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| Box-and-Pointer Notation |
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## The Closure Property of Data Types

- A method for combining data values satisfies the closure property if: The result of combination can itself be combined using the same method
- Closure is powerful because it permits us to create hierarchical structures
- Hierarchical structures are made up of parts, which themselves are made up of parts, and so on

Lists can contain lists as elements (in addition to anything else)


(Demo)


## Sequence Aggregation

Several built-in functions take iterable arguments and aggregate them into a value

- sum(iterable[, start]) -> value

Return the sum of an iterable of numbers (NOT strings) plus the value of parameter 'start' (which defaults to 0 ). When the iterable is empty, return start.
$\max ($ iterable $[$, key=func]) $\rightarrow$ value
With a single iterable argument, return its largest item.
With two or more arguments, return the largest argument.
all(iterable) -> bool
Return True if $\operatorname{bool}(\mathrm{x})$ is True for all values x in the iterable. If the iterable is empty, return True.


## Tree Abstraction



Recursive description (wooden trees):
A tree has a root and a list of branches Each branch is a tree

Relative description (family trees):

A tree with zero branches is called a leaf Each location in a tree is called a node Each node has a label value One node can be the parent/child of another

People often refer to values by their locations: "each parent is the sum of its children"


## Implementing the Tree Abstraction



Tree Processing Uses Recursion
Processing a leaf is often the base case of a tree processing function
The recursive case typically makes a recursive call on each branch, then aggregates
def count_leaves( $t$ ):
"""."Count the leaves of a tree."""
if is_leaf( t ):

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\text { return } 1
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else:
branch_counts $=$ [count_leaves $(\mathrm{b})$ for b in branches $(\mathrm{t})$ return sum(branch_counts)

| Discussion Question ```Implement leaves, which returns a list of the leaf labels of a tree Hint: If you sum a list of lists, you get a list containing the elements of those lists >>> sum([ [1], [2, 3], [4] ], []) def leaves(tree): [1, 2, 3, 4] """"Return a list containing the leaves of tree. >>> sum([ [1] ], []) [1] sum([ [[1]], [2] ] []) >>> leaves(fib_tree(5)) >>>> \operatorname{sum([ [[1]], [2] ], []) [1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1]} [[1], 2] if is_leaf(tree): return [label(tree)] else: return sum(List of leaves for each branch, [])) branches(tree) \\ [b for b in branches(tree)] \\ [branches(b) for \(b\) in branches(tree)] \\ [branches(s) for \(s\) in leaves(tree)] \\ [leaves(b) for \(b\) in branches(tree)] \\ [leaves(s) for \(s\) in leaves(tree)]``` |
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## Creating Trees

A function that creates a tree from another tree is typically also recursive
def increment_leaves( t ):
"Return a tree like $t$ but with leaf values incremented."" if is_leaf(t):
return tree(label(t) + 1)
else:
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return tree(label(t), bs)
def increment ( t ):
""Return a tree like $t$ but with all node values incremented."" return tree(label(t) +1 , [increment(b) for $b$ in branches( $t$ )])
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