

**COMP108**  
**Data Structures and Algorithms**  
**Introduction to Programming Assignment**

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## Basic information

- ▶ Deadline: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023, 5:00pm
- ▶ Weighting: 15%
- ▶ Submission to codegrade via Canvas
- ▶ Learning outcomes assessed:
  - ▶ Be able to apply the data structure arrays & linked lists and their associated algorithms
  - ▶ Be able to apply a given pseudo code algorithm in order to solve a given problem
  - ▶ Be able to apply the iterative algorithm design principle
  - ▶ Be able to carry out simple asymptotic analyses of algorithms
- ▶ Marking criteria:
  - ▶ Correctness: 80%
  - ▶ Time complexity analysis: 20%
- ▶ There are two parts of the assignment (Part 1: 32.5% & Part 2: 47.5%)

# Part 1

## Part 1. Paging/Caching

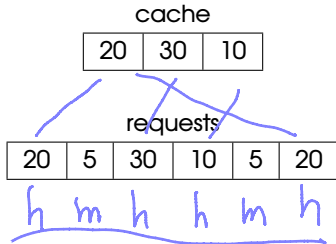
- ▶ two level virtual memory system
- ▶ slow memory contains more **pages** than fast memory called a **cache**
- ▶ requesting a page
  - ▶ if page is already in cache  $\implies$  ***hit***
  - ▶ if page not in cache  $\implies$  ***miss***
  - ▶ in case of a miss, need to *evict* a page from cache to make room
  - ▶ ***eviction algorithms***

## Eviction algorithm - noEvict

cache: 20 30 10      sequence of requests: 20 5 30 10 5 20  
 output: hmhbmh      4 h 2 m

nothing is evicted, i.e., cache contains exactly what it contains initially  
 $\Rightarrow$  counting how many requests are (are not resp.) in initial cache

## hit-miss-pattern



## Eviction algorithm - evictLRU (least recently used)

cache: 20 30 10      sequence of requests: 20 5 30 10 5 20  
 output: hmmmhm      2 h 4 m      cache at the end 10 5 20

cache

20	30	10
----	----	----

requests

20	5	30	10	5	20
----	---	----	----	---	----

	cache	explanation
	20 30 10	initial cache 20 least recent; 30 2nd; 10 recent
20	20 30 10	20 is a hit 20 recent; 30 least recent; 10 2nd
5	20 5 10	30 is evicted because its recent request is earlier than 10 20 2nd recent; 5 recent; 10 least recent
30	20 5 30	10 is evicted because its recent request is earliest 20 least
10	10 5 30	20 is evicted because its recent request is earliest 5 least
5	10 5 30	5 is a hit 10 2nd recent; 5 recent; 30 least recent
20	10 5 20	30 is evicted because its recent request is earliest

miss

## The program COMP108Paging.java - to be submitted

You are going to implement the four algorithms in four methods correspondingly.

```
noEvict(int[] cArray, int cSize, int[] rArray, int rSize)
evictLRU(int[] cArray, int cSize, int[] rArray, int rSize)
```

`cArray`: cache content, `cSize`: its size; `rArray`: sequence of requests, `rSize`: its size

The full header of these methods:

```
static COMP108PagingOutput noEvict(...)
static COMP108PagingOutput evictLRU(...)
```

You are **encouraged** to add your own methods in COMP108Paging.java

## The program COMP108PagingOutput.java

**NOT to be submitted!** Don't edit it, any changes won't be graded!

A class is defined: `class COMP108PagingOutput`

Constructor: `public COMP108PagingOutput ()`

The class has four attributes:

```
public int hitCount;
public int missCount;
public String hitPattern;
public String cache;
```

Already implemented printing method: `public void print ()`

How to use it in COMP108Paging.java?

```
static COMP108PagingOutput noEvict(int[] cArray, int cSize, int[] rArray, int rSize) {
    COMP108PagingOutput output = new COMP108PagingOutput (); // this line is already there
    output.hitPattern += "m";
    output.hitCount++;
    output.missCount++;
    output.cache = arrayToString(cArray, cSize); // arrayToString() already implemented
    return output; // this line is already there
}
```



## The program COMP108PagingApp.java

**NOT to be submitted!** Don't edit it, any changes won't be graded!

Help you to test your program only

how to run

```
>javac COMP108Paging.java
>javac COMP108PagingApp.java
>java COMP108PagingApp < pagingSampleInput01.txt
```

output before  
implementation

```
Cache content:
20 30 10
Request sequence:
20 5 30 10 5 20

noEvict

0 h 0 m
Cache: 20,30,10,

evictLRU

0 h 0 m
Cache: 20,30,10,
```

output of correct  
implementation

```
Cache content:
20 30 10
Request sequence:
20 5 30 10 5 20

noEvict
hmhbmh
4 h 2 m
Cache: 20,30,10,

evictLRU
hmmhmh
2 h 4 m
Cache: 10,5,20,
```

## Your tasks

Implement the four eviction algorithms

- ▶ Task 1.1: `noEvict`
- ▶ Task 1.2: `evictLRU`

## Test cases - sample input & output

- ▶ Refer to the assignment
- ▶ You can assume that the input given are valid.
- ▶ The assignment has given three sample input for you to check your program.
- ▶ You should think of other (edge) cases to test your program.

