



# Trees and their Implementation as Lists

# The Tree is a Pervasive Information Structure

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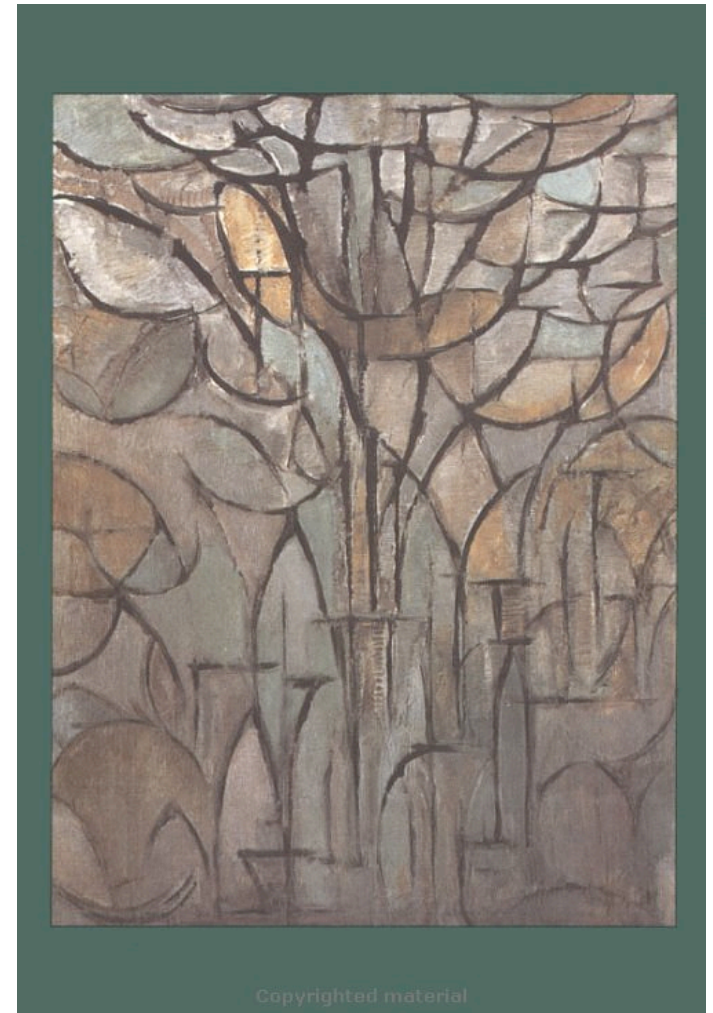
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- Files & Directories
- Family Trees
- Management Hierarchies
- Decision Trees
- Image Trees
  
- In the current discussion:
  - Trees are the **abstraction**
  - Lists will be the **implementation**

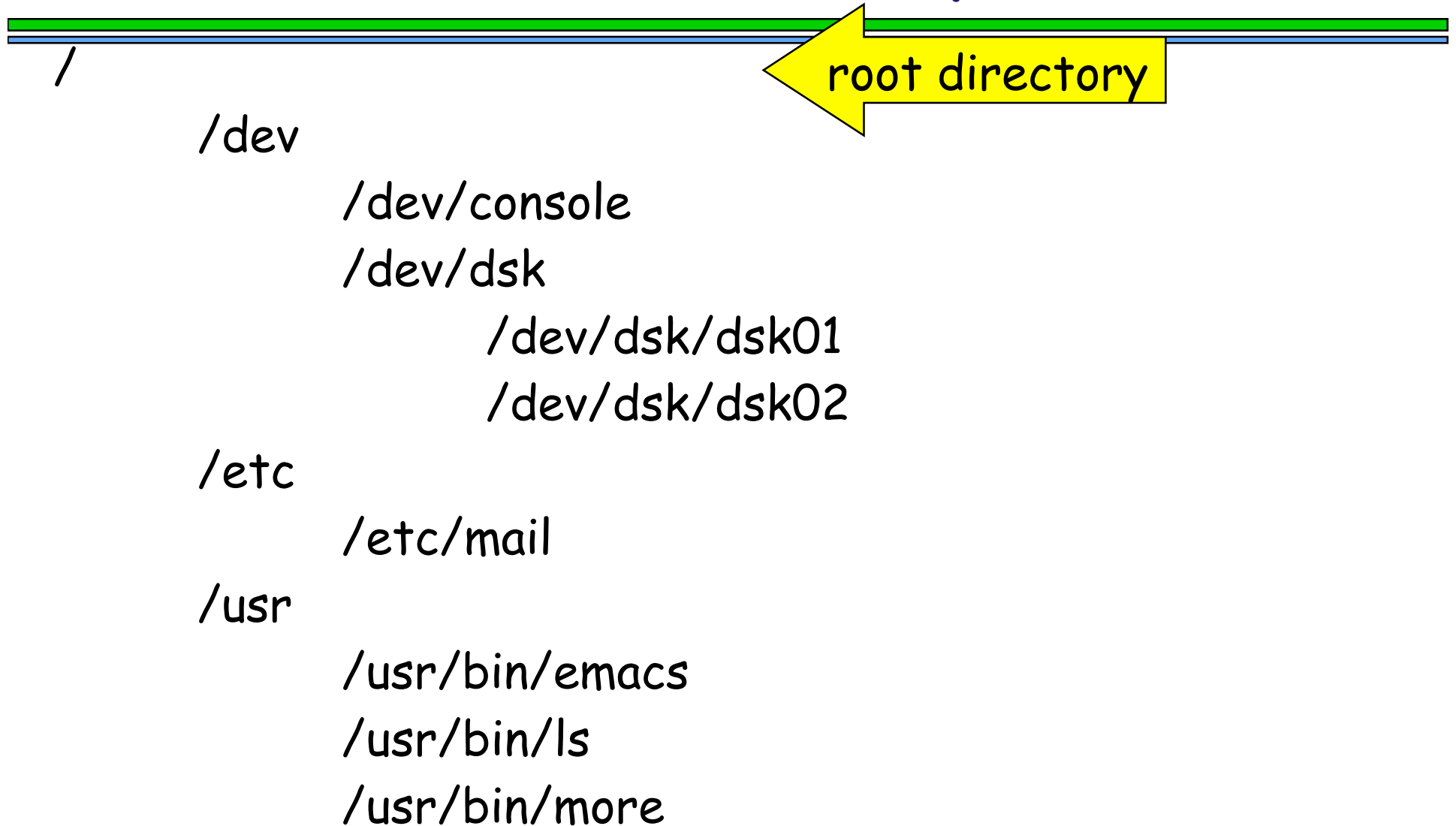
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# Files and Directory Trees



