

Today: Trees

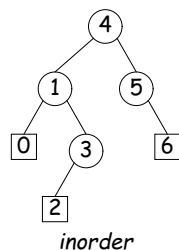
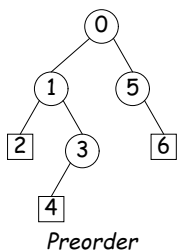
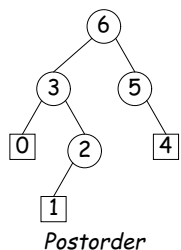
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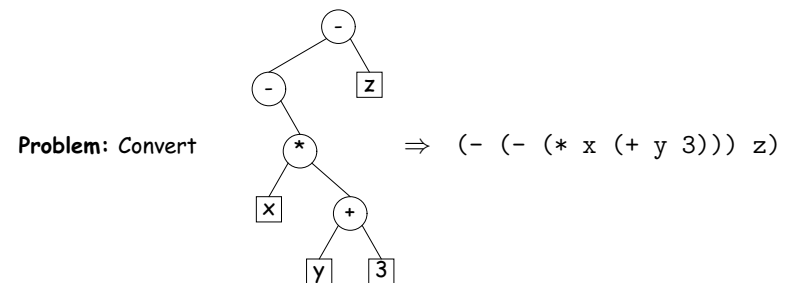
- Trees naturally represent recursively defined, hierarchical objects with more than one recursive subpart for each instance.
- Common examples: expressions, sentences.
  - Expressions have definitions such as "an expression consists of a literal or two expressions separated by an operator."
- Also describe structures in which we recursively divide a set into multiple subsets.

### Fundamental Operation: Traversal

- *Traversing a tree* means enumerating (some subset of) its nodes.
- Typically done recursively, because that is natural description.
- As nodes are enumerated, we say they are *visited*.
- Three basic orders for enumeration (+ variations):
  - **Preorder**: visit node, traverse its children.
  - **Postorder**: traverse children, visit node.
  - **Inorder**: traverse first child, visit node, traverse second child (binary trees only).



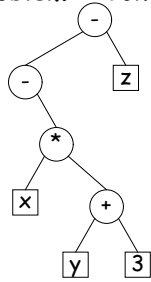
### Preorder Traversal and Prefix Expressions



```
static String toLisp (Tree<String> T) {
    if (T == null)
        return "";
    else if (T.degree () == 0)
        return T.label ();
    else {
        String R; R = "";
        for (int i = 0; i < T.numChildren (); i += 1)
            R += " " + toLisp (T.child (i));
        return String.format ("%s%s", T.label (), R);
    }
}
```

## Inorder Traversal and Infix Expressions

Problem: Convert



$\Rightarrow ((-(x*(y+3)))-z)$

To think about: how to get rid of all those parentheses.

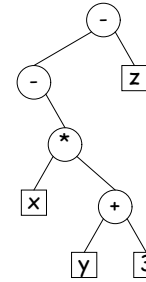
```
static String toInfix (Tree<String> T) {
    if (T == null)
        return "";
    if (T.degree () == 0)
        return T.label ();
    else {
        return String.format ("%s%s%s",
                               toInfix (T.left ()), T.label (), toInfix (T.right ()))
    }
}
```

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## Postorder Traversal and Postfix Expressions

Problem: Convert



$\Rightarrow x y 3 + : 2 * : 2 - : 1 z - : 2$

```
static String toPolish (Tree<String> T) {
    if (T == null)
        return "";
    else {
        String R; R = "";
        for (int i = 0; i < T.numChildren (); i += 1)
            R += toPolish (T.child (i)) + " ";
        return String.format ("%s%s:%d", R, T.label (), T.degree ());
    }
}
```

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## A General Traversal: The Visitor Pattern

```
void preorderTraverse (Tree<Label> T, Action<Label> whatToDo)
{
    if (T != null) {
        whatToDo.action (T);
        for (int i = 0; i < T.numChildren (); i += 1)
            preorderTraverse (T.child (i), whatToDo);
    }
}
```

