# Lab 8: Linked Lists, Trees [lab08.zip (lab08.zip)

Due by 11:59pm on Tuesday, October 20.

## Starter Files

Download lab08.zip (lab08.zip). Inside the archive, you will find starter files for the questions in this lab, along with a copy of the Ok (ok) autograder.

# **Topics**

Consult this section if you need a refresher on the material for this lab. It's okay to skip directly to the questions and refer back here should you get stuck.

Linked Lists

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# Required Questions

## What Would Python Display?

## Q1: WWPD: Linked Lists

Read over the Link class in lab08.py. Make sure you understand the doctests.

Use Ok to test your knowledge with the following "What Would Python Display?" questions:

```
python3 ok -q link -u
```

Enter Function if you believe the answer is <function  $\ldots>$ , <Frror if it errors, and <Nothing if nothing is displayed.

If you get stuck, try drawing out the box-and-pointer diagram for the linked list on a piece of paper or loading the Link class into the interpreter with python3 -i 1ab09.py.

```
>>> from lab08 import *
>>> link = Link(1000)
>>> link.first
-----
>>> link.rest is Link.empty
-----
>>> link = Link(1000, 2000)
------
>>> link = Link(1000, Link())
```

```
>>> from lab08 import *
>>> link = Link(1, Link(2, Link(3)))
>>> link.first
>>> link.rest.first
>>> link.rest.rest.rest is Link.empty
>>> link.first = 9001
>>> link.first
>>> link.rest = link.rest.rest
>>> link.rest.first
>>> link = Link(1)
>>> link.rest = link
>>> link.rest.rest.rest.first
>>> link = Link(2, Link(3, Link(4)))
>>> link2 = Link(1, link)
>>> link2.first
>>> link2.rest.first
>>> from lab08 import *
>>> link = Link(5, Link(6, Link(7)))
```

## **Linked Lists**

#### Q2: Convert Link

Write a function convert\_link that takes in a linked list and returns the sequence as a Python list. You may assume that the input list is shallow; none of the elements is another linked list.

Try to find both an iterative and recursive solution for this problem!

```
def convert_link(link):
    """Takes a linked list and returns a Python list with the same elements.

>>> link = Link(1, Link(2, Link(3, Link(4))))
>>> convert_link(link)
[1, 2, 3, 4]
>>> convert_link(Link.empty)
[]
    """
    "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
```

Use Ok to test your code:

```
python3 ok -q convert_link
```

## Q3: Every Other

Implement every\_other, which takes a linked list s. It mutates s such that all of the odd-indexed elements (using 0-based indexing) are removed from the list. For example:

```
>>> s = Link('a', Link('b', Link('c', Link('d'))))
>>> every_other(s)
>>> s.first
'a'
>>> s.rest.first
'c'
>>> s.rest.rest is Link.empty
True
```

If s contains fewer than two elements, s remains unchanged.

Do not return anything! every\_other should mutate the original list.

```
def every_other(s):
    """Mutates a linked list so that all the odd-indiced elements are removed
    (using 0-based indexing).
   >>> s = Link(1, Link(2, Link(3, Link(4))))
   >>> every_other(s)
   >>> s
   Link(1, Link(3))
   >>> odd_length = Link(5, Link(3, Link(1)))
   >>> every_other(odd_length)
   >>> odd_length
   Link(5, Link(1))
   >>> singleton = Link(4)
   >>> every_other(singleton)
   >>> singleton
   Link(4)
    "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
```

Use Ok to test your code:

```
python3 ok -q every_other
```

## **Trees**

#### Q4: Cumulative Mul

Write a function <code>cumulative\_mul</code> that mutates the Tree t so that each node's label becomes the product of all labels in the subtree rooted at the node.

```
def cumulative_mul(t):
    """Mutates t so that each node's label becomes the product of all labels in
    the corresponding subtree rooted at t.

>>> t = Tree(1, [Tree(3, [Tree(5)]), Tree(7)])
>>> cumulative_mul(t)
>>> t
Tree(105, [Tree(15, [Tree(5)]), Tree(7)])
    """
    "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
```

Use Ok to test your code:

```
python3 ok -q cumulative_mul
```

# **Optional Problems**

## Q5: Cycles

The Link class can represent lists with cycles. That is, a list may contain itself as a sublist.

```
>>> s = Link(1, Link(2, Link(3)))
>>> s.rest.rest = s
>>> s.rest.rest.rest.rest.first
3
```

Implement has\_cycle ,that returns whether its argument, a Link instance, contains a cycle.

*Hint*: Iterate through the linked list and try keeping track of which Link objects you've already seen.

```
def has_cycle(link):
    """Return whether link contains a cycle.

>>> s = Link(1, Link(2, Link(3)))
>>> s.rest.rest.rest = s
>>> has_cycle(s)
    True
>>> t = Link(1, Link(2, Link(3)))
>>> has_cycle(t)
False
>>> u = Link(2, Link(2, Link(2)))
>>> has_cycle(u)
False
"""
"**** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
```

Use Ok to test your code:

```
python3 ok -q has_cycle
```

As an extra challenge, implement has\_cycle\_constant with only constant space (https://web.archive.org/web/20201214030141/http://composingprograms.com/pages/28-efficiency.html#growth-categories). (If you followed the hint above, you will use linear space.) The solution is short (less than 20 lines of code), but requires a clever idea. Try to discover the solution yourself before asking around:

```
def has_cycle_constant(link):
    """Return whether link contains a cycle.

>>> s = Link(1, Link(2, Link(3)))
>>> s.rest.rest.rest = s
>>> has_cycle_constant(s)
True
>>> t = Link(1, Link(2, Link(3)))
>>> has_cycle_constant(t)
False
    """
    "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
```

Use Ok to test your code:

```
python3 ok -q has_cycle_constant
```

#### Q6: Reverse Other

Write a function reverse\_other that mutates the tree such that **labels** on *every other* (odd-depth) level are reversed. For example, Tree(1,[Tree(2, [Tree(4)]), Tree(3)]) becomes Tree(1, [Tree(3, [Tree(4)]), Tree(2)]). Notice that the nodes themselves are *not* reversed; only the labels are.

```
def reverse_other(t):
    """Mutates the tree such that nodes on every other (odd-depth) level
    have the labels of their branches all reversed.

>>> t = Tree(1, [Tree(2), Tree(3), Tree(4)])
>>> reverse_other(t)
>>> t
    Tree(1, [Tree(4), Tree(3), Tree(2)])
>>> t = Tree(1, [Tree(2, [Tree(3, [Tree(4), Tree(5)]), Tree(6, [Tree(7)])]), Tree(8)])
>>> reverse_other(t)
>>> t
    Tree(1, [Tree(8, [Tree(3, [Tree(5), Tree(4)]), Tree(6, [Tree(7)])]), Tree(2)])
    """
    "*** YOUR CODE HERE ***"
```

## Use Ok to test your code:

```
python3 ok -q reverse_other
```

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