

Binary Trees

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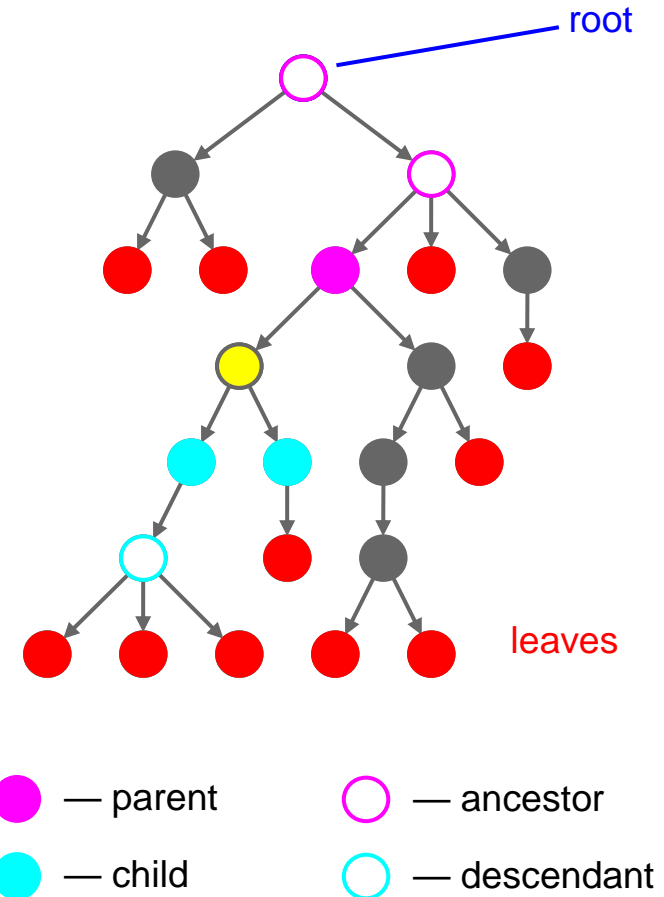
- Binary Trees
- Recursive Definitions of Trees
- Binary Tree Implementation
- Expression Trees
- Traversals
- Grammars

Rooted Trees (Review)

A *rooted tree* is a tree where all but one vertex has exactly one inbound edge (from its *parent*).

- usually drawn by level, top down
- *root* vertex has no inbound edge
- *leaf* vertex has no outbound edge
- parents point to *children*
- *ancestors* point to *descendants* via a downward path

A *binary tree* is a rooted tree in which no vertex has more than 2 children.



