

MA346m Quiz 01 ANSWERS 6/10/17

(1). Give a simple example where two different binary trees are the same in preorder and postorder. **Answer:** below.

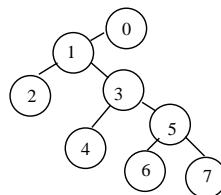


(2). Write a piece of C code which given a pointer p to a binary tree node, returns the preorder successor of p , as sketched out in lectures.

```
if ( p->left != NULL )
    return p->left;
else if ( p->right != NULL )
    return p->right;
else
{
    BTREE_NODE * q = p->parent;
    while ( q != NULL && p == q->right )
        { p = q; q = p->parent; }

    return q;
}
```

(3). The tree below is labelled according to *preorder*. Write these labels in inorder. This should serve as a guide to the remainder of the question.



2 1 4 3 6 5 7 0

Write a piece of C code

```
BTREE_NODE * build ( int i, int j, int a[] )
```

which, given both the inorder and preorder sequences of nodes in a binary tree, reconstructs the tree. The arguments imply that a subtree is stored between indices i and j : the initial call is `build(0, n-1, a)`. To make it easier, you can assume that the preorder ranks are given in an array according to inorder rank. *Recursion* is very useful here.

```

BTREE_NODE * build ( int i, int j, int a[] )
{
    if ( i > j )
        return NULL;
    else
    {
        int minpos = i; int k;
        for ( k = i+1; k <= j; ++k)
            if ( a[k] < a[minpos] )
                minpos = k;

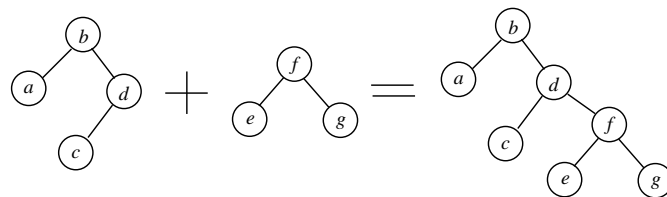
        BTREE_NODE * q = make_btree_node ( a[minpos] );
        q->left = build ( i, minpos-1, a );
        q->right = build ( minpos+1, j, a );
        return q;
    }
}

```

(4). Write a piece of C code

```
join ( BTREE * t1, BTREE * t2, BTREE * t3 ) ...
```

where **t3** is the new tree. It takes the nodes from the first two trees and modifies the pointers so that the nodes reappear in **t3**, preserving inorder within **t1** and **t2**, and making all nodes from **t2** follow those from **t1** with respect to inorder. This ‘destroys the arguments.’ **t1** and **t2** will no longer be correct. Example:



Try to make it efficient: $O(h_1 + h_2)$ where h_1, h_2 are the heights of t_1, t_2 .

```

if ( t1->root == NULL )
    t3->root = t2->root;
else if ( t2->root == NULL )
    t3->root = t1->root;
else
{
    BTREE_NODE * p = t1->root;
    while ( p->right != NULL )
        p = p->right;
    t2->root->parent = p;
    p->right = t2->root;
    t3->root = t1->root;
}

```