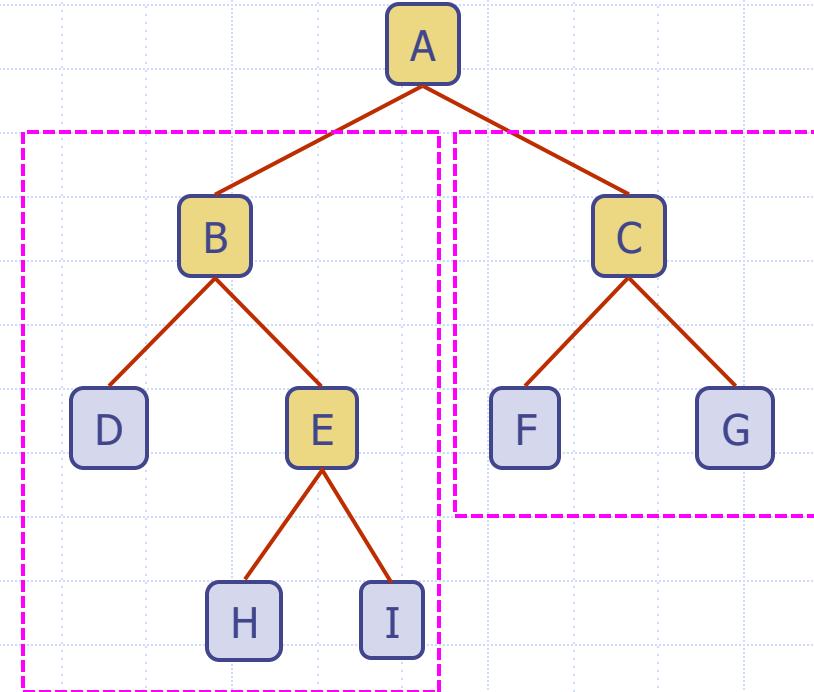
# Binary Trees

- An **ordered tree** is one in which the children of each node are ordered
- **Binary tree:** ordered tree with all nodes having at most 2 children
  - left child and right child



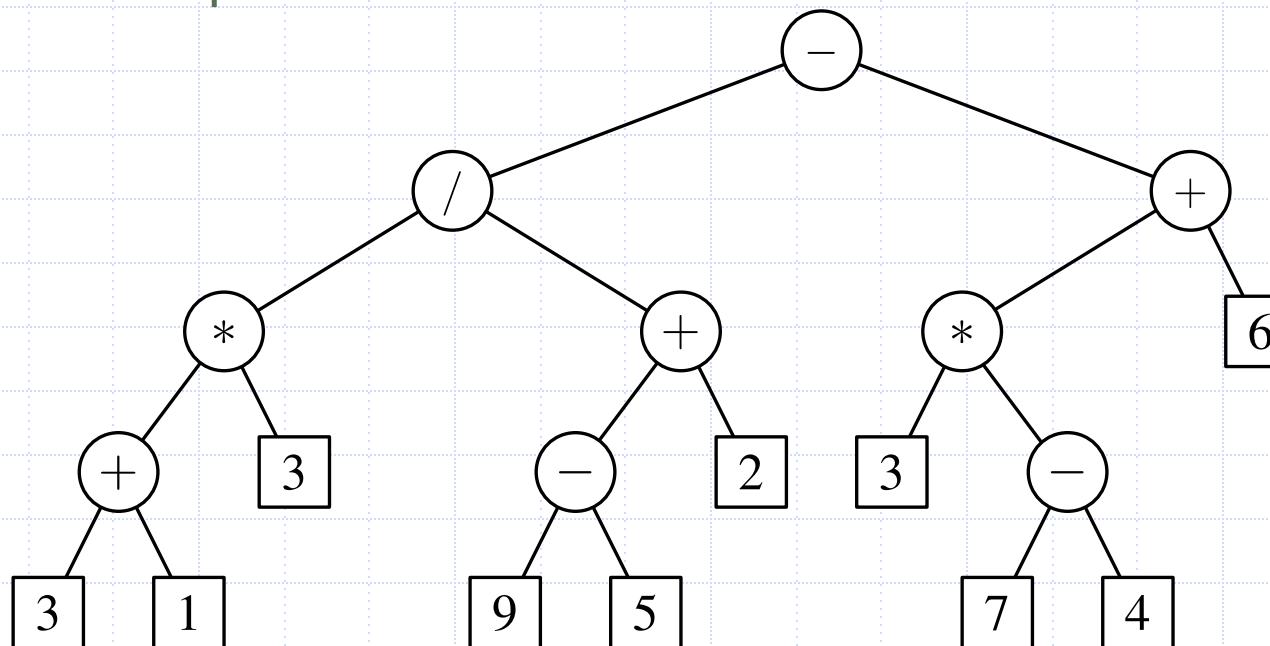
# Binary Trees

- Recursive definition of binary tree
  - either a leaf or
  - an internal node (the root) and one/two binary trees (left subtree and/or right subtree)



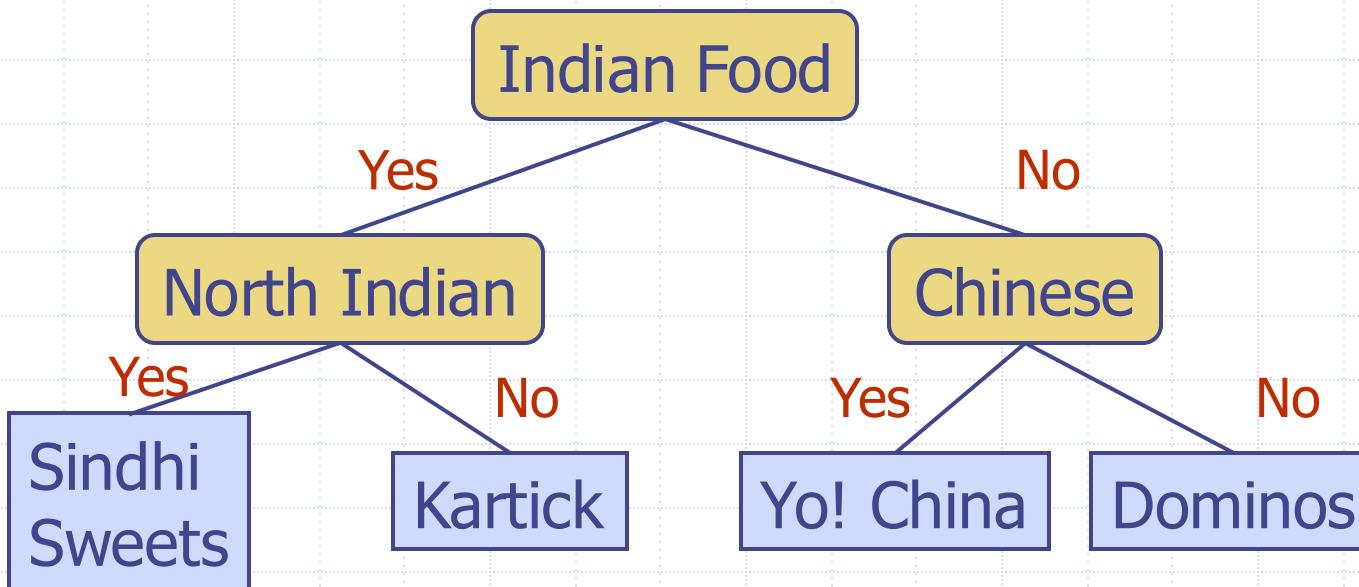
# Example of Binary Trees - Arithmetic Expression Tree

- Binary tree associated with an arithmetic expression
  - internal nodes: operators
  - external nodes: operands


$$(((3 + 1) * 3) / (9 - 5) + 2)) - ((3 * (7 - 4)) + 6))$$

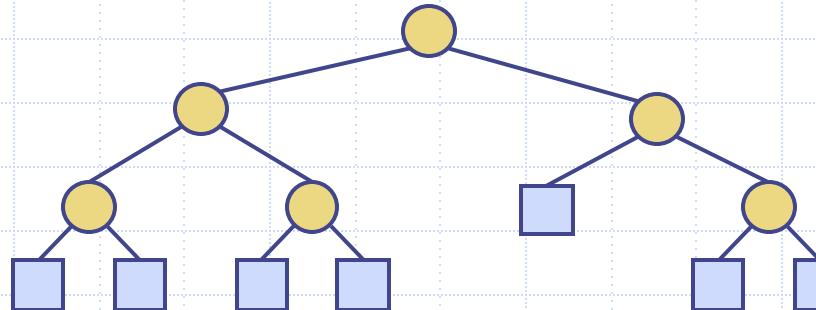
# Example of Binary Trees - Decision Tree

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

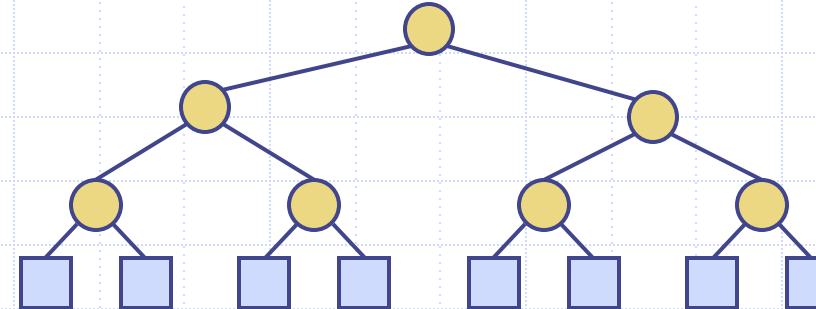


# Proper, Full, Complete Binary Trees

- Proper/Full - Every node has either zero or two children

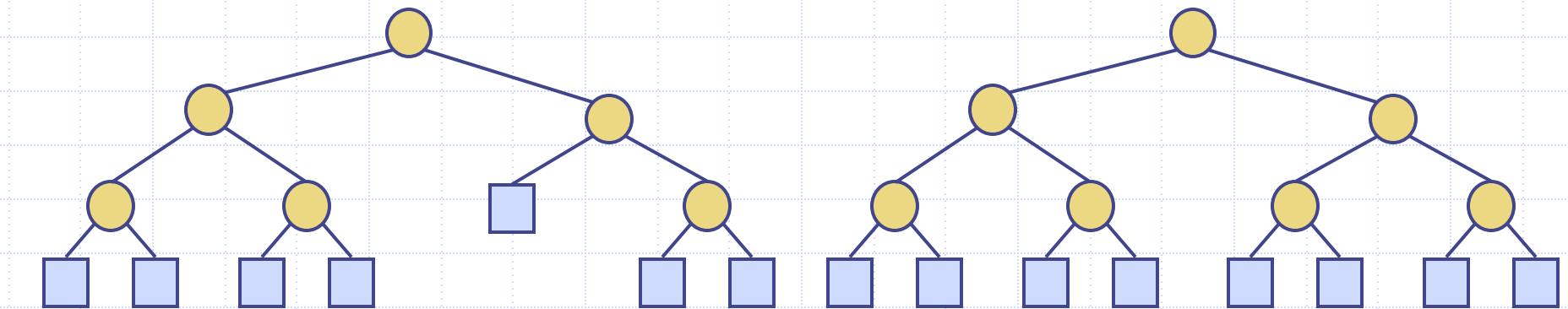


- Complete - every level except possibly the last is completely filled and all leaf nodes are as left as possible.



# Binary tree from a complete binary tree

- A binary tree can be obtained from appropriate complete binary tree by pruning.



# Properties of a Binary Tree

## □ Notations

- $n$  - number of nodes
- $n_E$  - number of leaves (external nodes)
- $n_I$  - number of internal nodes
- $h$  - height of the tree

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

$$\square 1 \leq n_E \leq 2^h$$

$$\square h \leq n_I \leq 2^h - 1$$

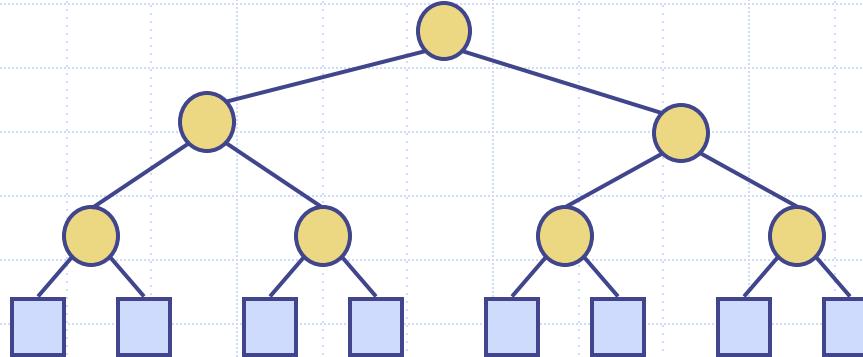
$$\square \log(n+1) - 1 \leq h \leq n-1$$

# Properties of Binary Trees (2)

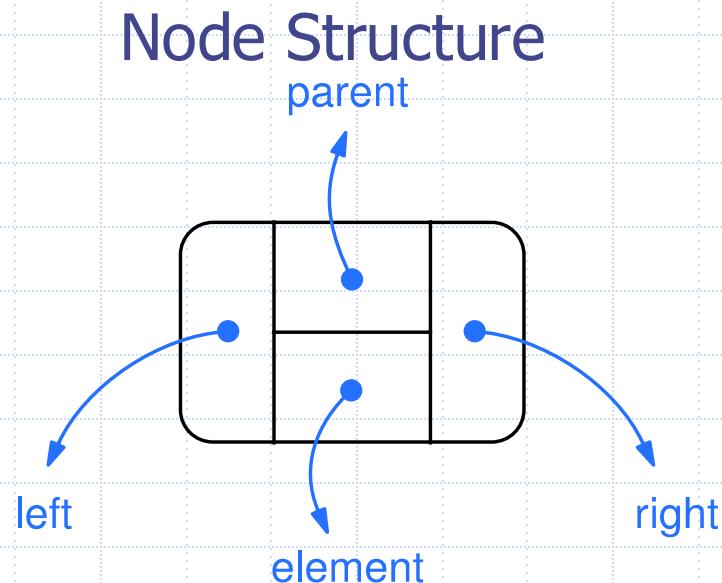
- $n_E \leq n_I + 1$
- proof by induction on  $n_I$ 
  - Tree with 1 node has a leaf but no internal node
  - Assume  $n_E \leq n_I + 1$  for tree with  $k-1$  internal nodes
  - A tree with  $k$  internal nodes has  $k_1$  internal nodes in the left subtree and  $k-k_1-1$  internal nodes in the right subtree
  - By induction  $n_E \leq (k_1+1) + (k-k_1-1+1) = k+1$

