

The Ultimate Link Rewriting Hack

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What do we do at



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We connect **Verified Identities** To **Applications** With **Continuous Authorization**

*Instead of users to networks



Starting From Your **Biggest Risks**

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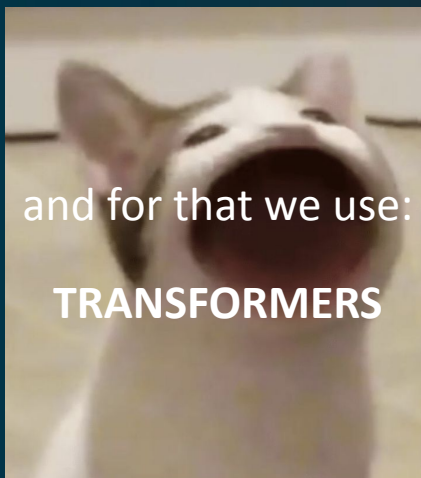
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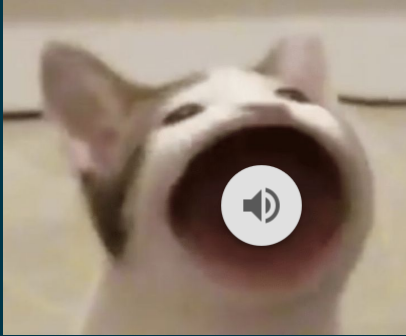


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When you see this cat you know that something went very wrong!

Transformers:

golang.org/x/text/transform

Package: `transform`

```
type Transformer interface {  
    Transform(dst []byte, src []byte, atEOF bool) (nDst int, nSrc int, err error)  
    Reset()  
}
```

Transformer transforms bytes.

``Transformer`` on pkg.go.dev



- Transform writes to dst the transformed bytes read from src.

Transformers:

```
// install a transform.Reader on the response  
// body with the caller's transform.Transformer  
// to transform the response body at it is read:  
tr := transform.NewReader(res.Body, transformer)
```

1st attempt:

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- Replace [app2.io](#) with [app2.cyolo.io](#) .

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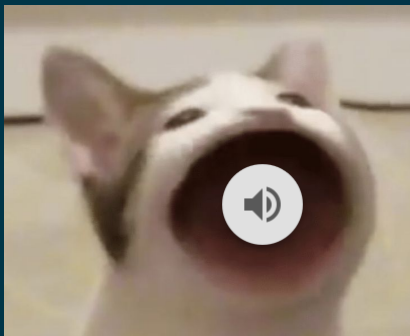
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panic: runtime error: index out of range
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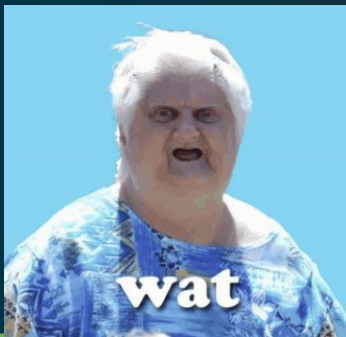
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- rune is an alias to int32 (4 bytes) used to store a UTF-8 encoding.

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```
for pos, char := range "日本語" {  
    fmt.Printf("character %c starts at byte position %d\n", char, pos)  
}
```

This prints :

