# **CS062** DATA STRUCTURES AND ADVANCED PROGRAMMING

# 22: Binary Trees



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#### Trees in CS

- Abstract data types that store elements hierarchically.
- Hierarchical: Each element in a tree has a parent (immediate ancestor) and zero or more children (immediate descendants).
- Appropriate when the linear, "before" and "after", relationship is not enough.
- Trees in CS grow upside-down.

Definition of a tree



If T is non-empty, it has a node called the root of T, that has no parent.

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Each node v, other than the root, has a unique parent node u. Every node with parent u is a child of u.

#### Example: Unix file system



Example: Expression tree

- If node is a leaf, then value is variable or constant.
- If node is internal, the value calculated by applying operations on its children.



Family Tree Terminology

• Edge: a pair of nodes s.t. one is the parent of the other, e.g., (K,C).

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- Parent node is directly above child node: K is parent of C and N.
- Sibling nodes have same parent, e.g., A and F.
- K is ancestor of B.
- B is descendant of K.
- Node plus all descendants gives subtree.
- Nodes without successors are called leaves or external. The rest are called internal.
- A set of trees is called a forest.

More Terminology

- Simple path: a series of distinct nodes s.t. there are edges between successive nodes.
- Path length: number of edges in path, e.g., path K-C-A has length 2.
- Height of node: length of longest path to leaf.
- Height of tree: height of root.
- Degree of node: number of its children.
- Degree of tree (arity): max degree of any of its nodes.
- Binary tree: a tree with arity of 2.



Even More Terminology

- Level/depth of node defined recursively:
  - Root is at level 0.
  - Level of any other node is equal to level of parent + 1.
  - It is also known as the length of path from root or number of ancestors.
- Height of node defined recursively:
  - If leaf, height is 0.
  - Else height is max height of child + 1.



But wait there's more!

- Full (or proper): a binary tree whose every node has 0 or 2 children.
- Complete: a binary tree with minimal height. Any holes in tree would appear at last level to right, i.e., all nodes of last level are as left as possible.



http://code.cloudkaksha.org/binary-tree/types-binary-tree

Counting

Lemma: if T is a binary tree, then at level k, T has  $\leq 2^k$  nodes.

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- Theorem: If T has height h, then # of nodes n in T satisfy:  $h+1 \le n \le 2^{h+1} - 1$ .
- Equivalently, if T has n nodes, then  $log(n + 1) 1 \le h \le n 1$ .

#### Basic idea behind a simple implementation

```
public class BinaryTree<Item> {
private Node root;
/**
 * A node subclass which contains various recursive methods
 *
   @param <Item> The type of the contents of nodes
 *
 */
private class Node {
    private Item item;
    private Node left;
    private Node right;
    /**
     * Node constructor with subtrees
     *
     * @param left the left node child
     * @param right the right node child
     * @param item
                     the item contained in the node
     */
    public Node(Node left, Node right, Item item) {
        this.left = left;
        this.right = right;
        this.item = item;
    }
```



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Pre-order traversal

- Root, Left Subtree, Right Subtree
- **KCABFDHNMVU**



In-order traversal

- Left Subtree, Root, Right Subtree
- **ABCDFHKMNUV**



Post-order traversal

- Left Subtree, Right Subtree, Root
- **BADHFCMUVNK**



Level-order traversal

- All nodes of level i before nodes in level i + 1
- **KCNAFMVBDHU**



#### **Practice Time**

List the nodes in pre-order, in-order, post-order, and level order.



#### Answer

- Pre-order: F B A D C E G I H
- In-order: A B C D E F G H I
- Post-order: A C E D B H I G F
- Level-order: FBGADICEH



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