

# CS 106B

## Lecture 19: Trees

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reading:

Programming Abstractions in C++, Section 16.1



# Today's Topics

- Logistics
  - See Piazza [@661](#) for information about using a `stringstream` to utilize the `<<` from a `PatientNode`.
  - How do you clear a `Vector`? (or a heap?)
- Introduction to Trees





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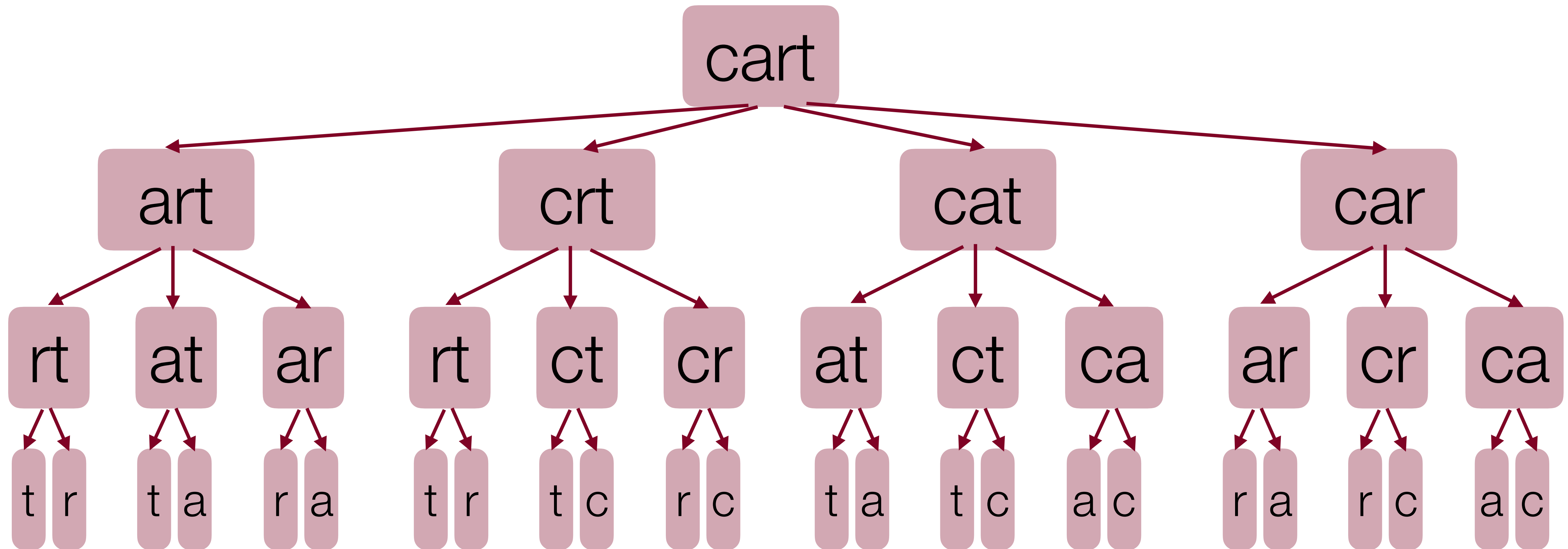


- Because the `count` is what keeps track of the number of elements in our vector, we can simply set that variable to 0, and we now have an empty vector. Yes, the capacity is the same, and yes, the old elements are still there, but they will get overwritten upon further `adds` or `inserts`.



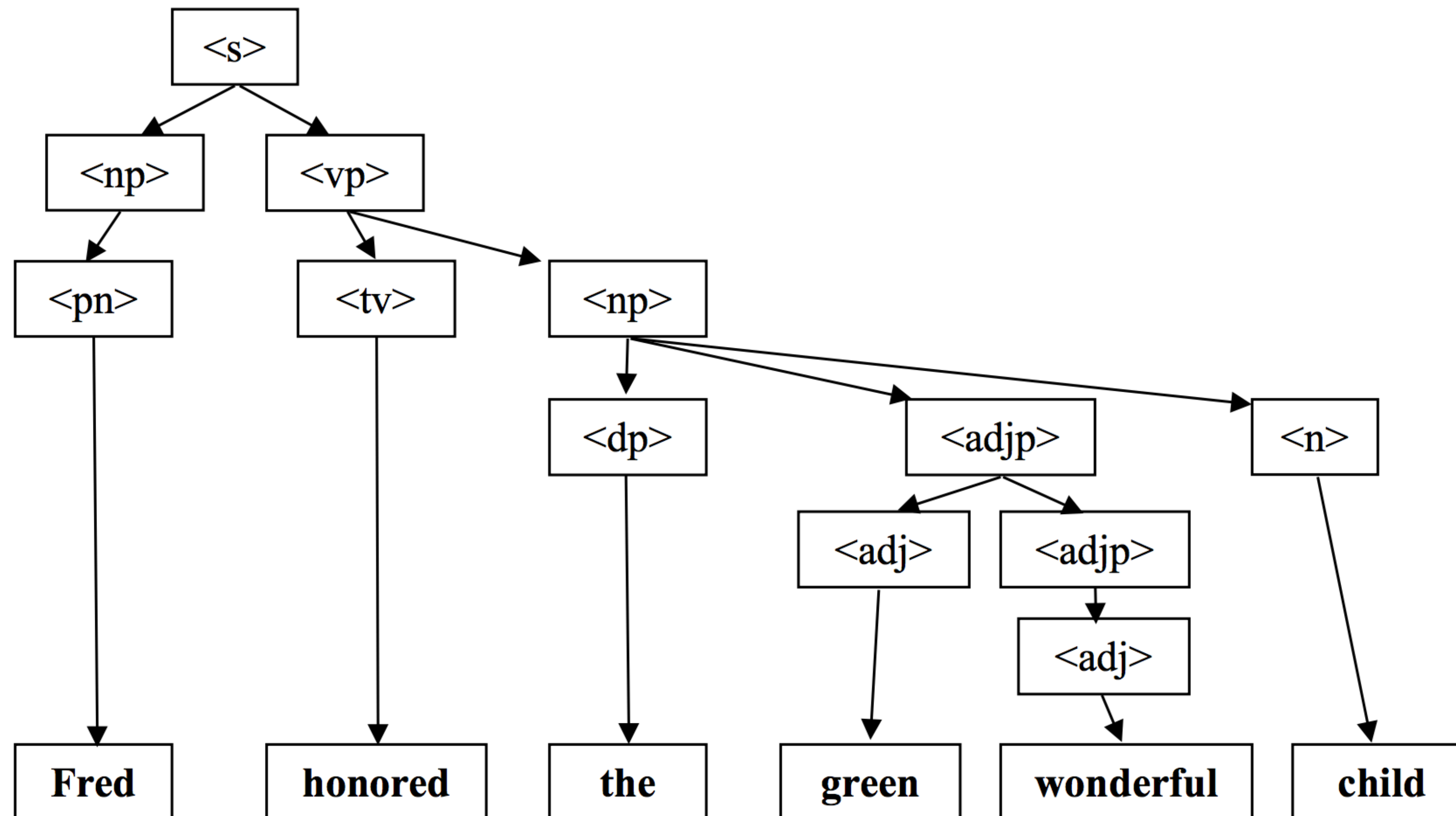
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We have already seen trees in the class in the form of decision trees!



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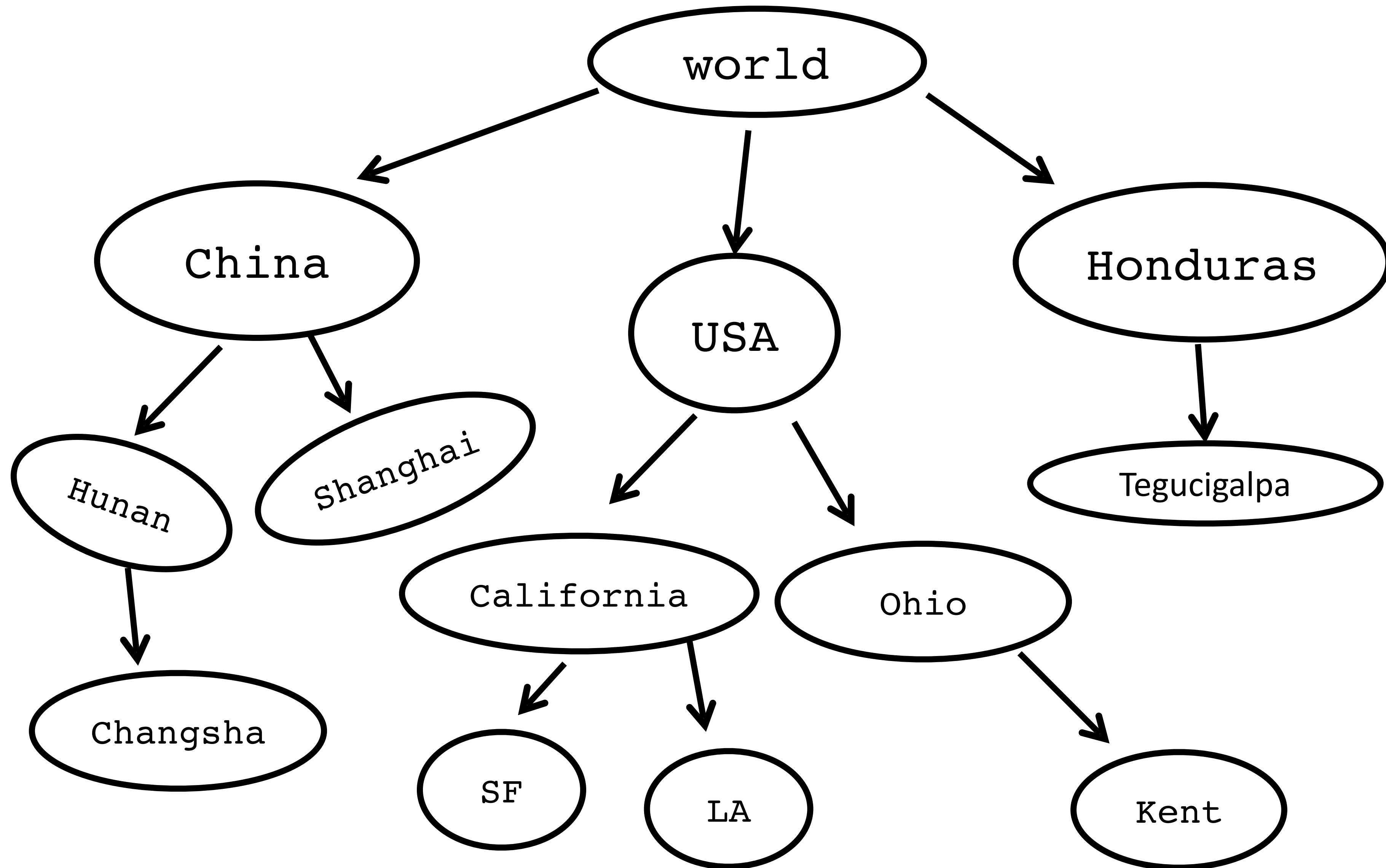
You've coded trees for recursive assignments!



*Random expansion from sentence.txt grammar for symbol "<s>"*

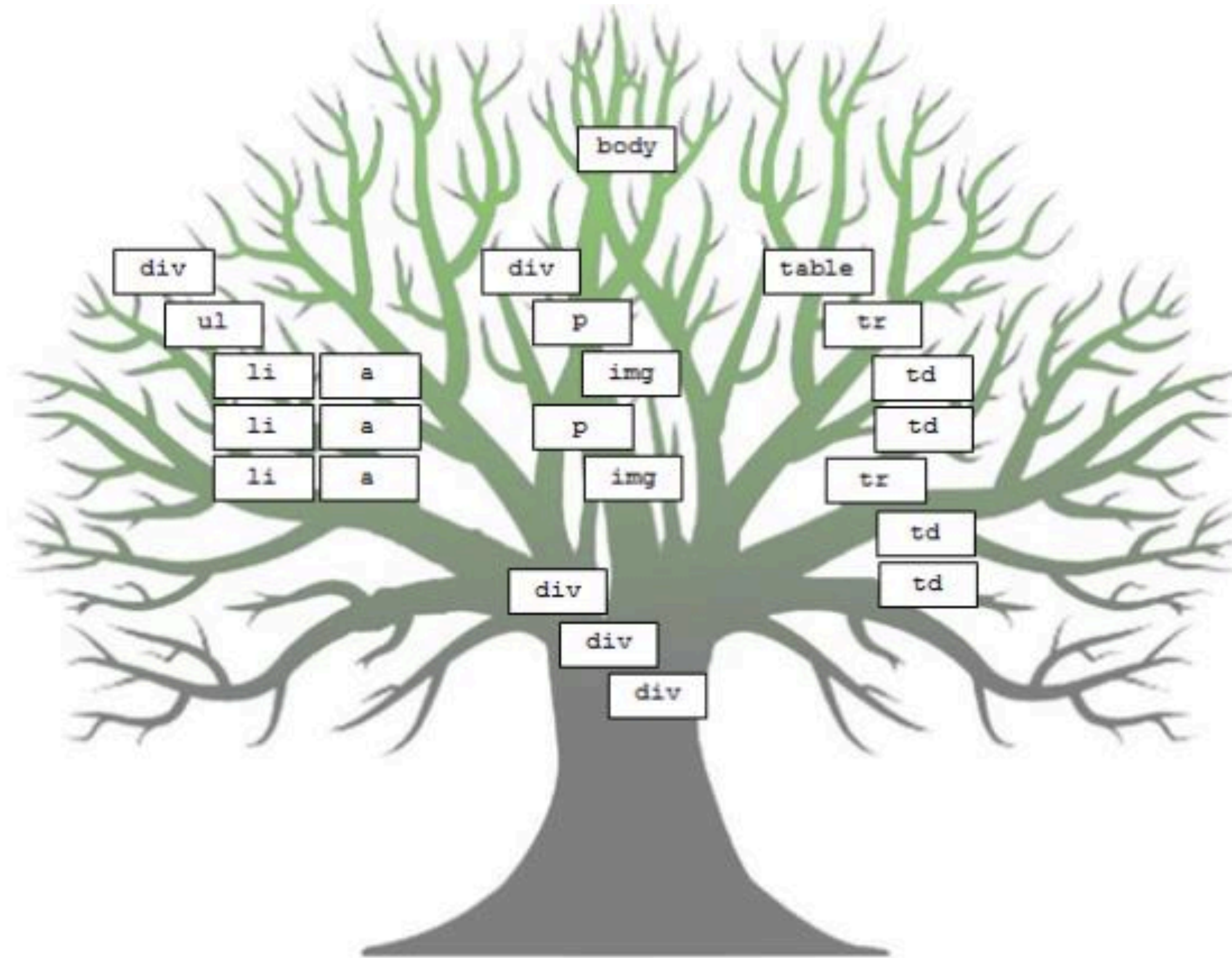


# Trees Can Describe Hierarchies





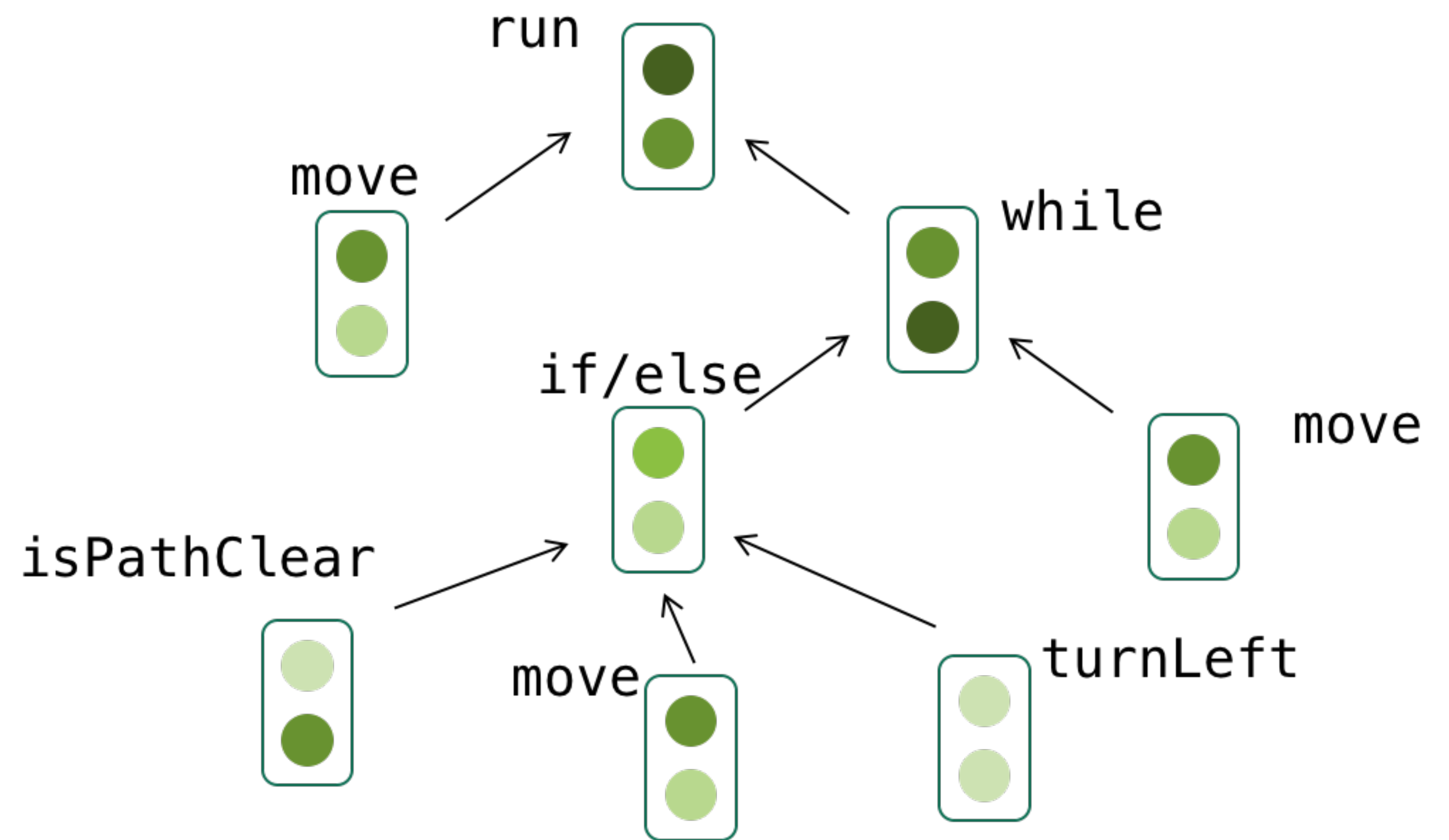
# Trees Can Describe Websites (HTML)