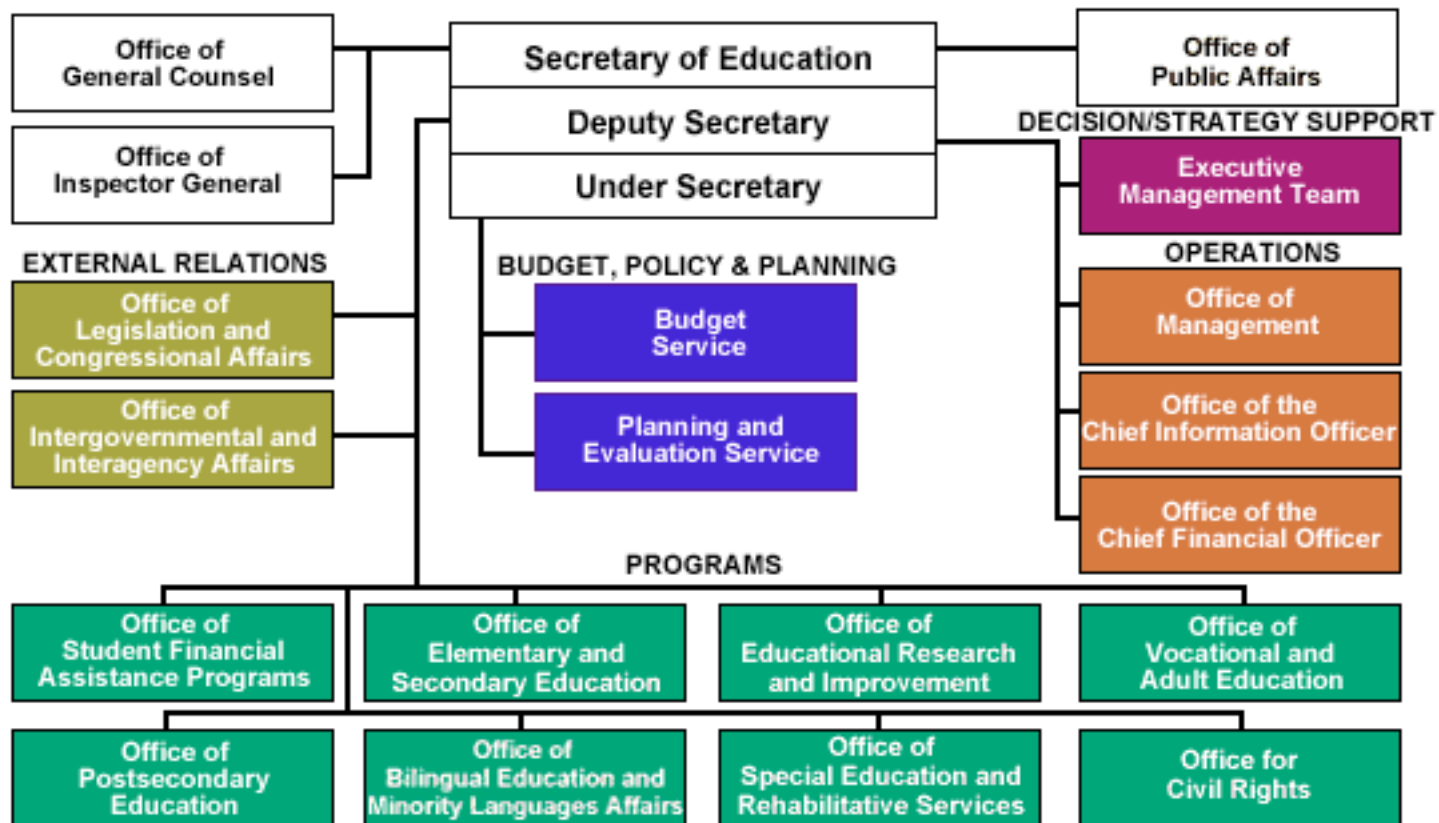
# Family Trees

Joseph Patrick Kennedy\* - (m. Rose Elizabeth Fitzgerald\*)