# Complete Binary Tree

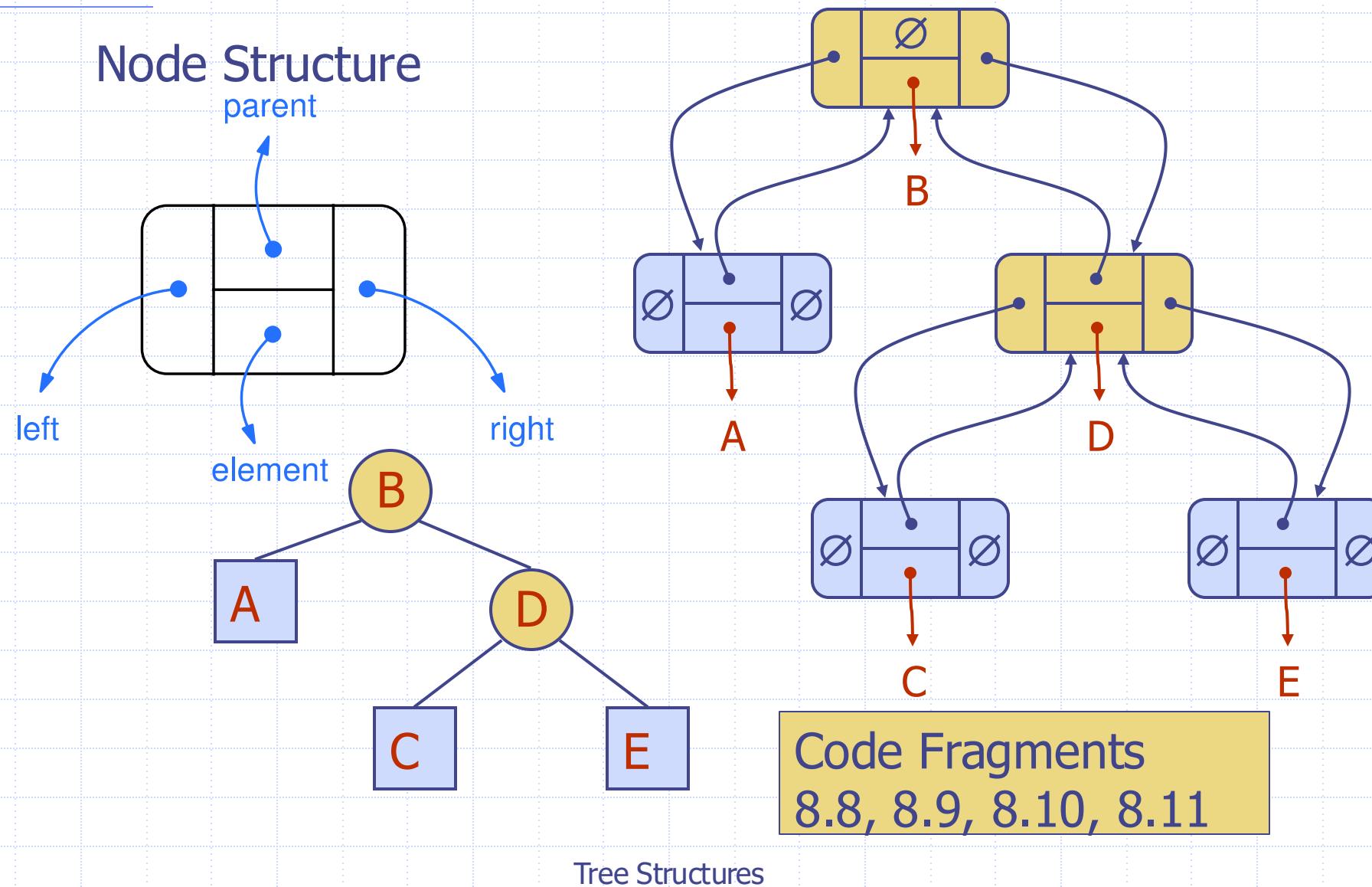
- level  $i$  has  $2^i$  nodes
- In a tree of height  $h$ 
  - leaves are at level  $h$
  - $n_E = 2^h$
  - $n_I = 1 + 2 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{h-1} = 2^h - 1$
  - $n_I = n_E - 1$
  - $n = 2^{h+1} - 1$
- In a tree of  $n$  nodes
  - $n_E$  is  $(n+1)/2$
  - $h = \log_2 (n_E)$



# Linked Structure for Binary Trees



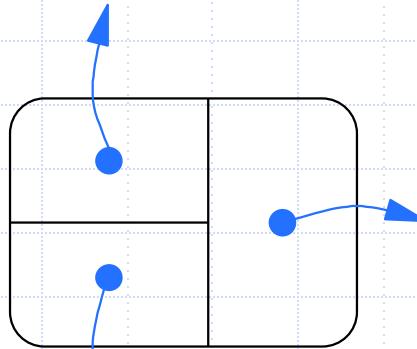
# Linked Structure for Binary Trees



# Linked Structure for General Trees

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parent



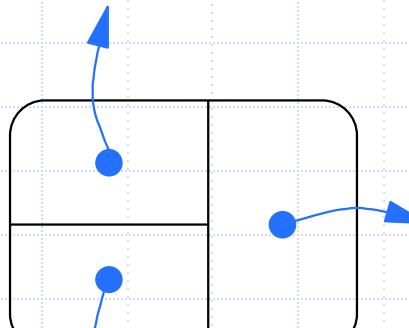
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children

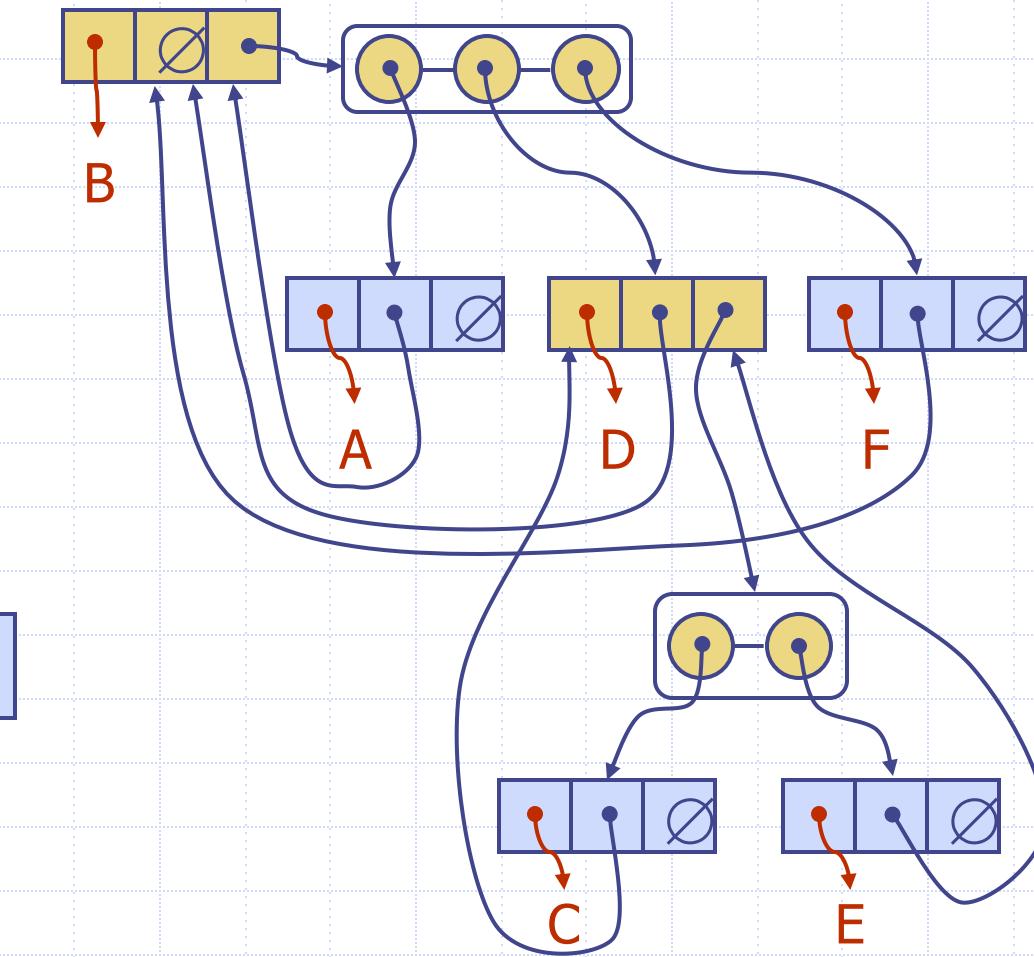
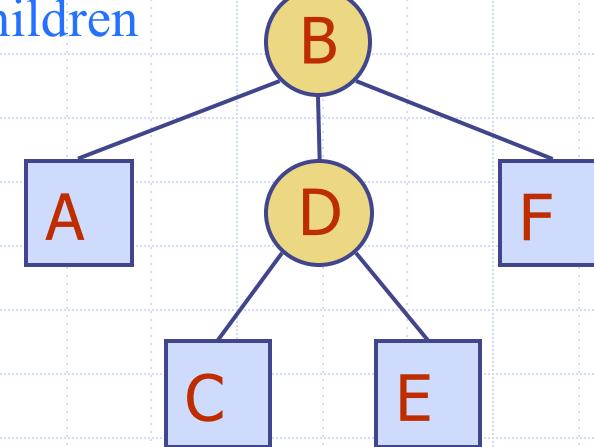
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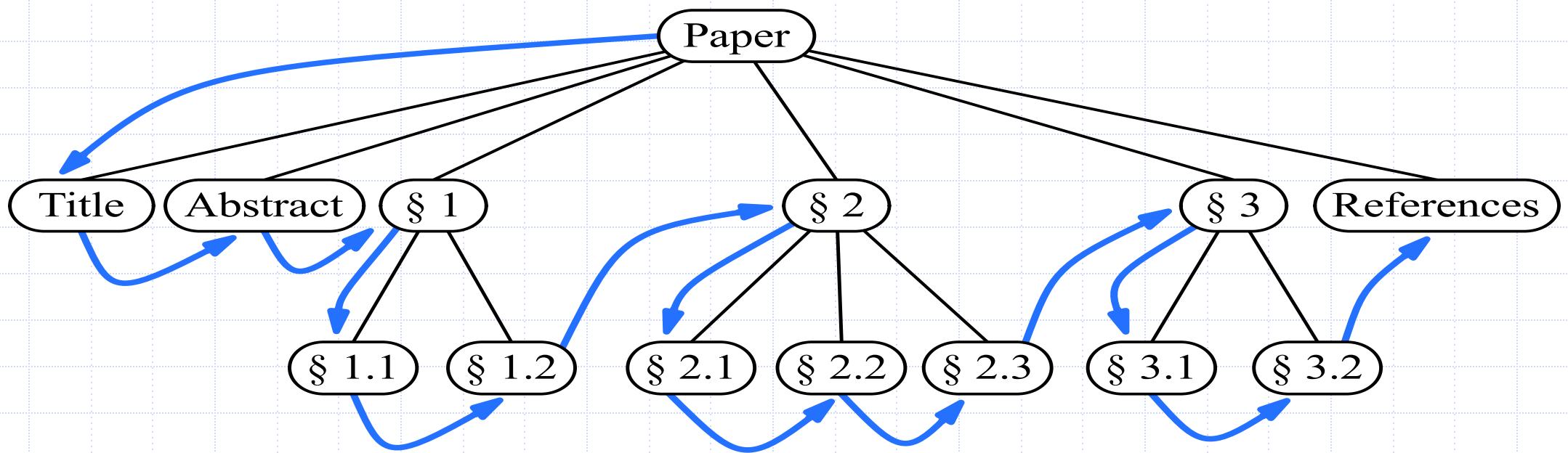


Tree Structures

# Tree Traversals

- Systematic way of visiting all nodes in a tree in a specified order
  - preorder - processes each node before processing its children
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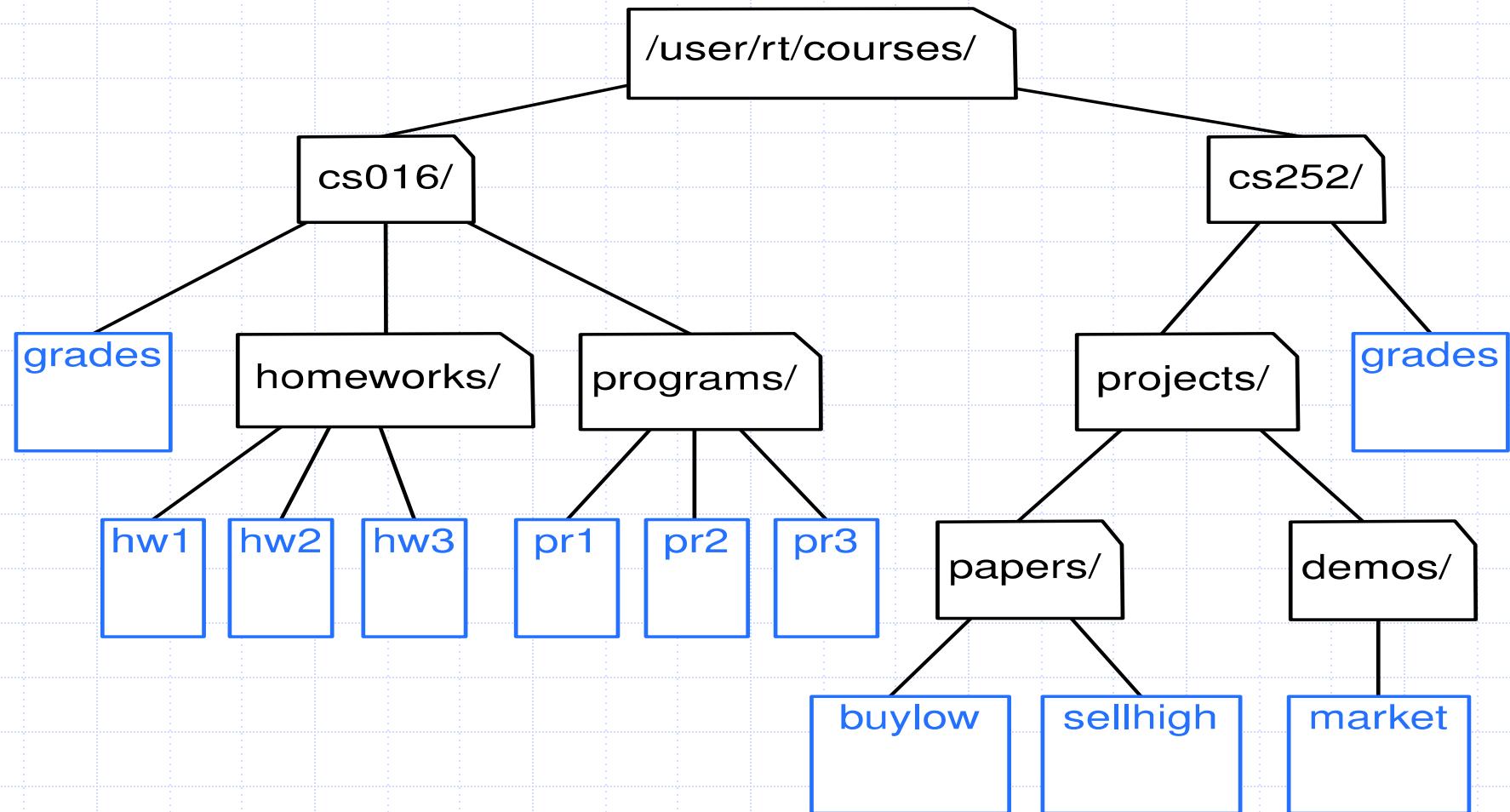
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# Preorder Traversal - Algorithm

