



TREES

Lecture 10
CS2110 – Fall 2013

Readings and Homework

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- Textbook, Chapter 23, 24

- Homework: A thought problem (draw pictures!)
 - Suppose you use trees to represent student schedules. For each student there would be a general tree with a root node containing student name and ID. The inner nodes in the tree represent courses, and the leaves represent the times/places where each course meets. Given two such trees, how could you determine whether and where the two students might run into one-another?

Which Oct 10 exam session?

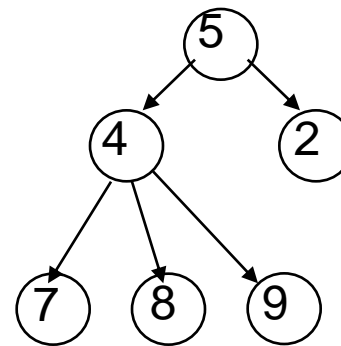
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- Spoke to Amy about a conflict? Follow her instructions.
- Your student ID is an even number? 116 Kennedy Hall, “Call” Auditorium. 7:30-9:00pm.
- **Your student ID is an odd number? 116 Kennedy Hall, “Call” Auditorium. 5:30-7:00pm**
 - ▣ **Your ID # is odd, but you have a conflict with this earlier time? Contact Amy; with her permission you can come at 7:30-9:00pm.**

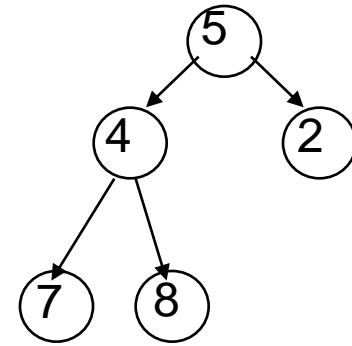
Tree Overview

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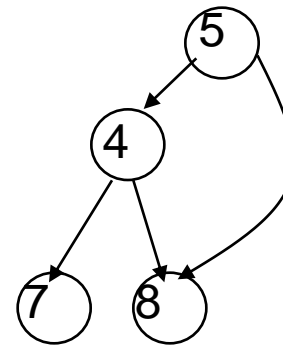
- **Tree:** recursive data structure (similar to list)
 - ▣ Each cell may have zero or more *successors* (children)
 - ▣ Each cell has exactly one *predecessor* (parent) except the *root*, which has none
 - ▣ All cells are reachable from *root*
- **Binary tree:** tree in which each cell can have at most two children: a left child and a right child



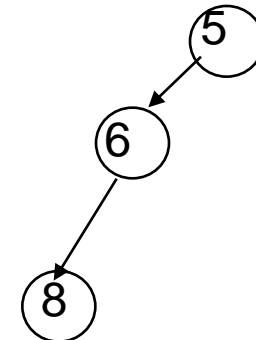
General tree



Binary tree



Not a tree

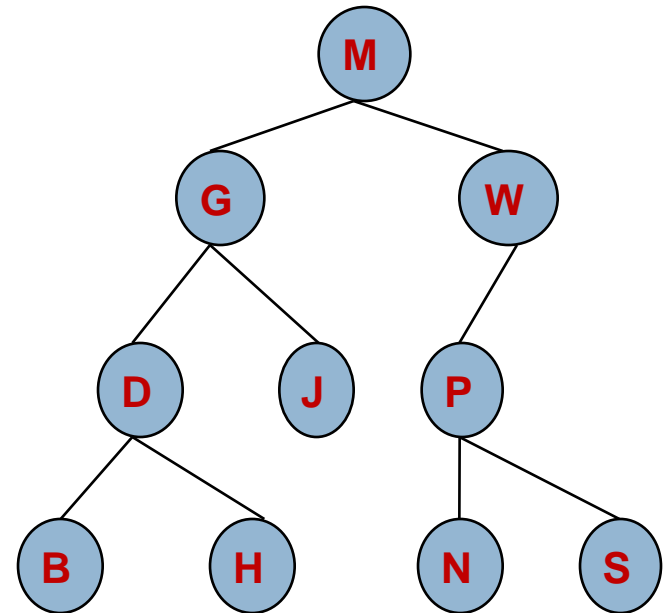


List-like tree

Tree Terminology

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- M is the **root** of this tree
- G is the **root** of the **left subtree** of M
- B, H, J, N, and S are **leaves**
- N is the **left child** of P; S is the **right child**
- P is the **parent** of N
- M and G are **ancestors** of D
- P, N, and S are **descendants** of W
- Node J is at **depth 2** (i.e., **depth** = length of path from root = number of edges)
- Node W is at **height 2** (i.e., **height** = length of longest path to a leaf)
- A collection of several trees is called a ...?



