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Binary Tree Traversal and Tree Iterators

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Preorder:	visit root → left → right
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Inorder Traversal

- Steps of traversal:
 1. Moving down the tree toward the **left** until you can go no farther.
 2. **Visit** the node.
 3. Move one node to the **right** and continue step1.
- Use recursion to describe this traversal.

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Inorder Traversal: Code

```
template < class T >
void Tree<T>::Inorder()
{ // Start a recursive inorder traversal
// This function is a public member function of Tree
Inorder(root);
}

template <class T>
void Tree<T>::Inorder(TreeNode<T>* currentNode)
{ // Recursive inorder traversal function
// This function is a private member function of Tree
if(currentNode){
    Inorder(currentNode->leftChild);
    Visit(currentNode); // e.g., printout information
    Inorder(currentNode->RightChild);
}
}
```

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Preorder Traversal: Code

```
template < class T >
void Tree<T>::Preorder()
{ // Start a recursive preorder traversal
// This function is a public member function of Tree
Preorder(root);
}

template <class T>
void Tree<T>::Preorder(TreeNode<T>* currentNode)
{ // Recursive preorder traversal function
// This function is a private member function of Tree
if(currentNode){
    Visit(currentNode); // e.g., printout information
    Preorder(currentNode->leftChild);
    Preorder(currentNode->RightChild);
}
}
```

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Postorder Traversal: Code

```
template < class T >
void Tree<T>::Postorder()
{ // Start a recursive postorder traversal
// This function is a public member function of Tree
Postorder(root);
}

template <class T>
void Tree<T>::Postorder(TreeNode<T>* currentNode)
{ // Recursive postorder traversal function
// This function is a private member function of Tree
if(currentNode){
    Postorder(currentNode->leftChild);
    Postorder(currentNode->RightChild);
    Visit(currentNode); // e.g., printout information
}
}
```

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Quiz

```

graph TD
    A((A)) --- B((B))
    A --- C((C))
    B --- D((D))
    B --- E((E))
    C --- F((F))
    C --- G((G))
  
```

Traversal	Output ordered list
Inorder	_____
Preorder	_____
Postorder	_____

Tree Iterator

- We would like to visit nodes in a fashion as using **iterator's** visiting elements in a container
- Recursive traversal is no longer suitable
- We need an **iterator** version, but how?
 - Use stack to store non-visited nodes!

Non-Recursive Inorder Traversal

```

template < class T >
void Tree<T>::NonrecInorder()
{
    // Non recursive inorder traversal using stack
    Stack<TreeNode<T*>> s; // declare and init a stack
    TreeNode<T*>* currentNode = root;
    while(1) {
        while(currentNode) { // move down leftChild field
            s.Push(currentNode); // add to stack
            currentNode = currentNode->leftChild;
        }
        if(s.IsEmpty()) return; // all nodes are visited
        currentNode = s.Top();
        s.Pop();
        Visit(currentNode); // e.g., printout information
        currentNode = currentNode->rightNode;
    }
}
  
```

We only need this part to develop tree iterator

Inorder Iterator

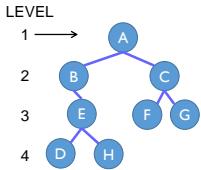
```
Class InorderIterator{ // A nested class within Tree
public:
    InorderIterator() { currentNode = root; }
    T* Next();
private:
    Stack<TreeNode<T>*> s;
    TreeNode<T>* currentNode;
};

T* InorderIterator::Next()
{
    while(currentNode){ // Move down leftChild field
        s.Push(currentNode); // Add to stack
        currentNode = currentNode->leftChild;
    }
    if(s.IsEmpty()) return NULL; // All nodes are visited
    currentNode = s.Top();
    s.Pop();
    T& temp = currentNode->data;
    currentNode = currentNode->rightNode;
    return &temp;
}
```

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Level-Order Traversal

- Visit nodes in a top to down, left to right manner: A B C E F G D H



Preorder	Inorder	Postorder	Level-
Stack	Stack	Stack	Queue

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Level-Order Traversal: Code

```
template <class T>
void Tree<T>::LevelOrder()
{ // Traverse the binary tree in level order
    Queue<TreeNode<T>*> q;
    TreeNode<T>* currentNode = root;
    while(currentNode){
        Visit(currentNode);
        if(currentNode->leftChild) q.Push(currentNode->leftChild);
        if(currentNode->rightChild) q.Push(currentNode->rightChild);
        if(q.IsEmpty()) return;
        currentNode = q.Front();
        q.Pop();
    }
}
```

Self-Study Topics

- Binary tree operations
 - Preorder traversal (Non-recursive & iterator)
 - Postorder traversal (Non-recursive & iterator)
 - Copying Binary Trees
 - Testing Equality