- Algorithm preorder( $p$ )
  - perform the “visit” action for position  $p$
  - for each child  $c$  in  $\text{children}(p)$  do
    - ◆  $\text{preorder}(c)$
- Example:
  - reading a document from beginning to end

# Postorder Traversal



# Postorder Traversal - Algorithm

- Algorithm postorder( $p$ )
  - for each child  $c$  in  $\text{children}(p)$  do
    - ◆  $\text{postorder}(c)$
  - perform the “visit” action for position  $p$
- Example
  - `du` - disk usage command in Unix

# Traversals of Binary Trees

- **preorder(v)**

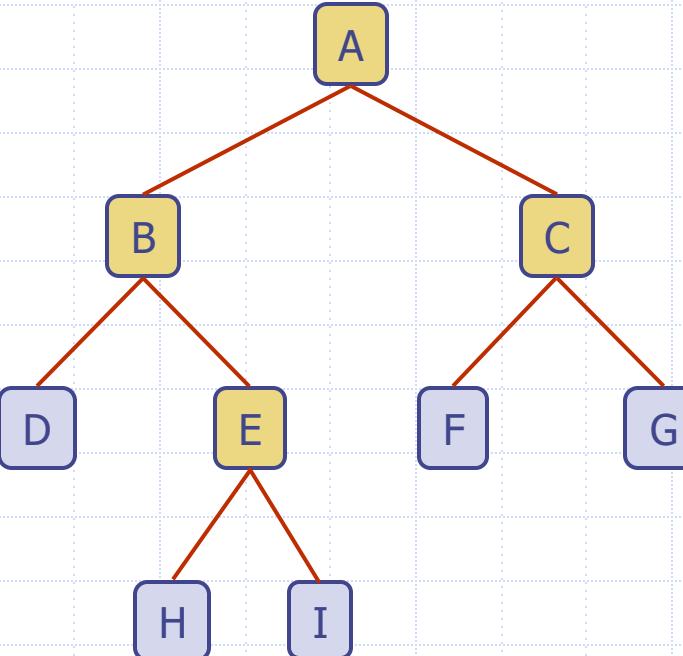
- visit(v)
- preorder(v.leftchild())
- preorder(v.rightchild())

- **postorder(v)**

- postorder(v.leftchild())
- postorder(v.rightchild())
- visit(v)

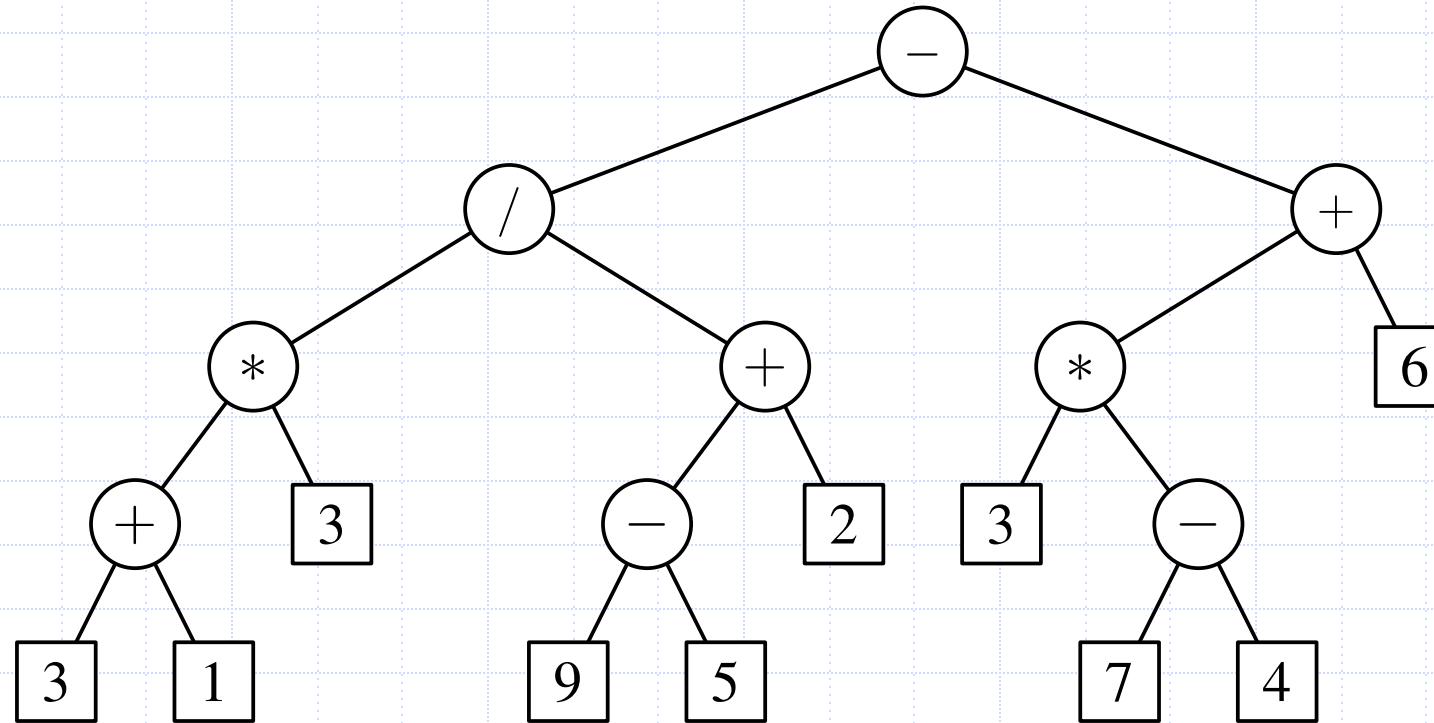
# More Examples of Traversals

- Visit - printing the data in the node
- Preorder traversal
  - a b d e h i c f g
- Postorder traversal
  - d h i e b f g c a