# Trees Can Describe Programs

```
// Example student solution
function run() {
  // move then loop
  move();
  // the condition is fixed
  while (notFinished()) {
    if (isPathClear()) {
      move();
    } else {
      turnLeft();
    }
    // redundant
    move();
  }
}
```



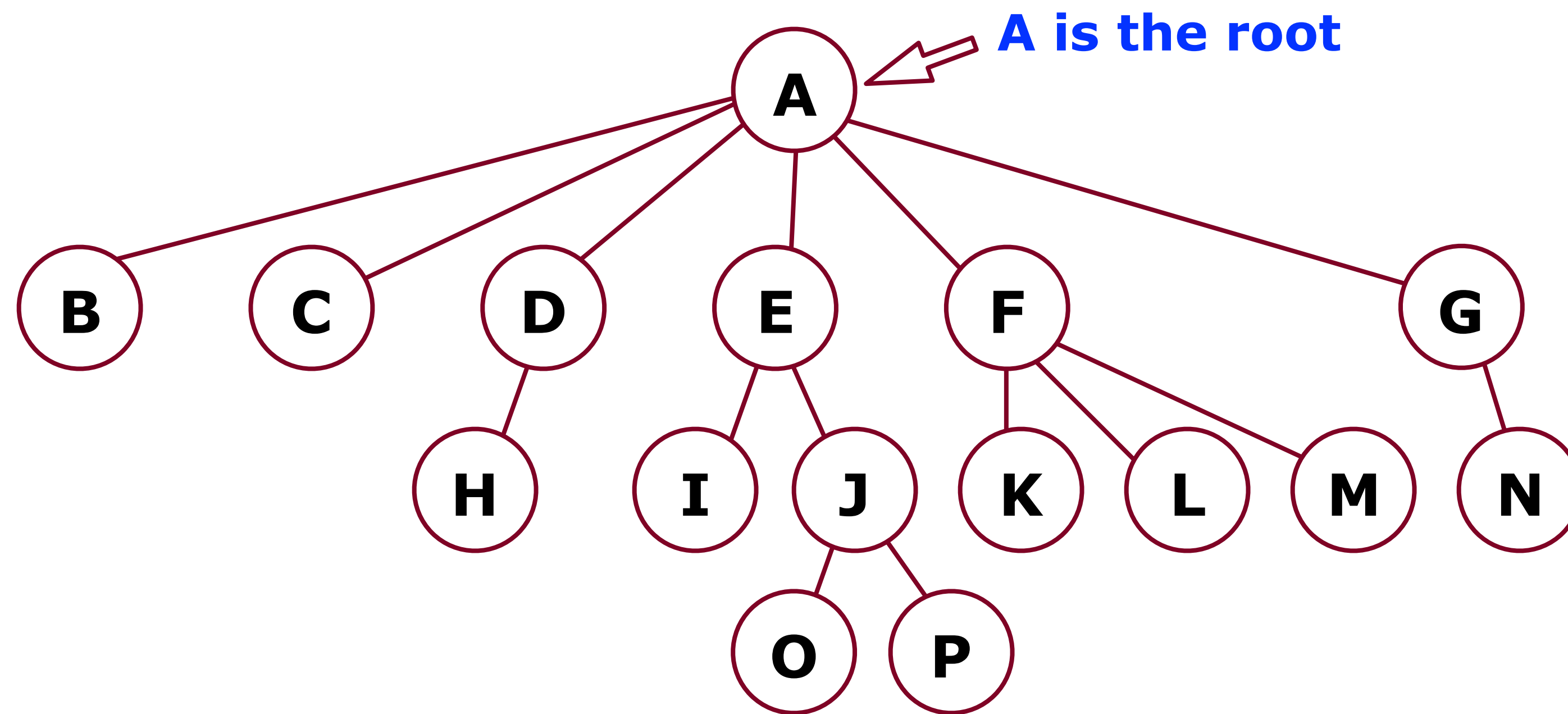
\* This is a figure in an academic paper written by a recent CS106 student!



# Trees are inherently recursive

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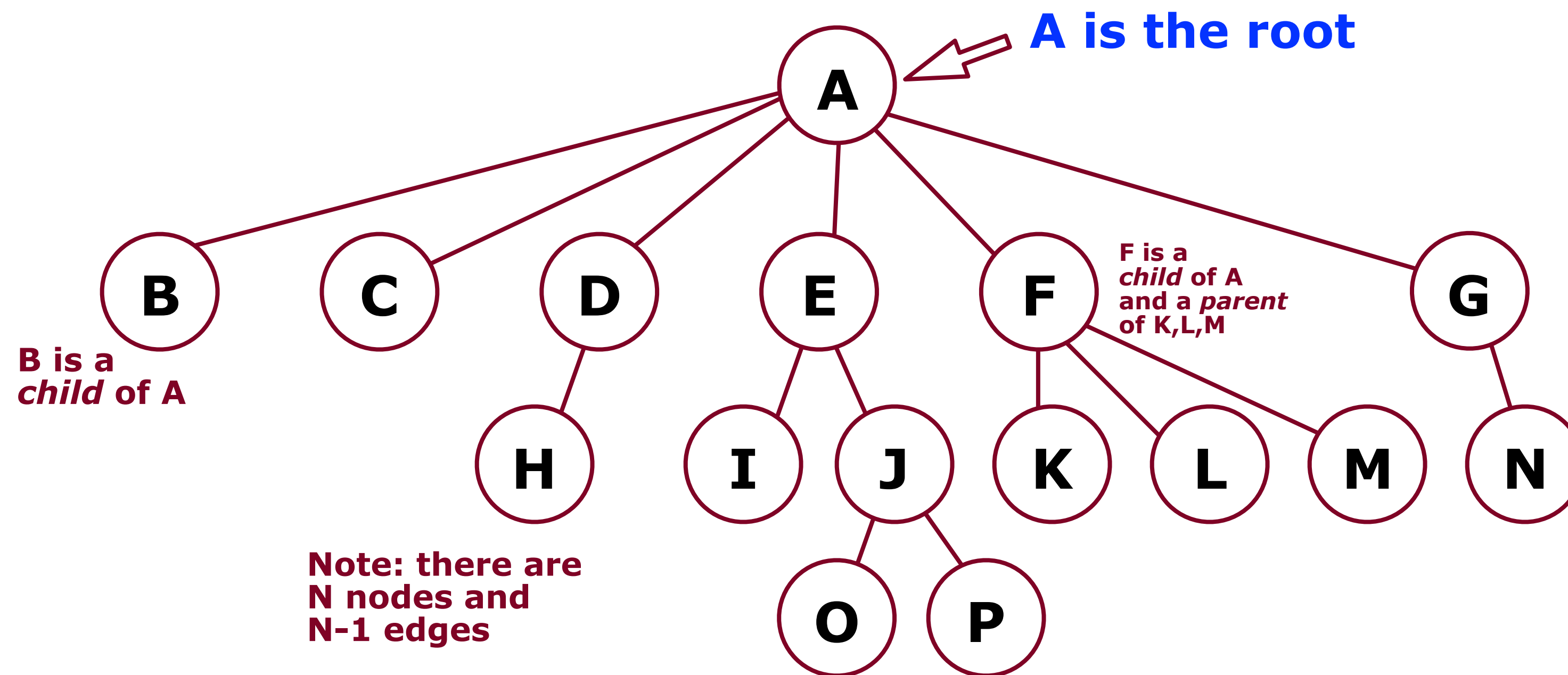
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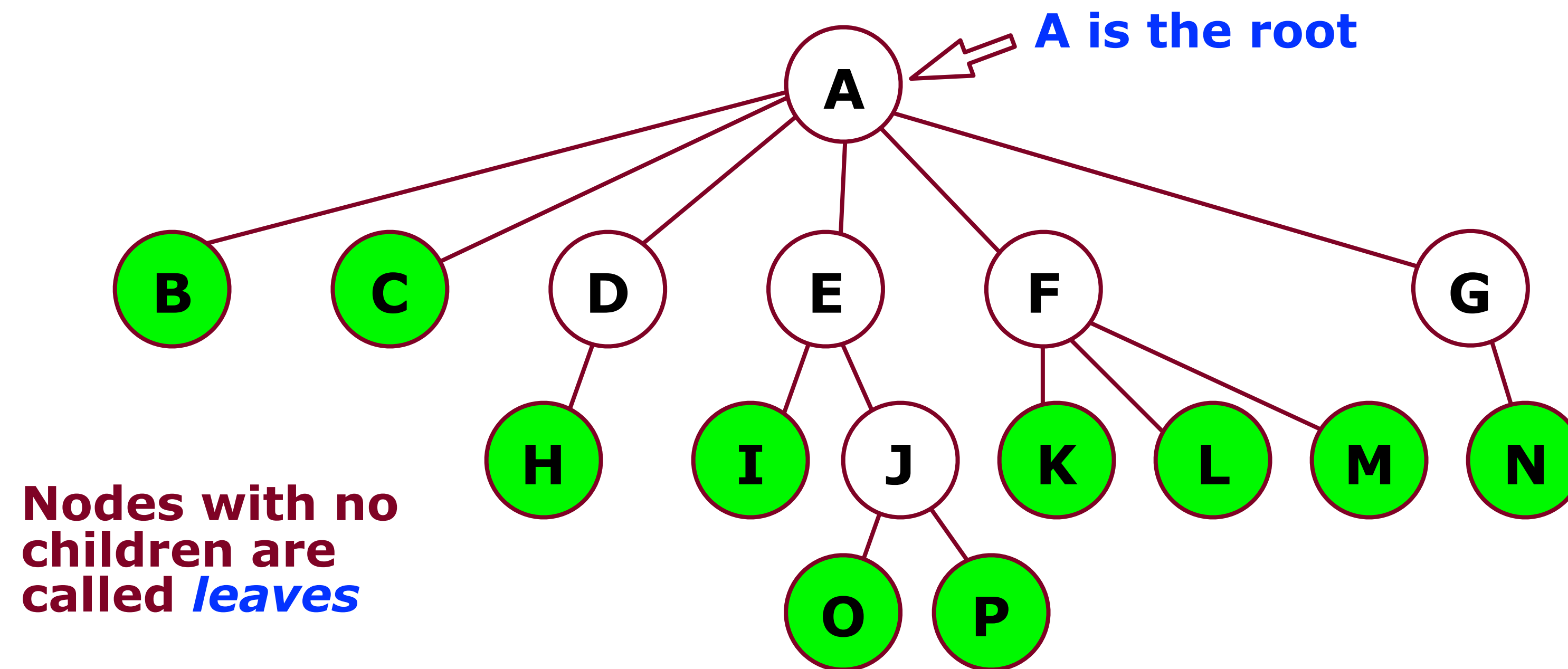




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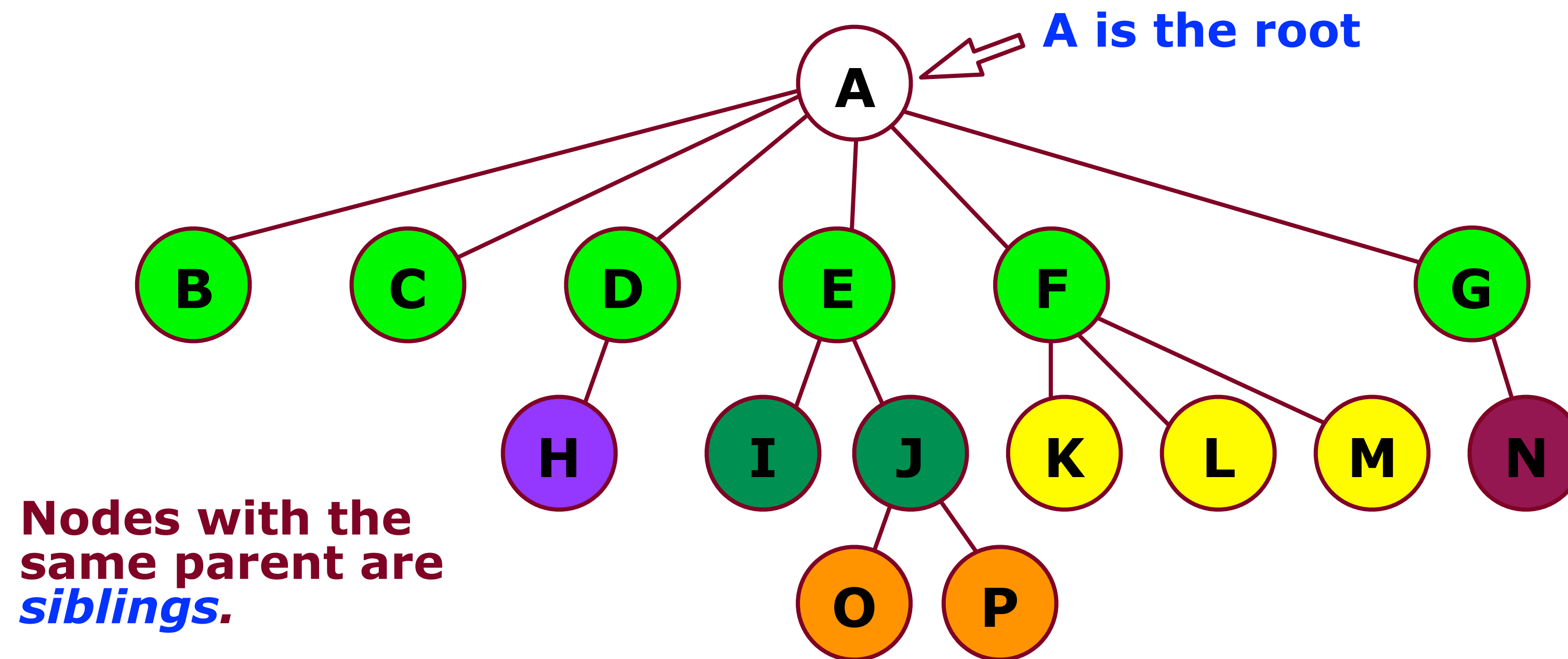
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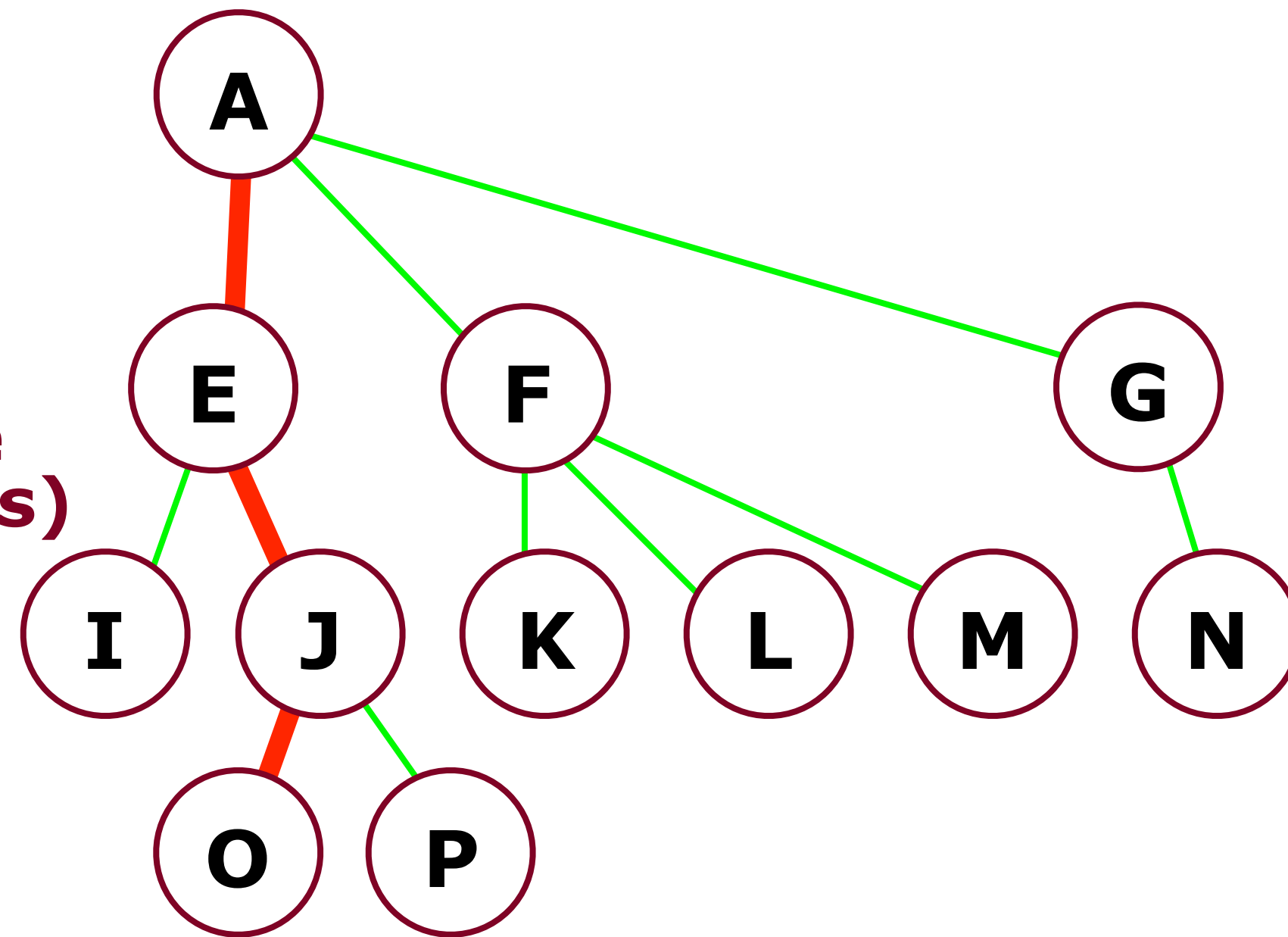
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We can define a **path** from a parent to its children.

