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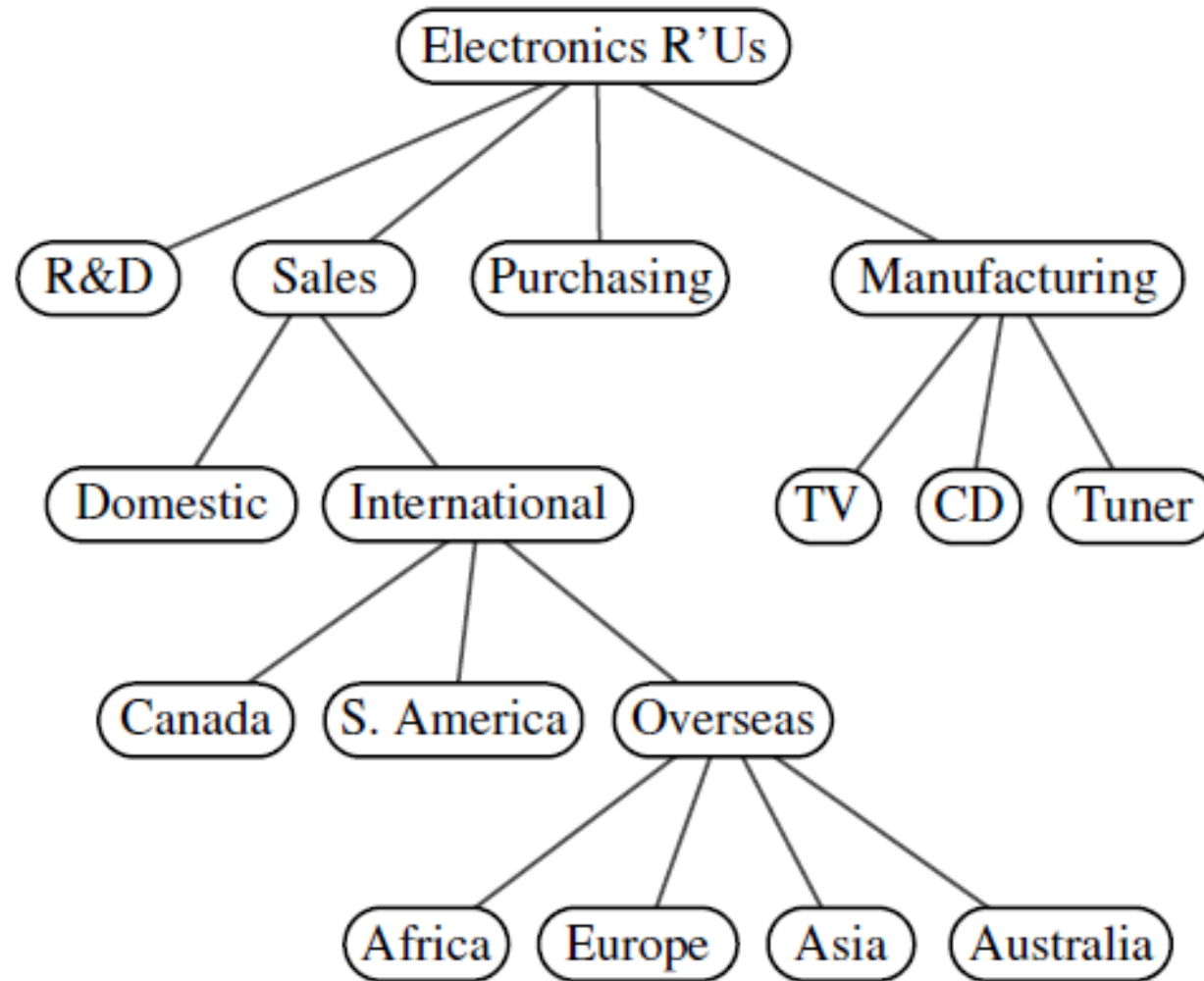
Lecture 11 Tree

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Tree

- A **tree** is a data structure that stores elements hierarchically
- With the exception of the top element, each element in a tree has a **parent** element and zero or more **children** elements
- We typically call the top element the **root** of the tree, but it is drawn as the highest element

Example: The organization of a company



Formal definition of a tree

- Formally, we define a tree T as a set of nodes storing elements such that the nodes have a parent-child relationship that satisfies the following properties:
 - ✓ If T is nonempty, it has a special node, called the **root** of T , that has no parent.
 - ✓ Each node v of T different from the root has a unique parent node w ; every node with parent w is a child of w .