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|-Joseph Patrick Kennedy Jr.*
|-Rosemary Kennedy
|-Kathleen Kennedy* (m. William John Robert Cavendish)
|-Eunice Mary Kennedy (m. Robert Sargent Shriver Jr.)
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|   |-Robert Sargent Shriver III
|   |-Maria Owings Shriver (m. Arnold Schwarzenegger)
|   |-Timothy Perry Shriver
|   |-Mark Kennedy Shriver
|   '-Anthony Paul Shriver
|-Patricia Kennedy (m. Peter Lawford*, divorced)
|   |
|   |-Christopher Kennedy Lawford
|   |-Sydney Maleia Lawford McKelvey
|   |-Victoria Francis Lawford Ponder
|   '-Robin Elizabeth Lawford
|-Robert Francis Kennedy* (m. Ethel Skakel)
|   |
|   |-Kathleen Hartington Kennedy
|   |-Joseph Patrick Kennedy II
|   |-Robert Francis Kennedy Jr.
|   |-David Anthony Kennedy*
|   |-Mary Courtney Kennedy
|   |-Michael LeMoyne Kennedy*
|   |-Mary Kerry Kennedy
|   |-Christopher George Kennedy
|   |-Matthew Maxwell Taylor Kennedy
|   |-Douglas Harriman Kennedy
|   '-Rory Elizabeth Katherine Kennedy
|-Jean Ann Kennedy (m. Stephen Edward Smith*)
|   |
|   |-Stephen Edward Smith Jr.
|   |-William Kennedy Smith
|   |-Amanda Mary Smith
|   '-Kym Marie Smith
|-Edward Moore Kennedy (m. #1: Virginia Joan Bennet)
|   |
|   |                               (m. #2: Victoria Anne Reggie)
|   |
|   |-Kara Ann Kennedy Allen
|   |-Edward Moore Kennedy Jr.
|   '-Patrick Joseph Kennedy
|-John Fitzgerald Kennedy* (m. Jacqueline Lee Bouvier*)
|   |
|   |-unnamed daughter* (still born)
|   |
|   |-Caroline Bouvier Kennedy (m. Edwin A. Schlossberg)
|   |   |
|   |   |-Rose Schlossberg
|   |   |-Tatiana Schlossberg
|   |   '-John Schlossberg
|-John Fitzgerald Kennedy Jr.* (m. Carolyn Bessette*)
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|   '-Patrick Bouvier Kennedy*
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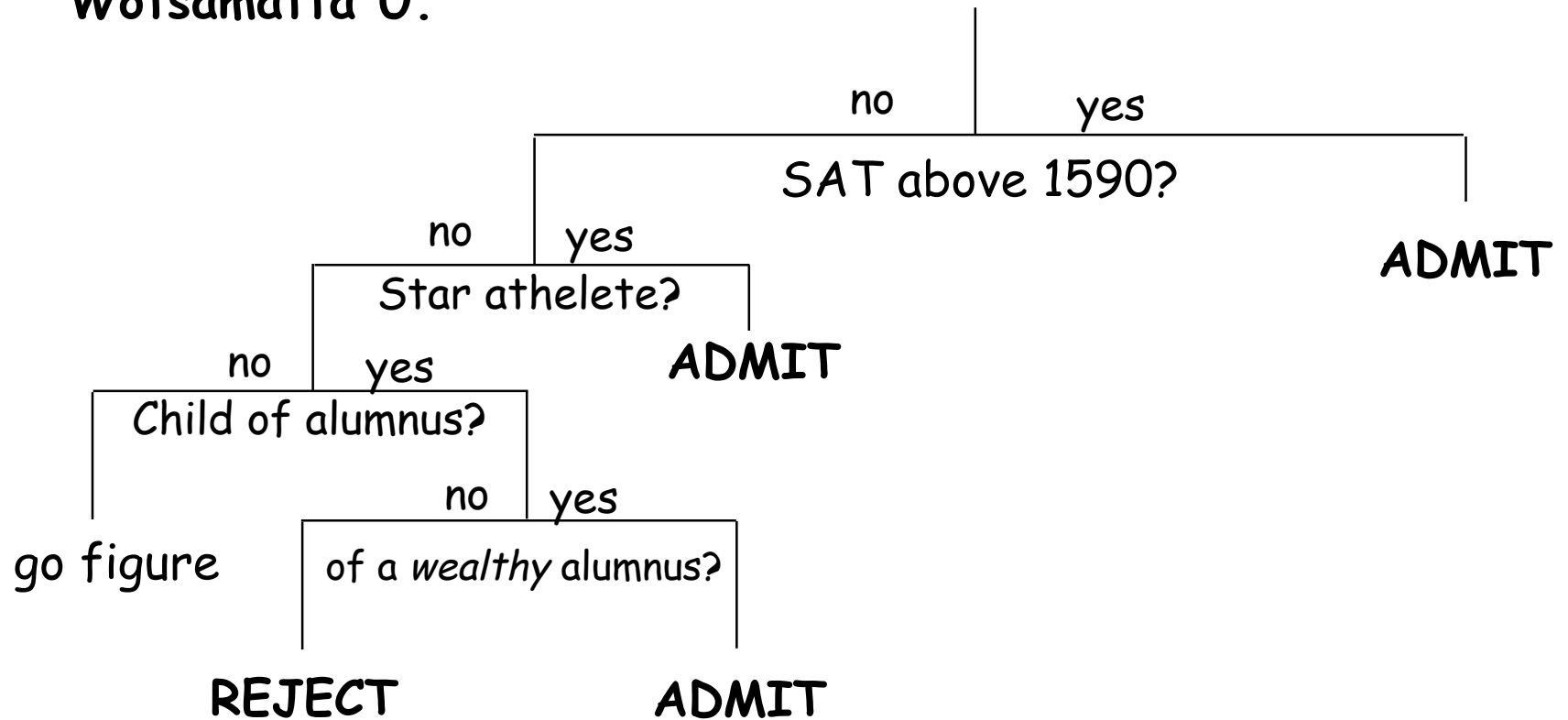
# Organization Chart

## (Management Hierarchy)



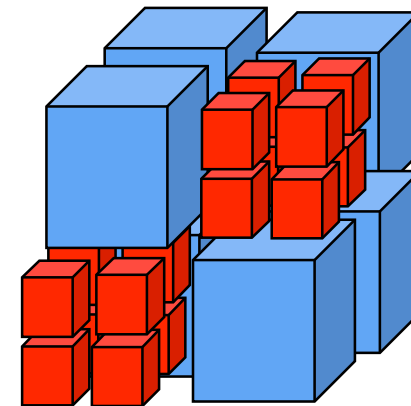
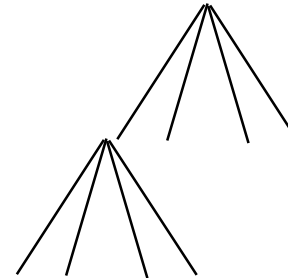
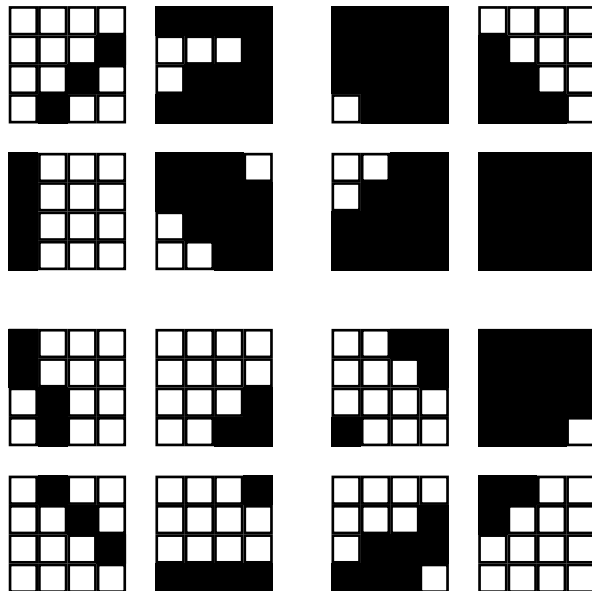
# Decision Trees

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# Image Trees

## Quad Tree: 2 dimensions



## Octree: 3 dimensions

See <http://www.gametutorials.com/Tutorials/OpenGL/Octree.htm>

# Definition of *Tree*

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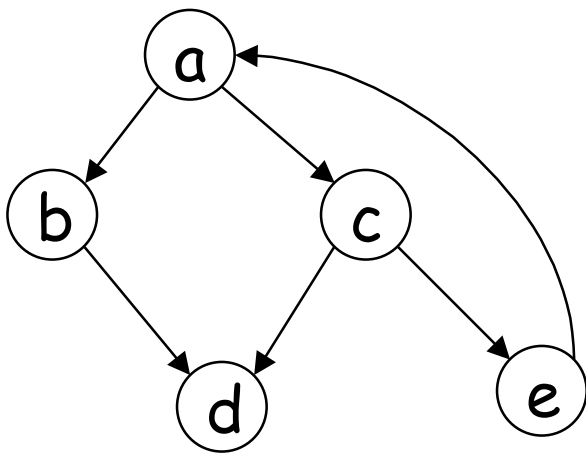
- There are *many* different varieties of trees.
- We can present only some of them.
- Use your knowledge of these to **generalize** to other varieties.
- We will base our definition on *paths* and related concepts.

