# **CSE 373**

#### **APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> – TREES PT 2**

## **ASSORTED MINUTIAE**

- HW3 Out last night
  - No need to submit testing code
  - System.currentTimeMillis()
- HW1 wrong submissions
  - Grades posted by Sunday Canvas announcement
- Regrade requests
  - https://catalyst.uw.edu/webq/survey/ ejmcc/330190

## **TODAY'S LECTURE**

- Tree traversals
  - Depth first search
  - Breadth first search
- Tree properties
  - Balance

#### **TREE TRAVERSALS**

- What is the point of a traversal?
  - Some way to get through elements of the tree
  - Useful for more than just trees

### **TREE TRAVERSALS**

- Array implementations
  - Traversal is easy, search left-to-right
  - Traversal is complete, no element is missed
  - Doesn't take advantage of heap property

## **TREE TRAVERSALS**

- Node implementations
  - Not as easy
  - No inherent ordering
  - Two main approaches:
    - Depth first search
    - Breadth first search

- All tree traversals start at the root
- As the name implies, traverse down the tree first.
- Left or right does not explicitly matter, but left usually comes first.















































- How does this work in application?
  - For each node, it searches its left subtree entirely and then moves to the right tree
  - Here search works by breaking the problem down into sub-problems
  - This is a good indication that we use recursion

- Recap from 143
- What is recursion?
  - A problem that calls itself (with a smaller version of the input)

#### • Example:

- Linked list search
- Take a few minutes and discuss a recursive approach (sorted or unsorted)

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```
public boolean LLsearch(int toFind){
    return LLsearch(toFind,first)
}
private boolean LLsearch(int toFind,Node curr){
    if(curr == null) return false;
    if(curr.data == toFind) return true;
    return LLsearch(toFind,curr.next);
```

#### How do we apply this approach to DFS?

- Discuss among yourselves
- Consider what is the "subproblem"
- What does it look like?

}

}

public boolean DFSearch(int toFind){
 return DFSearch(toFind,root)

private boolean DFSearch(int toFind,Node curr){
 if(curr == null) return false;
 if(curr.data == toFind) return true;
 if(DFSearch(toFind,curr.left)) return true;
 if(DFSearch(toFind,curr.right)) return true;
 return false;

- Treat each subtree as a subproblem and solve recursively.
- Will go to maximum depth first.
- When the node is found, the result will return up the stack
- What might be a different approach?

#### **ALTERNATE APPROACH**



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- If we want to traverse the tree from top to bottom, how might we go about doing this?
  - Discuss among yourselves for a minute
  - Can this approach be reduced to a subproblem?
  - Not easily!

- Consider the approach
  - Start with the root

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- Search all nodes of depth 1
- Search all nodes of depth 2
- How do we get this ordering?

- What if we use a Queue?
  - Enqueue the root
  - Then what?



Queue:

#### • What if we use a Queue?

enqueue the root

while the queue has elements: dequeue the node if it matches our search string return true if it doesn't, enqueue its non-null children return false;



Queue:



Queue: B | C |



Queue: B | C |



Queue: C | D | E |



Queue: D|E|F|G|



Queue: E|F|G|H|I|



Queue: F|G|H|I|J|K|



Queue: G|H|I|J|K|L|M



#### Queue: H|I|J|K|L|M|N|O



Queue: | I | J | K | L | M | N | O



Queue: J K L M N O



Queue: K|L|M|N|O



Queue: L|M|N|O



Queue: L|M|N|O

- Use a queue to keep track of the order
  - What happens if we use a stack?
    - Depth first search! These things are related!
- Next week
  - Balance and the O(n) problem