Data Structures

Trees

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Learning Objectives

Review trees and binary trees

Practice tree theory with recursive definitions and proofs

Discuss the tree ADT

Explore tree implementation details

Trees

A non-linear data structure defined recursively as a collection of nodes where each node contains a value and zero or more connected nodes.

[In CS 225] a tree is also:

1) Acyclic — No path from node to itself

2) Rooted — A specific node is labeled root



Binary Tree

A **binary tree** is a tree *T* such that:

1. $T = \emptyset$



2. $T = (data, T_L, T_R)$

Which of the following are binary trees?



Binary Tree

1.

2.

3.

Lets define additional terminology for different **types** of binary trees!

Binary Tree: full

1.

2.

3.

A full tree is a binary tree where every node has either 0 or 2 children

A tree **F** is **full** if and only if:



Binary Tree: perfect A **perfect tree** is a binary tree where... Every internal node has 2 children and all leaves are at the same level.

A tree **P** is **perfect** if and only if:

1.

2.



Binary Tree: complete A complete tree is a B.T. where...

All levels are completely filled except the last (which is pushed to left)

A tree **C** is **complete** if and only if:

1.

2.

3.



Binary Tree



Why do we care?

1. Terminology instantly defines a particular tree structure

2. Understanding how to think 'recursively' is very important.

Binary Tree: Thinking with Types

Is every **full** tree **complete**?

Is every **complete** tree **full**?

Binary Tree: Practicing Proofs

Theorem: If there are **n** objects in our representation of a binary tree, then there are _____ NULL pointers.

Binary Tree: Practicing Proofs

Theorem: If there are **n** objects in our representation of a binary tree, then there are **n+1** NULL pointers.

Base Case:

Binary Tree: Practicing Proofs

Theorem: If there are **n** objects in our representation of a binary tree, then there are **n+1** NULL pointers.

Induction Step:

Tree ADT

BinaryTree.h

```
#pragma once
 1
 2
 3
   template <class T>
   class BinaryTree {
 4
    public:
 5
       /* ... */
 6
 7
     private:
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 9
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21
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23
24
25 };
```

	List.h			Tree.h	
Γ	1	#pragma once	1	#pragma once	
	2		2		
	3	template <typename t=""></typename>	3	template <typename t=""></typename>	
	4	class List {	4	class BinaryTree {	
	5	public:	5	public:	
	6	/* */	6	/* */	
	7	private:	7	private:	
	8	class ListNode {	8	class TreeNode {	
	9	T & data;	9	T & data;	
	10		10		
	11	ListNode * next;	11	TreeNode * left;	
	12		12		
	13		13	TreeNode * right;	
	14		14		
	15	ListNode(T & data) :	15	TreeNode(T & data) :	
	16	<pre>data(data), next(NULL) { }</pre>	16	<pre>data(data), left(NULL),</pre>	
	17	};	17	right(NULL) { }	
	18		18		
	19		19	};	
	20		20		
	21	ListNode *head_;	21	TreeNode *root_;	
	22	/* */	22	/* */	
	23	};	23	};	

Visualizing trees





Tree Traversal

A **traversal** of a tree T is an ordered way of visiting every node once.









Tree Traversals



Pre-order:

In-order:

Post-order:

Tree Traversals

Pre-order: Ideal for copying trees

Post-order: Ideal for deleting trees



Traversal vs Search

Traversal



Search



There are two main approaches to searching a binary tree:



Depth First Search

Explore as far along one path as possible before backtracking



Breadth First Search

Fully explore depth i before exploring depth i+1



Level-Order Traversal



```
1 template<class T>
2 void BinaryTree<T>::lOrder(TreeNode * root)
```

```
Queue<TreeNode*> q;
q.enqueue(root);
```

```
while( q.empty() == False) {
```

```
TreeNode* temp = q.head();
process(temp);
```

```
q.dequeue();
```

19 }

```
q.enqueue(temp->left);
q.enqueue(temp->right);
```



How can we improve our ability to search a binary tree?

What do we trade in order to do so?