# Terminology for Trees: Paths in Directed Graphs

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- A **path** in a graph  $G$  is a list of nodes  $n_0, n_1, \dots, n_k$  such that each successive pair  $(n_i, n_{i+1})$  is in the corresponding binary relation.



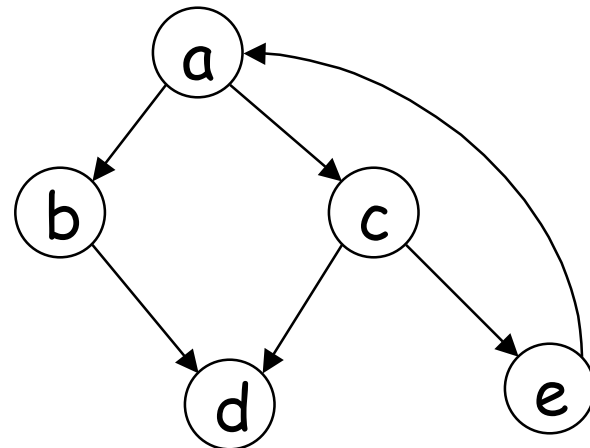
- Some paths:
  - a, b, d
  - c, e, a
  - a, c, e, a, c, d

# Cycles

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- A **cycle** is a path that starts and ends on the same node.
- Examples:
  - a, c, e, a
  - e, a, c, e, a, c, e

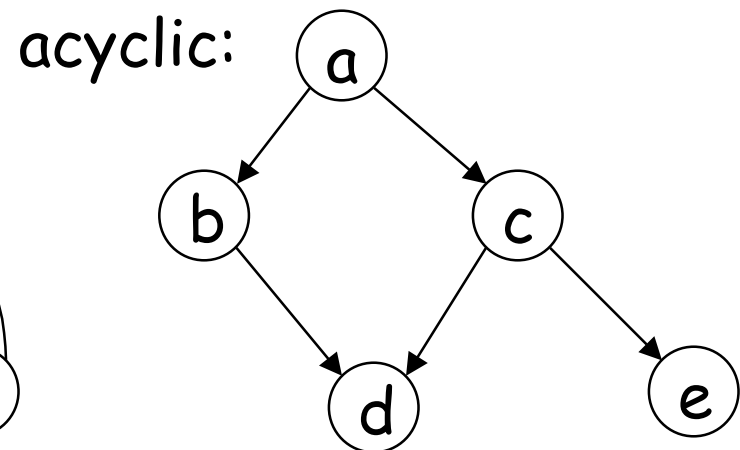
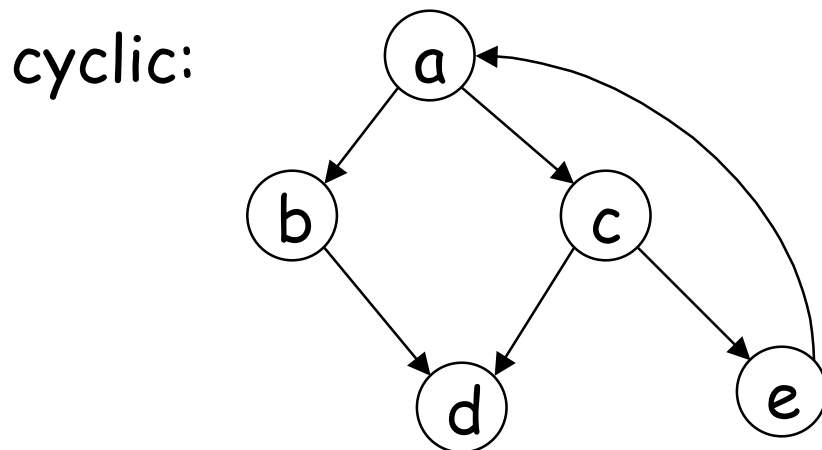


# Cyclic and Acyclic

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- A *cyclic* graph is one that has at least one cycle.
- An *acyclic* graph is one that has *no* cycles.



# DAGs

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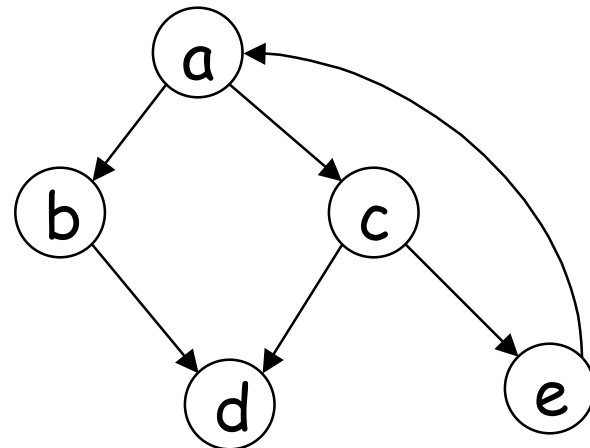
- DAG is an acronym for "Directed Acyclic Graph"
- "DAG" is mainly used because it is more pronounceable than ADG ("Acyclic Directed Graph")

# Target Set

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- The *target set* of a node  $n$  is the set of nodes to which there is an arc from  $n$ .
  - $\text{targets}(a) = \{b, c\}$
  - $\text{targets}(b) = \{d\}$
  - $\text{targets}(c) = \{d, e\}$
  - $\text{targets}(d) = \{\}$
  - $\text{targets}(e) = \{a\}$

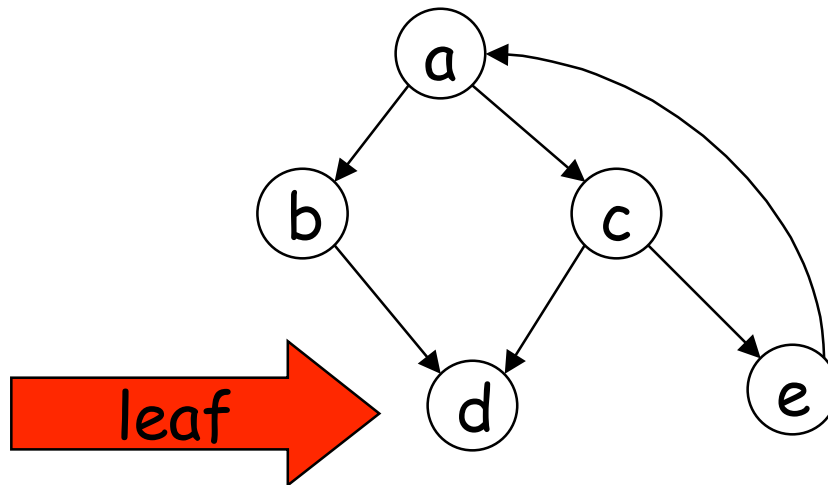


# Leaves

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- If a node's target set is empty, that node is called a *leaf*.

