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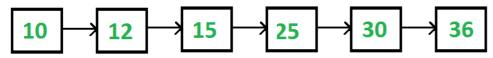
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Construct Complete Binary Tree from its Linked List Representation

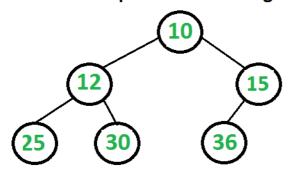
Given Linked List Representation of Complete Binary Tree, construct the Binary tree. A complete binary tree can be represented in an array in the following approach.

If root node is stored at index i, its left, and right children are stored at indices 2*i+1, 2*i+2 respectively.

Suppose tree is represented by a linked list in same way, how do we convert this into normal linked representation of binary tree where every node has data, left and right pointers? In the linked list representation, we cannot directly access the children of the current node unless we traverse the list.



The above linked list represents following binary tree



We are mainly given level order traversal in sequential access form. We know head of linked list is always is root of the tree. We take the first node as root and we also know that the next two





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nodes are left and right children of root. So we know partial Binary Tree. The idea is to do Level order traversal of the partially built Binary Tree using queue and traverse the linked list at the same time. At every step, we take the parent node from queue, make next two nodes of linked list as children of the parent node, and enqueue the next two nodes to queue.

- 1. Create an empty queue.
- **2.** Make the first node of the list as root, and enqueue it to the queue.
- **3.** Until we reach the end of the list, do the following.
-a. Dequeue one node from the queue. This is the current parent.
-b. Traverse two nodes in the list, add them as children of the current parent.
-**c.** Enqueue the two nodes into the queue.

Below is the code which implements the same in C++.

```
// C++ program to create a Complete Binary tree from its Linked List
// Representation
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
#include <queue>
using namespace std;
// Linked list node
struct ListNode
    int data;
    ListNode* next;
};
// Binary tree node structure
struct BinaryTreeNode
    int data;
    BinaryTreeNode *left, *right;
};
// Function to insert a node at the beginning of the Linked List
void push(struct ListNode** head ref, int new data)
    // allocate node and assign data
    struct ListNode* new node = new ListNode;
    new node->data = new data;
    // link the old list off the new node
```



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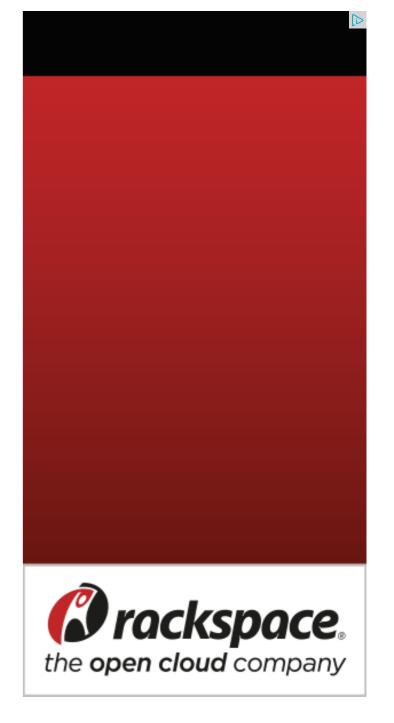
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```
new node->next = (*head ref);
    // move the head to point to the new node
    (*head ref) = new node;
// method to create a new binary tree node from the given data
BinaryTreeNode* newBinaryTreeNode(int data)
    BinaryTreeNode *temp = new BinaryTreeNode;
    temp->data = data;
   temp->left = temp->right = NULL;
    return temp;
// converts a given linked list representing a complete binary tree in
// linked representation of binary tree.
void convertList2Binary(ListNode *head, BinaryTreeNode* &root)
    // queue to store the parent nodes
   queue<BinaryTreeNode *> q;
    // Base Case
    if (head == NULL)
        root = NULL; // Note that root is passed by reference
        return;
    // 1.) The first node is always the root node, and add it to the q
    root = newBinaryTreeNode(head->data);
    q.push(root);
    // advance the pointer to the next node
    head = head->next:
    // until the end of linked list is reached, do the following steps
    while (head)
        // 2.a) take the parent node from the q and remove it from q
        BinaryTreeNode* parent = q.front();
        q.pop();
        // 2.c) take next two nodes from the linked list. We will add
        // them as children of the current parent node in step 2.b. Pu
        // into the queue so that they will be parents to the future no
        BinaryTreeNode *leftChild = NULL, *rightChild = NULL;
```