Edge and path

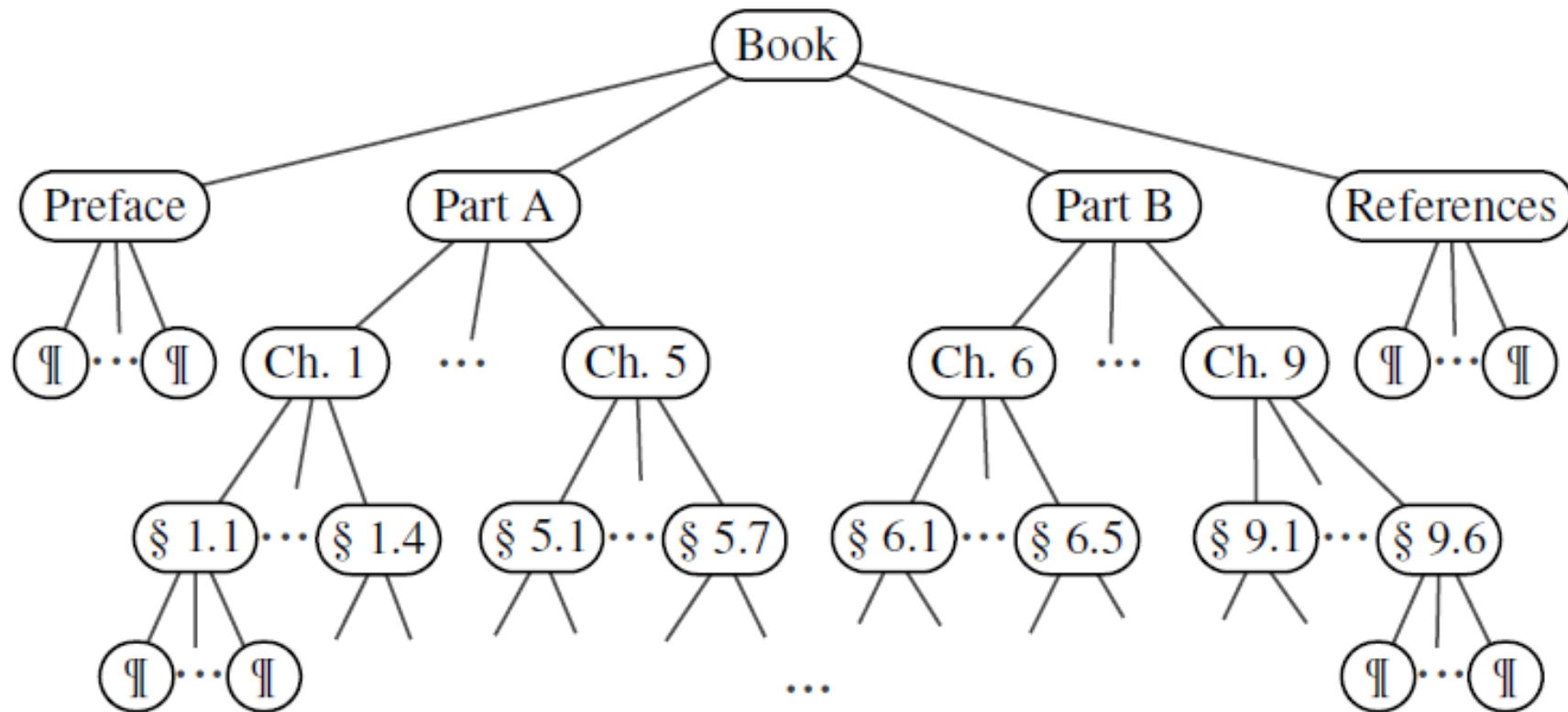
- An **edge** of tree **T** is a pair of nodes **(u,v)** such that **u** is the parent of **v**, or vice versa
- A **path** of **T** is a sequence of nodes such that any two consecutive nodes in the sequence form an edge
- The **depth** of a node **v** is the length of the path connecting root node and **v**

Internal and leaf nodes

- A node is called a **leaf node** if it has no child
- If a node has at least one child, it is an **internal node**

