

Programming Languages and Compilers (CS 421)



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Variants – Algebraic Data Types

- Core of user-defined types in Ocaml
- Support enumerations, disjoint unions, recursive types
- Write functions with pattern matching, recursion
- Already seen one example: lists

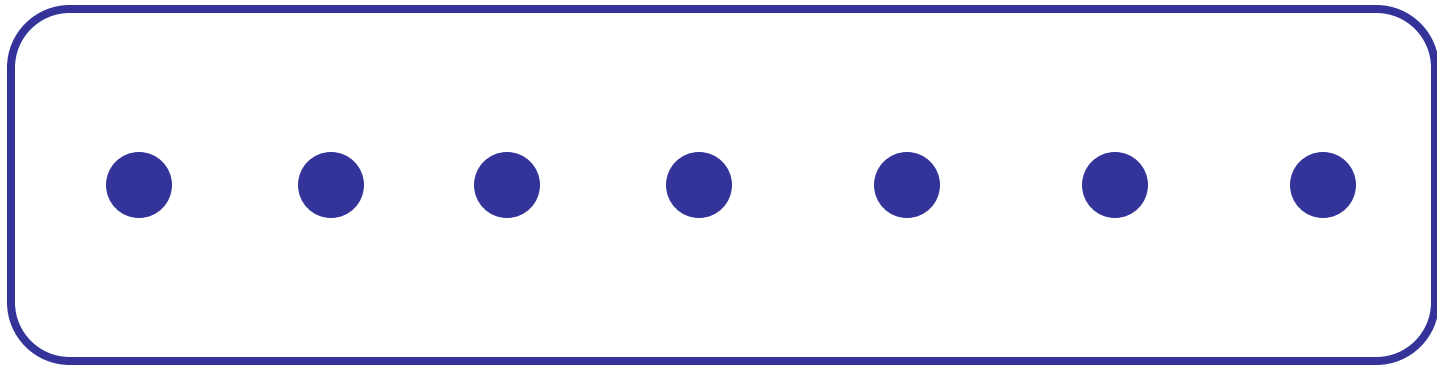


Variants - Syntax (slightly simplified)

- type *name* = C_1 [of ty_1] | . . . | C_n [of ty_n]
- Introduce a type called *name*
- $C_1 : ty_1 \rightarrow name$
- C_i is called a *constructor*, if the optional type argument is omitted, it is called a *constant*
- Constructors are the basis of almost all pattern matching

Enumeration Types as Variants

An enumeration type is a collection of distinct values



They are ordered by their declaration order



Enumeration Types as Variants

```
# type weekday = Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday  
               | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday;;
```

```
type weekday =
```

```
    Monday  
  | Tuesday  
  | Wednesday  
  | Thursday  
  | Friday  
  | Saturday  
  | Sunday
```



Functions over Enumerations

```
# let day_after day = match day with
```

```
  Monday -> Tuesday
```

```
| Tuesday -> Wednesday
```

```
| Wednesday -> Thursday
```

```
| Thursday -> Friday
```

```
| Friday -> Saturday
```

```
| Saturday -> Sunday
```

```
| Sunday -> Monday;;
```

```
val day_after : weekday -> weekday = <fun>
```



Functions over Enumerations

```
# let rec days_later n day =  
  match n with 0 -> day  
  | _ -> if n > 0  
    then day_after (days_later (n - 1) day)  
    else days_later (n + 7) day;;  
val days_later : int -> weekday -> weekday  
= <fun>
```



Functions over Enumerations

```
# days_later 2 Tuesday;;
```

```
- : weekday = Thursday
```

```
# days_later (-1) Wednesday;;
```