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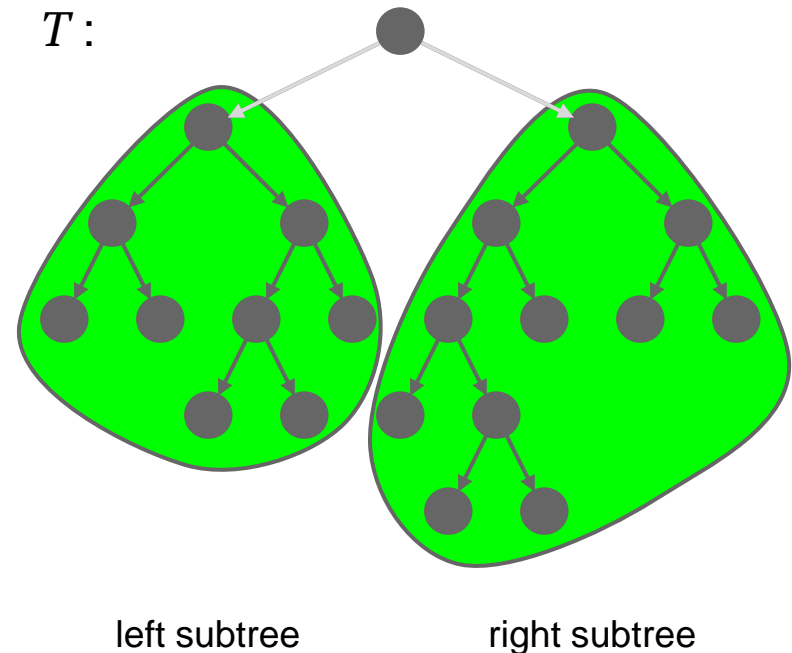
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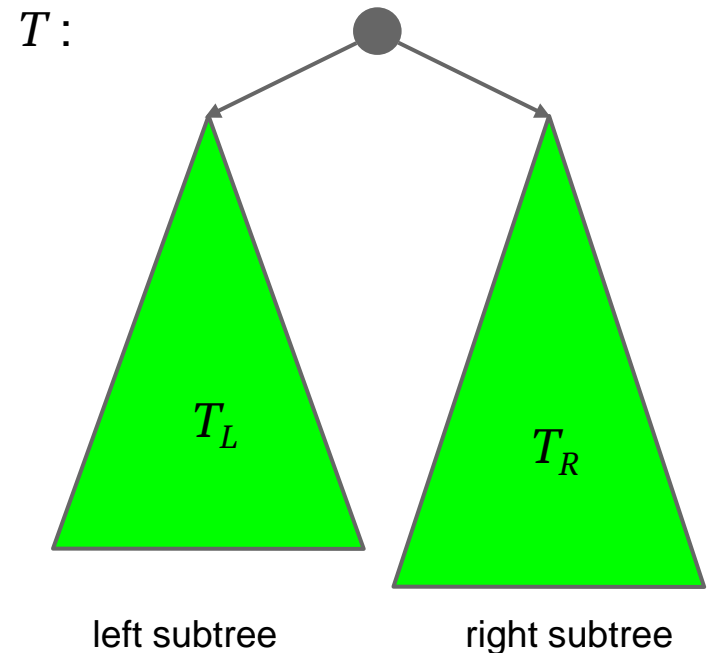
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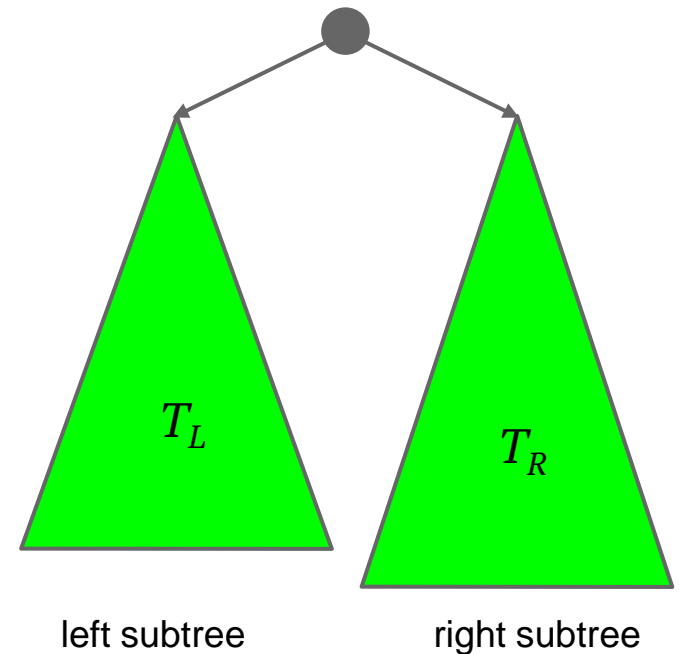
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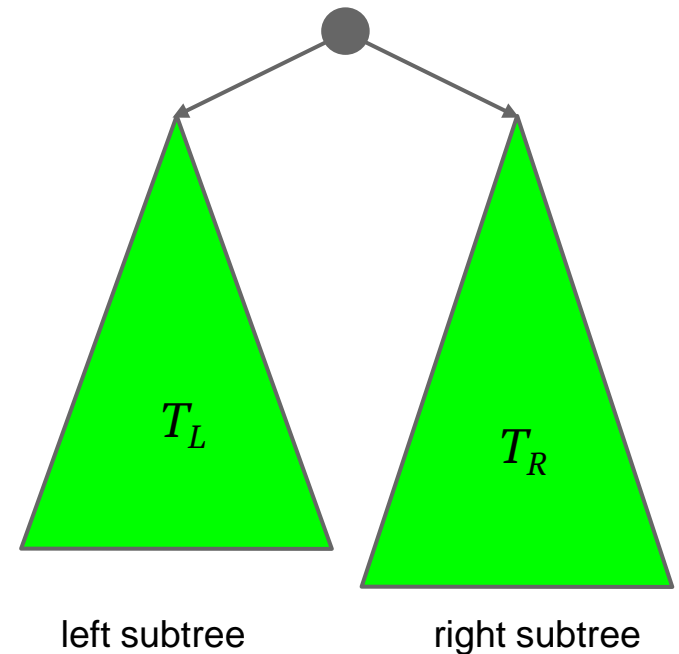
