

# CSI 33 LECTURE NOTES (Ojakian)

## Topic 7: Trees

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### OUTLINE

(References: Ch. 6, 7)

1. Trees
  2. Preorder, postorder, inorder
  3. Binary Search Tree
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#### 1. Trees: Basic Terminology

- (a) Vertices, Nodes, Edges
- (b) Rooted vs. non-Rooted Tree
- (c) Root, Parent, Child, Sibling
- (d) Binary Tree

#### 2. Programming Binary Trees

(a)

**PROBLEM 1.** *Create just a `TreeNode` class and build a tree from scratch.*

(b) Typical “addressing” in binary trees.

**PROBLEM 2.** *Create a `BinaryTree` class that uses this addressing method to: 1) add nodes and 2) get node data.*

#### 3. Application: Data Compression

**PROBLEM 3.** *Consider Problem 8 (pages 249 - 251), and discuss how to do **without** data compression.*

**PROBLEM 4.** *Reconsider the last problem, but now **with** data compression.*

**PROBLEM 5.** *Use the `BinaryTree` class to program the data compression.*

#### 4. Recursion

(a) Wrapper function and Recursive Helper function

**PROBLEM 6.** *See recursion examples: `Fibonacci` and `list sums`*

(b) Check the recursion works using idea of Proof-By-Induction

**PROBLEM 7.** *Verify the last recursion examples (`Fibonacci` and `list sums`) using `Proof-By-Induction`.*

(c) Recursion on Linked Structures:

- i. Pass a node reference to the recursive function
- ii. Function returns a node reference to the properly modified linked structure

- iii. Notice pattern: link passed-in and the link modified are the same
- iv.

**PROBLEM 8.** *Add a recursive append and delete to linked list, thinking inductively.  
Then verify the operation of the functions using Proof-By-Induction.*

## 5. Expression Tree and Traversals

(a)

**PROBLEM 9.** *For example from book (p. 277, Figure 7.4) do three kinds of traversal.*

- (b) Inorder - corresponds infix expression
- (c) Postorder - corresponds postfix expression
- (d) Preorder - corresponds prefix expression
- (e)

**PROBLEM 10.** *Program in-order. Leave other two as group work.*

## 6. Binary Search Tree

(a) Its defining property with examples.

**PROBLEM 11.** *From diagrams, which are and which are not BSTs?*

- (b) Recursive and non-recursive insertion: Do examples, code, and prove
- (c) Recursive deletion:
  - i. First just code and discuss the case where the deleted node has **at most ONE child**
  - ii. Discuss theory for case: deleted node has TWO children
  - iii. Code must a deleteMax method
  - iv. Then do full delete method

## 7. Application: Machine Learning and Decision Trees

For all this, see the coding example.

(a) Example

**PROBLEM 12.** *Discuss a basic decision tree for guessing what animal someone is thinking of (more to come on decision trees later ...).*

- (b) Introduction to Data Frames.
- (c) The goal of Machine Learning Classification via the example Data Frame: From features to target.
- (d) Majority Vote and Node Purity (understood probabilistically)
- (e) How to split node on a feature: Maximize purity (understood probabilistically)