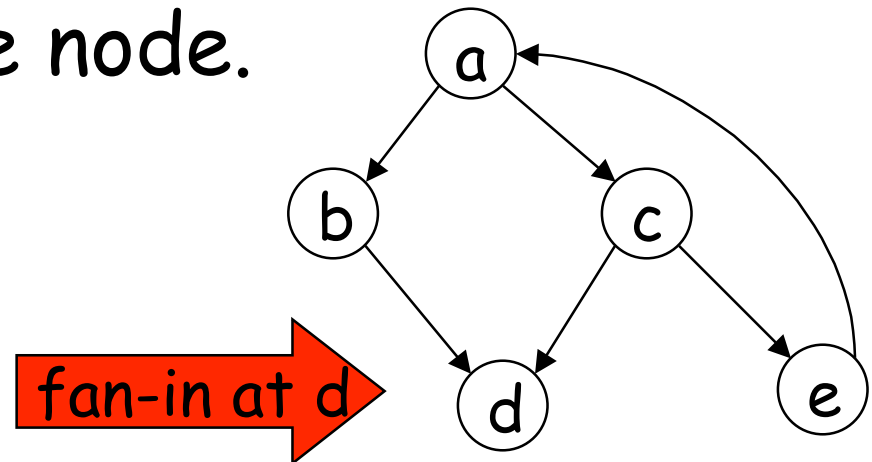


# Fan-In

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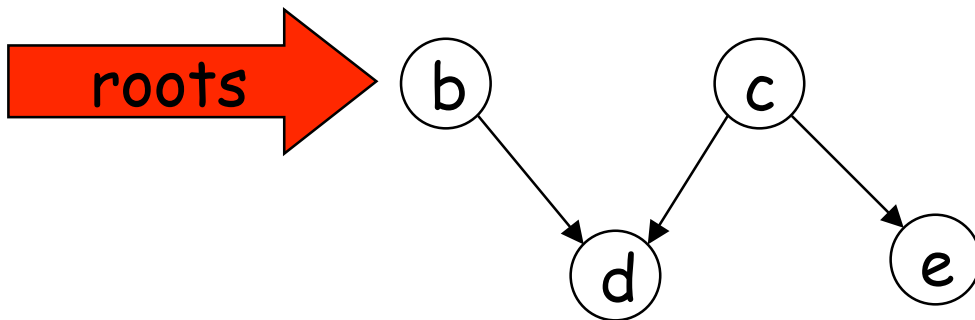
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- A directed graph is said to *fan-in at* node  $n$  if the node is in the target sets of two or more different nodes.
- A directed graph "has fan-in" if it fans in at least one node.

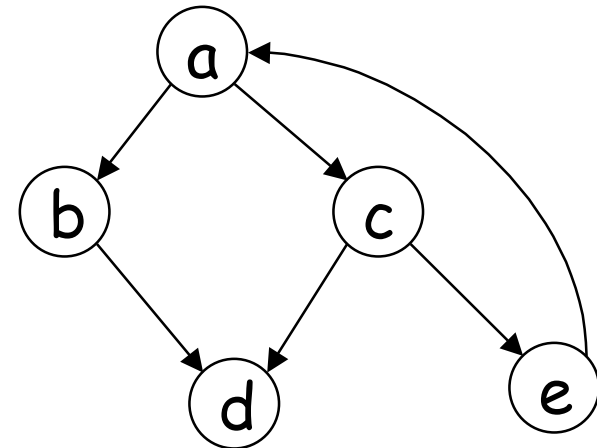


# Roots

- A *root* of a directed graph is a node that is not in any node's target set.



no roots:



# Tree at Last

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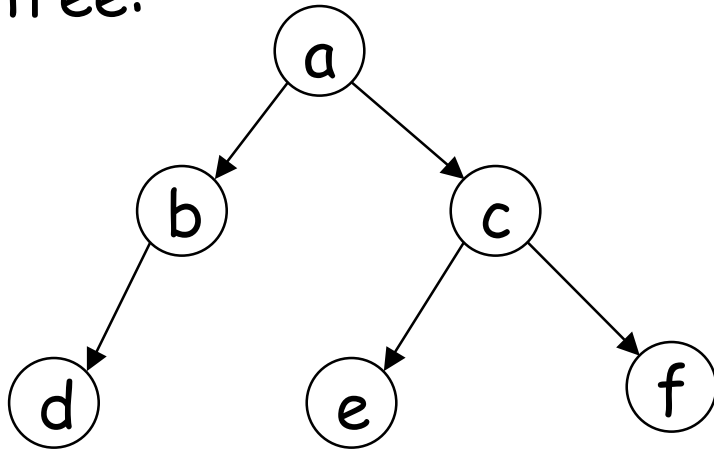
- A *tree* is a directed graph such that:
  - The graph is acyclic.
  - There is exactly one root.
  - It has no fan-in.

# Tree vs Not

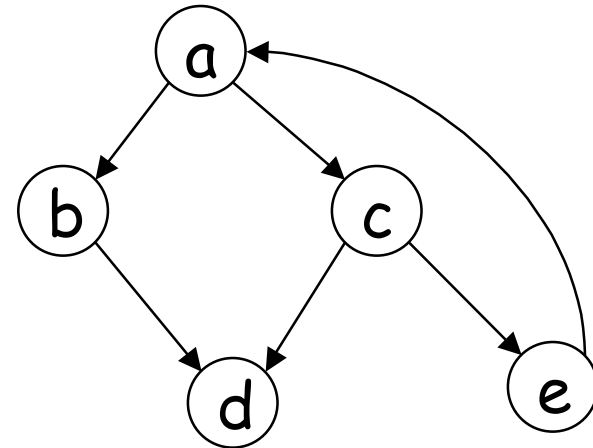
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A tree:



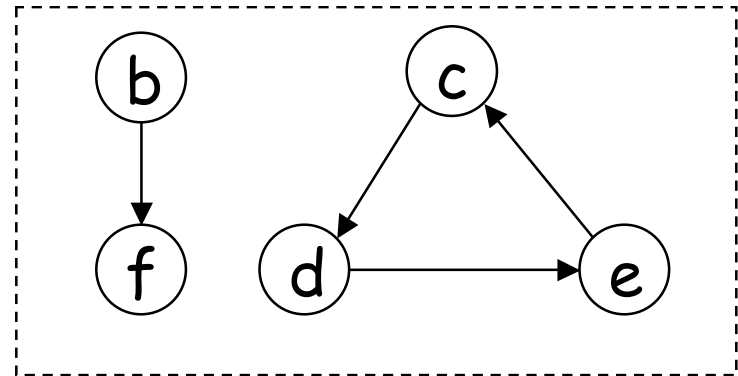
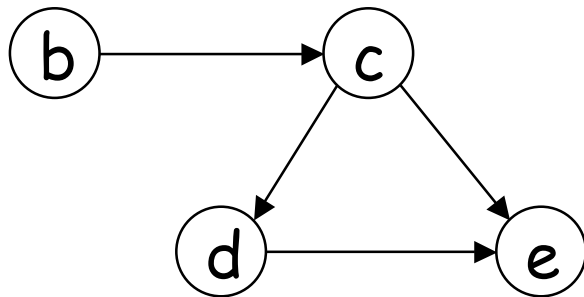
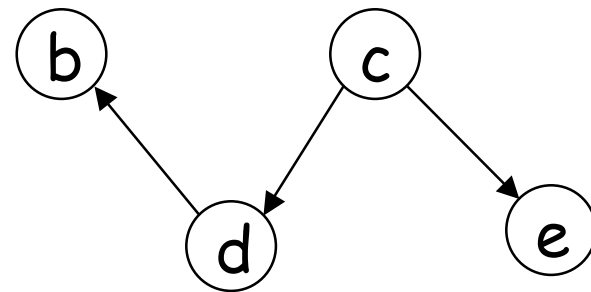
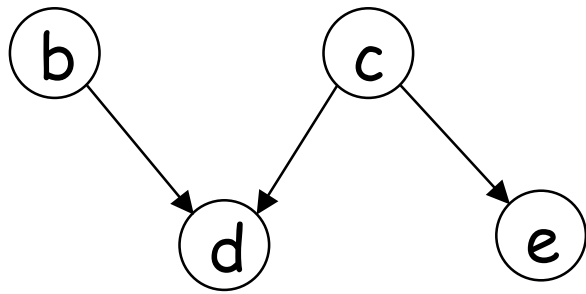
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# Classify these for Tree-dom

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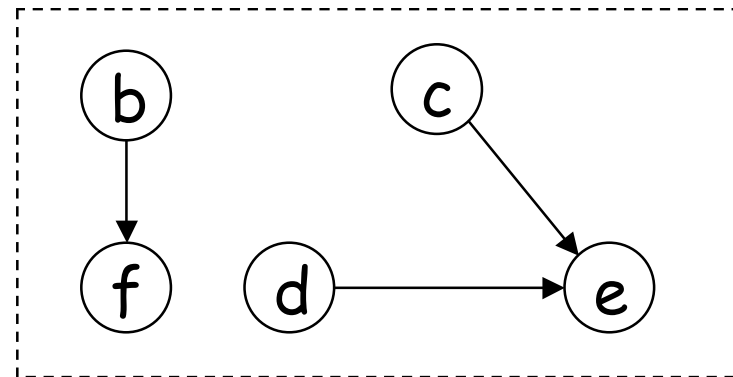
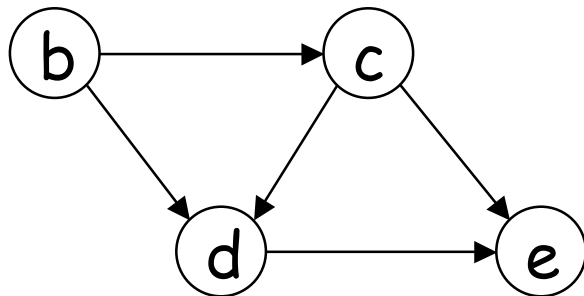
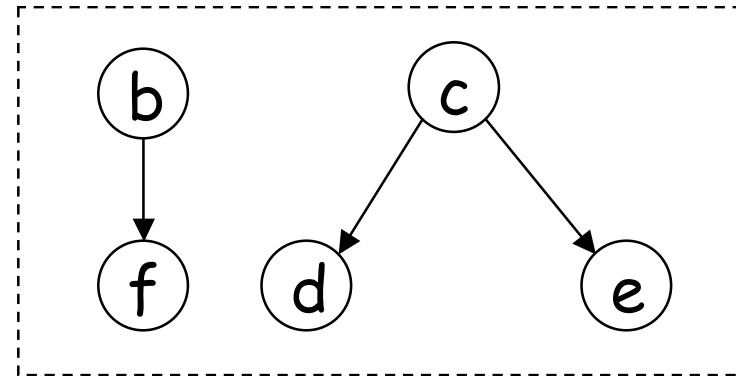
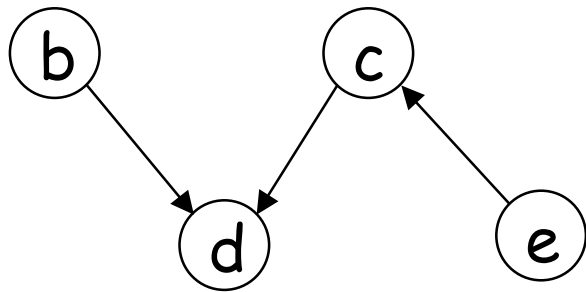
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# More Graphs to Classify

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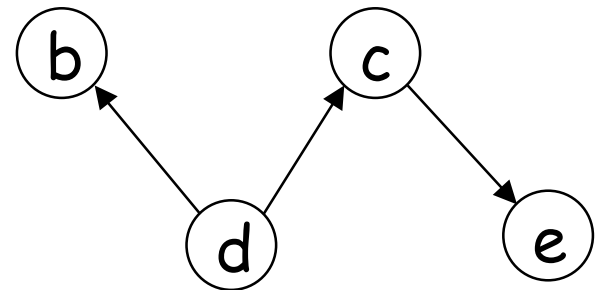
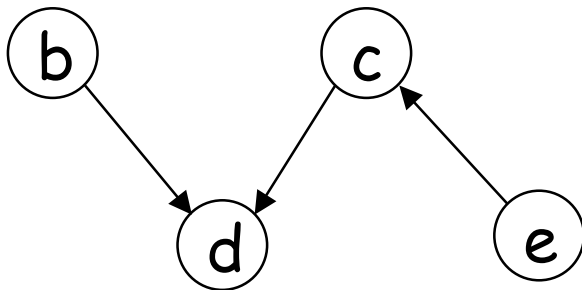


# Reverse Graphs

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- Some graphs that may look tree-like aren't technically trees unless we consider the **reverse graph** (one with all of the arcs of the original reversed).



