



Trees [Chapter 13]

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Data Structures So Far...

- ◆ Most have been linear (ordered)
 - ◆ The items in the collection can be arranged in a line
 - ◆ Lists, Stacks, Queues, Arrays
- ◆ Some have been unordered
 - ◆ There's no specific arrangement of the items relative to each other
 - ◆ Sets, Tables
- ◆ Are there other kinds of data structures?

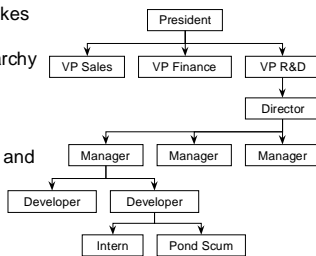
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Hierarchical Data

- ◆ Sometimes, data makes more sense when arranged into a hierarchy
- ◆ Example: the organization of a company
- ◆ Example: directories and files
- ◆ Example: a class hierarchy



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The Tree ADT

- ◆ In a hierarchical collection, every item may have more than one successor
- ◆ We use the Tree ADT to describe hierarchical data
 - ◆ Every node in the tree maintains some number of pointers to its children

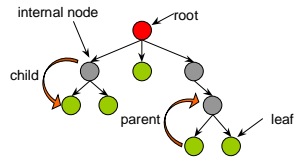
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Tree Terminology

- ◆ Every node has zero or more children
 - ◆ >0 children: internal node
 - ◆ No children: leaf node
- ◆ Every node has exactly one parent, except a distinguished node called the "root"
- ◆ If B is a child of A, then A is the parent of B



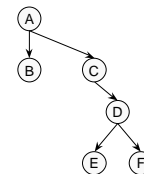
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Ancestors And Descendants

- ◆ Descendant: recursive definition!
 - ◆ A is a descendant of A
 - ◆ If B is a descendant of A and B is a parent of C, then C is a descendant of A
 - ◆ What are C's descendants? B's?
- ◆ Ancestor: similar definition
 - ◆ Or: A is an ancestor of B precisely when B is a descendant of A
 - ◆ What are E's ancestors?



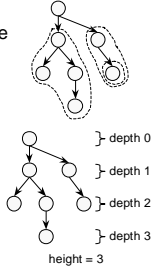
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Subtrees, Depth And Height

- ◆ A subtree is a node plus all of its descendants (part of tree with that node as root)
- ◆ Depth (of a node):
 - ◆ Depth of root node is 0
 - ◆ Depth of a node is 1 + depth of its parent
 - ◆ Different from "level" in textbook
- ◆ Height (of a tree):
 - ◆ Height is maximum depth for any node in the tree
 - ◆ Differs by one from book definition!



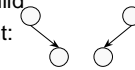
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Binary Trees

- ◆ A restriction on the general form of trees
 - ◆ General form is complicated: must maintain a list of pointers to children
 - ◆ Restriction often gives us all the power we need
- ◆ Every node has at most two children
- ◆ The children have special names and places: the *left* child and the *right* child
- ◆ These two trees are different:



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A Binary Tree ADT

- ◆ Like linked lists, we'll use two structures: a `struct` to hold data for a single node, and a `class` that abstracts the tree itself
- ◆ Another recursive data structure
 - ◆ So expect the algorithms to be highly recursive!
- ◆ We'd probably store size and height explicitly, but let's compute them...

```
struct Node {
    int data;
    Node *left;
    Node *right;
};

class BinaryTree
{
public:
    BinaryTree();
    ~BinaryTree();

    int calcSize();
    int calcHeight();
    ...
private:
    Node *root;
};
```

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Counting Nodes

- ◆ Add a private helper function:
`BinaryTree::calcSizeFrom`

```
int BinaryTree::calcSize()
{
    return calcSizeFrom( root );
}

int BinaryTree::calcSizeFrom( Node *cur )
{
    ...
}
```

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Measuring Height

- ◆ Assume that height of empty tree is -1
- ◆ Same plan as counting size:

```
int BinaryTree::calcHeight()
{
    return calcHeightFrom( root );
}

int BinaryTree::calcHeightFrom( Node *cur )
{
    ...
}
```

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Destroying A Tree

```
int BinaryTree::~BinaryTree()
{
    delTree( root );
}

void BinaryTree::delTree( Node *cur )
{
    if( cur != NULL ) {
        delTree( cur->left );
        delTree( cur->right );
        delete cur;
    }
}
```

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Performance Analysis

- ◆ The operations are similar, so let's analyze them at the same time

- ◆ How much work is done at each recursive call?
- ◆ How many recursive calls are there?