Class for Binary Tree Cells

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```
class TreeCell<T> {  
    private T datum;  
    private TreeCell<T> left, right;  
  
    public TreeCell(T x) { datum = x; }  
    public TreeCell(T x, TreeCell<T> lft, TreeCell<T> rgt) {  
        datum = x;  
        left = lft;  
        right = rgt;  
    }  
}
```

Points to left subtree

Points to right subtree

Constructor:
datum x, no children

Constructor:
datum x and children

more methods: getDatum, setDatum, getLeft, setLeft,
getRight, setRight

```
} ... new TreeCell<String>("hello") ...
```

Binary versus general tree

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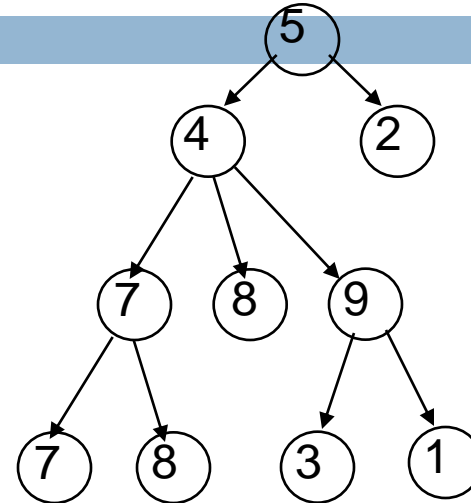
- In a binary tree each node has exactly two pointers: to the left subtree and to the right one
 - ▣ Of course one or both could be *null*
- In a general tree a node can have any number of child nodes
 - ▣ Very useful in some situations ...
 - ▣ ... one of which will be our assignments!

Class for General Tree nodes

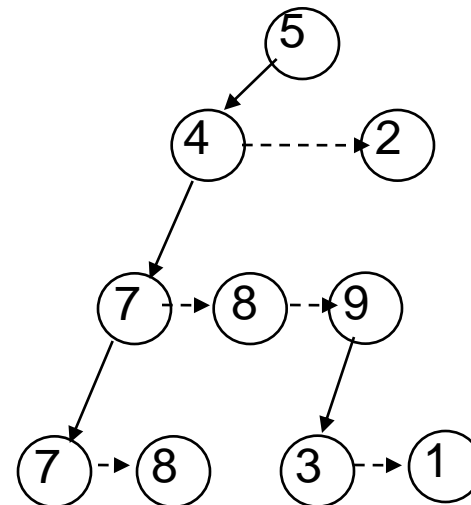
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```
class GTreeNode {  
    private Object datum;  
    private GTreeNode left;  
    private GTreeNode sibling;  
  
    appropriate getter and  
    setter methods  
}
```

- Parent node points directly only to its leftmost child
- Leftmost child has pointer to next sibling, which points to next sibling, etc.



General
tree



Tree
represented
using
GTreeNode

Applications of Trees

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- Most languages (natural and computer) have a recursive, hierarchical structure
- This structure is *implicit* in ordinary textual representation
- Recursive structure can be made *explicit* by representing sentences in the language as trees: **Abstract Syntax Trees** (ASTs)
- ASTs are easier to optimize, generate code from, etc. than textual representation
- A **parser** converts textual representations to AST

Example

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□ Expression grammar:

- $E \rightarrow \text{integer}$
- $E \rightarrow (E + E)$

Text

AST Representation

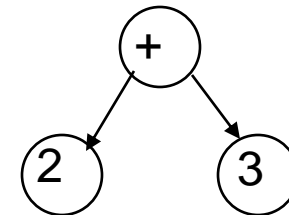
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□ In textual representation