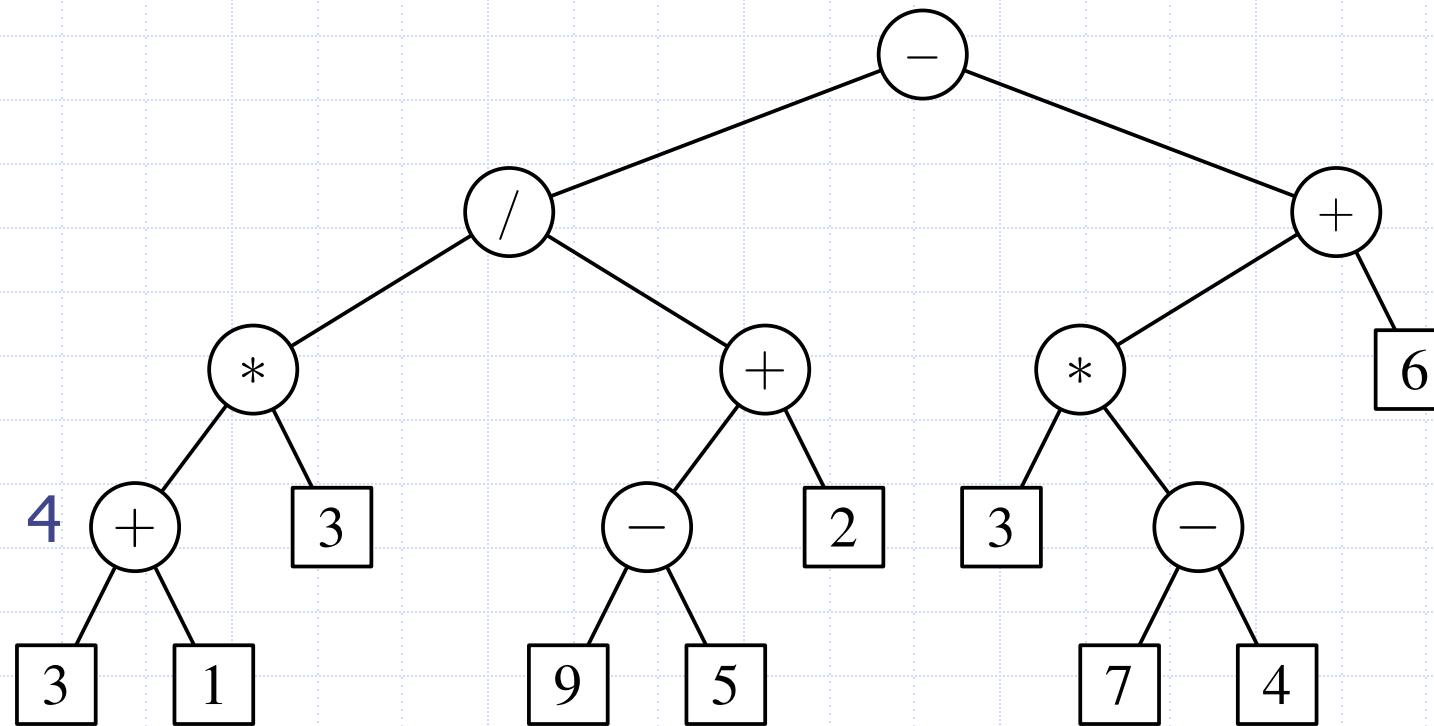
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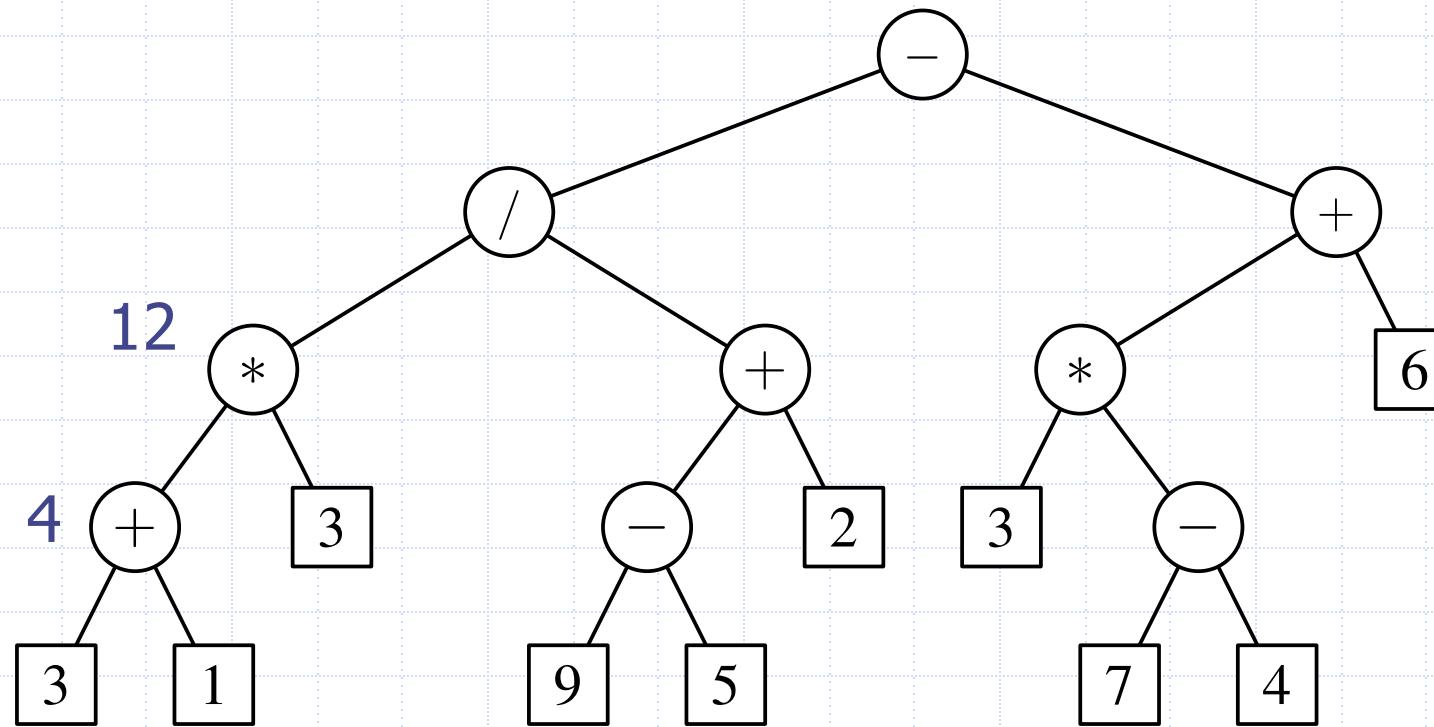
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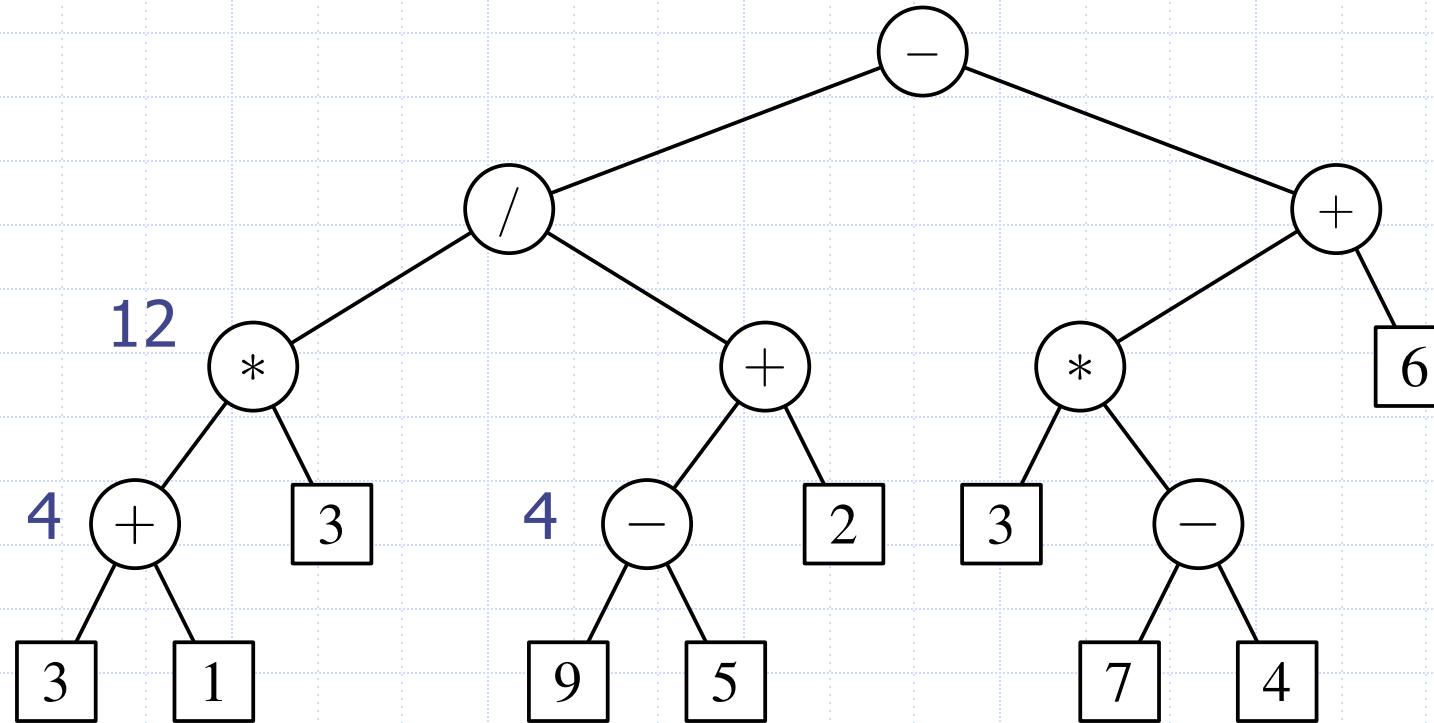
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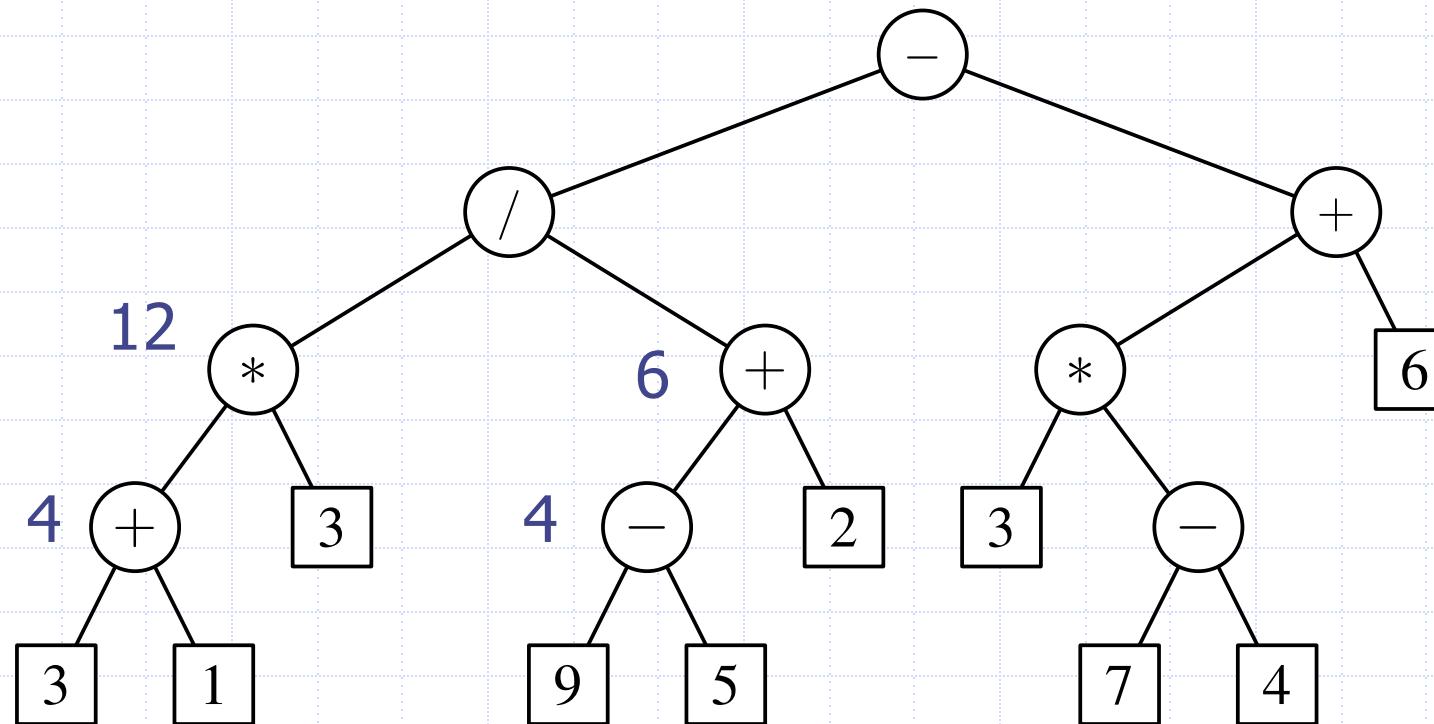
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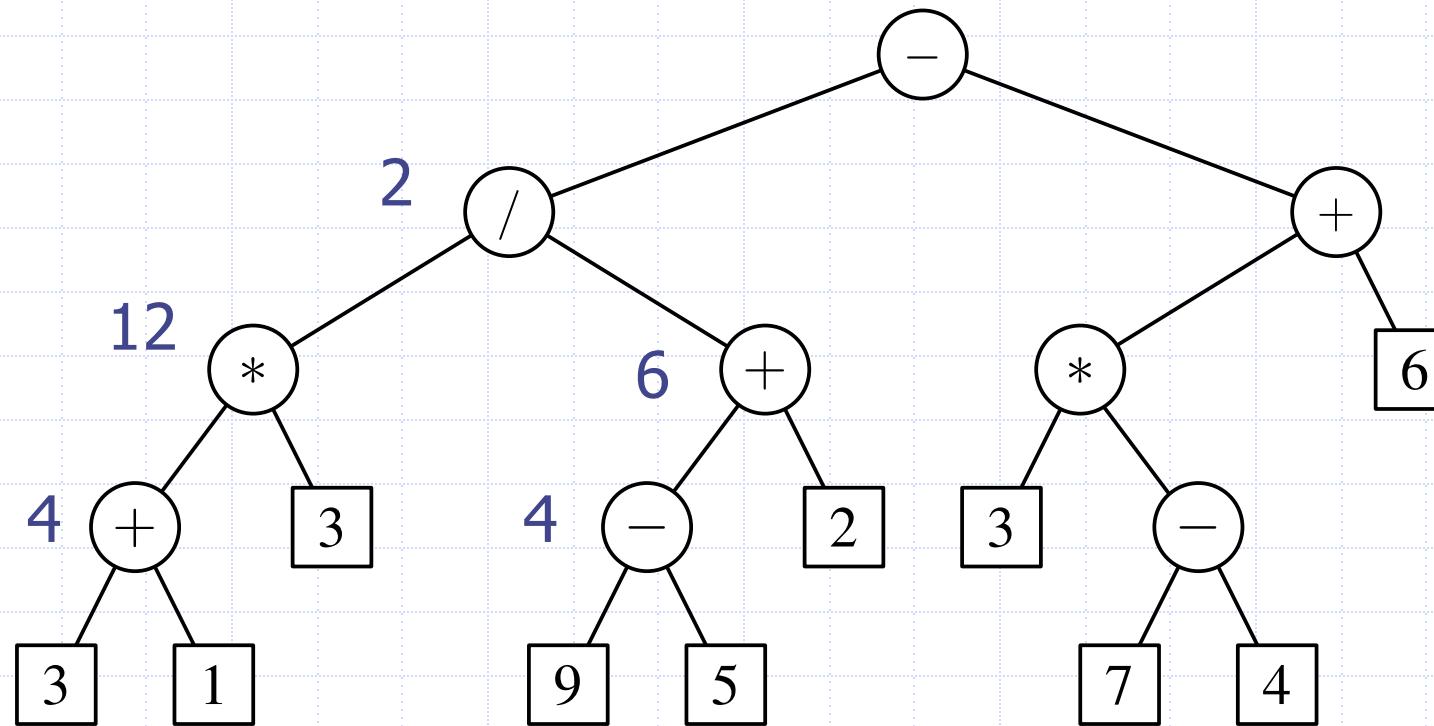
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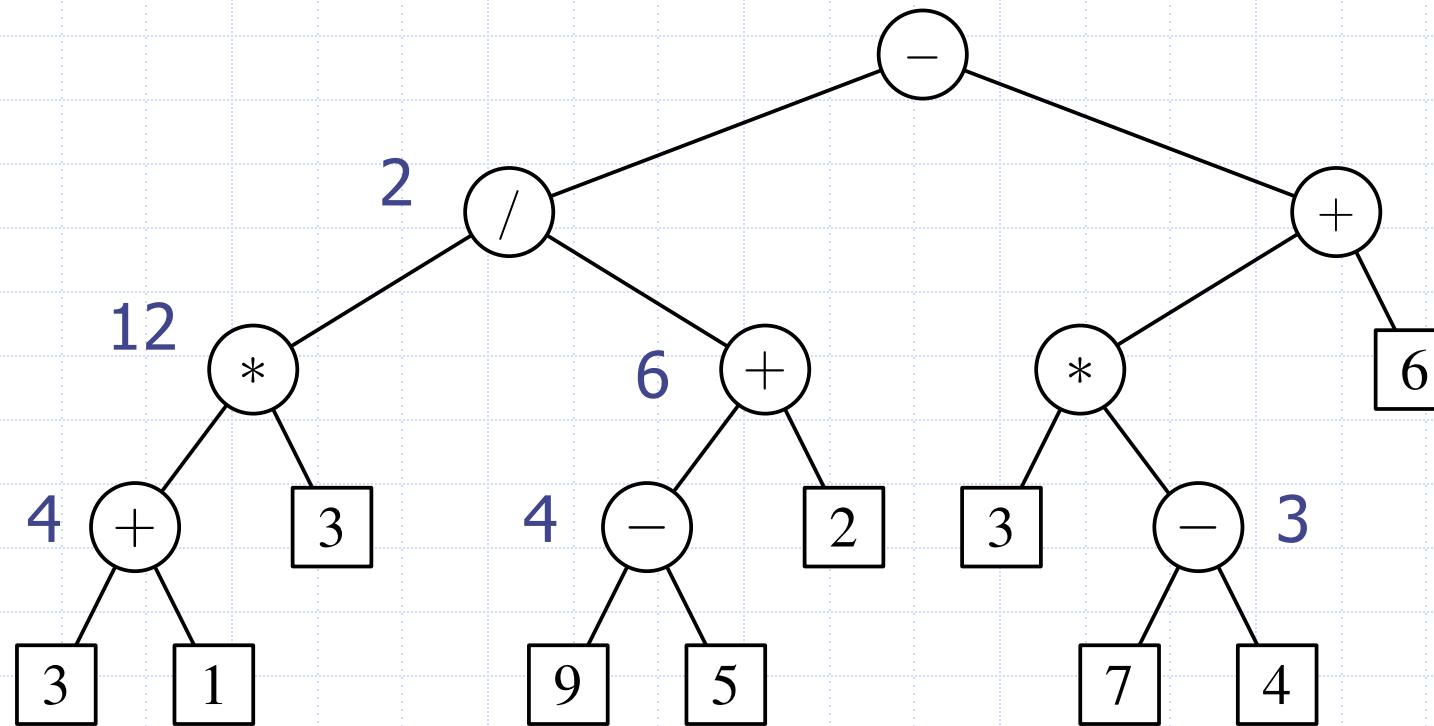
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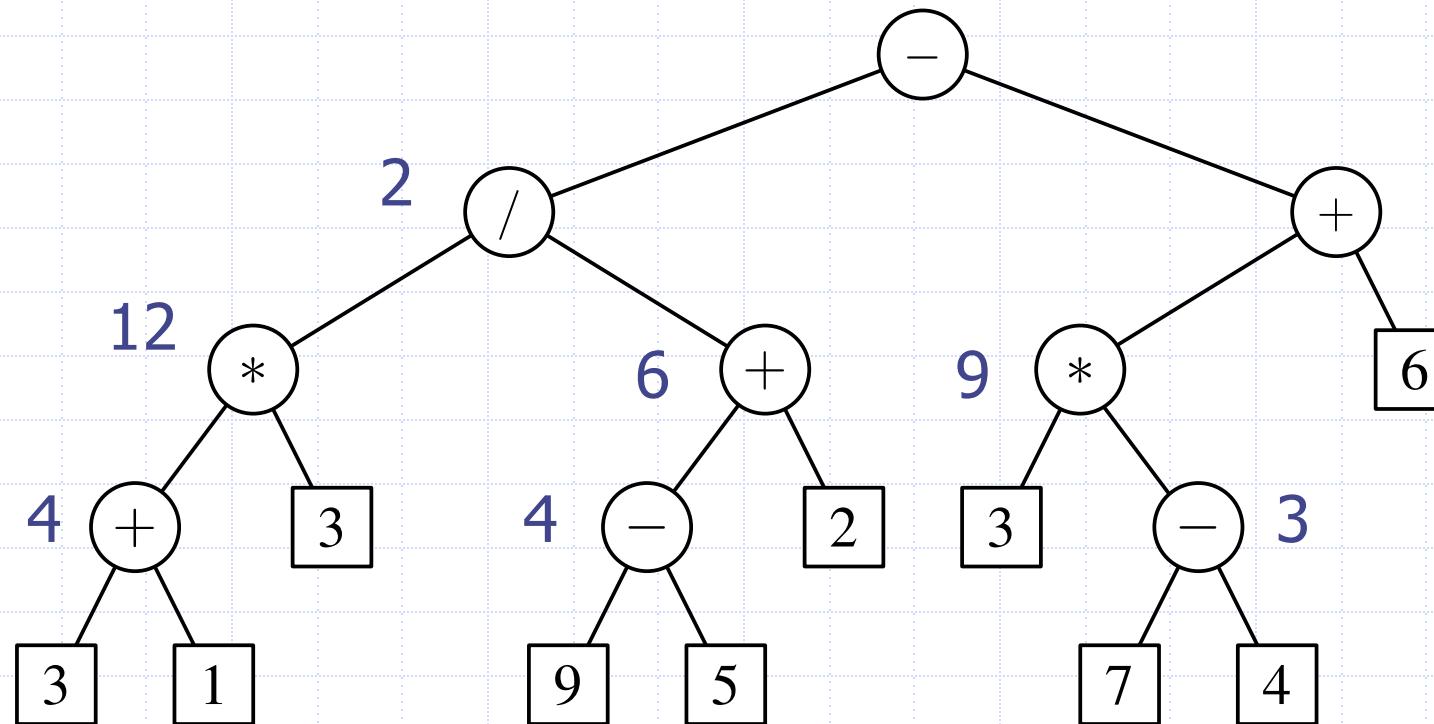
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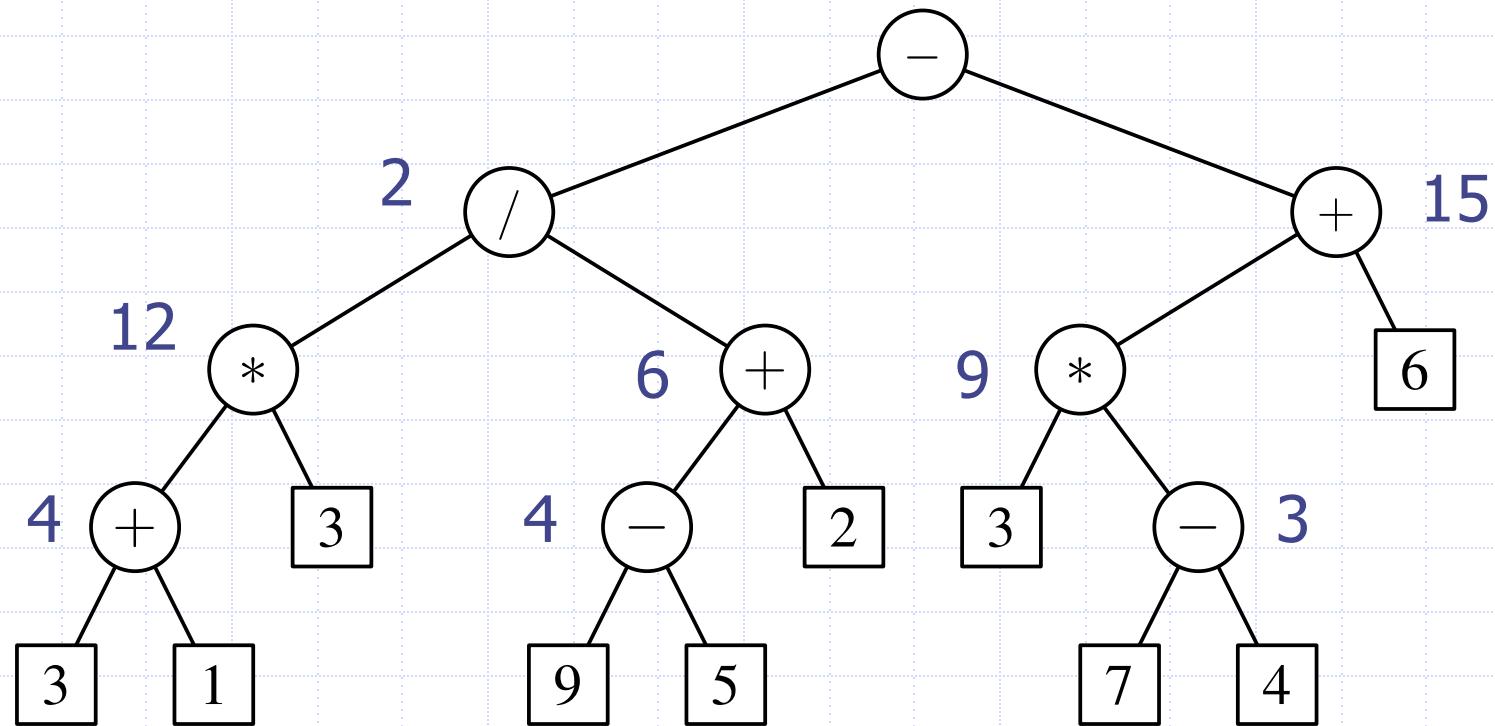
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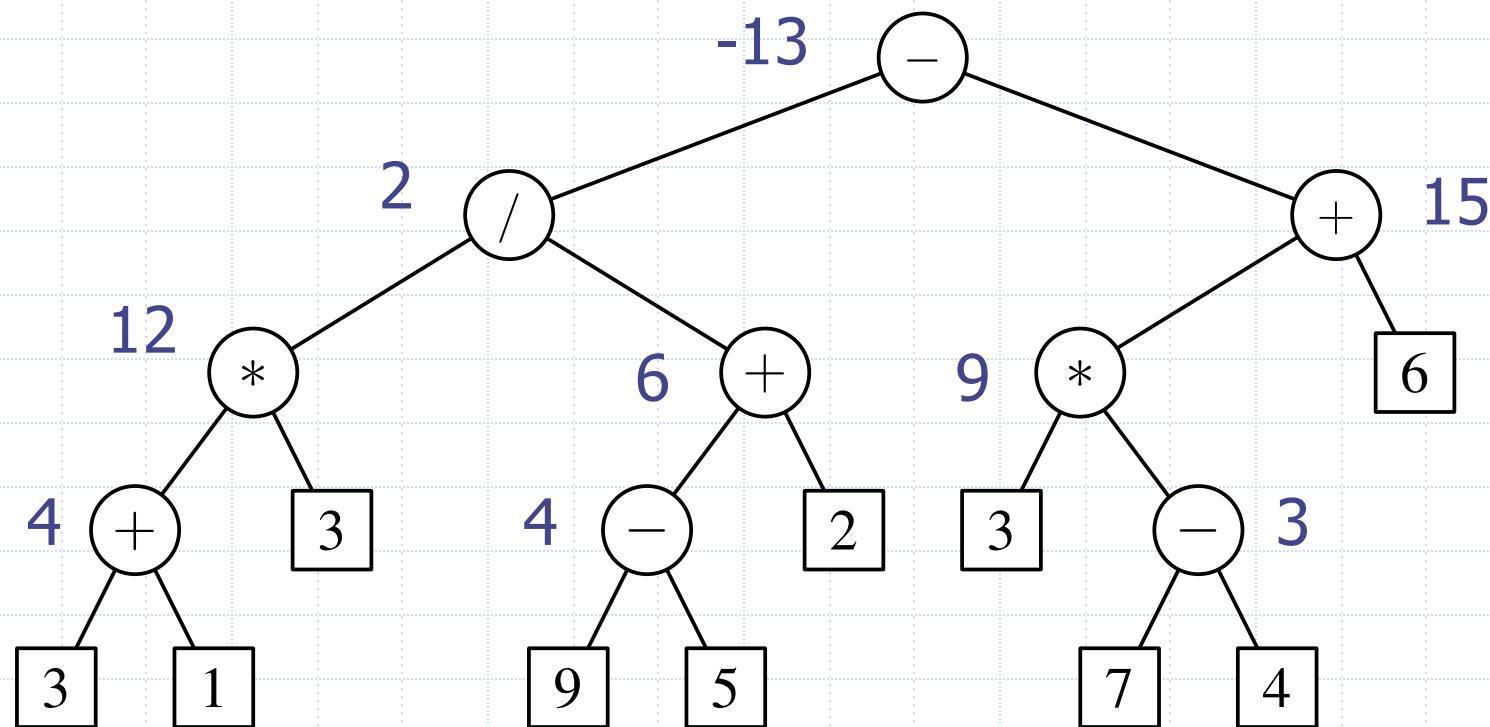
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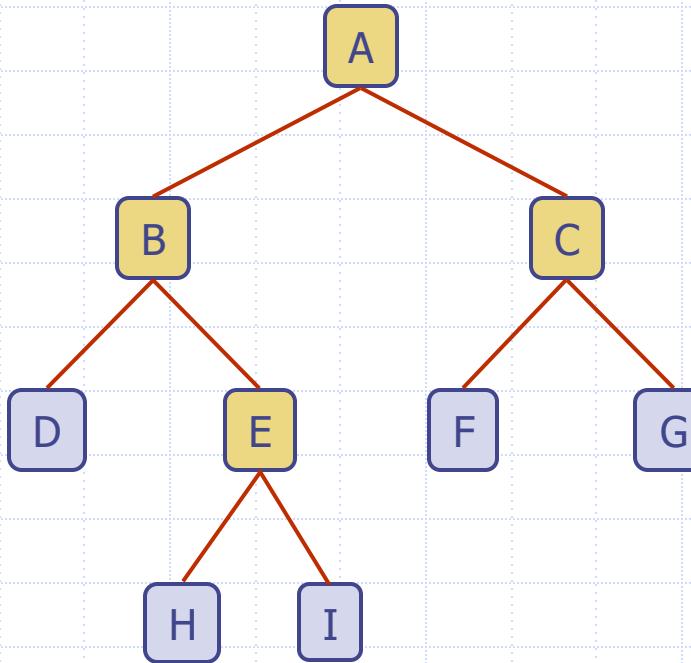
# Inorder traversals

