# Problem Solving and Abstraction (CMPU 101)

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Lecture 15

### **Defining Recursive Data**

```
data MyList:
 my-empty
 | my-link(first :: Any, rest :: MyList)
                                                      Self
end
                                                  Reference
my-list = my-link(1,
                  my-link(2,
                           my-link(3, my-empty)))
#[my-list: 1, 2, 3]
```

Here we see how we could have defined the list data type ourselves.

```
fun my-list-length(ml :: MyList) -> Number:
    doc: "Returns length of ml."
    cases (MyList) ml:
        | my-empty => 0
        | my-link(f, r) => 1 + my-list-length(r)
    end
where:
    my-list-length(my-empty) is 0
    my-list-length(my-list) is 3
end
```

Here we use a **cases** expression with **pattern matching** to implement a function on **my-list**.

#### **Template for List-Processing Functions**

```
#|
fun my-list-fun(ml :: MyList) -> <data-type>
 doc: "Template for a function that takes a MyList"
 cases (MyList) ml:
  | my-empty => <base-value>
  | my-link(f, r) => <expression(f, my-list-fun(r))>
 end
where:
 my-list-fun(...) is ... <test-value>
end
|#
```

#### **Data Definitions & Function Templates**

Every data definition has a corresponding template.

 The recursive structure of the template matches the recursive structure of the data.

We will see this correspondence later today.

#### Rumor Mill

- Let's track gossip in a rumor mill.
- A gossip event is when a person passes a rumor to one or more other people.
- Collect and store data about each gossip event.
  - Person sending the rumor.
  - People receiving the rumor.
  - Not the rumor itself. (That would be illegal, ha ha!)
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#### Participants in the Rumor Mill



Pansy



Cho



Romilda



Draco

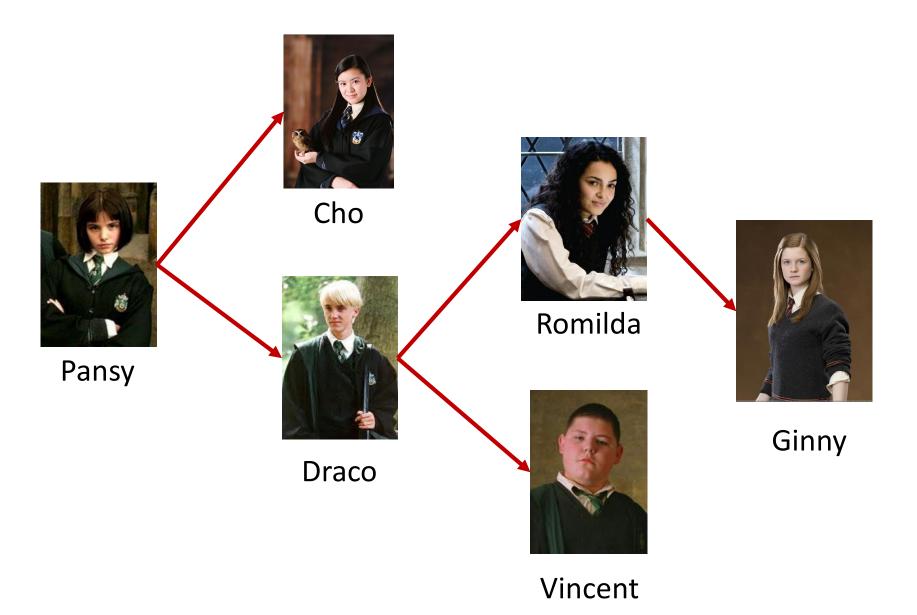


Ginny



Vincent

# "Harry Got a Hippogryph Tattoo"

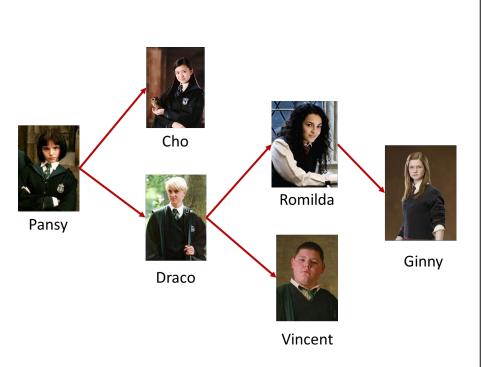


#### Rumor Mill Data Type

```
Simplifying Assumption: Each person sends a rumor to at most two other people.

data RumorMill:

no-one
rMill(name :: String,
next1 :: RumorMill,
next2 :: RumorMill)
end
```



```
rMill("Pansy",
      rMill("Cho",
              no-one,
              no-one)
       rMill("Draco",
             rMill("Romilda",
                    no-one,
                    rMill("Ginny",
                            no-one,
                            no-one)),
             rMill("Vincent",
                     no-one,
                     no-one)))
```

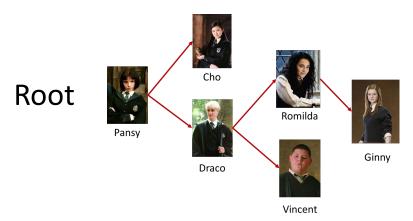
Each red arrow represents a transmission of the rumor from one person to another.