Ordered tree

- A tree is **ordered** if there is a meaningful linear order among the children of each node; such an order is usually visualized by arranging siblings **from left to right**, according to their order



Binary tree

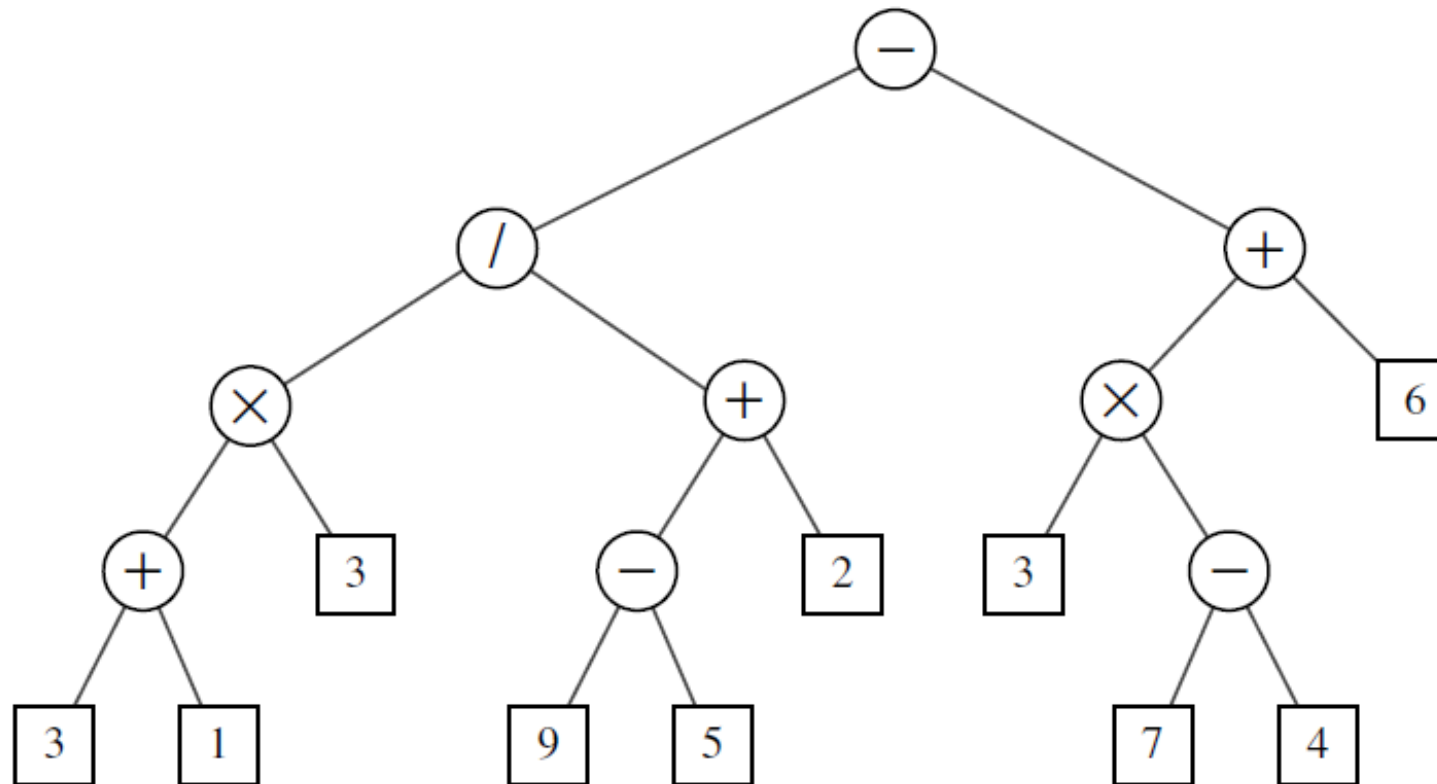
- A **binary tree** is an ordered tree with the following properties:
 1. Every node has at most two children
 2. Each child node is labeled as being either a left child or a right child
 3. A left child precedes a right child in the order of children of a node

The **subtree** rooted at a left or right child of an internal node v is called a **left subtree** or **right subtree**, respectively, of v

A binary tree is **proper** if each node has either zero or two children. Some people also refer to such trees as being **full** binary trees

