Prerequisite

1. Third party dependencies

Since this is a server-client architecture, there are five third party libraries needed as belows:
(1)tornado - for server side (support restful api)
(2)pandas - for server side(read from database and do the statistics summary)
(3)sqlalchemy - for server side(connent, read, write to database)
(4)requests - for client side(request data from

On Windows:

server side)

(1)To install the third party libraries globally make sure Administrator Access obtained and run: python3 setup.py install

On Linux and Mac:

- (1)activate a virtual python3 environment through virtualenv, then run: python3 setup.py install
- a. Please start the server first by:
 python3 server.py
- b.Then run the client by: python3 a3.py
- c.(optinal) there is a one-step script that starts
 the sever and client which is the start.py, simply
 run:
 python3 start.py

2. The restful apis for server are as below:

(1) URL:/data
 METHOD: GET
 URL Params:
 Required:
 question_type[str]

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example: question_type='quick'
(2) URL:/accept
    METHOD: POST
    Data Params:
        Require:
            question_type[str]
            name[str]
         example:
            question_type:'quick',
            name: 'Leslie'
(3)URL:/cancel
    METHOD: POST
    Data Params:
       Required:
         quetion_type[str]
         name[str]
         example:
            question_type:'quick',
            name: 'Leslie'
(4) URL: /submit
  METHOD: POST
  Data Params:
    Required:
       name['str']
       content['str']
       question_type['str']
    example:
       name: 'Leslie',
       content: 'MyPytutor'
       question_type:'long',
(5) URL:/statistics
  METHOD: POST
  Data Params:
    Required:
       question_type['str']
    example
       question_type: 'long'
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3.Use the sqlite3 as the backend database with 2 tables

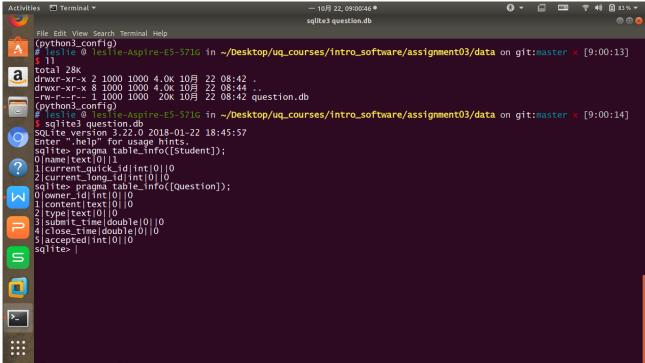


Table Student:

name: str, to store the student name
 current_quick_id: int, null if student is
currently not request for a question, otherwise it
would be the rowid of the Question table
 current_long_id:int, null if student is currently
not request for a question, otherwise it would be the
rowid of the Question table

Table Question:

owner_id: int, the rowid of the Student Table,
indicates which Student owns this Question
 content: str, the content of the question
 type:str, question type, either quick or long
 submit_time: double the timestamp when Student
submit this question

close_time: double the timestamp when this
question is accepted, if the question is canceled,
 the value will be null

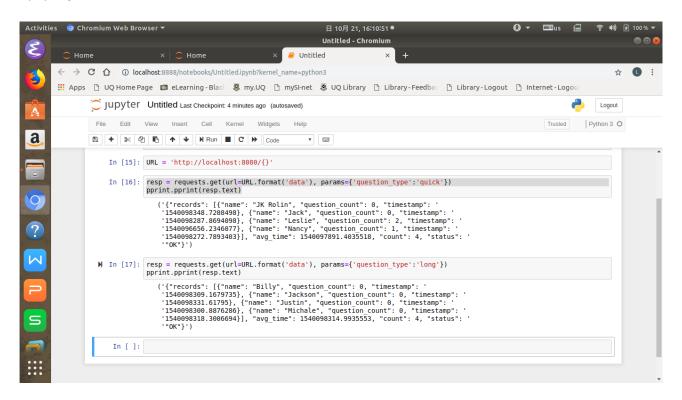
accept: int 0 or 1 when the value is 0 it means this question not yet been accepted it could either be this question is still waiting or been cancel.

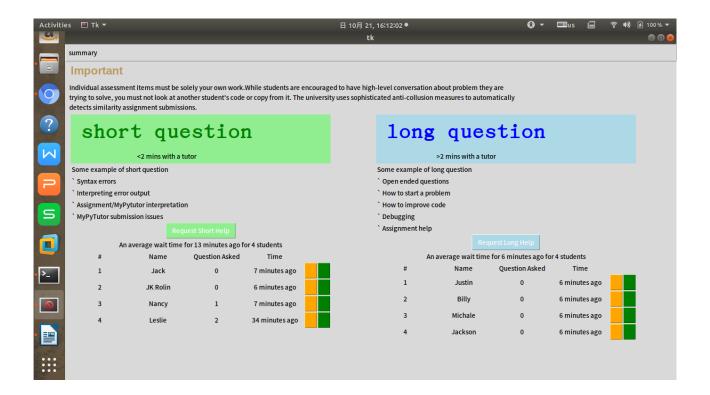
If close_time is null and accepted is 0, it means this question is still waiting on request.

If the close_time is not null and accepted is 0, it means this question has been canceled. If accepted is 1, it means this question has been accepted.

