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Maximum number of files: 9

Type of work: Individual work

Problem 1 - CSV Tool: Filter Rows

Description:

Your task is to write a Python function named `filter_rows` in the file `csvtool_p1.py`. This function will be the core logic for a tool that filters rows from a CSV file based on one or more conditions. The task of parsing condition strings has been handled for you; your function will receive neatly formatted tuples.

Function Specification: `filter_rows`

You must implement the function with this **exact** signature, using the types provided from the `typing` module (*already imported in your starter file*) in the starter code.

```
from typing import List, Dict, Any, Tuple

def filter_rows(file: str, conditions: List[Tuple[str, str, str]]) -> List[Dict[str, Any]]:
```

Parameters:

- file:** The path to the CSV file (a string).
- conditions:** A list of tuples. Each tuple represents a filter condition in the format `(column_name, operator, value)`. For example: `[('Age', '>=', '32'), ('Department', '==', 'HR')]`.

Returns:

- A list of dictionaries. Each dictionary represents a row that matches **all** specified conditions. The keys of the dictionary are the column headers from the CSV file. **Your function must return this list and should not use `print()`.**

Core Logic and File Handling:

- If the provided CSV file is empty (contains no header and no data), your function should immediately return an empty list `[]`, regardless of any conditions provided.**
- For non-empty files, the first line is always the header.
- Supported operators are: `==`, `!=`, `>`, `<`, `>=`, `<=`.
- For operators `>`, `<`, `>=`, `<=`, you must attempt to convert both the value from the CSV and the value in the condition tuple to numbers (floats) for comparison.
- For operators `==` and `!=`, you must perform a direct string comparison.

Required Exceptions:

Your function must **raise** the following exceptions with precisely formatted messages. Note that these should only be raised for **non-empty** files.

- File Not Found:** Raise a `FileNotFoundError`. Message: `"File <filename> not found"`.
- Invalid Column:** Raise a `KeyError` if a column from a condition tuple does not exist in the CSV header. Message: `"Column <column_name> not found"`.
- Type Mismatch for Comparison:** Raise a `TypeError` if a numeric comparison (e.g., `>`) is attempted on a value that cannot be converted to a number. Message: `"Cannot perform numeric comparison on non-numeric value <value> in column <column_name>"`. **Note that `<value>` here is value of the data row and not the value in the condition**

Examples

Assume `student_data_p1.csv` contains:

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```
Name,Department,Salary,Age
Alice,Engineering,80000,32
Bob,Marketing,65000,28
Charlie,Engineering,95000,45
Diana,HR,55000,32
```

Example 1: Filter by Department

Test Command: `python3 csvtool_p1.py -filter student_data_p1.csv 'Department==Engineering'`

Your Function's Behavior: Must return a list containing two dictionaries for Alice and Charlie.

Final Output on Screen (printed by the provided tool):

```
[{'Name': 'Alice', 'Department': 'Engineering', 'Salary': '80000', 'Age': '32'}, {'Name': 'Charlie', 'Department': 'Engineering', 'Salary': '95000', 'Age': '45'}]
```

Example 2: Filter by Age and Salary

Test Command: `python3 csvtool_p1.py -filter student_data_p1.csv 'Age>=32' 'Salary<90000'`

Your Function's Behavior: Must return a list containing dictionaries for Alice and Diana.

Final Output on Screen (printed by the provided tool):

```
[{'Name': 'Alice', 'Department': 'Engineering', 'Salary': '80000', 'Age': '32'}, {'Name': 'Diana', 'Department': 'HR', 'Salary': '55000', 'Age': '32'}]
```

Example 3: Invalid Column Error

Test Command: `python3 csvtool_p1.py -filter student_data_p1.csv 'Location==London'`

Your Function's Behavior: Must raise `KeyError("Column Location not found")`.

Final Output on Screen (printed to stderr by the tool):