- Parentheses show hierarchical structure

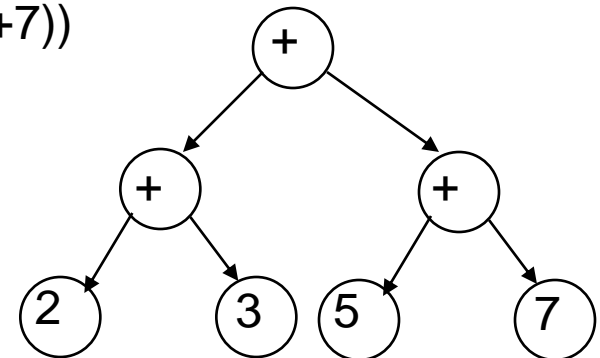
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□ In tree representation

- Hierarchy is explicit in the structure of the tree

((2+3) + (5+7))



Recursion on Trees

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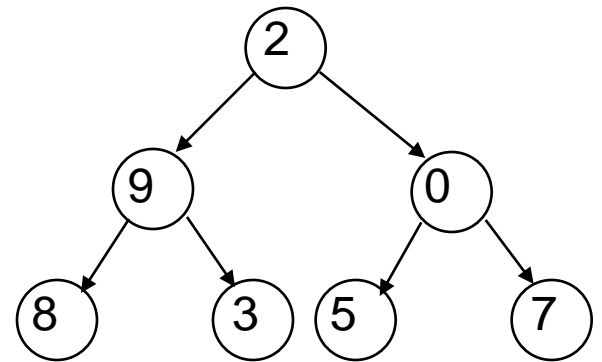
- Recursive methods can be written to operate on trees in an obvious way
- Base case
 - empty tree
 - leaf node
- Recursive case
 - solve problem on left and right subtrees
 - put solutions together to get solution for full tree

Searching in a Binary Tree

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```
/** Return true iff x is the datum in a cell of tree node */  
public static boolean treeSearch(Object x, TreeCell node) {  
    if (node == null) return false;  
    if (node.datum.equals(x)) return true;  
    return treeSearch(x, node.left) ||  
           treeSearch(x, node.right);  
}
```

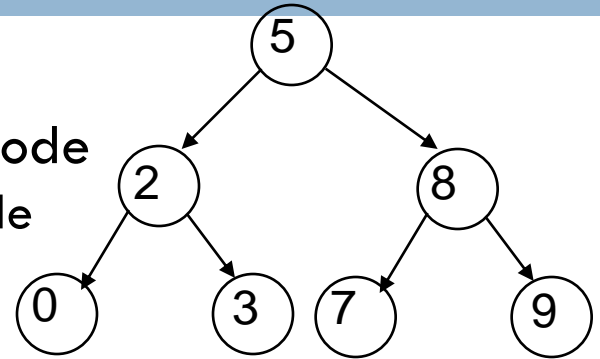
- Analog of linear search in lists:
given tree and an object, find out if
object is stored in tree
- Easy to write recursively, harder to
write iteratively



Binary Search Tree (BST)

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- If the tree data are *ordered* – in any subtree,
 - ▣ All *left* descendents of node come *before* node
 - ▣ All *right* descendents of node come *after* node
- Search is MUCH faster

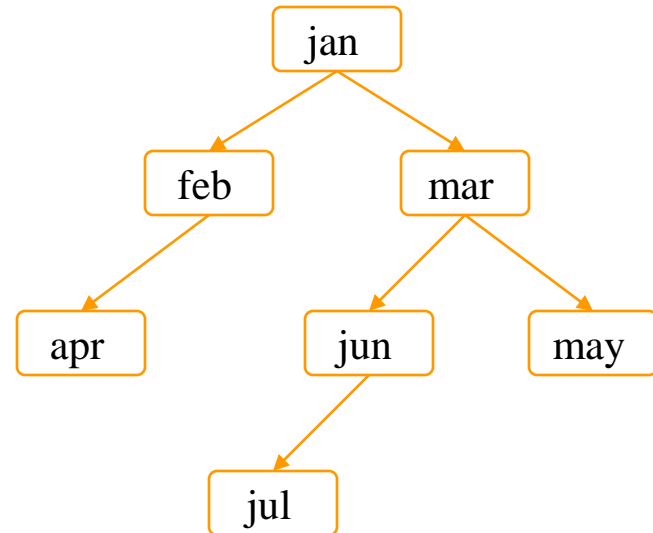