# Reconvergence, an Alternative

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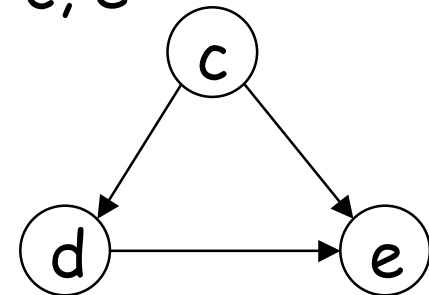
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- A **reconvergence** is a pair of *different* paths that start and end, respectively, on the *same* nodes.
- Therefore, a tree can also be characterized as a directed graph that
  - has one root
  - has no cycles
  - has no reconvergences

Reconvergence below:

c, d, e

c, e



# Subsets of Three Properties

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- **DAG**: acyclic, but
  - may have multiple roots,
  - may have fan-in
- **Forest**: acyclic, and no fan-in but
  - may have multiple roots
- A forest can also be characterized as a **collection of disjoint trees**.  
Each tree could be identified with its root.

# Adding/Removing Arcs

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- Adding arcs to a \_\_\_\_\_ that is not a tree may make it into a tree.
- Adding arcs to a \_\_\_\_\_ that is not a tree will never make it into a tree.
- Removing arcs from a \_\_\_\_\_ that is not a tree may make it into a tree.
- Removing arcs from a \_\_\_\_\_ that is not a tree will never it into a tree.

# Ordered Directed Graphs

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- We use the adjective *ordered* to indicate that the **order of targets** of a node matters.
- This property is *implicit* with trees much of the time.
- Because we are going to represent trees by **lists**, we can have ordering for free if we want it.

# Representing/Implementing Trees as Lists

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- Every tree can be represented as a list.
- Obvious:
  - Tree is a special kind of directed graph.
  - Every directed graph can be represented as a list of pairs.
- But we want a representation that makes it clear that we have a tree.

# First Try: Target Sets

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- We know that **sets** can be represented as lists.
- List the nodes of the tree.
- Associate each node with its list of targets.

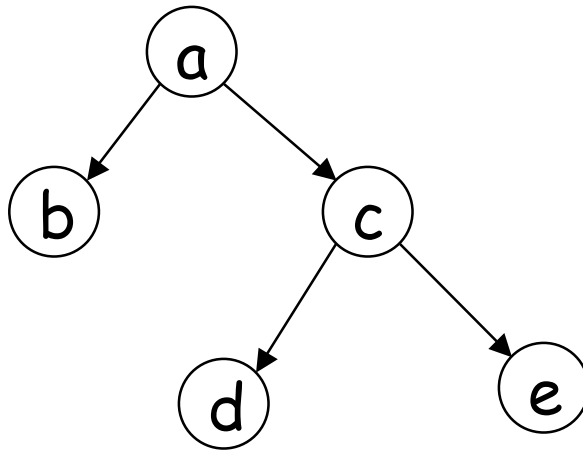
# Target-Lists Representation

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- [ [a, [b, c]],  
[b, []],  
[c, [d, e]],  
[d, []],  
[e, []]

] ↑  
nodes ↑  
targets



- This works for graphs in general; is not limited to trees.
- Doesn't directly show tree-dom.

# Nested Target-Lists Representation

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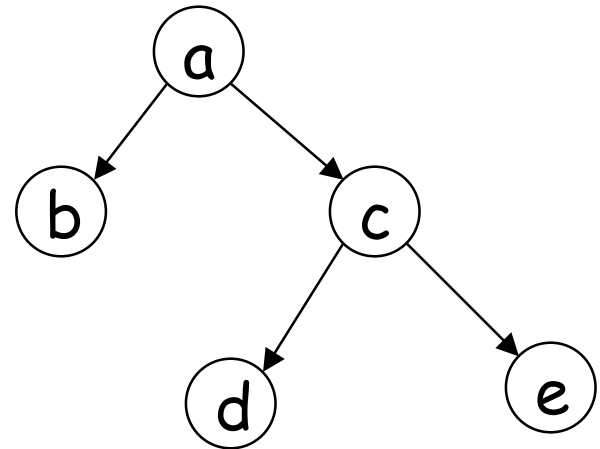
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- Recursively, list the root, followed by the representation of each sub-tree:

root    sub-trees

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- [a, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_]
- [a, [b], [c, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ ]]
- [a, [b], [c, [d], [e]]]

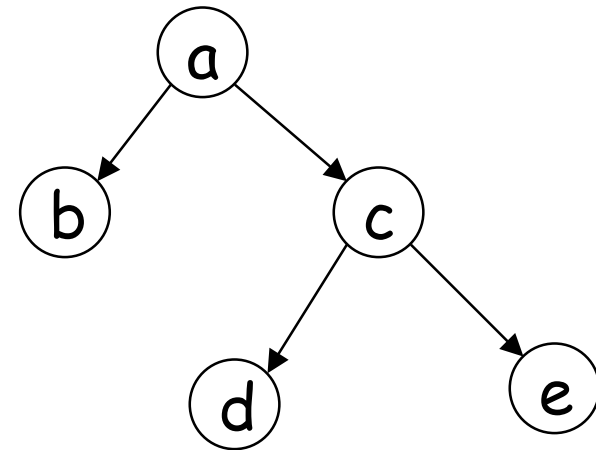


# Modified Nested Target-Lists Representation

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- (Recall: A leaf is a node with no targets.)
- When a sub-tree is a leaf, omit the brackets around it.
  - [a, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_]
  - [a, b, [c, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ ]]
  - [a, b, [c, d, e]]
- Less-cluttered appearance, but also less uniform processing.



# Testing leaf property

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- In rex, values are either:
  - **atomic**: numbers, strings
  - **non-atomic**: lists, arrays
- **atomic(X)** tells whether X is atomic.

