

Programming Assignment 7

Due at your recitation session on October 14-18

Programming

In this programming assignment, you will implement the compression method.

First, revise your pseudo-code to reflect the discussion during recitation.

Second, follow the instructions to clone the Git repository that has been setup `eeeslinab6`. The instructions are posted as part of the Git lecture notes on Blackboard.

Third, create a new repository '`compression.git`'. Place all of your homework artifacts in the `compression.git` repository.

Fourth, implement the compression method according to the pseudo-code programming process. You should reuse the segmentator that you wrote for the first assignment. Follow your revised pseudo-code faithfully, even if you can think of additional improvements. You will probably need to implement some methods for error-handling. However, since compression is primarily for hypothetical future use as a component in a larger project, your code may contain only simple stubs for error-handling.

Fifth, make sure during development you make small regular commits. When you are finished with your homework remember to tag your release and push that tag to your git repository on `eeeslinab6`.

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$ git tag -a hw7  
$ git push --tags
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Discussion Guidelines

The first part of the class discussion is on git: the recitation leader will pull your changes from your repository on `eeeslinab6`. You will then give the class a brief overview of your development process using the commit history stored in git. The aim is to have relatively small self-contained commits with descriptive commit messages.

The bulk of the discussion will focus on the pseudo-code programming process (Chapter 9): appropriateness and completeness of pseudo-code for rapid implementation, pseudo-code comments in final code, etc. For the sole purpose of comparing with the previous assignment, leave all pseudo-code comments in your code.

Evaluation Guidelines

At this stage of the course, a more strict view will be taken of the following basic issues:

- Routines with McCabe's complexity exceeding 4
- Improperly named routines
- Repeated code