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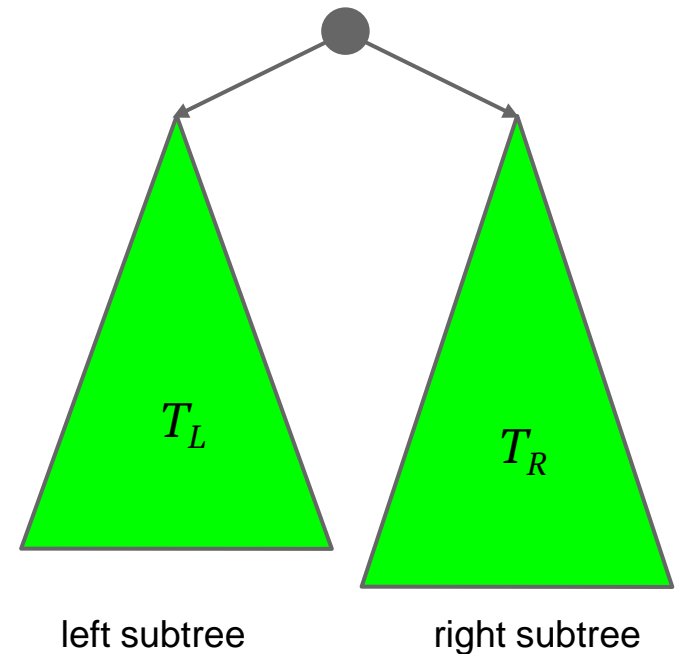
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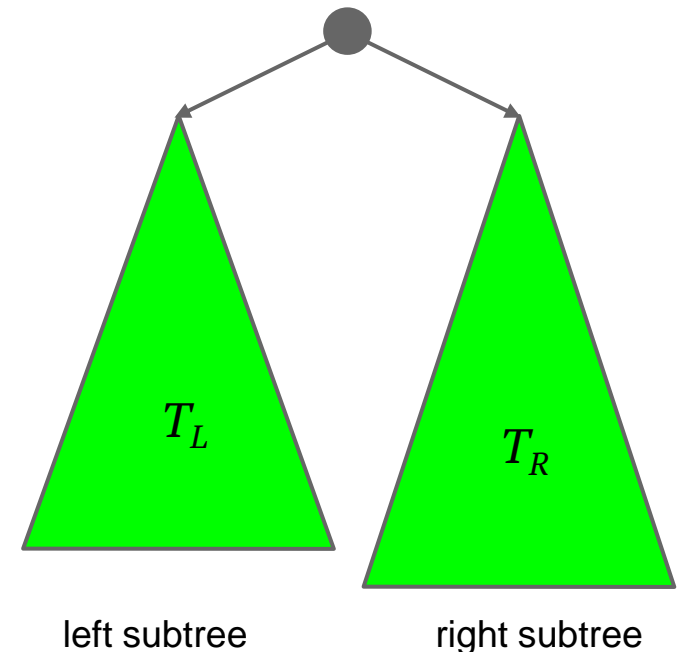
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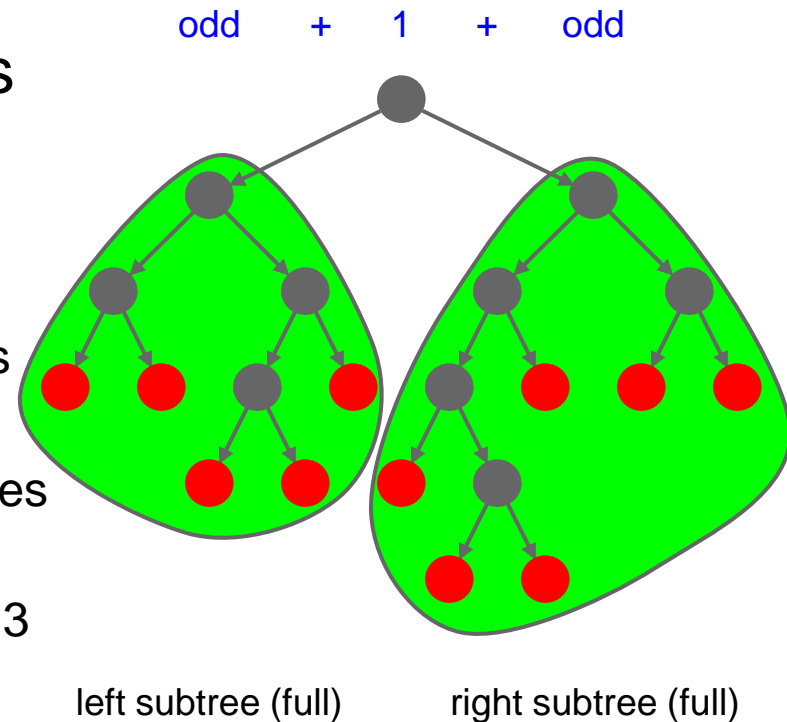
Reasoning about Trees