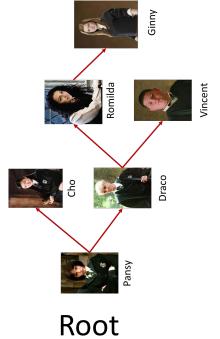
```
>>> PANSY-MILL
```

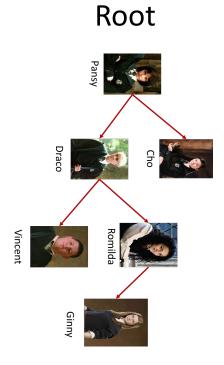
#### rMill

```
"Pansy",
name:
next1:
         rMill
                   "Cho",
           name:
           next1:
                    no-one,
           next2:
                    no-one
next2:
         rMill
                   "Draco",
           name:
           next1:
                    rMill
                               "Romilda",
                      name:
                      next1:
                               no-one,
                      next2:
                                rMill
                                          "Ginny",
                                 name:
                                 next1:
                                           no-one,
                                 next2:
                                           no-one
           next2:
                    rMill
                               "Vincent",
                      name:
                      next1:
                                no-one,
                      next2:
                                no-one
```

#### Tree Structure

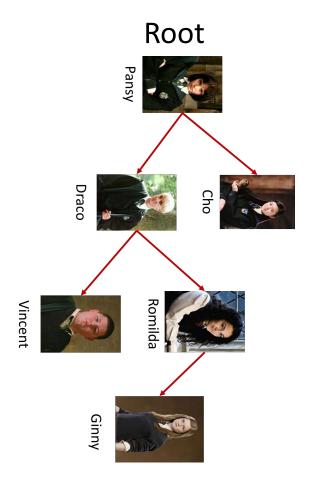






# Building a Tree Buttom-Up

(Define Receiver before Sender. Why?)



```
GINNY-MILL =
rMill("Ginny", no-one, no-one)
ROMILDA-MILL =
rMill("Romilda", no-one, GINNY-MILL)
VINCENT-MILL =
rMill("Vincent", no-one, no-one)
DRACO-MILL =
rMill("Draco", ROMILDA-MILL, VINCENT-MILL)
CHO-MILL =
rMill("Cho", no-one, no-one)
PANSY-MILL =
rMill("Pansy", CHO-MILL, DRACO-MILL)
```

#### Tree Terminology

- Each element of a tree is called a "node".
- Each arrow goes from a "parent" to a "child".
- The "root" is the node with no parent.
- A node with no children is a "leaf".
- A tree in which each node has at most two children is called a "binary tree".

# Recursive Data Structure Trees and Subtrees

- Each child of a node represents a sub-tree.
- Each node is the root of a tree or sub-tree.
- Thus a leaf is a tree.

#### Programming with Rumors

"I heard we need to use recursion."

"I heard we should use map."

"I heard we should use filter."

Haha! That's not what I meant.

# Programming with RumorMill

```
data RumorMill:
  no-one
 | rMill(name :: String,
          next1:: RumorMill,
          next2 :: RumorMill)
end
#|
fun rumor-mill-template(rm :: RumorMill) -> <data-type>:
 doc: "Template for a function with a RumorMill as input"
 cases (RumorMill) rm:
                   => <base-value>
  no-one
  | rMill(n, g1, g2) => <expression(n,
                                   rumor-mill-template(g1),
                                   rumor-mill-template(g2)>
 end
end
|#
```

#### **Programming Example 1**

Design the function **is-informed** that takes a person's name and a rumor mill and determines whether the person is part of the rumor mill.

