Midterm Exam Part 2 (level-2) – A Hand-on Exam to implement different algorithmic requirements 50 points

Due (via your git repo) no later than 4:40 p.m., Thursday, 1st March 2021.

Part A (10 points):

The key focus is to test your understanding on algorithmic knowledge.



1. For simplicity, a starter code using the file named isa.xml is provided in the exam repository. The starter code is complete for the example provided below.

example: 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1

2. You are required to solve the sorting problem (in ascending order) for the input dataset provided below. Please note that by using the solution we can track the array changes based on i and j indices respectively. Modify and make edits to the isa.xml file to include your final solution.

input dataset: 3 1 5 2 6 4

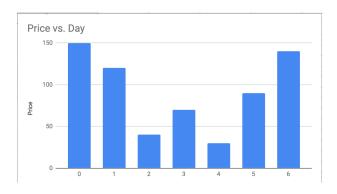
3. To provide additional support, the Insertion Sort algorithm is provided below for your reference:

```
Algorithm - Insertion(A)
Input: an n-element un-sorted array A of integer values.
Output: an n-element sorted array A of integer values.
 1: for i=1 to n do
 2: key \leftarrow A[i]
 3:
       j \leftarrow i - 1
       while j >= 0 and A[j] > key) do
 4:
          A[j+1] \leftarrow A[j]
 5:
 6:
          j \leftarrow j - 1
 7:
       end while
       A[j+1] \leftarrow key
 9: end for
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Part B (25 points):

The key focus is to test your understanding on algorithmic knowledge.



1. For simplicity, a starter code using a file named tsa.xml is provided in the exam repository.

example: 8 6 3 4 2 5 7

2. You are required to solve the stock span (time series) problem (in ascending order) for the input dataset provided below. Modify and make edits to the tsa.xml file to include your final solution.

input dataset: 8 5 3 4 2 6 7 1

3. To provide additional support, the Stock Span series algorithm is provided below for your reference:

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1: Initialize an empty stack D
 2: Initialize an array S
 3: for i = 0 to n - 1 do
       h \leftarrow 0
 4:
       done \leftarrow false
 5:
       while not (D is empty() or done) do
 6:
 7:
          if P[i] >= P[D.top()] then
            D.pop()
 8:
         else
 9:
10:
            done \leftarrow true
         end if
11:
       end while
12:
       if D is empty() then
13:
14:
         h \leftarrow -1
15:
       else
         h \leftarrow D.top()
16:
       end if
17:
       S[i] \leftarrow i - h
18:
19:
       D.push(i)
20: end for
21: return S
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Part C (15 points):

The key focus is to test your understanding on how to implement an algorithm.

1. The algorithm to be implemented is provided below:

Algorithm: ExpenseTracker(E)
Input: An n-element array E of expenses each day.
Output: An n-element array A of values such that A[i] is the average of elements E[0], E[1], ..., E[i]

1: Initialize a, i = 02: for (i = 0; i < n; i = i + 1) do
3: $a \leftarrow a + E[i]$ 4: $A[i] \leftarrow a/i + 1$ 5: end for
6: return A

- 2. For simplicity, a starter code using a file named expense.py and Expense.java is provided in the exam repository.
- 3. Make edits to the code based on your preference (Python or Java). The starter code is incomplete. Specifically, you are required to implement the compute method. The starter code already generates the input dataset. This input dataset has a series of expenses for an individual. The sample output or the expected output is purposefully left out from this requirement sheet. An underlying task being tested here is to find out what the algorithm does and what does the algorithm produce as an output. Analyze the algorithm provided above.

Submission Details

For this part of the exam, please submit the following to your GitHub repository by using the link shared to you by the Professor:

- 1. isa.xml, tsa.xml, and [expense.py or Expense.java].
- 2. A document to reflect your experience in this exam in a file named reflections.txt.
- 3. A document with the honor code pledge signed in a file named honor-code.txt document.
- 4. It is highly important, for you to meet the honor code standards provided by the college and to ensure that the submission is completed before the deadline. The honor code policy can be accessed through the course syllabus.