A *full binary tree* is a non-empty binary tree, where each vertex has exactly 0 or 2 children.

Theorem: A full binary tree always has an odd number of vertices.

Proof by induction:

- If the root has 0 children, then the tree has only one vertex, which is odd.
- If the root has 2 children, then their subtrees must also be full, and by induction, odd. The total number of vertices is the sum of 3 odd numbers, which is odd.

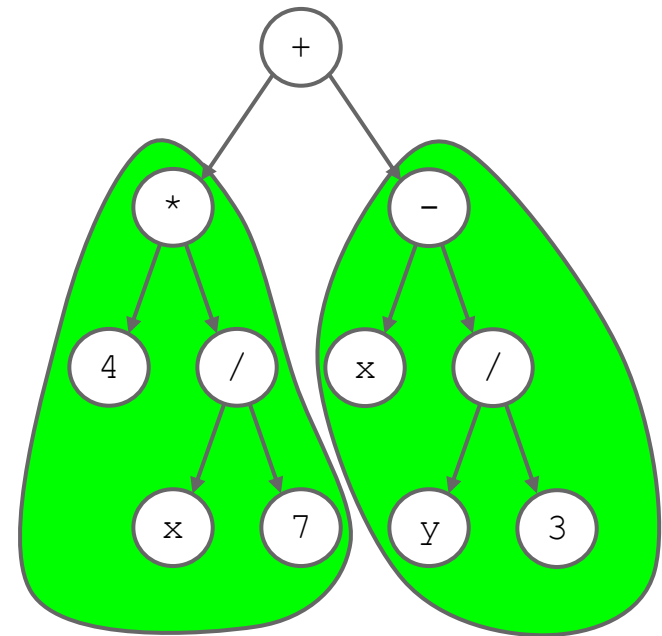


Expression trees are full.

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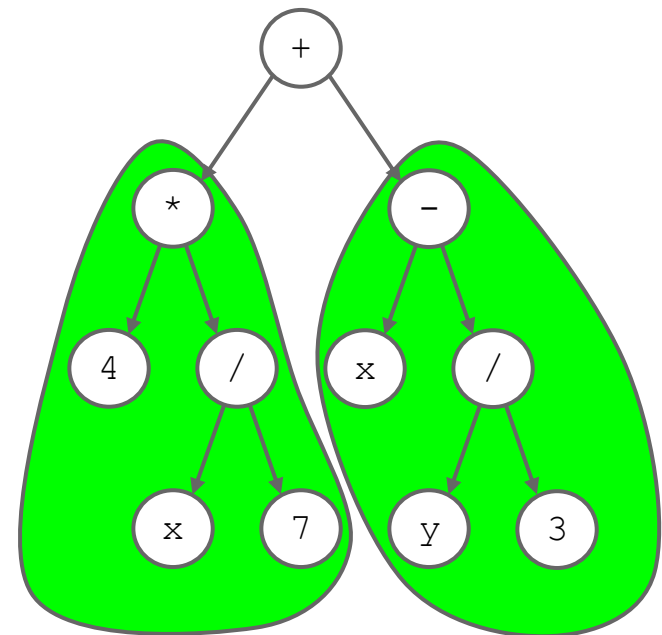
Thus, postfix expressions can be defined recursively, too.

E is a *postfix expression* when:

- *E* is a number, OR . . .
- *E* is two postfix expressions followed by a binary operator (+, −, *, /)

Algorithm to evaluate expression tree:

- bottom up



left exp'n tree right exp'n tree +

4 x 7 / * x y 3 / - +

1st operand

2nd operand

Tree Evaluation: Traversals

Algorithm to evaluate a tree rooted at vertex x : **recursion**

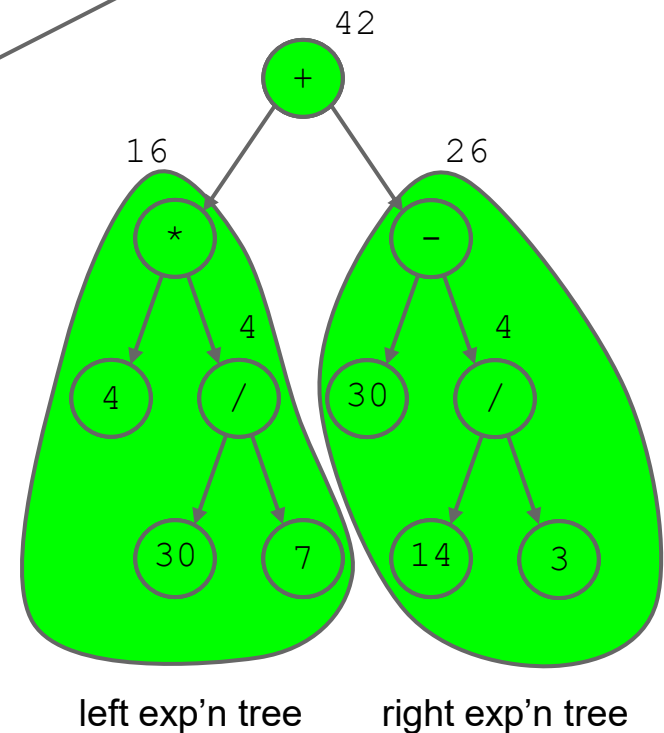
- If x has a number, then return that number
- If x has an operator, then:
 - evaluate the left subtree
 - evaluate the right subtree
 - return (left *op* right)

Known as a *post-order traversal*

- evaluate the children first, then yourself
- follows the order: left \rightarrow right \rightarrow self

Other common traversals:

- self \rightarrow left \rightarrow right: *pre-order*
- left \rightarrow self \rightarrow right: *in-order*



Evaluated: 4 30 7 / * 30 14 3 / - +

Stack-Based Postfix Calculator

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Algorithm:

Create an empty stack S

while there is still input {

 if next input token is a number

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If any pop fails, then it's
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If S ends nonempty
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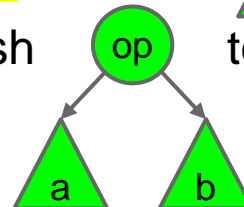
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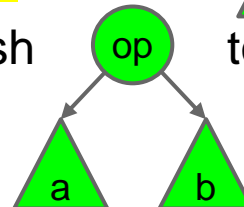
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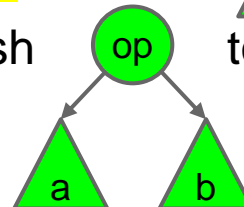
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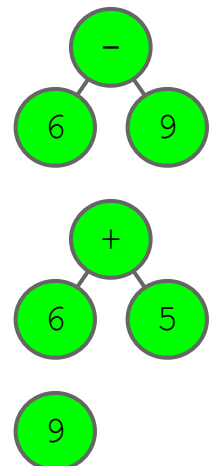
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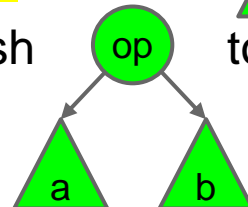
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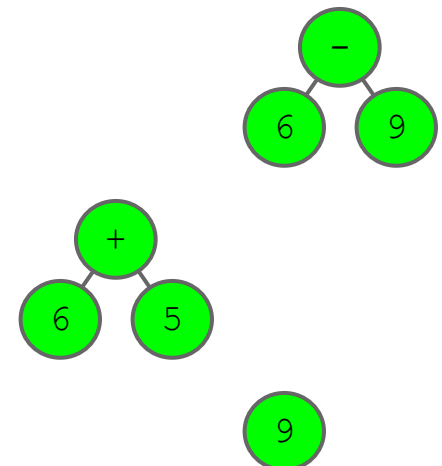
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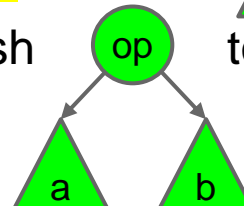
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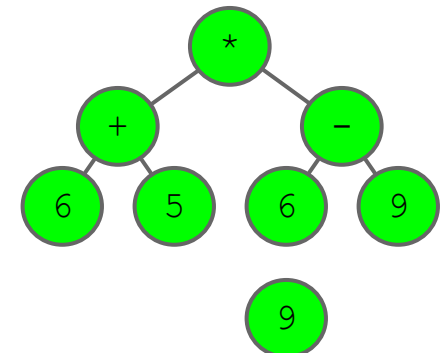
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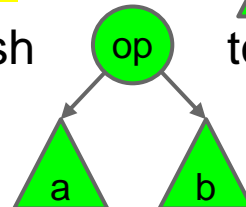
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