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EE 209: Programming Structures for EE

Assignment 3: Customer Management Program

Part 2 - Customer Data Management API

Purpose

The purpose of this assignment is to help you learn how to implement common data structures in C and how to exploit them to achieve modularity in a real-world application. It also will give you the opportunity to gain more experience with the GNU/Linux programming tools, especially bash, emacs, and gdb.

Rules

Dynamic resizing of an array in task 1 is "on your own" part of this assignment. This part is worth 15% of this assignment.

Background

A data structure is a way of organizing data for efficient operation. In this assignment, you will implement the required functionalities (register, unregister, and find) of a customer management program using the following data structures.

- **Array**: an array is a collection of the same data type, where objects are stored linearly in memory.
 - **Hash table**: A more efficient implementation might use a *hash table*, which reduces the complexity to search for data. Hash tables are described in [Lecture 10](#) of this course, or Section 2.9 of *The Practice of Programming* (Kernighan & Pike) and Chapter 14 of *Algorithms in C, Parts 1-4* (Sedgewick).
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Your Task

You will implement and improve the customer data management API using various data structures. Your task in this assignment is threefold:

- [Task 1] Implement an API library for the customer data management, using a dynamically resizable array.
 - [Task 2] Implement the same API library using a hash table.
 - [Task 3] Test the correctness of your two libraries and measure the performance.
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The customer_manager Interface

customer_manager is an API library for the customer data management, where the users can register the customer information and perform lookup operations to retrieve the purchase amount information.

The customer_manager interface introduces a structure type definition, DB_T:

- Conceptually, the DB_T structure is used for saving the pointer(s) to the entire customer data.
 - The per-customer data includes the customer name, ID, and purchase amount (as defined in [Assignment 1](#)).

The customer_manager interface is described in a file named [customer_manager.h](#), and it contains these function declarations:

```
DB_T CreateCustomerDB(void);

void DestroyCustomerDB(DB_T d);

int RegisterCustomer(DB_T d, const char *id, const char *name, const int purchase);

int UnregisterCustomerByID(DB_T d, const char *id);
```

```

int UnregisterCustomerByName(DB_T d, const char *name);

int GetPurchaseByID(DB_T d, const char *id);

int GetPurchaseByName(DB_T d, const char *name);

typedef int (*FUNCPTR_T)(const char* id, const char* name, const int purchase);

int GetSumCustomerPurchase(DB_T d, FUNCPTR_T fp);

```

What each function does is as follows:

- CreateCustomerDB should **allocate memory for a new DB_T object** and any underlying objects.
 - On success, it would return a pointer to the memory block for the new DB_T object.
 - **If the function fails to allocate the memory, it should return NULL.**
- DestroyCustomerDB should free all memory occupied by the DB_T object and all the underlying objects.
 - If the given pointer to the DB_T object is NULL, it should do nothing.
- RegisterCustomer **registers a new item**, that is, a new user whose ID is id, name is name, and purchase amount is purchase to the DB_T object d.
 - This function should store a new user item with her customer information with d.
 - The **new item should own the id and name strings** by copying them to new buffers. Consider using **strdup()**. If you use strdup(), please add **-D_GNU_SOURCE** after gcc209. (e.g., \$ gcc209 -D_GNU_SOURCE -o testclient testclient.c)
 - On success, it should **return 0**. Otherwise (e.g., on failure), it should **return -1**.
 - If any of d, id, or name **is NULL, it is a failure. If purchase is zero or a negative number, it is a failure.**
 - If an item with the same id **or** with the same name already exists, it is a failure. You should not modify the existing item in this case, and should not leak memory for the new item. **A good strategy is to check if such an item already exists, and allocate the new item only if it does not exist.**
- UnregisterCustomerByID unregisters a user whose ID is id from the DB_T object, d.
 - On success, it should return 0. Otherwise, it should return -1.
 - If d or id is NULL, it is a failure. If no such item exists, it is a failure.
 - Make sure that **you free all the memory allocated for the item being unregistered.**
- UnregisterCustomerByName unregisters a user whose name is name from the DB_T object, d.
 - An identical function to UnregisterCustomerByID except that it matches name instead of id.
 - On success, it should return 0. Otherwise, it should return -1.
 - If d or name is NULL, it is a failure. If no such item exists, it is a failure.
 - Make sure that you free all the memory allocated for the item being unregistered.
- GetPurchaseByID searches for the purchase amount of the customer whose ID is id from a DB_T object d.
 - On success, it should return the purchase amount. Otherwise, it should return -1
 - If d or id is NULL, it is a failure. If there is no customer whose ID matches the given one, it is a failure.
- GetPurchaseByName searches for the purchase amount of the customer whose name is name from a DB_T object d.
 - An identical function to GetPurchaseByID except that it matches name instead of id.
 - On success, it should return the purchase amount. Otherwise, it should return -1
 - If d or name is NULL, it is a failure. If there is no customer whose name matches the given one, it is a failure.
- GetSumCustomerPurchase calculates the **sum of the numbers returned by fp** by calling fp for each user item. That is, this function iterates every user item in d, calls fp once for each user item, and returns the sum of the numbers returned by fp.
 - On success, GetCustomerPurchase should return the sum of all numbers returned by fp by iterating each user item in d.
 - If d or fp is NULL, it should return -1.
 - Note that fp is provided by the caller of GetSumCustomerPurchase. **fp is a function pointer that takes user's id, name, and purchase as parameters**, evaluates a specific condition on it, and returns a non-negative number. For example, the following code snippet shows the example of the function pointed by fp, which returns the half of the purchase amount of the user whose name contains with "Gorilla".

```

int GetHalfAmountOfUserWhoseNameContainsGorilla(const char *id, const char *name, const int purchase) {
    if (strstr(name, "Gorilla") != NULL)
        return (purchase/2);
    return 0;
}
...

// call of GetSumCustomerPurchase() with the above function
int value = GetSumCustomerPurchase(d, GetHalfAmountOfUserWhoseNameContainsGorilla);
printf("Sum of half purchase amounts of all users whose name contains Gorilla = %d\n", value);