- Visit the node between the visit to the left and right subtree
- Algorithm  $\text{inorder}(p)$ 
  - If  $p$  has a left child  $lc$  then
    - ◆  $\text{inorder}(lc)$
  - perform “visit” action for position  $p$
  - If  $p$  has a right child  $rc$  then
    - ◆  $\text{inorder}(rc)$

# Example - Inorder Traversal

- Inorder

- d b h e i a f c g



# Building Tree from Preorder Traversal

- Given the preorder traversal, can we uniquely determine the binary tree?

Preorder

a b d e h i c f g

# Building Tree from Postorder Traversal

- Given the postorder traversal, can we uniquely determine the binary tree?

Postorder

d h i e b f g c a

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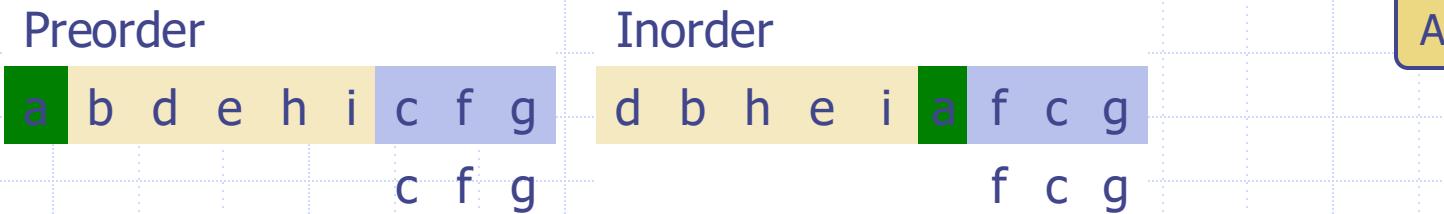
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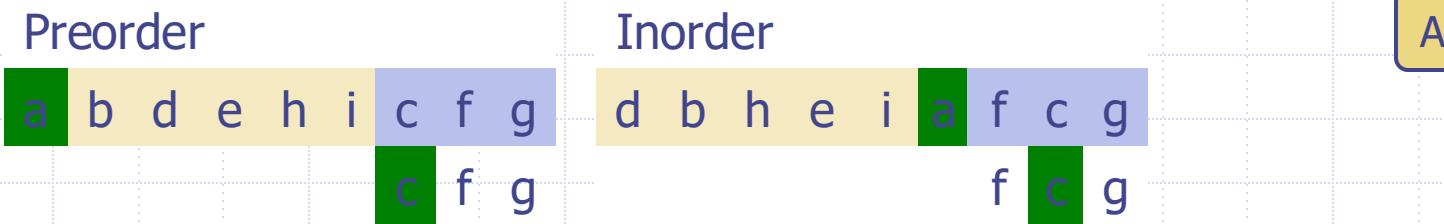
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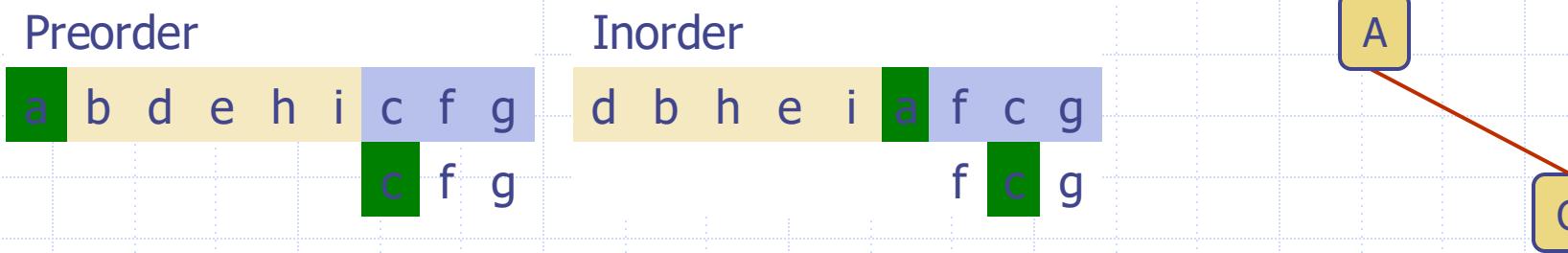
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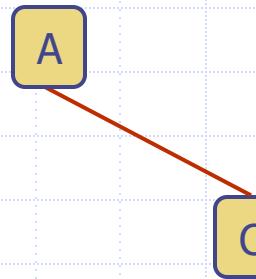