The path A-E-J-O has a **length** of three (the number of edges)



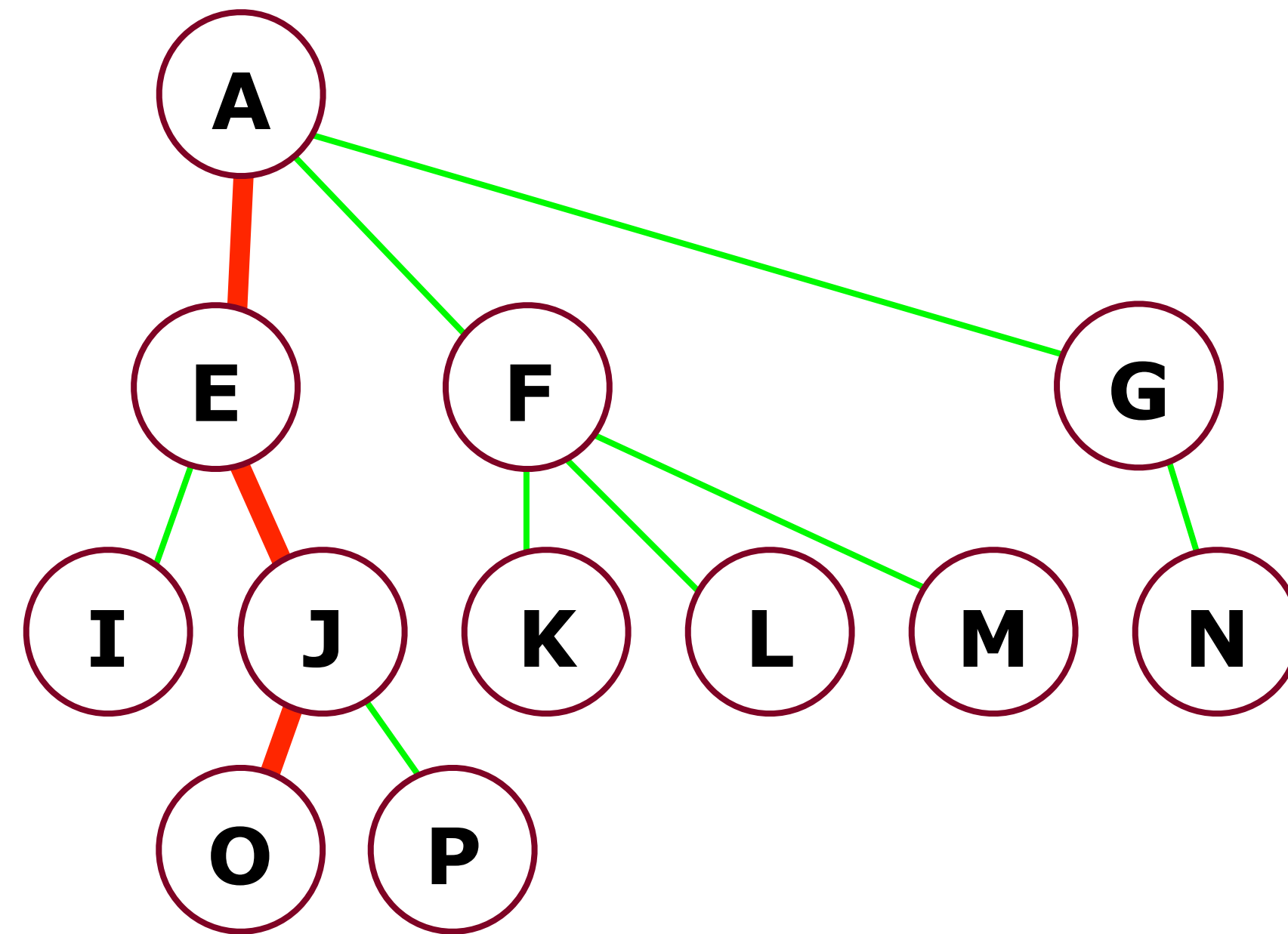


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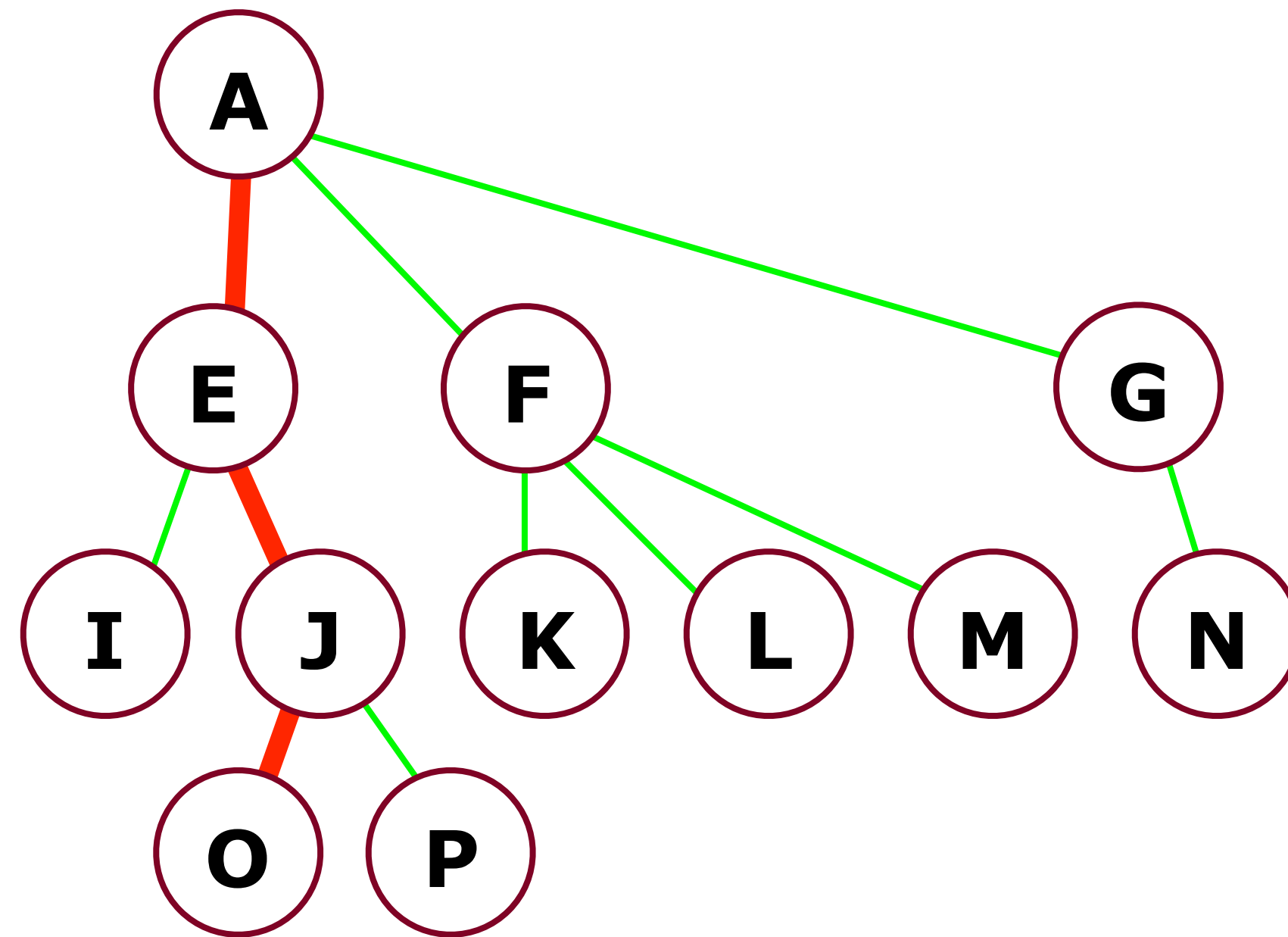
The **depth** of a node is the length from the root. The depth of node J is 2. The depth of the root is 0.

The **height** of a node is the longest path from the node to a leaf. The height of node F is 1. The height of all leaves is 0.



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The **height** of a tree is the height of the root (in this case, the height of the tree is 3).



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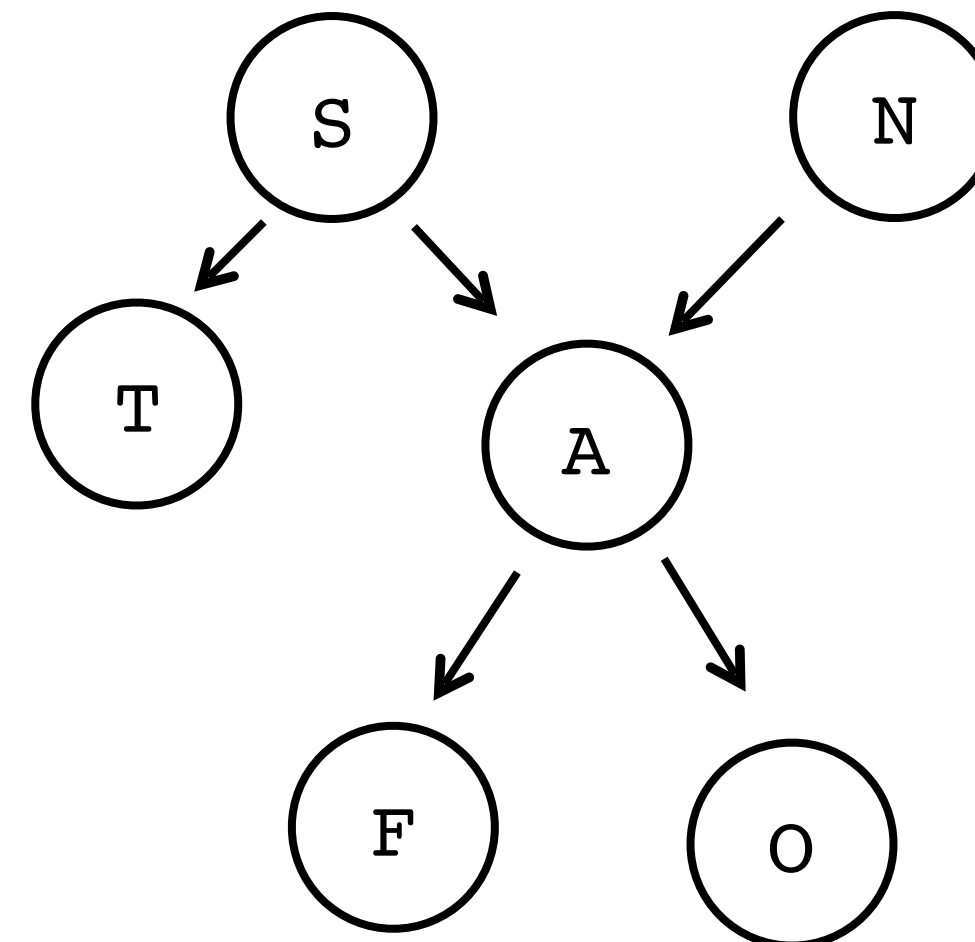
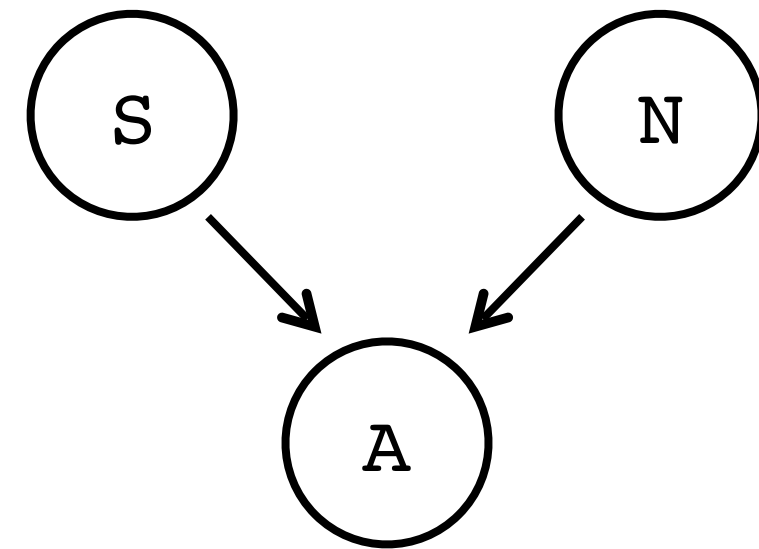




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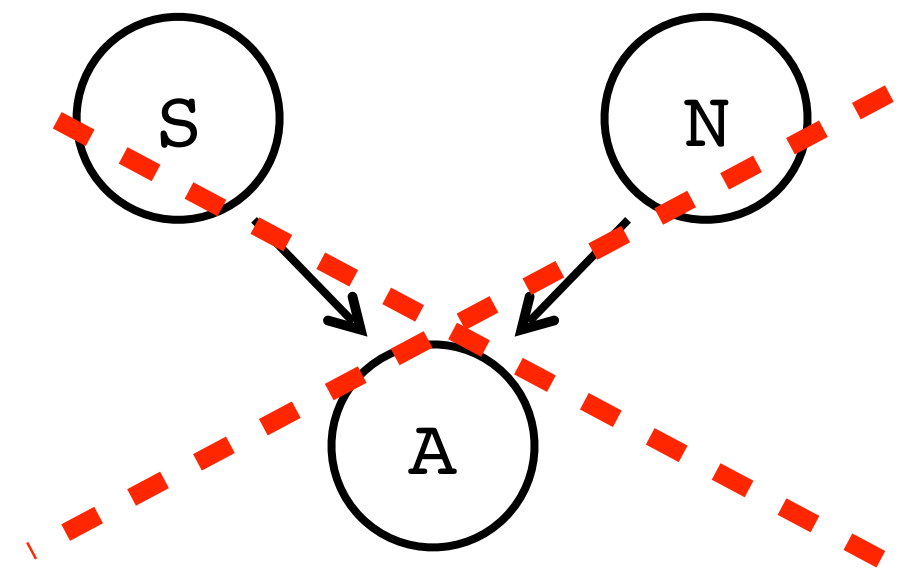