Example: Represent an expression with binary tree

- An arithmetic expression can be represented by a binary tree whose leaves are associated with variables or constants, and whose internal nodes are associated with one of the operators $+$, $-$, \times , and $/$



Binary tree class

- We define a **tree** class based on a class called Node; an element is stored as a node
- Each node contains **three references**, one pointing to the parent node, two pointing to the child nodes

Implementing the binary tree

```
class Node:
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    def __init__(self, element, parent = None, \
        left = None, right = None):
        self.element = element
        self.parent = parent
        self.left = left
        self.right = right
```

```
class LBTre:
```

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    def __init__(self):
        self.root = None
        self.size = 0

    def __len__(self):
        return self.size
```

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    def find_root(self):
        return self.root
```

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    def parent(self, p):
        return p.parent
```

```
    def left(self, p):
        return p.left
```

```
    def right(self, p):
        return p.right
```

```
    def num_child(self, p):
        count = 0
        if p.left is not None:
            count+=1
        if p.right is not None:
            count+=1
        return count
```

Implementing the binary tree

```
def add_root(self, e):
    if self.root is not None:
        print('Root already exists.')
        return None
    self.size = 1
    self.root = Node(e)
    return self.root

def add_left(self, p, e):
    if p.left is not None:
        print('Left child already exists.')
        return None
    self.size+=1
    p.left = Node(e, p)
    return p.left
```

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def add_right(self, p, e):
    if p.right is not None:
        print('Right child already exists.')
        return None
    self.size+=1
    p.right = Node(e, p)
    return p.right

def replace(self, p, e):
    old = p.element
    p.element = e
    return old

def delete(self, p):
    if p.parent.left is p:
        p.parent.left = None
    if p.parent.right is p:
        p.parent.right = None
    return p.element
```

