Assignment 1

Elm project

Deadline: Sunday, November 26, 23:45

1.1 Submission instructions

- 1. Unzip the Elm-Project.zip folder. You should find (among others):
 - src folder your workspace
 - tests folder self evaluation tests
 - scripts folder utility scripts
 - .gitignore if you want to use version control
 - elm. json elm project configuration
 - package.json npm project configuration
- 2. Edit the source files in the src folder with your solutions.
- 3. Run npm install to install the dependencies needed for the automated tests.
- 4. When done, run npm run zip which will create a zip archive with the src folder.

1.2 Project resources

Table 1.1: Project Resources

| Resource | Link |
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| Elm core library | https://package.elm-lang.org/packages/elm/core/1.0.5/ |
| Elm html package | https://package.elm-lang.org/packages/elm/html/latest |
| Elm test package | https://package.elm-lang.org/packages/elm-explorations/test/latest/ |
| Elm http package | https://package.elm-lang.org/packages/elm/http/latest |
| Elm json package | https://package.elm-lang.org/packages/elm/json/latest |

Table 1.2: Extra Resources - Talks about how to design Elm apps

| Resource | Link |
|---|------------------------------|
| The life of a file - Evan Czaplicki | https://youtu.be/XpDsk374LDE |
| Making Impossible States Impossible - Richard Feldman | https://youtu.be/IcgmSRJHu_8 |
| Immutable Relational Data - Richard Feldman | https://youtu.be/280demxhfbU |
| Make Data Structures - Richard Feldman | https://youtu.be/x1FU3e0sT1I |

1.3 Project description, goals and non-goals

In this project you will develop basic app to showcase your portfolio: education, work, projects and awards/achievements. The page will start with contact details. Then, the events will be show in a timeline that includes all events sorted in chronological order. The user (visitors of your site) will be able to select which event categories to show in the timeline. Finally a list of your top projects sorted by stars on github.

If you are pleased with the result of your project, you will be able to easily publish it using github pages.

The main goal of the project is to get hands-on experience for building a close to real-world app, that displays useful data, can retrieve data from a server and has a decent test suite to ensure that it works properly.

There are also non-goals for this project, the main one being styling - don't spend time on styling before the logic of the app is complete. Other non-goals include handling and validating more complex inputs from the user - while this use case certainly appears in the real world, it is often quite tedious and time consuming to implement and thus it is better to spend more time on simpler features that can still make a useful app.

1.4 Grading

This project is worth 30% of your final lab grade.

You can obtain in total 30 points:

- 60% (18 points) come from public tests (i.e. that you can run to check your implementation)
- 20% (6 points) come from hidden tests (i.e that are not available to you, but will be run when grading your project)
- 20% (6 points) come from coding style

The tests will cover all functional requirements, but you can implement as much as little as you consider adequate. The grade for functional requirements will be calculated from the number of tests that pass (failing tests most likely mean that a requirement is missing or is not implemented correctly).

1.5 Getting started with the development

Starting code

Most of the logic in the Main.elm and Model.elm files is already implemented: Main contains the basic skeleton for the app and Model contains the data definitions for the model and some sample data. The other files under the Model folder also contain some functions that are already implemented.

It is highly recommended that you spend some time to understand the existing code before starting to write your solutions.

Development process

First, you should run npm test to confirm that the tests fail because of Debug.todo. It might help to replace Debug.todo with a concrete value that makes the function compile, just to see that all the tests fail. Such values are placed as a comment just below the first line of the function.

Then you should start elm reactor, open the src/Main.elm file (both in reactor and in your editor) and start by commenting most of the Main.view function to focus on getting the other views to compile. After the view you're working on compiles you can run tests to see if they pass. Then you can slowly uncomment functions in Main.view to repeat this procedure.

1.6 Project tasks (functional requirements)

Exercise 1.6.1

Complete the (Model.PersonalDetails.view) function such that it shows every field.

Grading:

0.5p The name should be in a h1 tag and id name

0.5p The intro should be in a em tag and id intro

1p Each contact detail should have class contact-detail

1p Each social media link should have class social-link and use the a tag with a href attribute for the links

Complete the Model.Event.view function such that it shows every field.

Grading:

0.5p Events should have class event

0.5p The title should have class event-title

0.5p The description should have class event-description

0.5p The category should have class event-category

0.5p The url should have class event-url

0.5p If the important field is True, the event should have class event-important

Exercise 1.6.3

Complete the functions in (Model.Interval), (Model.Date) and (Model.Event) modules according to the comments, examples and tests.

Grading:

- (Model.Date):
 - 0.5p Date.monthsBetweenMonths
 - 0.5p Date.compare (hint: use the Model.Util.chainCompare function)
 - 1p Date.monthsBetween
 - 1p Date.view:
 - * The final view should contain the year and month (as given by monthToString), if present, in the format of your choice
- (Model.Interval):
 - 1p Interval.compare (hint: use the Model.Util.chainCompare) function)
 - 1.5p Interval.view:
 - * Intervals should have class interval
 - * The start date should have class interval-start
 - * The end date should have class *interval-end*. If the end date is missing, the text "Present" should be used.
 - * The start and end fields must be in separate text nodes!
 - * If it can be calculated (i.e. [Interval.length] function returns [Just]), display the length of the interval in years and months using the [length] function. This field should have class interval-length.
- Model.Event:
 - 0.5p sortByIntervals

Exercise 1.6.4

Complete the Model.Repo module according to the comments, examples and tests:

Grading:

- 0.5p Implement the decodeRepo function.
- 0.5p Implement the sortByStars function.
 - 1p Make the necessary modifications in the Main module to fetch the repositories when the app is started:
 - Complete the Main.init function to fetch the repositories when the app is started.
 - Complete the Main.update function to add the fetched repositories to the model.
 - 1p Implement the view function:
 - Repos should have class repo
 - The name should have class repo-name
 - The description should have class repo-description
 - The url should have class *repo-url*, and should contain an **(a)** tag with a **href** attribute that links to the repo
 - The stars should have class repo-stars

Complete the Model.Event.Category module according to the comments, examples and tests:

Grading:

1p Choose a suitable representation for the state that represents which categories are selected, then complete (SelectedEventCategories) with the definition.

0.5p Implement the allSelected and isEventCategorySelected functions.

0.5p Implement the (view) function that shows 4 checkboxes using the given checkbox function.

0.5p Make the necessary modifications in the Main module:

- Complete the Main.update function to handle when an event category is selected or deselected

Hint: You might get some inspiration from the extra resources.

1.7 Coding style (non-functional requirements)

Exercise 1.7.1

Properly use Elm language features and library functions. Examples include:

1p Pipelines
1p Lambda functions
0.5p Function composition
0.5p Functions for error handling (Maybe.map), Maybe.withDefault), etc.)

Exercise 1.7.2

Use a proper coding style:
1.5p Descriptive names for data definitions and functions
1.5p Readable code structure (proper use of indentation)

1.8 Testing your implementation

The project contains both traditional test that can be run with elm-test and examples that can be run with elm-verify-examples. You have to (npm install) (once) to run tests.

To run all test and see your grade, use:

powershell session
PS > npm run grade

To run all tests manually, you can use:

powershell session
PS > npx elm-verify-examples; npx elm-test