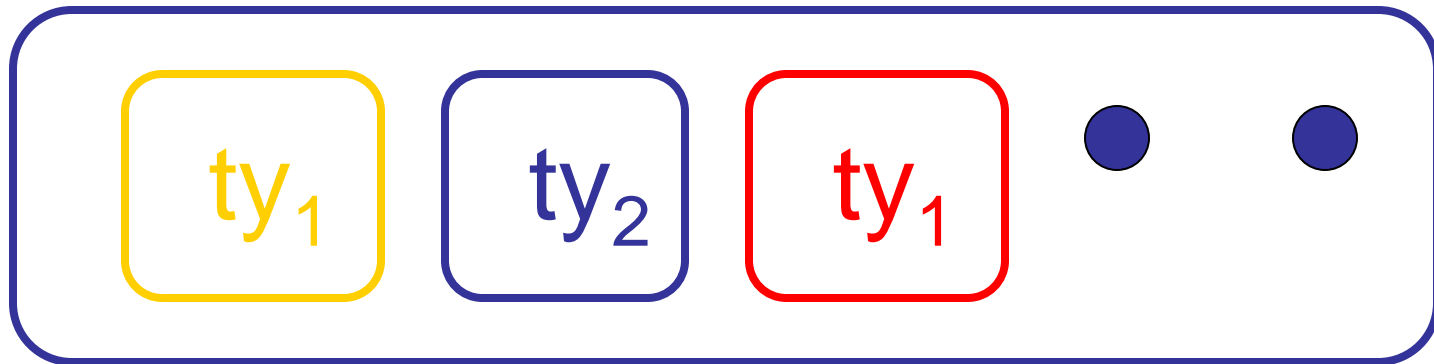
```
- : weekday = Tuesday
```

```
# days_later (-4) Monday;;
```

```
- : weekday = Thursday
```


Disjoint Union Types

- Disjoint union of types, with some possibly occurring more than once



- We can also add in some new singleton elements



Disjoint Union Types

```
# type id = DriversLicense of int
  | SocialSecurity of int | Name of string;;
# let x = DriversLicense 123;;
val x : id = DriversLicense 123
# let check_id id = match id with
  DriversLicense num ->
    not (List.mem num [13570; 99999])
  | SocialSecurity num -> num < 9000000000
  | Name str -> not (str = "John Doe");;
val check_id : id -> bool = <fun>
```



Polymorphism in Variants

- The type '**a option**' gives us something to represent non-existence or failure

```
# type 'a option = Some of 'a | None;;  
type 'a option = Some of 'a | None
```

- Used to encode partial functions
- Often can replace the raising of an exception



Functions over option

```
# let rec first p list =  
  match list with [ ] -> None  
  | (x::xs) -> if p x then Some x else first p xs;;  
val first : ('a -> bool) -> 'a list -> 'a option = <fun>  
# first (fun x -> x > 3) [1;3;4;2;5];;  
- : int option = Some 4  
# first (fun x -> x > 5) [1;3;4;2;5];;  
- : int option = None
```



Mapping over Variants

```
# let optionMap f opt =  
  match opt with None -> None  
  | Some x -> Some (f x);;  
val optionMap : ('a -> 'b) -> 'a option -> 'b  
  option = <fun>  
# optionMap  
  (fun x -> x - 2)  
  (first (fun x -> x > 3) [1;3;4;2;5]);;  
- : int option = Some 2
```



Folding over Variants

```
# let optionFold someFun noneVal opt =  
  match opt with None -> noneVal  
  | Some x -> someFun x;;
```