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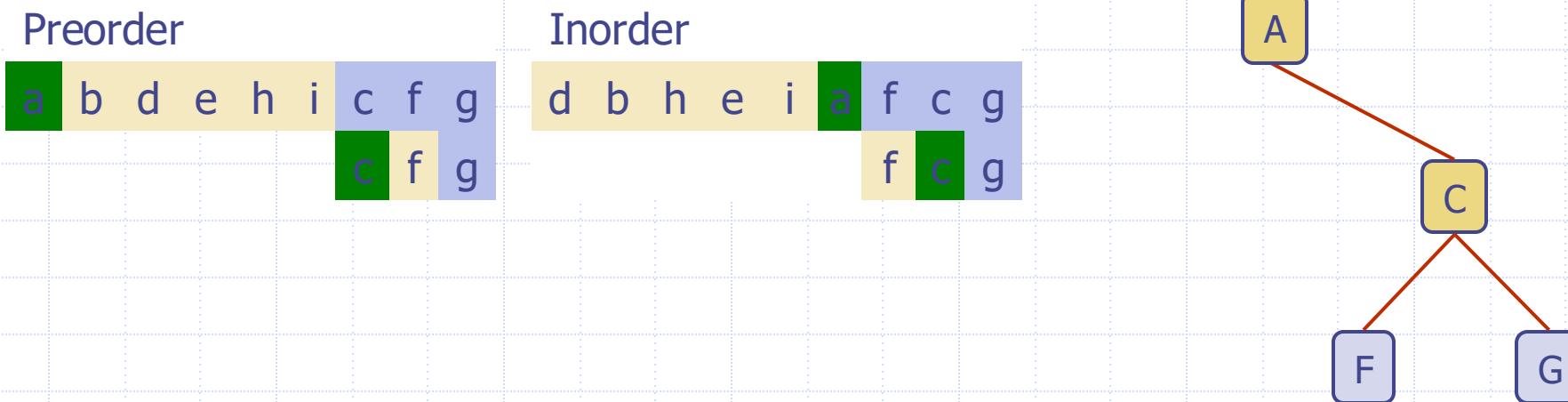
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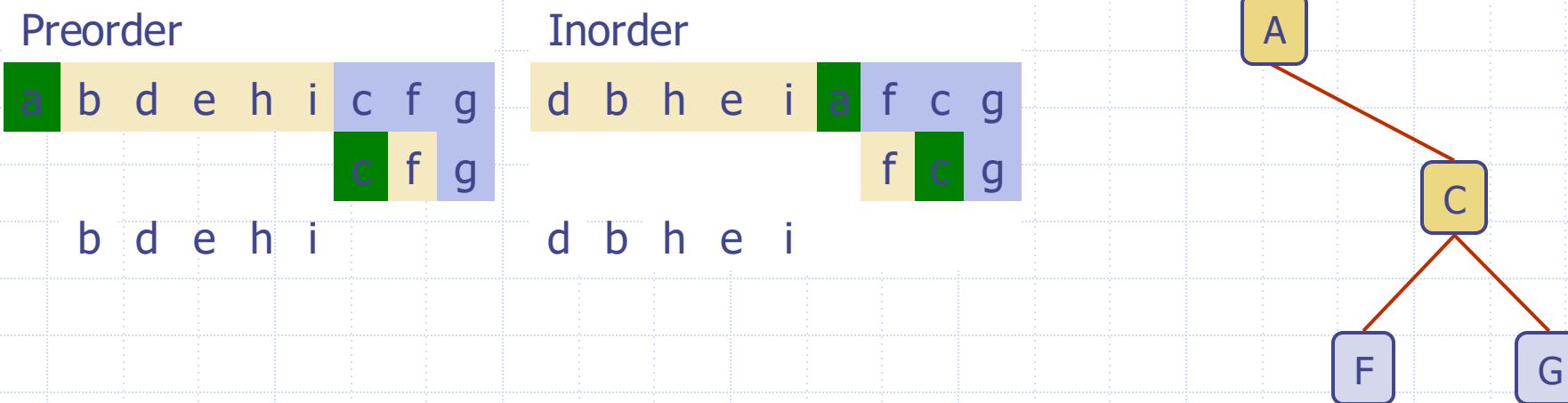
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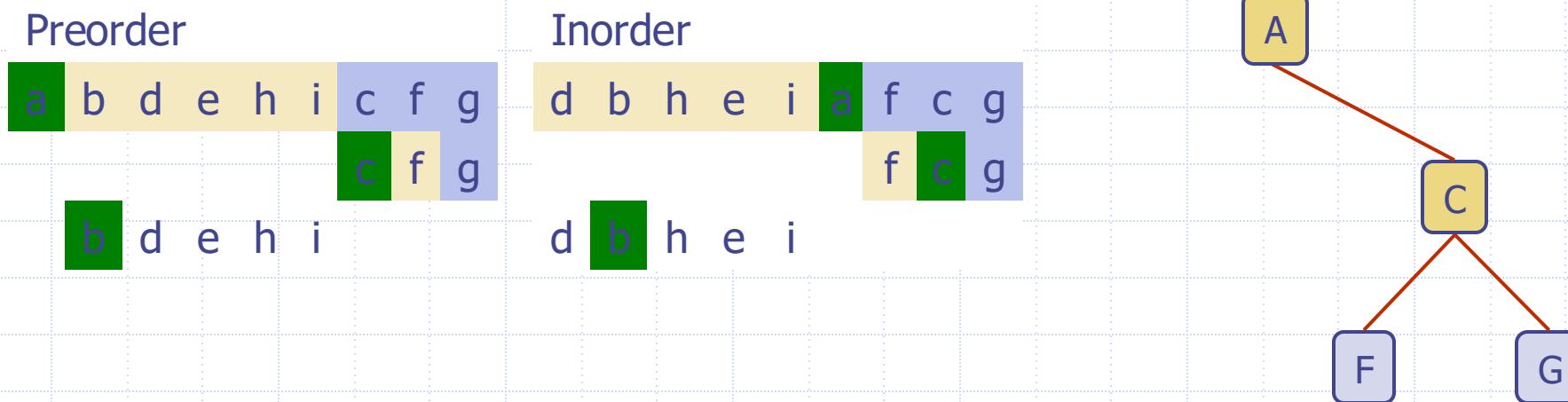
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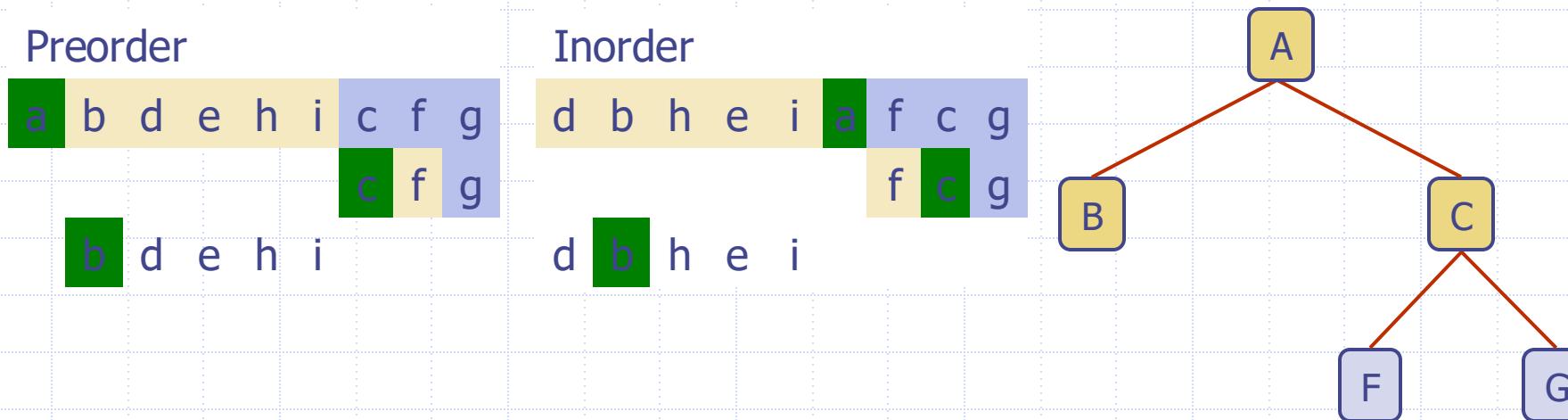
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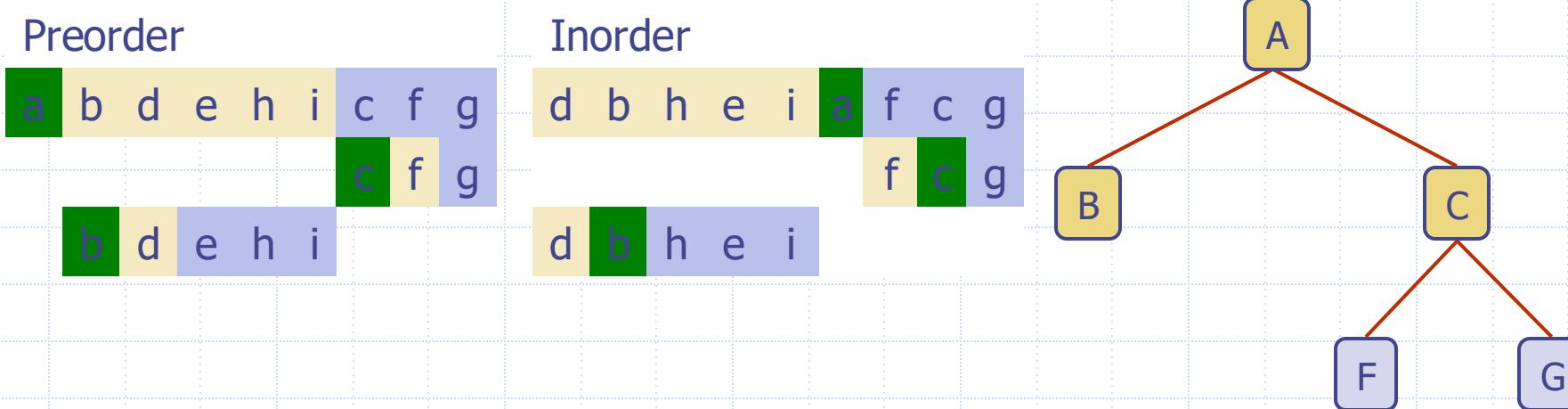
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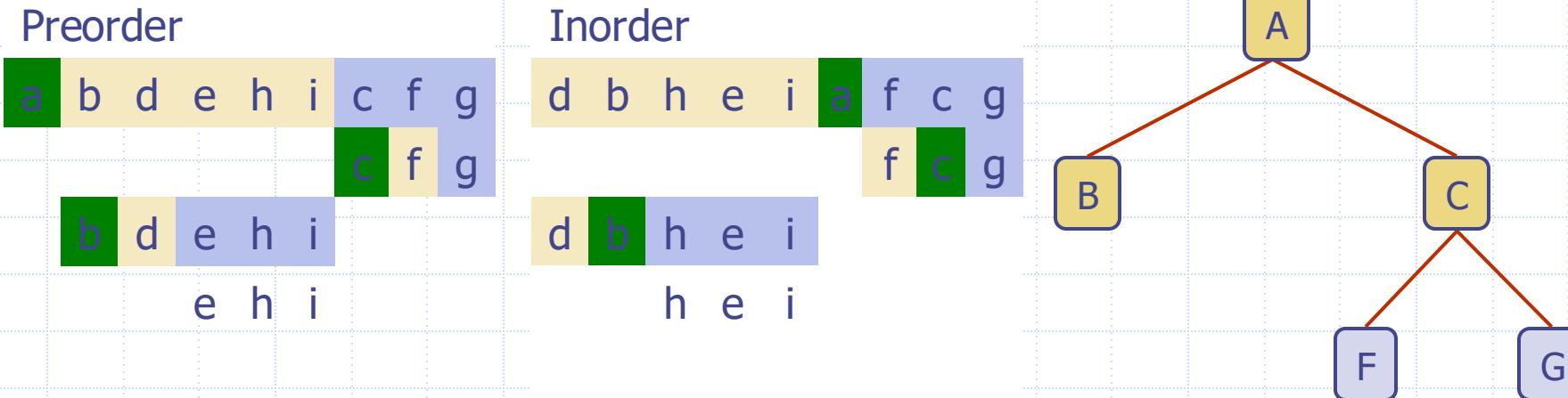
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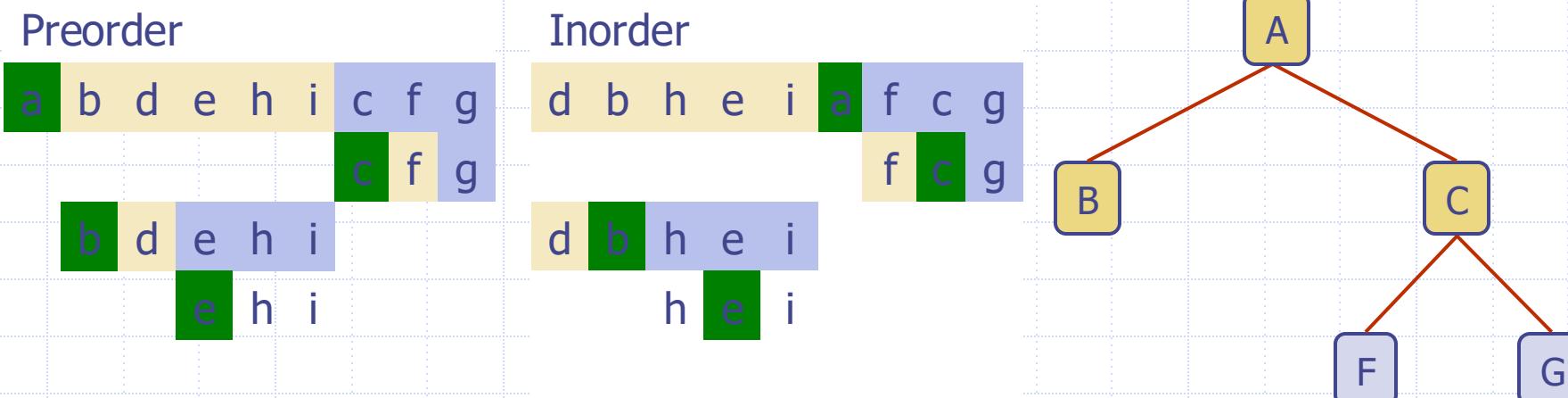
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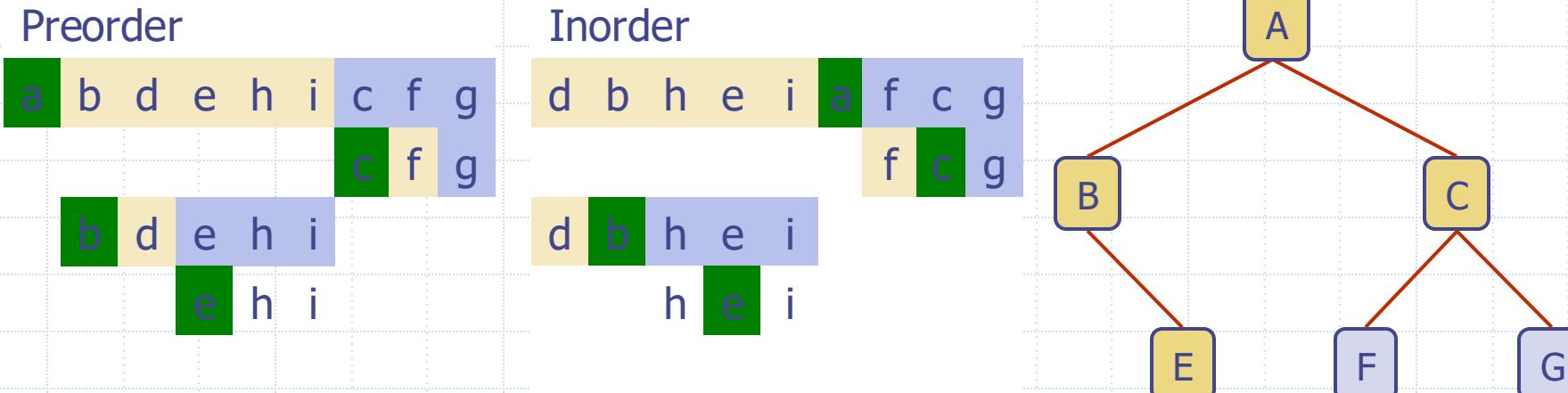
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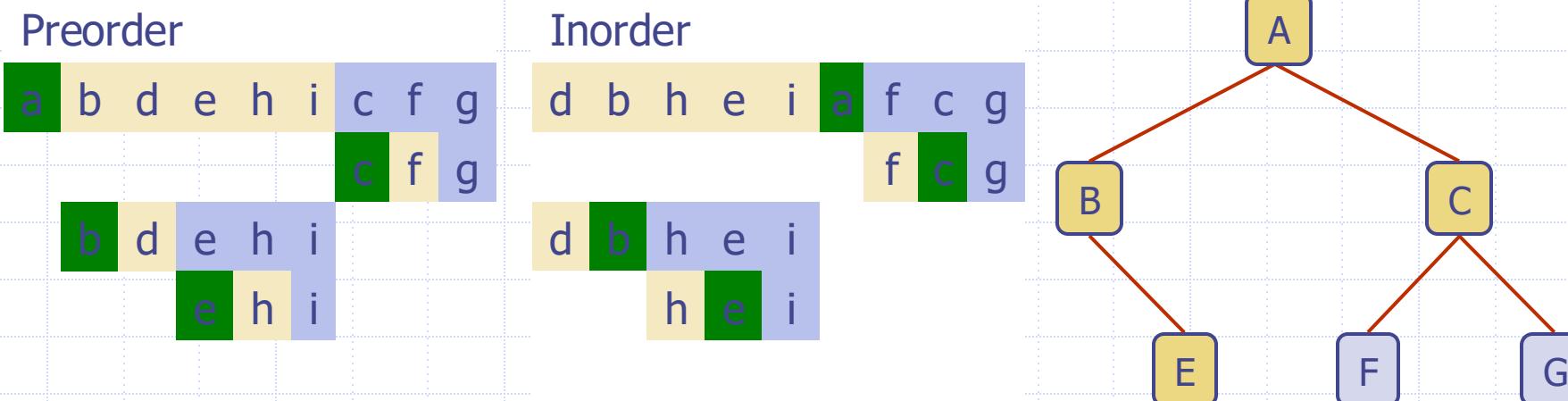
