CS260 - Data Structure Programming Assignment 2: Autocomplete Assignment Report

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Question 1: 4 points

Data Structure: Answer the question below regarding the data structure you used in your implementation:

(a) [2 points] How did you store the contents of the file in memory?

Solution: write your answer here

(b) [2 points] In terms of the size of the input file being defined as n, what was the **space complexity** (i.e., amount of memory used) of your application? Explain. (Note: use asymptotic notation)

Solution: write your answer here

Question 2: 6 points

Sorting: Answer the question below regarding the sorting algorithm you used in your implementation:

(a) [2 points] Which sorting algorithm did you use in your program? Briefly explain how it works.

Solution: write your answer here

(b) [2 points] In terms of the size of the input file being defined as n, what was the **runtime complexity** of your sort algorithm? Explain.

Solution: write your answer here

(c) [2 points] In terms of the size of the input file being defined as n, what was the **space complexity** of your sort algorithm? Explain.

Solution: write your answer here

Question 3: 6 points

Searching: Answer the question below regarding the searching algorithm you used in your implementation:

(a) [2 points] How did you search for an interval of words that all start with the same substring? Briefly explain how your algorithm works.

Solution: write your answer here

(b) [2 points] In terms of the size of the input file being defined as n, what was the **runtime complexity** of your search algorithm? Explain.

Solution: write your answer here

(c) [2 points] In terms of the size of the input file being defined as n, what was the **space complexity** of your search algorithm? Explain.

Solution: write your answer here

Question 4: 4 points

Overall:

(a) [2 points] Do you think your algorithm could have been improved? If so, how? What would improve: runtime, memory usage, both? Explain.

Solution: write your answer here

- (b) [2 points] Assume that you have an input file of size 50 thousand entries. In terms of runtime, how long will your program take:
 - if it searches for a single query word and then terminates?
 - if it searches for 1 million query words and then terminates?

Would you suggest a faster algorithm than yours for the first (or the second) case to improve runtime? Briefly explain.

Solution: write your answer here