QMB 3311: Python for Business Analytics

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Assignment 1

Due Sunday, January 23, 2021 at 11:59 PM in your GitHub repository

Instructions:

Complete this assignment within the space on your GitHub repo in a folder called assignment_01. When you are finished, submit it by uploading your files to your GitHub repo using the interface in a browser. You are free to discuss your approach to each question with your classmates but you must upload your own work.

Question 1:

In this exercise, you will run the program SUB_1_2_3_4.txt, which subtracts the number in register 2 from the number in register 1 and saves the result in registers 3 and 4. Register 4 will hold the absolute value of the difference and register 3 will hold an indicator for a minus sign: a zero in register 3 indicates that the difference is positive and a one in register 3 indicates that the difference is negative.

- a) Browse to the Webpage https://rodrego.it.tufts.edu/, on which you will run the RAP program.
- b) Choose two numbers to subtract from each other to test this program. Enter the first number in register 1 and the second in register 2.
- c) Take a screen shot of the Rodrego program in this initialized state and save it in png format as SUB_1_2_3_4_init.png. You might want to crop the image to show only the Rodrego screen, without the rest of your desktop on display.
- d) Run the program SUB_1_2_3_4.txt to completion.
- e) Take a screen shot of the Rodrego program in this completed state and save it in png format as SUB_1_2_3_4_end.png.
- f) Upload the two png files into the assignment_01 folder your GitHub repo. When you refresh your browser, you should see the images appear on the page. If not, verify that you have named the files precisely as specified and upload a new image file, as necessary.

Question 2:

In this exercise, you will run the program DIV_1_2_3_4.txt, which divides the content of register 1 by the content of register 2, and puts the answer in register 3, with the remainder in register 4. This program works by repeatedly subtracting one number from the other and counting the number of subtractions, leaving a partial subtraction as a remainder.

- a) Browse to the Webpage https://rodrego.it.tufts.edu/, on which you will run the RAP program.
- b) Choose two numbers to divide to test this program. Enter the first number in register 1 and the second in register 2.
- c) Take a screen shot of the Rodrego program in this initialized state. Wait until you see the result to name this file.
- d) Run the program DIV_1_2_3_4.txt to completion.
- e) Check the result. Are the correct values in registers 3 and 4?
 - i) If so, name the first image DIV_1_2_3_4_init_success.png. Then take a screen shot of the Rodrego program in this completed state and save it as DIV_1_2_3_4_end_success.png.
 - ii) If not, name the first image DIV_1_2_3_4_init_problem.png. Then take a screen shot of the Rodrego program in this completed state and save it as DIV_1_2_3_4_end_problem.png.
- f) Repeat the process in steps (a)–(d) with different values until you find a case that succeeded and another that caused a problem. [Hint: Think about what can go wrong with division. Another hint: If you would like to terminate a program, you can press the "Reset" button on the Rodrego interface.] Name the two additional files of your second case as in step (e)(i) or (e)(ii), according to the outcome.
- g) Upload all four png files into the assignment_01 folder your GitHub repo. When you refresh your browser, you should see the images appear on the page. If not, verify that you have named the files precisely as specified and upload a new image file, as necessary.