Sample:

Test cases	Input	noEvict	evictLRU
#1	3 20 30 10 6 20 5 30 10 5 20	hmhhmh 4 h 2 m 20, 30, 10,	hmmhm 2 h 4 m 10, 5, 20,

**You will be graded on another FIVE test cases not revealed.**

## Part 2

## Part 2. List Accessing Problem

- ▶ file cabinet containing files with (unsorted) IDs - organised as a list
- ▶ a sequence of request for files - stored in an array
- ▶ upon each request, we want to
  - ▶ determine whether the file is already in the cabinet
  - ▶ how many comparisons needed to find this out?
  - ▶ put the file back after usage - by different ``reorganisation`` algorithms

## Append If Miss

initial: 20, 30, 10      sequence of requests: 20, 30, 5, 30, 5, 20

output:

```
appendIfMiss
```

```
1, 2, 3, 2, 4, 1
```

```
5 h 1 m
```

```
From head to tail: 20, 30, 10, 5,
```

```
From tail to head: 5, 10, 30, 20,
```



request	list beforehand	hit?	# comparisons	list afterward
20	20 30 10	yes	1	no change
30	20 30 10	yes	2	no change
5	20 30 10	no	3	20 30 10 5
30	20 30 10 5	yes	2	no change
5	20 30 10 5	yes	4	no change
20	20 30 10 5	yes	1	no change

## Frequency Count

initial: 20, 30, 10      sequence of requests: 20, 30, 5, 30, 5, 20

output:                      `init frequency: 1 1 1`

freqCount

1, 2, 3, 2, 4, 2,

5 h 1 m

From head to tail: 30, 20, 5, 10,

From tail to head: 10, 5, 20, 30,

Frequency from head to tail: 3, 3, 2, 1,

request	list beforehand	hit?	# comp	list afterward	freq afterward
20	20 30 10	yes	1	no change	2 1 1
30	20 30 10	yes	2	no change	2 2 1
5	20 30 10	no	3	20 30 10 5	2 2 1 1
30	20 30 10 5	yes	2	30 20 10 5	3 2 1 1
5	30 20 10 5	yes	4	30 20 5 10	3 2 2 1
20	30 20 5 10	yes	2	no change	3 3 2 1

3 2 1 2 x

## The program COMP108Cab.java - to be submitted

Two attributes: head and tail *two* *two*

You are going to implement the ~~three~~ algorithms in ~~three~~ methods correspondingly.

```
public COMP108CabOutput appendIfMiss(int rArray[], int rSize)
```

```
public COMP108CabOutput freqCount(int rArray[], int rSize)
```

rArray: sequence of requests, rSize: its size

In these methods, you can access the head and tail if needed, e.g.:

- ▶ traversing from head to tail:

```
curr = head;
while (curr != null)
    curr = curr.next;
```

- ▶ traversing from tail to head:

```
curr = tail;
while (curr != null)
    curr = curr.prev;
```



## The program COMP108Cab.java (cont'd)

The class also contains a few pre-written methods to help with the tasks.

```
public void insertHead(COMP108Node newNode)
public void insertTail(COMP108Node newNode)
public COMP108Node deleteHead()
public void emptyCab()
public String headToTail()
public String tailToHead()
public String headToTailFreq()
```

**You must NOT change the content of these methods**

`insertHead()`, `insertTail()`, `deleteHead()`, `emptyCab()`: creates/demolishes the list

`headToTail()`, `tailToHead()`, `headToTailFreq()`: help with output only, DON'T use them for other purposes

## The program COMP108Node.java

**NOT to be submitted!** Don't edit it, any changes won't be graded!

A class is defined: `class COMP108Node`

Constructor: `public COMP108Node(int i)`

The class has the following attributes:

```
public int data;  
public COMP108Node next;  
public COMP108Node prev;  
public int freq; // only to be used in freqCount algorithm
```

## Output should be stored in an object of the class COMP108CabOutput

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A class is defined: `class COMP108CabOutput`

Constructor: `public COMP108CabOutput(int cabSize, int graphSize)`

The class has the following attributes:

```
public int hitCount;
public int missCount;
public int[] compare;
public String cabFromHead;
public String cabFromTail;
public String cabFromHeadFreq;
```

