

Introduction to programming

Lecture 12:

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Trees

In computer science, a tree is a **data structure** that is modeled after nature. The tree data structure is upside down: the root of the tree is on top. A tree consists of **nodes** and its connections are called **edges**. The bottom nodes are also named **leaf nodes**. A tree does not have cycles.

A node can contain a value or any kind of data.

Any tree is formalised using two attributes: a **node** and a **list of subtrees** which is a list of trees.

If a tree has an empty list of subtrees then it is a **leaf**.

The very definition of a tree is **recursive** and this explains why almost every definition or function dealing with trees is recursive.

As a data structure, the **content** of a tree is the union of the contents of all its subtrees with its node.

The **depth** of a tree is 1 if the tree is a leaf and is 1 + the maximum of the depth of its subtrees else.

The **width** of a tree is 1 if the tree is a leaf and is the sum of the widths of its subtrees else.

In [1]:

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from turtle import * # I want to draw

class Tree():
    'A recursive class, two attributes : nod and sub'

    def __init__(self,node=None,listtrees=None):
        self.node=node
        if listtrees==None: #Little trick to avoid the use of a mutable keyword
            'constant' argument
            self.sub=[]
        else:
            self.sub=listtrees

    #Answers if the tree is a leaf
    def isleaf(self):
        if len(self.sub)==0:
            return True
        else:
            return False

    #Computes the number of nodes in a tree.
    def __len__(self):
        if self.isleaf():
            return 1
        else:
            s=1
            for x in self.sub:
                s+=__len__(x)
            return s

    #Computes the depth of a tree
    def depth(self):
        if self.isleaf():
            return 1
        else:
            he=0
            for x in self.sub:
                he2=x.depth()
                if he<he2:
                    he=he2
            else: pass
            return he+1

    #Computes the width of a tree (number of leaves)
    def width(self):
        if self.isleaf():
            return 1
        else:
            s=0
            for x in self.sub:
                s+=x.width()
            return s

    # This method answers wether x is a node of self or not.
    def isanode(self,x):
        if x==self.node():

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        return True
    elif self.isleaf():
        return False
    else:
        for t in self.sub:
            if isanode(self.t):
                return True
        return False

    def draw(self,xmin,xmax,ymin,ymax,size=10,drawnode=True): #The drawing of self
        #if will be centered between
        #xmin and xmax (in x coordinates)
        #ymin and ymax (in y coordinates)
        #size is the size of the characters
        #drawnode is a boolean saying if the
        #nodes have to be drawn or not
        if drawnode:
            if self.isleaf():
                penup()
                #Write the node of the tree
                setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)
                if self.node!=None:
                    write("{}".format(self.node), True, align="center",font=( "Arial", size, "normal"))

            else:
                penup()
                #Write the node of the tree
                setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)
                if self.node!=None:
                    write("{}".format(self.node), True, align="center",font=( "Arial", size, "normal"))

                #Define the depth
                h=self.depth()

                # Define the new ymax
                nymax=ymax-(ymax-ymin)/(h-1)
                L=list(map(lambda x: x.width(),self.sub))
                s=0
                for x in L:
                    s+=x

                #the successive umin and umax are the xmin and xmax of all subtrees of self
                umin=xmin
                for t in self.sub:
                    umax=umin+(xmax-xmin)*t.width()*1.0/s
                    setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)
                    pendown()
                    setposition((umax+umin)/2.,nymax+size)
                    penup()

                #We have to recompute ymin
                t.draw(umin,umax,ymin+(1-t.depth()/(h-1))*(ymax-ymin),nymax,size)

                umin=umax

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else:
    if self.isleaf():
        penup()
        #Write the node of the tree
        setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)
    else:
        penup()
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        setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)

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    h=self.depth()

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    for x in L:
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    #the successive umin and umax are the xmin and xmax of all subtrees of self

    umin=xmin
    for t in self.sub:
        umax=umin+(xmax-xmin)*t.width()*1.0/s
        setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)
        pendown()
        setposition((umax+umin)/2.,nymax)
        penup()

    #We have to recompute ymin
    t.draw(umin,umax,ymin+(1-t.depth()/(h-1))*(ymax-ymin),nymax,
size,False)

    umin=umax

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In [4]:

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#Here a few trees are defined

tree1=Tree(1)
tree2=Tree(2,[tree1])
tree3=Tree(3,[tree1,tree2,tree1,tree2])
tree7=Tree(7,[tree3])
tree8=Tree(8,[tree7])
tree9=Tree(listtrees=[tree8])
tree10=Tree(10,[tree9])
tree4=Tree(4,[tree3,tree3,tree10,tree3])
tree5=Tree(5,[tree3,tree10,tree2,tree10])
tree6=Tree(6,[tree4,tree3,tree4,tree5,tree1])

reset()
title("tree2 and tree4")
speed(0)
hideturtle()
tree2.draw(-200,-100,-200,250,10)
tree5.draw(-50,200,-100,250,10)

print("depth of tree5",tree5.depth())
print("width of tree5",tree5.width())
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depth of tree5 8
width of tree5 13

In [7]:

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#Now we draw a big tree

tracer(1)
reset()
title("Example of a tree with and without nodes")
speed(0)
hideturtle()

tree6.draw(-300,300,0,300,10,False)
tree6.draw(-300,300,-300,-20,10,True)

penup()
setpos(-200,-51)
setpos(300,-51)
penup()
tracer(1)
```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Principle

The **Reverse Polish Notation** (RPN) also known as **Polish postfix notation** is a way to write a computation without needing any parenthesis to describe the priority. As we shall see, it can be described using a **tree**. By the way, the traditional way to write an arithmetic expression is called the **infix notation**.

We will call **operator** the function which accepts n arguments. n is the **arity** of the operator.

The n arguments of the operators are the **operands**.

The process is called **operation** which will give a **result**.

For instance, in $2 + 3$,

- $+$ is an **operator** of **arity** 2,
- 2 and 3 are **operands**,
- The **result** of the **operation** is 5.

The qualities of the RPN :

- the syntax is more compact than the infix notation one because you don't need parenthesis
- it is closer to the machine language

The drawbacks of the RPN :

- learning arithmetic as a child is harder with the RPN rather than with infix notation.
- An operator has a fixed arity in RPN whereas there are exceptions in infix notation. For example, $-$ can both mean do the difference of two numbers or take the opposite of one number.

For simplicity, in this lecture, in the RPN notation.

- Operands will only be integers non-negative floating numbers or integers
- Operands will be separated by one single space
- The operators of arity 2 we shall use are $+$, \times (noted as the letter x), $-$, $/$ (the quotient) and 'p' (the power)
- $3\ 2-$ means $3 - 2$ and not $2 - 3$.
- $3\ 4/$ means $3/4$ and not $4/3$.
- $3\ 2p$ means 3^2 and not 2^3 .
- The operators of arity 1 we shall use will be \sin and \cos denoted as s and c

Examples and algorithm of evaluations

The RPN conversion of ' $2 + 3$ ' is ' $2\ 3\ +$ '.

The RPN conversion of ' $2 + 3 \times 2$ ' is ' $2\ 3\ 2\ \times\ +$ '.

The RPN conversion of ' $(2 + 3) \times 2$ ' is ' $2\ 3\ +\ 2\ \times$ '.

For any real numbers a, b, c $abc\ \times\ \times = acb\ \times\ \times$ is the definition of the associativity in RPN notation.

The RPN conversion of $(5 - 3)^8$ is ' $5\ 3\ -\ 8\ ^$ '

The algorithm to convert an RPN formula to goes as follow. You begin with an empty list (the **stack**) which will contain all operands and a reading index (**rind**) at 0.

If you read an integer or a point, it means that you are supposed to read an operand and you keep on reading the number (meaning increase **rind** by 1) until you reach a space (meaning that you are changing of operands) or an operator. Then you append the number to the **stack**.

If you read an operator, then you apply the operator (of given arity k) to the last k -elements respecting the order and append the result to the list.

You stop when there is not enough operands in the stack to apply an operator (in which the formula is badly written) or when you are at the end of the formula.

If you have two elements in the stack or more there is a problem, else return the single element of the list.

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In [2]:

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#I use cos and sin
import math

#list of possible operators
oparity1=['c','s']
oparity2=['+','x','-','/','p']

#Algorithm to compute a formula written in RPN
def RPNcomp(formula):

    #Initialization
    stack=[]
    rind=0

    while rind<len(formula):

        #index to read the operand
        rind2=rind
        while not(formula[rind2] in oparity1 or formula[rind2] in oparity2 or formula[rind2]==' '):
            rind2+=1

        #read the whole real number, error if it is badly written

        #By adding this if loop I add the possibility to use as many blank spaces as I want in my formula
        if rind2!=rind:
            num=int(formula[rind:rind2])
            stack.append(int(num))

        #Add the number to your LIFO stack
        #Begin the reading
        rind=rind2

        #If you stop reading the number because of an operator
        if formula[rind]=='c':
            x=stack.pop()
            stack.append(math.cos(x))
        elif formula[rind]=='s':
            x=stack.pop()
            stack.append(math.sin(x))
        elif formula[rind]=='':
            x=stack.pop()
            y=stack.pop()
            stack.append(y+x)
        elif formula[rind]=='x':
            x=stack.pop()
            y=stack.pop()
            stack.append(y*x)
        elif formula[rind]=='-':
            x=stack.pop()
            y=stack.pop()
            stack.append(y-x)
        elif formula[rind]=='/':
            x=stack.pop()

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        y=stack.pop()
        stack.append(y/x)
    elif formula[rind]=='p':
        x=stack.pop()
        y=stack.pop()
        stack.append(y**x)
    #Else you either have a space
    elif formula[rind]==' ':pass
    #Or some character I don't know
    else:
        raise ValueError('{} is not an admissible character'.format(formula[
rind]))
    rind+=1

#After the while loop the stack is complete

    if len(stack)>1:
        raise ValueError('the formula is not valid because the stack is too big'
)
    else:
        return stack[0]

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In [9]:

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RPNcomp('5 3-8 p ')
```