```
/** Return true iff x is the datum in a cell of tree node.  
    Precondition: node is a BST */  
public static boolean treeSearch (Object x, TreeCell node) {  
    if (node == null) return false;  
    if (node.datum.equals(x)) return true;  
    if (node.datum.compareTo(x) > 0)  
        return treeSearch(x, node.left);  
    else return treeSearch(x, node.right);  
}
```

Building a BST

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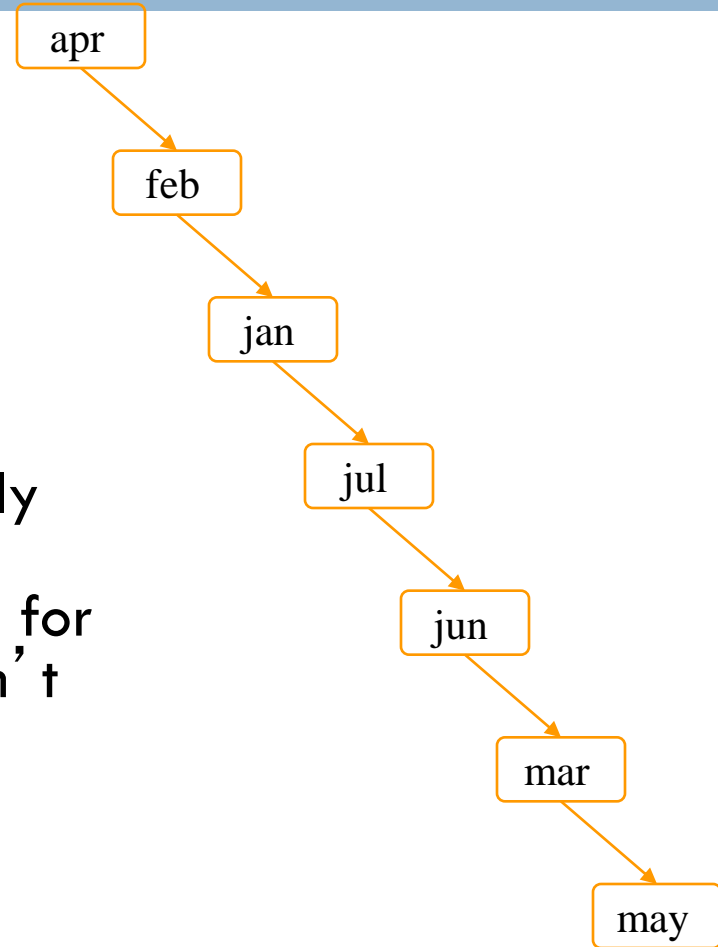
- To insert a new item
 - ▣ Pretend to look for the item
 - ▣ Put the new node in the place where you fall off the tree
- This can be done using either recursion or iteration
- Example
 - ▣ Tree uses *alphabetical order*
 - ▣ Months appear for insertion in *calendar order*



What Can Go Wrong?

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- A BST makes searches very fast, *unless...*
 - ▣ Nodes are inserted in alphabetical order
 - ▣ In this case, we're basically building a linked list (with some extra wasted space for the **left** fields that aren't being used)
- BST works great if data arrives in random order



Printing Contents of BST

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Because of the ordering rules for a BST, it's easy to print the items in alphabetical order

- ▣ Recursively print left subtree
- ▣ Print the node
- ▣ Recursively print right subtree

