

COMP 2611 – Data Structures

Lab 3

Part 1: Recursion on Arrays

Using the code in `ArrayOperations.cpp`, write the following recursive functions:

```
void printArray (int a[], int i, int n);  
    // displays the elements of the array on the monitor  
  
bool containsArray (int a[], int i, int n, int key);  
    // return true if key is present in the array and false, otherwise  
  
int sumArray (int a[], int i, int n);  
    // find the sum of the elements in the array (assume there is at least one)  
  
int maxArray (int a[], int i, int n);  
    // find the maximum element in the array (assume there is at least one)
```

In all the function prototypes above, n is the amount of elements in the array a .

Part 2: Merge Operation on an Array

A typical merge function accepts three arrays as parameters:

```
int mergeArray (int a[], int a_size, int b[], int b_size, int c[]);
```

The first two arrays, a and b , contain the values to be merged, in sorted order. The third array, c , stores the merged values. a_size is the amount of elements in a and b_size is the amount of elements in b .

- (a) Examine the `mergeArray` function in `MergeArrays.cpp`. Run the program with different values in a and b (remember, the values must be sorted in both arrays).
- (b) What is the purpose of inserting the value of `INT_MAX` in $a[a_size]$ and $b[b_size]$?

```
a[a_size] = INT_MAX;  
b[b_size] = INT_MAX;
```

- (c) The following is another prototype for the `mergeArray` function:

```
int mergeArray2 (int a[], int p, int q, int r)
```

This version accepts only a single array, a , as a parameter. The values in a from location p to location q are in sorted order. The values from location $q+1$ to location $r-1$ are also in sorted order. However, the values from location p to location $r-1$ are not sorted.

Write the `mergeArray2` function. Note that you will have to use temporary arrays to hold the values in a from locations p to q , and the values from locations $q+1$ to $r-1$. Use the `mergeArray` function from part(a) as a guide.

Part 3: Storing a Struct in a Linked List (Needed for Assignment #1)

Consider the following declarations for a node in a linked list:

```
struct Skill {
    string name;
    int years;
};

struct Node {
    Skill data;
    Node * next;
};
```

Each node in the linked list stores a struct which has two fields, *name*, and *years*. The *name* is the name of a particular skill and *years* is the amount of years a person has this skill. For example, a skill *name* could be "Project Management" and the *years* could be 5.

(a) Write code for the following functions:

```
Node * createNode (string skill_name, int skill_years);
Node * insertAtHead (Node * top, string skill_name, int skill_years);
bool contains (Node * top, string key);
int size (Node * top);
void printList (Node * top);
```

(b) Use the code in Skills-Stub.cpp to test the functions written in (a).