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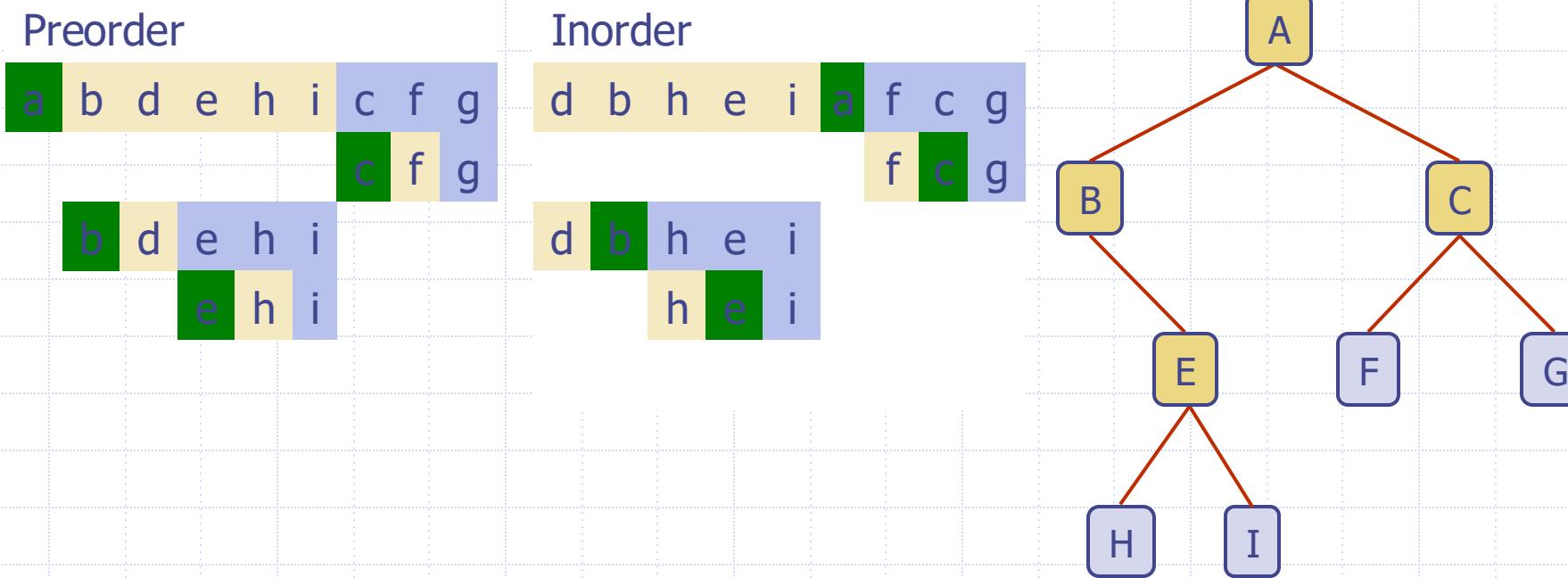
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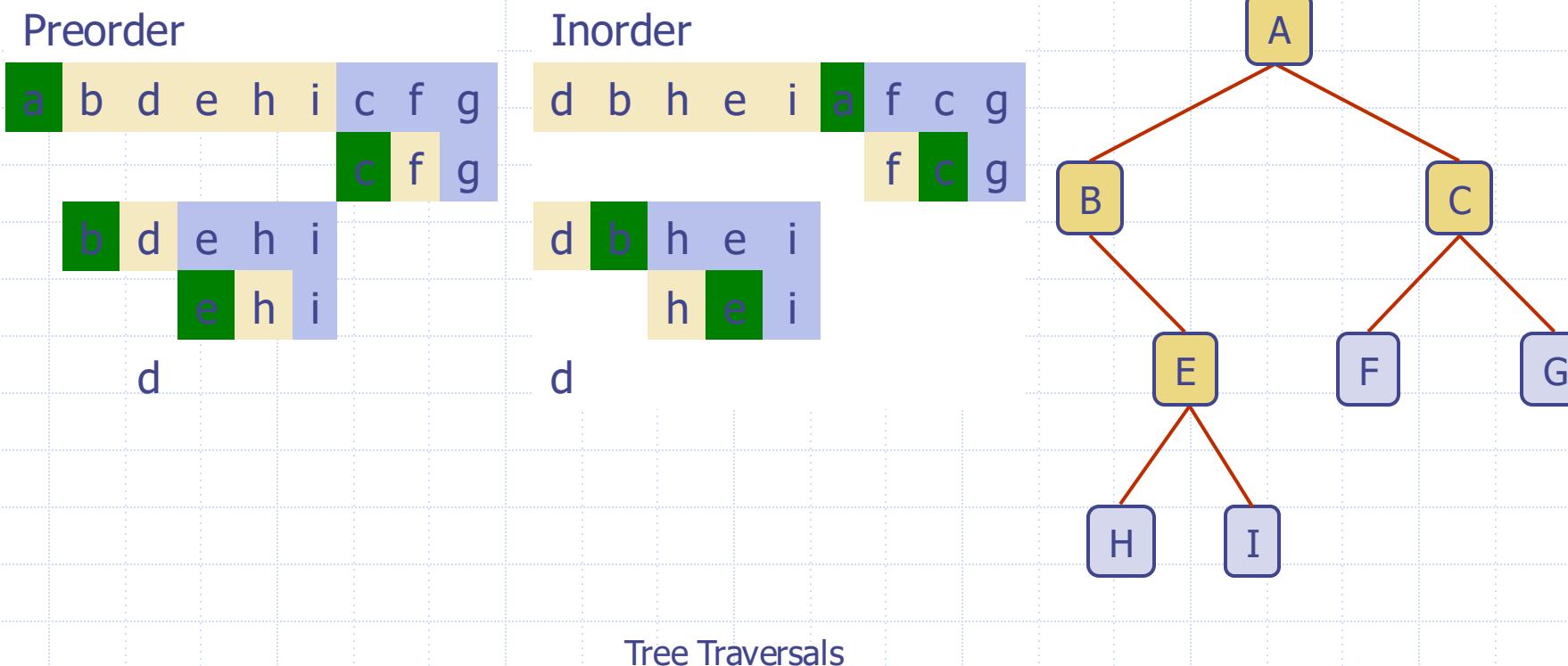
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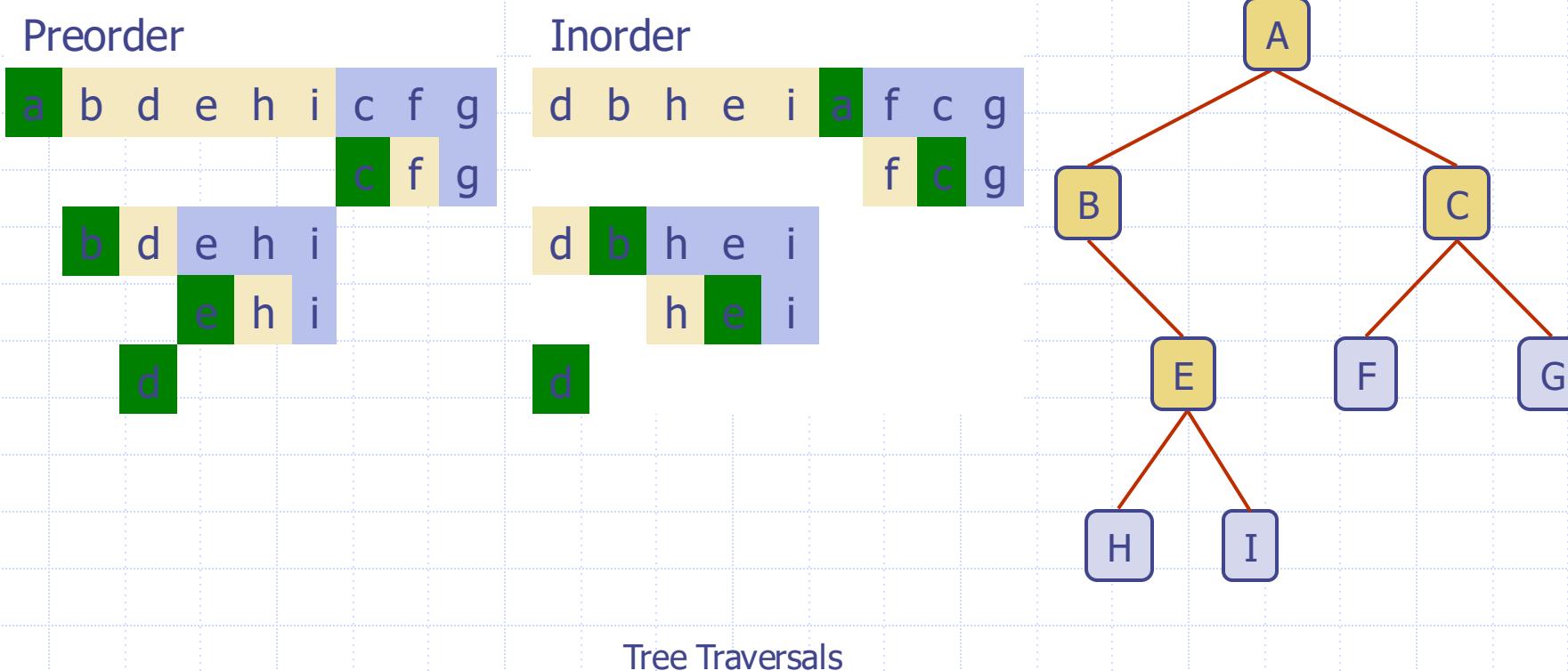
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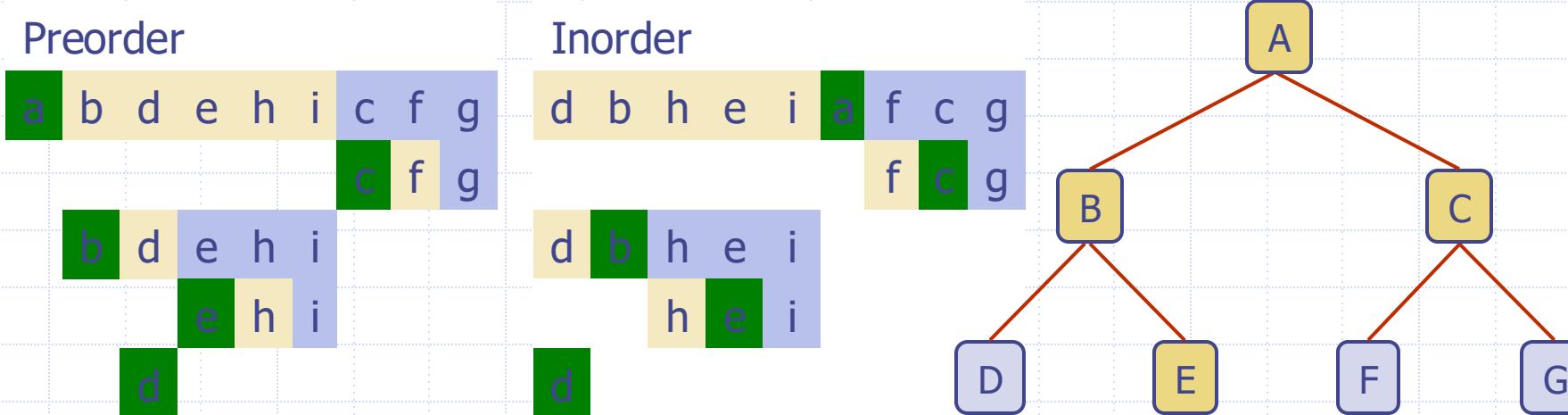
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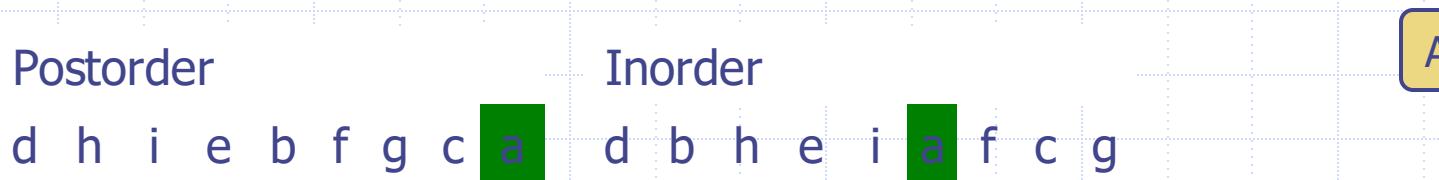
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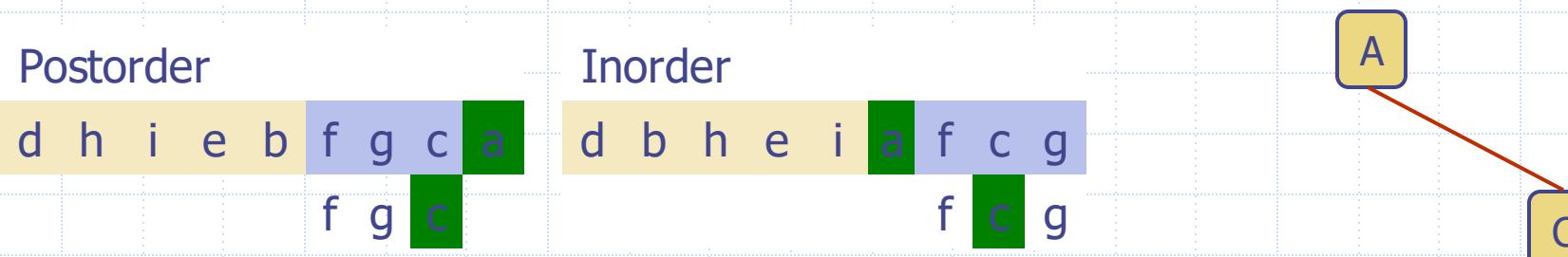
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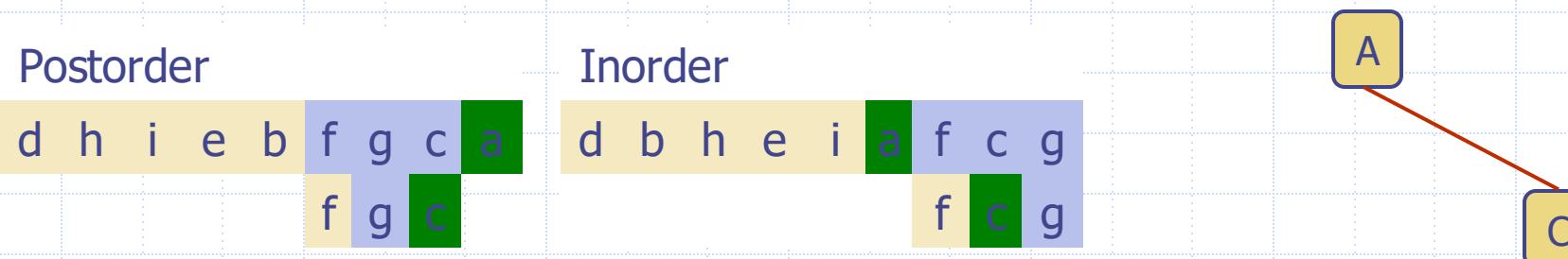
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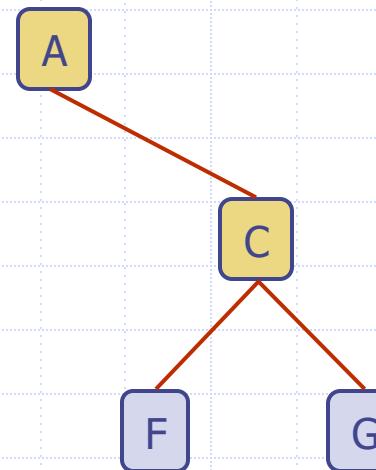
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					f	g	c	

