Assignment No. 6: Multi-way Trees

Transforms between different representations

Allocated time: 2 hours

Implementation

The correct and efficient implementation of linear complexity algorithms is required for transforming multi-way trees between the following representations:

R1: *Parent representation*: for each index, the value in the vector represents the parent's index, e.g.: $\Pi = \{2,7,5,2,7,7,-1,5,2\}$

R2: Multi-way tree representation: each node contains the key and a vector of child nodes.

R3: *Binary representation*: each node contains the key and two pointers, one to the first child and the second to the right sibling (e.g., the next sibling).

Therefore, you need to define transformation **T1** from the parent representation (**R1**) to the multi-way tree representation (**R2**), and then the transformation **T2** from the multi-way tree representation (**R2**) to the binary representation (**R3**). For all representations (**R1**, **R2**, **R3**), you need to implement the Pretty Print (**PP**) display (see page 2).

Define the data structures. You can use intermediate structures (e.g., additional memory).

Requirements

- 1. Pretty-print for R1 (5p)
- 2. Correct implementation for T1 and pretty-print for R2 (1p) + T1 in linear time (1p)
- 3. Correct implementation for T2 and pretty-print for R3 (2p) + T2 in linear time (1p)

The correctness of the algorithms should be demonstrated using the example from $\mathbf{R1}$ (Π). Use Pretty Print for all three representations.

Explain the data structures you used for representations **R2** and **R3**.

Analyse the time and space efficiency of the two transformations. Did you achieve O(n)? Did you use additional memory?