Example: Use the binary tree class

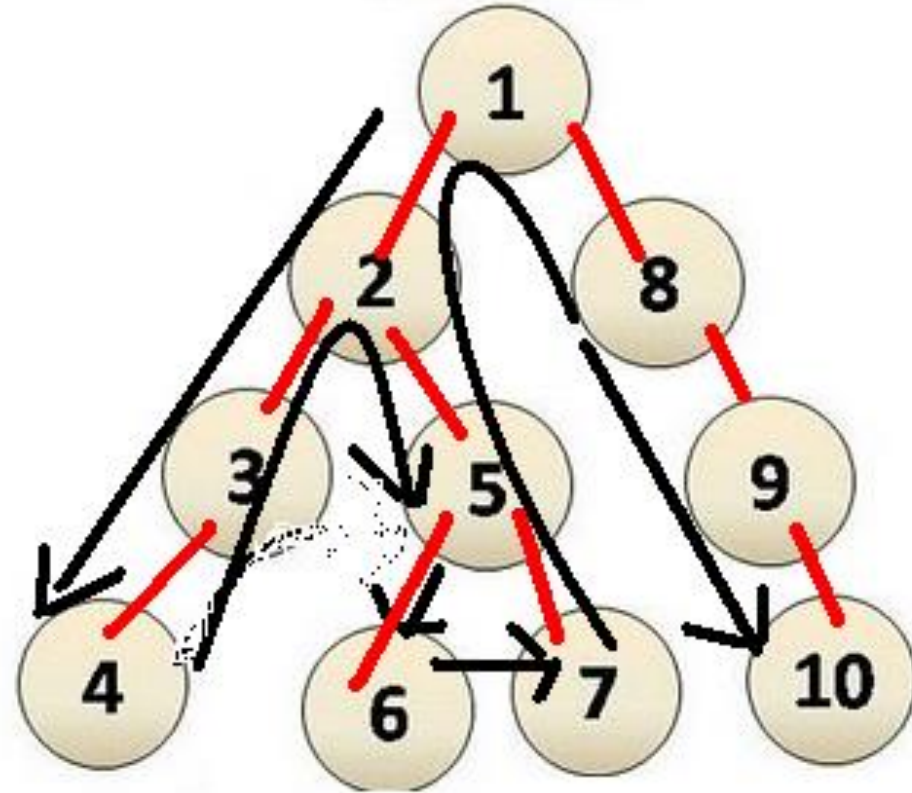
```
def main():
    t = LBTree()
    t.add_root(10)
    t.add_left(t.root, 20)
    t.add_right(t.root, 30)
    t.add_left(t.root.left, 40)
    t.add_right(t.root.left, 50)
    t.add_left(t.root.right, 60)
    t.add_right(t.root.left.left, 70)

    print(t.root.element)
    print(t.root.left.element)
    print(t.root.right.element)
    print(t.root.left.right.element)
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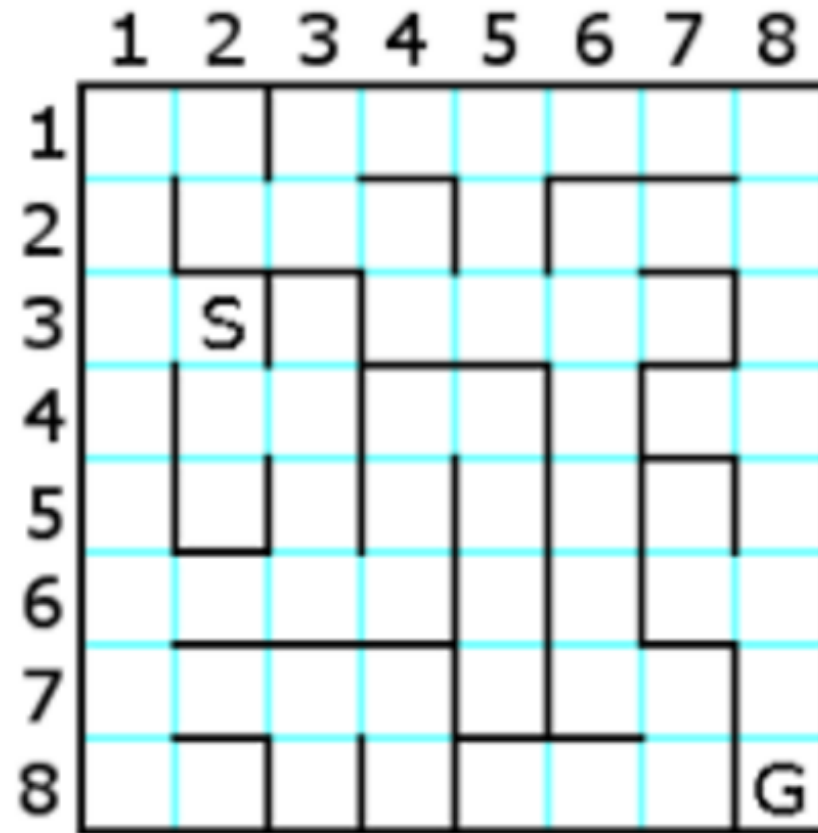
```
>>> main()
10
20
30
50
```

Depth first search over a tree

- **Depth-first search (DFS)** is a fundamental algorithm for traversing or searching tree data structures
- One starts at the **root** and explores **as deep as possible** along each branch **before backtracking**



Example: search a path in a maze

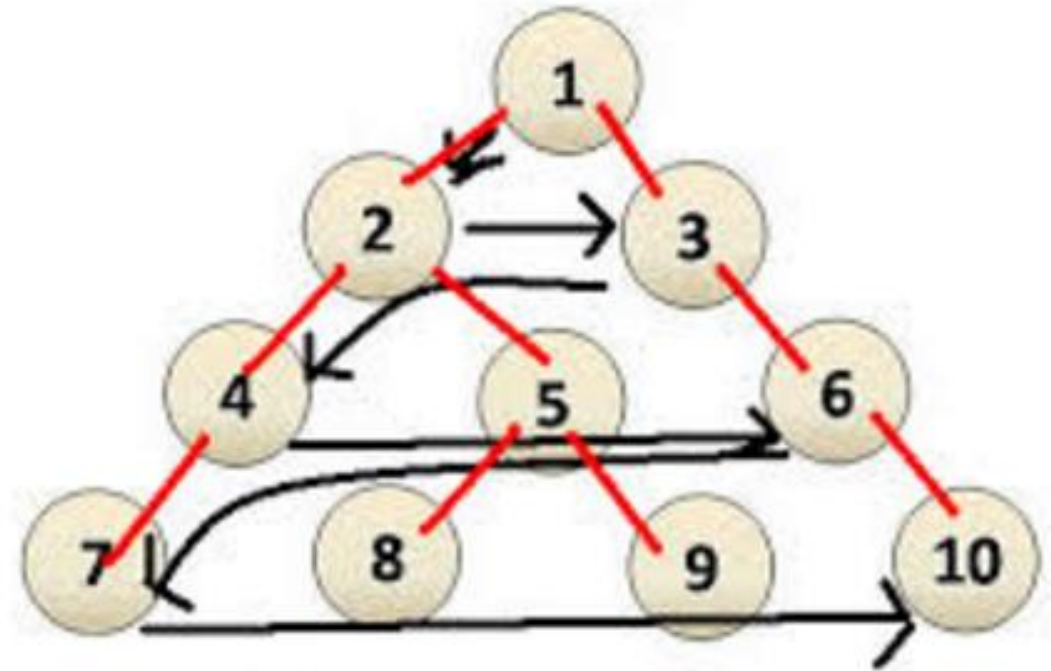


The code of DFS over a binary tree

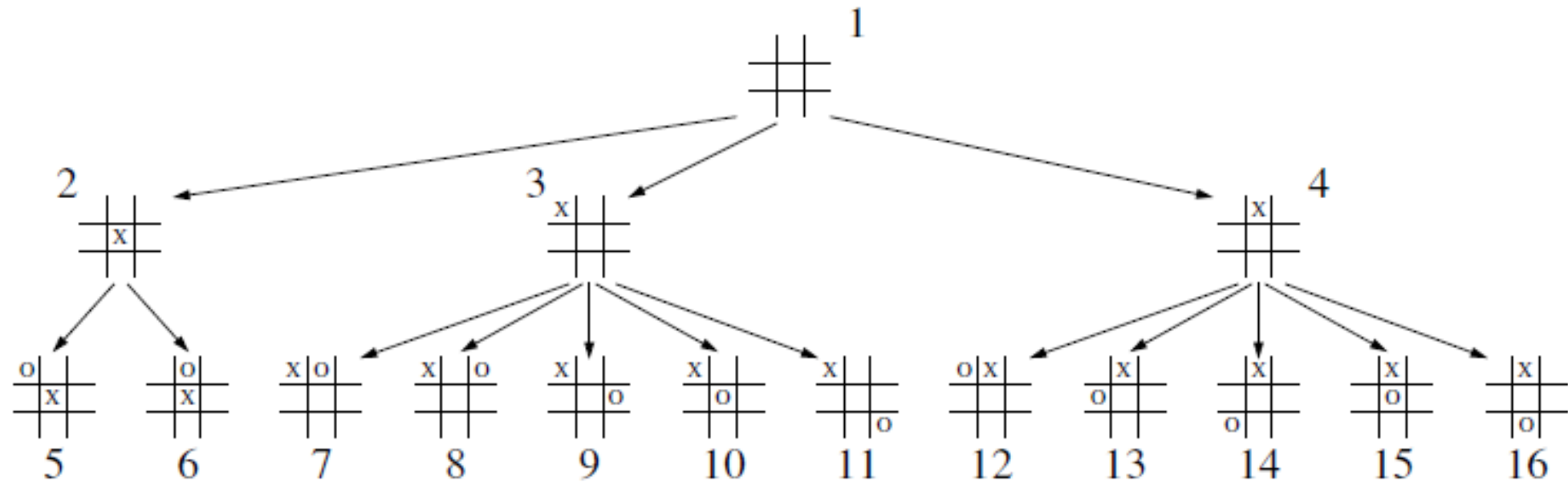
```
def DFSearch(t):  
    if t:  
        print(t.element)  
        if (t.left is None) and (t.right is None):  
            return  
    else:  
        if t.left is not None:  
            DFSearch(t.left)  
        if t.right is not None:  
            DFSearch(t.right)
```


Breadth first search over a tree

- **Breadth-first search (BFS)** is another very important algorithm for traversing or searching tree data structures
- Starts at the **root** and we visit all the positions at depth **d** before we visit the positions at depth **d + 1**



Example: finding the best move in a game



The code of BFS over a binary tree

```
def BFSearch(t):  
  
    q = ListQueue()  
    q.enqueue(t)  
  
    while q.is_empty() is False:  
        cNode = q.dequeue()  
        if cNode.left is not None:  
            q.enqueue(cNode.left)  
        if cNode.right is not None:  
            q.enqueue(cNode.right)  
        print(cNode.element)
```