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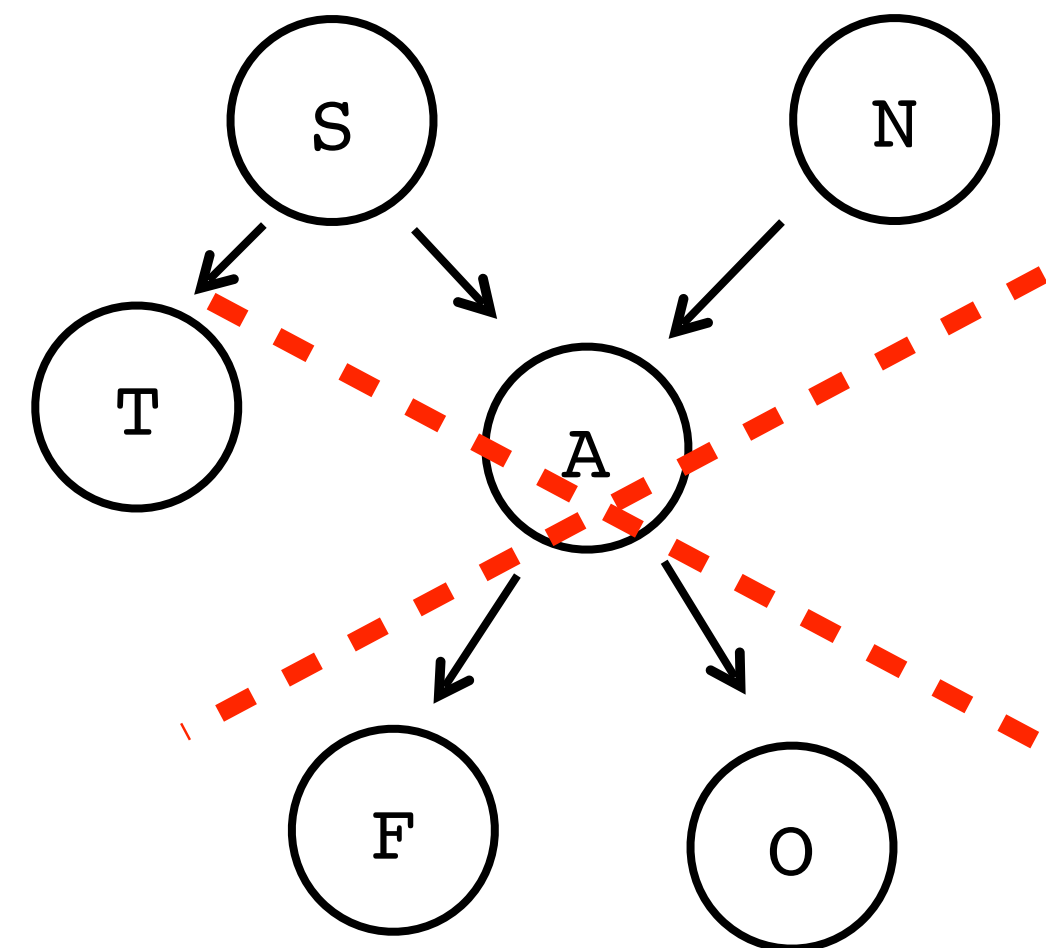


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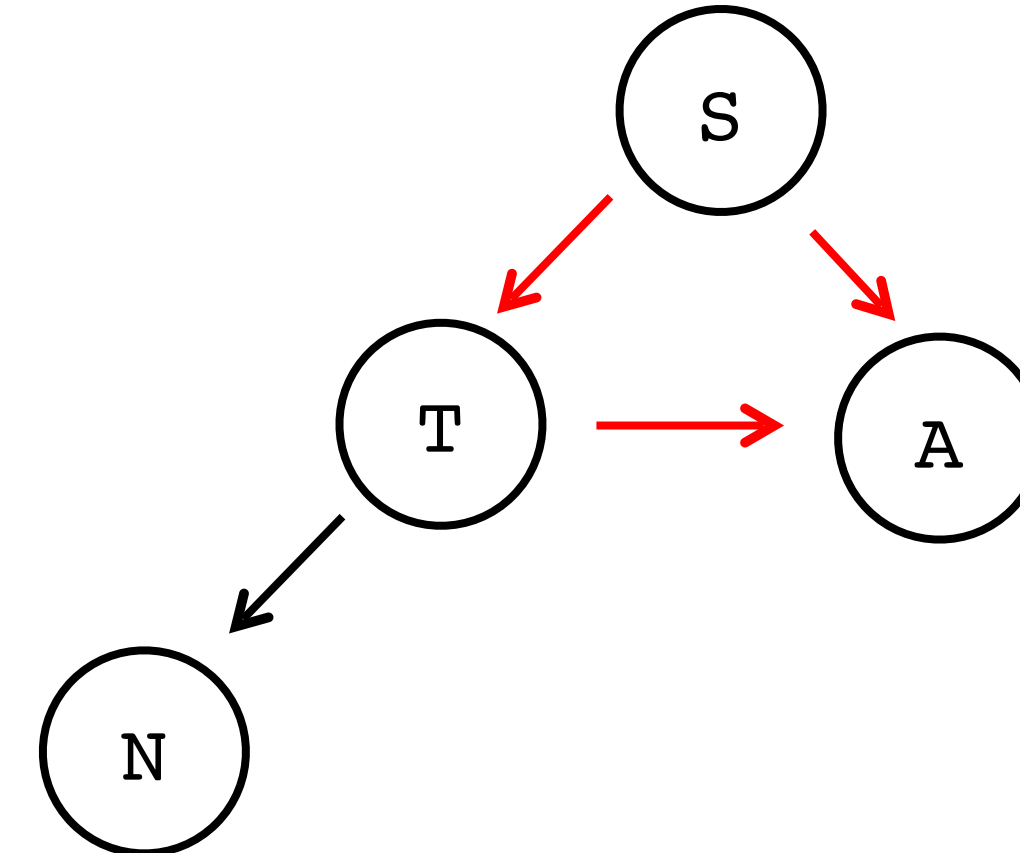
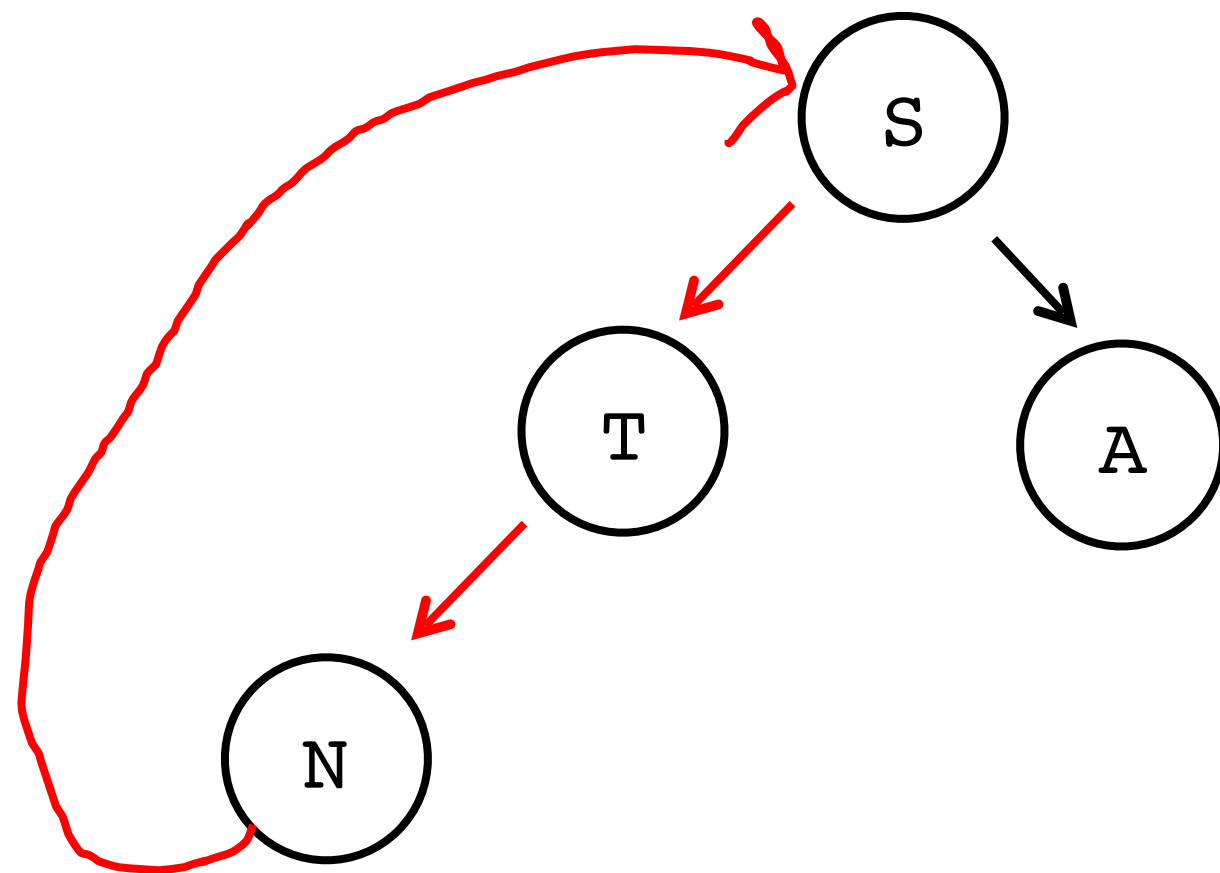


