## Trees

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- A tree is an ADT that stores elements hierarchically.
- A tree $\boldsymbol{T}$ is a set of nodes storing elements in a parent-child relationship with the following properties:
- $\boldsymbol{T}$ has a special node $r$, called the root of $\boldsymbol{T}$.
- Each node $v$ of $T$ different from $r$ has a parent node $u$.

- Direct applications:
- Organizational charts
- File systems
- Programming environments



## Tree Terminologies

- If node $u$ is the parent of node $v$, then we say that $v$ is a child of $u$.
- Two nodes that are children of the same parent are siblings .
- A node is external (leaf) if it has no children, and it is internal if it has one or more children.
- The ancestors of a vertex are the vertices in the path from the root to this vertex.
- The descendants of a vertex $v$ are those vertices that have $v$ as an ancestor.
- Depth : The depth of a node is the number of edges from the node to the tree's root node. In other words, the depth of $v$ is the number of ancestors of $v$.
- The height of a tree $T$ is equal to the maximum depth of an external node of $T$.
- Height of a node $v$ is the number of edges on the longest path from $v$ to a leaf. A leaf node will have a height of 0 . The height of a tree is the largest level of the vertices of a tree which is he height of a root.
- A subtree of a tree $T$ is a tree $S$ consisting of a node in $T$ and all of its descendants in T .


## Example



Theorem: A tree with n nodes has $\mathrm{n}-1$ edges.

- The parent of $d$ is $a$.
- The children of $c$ are $g, h$, and $i$.
- The siblings of $g$ are $h$ and $i$.
- The ancestors of $f$ are $d, a$, and $r$.
- The descendants of $a$ are $d, e$, and $f$.
- The internal vertices are $r, a, d, c, g$, and $i$.
- The leaves are $e, f, b, j, h, k$, and $l$.
- The height of $d$ is 1 .
- The height of $c$ is 2 .
- The height of $b$ is 0 .
- The height of $r$ is 3 which is the height of tree.
- The depth of $\boldsymbol{d}$ is 2 .
- The depth of $r$ is 0 .
- The depth of $\boldsymbol{k}$ is 3 .
- The height of Tree is 3 .


## Tree Traversal

- A traversal of a tree T is a systematic way of accessing, or "visiting," all the nodes of $T$.
- There are three main types of tree traversals:
- Preorder: A node is visited before its descendants.
- Postorder: a node is visited after its descendants.
- Inorder: We will talk about this later. This is only supported in binary tree.


## Tree Traversal

- preorder: a node is visited before its descendants

- postorder: a node is visited after its descendants



## Binary Trees

- A binary tree is an ordered tree with the following properties:
- Each internal node has only two children
- The children of a node are an ordered pair (left child, right child)
- Recursive definition: a binary tree is
- A single node is a binary tree
- Two binary trees connected by a root is a binary tree
- Applications:

- arithmetic expressions
- decision processes
- searching


## Arithmetic Expression Tree

- Binary tree associated with an arithmetic expression
- internal nodes: operators
- external nodes: operands
- Ex: arithmetic expression tree for expression $(2 \times(a-1)+(3 \times b))$



## Decision Tree

- Binary tree associated with a decision process
- internal nodes: questions with yes/no answer
- external nodes: decisions
- Ex: dining decision



# Binary Tree Types <br> - Two main Types: <br> - Full Binary tree <br> - Complete Binary Tree 

## Full Binary Tree

A full binary tree is a tree in which every node other than the leaves has two children.


## Complete Binary Tree

- A complete binary tree is a binary tree in which every level, except possibly the last, is completely filled, and all nodes are as far left as possible.



## Number of nodes at Levels

- Level $l$ has at most $2^{l}$ nodes
- The number of external nodes in T is at least $\mathrm{h}+1$ and at most $2^{h}$.


Figure 2.25: Maximum number of nodes in the levels of a binary tree.

## Binary Tree Traversals

- Three main types:

1) Preorder traversal : Preorder (Root, Left, Right)

- the root node is visited first, then the left subtree and finally the right subtree.

2) Postorder Traversal: Postorder (Left, Right, Root)

- the root node is visited last, hence the name. First we traverse the left subtree, then the right subtree and finally the root node.

3) Inorder Traversal: Inorder (Left, Root, Right)

- the left subtree is visited first, then the root and later the right sub-tree.


## Preorder Traversal of a Binary Tree

- Preorder traversal: Preorder (Root, Left, Right)

1. the root node is visited first,
2. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Preorder(left-subtree)
3. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Preorder(right-subtree)

$O(n) \quad$| preorder (v) |
| :---: |
| if $x!=N u l l$ |
| print (x.value) |
| preorder(x.leftchild) |
| preorder(x.righchild) |



Ex: ABDEHICFG

## Postorder Traversal of a Binary Tree

- Postorder traversal: Postorder (Left, Right, Root)

1. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Postorder(left-subtree)
2. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Postorder(right-subtree)
3. Visit the root.

$O(n) \quad$| postorder (v) |
| :---: |
| if $x!=$ Null |
| postorder(x.leftchild) |
| postorder(x.righchild) |
| print (x.value) |



Ex: DHIEBFGCA

## Inorder Traversal of a Binary Tree

- Inorder traversal: Inorder (Left, Root, Right)

1. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Inorder(left-subtree)
2. Visit the root.
3. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Inorder(right-subtree)


Ex: DBHEIAFCG

## Linked Data Structure for Representing Trees

A node stores:

- element
- parent node
- sequence of children nodes



## Linked Data Structure for Binary Trees

A node stores:

- element
- parent node
- left node
- right node



## Array-Based Representation of Binary Trees

Nodes are stored in an array

- rank(root) = 1
- If rank(node) $=i$, then
$\operatorname{rank}(\operatorname{leftChild})=2^{*} i$
rank(rightChild) $=2 * i+1$


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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Ex: ' } A \text { ' is left child of } B \\
& \begin{aligned}
\operatorname{rank}(A) & =2 * \operatorname{rank}(B) \\
& =2 * 1=1
\end{aligned}
\end{aligned}
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$E x$ : ' $E$ ' is right child of $D$ $\operatorname{rank}(\mathrm{E})=2 * \operatorname{rank}(\mathrm{D})+1$

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=2 * 3+1
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=7
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## Exercises

- Write the iterative Implementation (Pseudocode) of preorder and postorder traversals?
- The number of edges from the node to the deepest leaf is called
$\qquad$ of the tree.
a) Height
b) Depth
c) Length
d) Width