# Representation of "Unlabelled" Trees

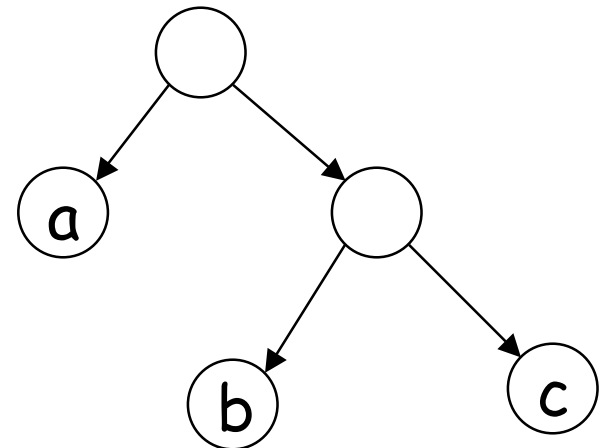
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- In this model, only *leaves* have *labels*.
- A leaf is represented by its label
- A non-leaf tree is represented by a list of the representations of the targets of the root.

- [a, \_\_\_\_\_ ]

- [a, [b, c]]

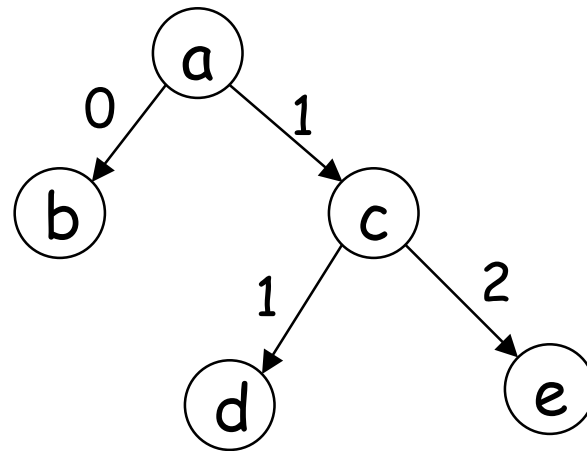


# Exercise

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- How could you represent a tree in which both nodes and arcs have labels?



# Representing Lists by Ordered Trees

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- This is a kind of converse to previous discussion.
- Every list can be represented as an ordered *binary tree* (tree in which each node has at most two targets).
- This corresponds to a “box” storage abstraction, where the data items may themselves be lists.

# Representing Lists as Trees

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- An **atomic** item (non-list) is represented by itself.
- The **null list** is represented as a leaf [].
- A list [First | Rest] is represented by a node with two targets:
  - The **left** target is the representation of First.
  - The **right** target is the representation of Rest.
- Note that ordering of targets is essential.

# Representing Lists as Trees

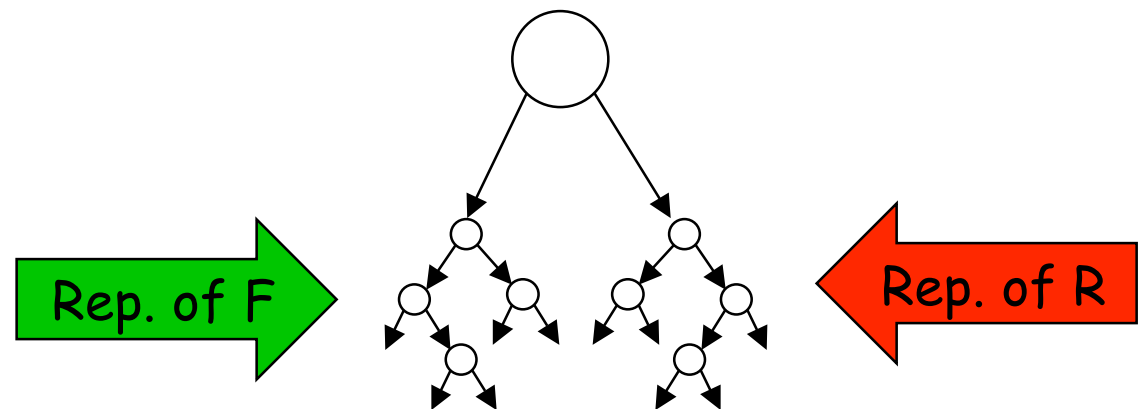
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Atom  $a$ :  $a$

Empty list  $[]$ :  $[]$

Non-empty list  $[F \mid R]$ :



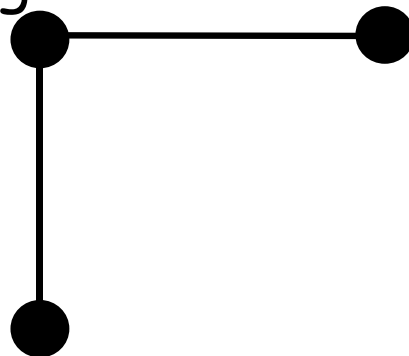
# Representing Lists as Trees

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- Matters are actually simpler if we rotate the tree  $45^\circ$ , so that "right" is horizontally right and "left" is down.

Tree representing the list



Tree representing the rest of the list

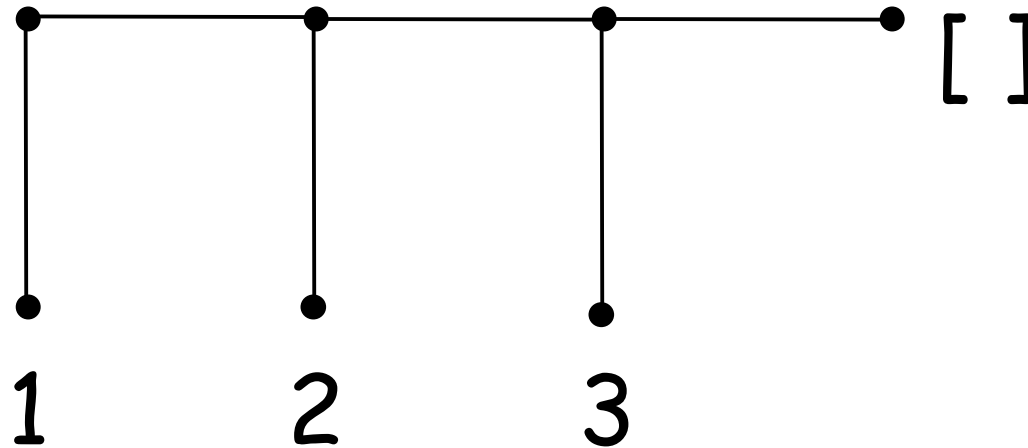
Tree representing the first element

# Example: Binary Tree

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- Represent as a binary tree: [1, 2, 3]





# Corresponding Box Diagram

[1, [2, 3], [4]]