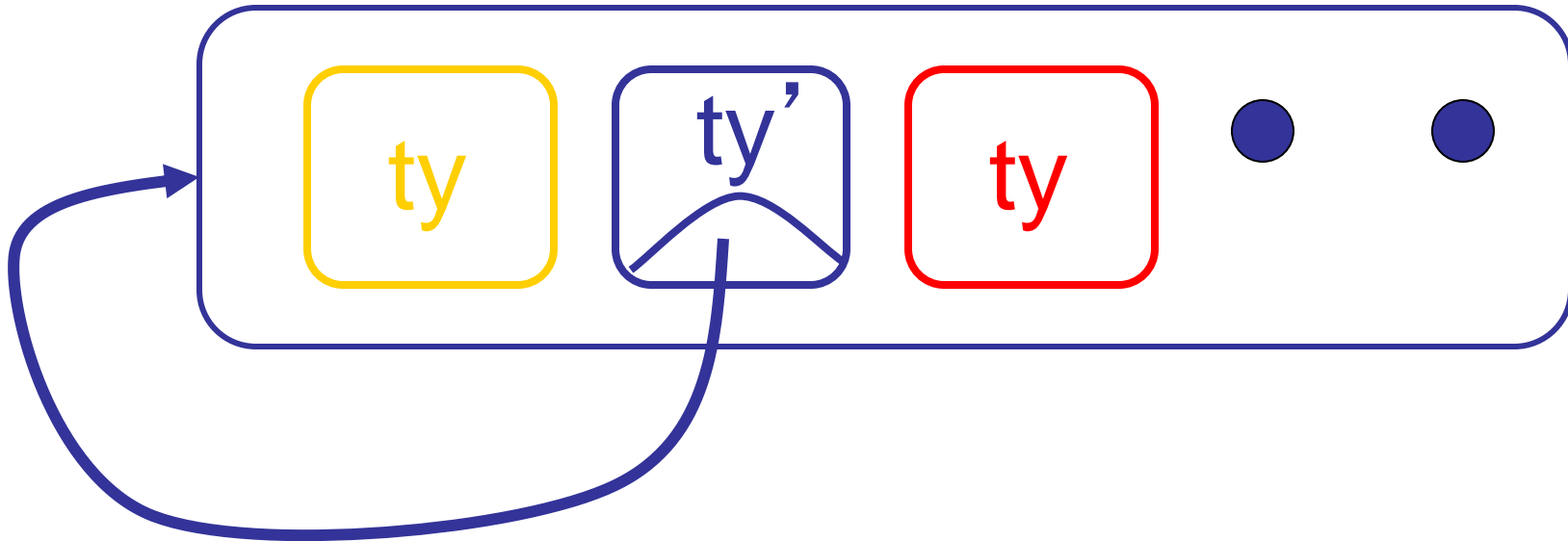
```
val optionFold : ('a -> 'b) -> 'b -> 'a option ->  
  'b = <fun>
```

```
# let optionMap f opt =  
  optionFold (fun x -> Some (f x)) None opt;;
```

```
val optionMap : ('a -> 'b) -> 'a option -> 'b  
  option = <fun>
```

Recursive Types

- The type being defined may be a component of itself





Recursive Type Example 1: Lists

- `type 'a mylist = Nil | Cons of ('a * 'a mylist)`
- Real lists use nicer syntax, but have the same behavior



Recursive Type Example 2: Trees

```
# type int_Bin_Tree =  
  Leaf of int | Node of (int_Bin_Tree *  
    int_Bin_Tree);;
```

```
type int_Bin_Tree = Leaf of int | Node of  
  (int_Bin_Tree * int_Bin_Tree)
```



Recursive Data Type Values

```
# let bin_tree =
```

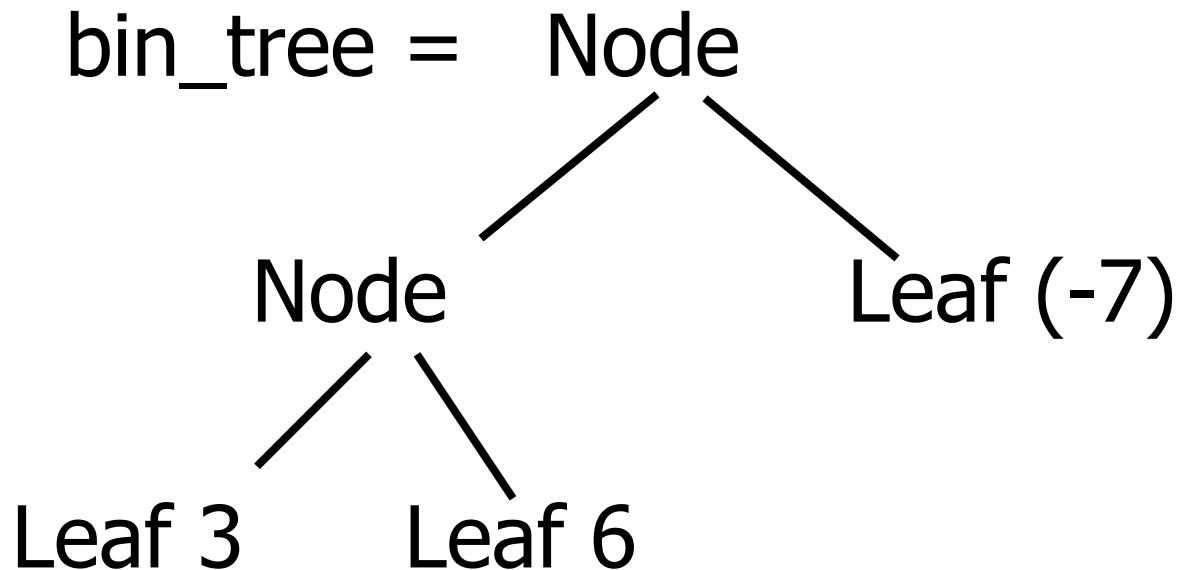
```
Node (Node (Leaf 3, Leaf 6), Leaf (-7));;
```

```
val bin_tree : int_Bin_Tree = Node (Node  
  (Leaf 3, Leaf 6), Leaf (-7))
```