- ◆ Bonus question: how would you write these without recursion?

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Searching A Binary Tree

```
bool BinaryTree::isInTree( int item )
{
    return isInTreeFrom( root, item );
}

bool BinaryTree::isInTreeFrom( Node *cur, int item )
{
    if( cur == NULL ) {
        return false;
    } else if( cur->data == item ) {
        return true;
    }
    return isInTreeFrom( cur->left, item ) ||
           isInTreeFrom( cur->right, item );
}
```

- ◆ What's the running time of this algorithm?
- ◆ Can we do better?

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Binary Search Trees

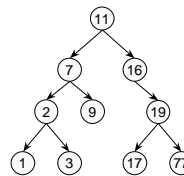
- ◆ A very common use of binary trees
- ◆ A restriction that makes dictionary-style operations fast
- ◆ Definition:
 - ◆ No duplicates: every node contains a unique value
 - ◆ The type of the data values can be compared using <, == and >
 - ◆ For any node in the tree
 - Items in left subtree are < node
 - Items in right subtree are > node

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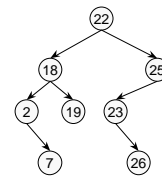
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Examples



a binary search tree



NOT a binary search tree (why not?)

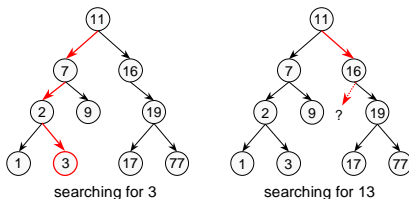
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Searching A BST

- ◆ Like binary search on an array: throw away subtrees that don't matter



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A Fast Search For BSTs

```
bool BinarySearchTree::isInTree( int item )
{
    return isInTreeFrom( root, item );
}

bool BinarySearchTree::isInTreeFrom( Node *cur, int item )
{
    if( cur == NULL ) {
        return false;
    } else if( item == cur->data ) {
        return true;
    } else if( item < cur->data ) {
        return isInTreeFrom( cur->left, item );
    } else {
        return isInTreeFrom( cur->right, item );
    }
}
```

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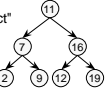
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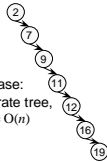
Performance Analysis Of BST Searching

- ◆ How much work is done in each recursive call?
- ◆ How many recursive calls are there?
 - ◆ Worst case: you have to walk all the way down the tree to the furthest leaf
 - ◆ Number of calls is height of tree
 - ◆ What's the height of a BST?

Best case: "perfect" tree, highly balanced, height = $O(\log n)$



Worst case: degenerate tree, height = $O(n)$



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BST Insertion

- ◆ A very elegant recursive algorithm
 - ◆ If tree is empty, return new one-node tree with item as root
 - ◆ If item equals root, stop
 - ◆ If item belongs in left subtree, recursively insert there
 - ◆ If item belongs in right subtree, recursively insert there

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BST Insertion Algorithm

```

void BinarySearchTree::insert( int item )
{
    root = insertFrom( root, item );
}

Node *BinarySearchTree::insertFrom( Node *cur, int item )
{
    if( cur == NULL ) {
        Node *nn = new Node;
        nn->data = item;
        nn->left = NULL;
        nn->right = NULL;
        return nn;
    } else if( item < cur->data ) {
        cur->left = insertFrom( cur->left, item );
    } else if( item > cur->data ) {
        cur->right = insertFrom( cur->right, item );
    }
    return cur;
}
    
```

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Analysis Of BST Insertion

- ◆ Just like searching: worst case number of recursive calls is height of tree
 - ◆ Analysis over random insertions gives probabilistic runtime of $O(\log n)$
- ◆ Structure of resulting tree depends heavily on order of insertions!
 - ◆ More intelligent binary search tree implementations can fix this problem by rebalancing the tree (red-black trees, AVL trees, etc.)

