



MAKE
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TRAVERSING TREES

TRAVERSAL

Goal - visit each node once and only once

Three operations

visit current node

traverse to **left** node

traverse to **right** node

TWO MAIN TYPES

Depth-first

Down first - visit child, then next descendent

Breadth-first

Across first - visit all siblings before going deeper

DEPTH-FIRST SEARCH

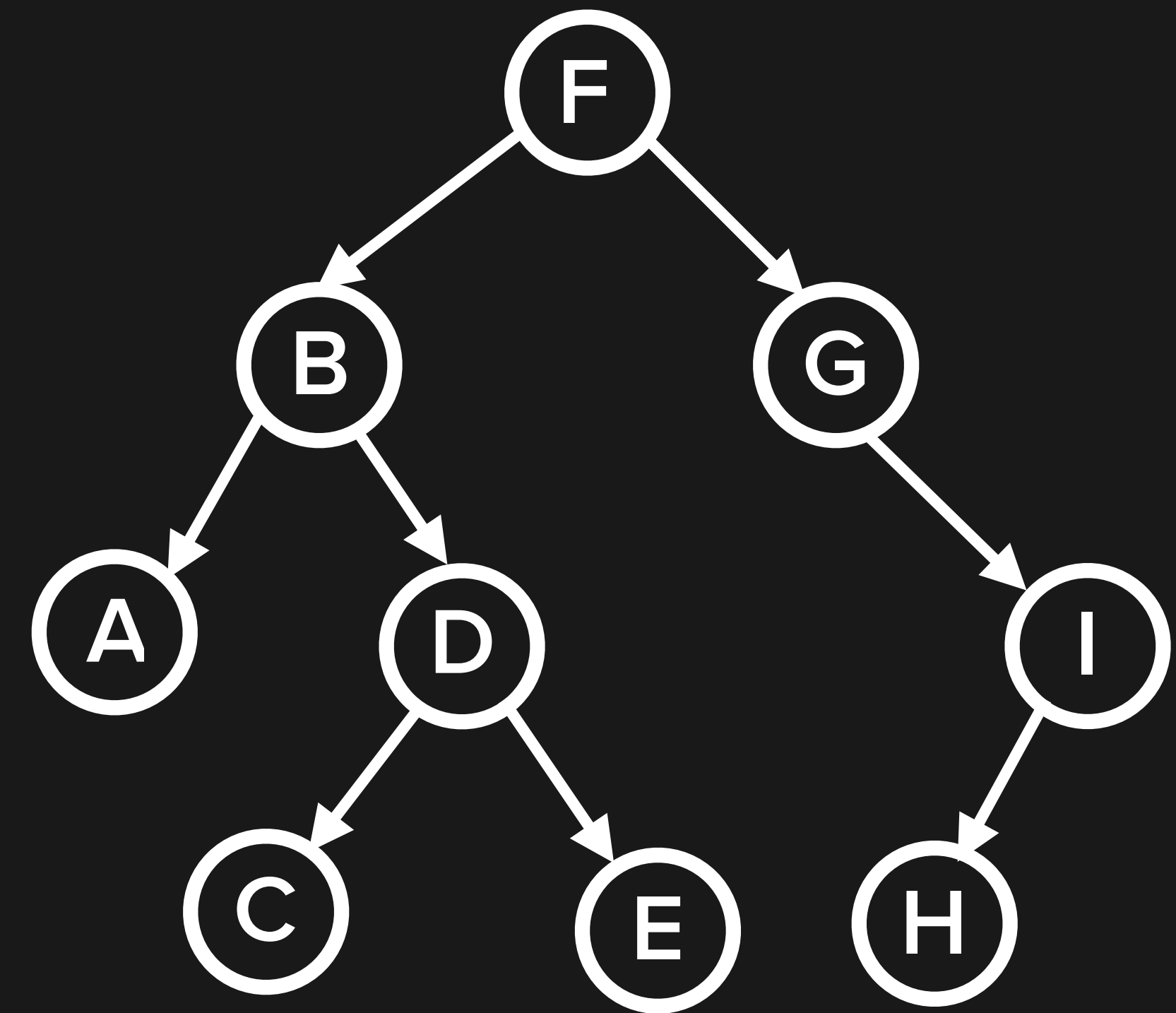
Always go left before
going right

Three types of visitation

Pre-order

In-order

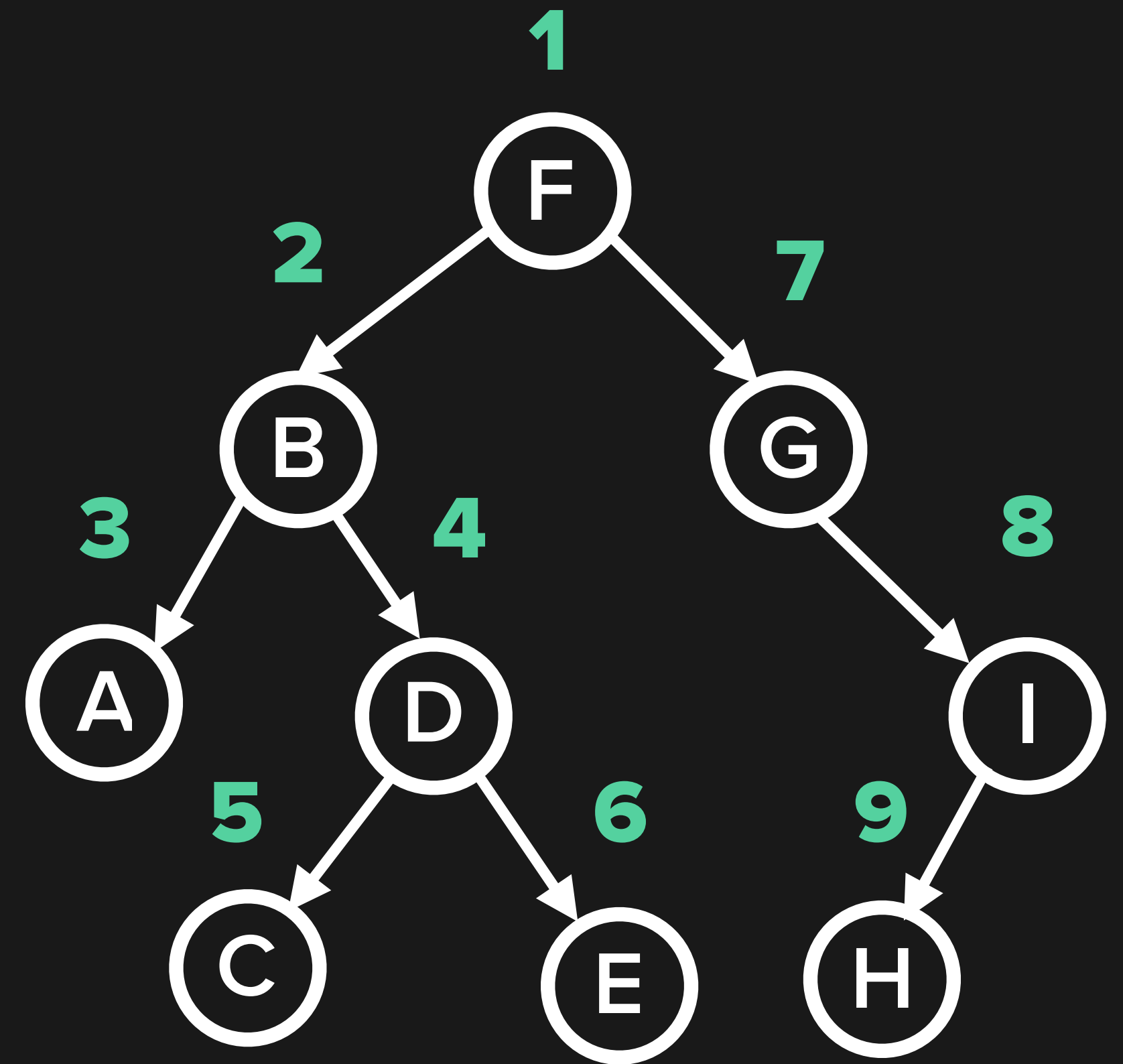
Post-order



PRE-ORDER DFS

```
def pre_order_dfs(node):  
    if node is not None:  
        visit(node)  
        pre_order_dfs(node.left)  
        pre_order_dfs(node.right)
```