Recursive Data Type Values

```
# let bin_tree =  
  Node (Node (Leaf 3, Leaf 6), Leaf (-7));;
```





Recursive Functions

```
# let rec first_leaf_value tree =  
  match tree with (Leaf n) -> n  
  | Node (left_tree, right_tree) ->  
    first_leaf_value left_tree;;  
val first_leaf_value : int_Bin_Tree -> int =  
  <fun>  
# let left = first_leaf_value bin_tree;;  
val left : int = 3
```



Mapping over Recursive Types

```
# let rec ibtreeMap f tree =  
  match tree with (Leaf n) -> Leaf (f n)  
  | Node (left_tree, right_tree) ->  
    Node (ibtreeMap f left_tree,  
          ibtreeMap f right_tree);;  
val ibtreeMap : (int -> int) -> int_Bin_Tree ->  
  int_Bin_Tree = <fun>
```



Mapping over Recursive Types

```
# ibtreeMap ((+) 2) bin_tree;;
```

```
- : int_Bin_Tree = Node (Node (Leaf 5, Leaf  
8), Leaf (-5))
```



Folding over Recursive Types

```
# let rec ibtreeFoldRight leafFun nodeFun tree =  
  match tree with Leaf n -> leafFun n  
  | Node (left_tree, right_tree) ->  
    nodeFun  
      (ibtreeFoldRight leafFun nodeFun left_tree)  
      (ibtreeFoldRight leafFun nodeFun right_tree);;  
val ibtreeFoldRight : (int -> 'a) -> ('a -> 'a -> 'a) ->  
  int_Bin_Tree -> 'a = <fun>
```



Folding over Recursive Types

```
# let tree_sum =  
    ibtreeFoldRight (fun x -> x) (+);;  
val tree_sum : int_Bin_Tree -> int = <fun>  
# tree_sum bin_tree;;  
- : int = 2
```




General Folding

- Replace constructors with functions that take recursively computed values
- Gives a bottom up traversal like `fold_right`
- Extra work to do top down (`fold_left`)



Mutually Recursive Types

```
# type 'a tree = TreeLeaf of 'a
```

```
  | TreeNode of 'a treeList
```

```
and 'a treeList = Last of 'a tree
```

```
  | More of ('a tree * 'a treeList);;
```

```
type 'a tree = TreeLeaf of 'a | TreeNode of 'a  
treeList
```