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BST Deletion

- ◆ Deleting a node from a BST can be complicated
 - ◆ Easy case: node is leaf (has no children), just remove it
 - ◆ Harder case: node has one child, must attach that child to node's parent
 - ◆ Hardest case: node has two children

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Updated BST Class

```

struct Node {
    int data;
    Node *left;
    Node *right;
};

class BinarySearchTree
{
public:
    BinarySearchTree(); // construct an empty tree
    BinarySearchTree( const BinarySearchTree& other );
    ~BinaryTree(); // delete the tree

    int getSize();

    void insert( int item ); // Add to the tree
    void remove( int item ); // Remove from the tree
    bool isInTree( int item ); // Find item in tree

    // Other public methods ...
private:
    // Other private data and helper functions ...
    Node *root;
};
    
```

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BST As Set Implementation

- ◆ The `BinarySearchTree` class just given is a very effective `IntSet` implementation:

```
class IntSet
{
public:
    IntSet() : bst() {}
    IntSet( const IntSet& other ) : bst( other.bst ) {}

    void addMember( int item ) { bst.insert( item ); }
    void removeMember( int item ) { bst.remove( item ); }
    bool isMember( int item ) { return bst.isInTree( item ); }

    IntSet union( const IntSet& other );
    IntSet intersection( const IntSet& other );
    IntSet difference( const IntSet& other );

private:
    BinarySearchTree bst;
};
```

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BST As Table Implementation

- ◆ BSTs can also be used to implement the table ADT by changing the item type:

```
struct Node {
    Key key;
    Data data;
    Node *left;
    Node *right;
};
```

- ◆ `Key` and `Data` can be two arbitrary types (as long as `keys` can be compared using `<`, `==`, `>`)
- ◆ All BST operations compare just the `keys`, not the `data`s

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Binary Tree Traversal

- ◆ Question: how to implement `IntSet::union`?
- ◆ A binary tree is a collection
- ◆ We need a way to iterate across its contents
 - ◆ Like `start`, `isEnd`, `advance` for lists
- ◆ How will we do this?
 - ◆ What's the right order?
- ◆ Not just for binary search trees; works on binary trees in general

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Recursive Traversal

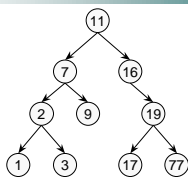
- ◆ Easiest way to visit every node in a tree is recursive (like `calcSize`, `calcHeight`):
 - ◆ At each node
 - Visit left subtree
 - Visit right subtree
 - Do something to item at current node
 - ◆ Order for these three steps leads to different traversal algorithms; We'll look at the three big ones
 - Preorder: item, left subtree, right subtree
 - Inorder: left subtree, item, right subtree
 - Postorder: left subtree, right subtree, item

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Traversal Example 1



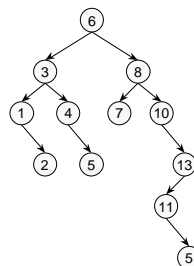
- ◆ Preorder traversal:
- ◆ Inorder traversal:
- ◆ Postorder traversal:

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Traversal Example 2



- ◆ Preorder:
- ◆ Inorder:
- ◆ Postorder:

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Traversal Implementation: Printing The Tree

```
void printPreorderFrom( Node *cur )
{
    if( cur != NULL ) {
        cout << cur->data << " ";
        printPreorderFrom( cur->left );
        printPreorderFrom( cur->right );
    }
}
```

```
void printPostorderFrom( Node *cur )
{
    if( cur != NULL ) {
        printPostorderFrom( cur->left );
        printPostorderFrom( cur->right );
        cout << cur->data << " ";
    }
}
```

```
void printInorderFrom( Node *cur )
{
    if( cur != NULL ) {
        printInorderFrom( cur->left );
        cout << cur->data << " ";
        printInorderFrom( cur->right );
    }
}

void BinarySearchTree::printInorder()
{
    printInorderFrom( root );
    cout << endl;
}
```