```
character 日 starts at byte position 0  
character 本 starts at byte position 3  
character 語 starts at byte position 6
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```
return replace.RegexpString(regexp.MustCompile("(?i)" + regexp.QuoteMeta(old)), new)
```

- one liner that creates a struct that implements transform.Transformer.
- first argument is the to-be internal address that should be replaced.
- (?i) makes the regex case-insensitive which is exactly what we need.
- handles internally the unicode problem we had earlier.

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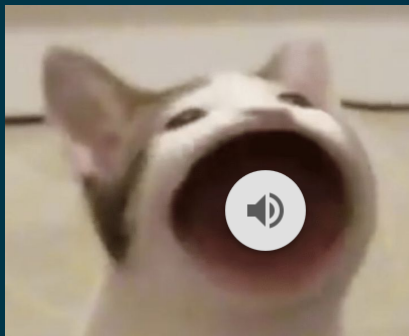
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Meow, 20mb JS file takes
30 seconds to process!!

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BenchmarkResponseRewriteTransformerForMappings/regex_many-11

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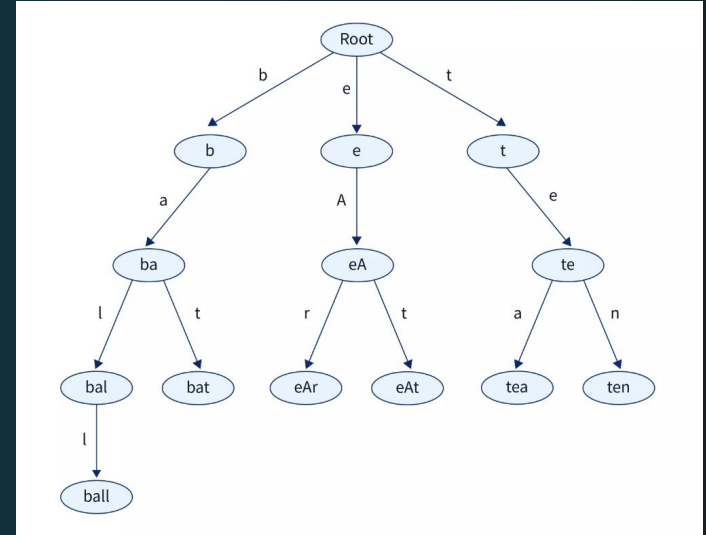
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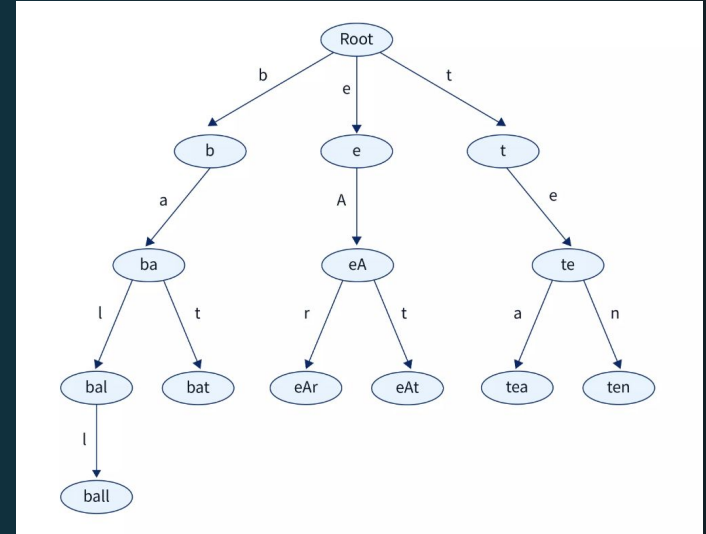
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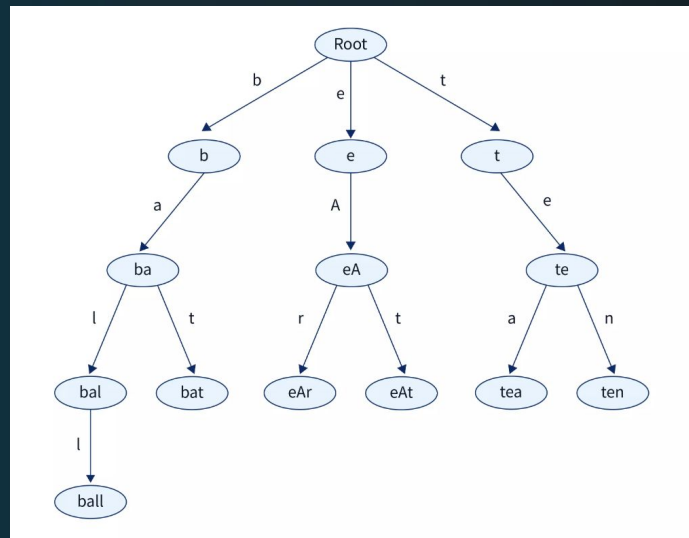
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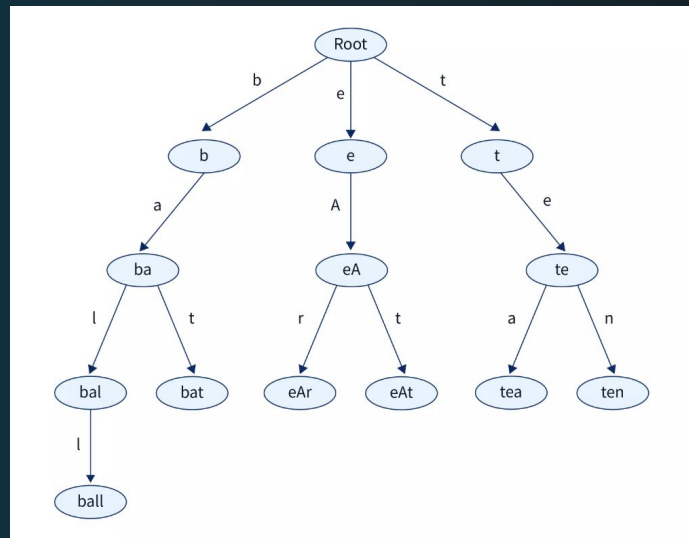
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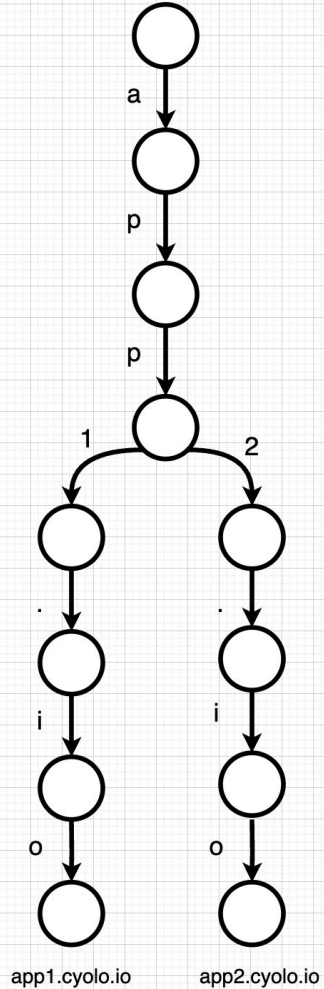