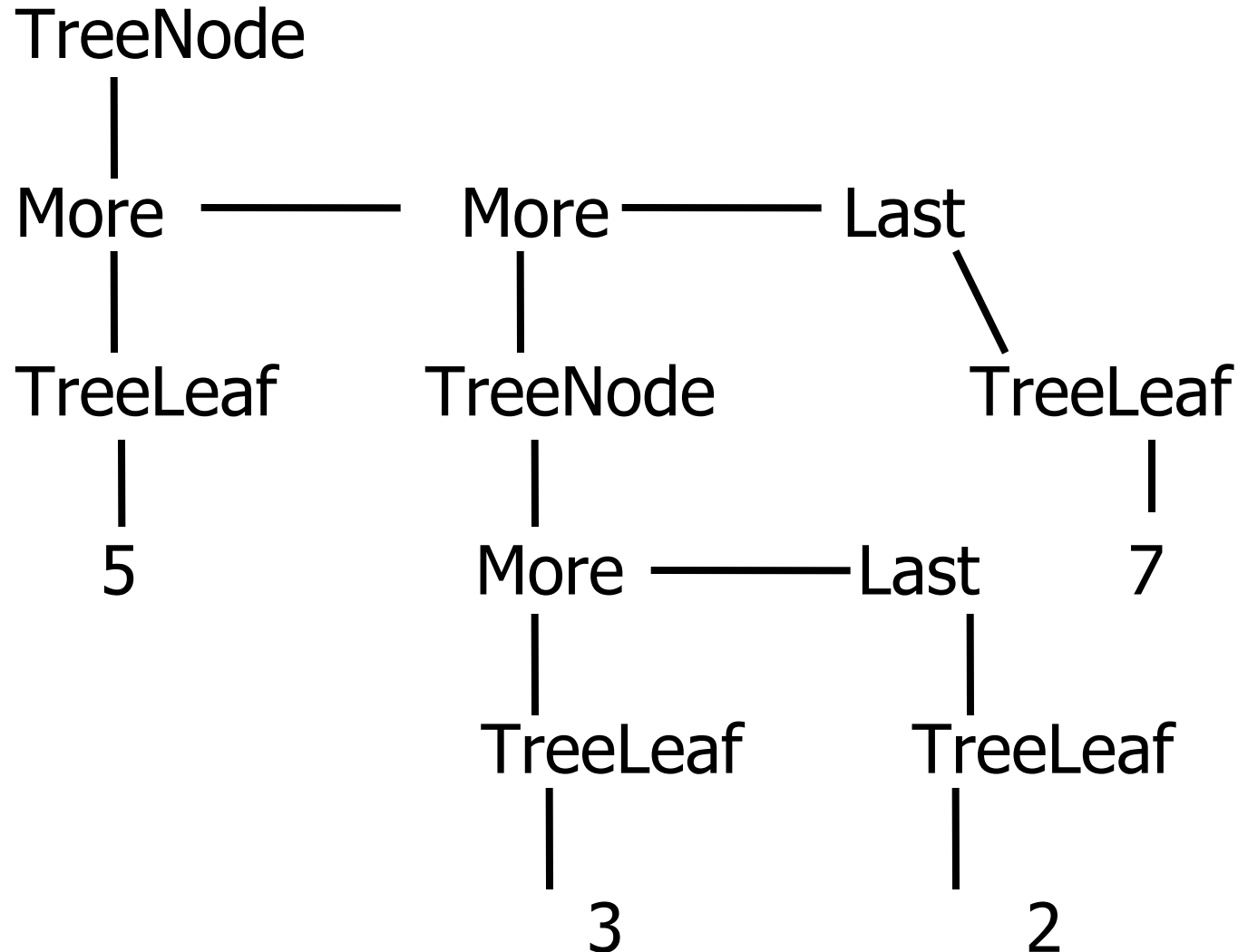
```
and 'a treeList = Last of 'a tree | More of ('a  
tree * 'a treeList)
```



Mutually Recursive Types - Values

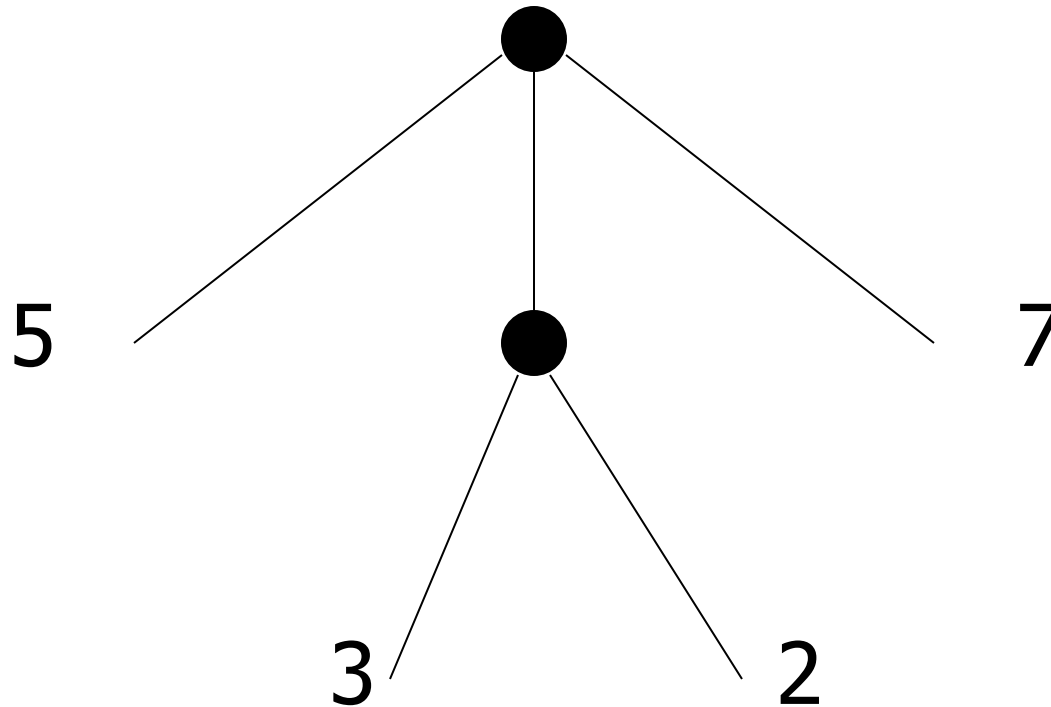
```
# let tree =  
  TreeNode  
    (More (TreeLeaf 5,  
          (More (TreeNode  
                (More (TreeLeaf 3,  
                      Last (TreeLeaf 2))),  
                      Last (TreeLeaf 7)))));;
```

