

Bin Packing Algorithm Assignment

Design and write an algorithm in Python for solving the Bin Packing Problem. Develop your algorithm within the provided Python program by doing the following:

- Retrieve the assignment materials from Github repository:
 - BinpackingDev.py
 - binpacking.sql (MySQL dump file)
 - Github URL: <https://github.com/jrb28/BUAD5042Binpacking>
- Implement your algorithm in the Python program named BinpackingDev.py in the function named `binpack()`
 - Be sure to change the MySQL connection parameters at the top of BinpackingDev.py as is appropriate for your MySQL instance in order to connect to the database
- Use BinpackingDev.py to test your algorithm for the problems in the accompanying MySQL database.
 - The database is called binpacking and there is a link to download a dump file of the database on the Github site mentioned above.
- Once you have completed developing your algorithm, then cut and paste the `binpack()` function and save it in a file entitled binpacking.py
- Submit your assignment by placing the file binpacking.py in the folder in the location below. Replace [username] with your username.
 - \\jonesfiles.campus.wm.edu\acstore-classes\BUAD5012\student\[username]
- Details on the `binpack()` function
 - Input arguments:
 - `items`: a dictionary where
 - the key is the item id value (integer)
 - the value is the volume of the item, for example: {0: 2, 1: 5...}
 - the code provided in BinpackingDev.py already extracts this information from the MySQL database providing you revise the connection properties appropriately.
 - `bin_cap`: This value represents the volume capacity of each (identical) bin. Its value is already set in the binpacking.py program. You need not make any changes in this regard.
 - Output parameters: your function must output two values, in this order:
 - Name or username (string)
 - A list of lists, where each sub-list indicates the dictionary keys for the items assigned to each bin. For example, this list of lists,

$$[[2,6,8,15],[1,11,7,9],...]$$

indicates that the 0th bin contains items with these ids, [2,6,8,15], and the 1st bin contains items with these ids: [1,11,7,9]
 - Take care to (1) not overload the bins, (2) include all items in one bin, and (3) not assign items to more than one bin.