Out[9]:

256

RPN to trees/trees to RPN

The RPN notation admits a nice representation as a tree of operators.

If we consider an operand as an operator of arity 0 (a constant) then we can represent an operation as a tree with:

- All the nodes that are not leaves represents an operator that has as many subtrees as its arity;
- All the leaves represents operands (numbers)

In [10]:

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#For example, what is the RPN associated to this tree?
RPNtree2=Tree('2')
RPNtree3=Tree('3')
RPNtree6=Tree('6')
RPNtreex=Tree('x',[RPNtree2,RPNtree3])
RPNtreepl=Tree('+',[RPNtreex,RPNtree6])
RPNtree=Tree('x',[RPNtreepl,RPNtreepl])
reset()
hideturtle()
speed(0)
RPNtree.draw(-200,200,-200,200,40)

```

Trees to RPN

In this case, to convert a tree, it suffices to convert a leaf to its node, recursively concatenate the RPN notation of the subtrees and write the node operator at the end. You have to take care of spaces, but as long as you add a space right after a leaf node you are fine.

In [3]:

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def treetoRPN(tree):
    if tree.isleaf():
        return '{} '.format(str(tree.node))
    else:
        res=''
        for t in tree.sub:
            res+='{}'.format(treetoRPN(t))
        res+=tree.node
        return res
```

In [12]:

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print(treetoRPN(RPNtree))
RPNcomp(treetoRPN(RPNtree))
```

2 3 x6 +2 3 x6 +x

Out[12]:

144

In []:

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# Exercise :
#1 Write an evaluation function that 'evaluates' an RPN-tree
#2 Write a script that shows the evolution of the RPN-tree (replace a tree by its value when it is actually computed)
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RPN to trees

The algorithm to convert an RPN formula to a tree is looking like the algorithm evaluating a RPN formula.

We put **leafs** instead of floating numbers in the stack and instead of evaluating when we come across an operator we just **build** the tree with the corresponding arity operator.

In [13]:

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def RPNtotree(formula):

    #Initialization
    stack=[]
    rind=0

    while rind<len(formula):

        #index to read the operand
        rind2=rind
        while not(formula[rind2] in oparity1 or formula[rind2] in oparity2 or formula[rind2]==' '):
            rind2+=1

        #read the whole real number, error if it is badly written

        #By adding this if loop I add the possibility to use as many blank spaces as I want in my formula
        if rind2!=rind:
            num=Tree(int(formula[rind:rind2]))
            stack.append(num)

        #Add the number to your LIFO stack
        #Begin the reading
        rind=rind2

        #If you stop reading the number because of an operator
        if formula[rind] in oparity1:
            x=stack.pop()
            stack.append(Tree(formula[rind],[x]))
        elif formula[rind] in oparity2:
            x=stack.pop()
            y=stack.pop()
            stack.append(Tree(formula[rind],[y,x]))
        #Else you either have a space
        elif formula[rind]==' ':pass
        #Or some character I don't know
        else:
            raise ValueError('{} is not an admissible character'.format(formula[rind]))
        rind+=1

    #After the while loop the stack is complete

    if len(stack)>1:
        raise ValueError('the formula is not valid because the stack is too big')
    else:
        return stack[0]