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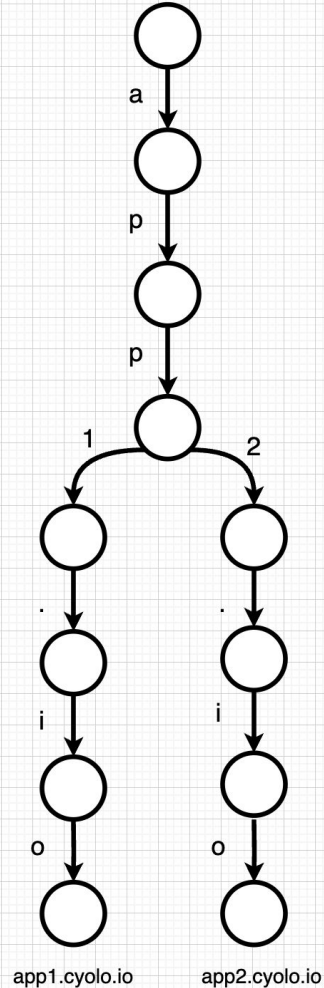
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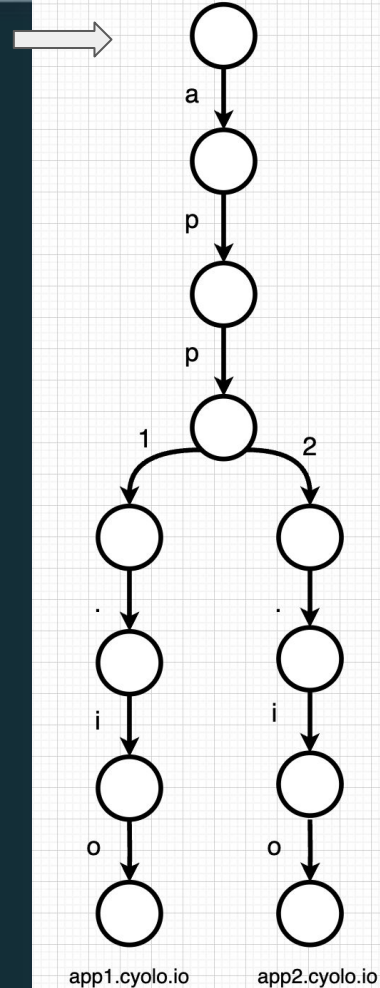
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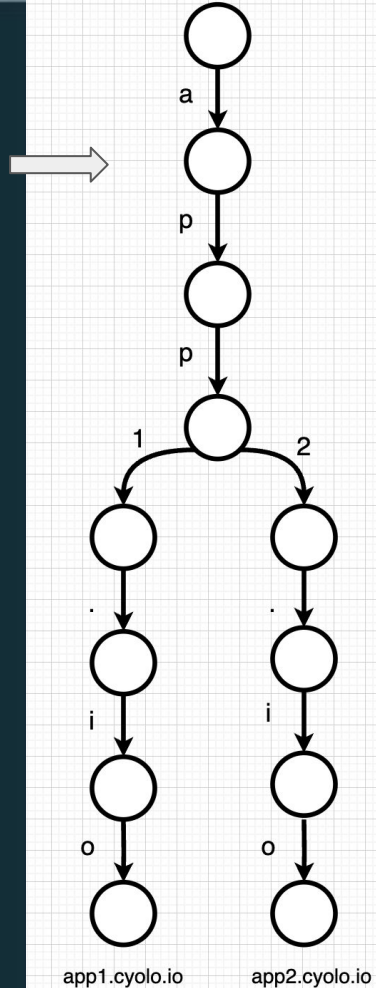
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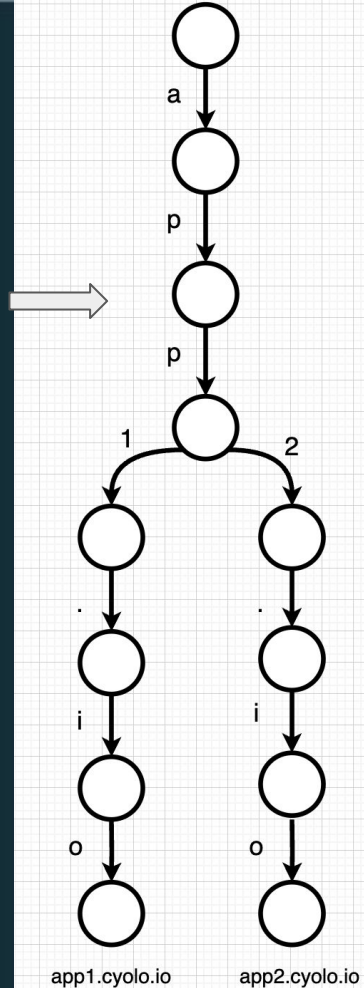
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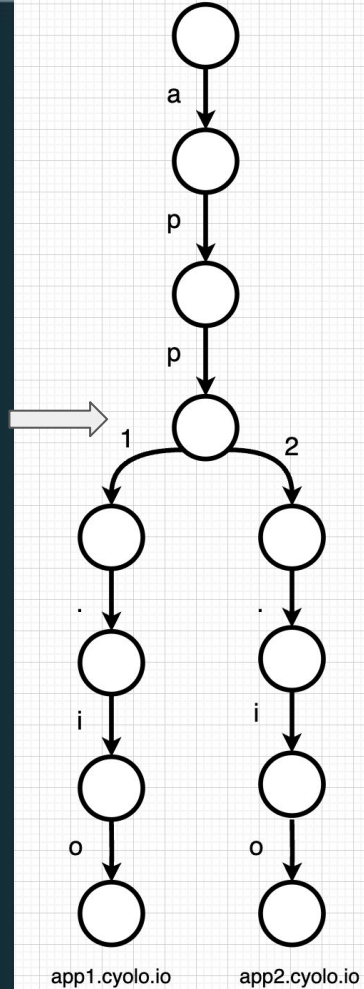
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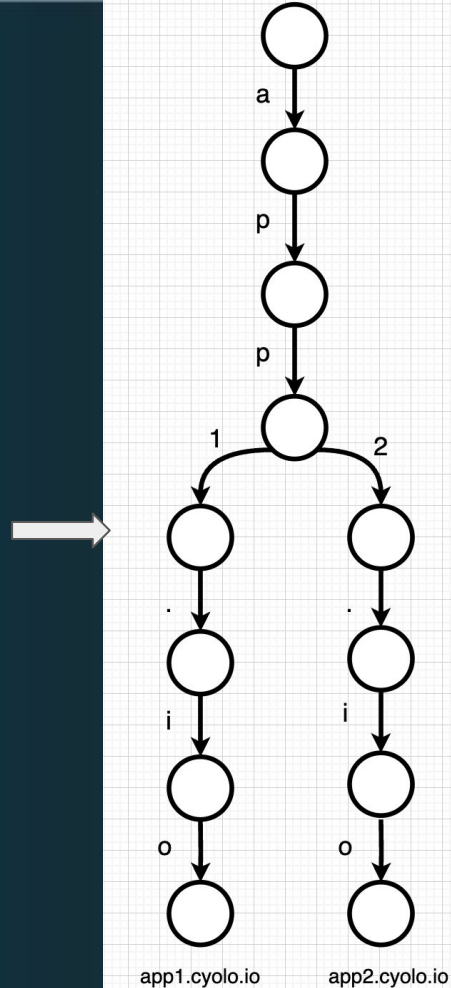