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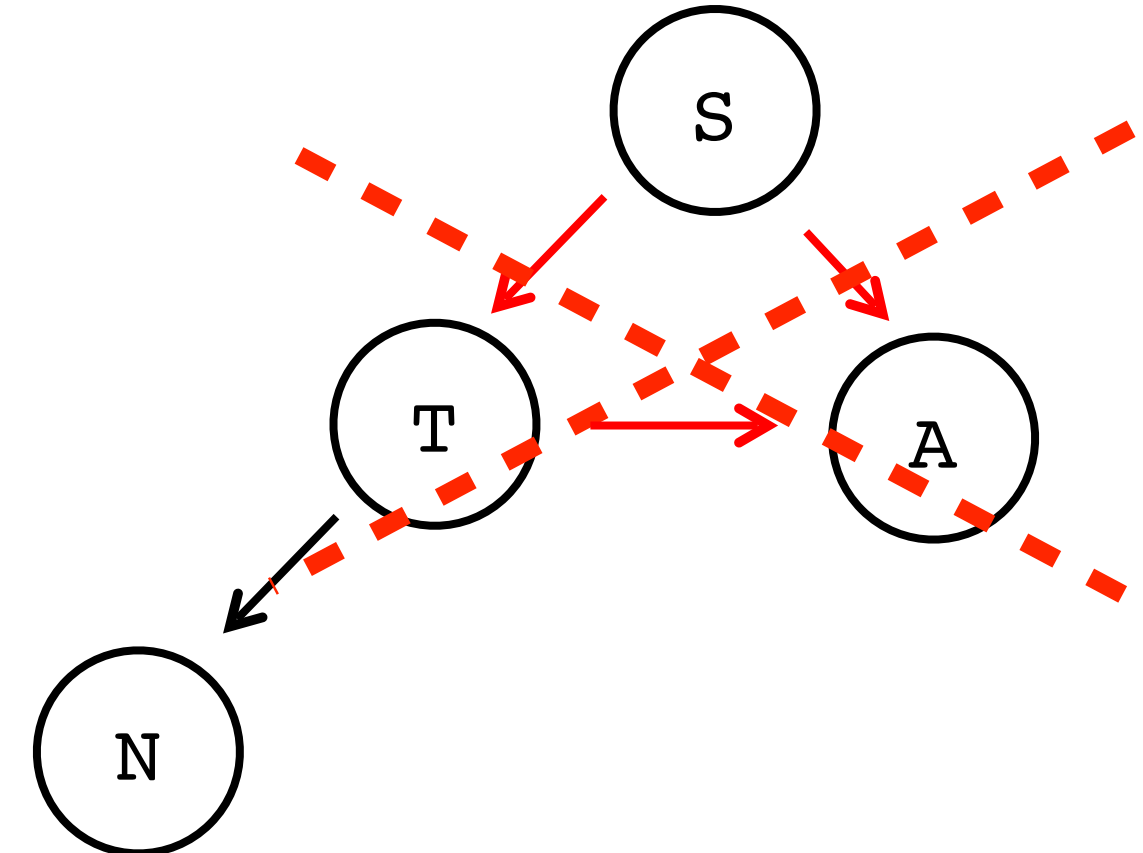
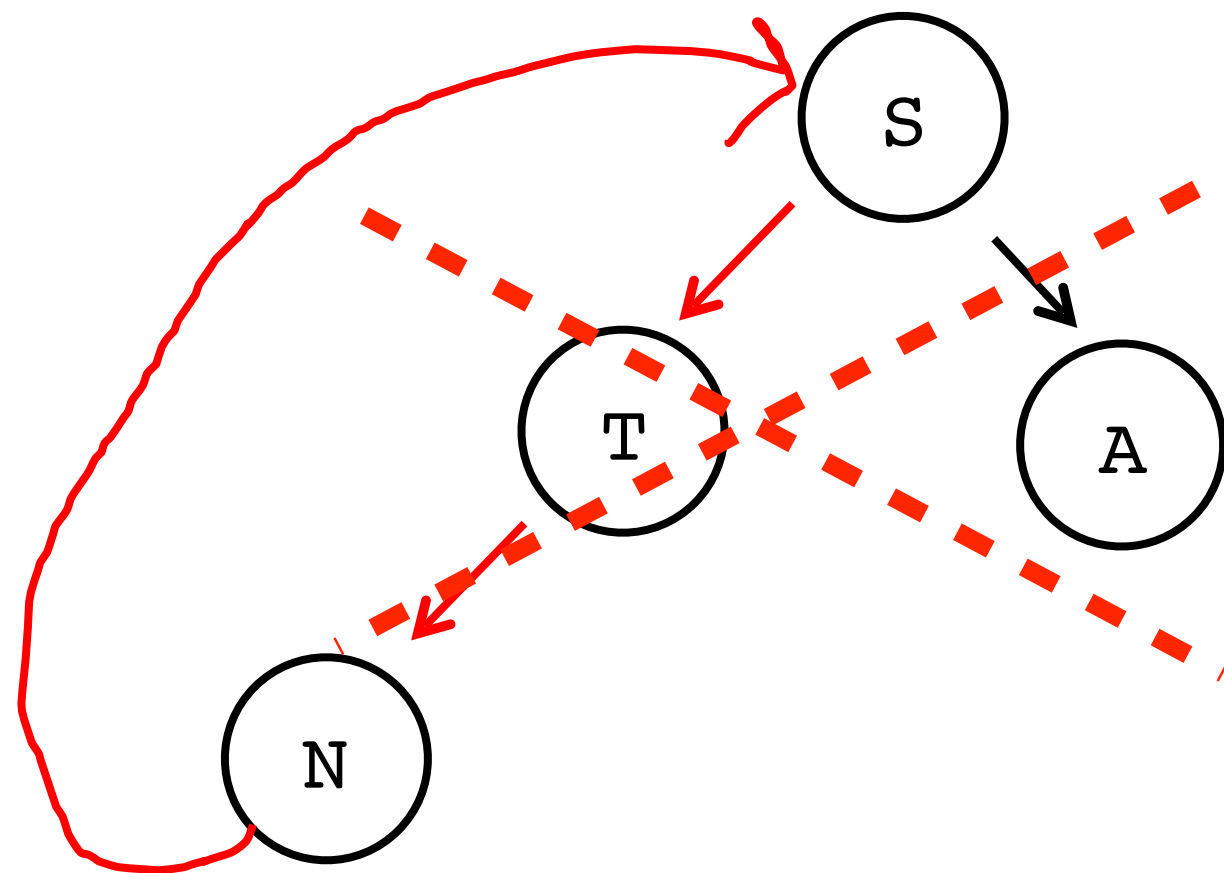
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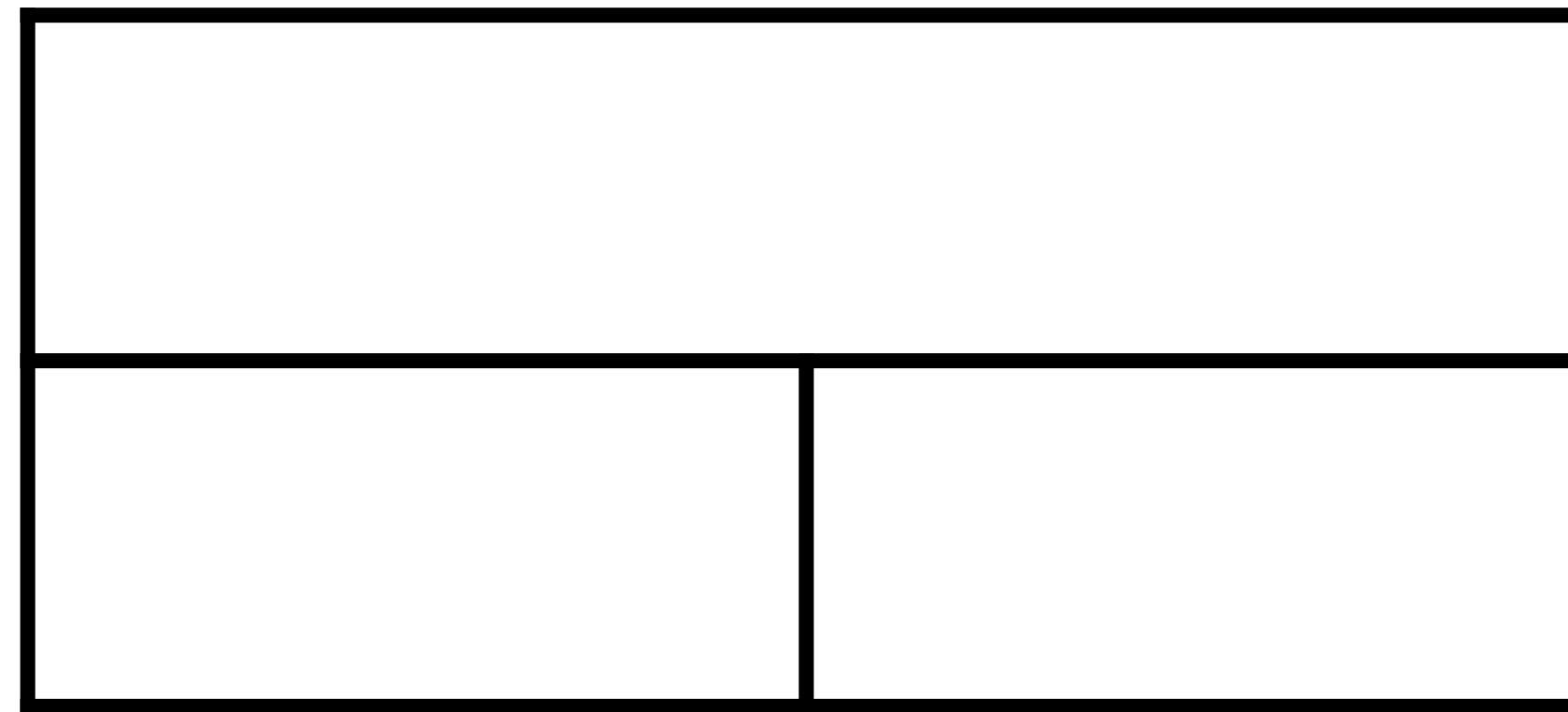
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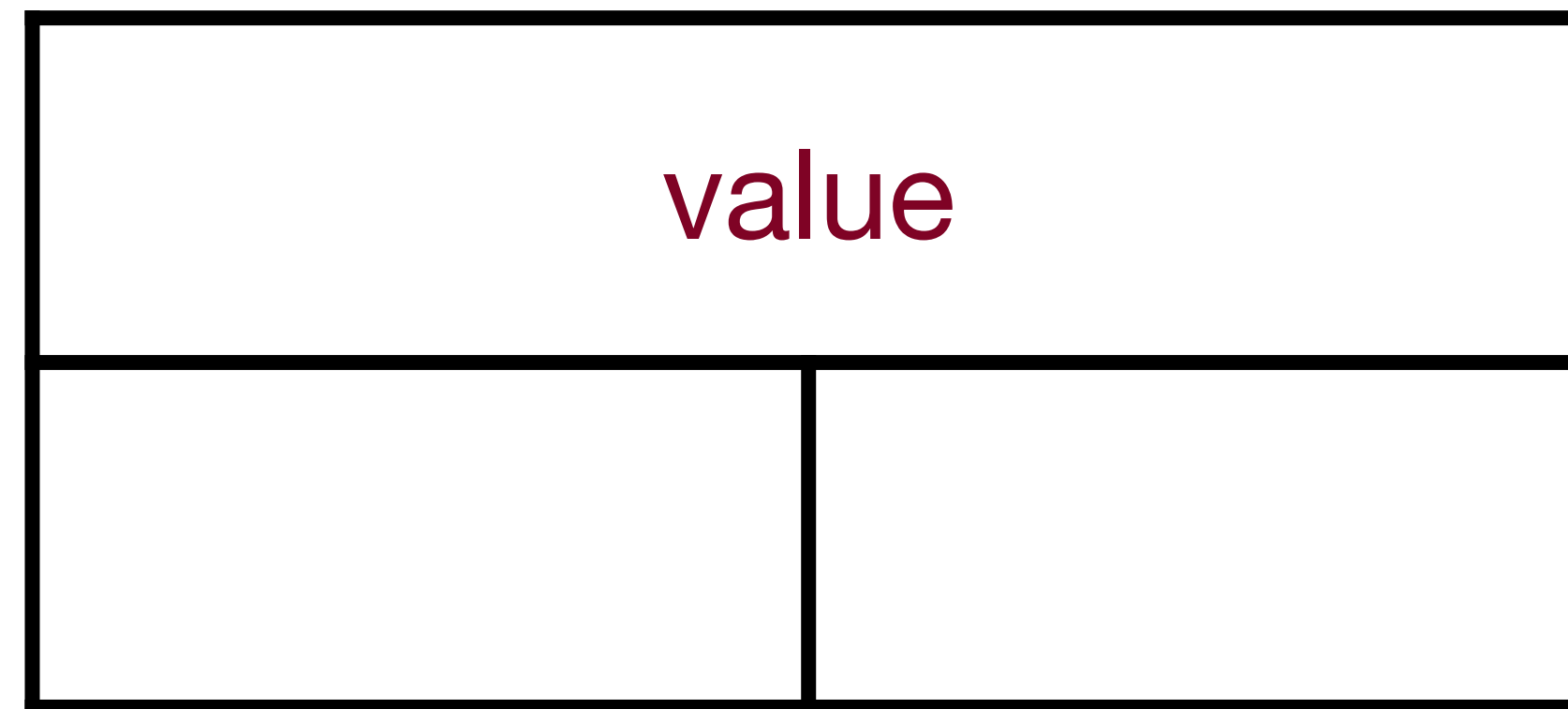
**not a tree: the red edges make a cycle**

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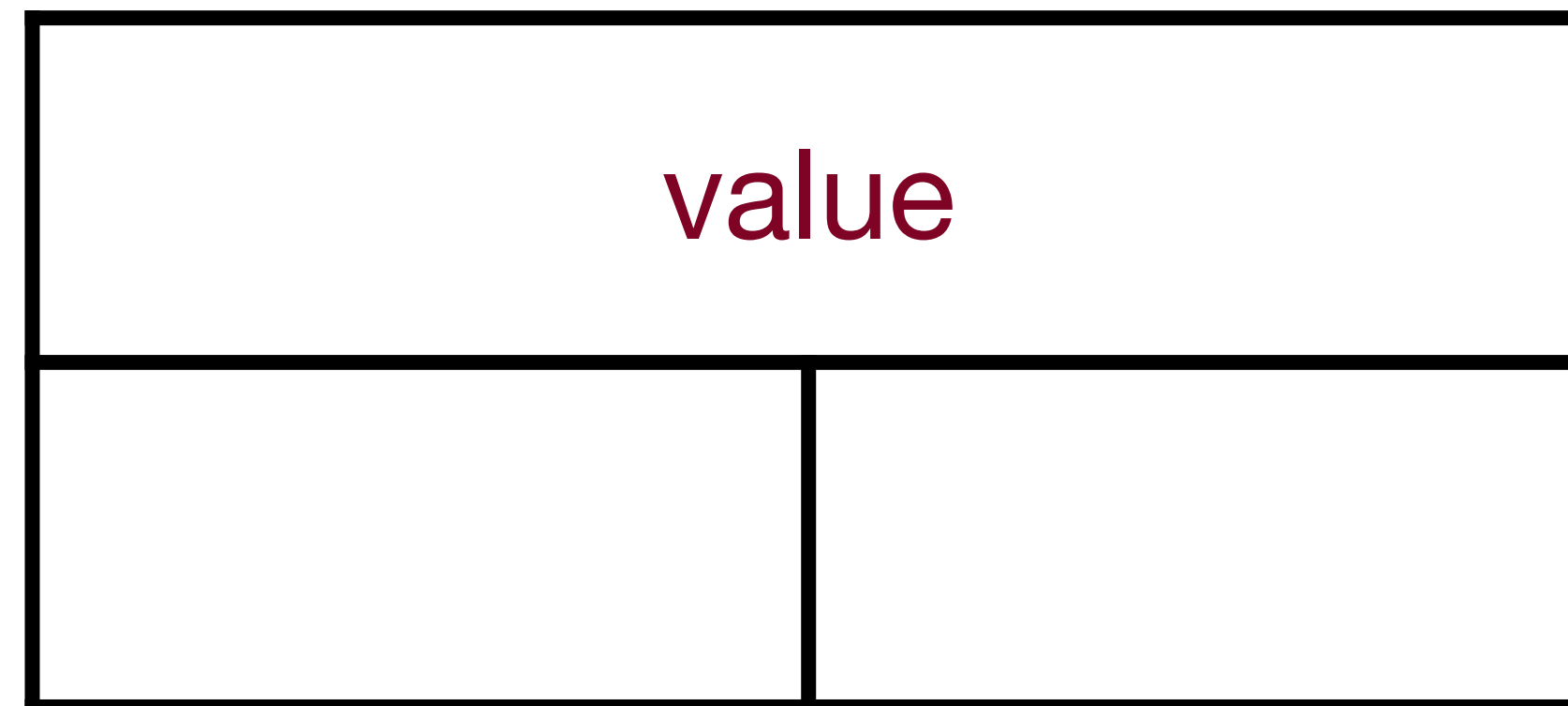
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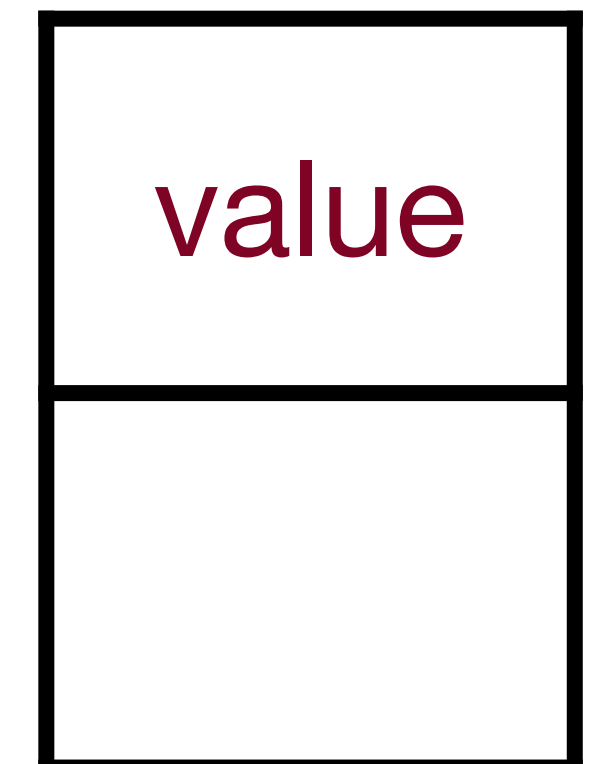


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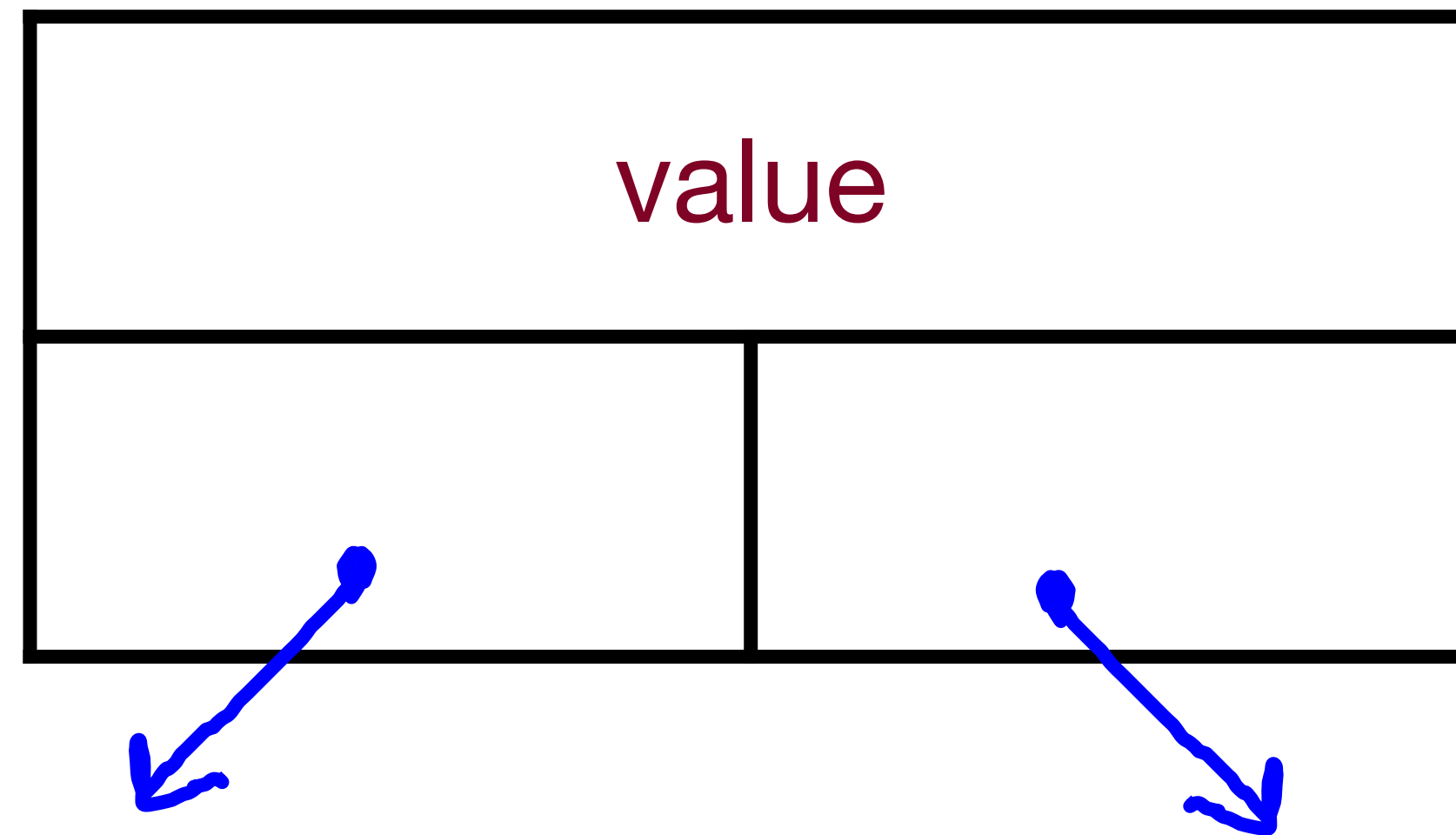