```

[Task 1] The customer_manager Array Implementation

The goal of the first task is to implement the customer_manager API **using a dynamically resizable array**. Array is the simplest data structure that works well for a small number of user items.

Your first customer_manager implementation should be as follows:

- Follow the function prototype described in [customer_manager.h](#).
- Write your code in a file named customer_manager1.c ([skeleton code](#)).
- Avoid any memory leaks. Your customer_manager implementation should use a dynamically allocated memory (**i.e., in CreateCustomerDB() and DestroyCustomerDB()**). It should make sure to free all dynamically allocated memory when the memory is no longer needed.
- If desired, validate function parameters by calling the **assert** macro. Determining which invariant should be maintained is a part of your task.

Implementation tips:

- Define the **structure for a user item**, and allocate an array of the user item structure when CreateCustomerDB is called. **Use the initial array size as 1024.**
- A reasonable user item structure, a DB structure, and CreateCustomerDB is as follows. You can use the following code or define your own structure differently.

```
#define UNIT_ARRAY_SIZE 1024

struct UserInfo {
    char *name;    // user name
    char *id;      // user ID
    int purchase;  // purchase amount
};

struct DB {
    struct UserInfo *pArray; // pointer to the array
    int curArrSize;          // current array size (max # of elements)
    int numItems;            // # of stored items,
                            // needed to determine when the array should be expanded

    // add more records below if needed
    ...
};

...
DB_T CreateCustomerDB(void)
{
    DB_T d;

    d = (DB_T) calloc(1, sizeof(struct DB));
    if (d == NULL) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Can't allocate a memory for DB_T\n");
        return NULL;
    }
    d->curArrSize = UNIT_ARRAY_SIZE; // start with 1024 elements
    d->pArray = (struct UserInfo *)calloc(d->curArrSize, sizeof(struct UserInfo));
    if (d->pArray == NULL) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Can't allocate a memory for array of size %d\n", d->curArrSize);
        free(d);
        return NULL;
    }
    return d;
}
```

- Using calloc() to allocate the array is helpful since it initializes all elements (and their fields) to 0.
- For **RegisterCustomer**, find an empty element in the array, and store the **new user data in it**. Make sure that you **copy id and name strings** instead of just copying their pointers. **If there is no empty element, expand the array by calling realloc().** The increment amount should be 1024 elements each time you expand.
- In **UnregisterCustomerByID** or **UnregisterCustomerByName**, you search for the matching item, and **deallocate the name and id**. Optionally, you can set the name to NULL. This way, you can **easily know which element is empty by checking each element's name with NULL.**
- For **GetSumCustomerPurchase**, scan the array from index 0 till the max index, and call fp for each **_valid_ element**.

- Feel free to deviate from the above implementation tips if you have your own idea to make the code run faster or more efficiently

[Task 2] The customer_manager Hash Table Implementation

Unfortunately, using an array is slow when you deal with a large number of user items. Frequent registration and unregistration of a user item creates many holes (empty elements) scattered across the array, which, in turn, makes these operations slow. Adding, deleting, and searching of a user item would eventually depend on linear search (unless you take extra measures to manage the holes separately).