### • What is Action?

```
interface Action<Label> {
    void action (Tree<Label> T);
}

class Print implements Action<String> {
    void action (Tree<String> T) {
        System.out.print (T.label ());
    }
}
```

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## Times

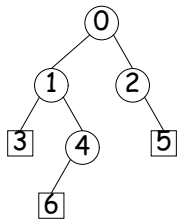
- The traversal algorithms have roughly the form of the boom example in §1.3.3 of *Data Structures*—an exponential algorithm.
- However, the role of  $M$  in that algorithm is played by the *height* of the tree, not the number of nodes.
- In fact, easy to see that tree traversal is *linear*:  $\Theta(N)$ , where  $N$  is the # of nodes: Form of the algorithm implies that there is one visit at the root, and then one visit for every *edge* in the tree. Since every node but the root has exactly one parent, and the root has none, must be  $N - 1$  edges in any non-empty tree.
- In positional tree, is also one recursive call for each empty tree, but # of empty trees can be no greater than  $kN$ , where  $k$  is arity.
- For  $k$ -ary tree (max # children is  $k$ ),  $h + 1 \leq N \leq \frac{k^{h+1}-1}{k-1}$ , where  $h$  is height.
- So  $h \in \Omega(\log_k N) = \Omega(\lg N)$  and  $h \in O(N)$ .
- Many tree algorithms look at one child only. For them, time is proportional to the *height* of the tree, and this is  $\Theta(\lg N)$ , assuming that tree is *bushy*—each level has about as many nodes as possible.

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## Level-Order (Breadth-First) Traversal

**Problem:** Traverse all nodes at depth 0, then depth 1, etc:



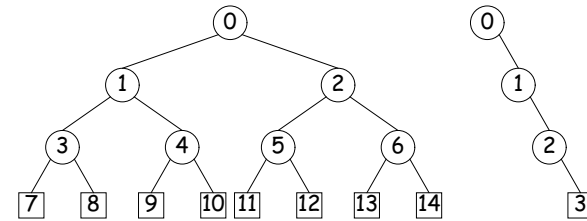
- One technique: *Iterative Deepening*. For each level,  $k$ , from 0 to  $h$ , call `doLevel(T,k)`

```
void doLevel (Tree T, int lev) {
    if (lev == 0)
        visit T
    else
        for each non-null child, C, of T {
            doLevel (C, lev-1);
        }
}
```

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## Iterative Deepening Time?



- Let  $h$  be height,  $N$  be # of nodes.
- Count # edges traversed (i.e, # of calls, not counting null nodes).
- First (full) tree: 1 for level 0, 3 for level 1, 7 for level 2, 15 for level 3.
- Or in general  $(2^1 - 1) + (2^2 - 1) + \dots + (2^{h+1} - 1) = 2^{h+2} - h \in \Theta(N)$ , since  $N = 2^{h+1} - 1$  for this tree.
- Second (right leaning) tree: 1 for level 0, 2 for level 2, 3 for level 3.
- Or in general  $(h+1)(h+2)/2 = N(N+1)/2 \in \Theta(N^2)$ , since  $N = h+1$  for this kind of tree.

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## Iterative Traversals

- Tree recursion conceals data: a *stack* of nodes (all the T arguments) and a little extra information. Can make the data explicit, e.g.:

```
void preorderTraverse2 (Tree T<T>, Action whatToDo) {
    Stack s = new Stack ();
    s.push (T);
    while (! s.isEmpty ()) {
        Tree node = (Tree) s.pop ();
        if (node == null)
            continue;
        whatToDo.action (node);
        for (int i = node.numChildren ()-1; i >= 0; i --= 1)
            s.push (node.child (i));
    }
}
```

- To do a breadth-first traversal, use a queue instead of a stack, replace push with add, and pop with removeFirst.
- Makes breadth-first traversal worst-case linear time in all cases, but also linear space for "bushy" trees.

