Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs

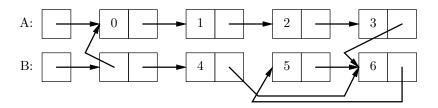
MIDTERM 2 SOLUTIONS

Post-MT1 topics that you'll want to have down cold (not necessarily a comprehensive list, but you better know all about these!): nonlocality, OOP, data abstraction, trees, linked lists, order of growth, mutation

1. (4 points) Linked List Basics

For each of the following code fragments, add arrows and values to the object skeletons to the right to show the final state of the program. Single boxes are variables that contain pointers. Double boxes are Links. Not all boxes will necessarily be used. (Note: I suggest doing it on scratch paper before filling in the boxes.)

Fill in the code to create the linked lists below. No multiple assignment allowed. Incidentally, as a general rule (i.e. in real life) try not to set first elements to other linked lists.



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A = Link(0, Link(1, Link(2, Link(3))))
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B = Link(A, Link(4, Link(6, Link(5))))

B.rest.rest.rest = B.rest.rest

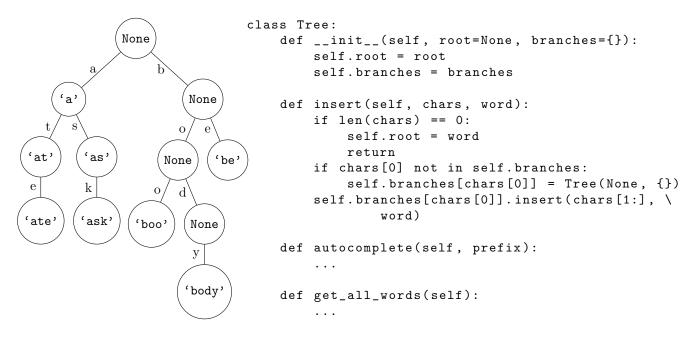
B.first.rest.rest.rest.rest = B.rest.rest

2. (6 points) There Is No Trie

Say we had a tree that stored English words character-by-character. The first level of the tree would contain the first character of a word, the second level the second character... and so on so forth. At the end of a complete word in the tree, we would store the full word (using all the characters up to that point) as the node value. If the string of characters leading up to some node was NOT a word, we would store None as its value.

Let's make this tree a reality. To facilitate such an undertaking, we edit our Tree class so that branches are stored as a dictionary from characters to Trees.

We include on the next page an example of a tree containing the strings {body, be, boo, ate, ask, at, as, a}, along with the modified Tree definition. Here, edges are marked with the key in the branches dictionary that they correspond to.



To create the tree on the left, for instance, you could execute tree = Tree(); [tree.insert(list(word), word) for word in ['ate', 'ask', 'boo', 'body', 'be', 'a', 'at', 'as']]. (Obligatory note: you normally shouldn't use list comprehensions for stuff like this. I just didn't want the quiz to be three pages.)

We can process our word tree in many interesting – and efficient – ways. One example is autocompletion. Fill in the blanks below so that autocomplete (a method of our Tree class!) returns a list of full words pertaining to the given prefix. For example, tree.autocomplete('bo') would return ['boo', 'body'] if tree were the tree from above. You will probably need to implement and use the get_all_words method, which returns a list of all of the words in a tree.

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def autocomplete(self, prefix):
    """Returns a list of full-word completions for the given prefix."""
    if len(prefix) == 0:
        return self.get.all.words()

    if prefix[0] not in self.branches:
        return []

    return self.branches[prefix[0]].autocomplete(prefix[1:])

def get_all_words(self):
    """Returns all words contained within the current tree."""
    words = []

    if self.root is not None:
        words.append(self.root)

    for branch in self.branches.values():
        words += branch.get.all.words()
    return words
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