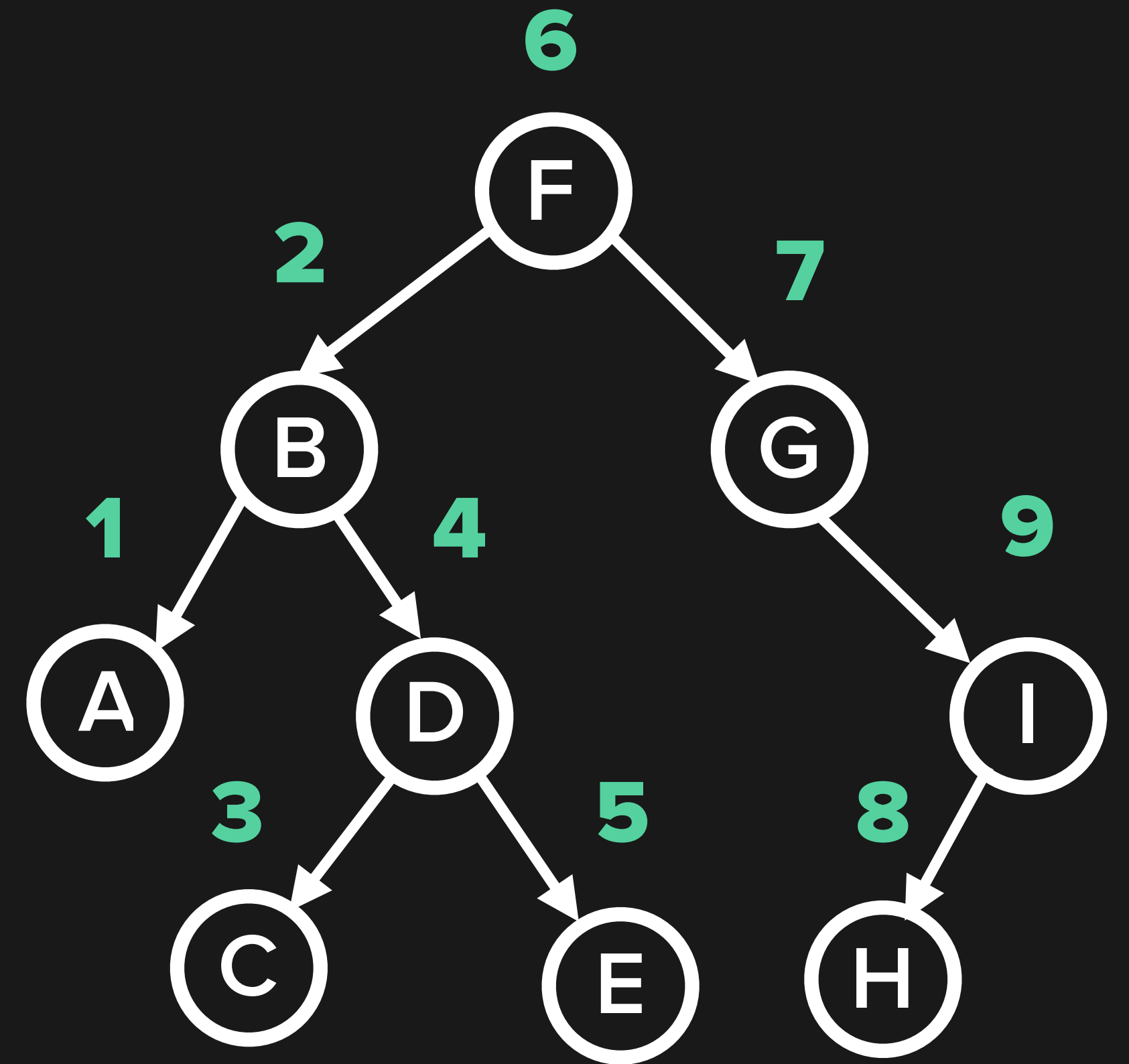
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IN-ORDER DFS

```
def in_order_dfs(node):  
    if node is not None:  
        in_order_dfs(node.left)  
        visit(node)  
        in_order_dfs(node.right)
```