Mutually Recursive Types - Values



Mutually Recursive Types - Values

A more conventional picture





Mutually Recursive Functions

```
# let rec fringe tree =  
    match tree with (TreeLeaf x) -> [x]  
    | (TreeNode list) -> list_fringe list  
and list_fringe tree_list =  
    match tree_list with (Last tree) -> fringe tree  
    | (More (tree,list)) ->  
        (fringe tree) @ (list_fringe list);;
```

```
val fringe : 'a tree -> 'a list = <fun>
```

```
val list_fringe : 'a treeList -> 'a list = <fun>
```



Mutually Recursive Functions

```
# fringe tree;;
```

```
- : int list = [5; 3; 2; 7]
```



Nested Recursive Types

```
# type 'a labeled_tree =  
  TreeNode of ('a * 'a labeled_tree  
    list);;  
type 'a labeled_tree = TreeNode of ('a  
  * 'a labeled_tree list)
```

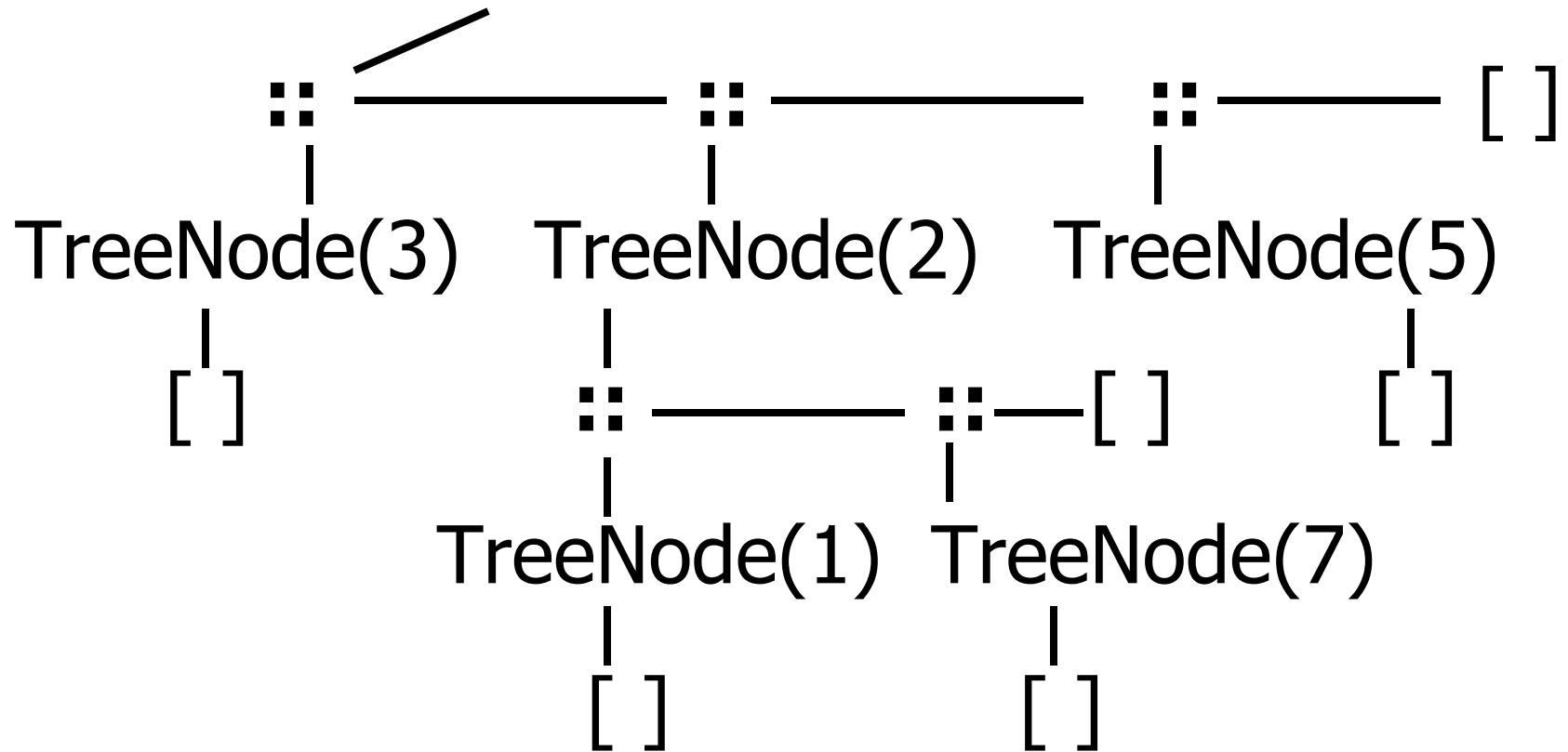



Nested Recursive Type Values

```
# let ltree =  
  TreeNode (5,  
    [TreeNode (3, []);  
      TreeNode (2, [TreeNode (1, []);  
                        TreeNode (7, [])]);  
    TreeNode (5, [])]);;
```

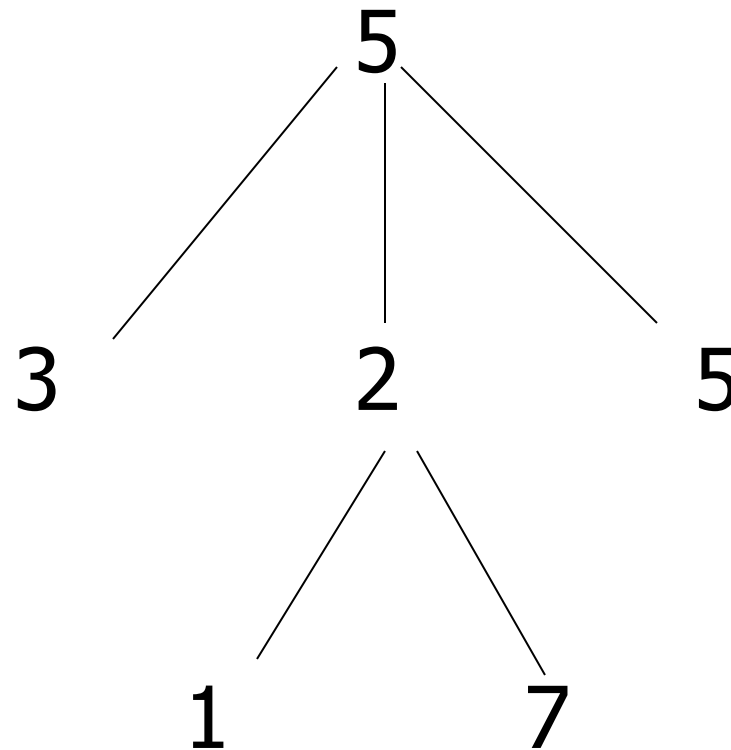
Nested Recursive Type Values

Ltree = TreeNode(5)





Nested Recursive Type Values





Mutually Recursive Functions

```
# let rec flatten_tree labtree =  
  match labtree with TreeNode (x,treelist)  
    -> x :: flatten_tree_list treelist  
and flatten_tree_list treelist =  
  match treelist with [] -> []  
  | labtree::labtrees  
    -> flatten_tree labtree  
      @ flatten_tree_list labtrees;;
```



