ECE 223: Computer Systems Engineering Machine Problem 1

Due: 11:59 pm, Thursday, August 27

The goal of this machine problem is to familiarize you with the basics of maintaining information with dynamic memory allocation and pointers. This assignment provides a simple example of data abstraction for organizing information in a sorted list. We will develop a simple abstraction with a few key interfaces and a simple underlying implementation using sequential arrays. In a subsequent programming assignment we will expand upon the interfaces and explore alternative implementations. We will refer to this abstract data type (ADT) as a *sequential list*.

A <u>Honeypot</u> is one strategy used by computer network administrators to monitor and isolate unauthorized use of information systems. One specific mechanism is to locate the honeypot on the router at an ingress connection to the organization's network. The honeypot examines incoming packets and monitors those packets with destination network addresses that are assigned to the organization but are not currently being utilized. Packets that are destined for unutilized addresses may indicate an attacker is scanning all addresses looking for vulnerabilities.

For this project, we model one portion of the honeypot. Assume another process examines incoming packets and directs those packets that might be associated with an attack to our module. Our project collects key data from the packets and stores the data in a sorted order. When directed, your program scans the list and determines if there are a significant number of packets addressed to the same destination address, and if so prints the records. This is a first indication that there may be an attack and that other parts of the system (which we will not implement) can evaluate these packets for further testing. For this project we will write the ADT for storing the packet information, and a function to evaluate the information for a sign of an attack.

You are to write a C program that must consist of the following three files:

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lab1.c — contains the main() function, menu code for handling simple input and output used to test our ADT, and any other functions that are not part of the ADT.

honeypot.c — contains the ADT code for our sequential list. The interface functions must be exactly defined as described below.

honeypot.h — contains the interface declarations for the ADT (e.g., constants, structure definitions, and prototypes).
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Your program must use an array of pointers to C structures that contain information extracted from each packet.

A record of packet information that is stored in your list is represented with a C structure as follows. (You may add additional members to the honeypot_t structure if needed.)

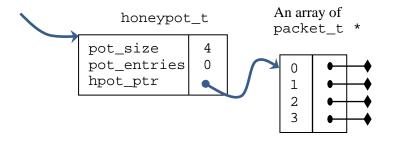
The sequential list ADT must have the following interface:

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struct honeypot_t *hpot_construct(int);
void hpot_destruct(struct honeypot_t *);
int hpot_add(struct honeypot_t *, struct packet_t *);
int hpot_lookup(struct honeypot_t *, int);
struct packet_t *hpot_access(struct honeypot_t *, int);
struct packet_t *hpot_remove(struct honeypot_t *, int);
int hpot_empty(struct honeypot_t *);
int hpot_count(struct honeypot_t *);
void hpot_record_fill(struct packet_t *);
void hpot_print_rec(struct packet_t *);
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The above functions **must** be found in the honeypot.c file, and their function prototypes **must** be listed in the file honeypot.h. Code in labl.c can only call the above functions from honeypot.c **only** if its prototype is listed in honeypot.h. You can include additional functions in labl.c (such as a function to support the SCAN command – see below). You can also add other "private" functions to honeypot.c, however, these private functions can only be called from within other functions in honeypot.c. The prototypes for your private functions **cannot** be listed in honeypot.h. Code in labl.c **cannot** call any of your private functions. Code in labl.c is **not** permitted to access any of the members in struct honeypot_t (i.e., pot_size or hpot_ptr), instead code in labl.c **must** use the sequential list functions hpot_ as defined in honeypot.h as to **only** way to access details of the list.

Note we are using the principle of *information hiding*: code in labl.c does not "see" any of the details of the data structure used in honeypot.c. The only information that labl.c has about the honeypot list data structure is found in honeypot.h (and any "private" functions you add to honeypot.c are not available to labl.c). The fact that honeypot.c uses an array of pointers is unimportant to labl.c, and if we redesign the data structure no changes are required in labl.c (including PRINT). However, notice that honeypot.c does need to read <u>one</u> member of the packet_t structure (i.e., dest_ip_addr). If we decide to store different types of records, we have to re-write the part of honeypot.c that uses dest_ip_addr. In future machine problems we will study designs that allow us to hide the details of the records from the data structure, so we can reuse the data structure for any type of record.

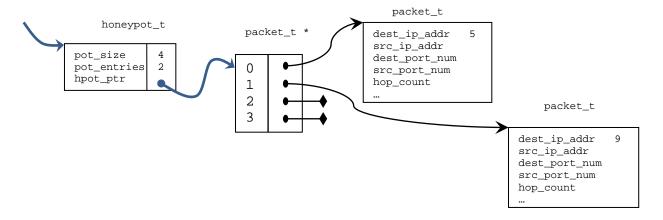
hpot_construct should return a pointer to a structure that includes an array with size determined by the parameter to this function. Each element in the array is defined as a pointer to a structure of type packet_t. Each pointer in the array should be initialized to NULL.



hpot_destruct should free all packet_t memory blocks in the list, free the array of type packet t *, and finally free the memory block of type honeypot t.

hpot_add should take a packet_t memory block (that is already populated with input information) and insert it into the list such that the list is ordered using the dest_ip_addr and the list is sequential with no empty gaps between entries in the list. That is, the record with the lowest dest_ip_addr should be found at index position 0, the next lowest dest_ip_addr at index position 1, etc. If the list already contains one or more packet records with the same dest_ip_addr, the new record should be placed after all of the matching records. If the list is full when this function is called then first double the size of the array of packet_t pointers (hint: use the realloc() library function). If during the function call, the size of the array is doubled, then return 1. Otherwise return 0.