```

In [14]:

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t=RPNtotree(treetoRPN(RPNtree))
clear()
RPNtree.draw(-300,-10,-100,100,30)
t.draw(10,300,-100,100,30)
```

Binary trees

A **binary tree** is a tree where the list of subtrees is of length at most 2, and all subtrees are themselves binary. It is clearly a subclass of the class of trees.

For implementation reasons it is generally a better thing to consider that a tree has either 0 or 2 subtrees, and if it has two then one of them may be void (a binary tree is void if it is a leaf with a 'None' node).

In a binary tree, every node which is not a leaf has a left branch, a right branch or both.

In most cases, one imposes another relation between the node n of a tree, the node of the left subtree n_L and the node of the right subtree n_R : $n_L \leq n \leq n_R$.

The reason for this condition is that if you are **looking for an element** x in a tree t and $x \neq n$, where n is the node of t , then if $x < n$ you just have to look for x in the left subtree of t and if $x > n$ you just have to look for x in the right subtree of t .

In [15]:

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class BinTree(Tree):

    def __init__(self, node=None, listtrees=None):
        self.node=node
        if listtrees==None: #Little trick to avoid the use of a mutable keyword
'constant' argument
            self.sub=[]
        elif len(listtrees)>2:
            raise ValueError("Not a binary tree")
        else:
            self.sub=listtrees

    def __len__(self):
        if self.node!=None:
            s=1
        else:
            s=0
        if self.isleaf():
            return s
        else:
            for x in self.sub:
                s+=len(x)
            return s

    def width(self):
        if self.isleaf():
            return 1
        else:
            s=0
            for x in self.sub:
                s+=x.width()
            return s

    def isin(self, x):
        if self.node==x:
            return True
        else:
            if self.isleaf():
                return False
            elif x<self.node():
                return (self.sub[0]).isin(x)
            else:
                return (self.sub[1]).isin(x)

    def drawb(self, xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax, size=10, drawnode=True): #The drawing of s
elf will be centered between
                                                    #xmin and xmax (in x coordinates)
                                                    #ymin and ymax (in y coordinates)
                                                    #size is the size of the characters
                                                    #drawnode is a boolean saying if th
e nodes have to be drawn or not
        if drawnode:

            if self.isleaf():
                penup()
                #Write the node of the tree
                setposition((xmax+xmin)/2., ymax)
                if self.node!=None:

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        write("{}".format(self.node), True, align="center", font=( "A
rial", size, "normal"))

    else:
        penup()
        #Write the node of the tree
        setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)
        if self.node!=None:
            write("{}".format(self.node), True, align="center", font=
( "Arial", size, "normal"))

        #Define the depth
        h=self.depth()

        # Define the new ymax
        nymax=ymax-(ymax-ymin)/(h-1)
        L=list(map(lambda x: x.width(),self.sub))
        s=0
        for x in L:
            s+=x

        #the successive umin and umax are the xmin and xmax of all subtre
es of self

        umin=xmin
        for t in self.sub:

            umax=umin+(xmax-xmin)*t.width()*1.0/s
            if t.node!=None:
                setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)
                pendown()
                setposition((umax+umin)/2.,nymax+size)
                penup()

            #We have to recompute ymin
            t.drawb(umin,umax,ymin+(1-t.depth()/(h-1))*(ymax-ymin),n
ymax,size)

            umin=umax

    else:
        if self.isleaf():
            penup()
            #Write the node of the tree
            setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)

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            #Write the node of the tree
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        nymax=ymax-(ymax-ymin)/(h-1)
        L=list(map(lambda x: x.width(),self.sub))
        s=0

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        for x in L:
            s+=x

    #the successive umin and umax are the xmin and xmax of all subtrees of self
    umin=xmin
    for t in self.sub:

        umax=umin+(xmax-xmin)*t.width()*1.0/s
        if t.node!=None:
            setposition((xmax+xmin)/2.,ymax)
            pendown()
            setposition((umax+umin)/2.,nymax)
            penup()

    #We have to recompute ymin
    t.drawb(umin,umax,ymin+(1-t.depth()/(h-1))*(ymax-ymin),n
ymax,size,False)

    umin=umax

```

Sorting a list with binary trees

A binary tree is a very efficient data structure to sort lists.