```
/** Print the BST in alpha. order. */  
public void show () {  
    show(root);  
    System.out.println();  
}  
private static void show(  
    TreeNode node) {  
    if (node == null) return;  
    show(node.lchild);  
    System.out.print(node.datum + " ");  
    show(node.rchild);  
}
```


Tree Traversals

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- “Walking” over whole tree is a tree traversal
 - ▣ Done often enough that there are standard names
 - ▣ Previous example: inorder traversal
 - Process left subtree
 - Process node
 - Process right subtree
- Note: Can do other processing besides printing

Other standard kinds of traversals

- Preorder traversal
 - ◆ Process node
 - ◆ Process left subtree
 - ◆ Process right subtree
- Postorder traversal
 - ◆ Process left subtree
 - ◆ Process right subtree
 - ◆ Process node
- Level-order traversal
 - ◆ Not recursive uses a queue

Some Useful Methods

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```
// Return true iff a node is a leaf
public static boolean isLeaf(TreeCell node) {
    return (node != null) && (node.left == null)
           && (node.right == null);
}

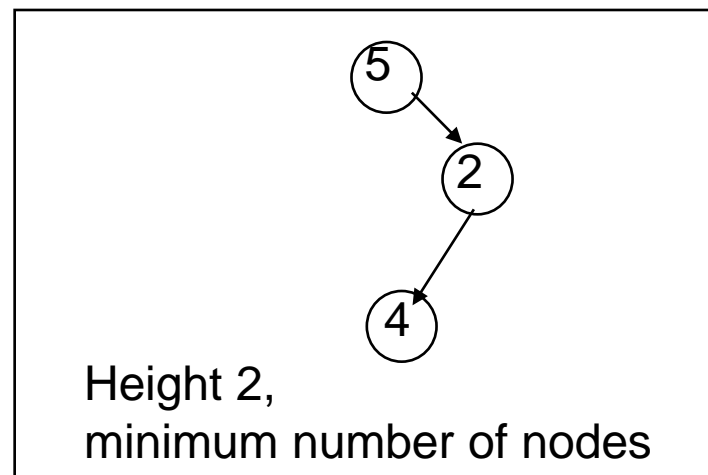
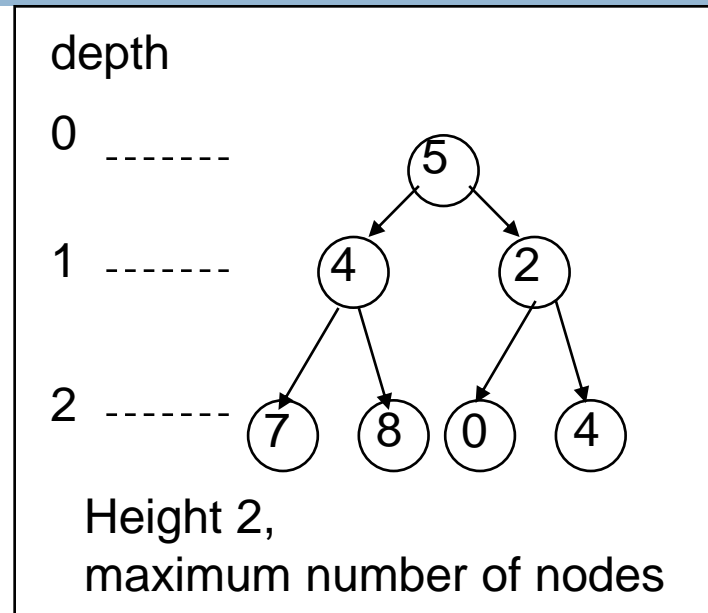
//Return the height of a node using postorder traversal
public static int height(TreeCell node) {
    if (node == null) return -1; //empty tree
    if (isLeaf(node)) return 0;
    return 1 + Math.max(height(node.left),
                        height(node.right));
}

// Return number of nodes using postorder traversal
public static int nNodes(TreeCell node) {
    if (node == null) return 0;
    return 1 + nNodes(node.left) + nNodes(node.right);
}
```

Useful Facts about Binary Trees

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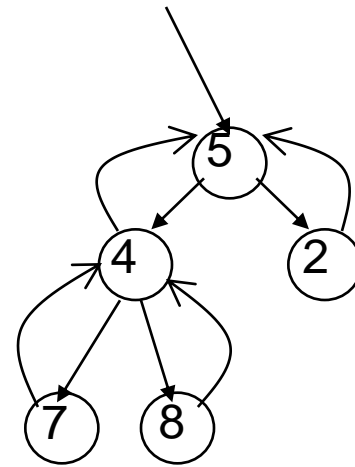
- Max number of nodes at depth d : 2^d
- If height of tree is h
 - ▣ min number of nodes in tree: $h + 1$
 - ▣ Max number of nodes in tree:
 - ▣ $2^0 + \dots + 2^h = 2^{h+1} - 1$
- Complete binary tree
 - ▣ All levels of tree down to a certain depth are completely filled