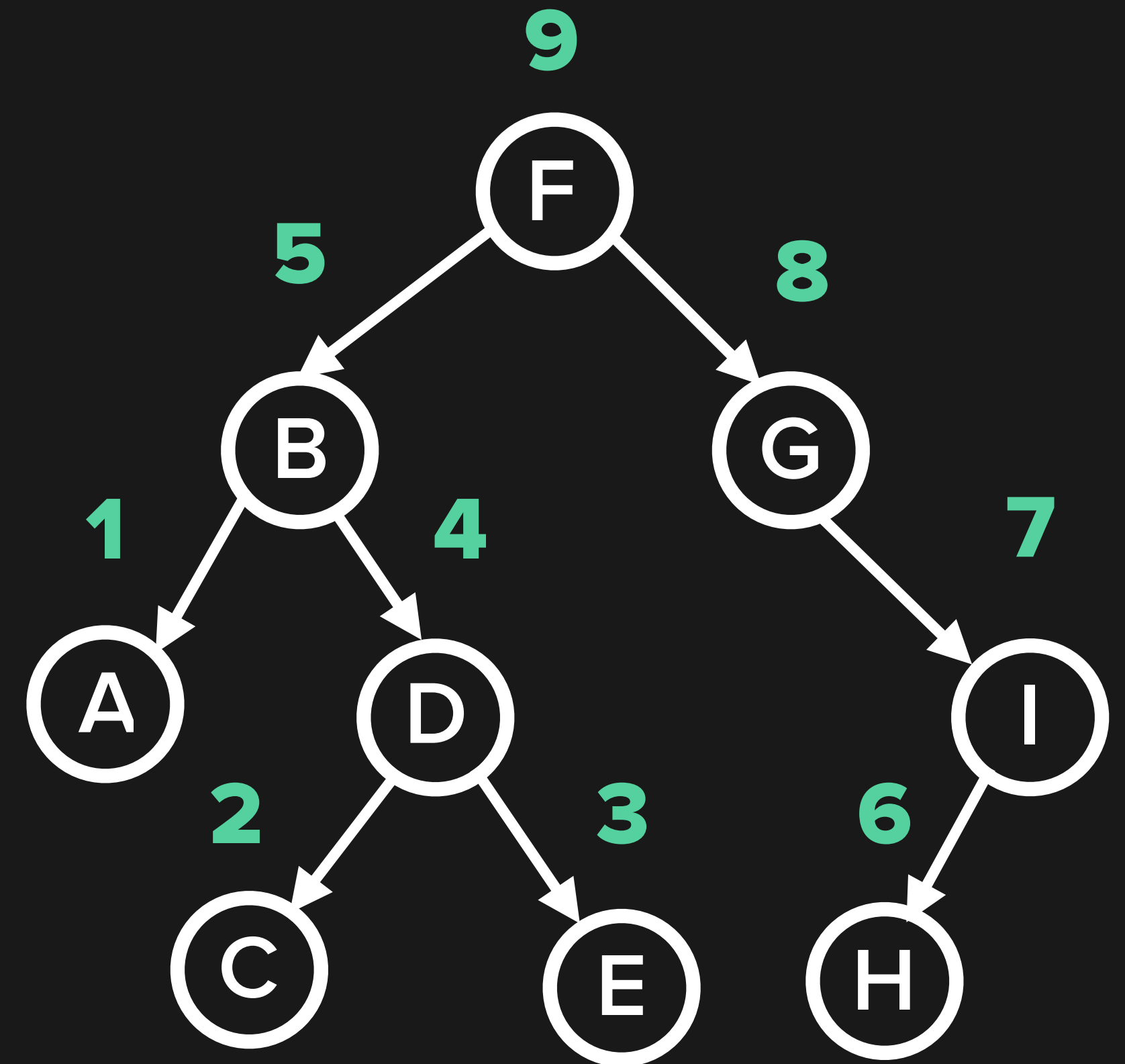
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POST-ORDER DFS

```
def post_order_dfs(node):  
    if node is not None:  
        post_order_dfs(node.left)  
        post_order_dfs(node.right)  
        visit(node)
```

