## Exercise 1 (1/4)

- You are tasked with implementing a simple memory allocator simulation in C.
- Write a program **allocator.c** which creates an unsigned **integer** array for storing 10<sup>7</sup> integers (maximum memory size) to serve as memory cells. On startup, all cells are initialized to zeros (0) (i.e. all memory cells are free).
- Implement the following functions:
  - void allocate\_<algo>(adrs, size):
    - This function should find a <u>contiguous</u> free cells from the array for storing at least n integers where n =size, then it should set these cells to the value adrs.
    - adrs will act as an identifier for reserved cells. It should be a non-zero unsigned integer and does not represent an index in the array since the indices of allocated cells should be determined by the allocator at run-time and based on the selected algorithm and status of the memory.
    - size can take values between 1 and  $10^7$ .

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- void clear(adrs):
  - This function searches for memory cells that hold the given address (adrs) and frees it.
  - adrs should be a non-zero unsigned integer.
- Note: for simplicity, we consider here that adrs are only identifiers for the allocated memory cells which can be used by clear queries.
- You are required to implement each of the following: First Fit, Best Fit, Worst Fit, to use as the algorithm for the allocate function. At the end, you should have 3 <u>allocate</u> functions, one function for each algorithm.
- Your program should accept input from a file named queries.txt. The file will contain a list of queries, with each query on a new line. The end of the file will be indicated by the line "end".

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- The queries in the file can be one of two types:
  - allocate adrs size: Allocate memory of the specified size for the given adrs.
  - clear adrs: Clear the memory space associated with the given adrs.
- Note: we assume that the file queries.txt always contains valid input (e.g. there is no clear query for an address not allocated). You just need to check if the file exists.
- For each of the three allocation algorithms, you should reset the memory array (free all memory cells), execute all the queries from queries.txt file, and then print the throughput (performance metric). Throughput in this context simply refers to the number of queries executed divided by the total allocation time.

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• Example for queries.txt:

```
allocate 1001 512
allocate 2002 256
clear 1001
end
```

- You can find a bigger sample for queries.txt from here.
- You should submit **allocator.c**. You also need to compare the performance of the algorithms (assuming that they are receiving the same input queries) and add the performance results and your findings to **ex1.txt**. Submit **ex1.txt** too.
- The total allocation time starts from the very first query and ends after executing the last query. You can use the function **clock()** from **time.h**.

#### Exercise 2 (1/2)

- In this exercise, you should use mmap system call to a big text file text.txt in chunks.
- This exercise requires generating a relatively large file of size 500MiB.
- The content of the text file **text.txt** should be generated from "/dev/random". The file "/dev/random" is a special character file that generates pseudorandom numbers.
- Write the program **ex2.c** to perform the following tasks using memory mapping.
  - Create the empty file **text.txt**. Open the file "/dev/random", and read a character c at a time.
  - If the generated character c is a printable character (use **isprint** function from **ctype.h** to check it), then we should add it to the file **text.txt**. Otherwise, we ignore the character and generate a new character.

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- You need to add a new line to **text.txt** after adding 1024 characters (max line length). You should continue adding characters till you get a file of size 500 MiB= 500\*1024KiB.
- After finishing the process above, you would get a relatively large file in your file system.
- Open the whole file **text.txt** in chunks where the chunk size is 1024th multiple of the page size in your system. You can get the page size in C as follows: (if page size is 4KiB then chunk size is 4MiB)

```
#include <unistd.h>
long sz = sysconf(_SC_PAGESIZE);
```

- Count the capital letters in the mapped chuncks. Print the total number of the capital letters in the file to stdout.
- Replace the capital letters with lowercase letters in the file.
- unmap the mapped memory.
- Submit ex2.c