Linked Lists, Trees

Discussion 8: October 20, 2021 Solutions

Representation: Repr. Str

Q1: WWPD: Repr-esentation

```
class A:
    def __init__(self, x):
        self.x = x
    def __repr__(self):
         return self.x
    def __str__(self):
         return self.x * 2
class B:
    def __init__(self):
         print('boo!')
         self.a = []
    def add_a(self, a):
         self.a.append(a)
    def __repr__(self):
         print(len(self.a))
         ret = ''
         for a in self.a:
             ret += str(a)
         return ret
```

Given the above class definitions, what will the following lines output?

```
>>> A('one')
```

one

```
>>> print(A('one'))
```

oneone

```
>>> repr(A('two'))
```

'two'

```
>>> b = B()
```

boo!

```
>>> b.add_a(A('a'))
>>> b.add_a(A('b'))
>>> b
```

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Linked Lists

There are many different implementations of sequences in Python. Today, we'll explore the linked list implementation.

A linked list is either an empty linked list, or a Link object containing a first value and the rest of the linked list.

To check if a linked list is an empty linked list, compare it against the class attribute Link.empty:

```
if link is Link.empty:
   print('This linked list is empty!')
else:
   print('This linked list is not empty!')
```

You can find an implementation of the Link class below:

```
class Link:
   """A linked list."""
   empty = ()
   def __init__(self, first, rest=empty):
       assert rest is Link.empty or isinstance(rest, Link)
       self.first = first
       self.rest = rest
   def __repr__(self):
       if self.rest:
           rest_repr = ', ' + repr(self.rest)
       else:
           rest_repr = ''
       return 'Link(' + repr(self.first) + rest_repr + ')'
   def __str__(self):
       string = '<'
       while self.rest is not Link.empty:
           string += str(self.first) + ' '
           self = self.rest
       return string + str(self.first) + '>'
```

Q2: The Hy-rules of Linked Lists

In this question, we are given the following Linked List:

```
ganondorf = Link('zelda', Link('link', Link('sheik', Link.empty)))
```

What expression would give us the value 'sheik' from this Linked List?

ganondorf.rest.rest.first

What is the value of ganondorf.rest.first?

'link'

What would be the value of str(ganondorf)?

'<zelda link sheik>'

20244 2244 2444

What expression would mutate this linked list to <zelda ganondorf sheik>?

```
ganondorf.rest.first = 'ganondorf'
```

Q3: Sum Nums

Write a function that takes in a linked list and returns the sum of all its elements. You may assume all elements in **s** are integers. Try to implement this recursively!

```
def sum_nums(s):
    """
    >>> a = Link(1, Link(6, Link(7)))
    >>> sum_nums(a)
    14
    """
    if s == Link.empty:
        return 0
    return s.first + sum_nums(s.rest)
```

Q4: Multiply Links

Write a function that takes in a Python list of linked lists and multiplies them element-wise. It should return a new linked list.

If not all of the Link objects are of equal length, return a linked list whose length is that of the shortest linked list given. You may assume the Link objects are shallow linked lists, and that lst_of_lnks contains at least one linked list.

```
def multiply_lnks(lst_of_lnks):
   >>> a = Link(2, Link(3, Link(5)))
   >>> b = Link(6, Link(4, Link(2)))
   >>> c = Link(4, Link(1, Link(0, Link(2))))
   >>> p = multiply_lnks([a, b, c])
   >>> p.first
   48
   >>> p.rest.first
   12
   >>> p.rest.rest.rest is Link.empty
    ....
   # Implementation Note: you might not need all lines in this
   skeleton code
   product = 1
   for lnk in lst_of_lnks:
        if lnk is Link.empty:
            return Link.empty
        product *= lnk.first
   lst_of_lnks_rests = [lnk.rest for lnk in lst_of_lnks]
   return Link(product, multiply_lnks(lst_of_lnks_rests))
```

For our base case, if we detect that any of the lists in the list of Links is empty, we can return the empty linked list as we're not going to multiply anything.

Otherwise, we compute the product of all the firsts in our list of Links. Then, the subproblem we use here is the rest of all the linked lists in our list of Links. Remember that the result of calling multiply_lnks will be a linked list! We'll use the product we've built so far as the first item in the returned Link, and then the result of the recursive call as the rest of that Link.

Next, we have the iterative solution:

```
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   >>> c = Link(4, Link(1, Link(0, Link(2))))
   >>> p = multiply_lnks([a, b, c])
   >>> p.first
   48
   >>> p.rest.first
   12
   >>> p.rest.rest.rest is Link.empty
   True
   # Alternate iterative approach
   import operator
   from functools import reduce
   def prod(factors):
         return reduce(operator.mul, factors, 1)
   head = Link.empty
   tail = head
   while Link.empty not in lst_of_lnks:
        all_prod = prod([1.first for 1 in lst_of_lnks])
        if head is Link.empty:
            head = Link(all_prod)
            tail = head
        else:
            tail.rest = Link(all_prod)
            tail = tail.rest
        lst_of_lnks = [l.rest for l in lst_of_lnks]
   return head
```

The iterative solution is a bit more involved than the recursive solution. Instead of building the list backwards as in the recursive solution (because of the order that the recursive calls result in, the last item in our list will be finished first), we'll build the resulting linked list as we go along.

