numDupesInOrderedList

Your task is to write a function, numDupesInOrderedList, that returns the number of duplicate elements in the given ordered linked list. The number of duplicate elements is the minimum number of elements that would need to be removed to obtain a list with no duplicates. For example, the list [1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3] contains three duplicate elements, because three elements would need to be removed to obtain a list with no duplicates: 2, 3, and 3. (However, you should not actually remove any elements - you should simply return the number of duplicate values.) Your function should **not** modify the list. You can assume that the linked list is sorted in either ascending or descending order.

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The Files

list.c Contains the implementation of basic list functions

list.h Contains the definition of the list data structure and function prototypes

Contains the main function, which reads in a list from standard input, calls testNumDupesInOrderedList.c

numDupesInOrderedList, and prints out the result.

Contains numDupesInOrderedList, the function you must implement

A makefile to compile your code

A directory containing the inputs and expected outputs for some basic tests

A script that uses the tests in the tests directory to autotest your solution. You

should only run this after you have tested your solution manually.

Examples

Makefile

autotest

tests/

Your program should behave like these examples:

\$./testNumDupesInOrderedList Enter list: 1 2 3 4 5 5 5 numDupesInOrderedList returned 2

numDupesInOrderedList.c

Explanation: two elements would need to be removed to obtain a list with

no duplicates: 5 and 5.

\$./testNumDupesInOrderedList Enter list: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 numDupesInOrderedList returned 6

Explanation: six elements (all 1's) would need to be removed to obtain a

list with no duplicates.

\$./testNumDupesInOrderedList Enter list: 6 6 5 5 4 4 3 3 2 2 1 1 0 numDupesInOrderedList returned 6

Explanation: six elements would need to be removed to obtain a list with no duplicates: 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.

\$./testNumDupesInOrderedList Enter list: 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 3 4 5 5 5 5 numDupesInOrderedList returned 9

Explanation: nine elements need to be removed to obtain a list with no duplicates: 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 5, 5, 5.

Testing

You can test your program manually by compiling your code using make, and then running ./testNumDupesInOrderedList, as shown above. After you are satisfied with your solution, you can autotest it by running ./autotest. This will run some basic tests on your program, as well as check for memory leaks/errors.