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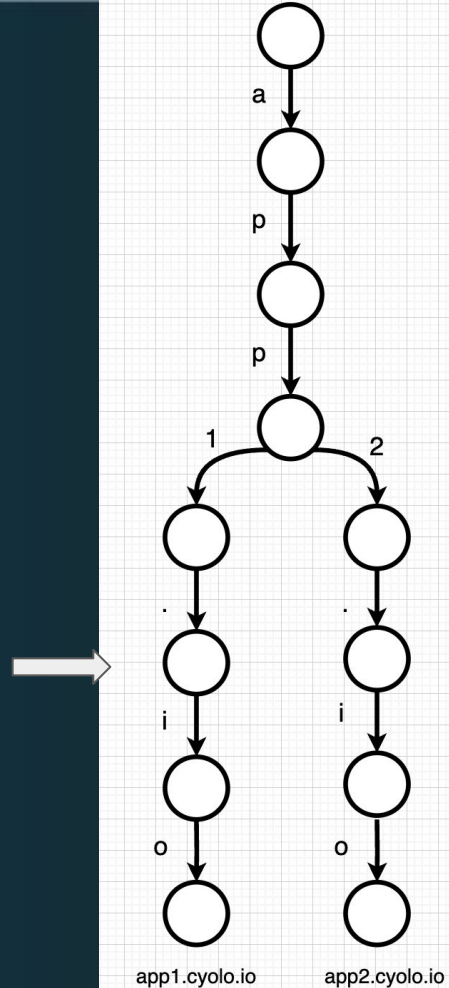
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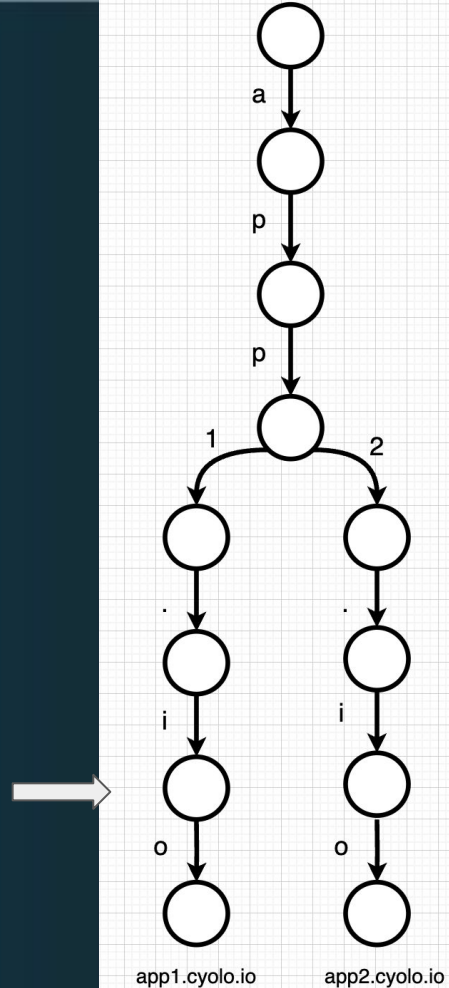
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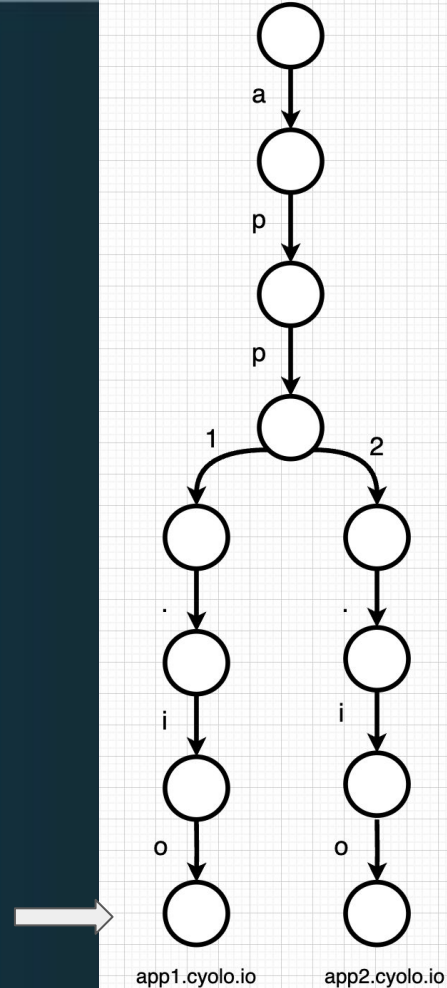
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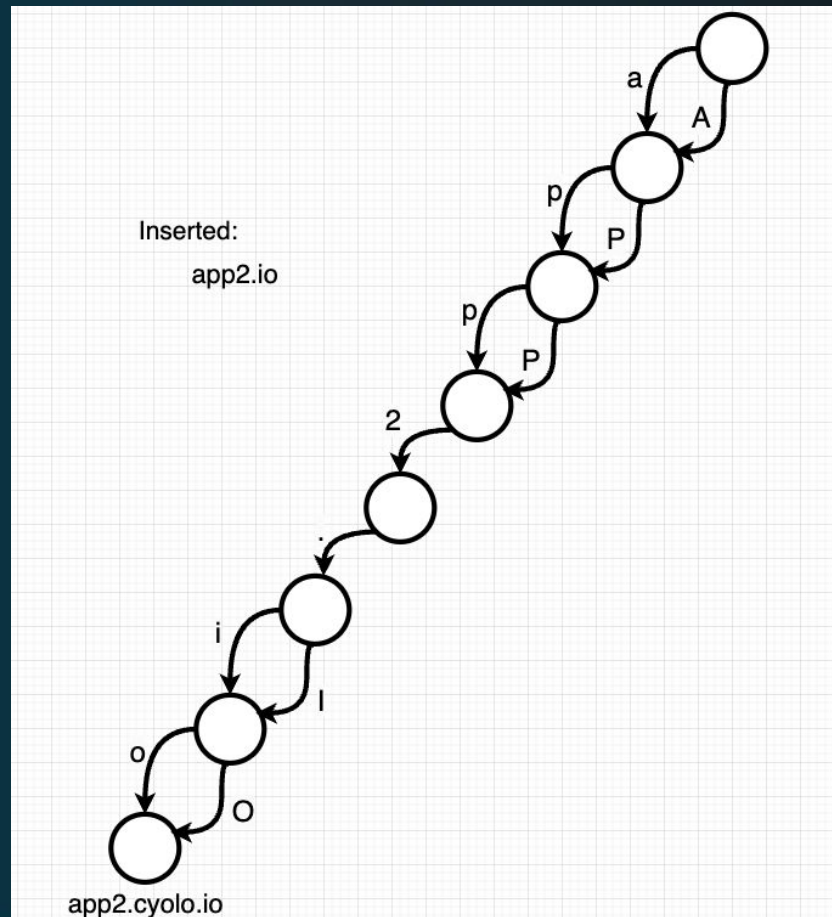
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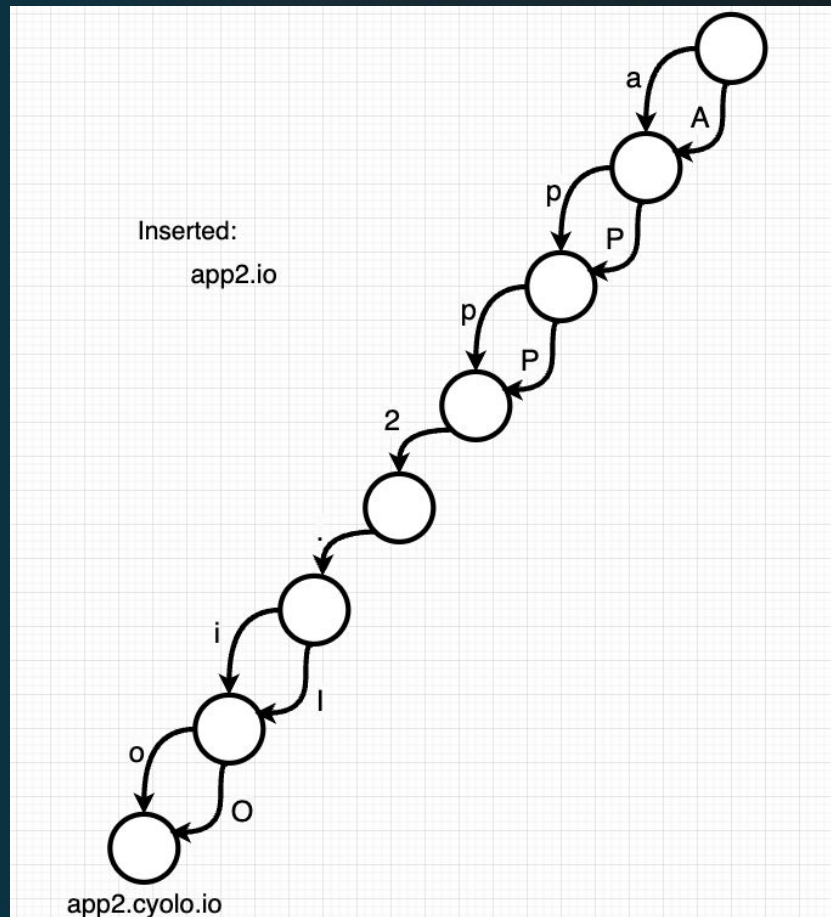
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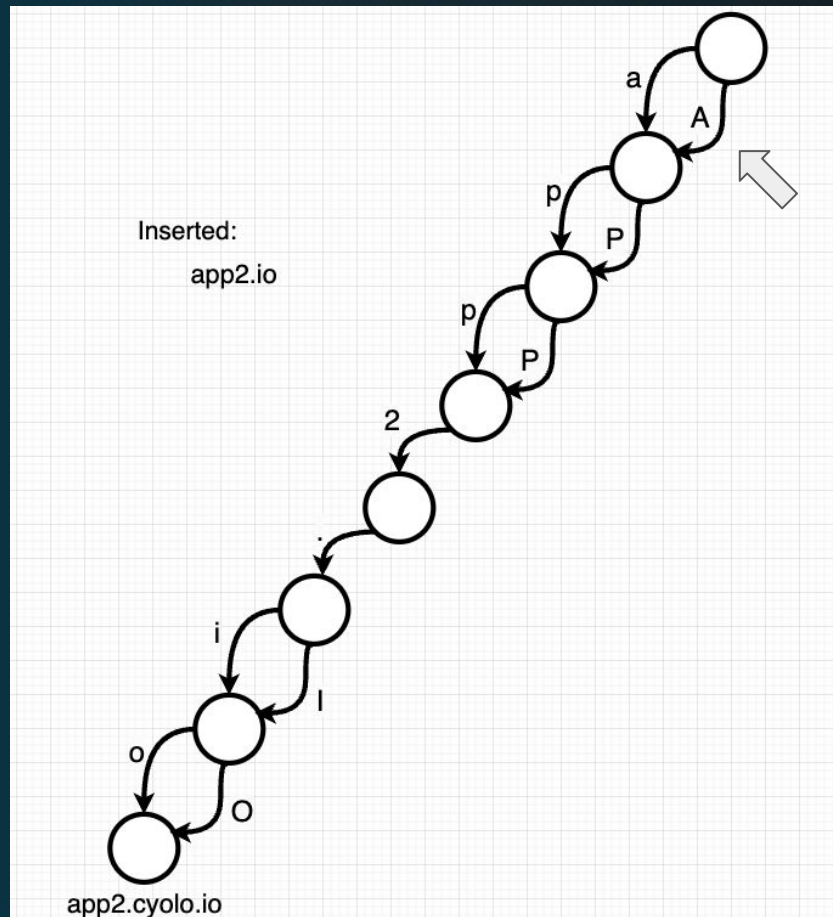
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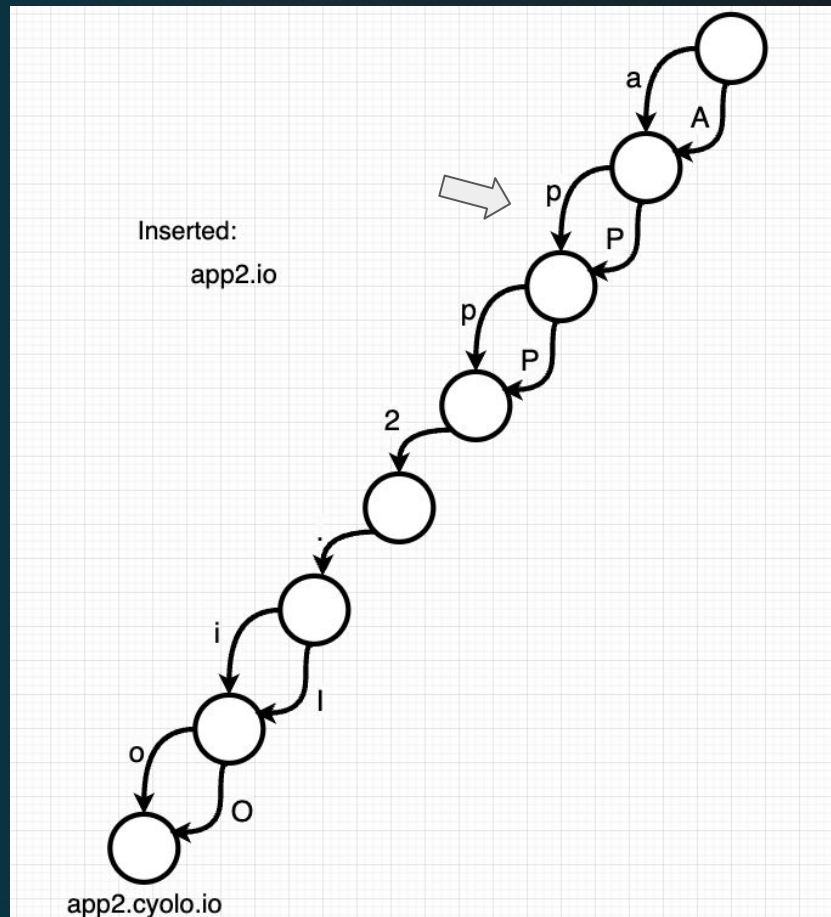