Let us say you want to sort the list L . The algorithm is quite simple, you take the first element x from the list, it is the node of your tree t . Then you compare every other elements of the list L to x and construct two lists L_m and L_p of elements of L which are respectively smaller than x and greater than x . Then the left subtree of t is the tree associated to L_m and the right subtree is the tree associated to L_p .

In [16]:

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def listtobinTree(L):
    if len(L)==0:
        return BinTree(None)
    if len(L)==1:
        return BinTree(L[0])
    else:

        #Construction of Lm and Lp
        Lm,Lp=[],[ ]
        for x in L[1:len(L)]:
            if x<L[0]:
                Lm.append(x)
            else:
                Lp.append(x)

        return BinTree(L[0],[listtobinTree(Lm),listtobinTree(Lp)])

```

In [3]:

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#First example
L=[1,3,2,7,4,10,5,-2,6,-5]
tracer(1)
reset()
speed(3)
hideturtle()
T=listtobinTree(L)
type(T)
T.drawb(-300,300,-300,300,20)
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NameError                                Traceback (most recent call
1 last)
<ipython-input-3-c1b92733c106> in <module>
      5 speed(3)
      6 hideturtle()
----> 7 T=listtobinTree(L)
      8 type(T)
      9 T.drawb(-300,300,-300,300,20)
```

NameError: name 'listtobinTree' is not defined

In [18]:

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sentence='Sed condimentum elit a dui auctor, sed accumsan ipsum laoreet. Maecenas nec malesuada dolor. Fusce dictum tortor vitae interdum malesuada. Vestibulum id diam quis leo porta dictum. Aliquam sit amet gravida nibh. Duis at tellus id ligula efficitur accumsan eu a erat. Pellentesque consectetur odio sed ligula laoreet sagittis. Phasellus maximus tristique leo, vitae laoreet nunc congue eu. Aliquam erat volutpat. Orci varius natoque penatibus et magnis dis parturient montes, nascetur ridiculus mus. Fusce at pulvinar felis. Sed mattis ligula vitae risus placerat auctor. Class aptent taciti sociosqu ad litora torquent per conubia nostra, per inceptos himenaeos. Vestibulum iaculis nunc at neque ullamcorper molestie. Cras quis egestas metus, id maximus velit. Nulla ac congue eros \
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In [19]:

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#The algorithm also works for list of words
T=listtobinTree(sentence.split())
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In [20]:

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reset()
speed(0)
hideturtle()

tracer(10)
T.drawb(-300,300,-300,300,20,False)
tracer(0)
```

The resulting tree changes drastically when you randomize the choice of the pivot x .

In [21]:

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import random
```

In [22]:

```
def listtobinTreerandom(L):
    if len(L)==0:
        return BinTree(None)
    if len(L)==1:
        return BinTree(L[0])
    else:
        Lm,Lp=[],[]

        #Here is the main change
        indexpivot=random.randrange(0,len(L))
        for index in range(0,len(L)):
            if index!=indexpivot:
                x=L[index]
                if x<L[indexpivot]:
                    Lm.append(x)
                else:
                    Lp.append(x)
        if len(Lm)==0:
            return BinTree(L[0],[listtobinTree(Lp)])
        elif len(Lp)==0:
            return BinTree(L[0],[listtobinTree(Lm)])
        else:
            return BinTree(L[0],[listtobinTree(Lm),listtobinTree(Lp)])
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In [23]:

```
T=listtobinTreerandom(sentence.split())
```

In [24]:

```
reset()
speed(0)
hideturtle()
screensize(1200,800)
tracer(10000)
T.draw(-500,500,-300,300,3,False)
tracer(1)
```

In [25]:

```
N=1000
S=0
# Here we make a little comparison for a list of numbers between 0 and N-1
L=list(range(0,N))
random.shuffle(L)

for i in range(0,25):
    T=listtobinTreerandom(L)
    S+=T.depth()
    reset()
    hideturtle()
    screensize(1500,1000)
    tracer(10000)
    T.draw(-500,500,-300,300,3,False)
    tracer(1)
    speed(1)
    left(100)
    right(100)
    speed(0)
```

In []:

```
reset()
hideturtle()

tracer(100)
T=listtobinTree(L).draw(-300,300,-300,300,3,False)
tracer(1)
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