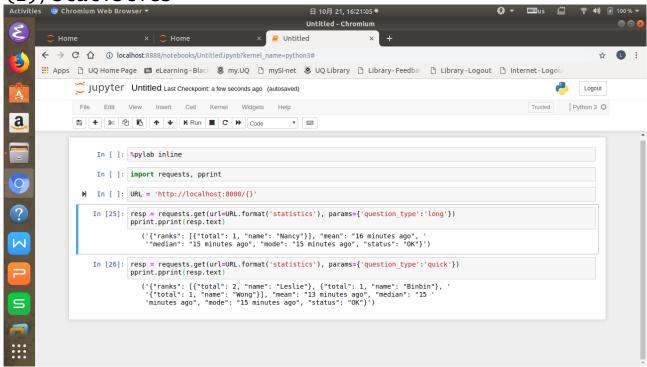
3. Testing restful api examples

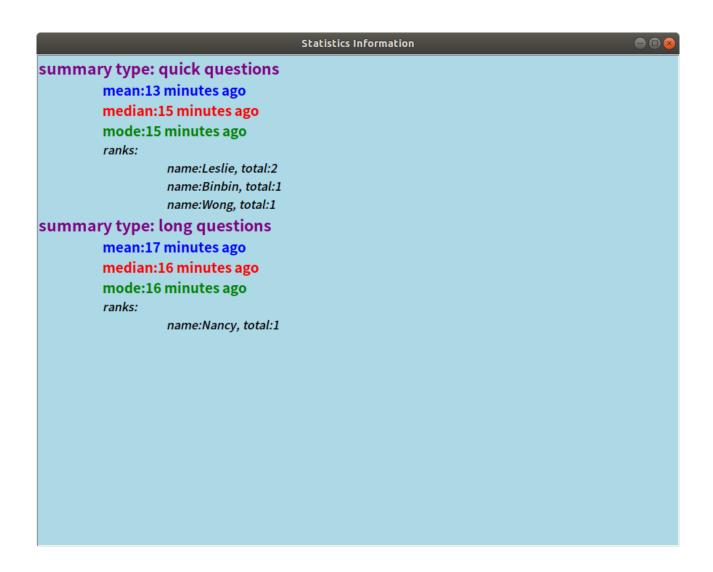
(1) /data



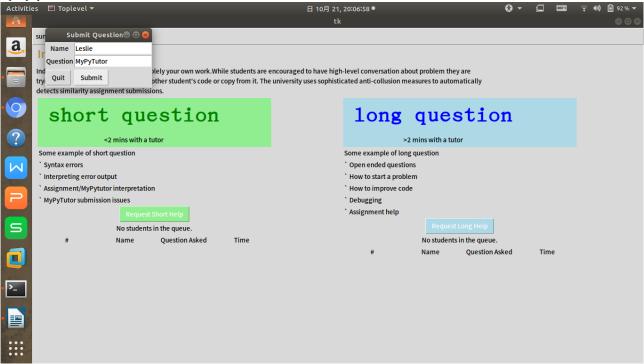


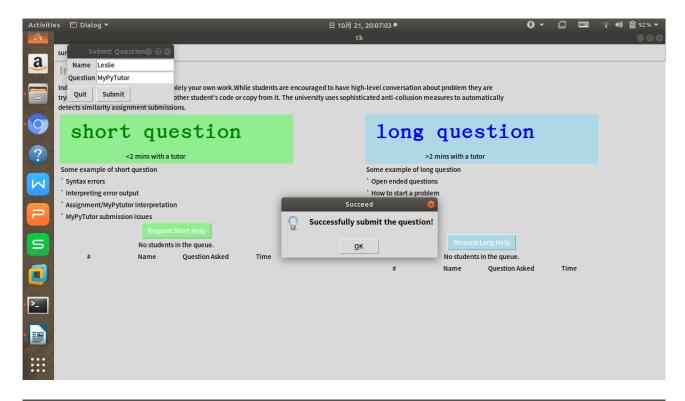
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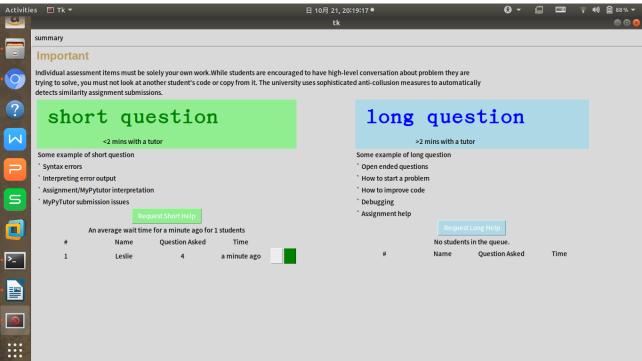




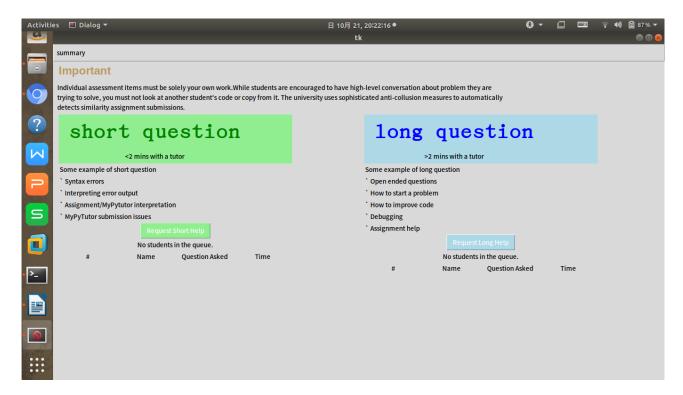
(3)/submit







(4)/cancel



(5)/accept

