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Midterm 1
CSC148H1F – L0101 (Horton)

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Examination Aids: Provided aid sheet (back page, detachable!)

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Please read the following guidelines carefully!

- Please write your name on the front **and back** of the exam.
 - This examination has **4** questions. There are a total of **8 pages, DOUBLE-SIDED**.
 - You may always write helper functions/methods unless explicitly asked not to.
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1. The following questions test your understanding of the terminology and concepts from the course. You may answer in either point form or full sentences; **you do not need to write much to get full marks!**

(a) [2 marks] Suppose we are designing a class called `Club` for keeping track of the members of a club. We plan to have a private attribute that is a list of the members' email addresses. Write the portion of the docstring for class `Club` that describes this attribute (you can choose its name).

(b) [1 mark] Suppose the `Club` class will also have a method called `sign_up` which is called when a new member joins the club, and will add their name to the front of the list of members. Assuming that we are committed to using a list of email addresses, what simple change to the class will make the `sign_up` method run faster?

(c) [1 mark] Name a class from Assignment 1 that was abstract (approximate name is fine):

(d) [1 mark] What is the one thing that client code should never do with an abstract class?

(e) [2 marks] Sometimes a class is so abstract that it has no attributes and no method bodies. What do we gain by defining such a seemingly useless class?

(f) [2 marks] Suppose we have a `Queue` class (a regular queue, not a priority queue), and it includes this method:

```
def num_items(self):
    count = 0
    while not self.is_empty():
        temp = self.dequeue()
        count += 1
        self.enqueue(temp)
    return count
```

Explain why the loop in this method is an infinite loop.

(g) [1 mark] Suppose we fix method `num_items`. But rather than the usual way of calling a method, such as `q.num_items()`, we want to be able to call it as `len(q)`. How must we change the method to make this possible?

2. [4 marks] We want to create a subclass of `Queue` called `DoubleQueue`, which has the following differences:

- It has a new attribute `is_special`, which is a **function** that takes an object and returns a boolean value. This attribute is initialized from a parameter to the `__init__` method.
- When enqueueing a new item into a `DoubleQueue`, its `is_special` attribute is first called on the item. If this returns `True` the item is goes into the `DoubleQueue` twice, otherwise it goes in once as usual.

Here is a Python interactive session that demonstrates the usage of `DoubleQueue`.

```
>>> def loud_word(s):
...     return s in ['crash', 'bang', 'bellow', 'holler', 'honk']
...
>>> q = DoubleQueue(loud_word)
>>> q.enqueue('quiet')
>>> q.enqueue('honk')
>>> q.enqueue('peaceful')
>>> q.dequeue()
'quiet'
>>> q.dequeue()
'honk'
>>> q.dequeue()
'honk'
>>> q.dequeue()
'peaceful'
```

In the space below, show how to override the relevant `Queue` methods in the `DoubleQueue` class. You *must* properly call superclass methods when appropriate.

```
class DoubleQueue(Queue):
    def __init__(self, is_special):
```

```
        def enqueue(self, item):
```

(You don't need any further space to answer this question.)

3. [9 marks]

You are responsible for designing a class to keep track, for each value in a set of values, the number of times it occurs. (This is called a "frequency distribution".) Here is an example of how we want to use it:

```
>>> d = Distribution('Grades for Lab 3', ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'F'])
>>> d.add_occurrence('A')
>>> d.add_occurrence('C')
>>> d.add_occurrence('B')
>>> d.add_occurrence('A')
>>> d.add_occurrence('B')
>>> d.add_occurrence('B')
>>> d.num_occurrences('D')
0
>>> d.num_occurrences('B')
3
>>> d.num_occurrences('A')
2
```

Below and on the next page, we have a very incomplete class design for this class. You have four tasks:

- In the class docstring fill in all the **attributes** of the `Distribution` class. You may choose any reasonable way to store the necessary data. Make all attributes private.
- Implement the `__init__` method. A method docstring is not necessary.
- Implement method `add_occurrence`. It's up to you to decide what happens when this method is called on an item that is was not in the list provided when the `Distribution` was constructed.
- Complete the docstring for `add_occurrence`.

Ensure that the code above would run, assuming we defined the additional method `num_occurences`.

```
class Distribution:
    """A frequency distribution.

    === Attributes ===
    # TODO: YOUR ATTRIBUTES GO HERE.
```

```
    """
```

```
# TODO: Implement method __init__ here.  
# Remember that a docstring is not necessary.
```

```
def add_occurrence(self, value):  
    """  
    Record that <value> occurred once / once more.  
  
    TODO: Complete the docstring so that it describes the method's behaviour  
    in all circumstances.
```

```
@type self: Distribution  
@type value: object  
@rtype: None  
"""  
# TODO: implement this method.
```

4. For this question, you should refer to the documentation of the `LinkedList` class found on the aid sheet. You may use all attributes of the `LinkedList` and `_Node` classes, as well as their constructors. You may also access the `__str__` method for `LinkedList`, but no other methods.

(a) [3 marks] Suppose we have done this:

```
>>> linky = LinkedList([6, 12, 18, 24, 30])
```

Fill in the gaps below to show the the value of each Python expression. If an expression raises an error, explain why.

```
>>> type(linky.next.next.item)
```

```
>>> linky.next.next.item
```

```
>>> type(linky.item.next)
```

```
>>> linky.item.next
```

```
>>> type(linky._first.next.item)
```

```
>>> linky._first.next.item
```

- (b) [1 mark] In the gap below, write a one-line snippet of code to remove the first node in the linked list and ensure the output shown.

```
>>> linky = LinkedList([5, 8, 2, 9, 3])
```

```
>>> print(linky)
```

```
[5 -> 8 -> 2 -> 9 -> 3]
```

```
>>>
```

```
# YOUR WORK GOES ON THIS LINE
```

```
>>> print(linky)
```

```
[8 -> 2 -> 9 -> 3]
```

- (c) [1 mark] Why does the time required to insert at the front of a linked list **not** grow in proportion to the length of the list?

Use this page for rough work. If you want work on this page to be marked, please indicate this clearly *at the location of the original question*.

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Grade					
Out Of	10	4	9	5	28