Python Programming for Engineers

Assignment # 3

Due date: Wednesday, Dec. 1st, 2021

IMPORTANT!

- 1. Submit your HWs **ONLINE** before the due date
- 2. HW reports should contain:
 - a. The description of the problem and proposed solution
 - b. The program code
 - c. Any program outputs
- 3. Submitted codes should be well-commented.

Problem 1:

Write a program that finds the common substrings between two strings *X* and *Y*. Your program should be case-insensitive (i.e., letter 'a' and letter 'A' are equivalent), and multiple occurences of a substring should be counted only once. For example, the strings "araba" and "BABA" have 5 common substrings: ('a', 'b', 'ab', 'aba').

Your program should print all the common substrings and their total count.

Problem 2:

Implement and test the **bucket sort** algorithm for different values of n and k, where the input is a random list of integers of length n, and integer values are in the range [0, k-1]. Compute and plot the execution times vs. (n+k) and show that the average complexity of bucket sort is O(n+k).

Problem 3:

Write a Python function, named "find_pattern", which accepts a list as input. The function will find and return a list of successive numbers that are increasing/decreasing by a fixed amount in the input list (there has to be at least 3 successive numbers in the pattern).

Example: Input list: [2, 8, 4, 6, **3, 2**, **1**, **0**, 8, 4, 7, 9, **5, 7, 9**]

Returned list: [[3,2,1,0], [5,7,9]]