We improve the performance of customer_manager operations with a hash table in this task. Actually, you would need two hash tables. One is for looking up a user item with ID as a key, and the other is for a lookup with a name as a key.

Your hash table-based customer_manager implementation should:

- Follow the function prototype described in customer_manager.h.
- Reside in a file named customer_manager2.c.
- Avoid any memory leaks. For each call of malloc or calloc in any object, eventually there should be exactly one call of free.
- Use a reasonable hash function. You are welcome to use this one. Feel free to modify it or define your own hash function if you'd like.

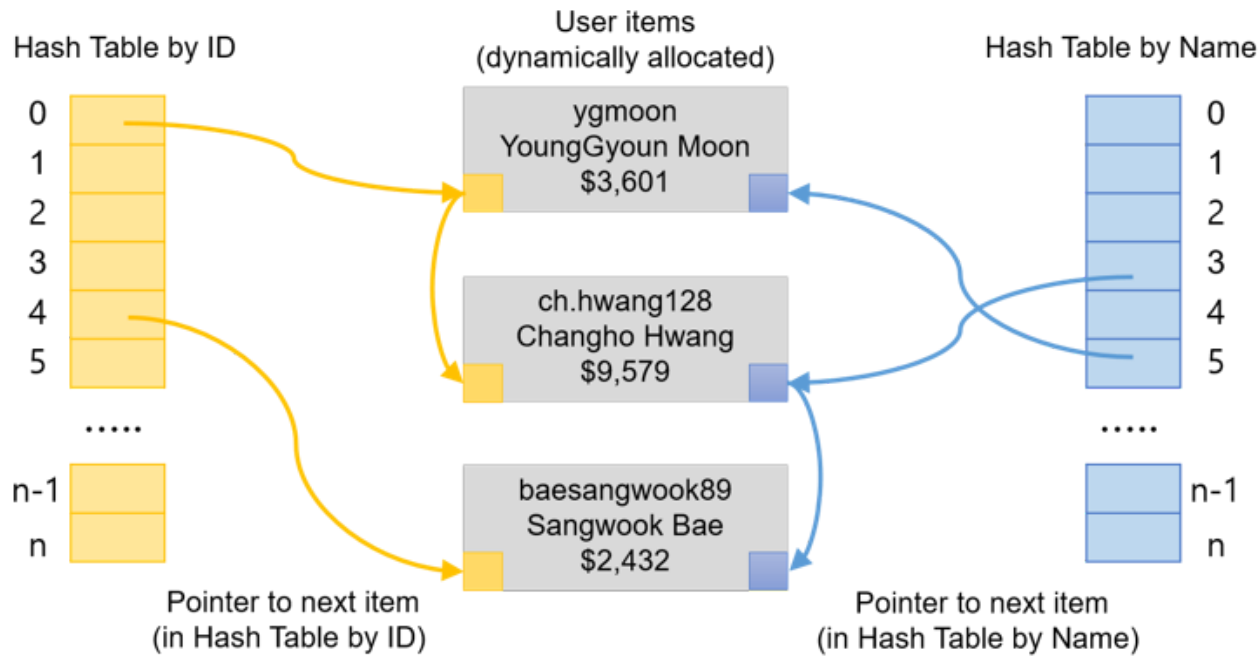
```
enum {HASH_MULTIPLIER = 65599};
...
static int hash_function(const char *pKey, int iBucketCount)
/* Return a hash code for pKey that is between 0 and iBucketCount-1,
   inclusive. Adapted from the EE209 lecture notes. */
{
    int i;
    unsigned int uiHash = 0U;
    for (i = 0; pKey[i] != '\0'; i++)
        uiHash = uiHash * (unsigned int)HASH_MULTIPLIER
            + (unsigned int)pKey[i];
    return (int)(uiHash % (unsigned int)iBucketCount);
}
```

Implementation tips:

- Reuse the user item data structure that you defined in task 1, but add proper fields to keep track of the next node in a hash table. You would need two such pointers in the new user item data structure since you will need to maintain two hash tables.
- Unlike the array-based implementation, each new registration would require memory allocation of a user item structure. Please review the code in Lecture 10 since your implementation could be similar to it except that you need to maintain two hash tables here.
- Avoid gross inefficiencies. In particular, it would be grossly inefficient to hash the given key multiple times when a single time would suffice.
- Start the hash table bucket size as 1024 entries.
- (Extra credit: 15%) Implement hash table expansion. When the number of nodes (user items) in a hash table reaches 75% of the number of buckets, expand the hash table to double the number of buckets. That is, your initial number of buckets is 1024. When the number of nodes reaches $(0.75 * 1024)$, you expand the number of buckets to 2048. Again, when the number of nodes reaches $(0.75 * 2048)$, the next number of buckets should be 4096. The max number of buckets is 1 million $(1,048,576 = 2^{20})$, so even if the number of nodes exceeds 1 million, don't expand the hash table. Note that even after hash table expansion, you should be able to retrieve all existing user items already registered before hash table expansion. Mark if you implement hash table expansion in your readme file.