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## Iterators for Trees

- Frankly, iterators are not terribly convenient on trees.
- But can use ideas from iterative methods.

```
class PreorderTreeIterator<T> implements Iterator<T> {
    private Stack<Tree<T>> s = new Stack<Tree<T>> ();

    public PreorderTreeIterator (Tree<T> T) { s.push (T); }

    public boolean hasNext () { return ! s.isEmpty (); }
    public T next () {
        Tree<T> result = s.pop ();
        for (int i = result.numChildren ()-1; i >= 0; i --= 1)
            s.push (result.child (i));
        return result.label ();
    }

    void remove () { throw new UnsupportedOperationException (); }
}
```

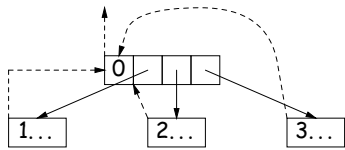
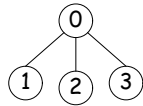
**Example:** (what do I have to add to class `Tree` first?)

```
for (String label : aTree) System.out.print (label + " ");
```

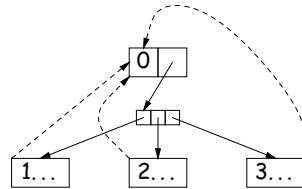
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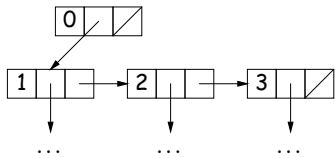
## Tree Representation



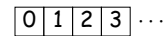
(a) Embedded child pointers  
(+ optional parent pointers)



(b) Array of child pointers  
(+ optional parent pointers)



(c) child/sibling pointers



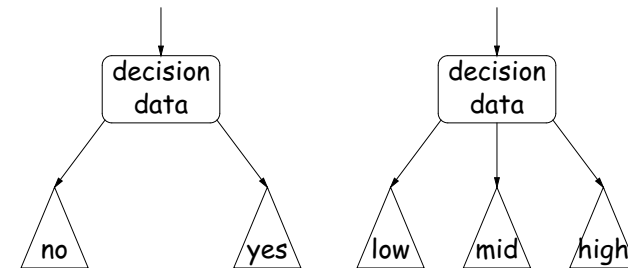
(d) pre-order array  
(complete trees)

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## Divide and Conquer

- Much (most?) computation is devoted to finding things in response to various forms of query.
- Linear search for response can be *expensive*, especially when data set is too large for primary memory.
- Preferable to have criteria for *dividing* data to be searched into pieces recursively
- Remember figure for  $\lg N$  algorithms: at  $1\mu\text{sec}$  per comparison, could process  $10^{300000}$  items in 1 sec.
- Tree is a natural framework for the representation:



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## Binary Search Trees

### Binary Search Property:

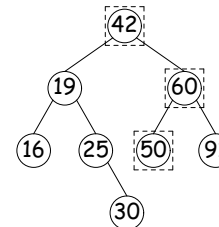
- Tree nodes contain *keys*, and possibly other data.
- All nodes in left subtree of node have *smaller* keys.
- All nodes in right subtree of node have *larger* keys.
- "Smaller" means any complete transitive, anti-symmetric ordering on keys:
  - exactly one of  $x < y$  and  $y < x$  true.
  - $x < y$  and  $y < z$  imply  $x < z$ .
  - (To simplify, won't allow duplicate keys this semester).
- E.g., in dictionary database, node label would be (*word*, *definition*): *word* is the key.

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## Finding

- Searching for 50 and 49:



```

/** Node in T containing L,
 * or null if none */
static BST find(BST T, Key L) {
    if (T == null)
        return T;
    if (L.keyequals (T.label()))
        return T;
    else if (L < T.label())
        return find(T.left(), L);
    else
        return find(T.right (), L);
}
  
```

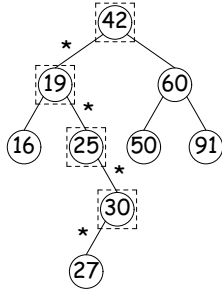
- Dashed boxes show which node labels we look at.
- Number looked at proportional to height of tree.