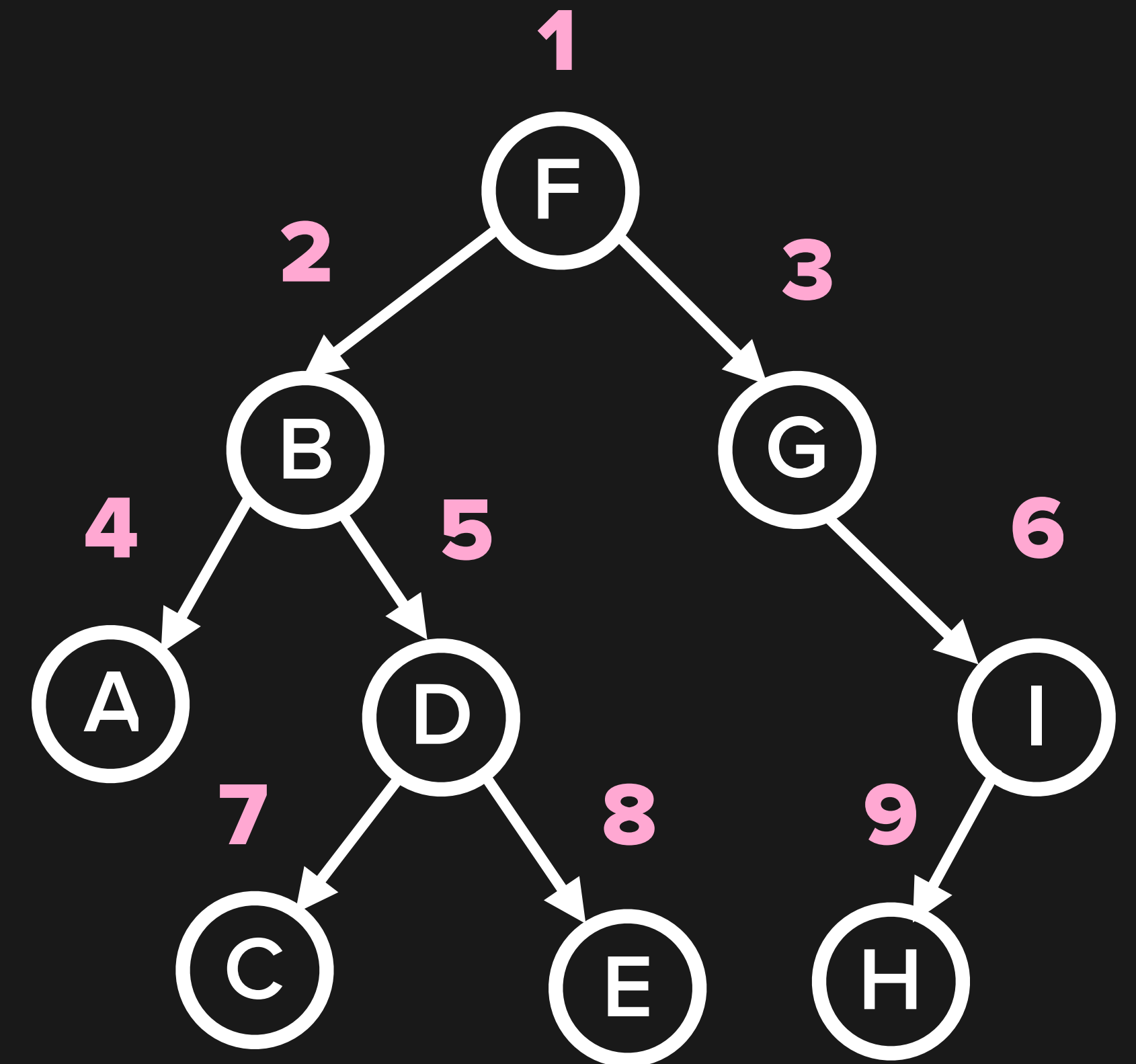
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BREADTH-FIRST SEARCH

```
from collections import deque
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def bfs(root_node):  
    queue = deque()  
    queue.append(root_node)  
    while len(queue) > 0:  
        node = queue.popleft()  
        visit(node)  
        if node.left is not None:  
            queue.append(node.left)  
        if node.right is not None:  
            queue.append(node.right)
```



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