#### is-informed

```
fun is-informed(rm :: RumorMill, person :: String)
  -> Boolean:
 doc: "True if and only if person is informed of rm rumor rm"
  cases (RumorMill) rm:
    | no-one => false
   | rMill(name, next1, next2)
      (person == name) or
      is-informed(next1, person) or
      is-informed(next2, person)
 end
where:
  is-informed(no-one, "Cho") is false
  is-informed(ROMILDA-MILL, "Draco") is false
  is-informed(PANSY-MILL, "Ginny") is true
  is-informed(GINNY-MILL, "Ginny") is true
 # No one tells Dobby anything. :-(
  is-informed(PANSY-MILL, "Dobby") is false
end
```

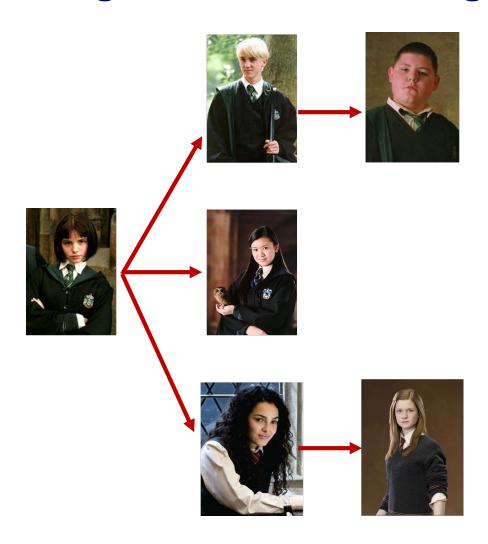
#### **Programming Example 2**

Design the function gossip-length that takes a rumor mill and determines the length of the longest sequence of people who are transmitting the rumor.

### gossip-length

```
fun gossip-length(rm :: RumorMill) -> Number:
  doc: "Determine the length of the longest sequence of people who
are transmitting the rumor"
  cases (RumorMill) rm:
     no-one => 0
     rMill(name, next1, next2)
      => 1 + num-max(gossip-length(next1), gossip-length(next2))
  end
where:
gossip-length(no-one) is 0
gossip-length(CHO-MILL) is 1
gossip-length(ROMILDA-MILL) is 2
gossip-length(DRACO-MILL) is 3
gossip-length(PANSY-MILL) is 4
end
```

Some gossips talk to lots of other gossips. We must generalize our design.



```
>>> gPansy
gossip
          "Pansy",
 name:
 next:
          [list:
            Item 0: gossip
                              "Romilda",
                      name:
                      next:
                              [list: gossip
                                                "Ginny",
                                        name:
                                        next:
                                                [list: ]
           Item 1: gossip
                              "Cho",
                      name:
                      next:
                              [list: ]
           Item 2: gossip
                              "Draco",
                      name:
                      next:
                              [list: gossip
                                                "Vincient",
                                        name:
                                        next:
                                                [list: ]
```

A Gossip is the root node of a tree. Each node in the tree may have any number: 0, 1, 2, ... n, ... children.

```
data Gossip:
  | gossip(name :: String, next :: List<Gossip>)
end
```

Each Gossip has a list of next Gossip(s).

# One template takes a single Gossip as parameter.

```
#|
fun gossip-template(g :: Gossip) -> <Any>
    ... gossip.name
    ... log-template(g.next)
End
|#
```

# Another template takes a list of Gossip(s) as parameter.

```
#|
fun log-template(I :: List<Gossip>) -> <Any>
  cases (List) I:
    | empty => ...
    | link(f, r) =>
        ... gossip-template(f)
        ... log-template(r)
    end
end
|#
```

#### **Programming Example 3**

Design count-gossips which takes a Gossip and returns the number of people informed by the gossip (including the starting person).

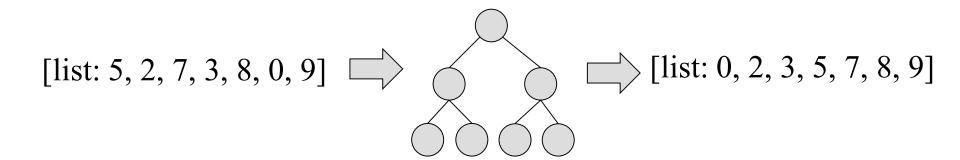
#### count-gossip

```
fun count-gossip(g :: Gossip) -> Number:
   1 + count-gossip-list(g.next)
where:
   count-gossip(gPansy) is 6
   count-gossip(gDraco) is 4
end

fun count-gossip-list(glst :: List<Gossip>) -> Number:
   cases (List) glst:
   | empty => 0
   | link(f,s) => count-gossip(f) + count-gossip-list(s)
   end
end
```