## How to use it in COMP108Cab.java?

```
public COMP108CabOutput appendIfMiss(int rArray[], int rSize) {
    COMP108CabOutput output = new COMP108CabOutput(rSize, 1); // this line is already there
    output.cabFromHead = headToTail(); // this line is already there
    output.cabFromTail = tailToHead(); // this line is already there
    output.cabFromHeadFreq = headToTailFreq(); // this line is already there for freqCount()
    return output; // this line is already there
}
```

## The program COMP108CabApp.java

**NOT to be submitted!** Don't edit it, any changes won't be graded! Help you to test your program only

```
>javac COMP108Cab.java
>javac COMP108CabApp.java
>java COMP108CabApp < cabSampleInput01.txt
```

Output (left: before implementation; right: correct implementation)

```
Initial cabinet:
20 30 10
Request sequence:
20 30 5 30 5 20

appendIfMiss
Comparisons: 0,0,0,0,0,0,
0 h 0 m
From head to tail: 20,30,10,
From tail to head: 10,30,20,

freqCount
Comparisons: 0,0,0,0,0,0,
0 h 0 m
From head to tail: 20,30,10,
From tail to head: 10,30,20,
Frequency from head to tail: 1,1,1,
```

```
Initial cabinet:
20 30 10
Request sequence:
20 30 5 30 5 20

appendIfMiss
Comparisons: 1,2,3,2,4,1,
5 h 1 m
From head to tail: 20,30,10,5,
From tail to head: 5,10,30,20,

freqCount
Comparisons: 1,2,3,2,4,2,
5 h 1 m
From head to tail: 30,20,5,10,
From tail to head: 10,5,20,30,
Frequency from head to tail: 3,3,2,1,
```

## Your tasks (65%)

Implement the three accessing/reorganising algorithms

- ▶ Task 2.1: `appendIfMiss`

- ▶ Task 2.2: `freqCount`

## Test cases - sample input & output

`cabSampleInput01.txt`, `cabSampleInput02.txt`,  
`cabSampleInput03.txt`

- ▶ Refer to the assignment
- ▶ You can assume that the input given are valid.
- ▶ The assignment has given three sample input for you to check your program.
- ▶ You should think of other (edge) cases to test your program.

**You will be graded on other FIVE test cases not revealed.**

## Worst Case Time Complexity

## Worst Case Time complexity analysis

- ▶ Fill in comment section in the beginning of COMP108Paging.java and COMP108Cab.java
- ▶ No separate file to be submitted
- ▶ For Part 1, you can use in your formula:
  - ▶  $n$  to represent the number of requests,
  - ▶  $p$  the cache size
- ▶ For Part 2, you can use in your formula:
  - ▶  $f$ : the initial cabinet size,
  - ▶  $n$ : the number of requests,
  - ▶  $d$ : the number of distinct requests
- ▶ Give also a short justification of your answer.



More information

## How to get help on the assignment?

- ▶ Lab exercises in Weeks 04-08 are all relevant to the assignment. Do the exercises and check solutions when they are released on Mondays.
  - ▶ Week 04: simple loops
  - ▶ Week 05: sorting and searching on arrays
  - ▶ Week 06: nested loops
  - ▶ Week 07: list traversal, sequential search
  - ▶ Week 08: moving a node to head / tail
  - ▶ Week 09: dedicated to answering questions related to the assignment
- ▶ Post your questions on Canvas discussion board

## Penalties

- ▶ UoL standard late penalty applies
- ▶ Make sure that you pass all the visible autotests on codegrade, including compiling and running with `*App.java`. Otherwise, you may get 0 marks.
- ▶ Marks will be deducted if
  - ▶ your code compile to a class of different name than `COMP108Paging` / `COMP108Cab`
- ▶ **No** in-built classes/methods (e.g., `ArrayList`, `Array.sort()`, `Array.fill()`, etc.) can be used.
  - ▶ For example, if you want to sort an array, you have to write your own code to do so and you are not allowed to use `Array.sort()`. Otherwise, you won't be able to tell the time complexity if you use these methods.
  - ▶ Using in-built methods would get half of the marks deducted (possibly below the passing mark).
- ▶ You must implement Part 2 using the concept of linked list. If you convert the file cabinet list to an array or other data structures before processing, you will lose all the marks.

## Plagiarism / Collusion

# DON'T share your code with anyone!

Last year, 11 COMP108 students had been awarded a mark of 0.

- ▶ *Plagiarism* occurs when a student misrepresents, as his/her own work, work in the *public domain*, written or otherwise, of any *other person* (including another student) or of any institution.
- ▶ *Collusion* is the active cooperation of two or more students to produce work, including knowingly allow academic work to be presented by another student as if it's his/hers, and providing work to another student.

If you encounter difficulties, better make use of the lab sessions and my office hours to ask questions.

## Summary: Introduction to Programming Assignment

**For note taking**