For example, the figure below shows the state of the list after packet 9 and then packet 5 were added to the list.



hpot_lookup should find the first packet_t memory block in the list with the specified dest_ip_addr and return the index position of the record within the list. If the dest_ip_addr is not found, then return -1.

hpot_access should return a pointer to the packet_t memory block that is found in the list index position specified as a parameter. The memory block <u>should not</u> be removed from the list. If the index is out of bounds or if no packet record is found at the index position, the function returns NULL.

hpot_remove should return a pointer to the packet_t memory block that is found in the list index position specified as a parameter. The record <u>should</u> be removed from the list, and the resulting list should still be sequential with no gaps between entries in the list. If the index is out of bounds or if no packet record is found at the index position, the function returns NULL. If after a record is removed, the number of entries in the list is less than 20% of the size of the list, then reduce the size of the array in half, returning the excess memory back to the memory heap (hint: use realloc()). However, do not allow the size of the array to ever become smaller than the initial size that was defined during the call to hpot_construct.

hpot_empty should return 1 if the list is empty, and 0 otherwise.

hpot_count should return the number of entries stored in the sequential list..

hpot_record_fill is provided to prompt the user for input data and should not be changed.

hpot_print_rec is provided to print a record and should not be changed.

The template for the file labl.c provides the framework for input and output and testing the sequential list of packet information. The code reads from standard input the commands listed below. The template contains the only prints to standard output that you are permitted to use. You will expand the template code in labl.c to call functions found in honeypot.c. Based on the return information you will call the appropriate print statements. It is critical that you do not change the format of either the input or output as our grading depends on your program reading this exact input pattern and producing exactly the output defined in labl.c and nothing else. These are the input commands:

INSERT ip-address LIST ip-address REMOVE ip-address SCAN threshold PRINT OUIT

The first word of each command must be formatted exactly as shown. You program should be able to handle a line that contains any number of strings. If the line does not exactly match the format of one of the above commands, the line should be simply printed (precede the printing of the line with the character # to indicate the line was not evaluated as a command). The INSERT command should create a dynamic memory block for the packet_t structure using malloc() and then prompt for each field of the record, one field on each line and in the order listed in the structure. If the packet information is added to the sequential list, then print "Added: x". If the list was full when the packet was added then also print "doubled list size". The LIST command must print the information for each packet for which the dest ip addr matches the ip-address. Print all fields of each matching packet record, and after the last packet print "Found n packets matching x" where n is the number of matching packets. Unless no packets were found, in which case print the message "Did not find: x". The REMOVE command removes all the corresponding records from the list, frees the memory, and prints "Removed n packets matching x" unless the item was not found, in which case it prints "Did not remove: x". The SCAN command searches the list for all sets of packets for which there are threshold or more packet records with the same dest_ip_addr. For each set, print the dest_ip_addr and the number of packets in the set. After the report for each set is printed, print the number of sets that were found. Finally, the QUIT command frees all the dynamic memory and ends the program.

To facilitate grading the output for each command <u>must be formatted exactly</u> as specified by the **printf()** commands in the labl.c template file.

Notes

1. Be sure that your program does not have any memory leaks. That is, all dynamically allocated memory should be freed before the program ends.

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We will test for memory leaks with valgrind. You execute valgrind using valgrind --leak-check=yes ./labl 123 < testingut
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The last line of output from valgrind must be:

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ERROR SUMMARY: 0 errors from 0 contexts (suppressed: x \text{ from } y)
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You can ignore the values *x* and *y* because suppressed errors are not important and are hidden from you. In addition the summary of the memory heap must show

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All heap blocks were freed -- no leaks are possible
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2. Use the C functions fgets() and sscanf() to read input data. Do <u>not</u> use scanf() for any input because it can lead to buffer overflow problems and causes problems with the end-of-line character. See the labl.c template.

You do <u>not</u> need to check for errors in the information the user is prompted to input for the packet_t information. However, you must extensively test your code that it can handle any possible combinations of INSERT, LIST, REMOVE, SCAN, and PRINT. For example, you code must handle a request to delete, print, or look in an empty list, adding to a full list, and other possible actions on the list.

3. Recall that you compile your code using:

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gcc -Wall -g lab1.c honeypot.c -o lab1
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Your code must be able to pipe my example test scripts as input using <. Collect output in a file using > For example, to run with a list size of 10 do

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./lab1 10 < testinput > testoutput
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The code you submit must compile using the -Wall flag and <u>no</u> compiler errors <u>or</u> warnings should be printed. (OS X users must verify that there are no warnings on a machine running Ubuntu.)

An example testingut and expectedoutput files are provided. When you run your code on the testingut file, you output must be identical to the file expectedoutput. You can verify this using diff -w testoutput expectedoutput

However, the tests in testingut are incomplete! You must develop more thorough tests (e.g., attempt to delete from an empty list, or insert into a list that is already full).

- 4. All code, a test script, and a test log must be submitted through Blackboard.
- 5. Turn in a paper copy of all files at the start of the first class meeting following your submission to the assign server. See notes in the top comment block of labl.c for one approach to create nicely formatted printouts.

See the ECE 223 Programming Guide for additional requirements that apply to all programming assignments.

Work must be completed by each individual student. See the course syllabus for additional policies.