

# Programming Exercise Junior Software Engineer (ML)

This exercise is here to allow you to do what you do best — write great code. It's your opportunity to shine and show us what you can do. And yes, you get to tell us all about it in the follow-up review session.

There is one mandatory problem for this exercise. There's also a few different bonus problems which you might choose to complete at your leisure; if you really want to impress us!

When ready, simply share your project and email us the github link. You can send the email to <a href="mailto:junita.mushenko@sypht.com">junita.mushenko@sypht.com</a> AND <a href="mailto:wilmer.yan@sypht.com">wilmer.yan@sypht.com</a>

Also attached is the sentiment.zip file which includes the sentiment analysis task. At the follow up review session, you can take us through your thinking! We can't wait to hear how your unique brain ticks!

Happy coding!

The Sypht team

# Mandatory Problem

This one is a mandatory problem and should be completed using Python.

# **Date Calculator**

You have joined a science project where a series of experiments are run for which you need to calculate the number of full days elapsed in between two events.

The first and the last day are considered partial days and never counted. Following this logic, the distance between two related events on 03/08/2018 and 04/08/2018 is 0, since there are no fully elapsed days contained in between those, and 01/01/2000 to 03/01/2000 should return 1.

The solution needs to cater for all valid dates between 01/01/1901 and 31/12/2999.

#### Test cases

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1) 02/06/1983 - 22/06/1983 = 19 days
2) 04/07/1984 - 25/12/1984 = 173 days
3) 03/01/1989 - 03/08/1983 = 1979 days
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(Please note these dates are formatted DD/MM/YYYY)

#### Instructions

- Write a command-line based program that accepts date input from the console.
- You **should not** use any existing date libraries or functionality for your implementation.

I.e. no "import datetime"! We want to see how you tackle the problem from scratch.
- You may however use date libraries to **test your solution** (we encourage it!) - Consider other potential input sources & how your app might fit into a bigger system.

# **Bonus Problems**

For the Bonus problems there are no prescribed languages to choose from — simply read the problem description and pick a language that works for you.

## **Bonus Problem #1**

# Sypht!

We would love to see what you can do with the Sypht API. Sign-up for a free account (<a href="https://sypht.com">https://sypht.com</a>) and use one or more of the provided AI products to create a demo which shows off your skills.

Checkout <a href="https://app.sypht.com/marketplace/catalog">https://app.sypht.com/marketplace/catalog</a> for available extraction types. If there's something outside the free tier you'd like to use, just shoot us a message.

See <a href="https://github.com/sypht-team">https://github.com/sypht-team</a> for API client libraries (e.g. <a href="https://sypht.gitbook.io/sypht/">Python client</a>) and <a href="https://sypht.gitbook.io/sypht/">https://sypht.gitbook.io/sypht/</a> for the developer guide to help you get started.

#### Requirements

- Build a simple web app frontend for our REST API which lets a user upload files and view the results
- Do something on top of data extracted by Sypht, e.g:
  - $\circ$  Analyse or plot bill size distribution over time from a corpus of receipts  $\circ$  Integrate with a third party API to verify the Supplier ABN on an invoice  $\circ$  Cluster similar fields by label from data returned by the generic fieldset

# Bonus Problem #2

# Progress Pie

Progress bars are common in software; some accurately give you an idea of how an

application is progressing, other hang for what seems like an eternity, sometimes the application just shows a spinner or an hourglass to say 'something' is happening...

Sometimes the progress bar isn't a bar or an hourglass, it is a circle.

Imagine you are using an app that has a circular progress bar, or if you prefer, a progress pie. On the screen is a square area with its bottom corner at (0,0) and its upper-right corner at (100,100). Every pixel in this square is either white or black. Initially, the progress is at 0% and all pixels are white. When the progress percentage, P, is greater than 0% a sector of angle (P% \* 360) degrees is coloured black, starting from the line segment from the centre of the square (50, 50) to the centre of the top side (50, 100) and proceeding clockwise.



As you wait for the progress pie to fill in, you find yourself wondering whether certain points would be white or black at different amounts of progress.

## Input

The input file begins with an integer T, the number of points you're curious about. For each point, there is a line containing three space-separated integers, P, the amount of progress as a percentage, and X and Y, the coordinates of the point.

### Output

For the ith point, print a line containing "Case #i: " followed by the color of the point, either "black" or "white".

#### Constraints

- $1 \le T \le 1,000$
- $0 \le P, X, Y \le 100$
- Whenever a point (X, Y) is queried, it's guaranteed that all points within a distance of  $10^{-6}$  of (X, Y) are the same color as (X, Y).

### Sample

Input	Output
5 0 55 55 12 55 55 13 55 55 99 99 99 87 20 40	Case #1: white Case #2: white Case #3: black Case #4: white Case #5: black

In the first case all of the points are white, so the point at (55, 55) is of course white.

In the second case, (55, 55) is close to the filled-in sector of the circle, but it's still White.

In the third case, the filled-in sector of the circle now covers (55, 55), coloring it black.

#### Instructions

- Write a program that solves the problem above for any number of valid coordinates.
- We encourage you to test your solution and make those tests reproducible by us. Consider other potential input sources & how your app might fit into a bigger system.

# Bonus Problem #3

# Sentiment Analysis

This challenge involves classifying product reviews as either positive or negative; given the text of a review comment as input. You don't need to be an expert in NLP! We're just as interested in how you structure your solution, prepare the dataset, choose a model and evaluate your results in terms of the accuracy.

For this challenge you will need the attached zip file: sentiment.zip.Inside you will find a Jupyter Notebook named sentiment.ipynb which contains a description of the task and a directory named input which contains some sample data.

### **Instructions:**

- 1. Extract and run the provided notebook.
- 2. Answer the provided questions including source code for your solution as cells in the notebook.
- 3. Share your results with us! E.g. you could push them to a Github repo. Be sure to include and necessary instructions for us to reproduce your work.

Feel free to use existing machine learning libraries as components in your solution. At the review session, we'll ask you to run through your solution notebook, explain the problem and how it all works.

### Tips:

We are interested in what kind of accuracy you can whip up; but most of all — we care about how you get there! Don't spend too long chasing those last few decimal places of accuracy. Do spend time refining your approach, methodology and solution structure.