Tree with Parent Pointers

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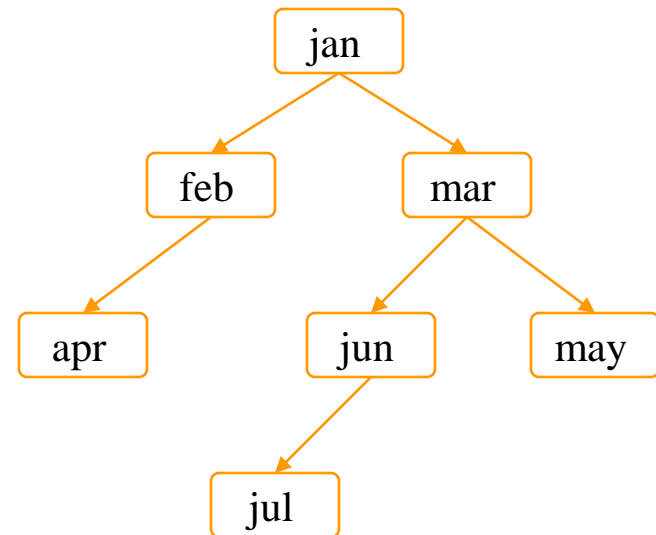
- In some applications, it is useful to have trees in which nodes can reference their parents
- Analog of doubly-linked lists



Things to Think About

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- What if we want to *delete* data from a BST?
- A BST works great as long as it's *balanced*
 - How can we keep it balanced? *This turns out to be hard enough to motivate us to create other kinds of trees*