Mutually Recursive Functions

```
val flatten_tree : 'a labeled_tree -> 'a list =  
  <fun>
```

```
val flatten_tree_list : 'a labeled_tree list -> 'a  
  list = <fun>
```

```
# flatten_tree ltree;;
```

```
- : int list = [5; 3; 2; 1; 7; 5]
```

- Nested recursive types lead to mutually recursive functions



Mutually Recursive Functions

```
# flatten_tree (TreeNode (5, [TreeNode (1,  
    []); TreeNode (2, [])]));;  
5 :: flatten_tree_list [TreeNode (1, []);  
    TreeNode (2, [])]  
5 :: (flatten_tree (TreeNode (1, []))) @  
    (flatten_tree_list ([TreeNode (2, [])]))  
[5; 1] @ (flatten_tree_list ([TreeNode (2, [])]))  
[5; 1] @ flatten_tree (TreeNode (2, [])) @ []  
[5; 1] @ [2] @ [] = [5; 1; 2]
```



Infinite Recursive Values

```
# let rec ones = 1::ones;;  
val ones : int list =  
  [1; 1; 1; 1; ...]  
  
# match ones with x::xs -> x;;  
Warning: ...  
- : int = 1
```



Infinite Recursive Values

```
# let rec ones = 1::ones;;
```

```
val ones : int list =  
  [1; 1; 1; 1; ...]
```

```
# let other_ones = match ones with x::xs ->  
  xs;;
```

Warning: ...

```
- : int list = [1; 1; 1; 1; ...]
```

```
# other_ones = ones;;
```

```
(* runs forever – don't do this! *)
```




Infinite Recursive Values

```
# let rec lab_tree = TreeNode(2, tree_list)
  and tree_list = [lab_tree; lab_tree];;

val lab_tree : int labeled_tree =
  TreeNode (2, [TreeNode(...); TreeNode(...)])

val tree_list : int labeled_tree list =
  [TreeNode (2, [TreeNode(...);
    TreeNode(...)]);
    TreeNode (2, [TreeNode(...);
    TreeNode(...)])]
```



Infinite Recursive Values

```
# match lab_tree  
  with TreeNode (x, _) -> x;;  
- : int = 2
```



Records

- Records serve the same programming purpose as tuples
- Provide better documentation, more readable code
- Allow components to be accessed by label instead of position
 - Labels (aka *field names* must be unique)
 - Fields accessed by suffix dot notation



Record Types

- Record types must be declared before they can be used in OCaml

```
# type person = {name : string; ss : (int * int  
  * int); age : int};;
```

```
type person = { name : string; ss : int * int *  
  int; age : int; }
```

- person is the type being introduced
- name, ss and age are the labels, or fields



Record Values

- Records built with labels; order does not matter

```
# let teacher = {name = "Elsa L. Gunter";  
  age = 102; ss = (119,73,6244)};;
```

```
val teacher : person =  
  {name = "Elsa L. Gunter"; ss = (119, 73,  
    6244); age = 102}
```



Record Values

```
# let student = {ss=(325,40,1276);  
  name="Joseph Martins"; age=22};;
```

```
val student : person =
```

```
{name = "Joseph Martins"; ss = (325, 40,  
  1276); age = 22}
```

```
# student = teacher;;
```

```
- : bool = false
```



Record Pattern Matching

```
# let {name = elsa; age = age; ss =  
    (_,_,s3)} = teacher;;
```

```
val elsa : string = "Elsa L. Gunter"
```

```
val age : int = 102
```

```
val s3 : int = 6244
```



Record Field Access

```
# let soc_sec = teacher.ss;;
```

```
val soc_sec : int * int * int = (119,  
73, 6244)
```




New Records from Old

```
# let birthday person = {person with age =  
    person.age + 1};;  
val birthday : person -> person = <fun>  
# birthday teacher;;  
- : person = {name = "Elsa L. Gunter"; ss =  
    (119, 73, 6244); age = 103}
```



New Records from Old

```
# let new_id name soc_sec person =  
  {person with name = name; ss = soc_sec};;  
val new_id : string -> int * int * int -> person  
  -> person = <fun>  
# new_id "Giuseppe Martin" (523,04,6712)  
  student;;  
- : person = {name = "Giuseppe Martin"; ss =  
  (523, 4, 6712); age = 22}
```