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## Inserting

### • Inserting 27



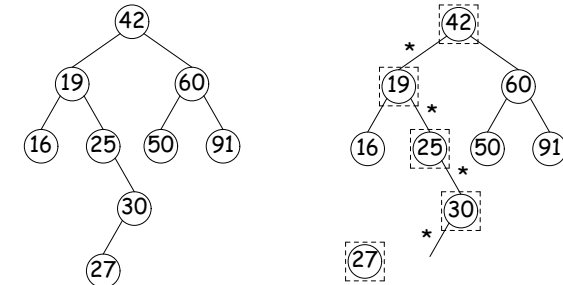
```

/** Insert L in T, replacing existing
 * value if present, and returning
 * new tree. */
BST insert(BST T, Key L) {
  if (T == null)
    return new BST(L);
  if (L.keyequals (T.label()))
    T.setLabel (L);
  else if (L < T.label())
    T.setLeft(insert (T.left (), L));
  else
    T.setRight(insert (T.right (), L));
  return T;
}

```

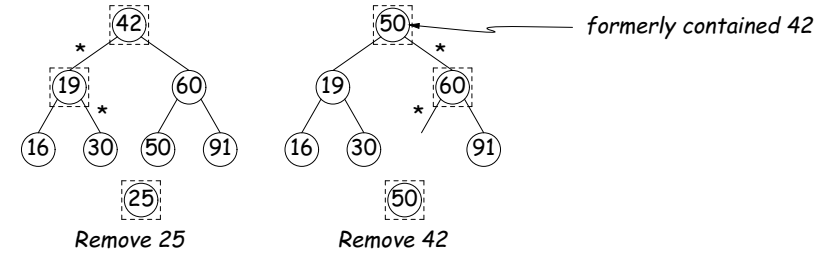
- Starred edges are set (to themselves, unless initially null).
- Again, time proportional to height.

