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Principles and Applications of Programming

Exercise 4

This coursework consists of Three questions. You must attempt all questions

The marking scheme is a follows:

- 1. Spellchecker.java [up to 15 marks]
- . if the word is correct and is added at the correct place in the dictionary (up to 5 marks)
- . if user has to type the correct spelling and the file is updated with the correct spelling (up to 10)
- 2. a method that implements The soundEx algorithm [up to 10 marks]
- 3. SpellcheckerSuggestion.java. [up to 20 marks]
 - if the suggestion is correctly implemented (up to 10)
 - if no suggestion was found and the user has to type the correct spelling, update the file and the dictionary accordingly (up to 10 marks)
- 4. (up to 5 marks) for a well commented source code!

Question 1

(a) Write a program, Spellchecker.java, that takes a file as command line argument, goes through a file and every time it finds a word not in the dictionary it offers the user the following: It prompts the user either to accept a word and add it to the dictionary or to enter a replacement. The correct spellchecked file should be stored in a different file.

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(b) Find out about the SoundEx algorithm and write a method that implements it (up to 5 marks) or Find out about the Levenshtein algorithm and write a method that implements it (up to 10 marks).

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(c) Write a program, SpellcheckerSuggestion.java, that takes a file as command line argument, goes through a file and every time it finds a word not in the dictionary it offers the user a list of similar words to choose from using the SoundEx algorithm. It prompts the user either to accept a word from the list or to enter a replacement or enter the correct spelling if none of the suggestions is the correct spelling. New words entered by the user should be added to a local dictionary. The correct spellchecked file should be stored in a different file.

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