

King Fahd University of Petroleum & Minerals
Information & Computer Science Department
ICS-202 Data Structures and Algorithms

Lab Project

<u>Date Assigned</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Submission</u>	<u>Semester</u>
29/10/2023	TBA	Through BB/Grade scope	231

Design and implement a dictionary data structure. Your dictionary holds a list of words (strings) to be used in a spell checker.

Your dictionary should support the following operations:

1. **Initialization** You should initialize a dictionary using-
 - a single string, `[public Dictionary(String s)]`
 - an empty dictionary `[public Dictionary()]`
 - a text file having strings, each on a new line. `[public Dictionary(File f)]`

For example, `public Dictionary(String s)` creates a dictionary with only 1 string `s`.

2. **Add new word** This method adds a new word (string) to the existing dictionary. The suggested signature is
 - `public void addWord(String s) throws WordAlreadyExistsException`
3. **Search for word** This method searches for a word (string) in the existing dictionary. The suggested signature is
 - `public boolean findWord(String s)`
4. **Remove word** This method removes a word (string) from the existing dictionary. The suggested signature is
 - `public void deleteWord(String s) throws WordNotFoundException`
5. **Search for similar words** This method searches for words that are similar to a given word `s`. By similar, we mean that the string `s` differs in exactly 1 letter only with the words in the dictionary. The suggested signature is
 - `public String[] findSimilar (String s)`

For example, words similar to “punter” are “printer”, “painter”, “pointer”, and “punter” etc. Note that two similar words may differ in their length by 1 letter.

Notes:

1. You may use any data structure covered in the course. However, you have to only use the classes that we have been covered in the course (e.g. [MyContainer](#), [MyLinkedList](#), etc.)
2. *No built-in classes may be used for the Dictionary data structure. In particular do not use ArrayList<String> or any other built-in data structure from java.util.**
3. An additional text file containing words is being provided as an initialization file.
4. Include a main method in your class to test all methods in the dictionary. The following operations should be supported in the testing.
 - Load the dictionary from a file:
Enter filename> mydictionary.txt
dictionary loaded successfully.
 - find a word in the dictionary. For example:
check word> punter
word not found.
 - add words to the dictionary. For example:
add new word> punter
word added successfully.
 - Remove words to the dictionary. For example:
remove word> punter
Exception: Word not found.
 - search for similar words to a word in the dictionary. For example:
search for similar words> punter
painter, pointer, printer, punter.
 - save the updated dictionary as a text file. For example:
Save Updated Dictionary (Y/N)> Y
Enter filename> mydictionary2.txt
Dictionary saved successfully.
5. Include a text file "efficiency.txt" with your program giving the time complexity of each of your methods in the dictionary as a function of n where n is the number of words in the dictionary.
6. **Submission details:** Submit the *java file(s), the text file, project report in pdf* through BB before the due date as a .rar file. You should Write your filename as **200#####0.rar** where 200#####0 is your unique 10-digit id.