Inorder

d	b	h	e	i	a	f	c	g
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Tree Traversals



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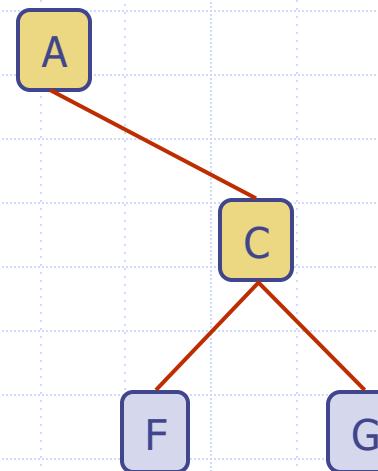
Postorder

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Inorder

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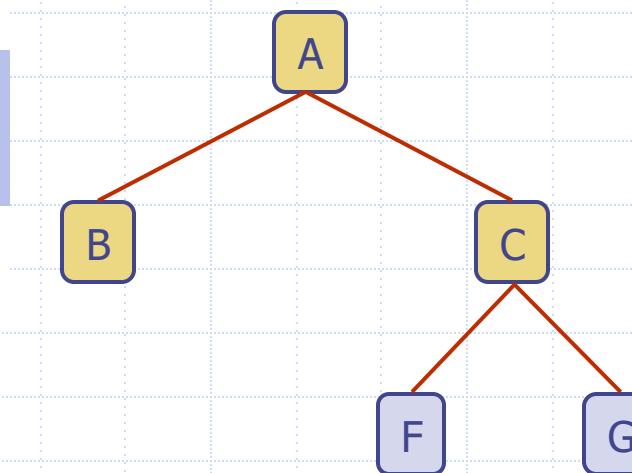
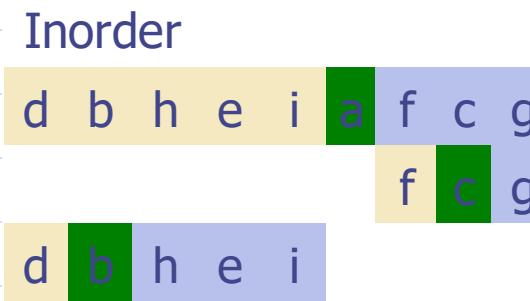
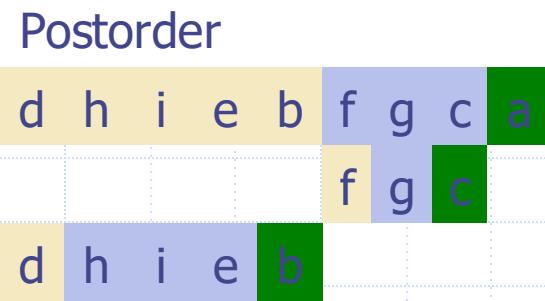
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Postorder

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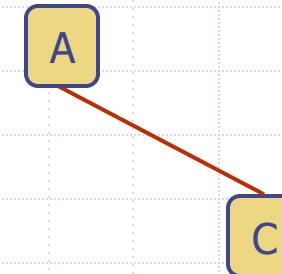
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Postorder

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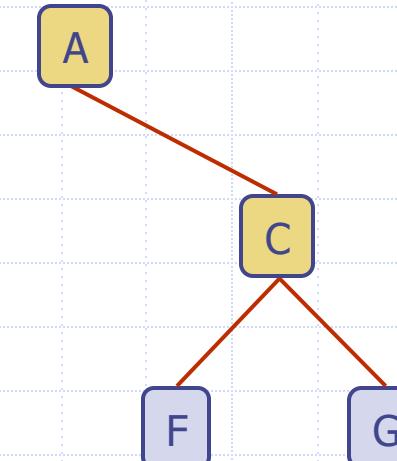
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f g c



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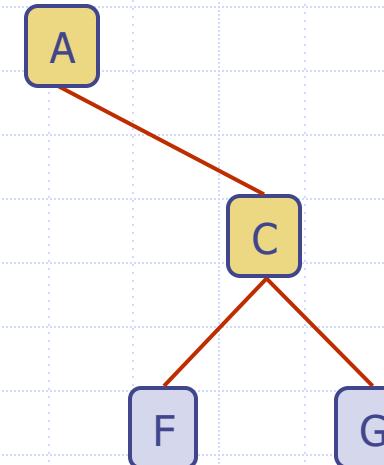
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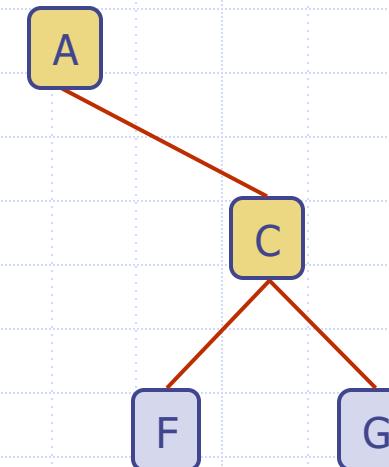
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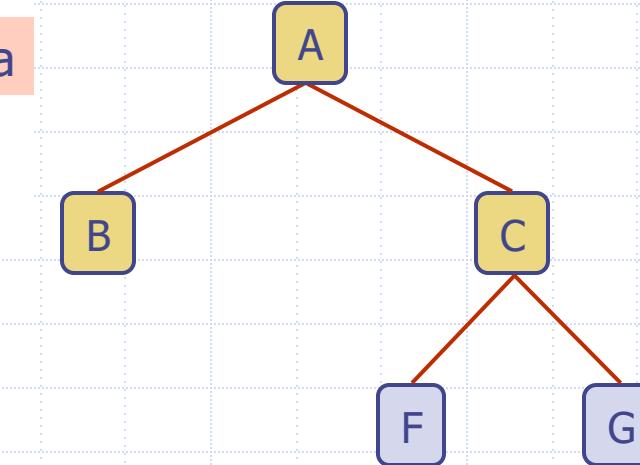
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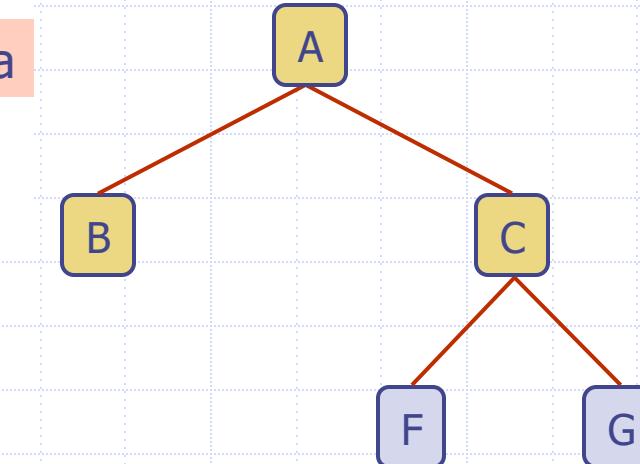
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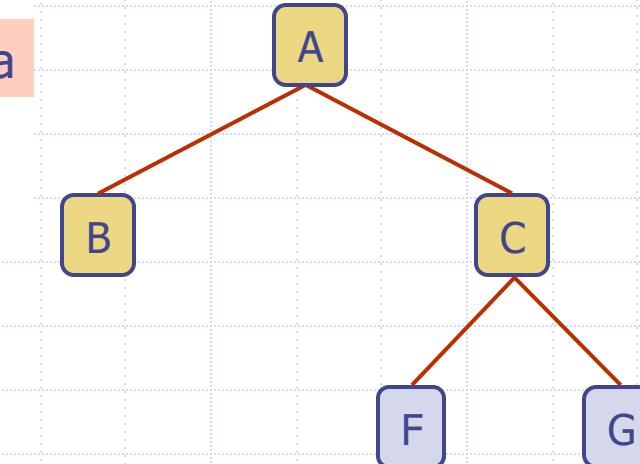
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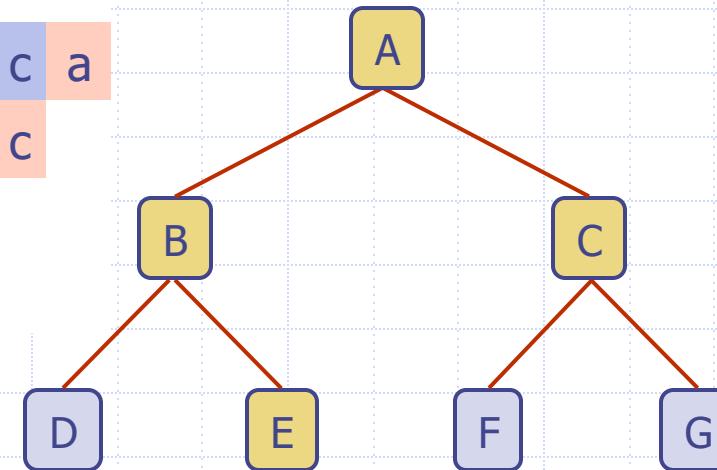
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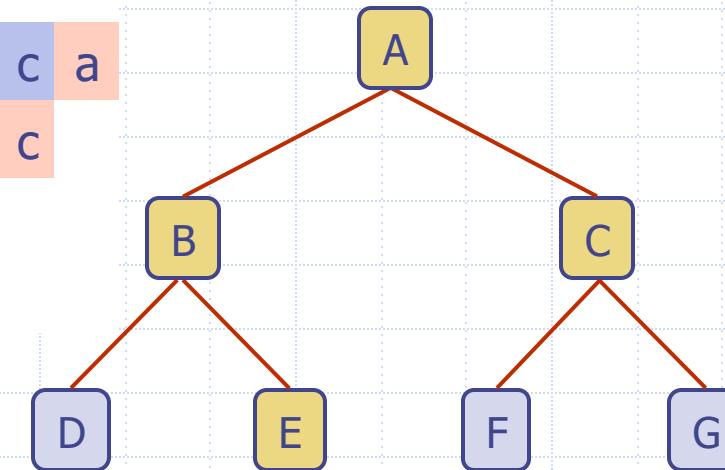
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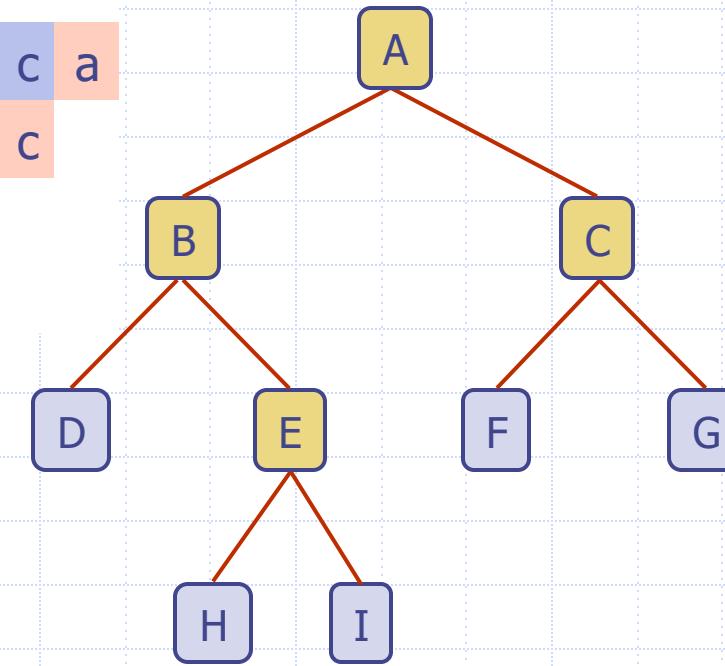
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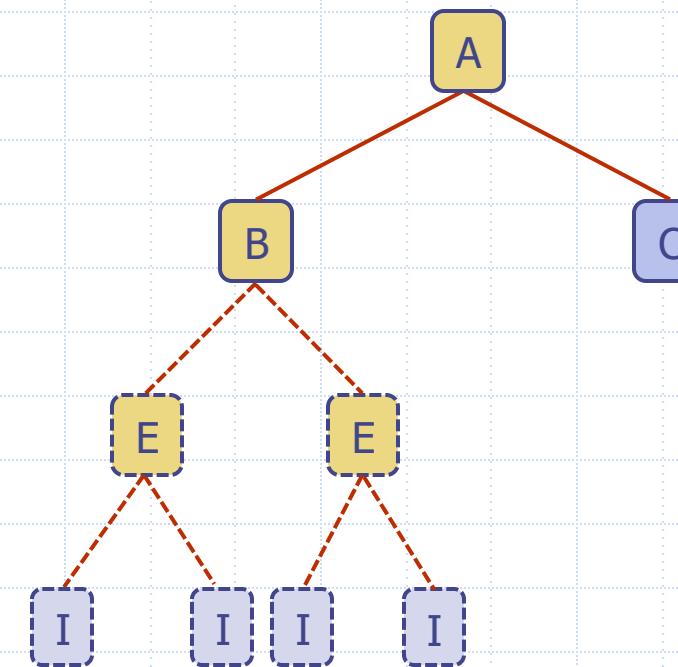
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Only if the internal nodes in a binary tree have exactly two children