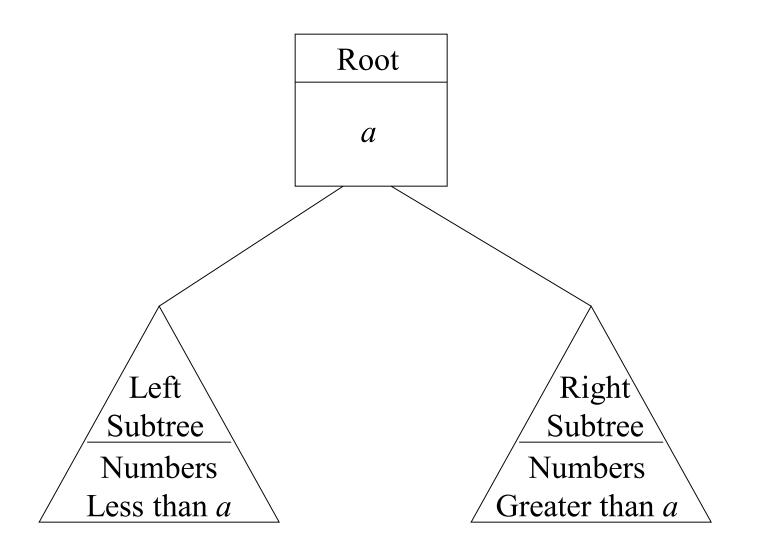
#### Sorting Lists of Numbers





Binary Search Tree (Binary Sort Tree)

#### Structure of a Binary Sort Tree



```
data BSTNode:
    | emptyBST
    | bstNode(n :: Number, left :: BSTNode, right :: BSTNode)
end
```

#### **BSTNode**

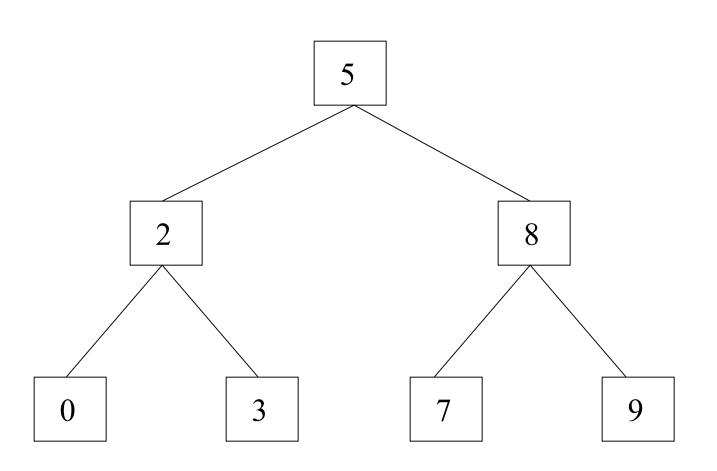
n

left right

#### **Binary Sort Tree**

- Store the numbers in a tree structure.
- The root of the tree holds a number n.
- The left subtree holds numbers less than n.
- The right subtree holds numbers greater than *n*.
- Each subtree stores numbers in the same way as the whole tree.

# Example: [list: 0, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9]



#### Inserting the number N into BST

- If BST is empty, then return a new tree containing only the number N.
- If N < R then insert N into the left subtree.</li>
- If N > R then insert N into the right subtree.
- If the root R of BST is N, then return BST.

#### bsTreeSort

```
fun bsTreeSort(dat :: List<Number>) -> List<Number>:
   bstToList(listToBST(dat))
end
```

**listToBST** 

bstToList

```
lst = [list: 3, 7, 2, 6, 4, 1, 0, 5]
bst = listToBST(lst)
```

```
lst = [list: 3, 7, 2, 6, 4, 1, 0, 5]
bst = listToBST(lst)
```

```
» bst
bstNode
 n: 5,
 left:
bstNode
 n: 0,
 left:
         emptyBST,
 right:
          bstNode
           n: 1,
           left:
                   emptyBST,
           right:
                    bstNode
                     n: 4,
                     left:
                            bstNode
                              n: 2,
                              left:
                                     emptyBST,
                              right:
                                      bstNode
                                        n: 3,
                                        left:
                                               emptyBST,
                                        right:
                                                emptyBST
                     right:
                             emptyBST
 right:
          bstNode
           n: 6,
           left:
                  emptyBST,
           right:
                   bstNode
                     n: 7,
                     left:
                            emptyBST,
                     right:
                             emptyBST
```

```
>>> sorted1 = bstToList(bst)
>>> sorted1
[list: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]
```

```
fun bsTreeSort(dat :: List<Number>) -> List<Number>:
   bstToList(listToBST(dat))
end
```

```
>>> sorted2 = bsTreeSort(lst)
>>> sorted2
[list: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]
```

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