Trees

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Trees?

- Not those, but sort of....
- Our trees will have roots just like those
- Our trees will have branches just like those
- Our trees will have leaves just like those

Tree: defined

- **Definition:** A tree is a connected undirected graph with no simple circuits.
- Theorem: An undirected graph is a tree if and only if there is a unique simple path between any two of its vertices





A tree is a connected undirected graph with no simple circuits

A tree is a connected graph with n-1 edges

A tree is a graph such that there is a unique simple path between any pair of vertices

All of the above say the same thing!

An unrooted tree



Kinds of nodes/vertices in a tree

- the root (this tree doesn't have one)
- leaf nodes (there are 6 here)
- interior nodes (there are 5 here)



A rooted tree has one vertex designated as the root and every other edge is directed away from the root

The above tree is a binary tree We put the root at the top by convention



The parent of H is B The sibling of G is J The ancestors of I are E, K, and A C is a child of K The descendants of B are F, H, and D A is the root, and has no ancestors The leaf nodes have no children Again, the tree is a binary tree

The height of a binary tree



The height of a leaf node is 0 The height of an empty tree is 0 The height of a node x is 1 + max(height(left(x)),height(right(x)))

Note: I've assumed that we have functions left, right, isNode, and isLeaf

Traversals



If you've got some structure one of the 1^{st} things you want to be able to do is to traverse it!

Again, we'll stick to rooted binary trees

We have 3 traversals

- 2. preorder
- 3. inorder
- 4. postorder



A,B,F,H,D,K,C,J,G,E,I

inorder(x)
if isNode(x)
then inorder(left(x)),
 print(x),
 inorder(right(x))

F,B,D,H,A,J,C,G,K,E,I

postorder(x)
if isNode(x)
then print(x),
 postorder(left(x)),
 postorder(right(x))

F,D,H,B,J,G,C,I,E,K,A



A walk round the tree

- if we "print" on 1st visit we get preorder
- if we "print" on 2nd visit we get inorder
- if we "print" on last visit we get postorder

Determine the tree from its traversals

- 1. Preorder: ICBEHDAFG
- 2. Inorder: EBHCIFADG
- 3. Postorder: EHBCFAGDI

- (a) I is the root (from 1)
- (b) E, B, H, and C are to the left of I (from (a) and 2)
- \cdot (c) F, A, D, and G are to the right of I (from (a) 2)
- (d) C is the first left node of I (from (c) and 1)
- \cdot (e) D is the first right node of I (from (c) and 1)
- (f) possibly we have
 - B to the left of C,
 - E to the left of B,
 - H to the right of B ... as this satisfies 1 and 2
- (g) F and A are left of D, and G is right of D (from 2)
- (h) F must be left of A (from 1)
- (j) the tree is now fully defined

Determine the tree from its traversals

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How would you represent a tree in a computer?



Might have a btree data structure with attributes

- data
 - the actual information in a node
- left
 - the btree to the left, or nil
- right
 - the btree to the right, or nil



	data	left	right
1	1	2	11
2	2	6	8
3	3	9	7
4	4	- 1	- 1
5	5	- 1	10
6	6	- 1	- 1
7	7	- 1	- 1
8	8	4	- 1
9	9	- 1	- 1
10	10	- 1	- 1
11	11	3	5

Might use a 2d array



Might use a 1d array , giving parent of a node



An expression

What would a preorder, inorder and postorder traversal of this tree looklike?