Lab 11

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In this lab, you'll write some code that builds, and then traverses, binary trees. For simplicity, we'll write trees that only hold characters.

Tree nodes

First, create a struct BinaryNode, capable of representing any of the nodes in a binary tree. It will have three instance variables: a char, holding the value that is stored at a particular node, and two pointers to BinaryNode (one to the left child, if any, and one to the right child, if any).

By now you should be getting comfortable with writing your own structs and classes, so I won't recap those instructions here; look back at previous labs to help you remember how.

Examples

In a notebook, draw out the following three trees:

- emptyTree, which is simply set to nullptr
- simple, which points to a node containing 'Q' whose left child contains 'X' and right child contains 'Z' (and no further descendants)
- tree5, pointing to a node that is the root of a small tree that contains the five letters 'A' through 'E' and is relatively balanced (i.e. not just a line)

Near each tree, write out the C++ expression you will use to actually construct the corresponding tree. Start a unit test file whose fixture includes at least those examples. Note that functions that work on a BinaryNode pointer (that is, a shared_ptr<BinaryNode> should, in general, work on emptyTree, since it's a perfectly valid example of a (empty) tree.

Functions

In a separate file BinaryTreeFunctions.cpp, write three functions prePrint, postPrint, and inPrint, each of which takes a shared_ptr<const BinaryNode> argument and an ostream& argument, and prints the given tree to the given stream. The three functions should each recursively print the tree contents (if any) to the stream, left-to-right, in the correct traversal order.

Write the functions' prototypes in BinaryTreeFunctions.h, and include that in your .u file. When you test the traversals, use an ostringstream to check the output (as we did with Maze and Card).

Two other functions

Write and test the following recursive functions also:

- count counts the total number of nodes in the subtree rooted at a given shared_ptr<const BinaryNode> (including the node itself, if any).
- contains determines whether the subtree rooted at a given shared_ptr<const BinaryNode> includes a given character. (Note that it does not rely on nodes being in any particular order!)

Handing in

Hand in your work electronically as lab11, by 4pm on Wednesday.

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- 1 Present in lab with preview stuff done
- 1 Readme with all required information

Class and examples

- 1 General struct definition, instance variables &
- 1 At least one BinaryNode correctly created ♣
- 1 Specified trees created

Function definitions and tests

- 1 All five required functions have correct headers and good test cases (fail ok) .
- 1 One recursive traversal is implemented correctly .
- 1 All three traversals are implemented correctly .
- 1 count 🕹
- 1 contains 🖺