

FBIP Crash Course

FBIP 崩溃课程

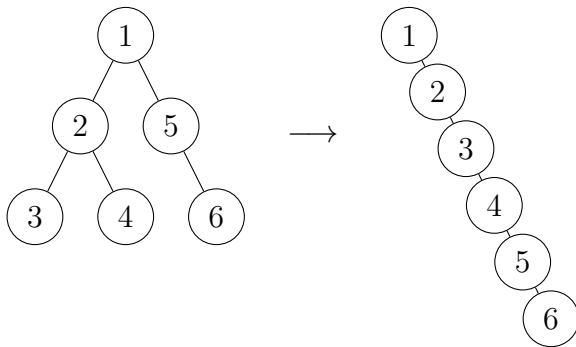
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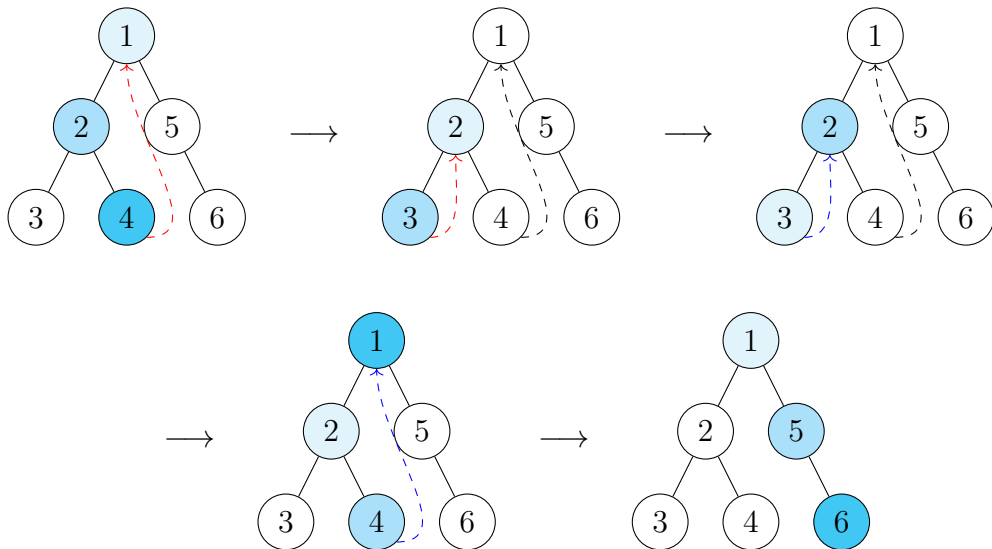
Intro: A simple binary tree traversal problem

Given a binary tree, flatten it into a linked list (à la unbalanced tree) in the same order as a pre-order traversal. (LeetCode 114.)



Flattening must be done in place. In particular, any allocation including stack allocation via recursion is NOT allowed.

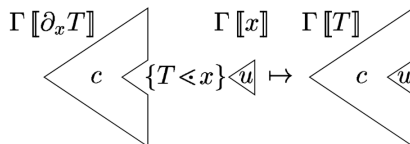
Morris traversal using threaded binary tree



Solution

```
1 void flatten(struct Tree *root) {
2     struct Tree *cursor = root;
3     while (cursor != NULL) {
4         struct Tree *spine = cursor->left;
5         if (spine == NULL) {
6             cursor = cursor->right;
7             continue; }
8         while (spine->right != NULL && spine->right != cursor) {
9             spine = spine->right; }
10        if (spine->right == NULL) {
11            spine->right = cursor;
12            cursor = cursor->left;
13        } else { // spine->right == cursor
14            struct Tree *t = cursor->right;
15            cursor->right = cursor->left;
16            cursor->left = NULL;
17            spine->right = t;
18            cursor = cursor->right; } } }
```

Is it possible to write a purely functional program to achieve the same result?



