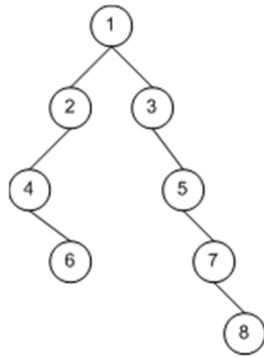
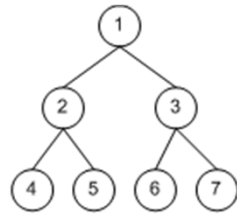


Q1



(a)



(b)

# CSSE 230 Day 11

## Size vs height in a Binary Tree

After today, you should be able to...

... use the relationship between the size and height of a tree to find the maximum and minimum number of nodes a binary tree can have

... understand the idea of mathematical induction as a proof technique

<http://i.msdn.microsoft.com/dynimg/IC71494.gif>

# Term project starts Day 13

Preferences for partners for the term project (groups of 3)

Partner preference survey on Moodle – Day 11

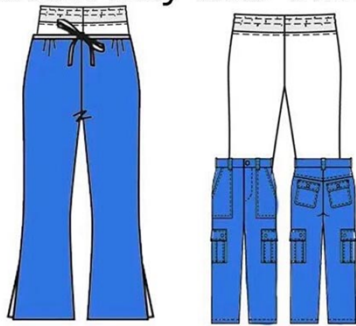
- Preferences balanced with experience level + work ethic
  - If course grades are close, I'll honor “prearranged teammate” preferences
  - If no “prearranged teammate”, best to list several potential members
  - If you don't want to work with someone, that preference will be honored
  - Historical evidence indicates working with others in a similar current CSSE230 grade attainment level often pans out best

Some questions you might consider asking potential programming partners:

- What final grade range are you aiming for in CSSE230?
- Do you like to get it done early or to procrastinate?
- Do you prefer to work daytime, evening, late night?
- Do you normally get a lot of help on the homework?
- Survey is due March 28 – do it as soon as you can

# Some meme humor

If pants wore pants...  
would they wear them



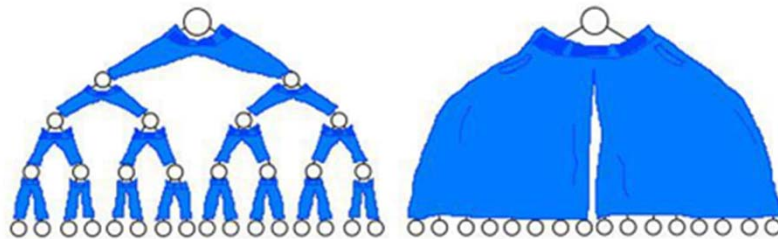
like this? or like this?

**If a binary tree wore pants, would it wear them**

like this

or

like this?



<http://www.smosh.com/smosh-pit/memes/internets-best-reactions-if-dog-wore-pants>

<http://knowyourmeme.com/photos/1272773-if-a-dog-wore-pants>

## Other announcements

- Today:
  - Size vs height of trees: patterns and proofs
- Wrapping up the BST assignment, and worktime.

Q2-4

# Extreme Trees

- A tree with the maximum number of nodes for its height is a **full *binary*** tree.
- full binary tree – each node is either a leaf or has exactly two children
- A tree with the minimum number of nodes for its height is essentially a \_\_\_\_\_
- Height matters!
  - Recall that the algorithms for search, insertion, and deletion in a binary search tree are  **$O(h(T))$**

# Mathematical Induction

To prove that  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq n_0$ :

- *Basis step*: Prove that  $P(n_0)$  is true (base case), and
- *Induction step*: Prove that if  $P(k)$  is true for any  $k \geq n_0$ , then  $P(k+1)$  is also true.

[This part of the proof must work for all such  $k$ !]

$P(n)$  – propositional function, i.e., a declarative statement parameterized by  $n$  that is either true or false

$$(P(1) \wedge \forall k(P(k) \rightarrow P(k + 1))) \rightarrow \forall nP(n)$$

## DIRECT MATHEMATICAL PROOFS

def: A *direct proof* is a mathematical argument where one starts with the premises and reasons to the conclusion by using rules of inference.

### Direct proofs and implication

- In this case we're trying to prove  $p \rightarrow q$
- We need only show that *if*  $p$  is true, that  $q$  cannot be false
- The direct proof *assumes*  $p$  to be true and then shows that  $q$  cannot be false
- We don't have to show that  $p$  is true, because if  $p$  is false, then the implication is true no matter if  $q$  is true or false

<b>p</b>	<b>q</b>	<b>p <math>\rightarrow</math> q</b>
T	T	T
<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>
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To prove recursive properties (on trees), we use a technique called mathematical induction

- Actually, we use a variant called *strong induction* :



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# Strong Induction

- To prove that  $p(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq n_0$ :
  - Prove that  $p(n_0)$  is true (base case), and
  - For all  $k > n_0$ , prove that if we assume  $p(j)$  is true for  $n_0 \leq j < k$ , then  $p(k)$  is also true
- An analogy:
  - Regular induction uses the previous domino to knock down the next
  - Strong induction uses all the previous dominos to knock down the next!
- Warmup: prove the arithmetic series formula
- Actual: prove the formula for  $N(T)$