## Deletion



Initial

Remove 27



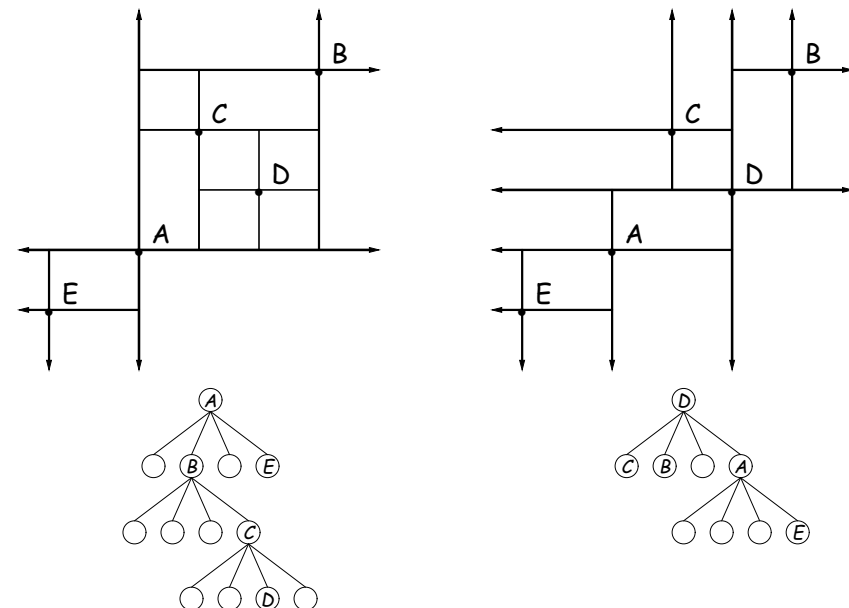
Remove 25

Remove 42

## A Leap Ahead: Quadtrees

- Want to *index* information about locations so that items can be retrieved by position.
- Quadtrees do so using standard data-structuring trick: *Divide and Conquer*.
- Idea: divide (2D) space into four *quadrants*, and store items in the appropriate quadrant. Repeat this recursively with each quadrant that contains more than one item.
- Original definition: a quadtree is either
  - Empty, or
  - An item at some position  $(x, y)$ , called the root, plus
  - four quadtrees, each containing only items that are northwest, northeast, southwest, and southeast of  $(x, y)$ .
- Big idea is that if you are looking for point  $(x', y')$  and the root is not the point you are looking for, you can narrow down which of the four subtrees of the root to look in by comparing coordinates  $(x, y)$  with  $(x', y')$ .

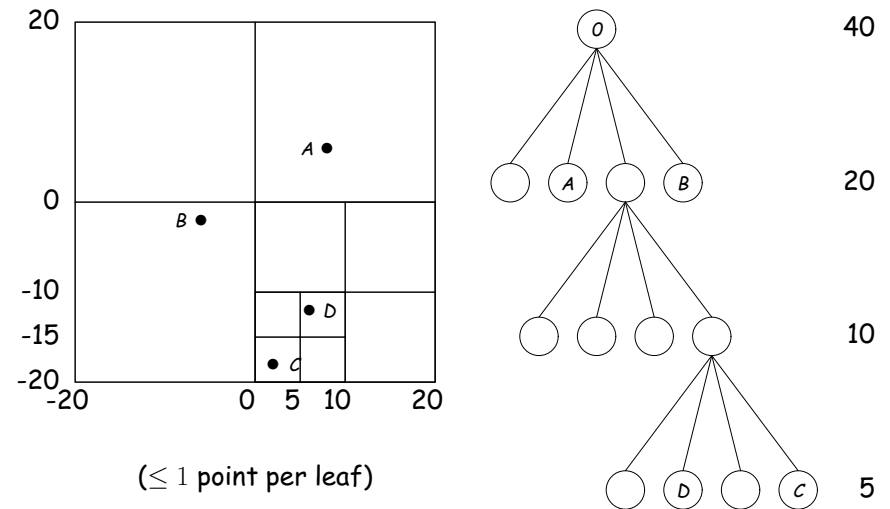
## Classical Quadtree: Example



## Point-region (PR) Quadrees

- For our project, it is good to be able to *delete* items from a tree: when a particle moves, the subtree that it goes in may change.
- Difficult to do with the classical data structure above, so we'll define instead:
- A quadtree consists of a bounding rectangle,  $B$  and either
  - Zero up to a small number of items that lie in that rectangle, or
  - Four quadtrees whose bounding rectangles are the four quadrants of  $B$  (all of equal size).
- A completely empty quadtree can have an arbitrary bounding rectangle, or you can wait for the first point to be inserted.

## Example of PR Quadtree



## Navigating PR Quadrees

- To find an item at  $(x, y)$  in quadtree  $T$ ,
  1. If  $(x, y)$  is outside the bounding rectangle of  $T$ , or  $T$  is empty, then  $(x, y)$  is not in  $T$ .
  2. Otherwise, if  $T$  contains a small set of items, then  $(x, y)$  is in  $T$  iff it is among these items.
  3. Otherwise,  $T$  consists of four quadtrees. Recursively look for  $(x, y)$  in each (however, step #1 above will cause all but one of these bounding boxes to reject the point immediately).
- Similar procedure works when looking for all items within some rectangle,  $R$ :
  1. If  $R$  does not intersect the bounding rectangle of  $T$ , or  $T$  is empty, then there are no items in  $R$ .
  2. Otherwise, if  $T$  contains a set of items, return those that are in  $R$ , if any.
  3. Otherwise,  $T$  consists of four quadtrees. Recursively look for points in  $R$  in each one of them.

## Insertion into PR Quadrees

Various cases for inserting a new point  $N$ , showing initial state  $\Rightarrow$  final state.