$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial_x x &\mapsto 1 \\
 \partial_x (y \setminus x) &\mapsto 0 \\
 \partial_x (S + T) &\mapsto \partial_x S + \partial_x T \\
 \partial_x (S \times T) &\mapsto \partial_x S \times T + S \times \partial_x T \\
 \partial_x (\mu y. F) &\mapsto \mu z. \partial_x F \mid y = \mu y. F + \partial_y F \mid y = \mu y. F \times z \\
 \partial_x (F \mid y = S) &\mapsto \partial_x F \mid y = S + \partial_y F \mid y = S \times \partial_x S
 \end{aligned}$$

- Gérard Huet. “The Zipper”. In: JFP (1997)
- Conor McBride. “The derivative of a regular type is its type of onehole contexts”. 2001

Zipper (cont.)

$$\text{tree} \triangleq \mu x.1 + x \times \text{int} \times x$$

$$\partial_x \text{tree} \mapsto \mu x.1 + (\text{tree} \times \text{int} \times x) + (\text{tree} \times \text{int} \times x)$$

```
enum Tree {  
    Node(Tree, Int, Tree)  
    None  
}
```

```
enum Zipper {  
    Root  
    Right(Tree, Int, Zipper)  
    Left(Tree, Int, Zipper)  
}
```

Solution (purely functional)

```
1 fn postorder(t : Tree, z : Zipper, d : Direction) -> Tree {
2   match d {
3     Down =>
4       match t {
5         Node(l, v, r) => postorder(l, Right(r, v, z), Down)
6         None => postorder(None, z, Up)
7       }
8     Up =>
9       match z {
10        Root => t
11        Right(r, v, z1) => postorder(r, Left(t, v, z1), Down)
12        Left(l, v, z1) => postorder(f(Node(l, v, t)), z1, Up)
13      }
14   }
15 }
16
17 postorder(t, Root, Down)
```

But this is not in-place, is it?

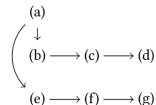
A new paradigm: Functional But In-Place (FBIP)

- RC Instructions
 - Reuse Analysis
 - Drop & Reuse Specialization
 - Persistence persistence
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- Swift. “first non-research language to use an IR with explicit RC instructions”
 - Sebastian Ullrich and Leonardo de Moura. “Counting immutable beans: reference counting optimized for purely functional programming”. In: IFL '19
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A new paradigm: Functional But In-Place (FBIP) (cont.)

```
fun map( xs : list(a), f : a -> e b ) : e list(b) {  
  match(xs) {  
    Cons(x,xx) -> Cons(f(x), map(xx,f))  
    Nil        -> Nil  
  }  
}
```

(a) A polymorphic map function



```
fun map( xs, f ) {  
  match(xs) {  
    Cons(x,xx) {  
      dup(x); dup(xx); drop(xs)  
      Cons( dup(f)(x), map(xx, f))  
    }  
    Nil { drop(xs); drop(f); Nil }  
  }  
}
```

(b) dup/drop insertion (2.2)

```
fun map( xs, f ) {  
  match(xs) {  
    Cons(x,xx) {  
      dup(x); dup(xx)  
      if (is-unique(xs))  
        then drop(x); drop(xx); free(xs)  
        else decref(xs)  
      Cons( dup(f)(x), map(xx, f))  
    }  
    Nil { drop(xs); drop(f); Nil }  
  }  
}
```

(c) drop specialization (2.3)

```
fun map( xs, f ) {  
  match(xs) {  
    Cons(x,xx) {  
      if (is-unique(xs))  
        then free(xs)  
        else dup(x); dup(xx); decref(xs)  
      Cons( dup(f)(x), map(xx, f))  
    }  
    Nil { drop(xs); drop(f); Nil }  
  }  
}
```

(d) push down dup and fusion (2.3)

```
fun map( xs, f ) {  
  match(xs) {  
    Cons(x,xx) {  
      dup(x); dup(xx);  
      val ru = drop-reuse(xs)  
      Cons@ru( dup(f)(x), map(xx, f))  
    }  
    Nil { drop(xs); drop(f); Nil }  
  }  
}
```

(e) reuse token insertion (2.4)

```
fun map( xs, f ) {  
  match(xs) {  
    Cons(x,xx) {  
      dup(x); dup(xx);  
      val ru = if (is-unique(xs))  
        then drop(x); drop(xx); &xs  
        else decref(xs); NULL  
      Cons@ru( dup(f)(x), map(xx, f))  
    }  
    Nil { drop(xs); drop(f); Nil }  
  }  
}
```

(f) drop-reuse specialization (2.4)

```
fun map( xs, f ) {  
  match(xs) {  
    Cons(x,xx) {  
      val ru = if (is-unique(xs))  
        then &xs  
        else dup(x); dup(xx);  
        decref(xs); NULL  
      Cons@ru( dup(f)(x), map(xx, f))  
    }  
    Nil { drop(xs); drop(f); Nil }  
  }  
}
```

(g) push down dup and fusion (2.4)

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Questions?

Thanks!