The following figure represents an example hash table-based customer_manager implementation (it uses the hash_function mentioned above).

- hash_function("ygmoon", n) and hash_function("ch.hwang128", n) are 0.
- hash_function("baesangwook89", n) is 4.
- hash_function("Changho Hwang", n) and hash_function("Sangwook Bae", n) are 3.
- hash_function("YoungGyou Moon", n) is 5.



[Task 3] Testing Your Library and Measuring the Performance

We provide [testclient.c](#) to test your implementations. It first checks the correctness of your library functions and measures the performance over various user items. Note that we may use other programs for grading.

To compile your code, do the following:

```
// test your array-based implementation
$ gcc209 -o testclient1 testclient.c customer_manager1.c
$ ./testclient1

// test your hash table-based implementation
$ gcc209 -o testclient2 testclient.c customer_manager2.c
$ ./testclient2
```

(Extra credit: 15%) We will give an extra credit to the student whose implementation is the fastest among all students. We may use our own program to measure the performance.

Logistics

Develop in your own environment using emacs to create source code and gdb to debug. Make sure to compile with gcc209 and test your code on lab machine before submission.

Please follow the steps through Task 1 to Task 3 to complete the customer_manager API, and test your libraries.

We give two opportunities for getting an extra credit (each 15%).

- (Extra credit 15%): Implement hash table expansion.
- (Extra credit 15%): Make your implementation the fastest among all submissions.

Create a readme text file that contains:

- Your name.
- A description of whatever help (if any) you received from others while doing the assignment, and the names of any individuals with whom you collaborated, as prescribed by the course "Policy" web page.
- Compare the implementation of customer_manager using array and the one using hash table respectively. Please try to provide reasonable explanation for the pros and cons of each implementation.
- Whether you implemented hash table expansion or not. If you implemented it, state which functions implement it.

- (Optionally) An indication of how much time you spent doing the assignment.
 - (Optionally) Your assessment of the assignment.
 - (Optionally) Any information that will help us to grade your work in the most favorable light. In particular you should describe all known bugs.
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Submission

Use [KAIST KLMS](#) to submit your assignments. Your submission should be one gzipped tar file whose name is

YourStudentID_assign3.tar.gz

Your submission need to include the following files:

- (Task 1) customer_manager1.c
 - (Task 2) customer_manager2.c
 - (Task 3) no file is needed.
 - readme text file
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Grading

We will grade your work on quality from the user's point of view and from the programmer's point of view. To encourage good coding practices, we will deduct points if gcc209 generates warning messages.

From the user's point of view, your module has quality if it behaves as it should.

In part, style is defined by the rules given in *The Practice of Programming* (Kernighan and Pike), as summarized by the [Rules of Programming Style](#) document. These additional rules apply:

Names: You should use a clear and consistent style for variable and function names. One example of such a style is to prefix each variable name with characters that indicate its type. For example, the prefix `c` might indicate that the variable is of type `char`, `i` might indicate `int`, `pc` might mean `char*`, `ui` might mean `unsigned int`, etc. But it is fine to use another style -- a style which does not include the type of a variable in its name -- as long as the result is a readable program.

Line lengths: Limit line lengths in your source code to 72 characters. Doing so allows us to print your work in two columns, thus saving paper.

Comments: Each source code file should begin with a comment that includes your name, the number of the assignment, and the name of the file.

Comments: Each function should begin with a comment that describes what the function does from the caller's point of view. The function comment should:

- Explicitly refer to the function's parameters (by name) and the function's return value.
- State what, if anything, the function reads from standard input or any other stream, and what, if anything, the function writes to standard output, standard error, or any other stream.
- State which global variables the function uses or affects.
- Appear in both the interface (.h) file for the sake of the *clients* of the function and the implementation (.c) file for the sake of the *maintainers* of the function.

Comments: Each structure type definition and each structure field definition should have a comment that describes it.

Comments: The interface of each data structure should contain a comment that describes what an object of that type is. It would be reasonable to place that comment adjacent to the definition of the opaque pointer.