

CMSC 341

Introduction to Trees

# Tree ADT

## Tree definition

- A tree is a set of nodes.
- The set may be empty
- If not empty, then there is a distinguished node  $r$ , called *root* and zero or more non-empty subtrees  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$ , each of whose roots are connected by a directed edge from  $r$ .

## Basic Terminology

- *Root* of a subtree is a child of  $r$ .  $r$  is the *parent*.
- All children of a given node are called *siblings*.
- A *leaf* (or external) node has no children.
- An *internal node* is a node with one or more children

# More Tree Terminology

A *path* from node  $V_1$  to node  $V_k$  is a sequence of nodes such that  $V_i$  is the parent of  $V_{i+1}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .

The *length* of this path is the number of edges encountered. The length of the path is one less than the number of nodes on the path ( $k - 1$  in this example)

The *depth* of any node in a tree is the length of the path from root to the node.

All nodes of the same depth are at the same *level*.

The *depth of a tree* is the depth of its deepest leaf.

The *height* of any node in a tree is the length of the longest path from the node to a leaf.

The *height of a tree* is the height of its root.

If there is a path from  $V_1$  to  $V_2$ , then  $V_1$  is an *ancestor* of  $V_2$  and  $V_2$  is a *descendent* of  $V_1$ .

# Tree Storage

A tree node contains:

- Element
- Links
  - to each child
  
  - to sibling and first child

# Binary Trees

A *binary tree* is a rooted tree in which no node can have more than two children AND the children are distinguished as *left* and *right*. (We will discuss the difference between *rooted* trees and *free* trees later, when we study graphs)

A *full BT* is a BT in which every node either has two children or is a leaf (every interior node has two children).

# FBT Theorem

Theorem: A FBT with  $n$  internal nodes has  $n + 1$  leaf nodes.

Proof by induction on the number of internal nodes,  $n$ :

Base case: BT of one node (the root) has:

zero internal nodes

one external node (the root)

Inductive Assumption:

Assume all FBTs with up to and including  $n$  internal nodes have  $n + 1$  external nodes.

## Proof (cont)

Inductive Step (prove for  $n + 1$ ):

- Let  $T$  be a FBT of  $n$  internal nodes.
- It therefore has  $n + 1$  external nodes (Inductive Assumption)
- Enlarge  $T$  by adding two nodes to some leaf. These are therefore leaf nodes.
- Number of leaf nodes increases by 2, but the former leaf becomes internal.
- So,
  - # internal nodes becomes  $n + 1$ ,
  - # leaves becomes  $(n + 1) + 1 = n + 2$

## Proof (more rigorous)

Inductive Step (prove for  $n+1$ ):

- Let  $T$  be any FBT with  $n + 1$  internal nodes.
- Pick any leaf node of  $T$ , remove it and its sibling.
- Call the resulting tree  $T_1$ , which is a FBT
- One of the internal nodes in  $T$  is changed to a external node in  $T_1$ 
  - $T$  has one more internal node than  $T_1$
  - $T$  has one more external node than  $T_1$
- $T_1$  has  $n$  internal nodes and  $n + 1$  external nodes (by inductive assumption)
  - Therefore  $T$  has  $(n + 1) + 1$  external nodes.



# Perfect Binary Tree

A *perfect BT* is a full BT in which all leaves have the same depth.

# PBT Theorem

Theorem: The number of nodes in a PBT is  $2^{h+1}-1$ , where  $h$  is height.

Proof by induction on  $h$ , the height of the PBT:

Notice that the number of nodes at each level is  $2^l$ . (Proof of this is a simple induction - left to student as exercise)

Base Case:

The tree has one node; then  $h = 0$  and  $n = 1$ .

$$\text{and } 2^{(h+1)} = 2^{(0+1)} - 1 = 2^1 - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1 = n$$

## Proof of PBT Theorem(cont)

Inductive Assumption:

Assume true for all trees with height  $h \leq H$

Prove true for  $H+1$ :

Consider a PBT with height  $H + 1$ . It consists of a root and two subtrees of height  $H$ . Therefore, since the theorem is true for the subtrees (by the inductive assumption since they have height =  $H$ )

$$\begin{aligned}n &= (2^{(H+1)} - 1) && \text{for the left subtree} \\ &+ (2^{(H+1)} - 1) && \text{for the right subtree} \\ &+ 1 && \text{for the root} \\ &= 2 * (2^{(H+1)} - 1) + 1 \\ &= 2^{((H+1)+1)} - 2 + 1 = 2^{((H+1)+1)} - 1. && \text{QED}\end{aligned}$$

# Other Binary Trees

## **Complete Binary Tree**

A *complete BT* is a perfect BT except that the lowest level may not be full. If not, it is filled from left to right.

## **Augmented Binary Tree**

An *augmented binary tree* is a BT in which every unoccupied child position is filled by an additional “augmenting” node.

# Path Lengths

The *internal path length* of a rooted tree is the sum of the depths of all of its internal nodes.

The *external path length* of a rooted tree is the sum of the depths of all the external nodes.

There is a relationship between the IPL and EPL of Full Binary Trees.

If  $n_i$  is the number of internal nodes in a FBT, then

$$EPL(n_i) = IPL(n_i) + 2n_i$$

Example:

$$n_i =$$

$$EPL(n_i) =$$

$$IPL(n_i) =$$

$$2 n_i =$$

## Proof of Path Lengths

Prove:  $EPL(n_i) = IPL(n_i) + 2 n_i$  by induction on number of internal nodes

Base:  $n_i = 0$  (single node, the root)

$$EPL(n_i) = 0$$

$$IPL(n_i) = 0; \quad 2 n_i = 0 \quad 0 = 0 + 0$$

IH: Assume true for all FBT with  $n_i < N$

Prove for  $n_i = N$ .