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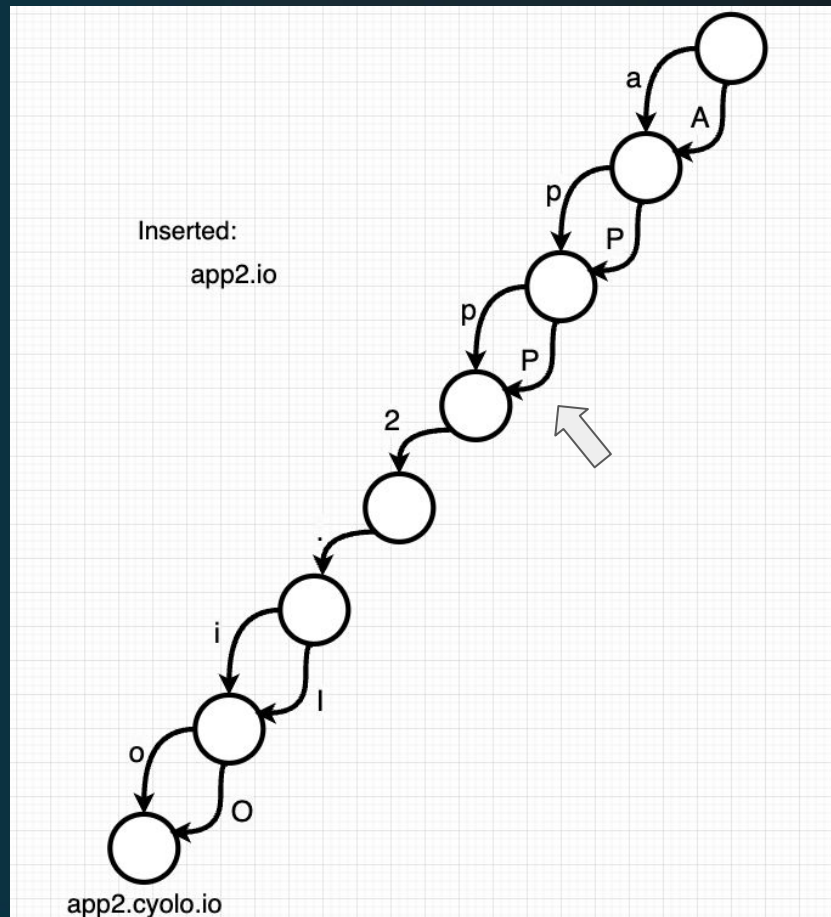
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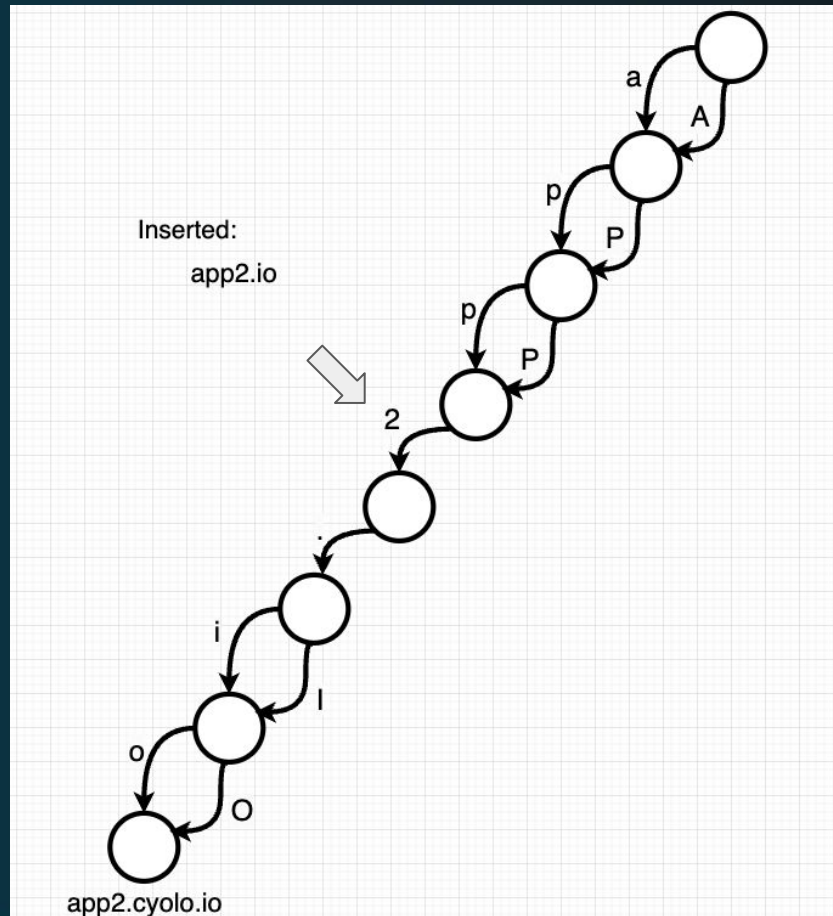
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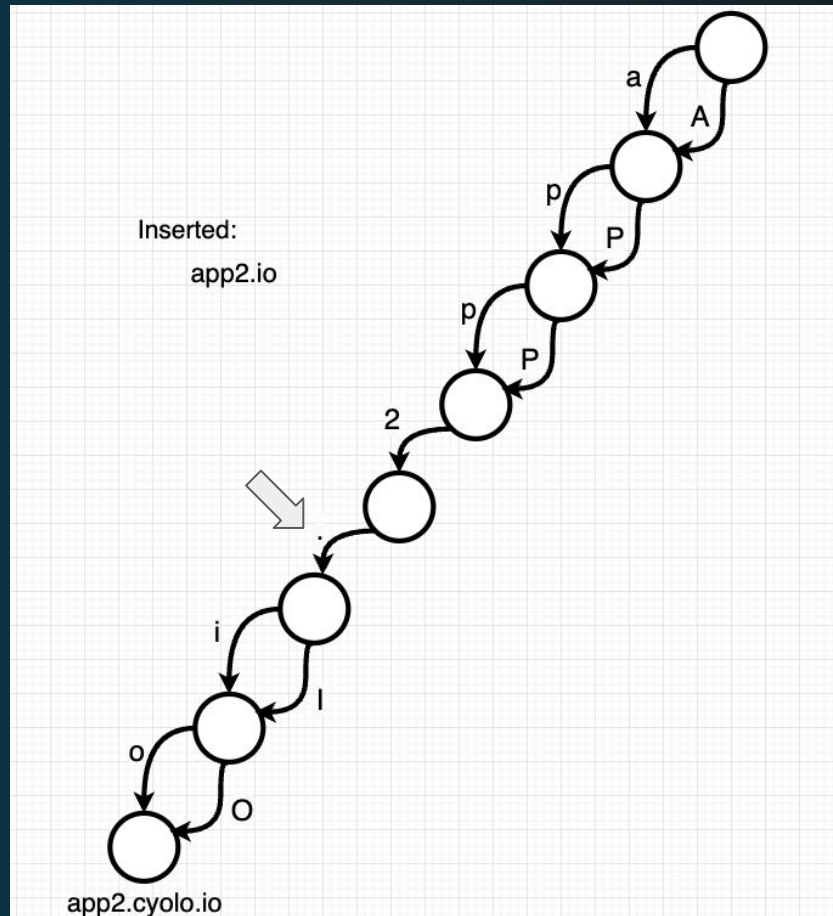
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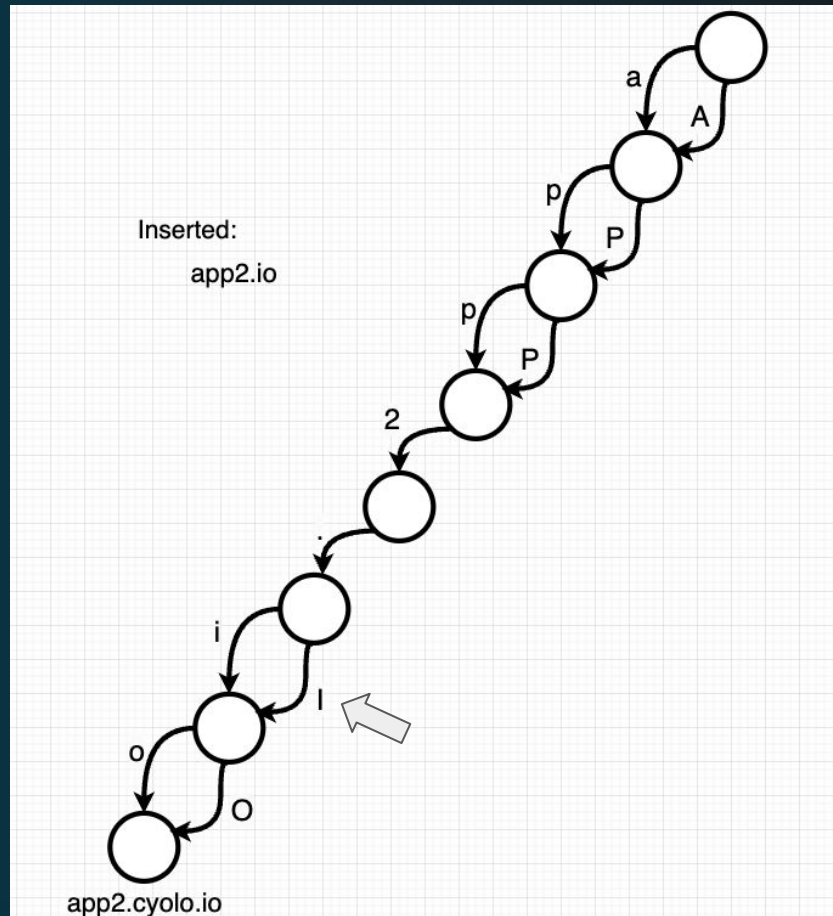
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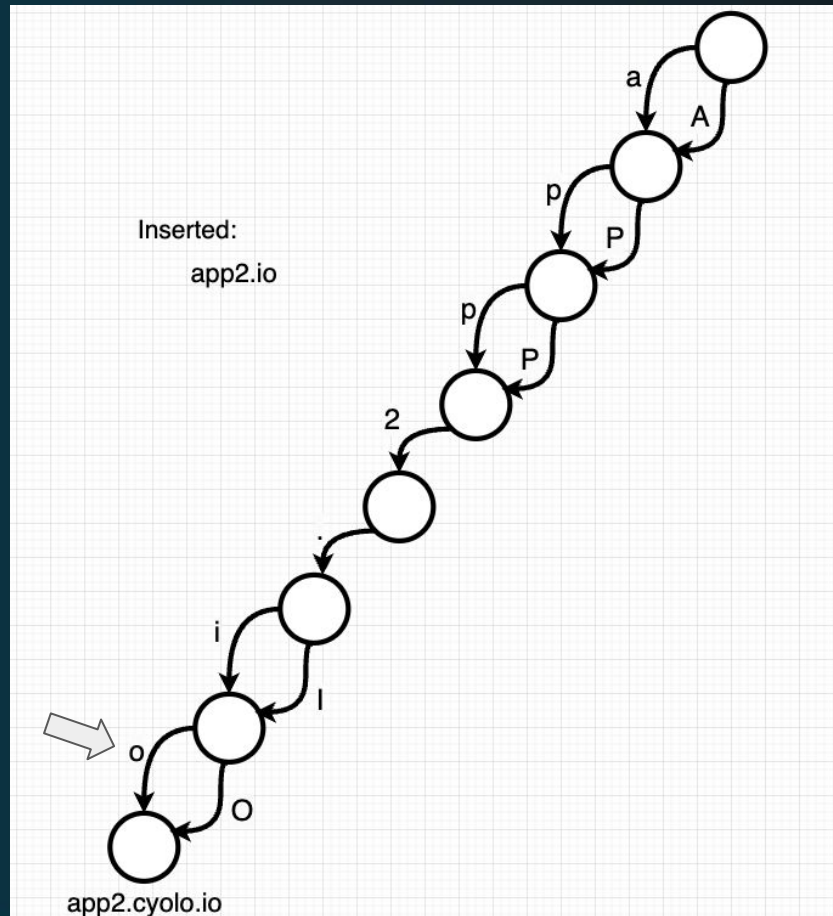
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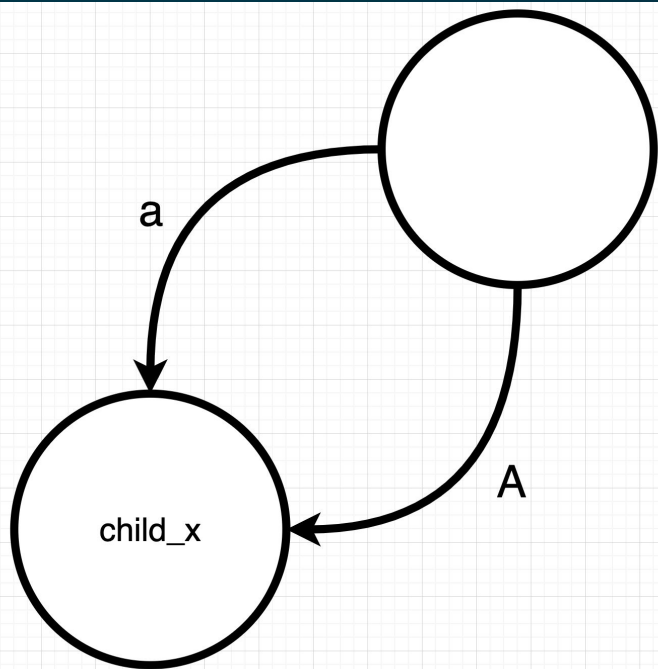
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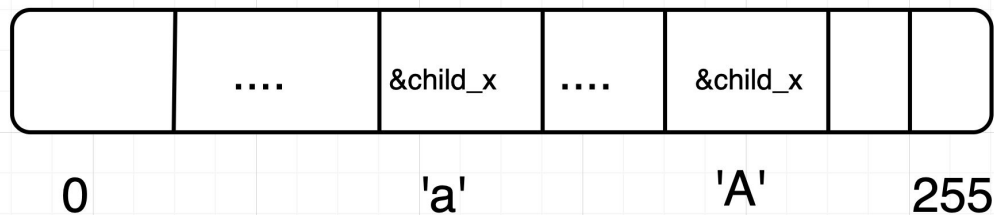


