COSE213 Data Structures (Fall 2021)

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**Assignment 3: Spell checker (100 pts) - v1.3**

In this assignment, you will implement hash map data structure to check the spelling of a given word (i.e., spell checker). Spell checker is a program that searches the input word in the dictionary and if the word is not a dictionary word then suggests similar dictionary words. For example, if your input word is stori, then it is not a dictionary word. So, your program should suggest dictionary words similar to stori, such as store, stork, storm, and story. In order to quickly check whether the input word is in the dictionary, you should use a hash map.

**1. Hash Map data structure (40 pts)**

Hash Map is a template class defined as below:

template <class KeyType, class ValType>

class MapElem

{

public:

typedef KeyType ktype;

typedef ValType vtype;

KeyType key;

ValType val;

MapElem\* link;

};

template <class HashMapElemType>

class HashMap

{

public:

HashMap();

~HashMap();

private:

...

};

Hash Map class should provide the functions below:

HashMap(unsigned int c)  
Constructor with initial hash table size of c.

int size()  
Return the size of the key-value pair

bool isEmpty()  
Return true if no key-value pair is in the map

HashMapElem\* find(const key k)  
If k is in the map, return the pair (k,v) as MapElem. If find is not successful, return NULL.

void insert(const key k, const value v)  
Insert a pair (k, v) in the map. If k is already in the map, change its value with v.

bool remove(const key k)  
If k is in the map, remove its pair (k,v) and return true. If k is not in the map, return false.

void print()

Print out all key:value pairs in the hash map.

unsigned int hashfunction(const KeyType k)

Returns an integer hash value converted from a key k.

You need to build a hash map with a given word as a key. You are required to implement the static hashing with the *division hash function* coupled with *chaining* for overflow handling. For a given non-numerical key (i.e., string), you need to convert it to an integer number (hash code) using the algorithm discussed in the class.

For this assignment, you may assume that KeyType is string, and ValType is either int or float.

**2. Spell checker (60 pts)**

The main idea of the spell checker is searching the input word in the dictionary quickly using a hash map. If the word is not listed in the dictionary (i.e., search in the hash map is unsuccessful), then you need to find some other words in the dictionary similar to the input word to suggest for correction. There might be several different suggestion algorithms, but we will use a very simple algorithm as follows:

* The length of suggested word is same as that of input word
* Only one letter (character) should be different

For example, if the input word is kat, then your suggestion can be hat, cat, kit, etc. In order to find the suggestions, you can replace each letter with a~z and search in the dictionary if it exists. For example, you can search aat, bat, cat, dat, eat, ..., zat, kbt, kct, ..., kzt, kaa, kab, ..., kaz.

In order to do this, first you need to load the dictionary file (dictionary.txt) and add each word to the hash map (parser code is included in main.cpp). Note that, for simplicity, we replace all the upper case letters to lower case letters.

In main.cpp, you need to implement the following function:

void spellcheck(std::string s)

If you execute spellcheck(word), then it will search the input word in the dictionary and print out the messages for 3 different cases.

(1) If the input word is found

> hello

> hello is in the dictionary

(2) If the input word is not found and there are some suggestions

> hrll

> hrll is NOT in the dictionary

> hrll : hall, hell, hill, hull

(3) If the input word is not found and there is no suggestion

> aaaaa

> aaaaa is NOT in the dictionary

> aaaaa : no suggestion

Make sure you follow all the punctuation, formatting, and space shown above (for example, there is no comma at the end, and there is a space after comma. Each line starts with “> ”).

Note that hashmap is used for fast searching of the given string word, and value is not important. Just assign 1 to value for each key-value pair.

**3. Compile and submit**

You must submit the following two files online via blackboard:

* hashmap.txx
* main.cpp

Note that you are not allowed to modify other files, such as hashmap.h.

You can compile the code as follows:

> make

To delete previously compiled code, do as follows:

> make clean

The output executable name is assign\_3. You can run your code by simply type in this name in the terminal.

> assign\_3

Good luck, and ask TAs and professor if you have any question.