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Lab 1 Part b Write-Up

### Team Members

None

### Initial Decisions

For my implementation, I decided to use python as my programming language. I am comfortable with the language and its built-in libraries are ideal for tasks like file handling and data manipulation. The program was developed in a Unix-based environment. I used the text editor Vim and all debugging was done directly in the terminal by running the Python script and checking outputs or errors.

### Internal Architecture

List (list):

- Used to store collections of sequential data, such as student records
- Example: students list holds individual student details like last name, grade, classroom, etc.

Dictionary (dict):

- Maps unique keys (e.g., classroom number) to values (e.g., list of teachers)
- Example: teachers dictionary maps classrooms to lists of teachers for fast lookups.

Set (set):

- Ensures uniqueness and removes duplicates
- Example: Used to eliminate duplicate teacher names when outputting teachers for a classroom.

Usage in Key Functions:

- `find_by_last_name(last_name)`: Uses a list to search for students and a dictionary for efficient teacher lookup
- `find_teachers_by_classroom(classroom)`: Uses a dictionary for quick teacher retrieval and a set to remove duplicates

### Task Log

All tasks completed by Ashley Moreno

Task Name	Time to Complete
Project Design & General Set up	~ 20 min
Parsing & Loading Data	~ 1 hr

Re-implementing R4-R11	~ 1 hr 30 min
Implementing NR1-NR4	~ 2 hr
Implementing NR5	~ 1 hr 10 min
Completing Main() Calls	~ 25 min
Test Suite & Output	~ 25 min
Lab Write-Up	~ 30 min
README & Submission	~ 15 min

## Modifications to Part A

### Separation of Input Files:

Instead of reading all data from a single students.txt file, the program reads student information from list.txt and teacher information from teachers.txt. This required creating two separate functions: read\_students(filename) and read\_teachers(filename).

### Mapping Teachers to Classrooms:

In the new format, each classroom has its own teacher(s), and this data is stored in the teachers dictionary, mapping classroom numbers to a list of teacher names (to account for co-teachers).

### Affected Parts of the Code:

- Input Handling:
  - The previous students.txt reading code was removed and replaced with separate reading functions for list.txt (student data) and teachers.txt (teacher data).
- Teacher Lookup:
  - The code now uses a teachers dictionary to map classroom numbers to teachers, ensuring that students are associated with their respective teachers dynamically based on their classroom number.
- Classroom/Teacher Queries:
  - Any command that outputs teacher information (e.g., 'S <lastname>', 'G <grade>') was updated to look up the teacher(s) for the relevant classroom from the teachers dictionary.

### New Commands:

- C <classroom\_number>: Find students in a classroom.
- TC <classroom\_number>: Find teacher(s) for a classroom.
- GT <grade\_number>: Find teachers for a grade.
- E: Display classroom enrollments.
- GGPA: GPA by grade with averages.
- TGPA: GPA by teacher with averages.
- BGPA: GPA by bus route with averages.

### Testing

**When:** Testing was performed throughout the development process, especially after completing each major functionality.

**Who:** Ashley Moreno

**Duration:** Approximately 2 hours were likely spent testing and debugging the entire program.

### Bugs Found:

- Input validation- needing quotes around command
- String and list concatenation issues
- Duplicate entries in teacher lists
- Command overlaps (e.g., conflicts between T and TGPA commands)

**Time to Fix Bugs:** 1-2 hours

### Final Notes

I was still unable to fix the input validation bug. While the program works as expected, still having to put quotes around each command. All else works.