```
leftChild = newBinaryTreeNode(head->data);
        q.push(leftChild);
        head = head->next;
        if (head)
            rightChild = newBinaryTreeNode(head->data);
            q.push(rightChild);
            head = head->next;
        // 2.b) assign the left and right children of parent
        parent->left = leftChild;
        parent->right = rightChild;
// Utility function to traverse the binary tree after conversion
void inorderTraversal(BinaryTreeNode* root)
    if (root)
        inorderTraversal( root->left );
        cout << root->data << " ";</pre>
        inorderTraversal( root->right );
// Driver program to test above functions
int main()
    // create a linked list shown in above diagram
    struct ListNode* head = NULL;
    push(&head, 36); /* Last node of Linked List */
    push(&head, 30);
    push (&head, 25);
    push(&head, 15);
    push (&head, 12);
    push(&head, 10); /* First node of Linked List */
    BinaryTreeNode *root;
    convertList2Binary(head, root);
    cout << "Inorder Traversal of the constructed Binary Tree is: \n";</pre>
    inorderTraversal(root);
    return 0:
```





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sandeep void rearrange(struct node *head) {...

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Neha I think that is what it should return as,

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- ► Linked List
- ▶ Binary Tree
- ▶ Java Tree

Output:

Inorder Traversal of the constructed Binary Tree is: 25 12 30 10 36 15

Time Complexity: Time complexity of the above solution is O(n) where n is the number of nodes.

This article is compiled by Ravi Chandra Enaganti. Please write comments if you find anything incorrect, or you want to share more information about the topic discussed above.



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Another way would be to count the number of nodes > send half the nodes to number send the extra one to left)

recursively build the left subtree (termination condition would be when there ar (while building the tree keep sending the next node up the tree for building the



Dave • 2 months ago

Call me crazy but isn't a binary tree supposed to be sorted?



Monin Anicet Sia • 9 months ago

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```
SYED IMRAN • 9 months ago
#include
#include
#include
struct tnode
int data;
struct tnode *left,*right;
struct node
int data;
struct node *next;
typedef struct tnode tnode;
typedef struct node node;
node * head=NULL;
void push(node **h,int t)
```

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sandeep kothapally • 10 months ago i have a code table like for example 2 assigned as "10" 3 assigned as "010" 4 assigned as "0110" 5 assigned as "0111"

now i wanted to write it as a binary tree so that if i input 10010 i could traverse the tree and decode it as 23 my query is to how to design such tree so that i can use it at the decoder

```
nilesh • 11 months ago
consider this:
struct node *createtree(List *head,int count)
List *ptr;
while(i++next;
if(!ptr)
return;
struct node *root=newnode(ptr->data);
root->left=createtree(head,2*count);
root->right=createtree(head,2*count+1);
return root;
```



AMIT • 11 months ago

your solution uses o(n) time and o(n) space a similar but much easier solution, I think--

- 1. copy all the elements of list into an array
- 2. build the binary tree

this will also take o(n) time and o(n)space



EOF → AMIT • 10 months ago

I was going to comment the same, but saw yours ... :D



```
abhishek08aug • 11 months ago
Intelligent :D
```



```
Prabhakaran Dhandapani • a year ago
void convert( NODE *ptr, NODE *left, NODE *right ) {
if( left == NULL ) right = NULL;
if( ptr ) {
if( ptr == start ) root = ptr;
if( left == NULL || right == NULL )
convert( ptr -> right, NULL, NULL );
else convert( ptr -> right, right -> right, right -> right -> right );
ptr -> left = left;
ptr -> right = right;
function call should be like:
convert(start, start -> right, start -> right -> right);
Explanation will be uploaded tomorrow on.
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```



Vimal ⋅ a year ago

There is one bug in the above code.

Queue implementation is not correct.

After one iteration of while loop above, queue would be {15,12} but it should be { 12,15}

Correct me if i am wrong.



```
neon007 ⋅ a year ago
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
typedef struct list {
int data;
struct list * next;
} list;
typedef struct tree {
int data;
struct tree * left;
struct tree * right;
struct tree * next;
} tree;
typedef struct next {
struct next * next;
} next;
```

see more



Aadarsh • a year ago
Can we simply do this?

```
struct node* createTree(int m)
{
   if(m<=size)
   {
     struct node *q = createNode(arr[m]);
     q->left = createTree(m*2);
}
```

```
q->right = createTree(2*m + 1);
      return q;
 else return NULL;
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```



Meghasyam ⋅ a year ago Hi Ravi

why so complex solution, we can simply do in 2 steps

- 1. traverse the list and get one node at a time
- 2. send this value to complete binary tree functions

/* Paste your code here (You may **delete** these lines **if not** writing co



Ravi Chandra → Meghasyam • a year ago Hi Meghasyam,

You have simplified the second step to one sentence. When it actually need the steps that I have given.

Can you elaborate step 2 on how are you going to implement?



Uddhav → Meghasyam · a year ago

What is the time complexity in case of your solution? I think it will be not complexity to be n.



ceiling fans with lights at wa • a year ago

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Uddhav ⋅ a year ago

This is nice, much like a BFS traversal for tree or say it is reversing BFS trave



John Parkins • a year ago nice solution..

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