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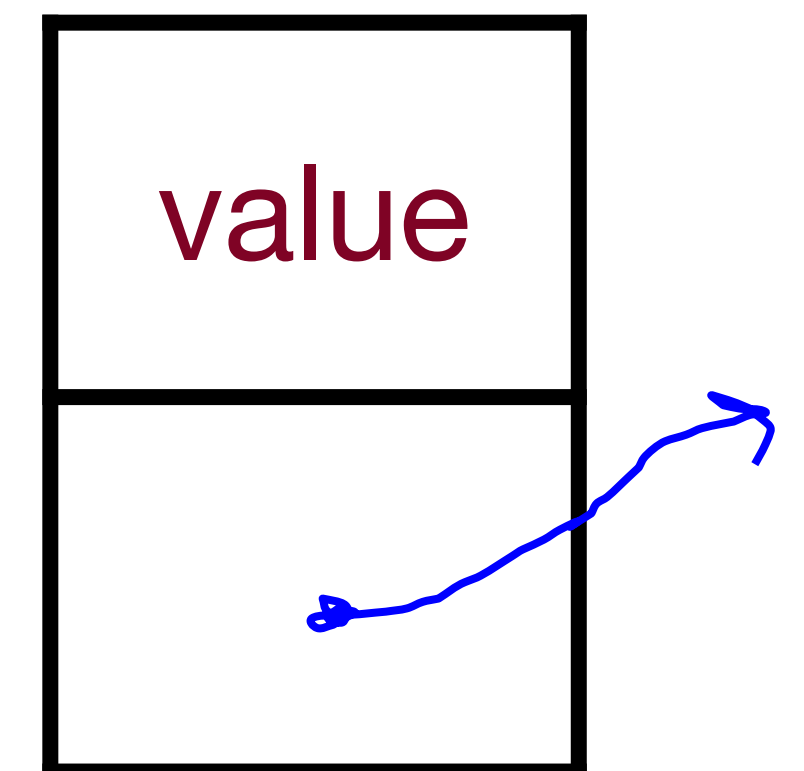


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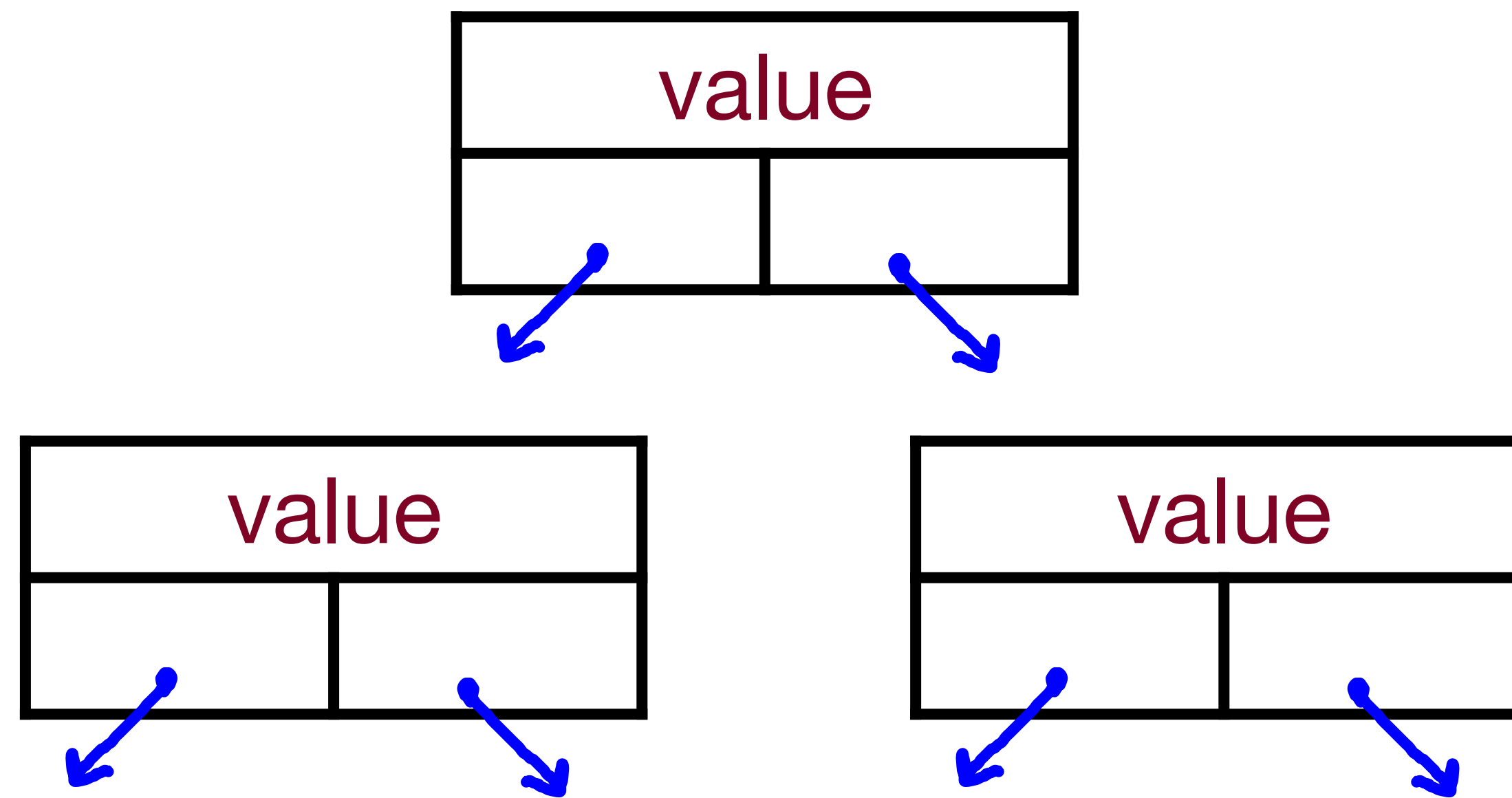


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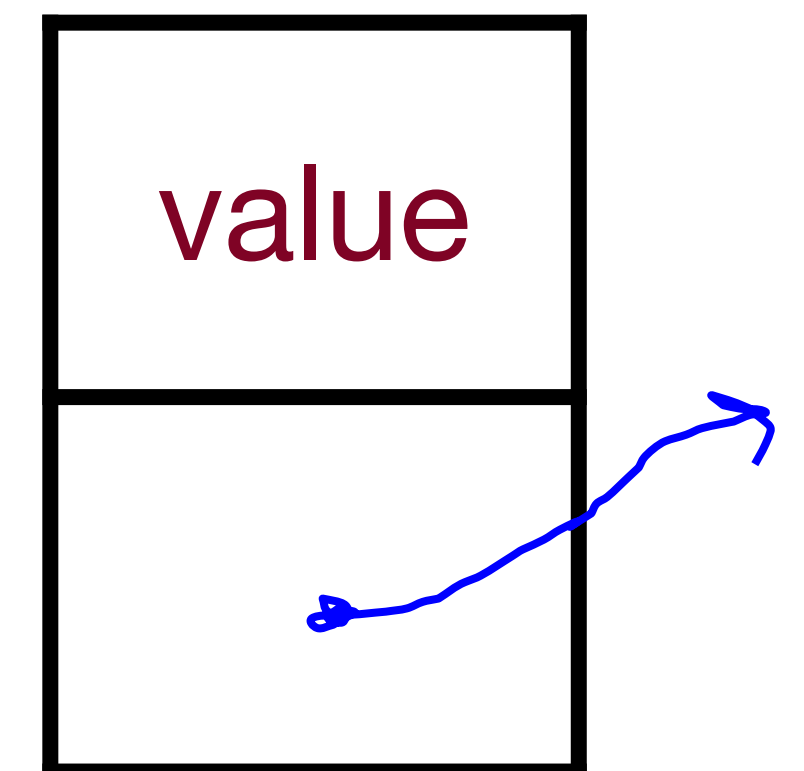


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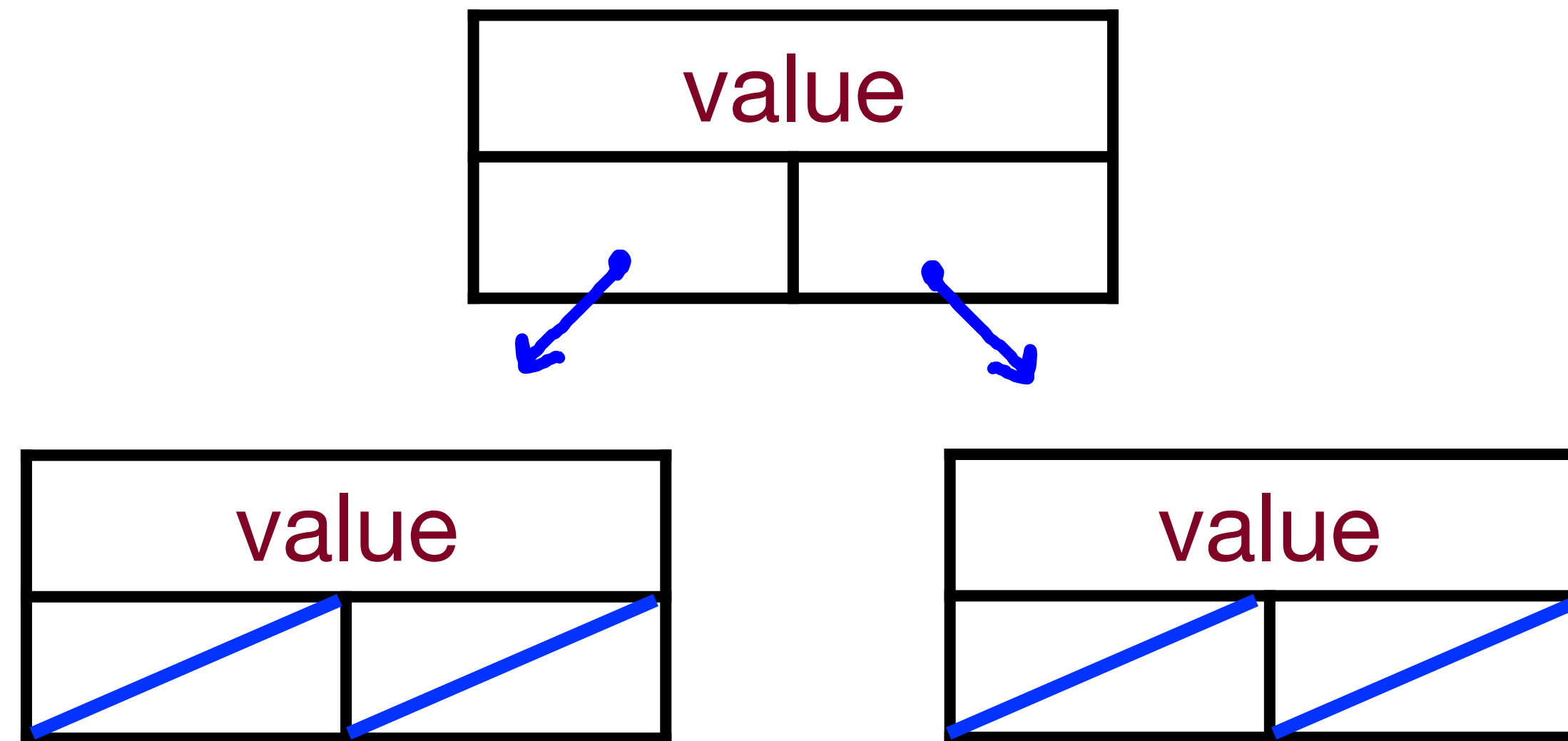


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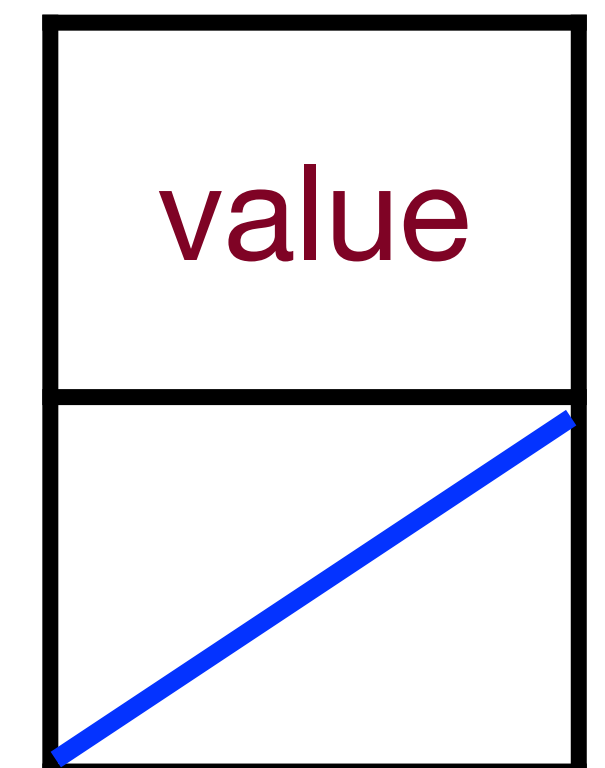


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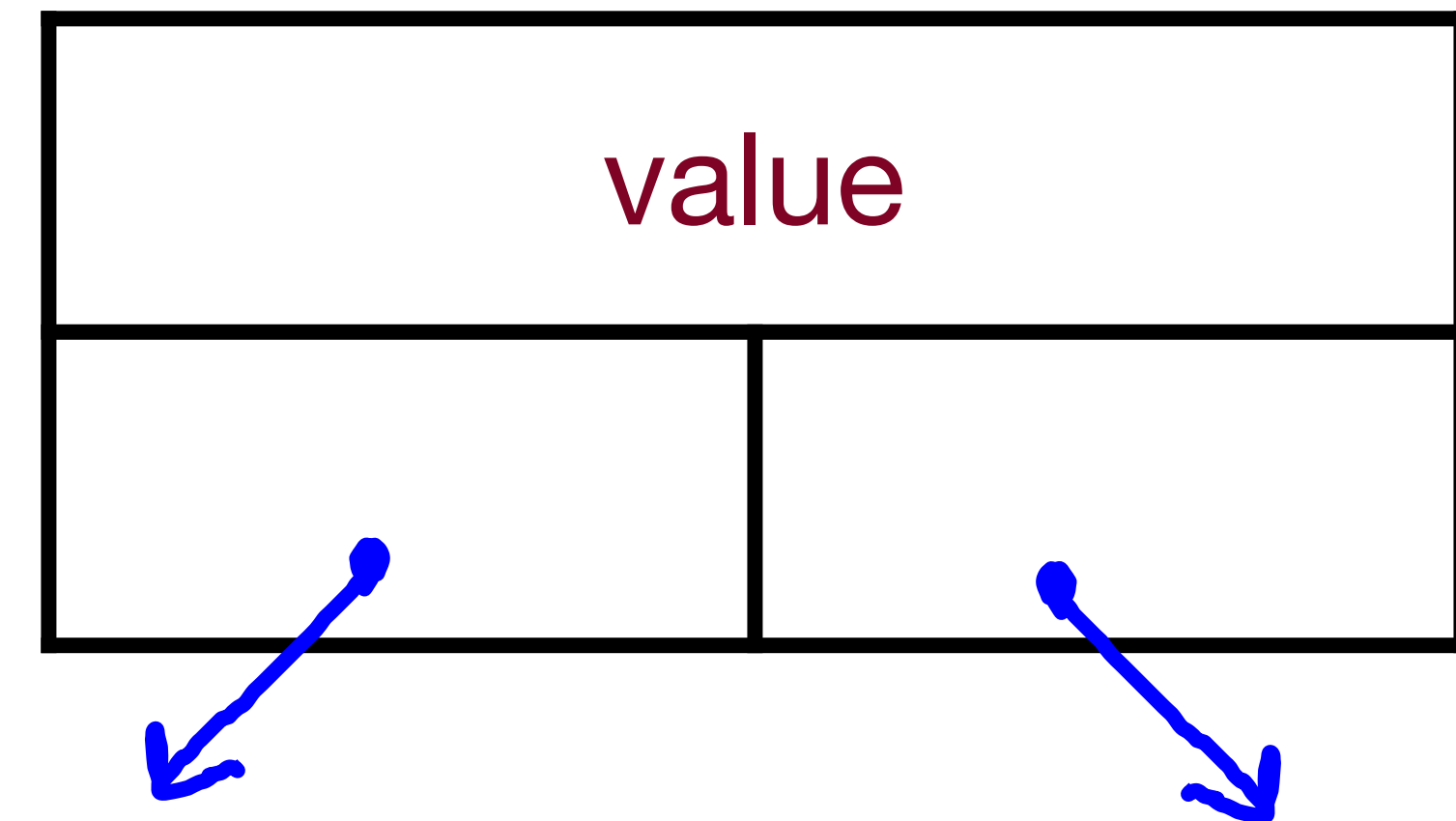