Proof: Let T be a FBT with  $n_i = N$  internal nodes.

Let  $n_{iL}$ ,  $n_{iR}$  be # of internal nodes in L, R subtrees of T

then  $N = n_i = n_{iL} + n_{iR} + 1 \implies n_{iL} < N; n_{iR} < N$

So by IH:

$$\text{EPL}(n_{iL}) = \text{IPL}(n_{iL}) + 2 n_{iL}$$

$$\text{and } \text{EPL}(n_{iR}) = \text{IPL}(n_{iR}) + 2 n_{iR}$$

For T,

$$\text{EPL}(n_i) = \text{EPL}(n_{iL}) + n_{iL} + 1 + \text{EPL}(n_{iR}) + n_{iR} + 1$$

By substitution

$$\text{EPL}(n_i) = \text{IPL}(n_{iL}) + 2 n_{iL} + n_{iL} + 1 + \text{IPL}(n_{iR}) + 2 n_{iR} + n_{iR} + 1$$

Notice that  $\text{IPL}(n_i) = \text{IPL}(n_{iL}) + \text{IPL}(n_{iR}) + n_{iL} + n_{iR}$

By combining terms

$$\text{EPL}(n_i) = \text{IPL}(n_i) + 2 (n_{iR} + n_{iL} + 1)$$

But  $n_{iR} + n_{iL} + 1 = n_i$ , therefore

$$\text{EPL}(n_i) = \text{IPL}(n_i) + 2 n_i \quad \text{QED}$$

# Traversal

Inorder

Preorder

Postorder

Levelorder



# Constructing Trees

Is it possible to reconstruct a BT from just one of its pre-order, inorder, or post-order sequences?

## Constructing Trees (cont)

Given two sequences (say pre-order and inorder) is the tree unique?

# Tree Implementations

What should methods of a tree class be?

# Tree class

```
template <class Object>
class Tree {
    public:
    Tree(const Object &notFnd);
    Tree (const Tree &rhs);
    ~Tree();

    const Object &find(const Object &x) const;
    bool isEmpty() const;
    void printTree() const;
    void makeEmpty();
    void insert (const Object &x);
    void remove (const Object &x);
    const Tree &operator=(const Tree &rhs);
```

## Tree class (cont)

private:

```
    TreeNode<Object> *root;  
    const Object ITEM_NOT_FOUND;  
    const Object &elementAt(TreeNode<Object> *t) const;  
    void insert (const Object &x, TreeNode<Object> * &t) const;  
    void remove (const Object &x, TreeNode<Object> * &t) const;  
    TreeNode<Object> *find(const Object &x,  
                           TreeNode<Object> *t) const;  
    void makeEmpty(TreeNode<Object> *&t) const;  
    void printTree(TreeNode<Object> *t) const;  
    TreeNode<Object> *clone(TreeNode<Object> *t) const;  
};
```

# Tree Implementations

## Fixed Binary

- element
- left pointer
- right pointer

## Fixed K-ary

- element
- array of K child pointers

## Linked Sibling/Child

- element
- firstChild pointer
- nextSibling pointer

## TreeNode : Static Binary

```
template <class Object>
class BinaryNode {
    Object element;
    BinaryNode *left;
    BinaryNode *right;

    BinaryNode(const Object &theElement,
               BinaryNode *lt,
               BinaryNode *rt)
        : element (theElement), left (lt), right (rt) {}

    friend class Tree<Object>;
};
```

## Find : Static Binary

```
template <class Object>
BinaryNode<Object> *Tree<Object> ::
find(const Object &x, BinaryNode<Object> *t) const {
    BinaryNode<Object> *ptr;

    if (t == NULL)
        return NULL;
    else if (x == t->element)
        return t;
    else if (ptr = find(x, t->left))
        return ptr;
    else
        return(ptr = find(x, t->right));
}
```



# Insert : Static Binary

# Remove : Static Binary

## TreeNode : Static K-ary

```
template <class Object>
class KaryNode {
    Object element;
    KaryNode *children[MAX_CHILDREN];

    KaryNode(const Object &theElement);

    friend class Tree<Object>;
};
```

## Find : Static K-ary

```
template <class Object>
KaryNode<Object> *KaryTree<Object> ::
find(const Object &x, KaryNode<Object> *t) const
{
    KaryNode<Object> *ptr;

    if (t == NULL)
        return NULL;
    else if (x == t->element)
        return t;
    else {
        i =0;
        while ((i < MAX_CHILDREN)
            && !(ptr = find(x, t->children[i])) i++);
        return ptr;
    }
}
```

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# Insert : Static K-ary

# Remove : Static K-ary

## TreeNode : Sibling/Child

```
template <class Object>
class KTreeNode {
    Object element;
    KTreeNode *nextSibling;
    KTreeNode *firstChild;

    KTreeNode(const Object &theElement,
              KTreeNode *ns,
              KTreeNode *fc)
        : element (theElement),  nextSibling(ns),
          firstChild(fc) {}

    friend class Tree<Object>;
};
```

## Find : Sibling/Child

```
template <class Object>
KTreeNode<Object> *Tree<Object> ::
find(const Object &x, KTreeNode<Object> *t) const
{
    KTreeNode<Object> *ptr;

    if (t == NULL)
        return NULL;
    else if (x == t->element)
        return t;
    else if (ptr = find(x, t->firstChild))
        return ptr;
    else
        return(ptr = find(x, t->nextSibling));
}
```



# Insert : Sibling/Child

# Remove : Sibling/Parent