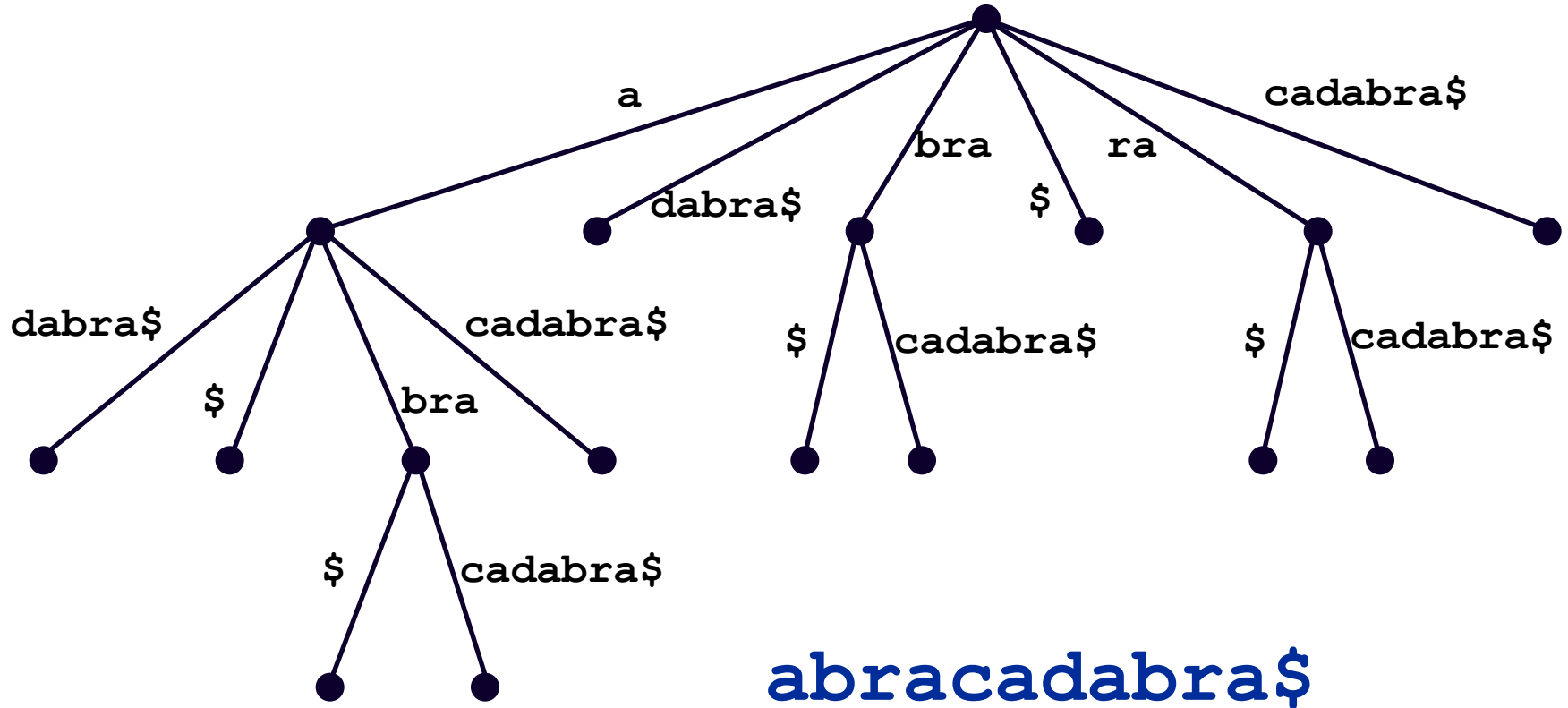
Suffix Trees

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- Given a string s , a suffix tree for s is a tree such that
 - each edge has a unique label, which is a nonnull substring of s
 - any two edges out of the same node have labels beginning with different characters
 - the labels along any path from the root to a leaf concatenate together to give a suffix of s
 - all suffixes are represented by some path
 - the leaf of the path is labeled with the index of the first character of the suffix in s
- Suffix trees can be constructed in linear time

Suffix Trees

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Suffix Trees

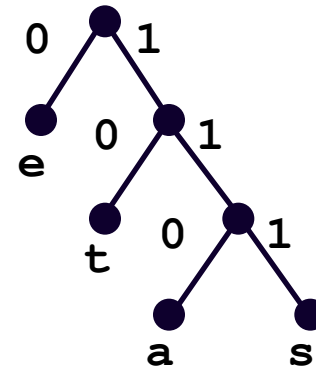
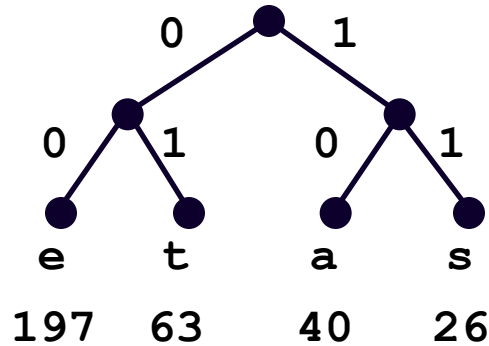
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- Useful in string matching algorithms (e.g., longest common substring of 2 strings)
- Most algorithms linear time
- Used in genomics (human genome is $\sim 4\text{GB}$)



Huffman Trees

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Fixed length encoding

$$197 \cdot 2 + 63 \cdot 2 + 40 \cdot 2 + 26 \cdot 2 = 652$$

Huffman encoding

$$197 \cdot 1 + 63 \cdot 2 + 40 \cdot 3 + 26 \cdot 3 = 521$$

Huffman Compression of “Ulysses”

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□	' '	242125	00100000	3	110
□	'e'	139496	01100101	3	000
□	't'	95660	01110100	4	1010
□	'a'	89651	01100001	4	1000
□	'o'	88884	01101111	4	0111
□	'n'	78465	01101110	4	0101
□	'i'	76505	01101001	4	0100
□	's'	73186	01110011	4	0011
□	'h'	68625	01101000	5	11111
□	'r'	68320	01110010	5	11110
□	'l'	52657	01101100	5	10111
□	'u'	32942	01110101	6	111011
□	'g'	26201	01100111	6	101101
□	'f'	25248	01100110	6	101100
□	'.'	21361	00101110	6	011010
□	'p'	20661	01110000	6	011001

Huffman Compression of “Ulysses”

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...

- '7' 68 00110111 15 111010101001111
- '/' 58 00101111 15 111010101001110
- 'X' 19 01011000 16 0110000000100011
- '&' 3 00100110 18 011000000010001010
- '%' 3 00100101 19 0110000000100010111
- '+' 2 00101011 19 0110000000100010110
- original size 11904320
- compressed size 6822151
- 42.7% compression

BSP Trees

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- BSP = Binary Space Partition (not related to BST!)
- Used to render 3D images composed of polygons
- Each node n has one polygon p as data
- Left subtree of n contains all polygons on one side of p
- Right subtree of n contains all polygons on the other side of p
- Order of traversal determines occlusion (hiding)!

Tree Summary

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- A *tree* is a recursive data structure
 - ▣ Each cell has 0 or more successors (*children*)
 - ▣ Each cell except the *root* has at exactly one predecessor (*parent*)
 - ▣ All cells are reachable from the *root*
 - ▣ A cell with no children is called a *leaf*
- Special case: *binary tree*
 - ▣ Binary tree cells have a left and a right child
 - ▣ Either or both children can be null
- Trees are useful for exposing the recursive structure of natural language and computer programs