# The Most Important Slide



## Binary Tree:

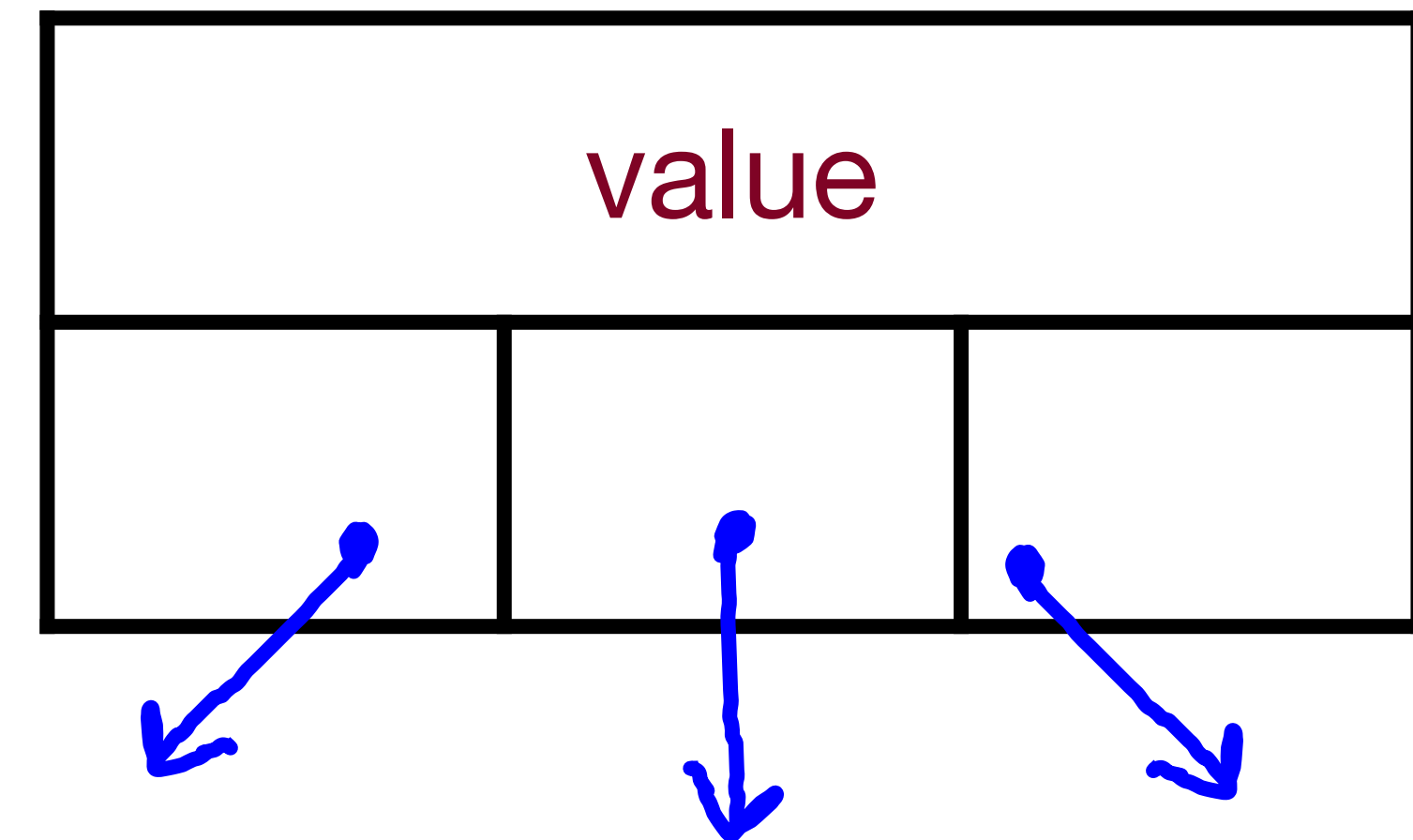
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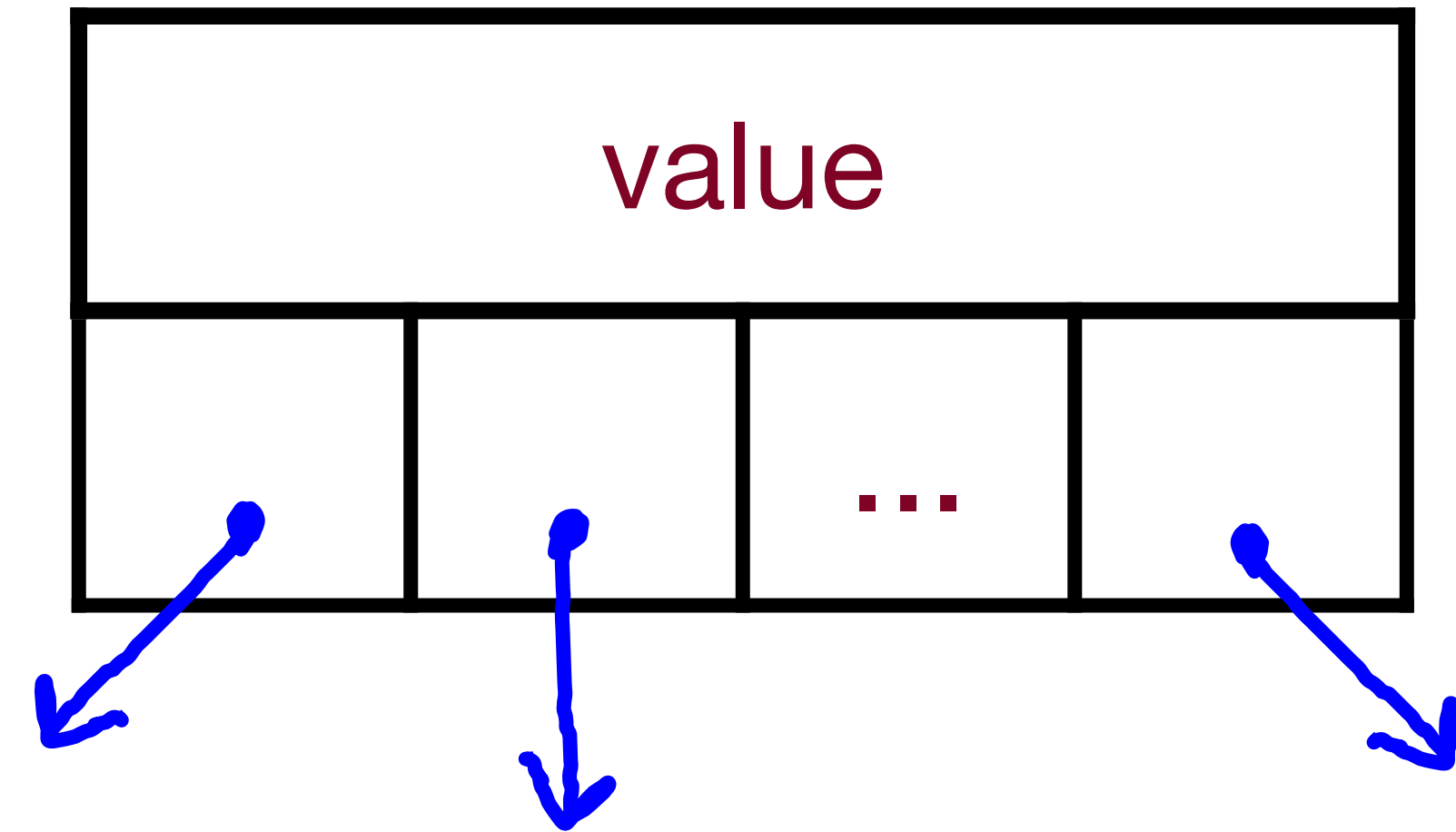
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struct Tree {  
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N-ary Tree:

```
struct Tree {  
    string value;  
    Vector<Tree *> children;  
};
```