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Abstract Traversal

- ◆ Sometimes it's not data that needs to be abstracted, it's an algorithm
- ◆ Example: these two functions are identical except for what to do at every node
- ◆ How can we abstract the idea of postorder traversal?

```
void printPostorderFrom( Node *cur )
{
    if( cur != NULL ) {
        printPostorderFrom( cur->left );
        printPostorderFrom( cur->right );
        cout << cur->data << " ";
    }
}

void deleteFrom( Node *cur )
{
    if( cur != NULL ) {
        deleteFrom( cur->left );
        deleteFrom( cur->right );
        delete cur;
    }
}
```

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Abstract Traversal Idea 1

- ◆ Yes, this version is abstract, but you can only use it once per program
- ◆ Copying and pasting might help, but that defeats the goal of writing as little code as possible!

```
void traversePostorder( Node *cur )
{
    if( cur != null ) {
        traversePostorder( cur->left );
        traversePostorder( cur->right );
        doSomethingAtThisNode( cur );
    }
}
```

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Abstract Traversal Idea 2

- ◆ This is the "correct" solution in the C world: pointers to functions!
- ◆ This can get very ugly very fast
- ◆ Hard to debug, hard to understand

```
void traversePostorder( Node *cur,
    void (*visit)( Node *node ) )
{
    if( cur != null ) {
        traversePostorder( cur->left );
        traversePostorder( cur->right );
        visit( cur );
    }
}

void printNode( Node *node )
{
    cout << node->data << " ";
}

void printPostorderFrom( Node *root )
{
    traversePostorder( root, printNode );
}
```

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Abstract Abstract Traversal

- ◆ In C++, we can get the behaviour of "pointers-to-functions" using virtual functions
- ◆ A little more code at first, but easier to write more complicated algorithms, scales better, less ugly

```
class TraversalFunction {
public:
    virtual void visit( Node *node ) = 0;
};

void traversePostorder( Node *cur,
    TraversalFunction &func )
{
    if( cur != null ) {
        traversePostorder( cur->left );
        traversePostorder( cur->right );
        func.visit( cur );
    }
}

class PrintFunction : public TraversalFunction
{
public:
    virtual void visit( Node *node );
};

void PrintFunction::visit( Node *node ) {
    cout << node->data << " ";
}
```

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BST With Abstract Traversal

```
struct Node { ... };
class TraversalFunction { public: virtual void visit( Node *cur ) = 0; };
class BinarySearchTree
{
public:
    BinarySearchTree(); // construct an empty tree
    BinarySearchTree( const BinarySearchTree &other );
    ~BinarySearchTree(); // delete the tree

    int getSize();

    void insert( int item ); // Add to the tree
    void remove( int item ); // Remove from the tree
    bool isInTree( int item ); // Find item in tree

    void preorderTraversal( TraversalFunction& func );
    void inorderTraversal( TraversalFunction& func );
    void postorderTraversal( TraversalFunction& func );
private:
    // Other private data and helper functions ...
    Node *root;
};
```

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IntSet using Traversal

```
class UnionMaker : public TraversalFunction
{
public:
    UnionMaker( IntSet& s ) : addto( s ) {}
    virtual void visit( Node *cur );
private:
    IntSet& addto;
};

void UnionMaker::visit( Node *cur )
{
    addto.insert( cur->data );
}

IntSet IntSet::union( const IntSet& other )
{
    IntSet result = other;
    UnionMaker maker( result );
    bst.inorderTraversal( maker );
}
```

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Summary (I)

- ◆ Tree as new hierarchical data structure
 - ◆ Recursive definition and recursive data structure
- ◆ Tree parts and terminology
 - ◆ Made up of nodes
 - ◆ Root node, leaf nodes
 - ◆ Children, parents, ancestors, descendants
 - ◆ Depth of node, height of tree

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Summary (II)

- ◆ Binary Trees
 - ◆ Either 0, 1, or 2 children at any node
 - ◆ Recursive functions to manipulate them
- ◆ Binary Search Trees
 - ◆ Binary Trees with ordering invariant
 - ◆ Recursive BST search
 - ◆ Recursive Insert, Delete functions

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Summary (III)

- ◆ Binary Tree Traversals
 - ◆ Preorder traversal
 - ◆ Inorder traversal
 - ◆ Postorder traversal
- ◆ Abstract classes as the basis for abstract traversal algorithms

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