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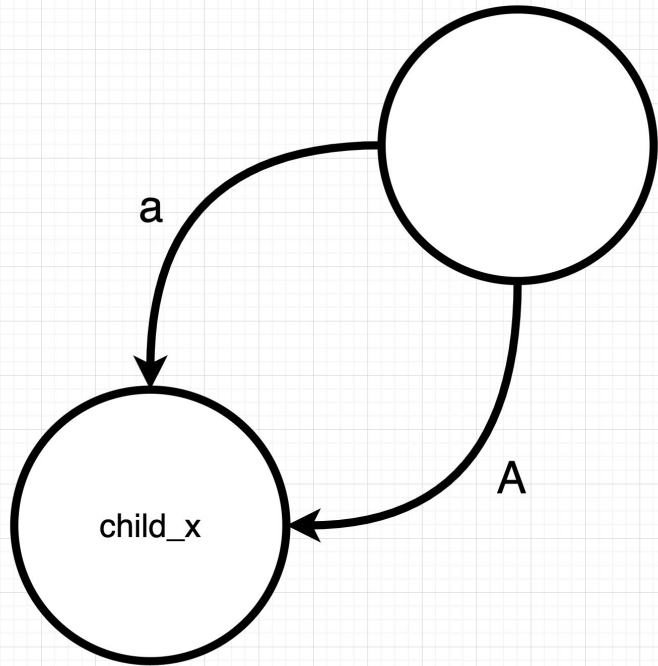
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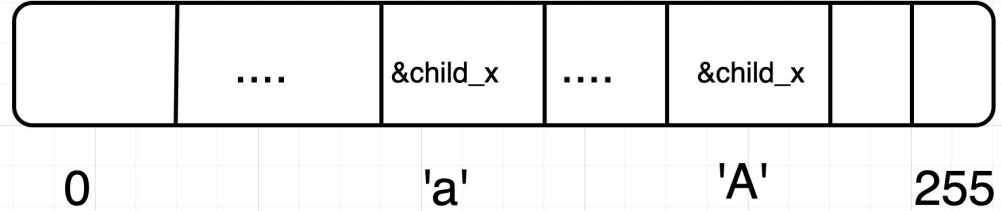
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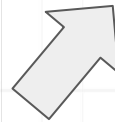
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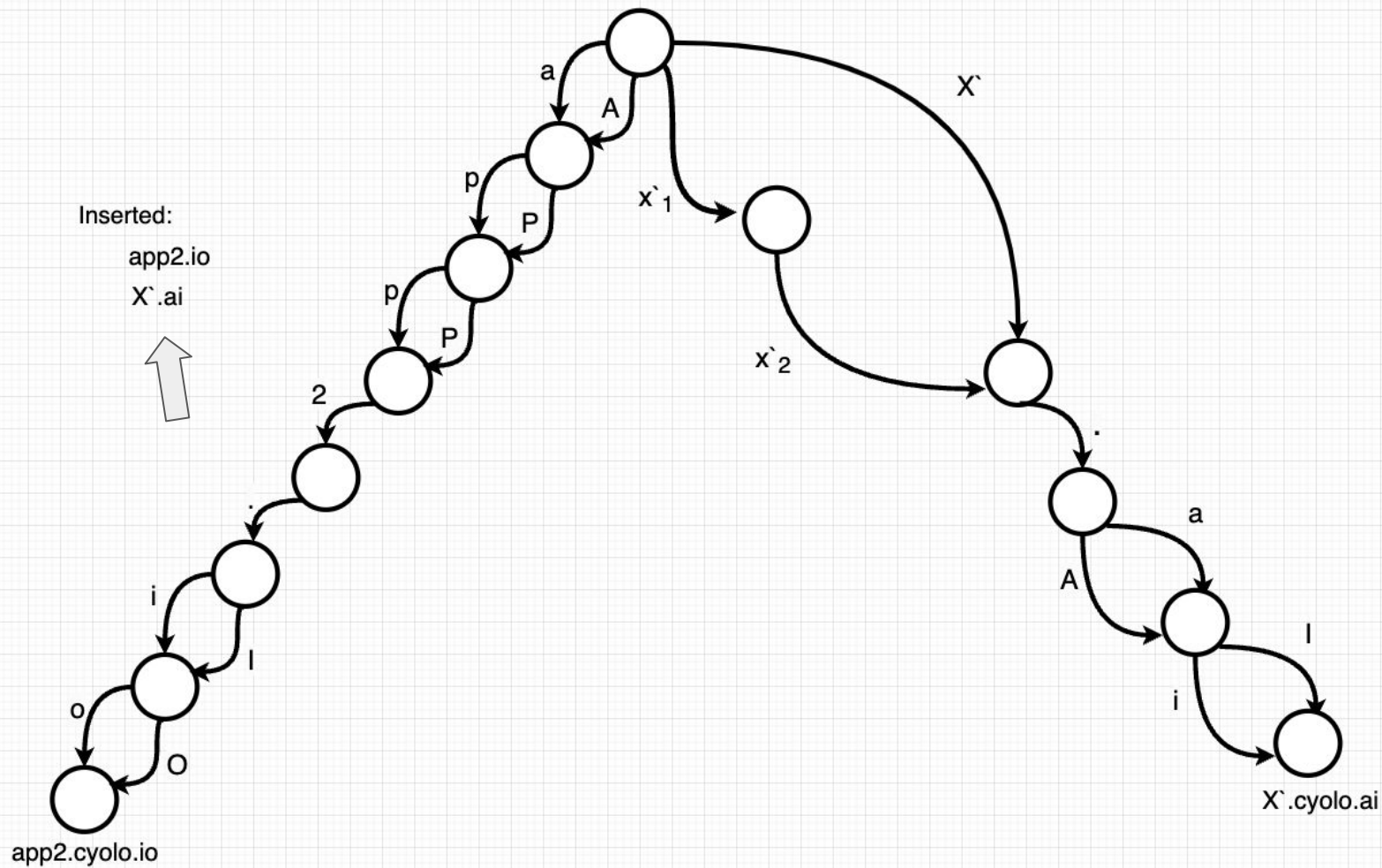


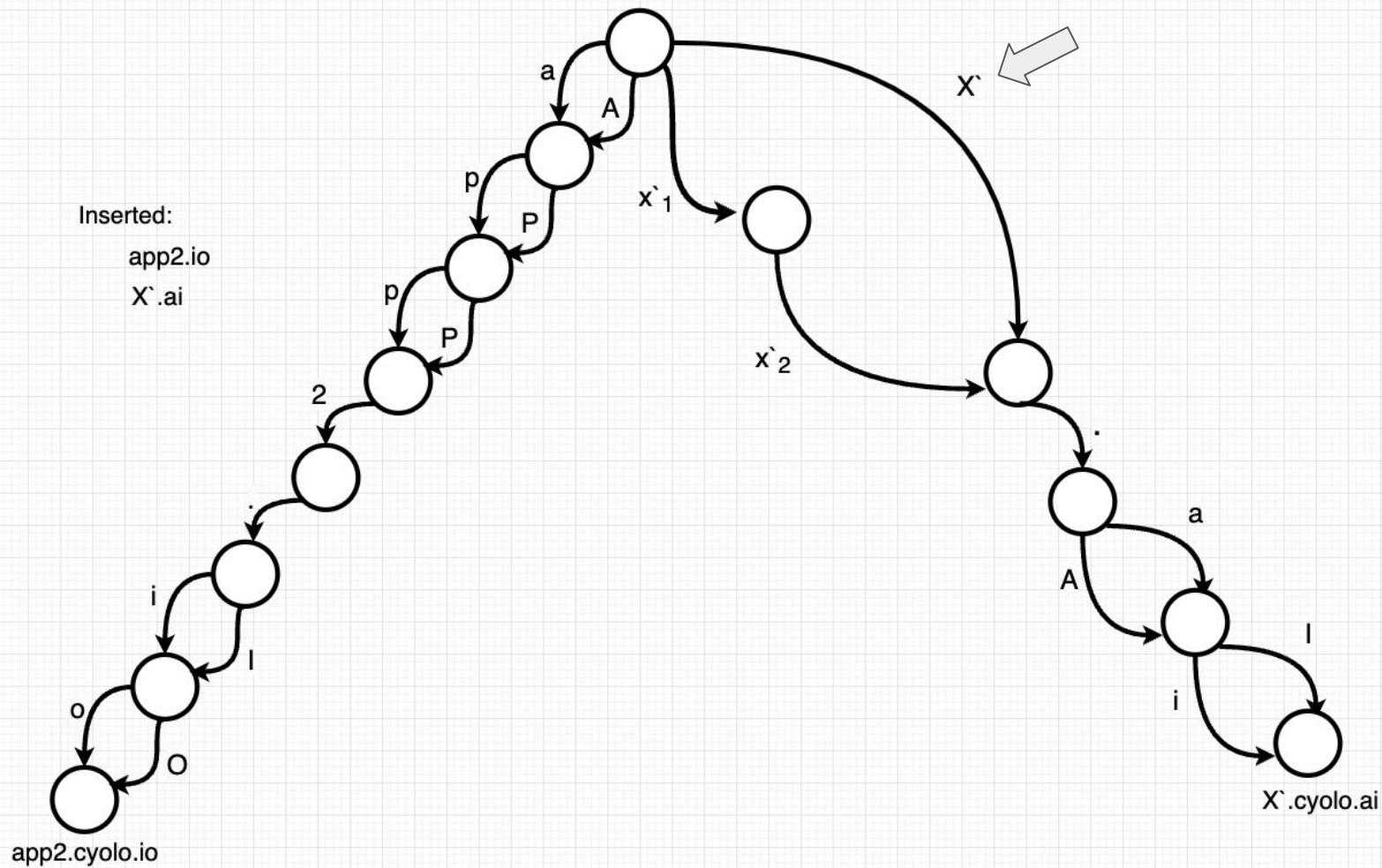
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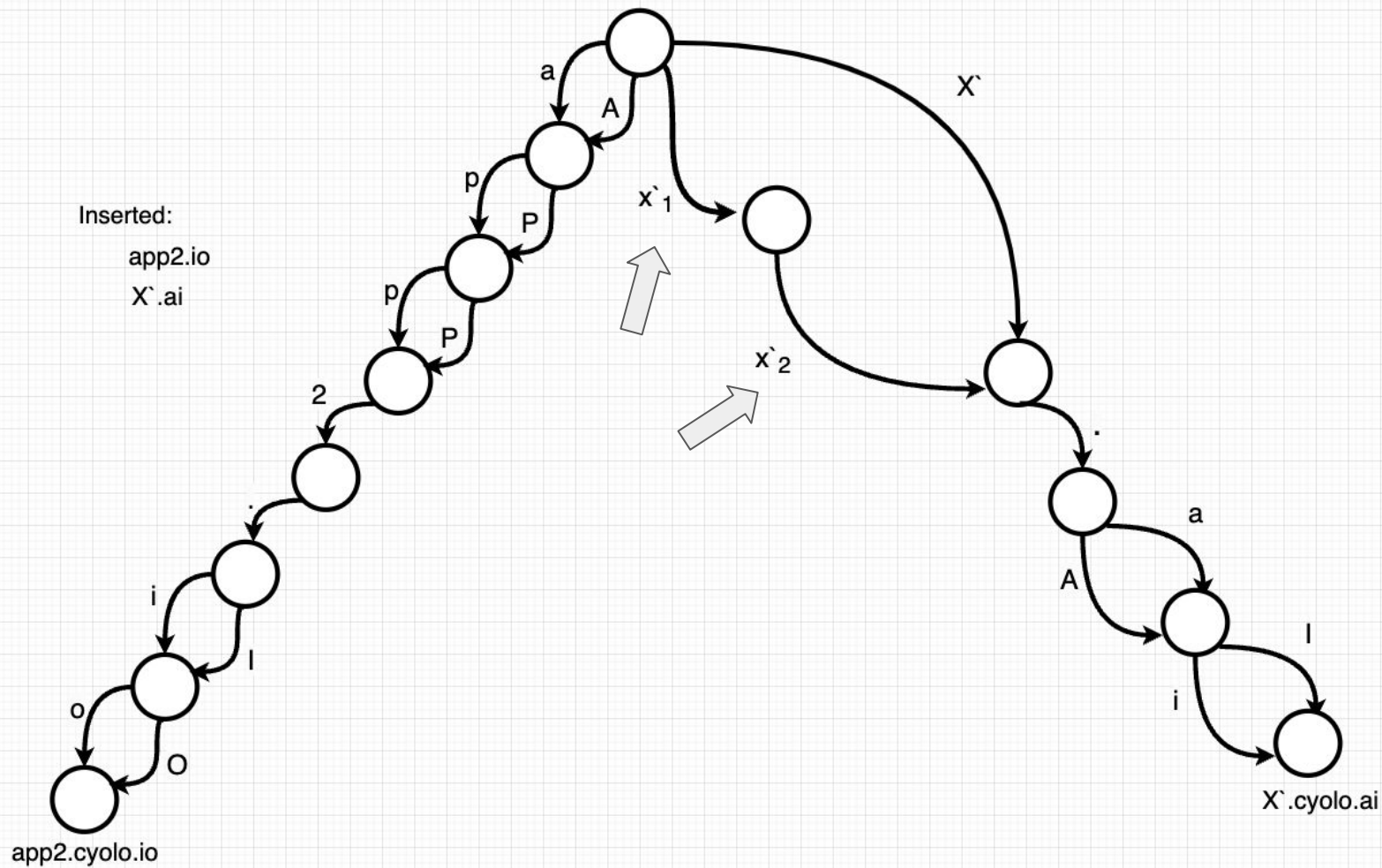


`children['a'] = children['A'] = &child_x`









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Building:

```
b := NewITrieTransformerBuilder()

_ = b.Add( oldString: "app1.io", newString: "app1.cyolo.io") // inserts to trie
_ = b.Add( oldString: "app2.io", newString: "app2.cyolo.io") // inserts to trie

return b.Build()
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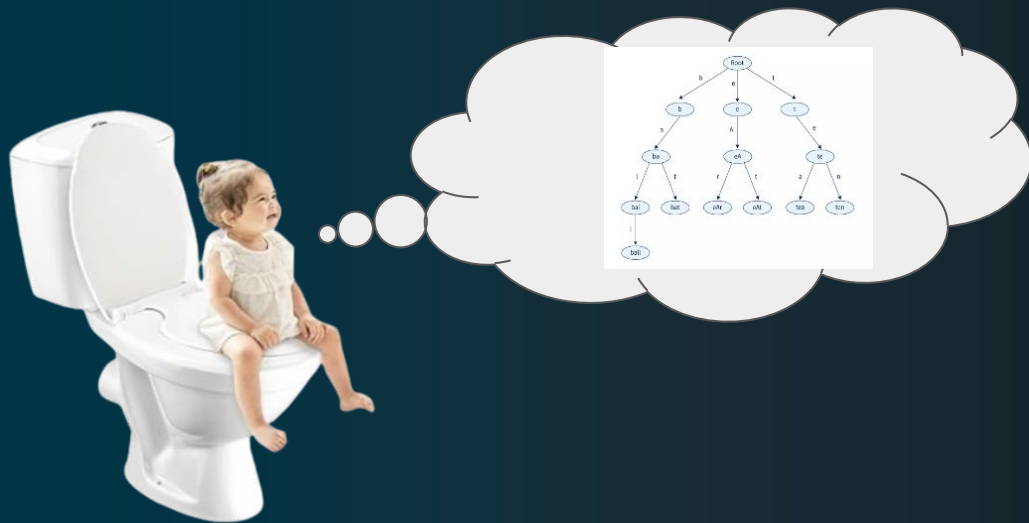


Machtul is back to sleep

Recap:

	Naive chunk-based	Regex	Trie
processing time	6 seconds	30 seconds	150 milliseconds
correctness	Panic	Ok	Ok

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Thank You!

Questions?