# Trees can be defined as either structs or classes

```
struct Tree {  
    string value;  
    Tree * left;  
    Tree * right;  
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class Tree {  
private:  
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    Vector<Tree *> children;  
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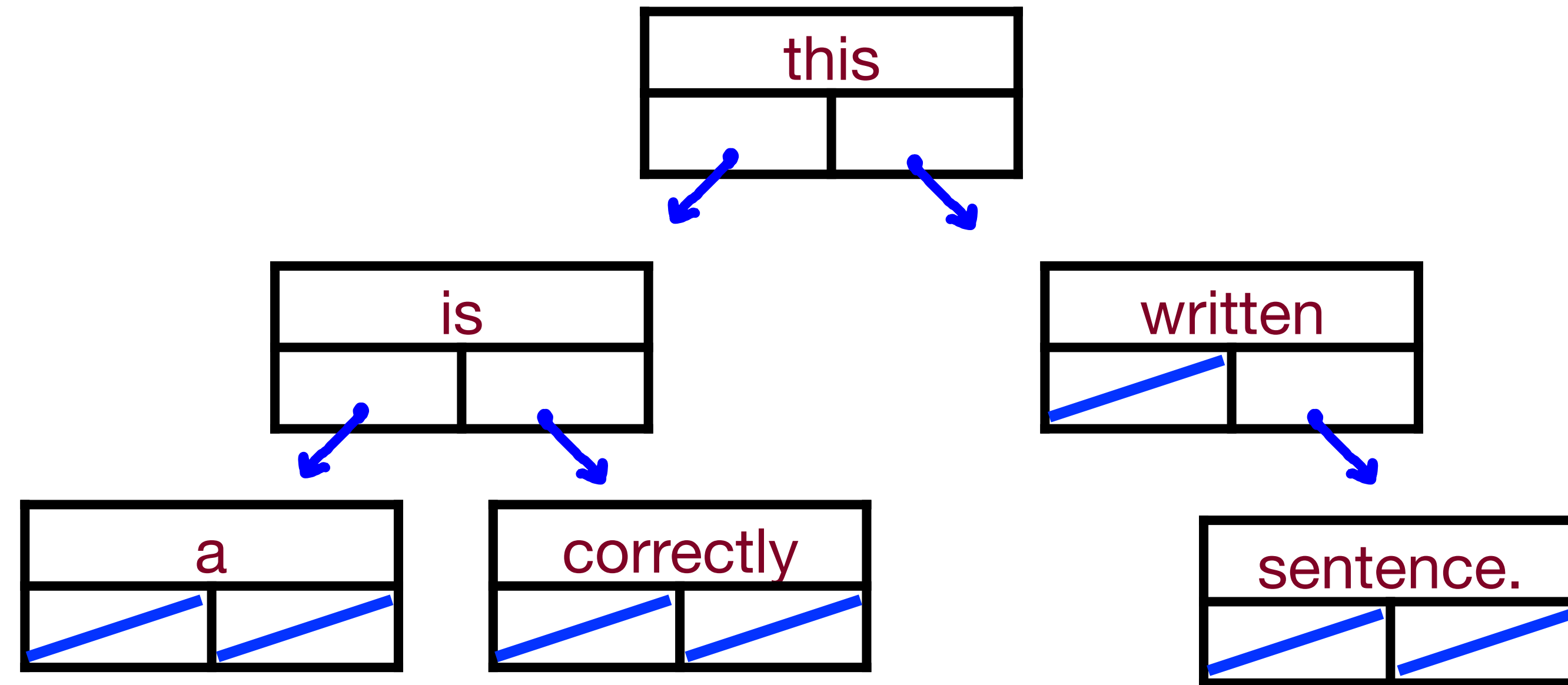


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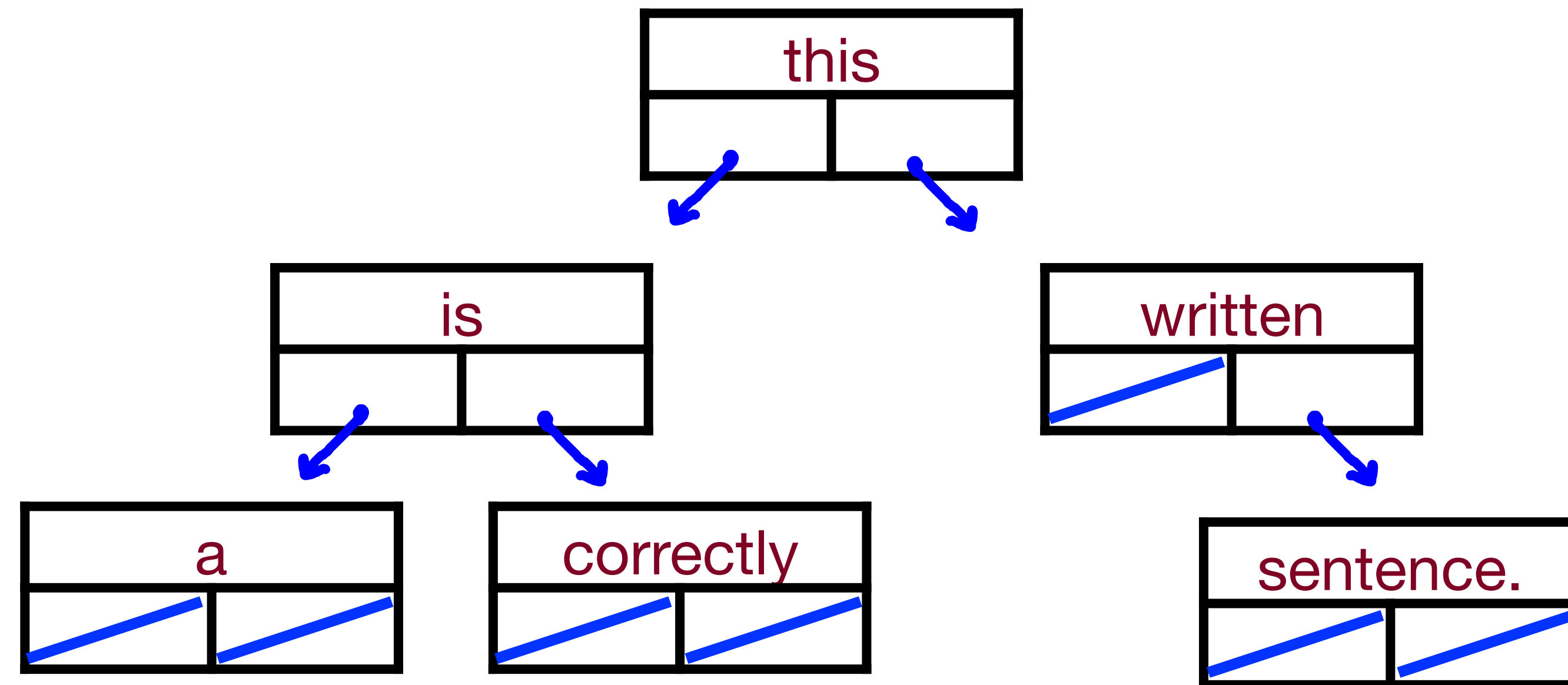
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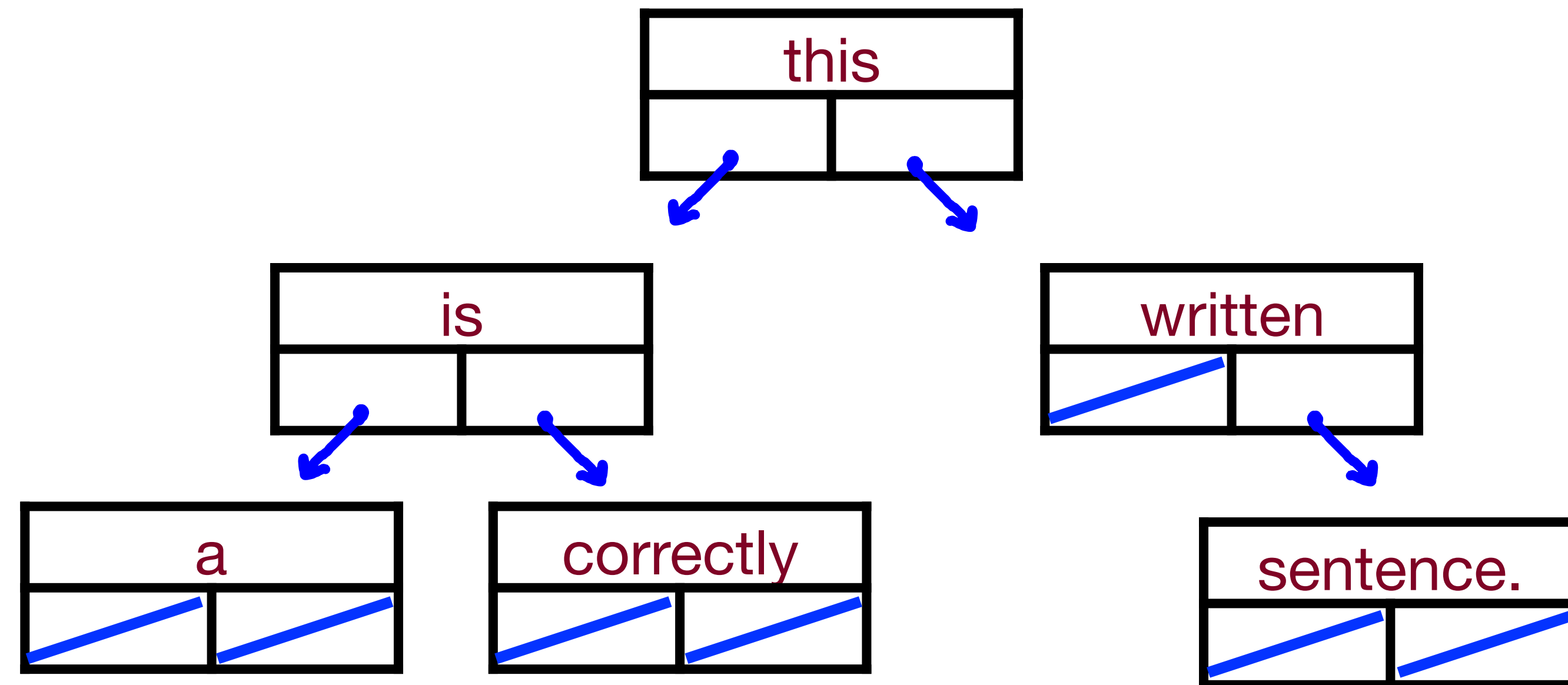
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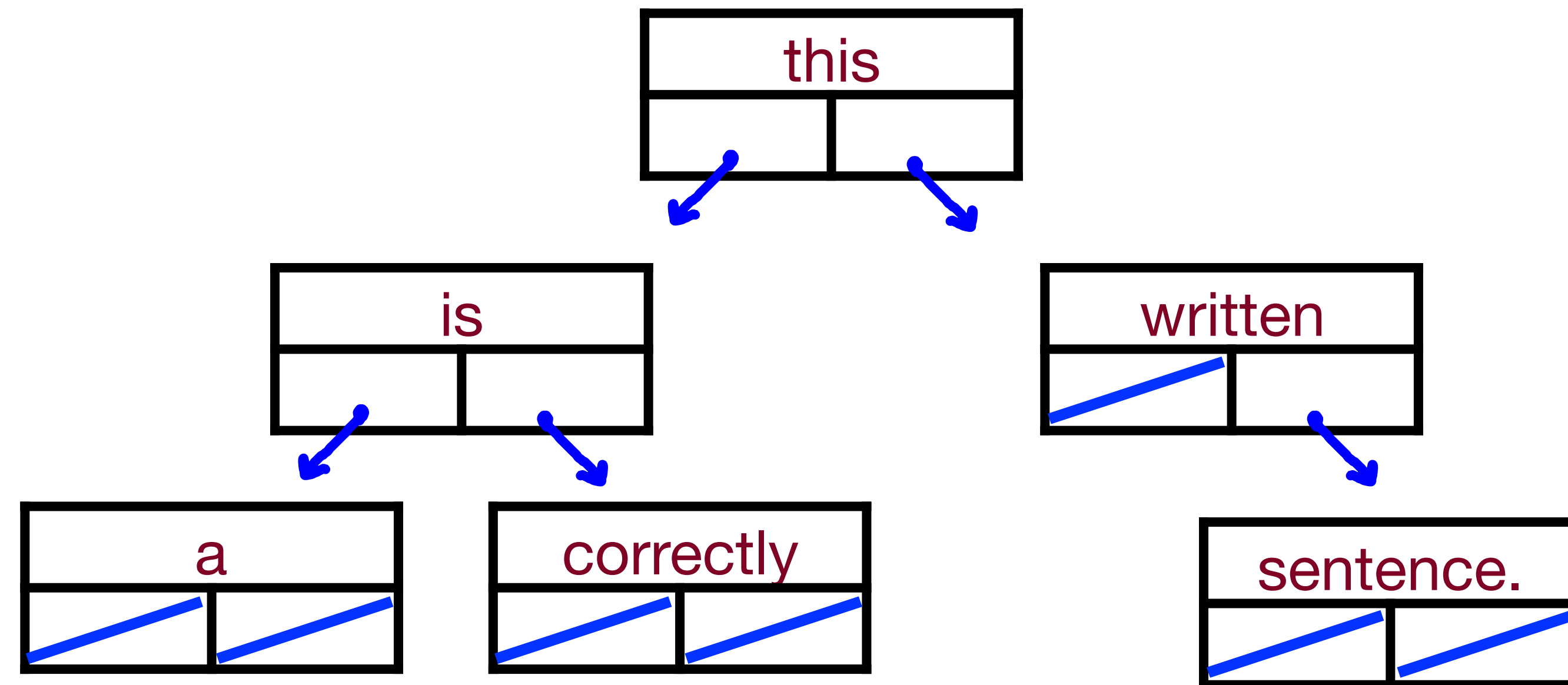
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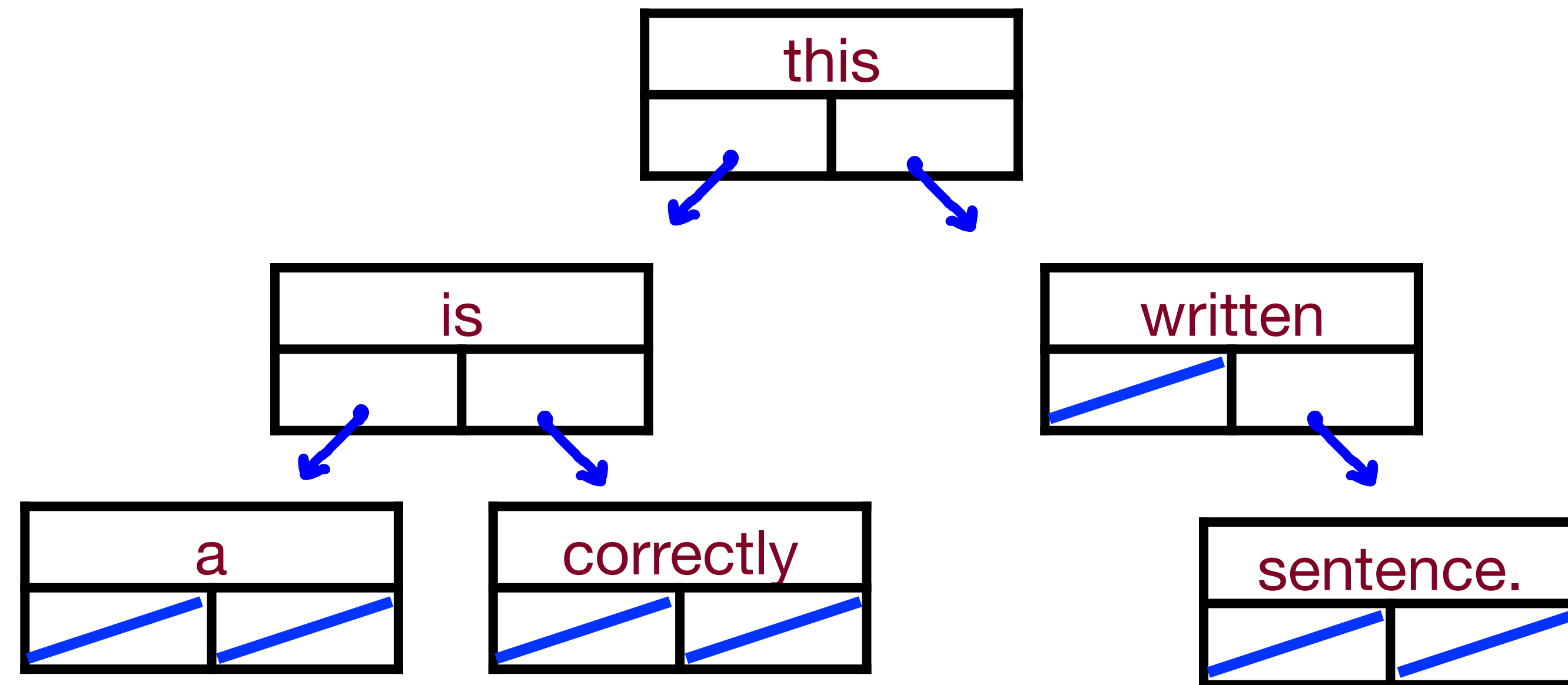


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Hmm...can we do this recursively?

We want to print the levels: 0, 1, 2 from left-to-right order

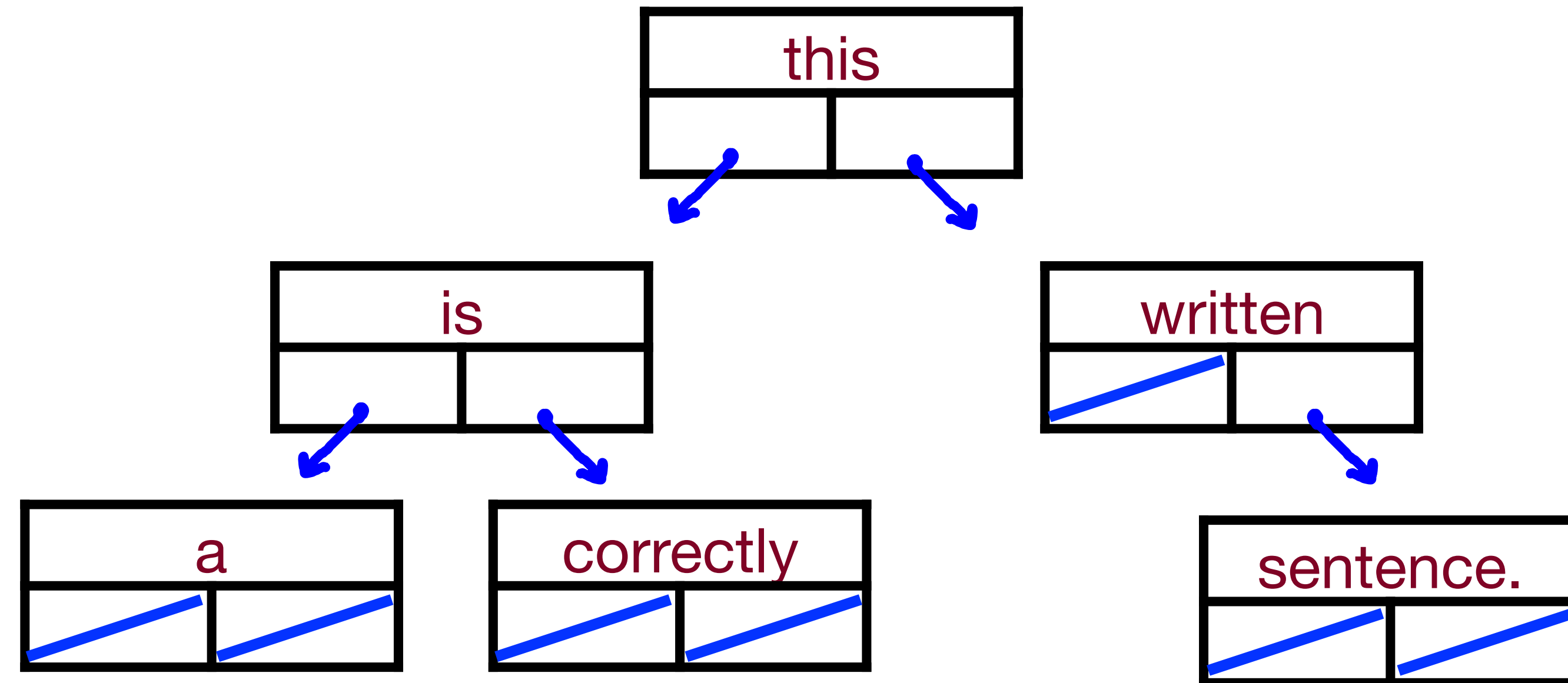


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Not easy recursively...let's use a queue!

1. Enqueue root
2. While queue is not empty:
  - a. dequeue node
  - b. do something with node
  - c. enqueue left child of node if it exists
  - d. enqueue right child of node if it exists

should look familiar...word ladder?



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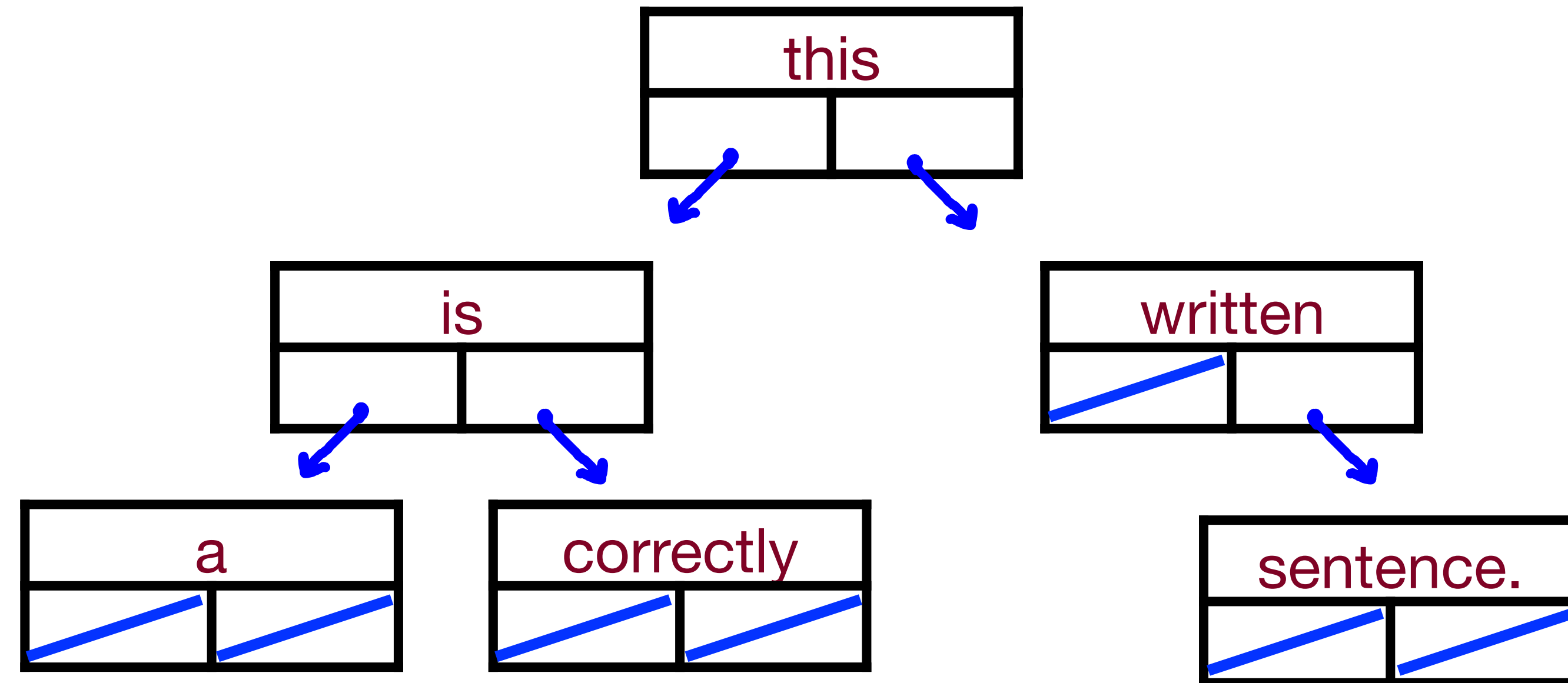
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```

```
void preOrder(Tree * tree) {  
    if(tree == nullptr) return;  
    cout<< tree->value <<" ";  
    preOrder(tree->left);  
    preOrder(tree->right);  
}
```

```
void inOrder(Tree * tree) {  
    if(tree == nullptr) return;  
    inOrder(tree->left);  
    cout<< tree->value <<" ";  
    inOrder(tree->right);  
}
```

```
void postOrder(Tree * tree) {  
    if(tree == NULL) return;  
    postOrder(tree->left);  
    postOrder(tree->right);  
    cout<< tree->value <<" ";  
}
```

```
void levelOrder(Tree *tree) {  
    Queue<Tree *>treeQueue;  
    treeQueue.enqueue(tree);  
    while (!treeQueue.isEmpty()) {  
        Tree *node = treeQueue.dequeue();  
        cout << node->value << " ";  
  
        if (node->left != nullptr) {  
            treeQueue.enqueue(node->left);  
        }  
        if (node->right != nullptr) {  
            treeQueue.enqueue(node->right);  
        }  
    }  
}
```



# References and Advanced Reading

- **References:**

- [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tree\\_\(data\\_structure\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tree_(data_structure))
- <http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~vernon/cs367/notes/8.TREES.html>

- **Advanced Reading:**

- <http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~adamchik/15-121/lectures/Trees/trees.html>
- Great set of tree-type questions:
  - <http://cslibrary.stanford.edu/110/BinaryTrees.html>