We usehead and tail to track the front and end of the new linked list we're creating. Our stopping condition for the loop is if any of the Links in our list of Links runs out of items.

Finally, there's some special handling for the first item. We need to update both head and tail in that case. Otherwise, we just append to the end of our list using tail, and update tail.

Q5: Flip Two

Write a recursive function flip_two that takes as input a linked list s and mutates s so that every pair is flipped.

```
def flip_two(s):
   0.00
   >>> one_lnk = Link(1)
   >>> flip_two(one_lnk)
   >>> one_lnk
   Link(1)
   >>> lnk = Link(1, Link(2, Link(3, Link(4, Link(5)))))
   >>> flip_two(lnk)
   >>> lnk
   Link(2, Link(1, Link(4, Link(3, Link(5)))))
   # Recursive solution:
   if s is Link.empty or s.rest is Link.empty:
   s.first, s.rest.first = s.rest.first, s.first
   flip_two(s.rest.rest)
   # For an extra challenge, try writing out an iterative approach
   as well below!
   return # separating recursive and iterative implementations
   # Iterative approach
   while s is not Link.empty and s.rest is not Link.empty:
        s.first, s.rest.first = s.rest.first, s.first
        s = s.rest.rest
```

If there's only a single item (or no item) to flip, then we're done.

Otherwise, we swap the contents of the first and second items in the list. Since we've handled the first two items, we then need to recurse on

Although the question explicitly asks for a recursive solution, there is also a fairly similar iterative solution (see python solution).

We will advance s until we see there are no more items or there is only one more Link object to process. Processing each Link involves swapping the contents of the first and second items in the list (same as the recursive solution).

Trees

We define a tree to be a recursive data abstraction that has a label (the value stored in the root of the tree) and branches (a list of trees directly underneath the root). Previously, we implemented the tree abstraction using Python lists. Let's look at another implementation using objects instead:

```
class Tree:
   def __init__(self, label, branches=[]):
        for b in branches:
            assert isinstance(b, Tree)
        self.label = label
        self.branches = branches
   def is_leaf(self):
        return not self.branches
```

With this implementation, we can mutate a tree using attribute assignment, which wasn't possible in the previous implementation using lists. That's why we sometimes call these objects "mutable trees."

```
>>> t = Tree(3, [Tree(4), Tree(5)])
>>> t.label = 5
>>> t.label
5
```

Q6: Make Even

Define a function make_even which takes in a tree t whose values are integers, and mutates the tree such that all the odd integers are increased by 1 and all the even integers remain the same.

```
def make_even(t):
   0.00
   >>> t = Tree(1, [Tree(2, [Tree(3)]), Tree(4), Tree(5)])
   >>> make_even(t)
   >>> t.label
   2
   >>> t.branches[0].branches[0].label
   0.00
   if t.label % 2 != 0:
        t.label += 1
   for branch in t.branches:
        make_even(branch)
   return
   # Alternate Solution
   t.label += t.label % 2
   for branch in t.branches:
        make_even(branch)
   return
```

Q7: Leaves

Write a function leaves that returns a list of all the label values of the leaf nodes of a Tree.

```
def leaves(t):
    """Returns a list of all the labels of the leaf nodes of the
    Tree t.

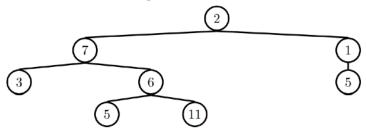
>>> leaves(Tree(1))
[1]
    >>> leaves(Tree(1, [Tree(2, [Tree(3)]), Tree(4)]))
[3, 4]
    """
    if t.is_leaf():
        return [t.label]
    all_leaves = []
    for b in t.branches:
        all_leaves += leaves(b)
    return all_leaves
```

Q8: Find Paths

Hint: This question is similar to find_path on Discussion 05.

Define the procedure find_paths that, given a Tree t and an entry, returns a list of lists containing the nodes along each path from the root of t to entry. You may return the paths in any order.

For instance, for the following tree tree_ex, find_paths should behave as specified



in the function doctests.

```
def find_paths(t, entry):
    0.010
   >>> tree_ex = Tree(2, [Tree(7, [Tree(3), Tree(6, [Tree(5), Tree
   (11)])]), Tree(1, [Tree(5)])])
   >>> find_paths(tree_ex, 5)
   [[2, 7, 6, 5], [2, 1, 5]]
   >>> find_paths(tree_ex, 12)
    ....
   paths = []
   if t.label == entry:
        paths.append([t.label])
   for b in t.branches:
        for path in find_paths(b, entry):
            paths.append([t.label] + path)
   return paths
```