```
KeyError: Column Location not found
```

How to Test Your Code Locally

The "Run" button executes the tests defined in `p1_input.txt`. You can create your own tests by modifying these files.

A step-by-step example of creating a custom test:

1. **Objective:** Test a simple filter on a small, custom CSV file.
2. **Step 1: Modify `student_data_p1.csv`.** Change its content to:

```
Name,Status
Alice,Active
Bob,Inactive
```

3. **Step 2: Modify `p1_input.txt`.** Change its content to a single test command that filters for active users:

```
1
python3 csvtool_p1.py -filter student_data_p1.csv 'Status==Active'
```

4. **Step 3: Click "Run".** The runner script (`p1.py`) will execute your command. The expected final output on the screen should be:

```
Executing: python3 csvtool_p1.py -filter student_data_p1.csv 'Status==Active'

--- Tool Output ---
[{'Name': 'Alice', 'Status': 'Active'}]
-----
```

Notes:

- You will write your code in `csvtool_p1.py`. Do not modify any other files.
- You **CANNOT** use Python's built-in `csv` module.
- You can assume that all input CSV files are well-formed. This means every row in a given file will have the same number of columns as its header.

Problem 2 - CSV Tool: Group and Aggregate

Description:

In the file `csvtool_p2.py`, your task is to write a Python function named `group_by`. This function will group rows from a CSV by a specific column and then perform an aggregation (like sum or average) on another column for each group. The result will be saved to a new CSV file.

Function Specification: `group_by`

You must implement the function with this **exact** signature.

```
def group_by(file: str, keycol: str, aggcol: str, op: str, out: str) -> None:
```

Parameters:

- **file:** The path to the source CSV file.
- **keycol:** The name of the column to group the rows by.
- **aggcol:** The name of the column whose values will be aggregated.
- **op:** The aggregation operation to perform. Must be one of: "sum", "avg", "min", "max".
- **out:** The path for the destination (output) CSV file.

Returns / Output:

- Your function should **not print anything** and should **not return any value**. Its job is to create the output file or raise an exception.
- The output CSV file must have exactly two columns, with the header being `<keycol>,<aggcol>`.
- The aggregated value in the output file must always be a **float**. For example, the sum of integers 100 and 120 should be written as `220.0`.
- For the **avg** operation, the result in the output file must be formatted to exactly **two decimal places**.
- **Special Case:** If the input file contains no data rows (i.e., it is empty or only contains a header), your function should not raise an error. It should create an output file containing only the header row `<keycol>,<aggcol>` (e.g., `Region,Revenue`). If the file contains only a header, **the column names should still be validated**.

Required Exceptions:

- **File Not Found:** Raise a `FileNotFoundError`. Message: "File `<filename>` not found".
- **Invalid Column:** Raise a `KeyError` if `keycol` or `aggcol` do not exist in the CSV header. Message: "Column `<column_name>` not found".
- **Invalid Operation:** Raise a `ValueError` if `op` is not one of the allowed operations. Message: "Invalid operation: `<op>`".
- **Type Mismatch for Aggregation:** Raise a `TypeError` if a numeric operation is attempted on a column with non-numeric data. Message: "Cannot perform `<op>` on non-numeric value `<value>` in column `<aggcol>`".
- **Permission Denied:** Raise a `PermissionError` if writing to the output file is not permitted. Message: "Permission denied: cannot write to `<out_filename>`".

Examples

For the following examples, assume `sales_data_p2.csv` contains:

```
Region,Product,Revenue,UnitsSold
North,Widget,5000,100
South,Gadget,7500,150
North,Gadget,8000,120
West,Widget,4000,80
South,Widget,6000,140
```

Example 1: Sum Revenue by Region

Test Command: `python3 csvtool_p2.py -groupby sales_data_p2.csv Region Revenue sum region_revenue.csv`

Your Function's Behavior: Must create the `region_revenue.csv` file. The order of rows in the output file does not matter.

Content of `region_revenue.csv`:

```
Region,Revenue
North,13000.0
South,13500.0
West,4000.0
```

Example 2: Average UnitsSold by Product

Test Command: `python3 csvtool_p2.py -groupby sales_data_p2.csv Product UnitsSold avg product_avg_units.csv`

Your Function's Behavior: Must create the `product_avg_units.csv` file. Note how the average for "Widget" ((100+80+140)/3 = 106.666...) is correctly rounded and formatted to two decimal places.

Content of `product_avg_units.csv`:

```
Product,UnitsSold
Gadget,135.00
Widget,106.67
```

Example 3: Invalid Column Error

Test Command: `python3 csvtool_p2.py -groupby sales_data_p2.csv Country Revenue sum country_totals.csv`

Your Function's Behavior: Must raise `KeyError("Column Country not found")`.

Final Output on Screen (printed to stderr by the tool):

```
KeyError: Column Country not found
```

Example 4: Handling a File with No Data Rows

Scenario: A file named `header_only.csv` exists and contains only the line `Region,Revenue`.

Test Command: `python3 csvtool_p2.py -groupby header_only.csv Region Revenue sum totals.csv`

Your Function's Behavior: The operation is valid, but there is no data to aggregate. The function must create an output file with only the header.
*Content of **totals.csv**:*

Region, Revenue

How to Test Your Code Locally

When you click the "Run" button, the **p2.py** script executes the tests from **p2_input.txt**. After your function runs, the script will show you a **preview** of the file that was created. This is how you verify your aggregation worked correctly.

A step-by-step example of creating a custom test:

1. **Objective:** Test if your function can correctly sum sales for different departments.
2. **Step 1: Modify **student_data_p2.csv**.** Change its content to:

```
Dept,Sales
HR,100
Eng,200
HR,150
```

3. **Step 2: Modify **p2_input.txt**.** Set up a single command to group these sales into a new file called **dept_sales.csv**:

```
1
python3 csvtool_p2.py -groupby student_data_p2.csv Dept Sales sum dept_sales.csv
```

4. **Step 3: Click "Run".** Since a successful aggregation produces no direct output, the runner script helps by showing a preview of the resulting file. The complete output you see on screen should be:

```
Executing: python3 csvtool_p2.py -groupby student_data_p2.csv Dept Sales sum dept_sales.csv

--- Output from your program ---
[No output is produced]
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===== PREVIEW of created file: 'dept_sales.csv' =====
Dept,Sales
Eng,200.0
HR,250.0
===== END OF PREVIEW =====
```

Notes:

- You will write your code in **csvtool_p2.py**. Do not modify any other files.
- You **CANNOT** use Python's built-in **csv** module.
- **You can assume that all input CSV files are well-formed. This means every row in a given file will have the same number of columns as its header.**

Requested files

csvtool_p1.py

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python3
2
3 # You may add supporting functions, but do not change the signature of filter_rows.
4 # You are NOT allowed to use the 'csv' module, 're' module, or 'collections' module.
5
6 from lab_utils import run_csvtool_p1_main
7 from typing import List, Dict, Any, Tuple
8
9 # =====
10 # ===== WRITE YOUR FUNCTION IN THE SPACE BELOW =====
11 #
12 # Refer to the Problem 1 description for the EXACT specifications.
13 #
14 # =====
15
16
17
18
19 # =====
20 # ===== DO NOT MODIFY THE CODE BELOW THIS LINE =====
21 # =====
22
23 if __name__ == '__main__':
24     # The run_csvtool_p1_main function (in lab_utils) handles parsing the command-line
25     # arguments into tuples before calling your filter_rows function.
26
27     # This will fail until you have defined the filter_rows function.
28     run_csvtool_p1_main(filter_rows func=filter_rows)
```

csvtool_p2.py

```

1  #!/usr/bin/env python3
2
3  # You may add supporting functions, but do not change the signature of group_by.
4  # You are NOT allowed to use the 'csv' module, 're' module, or 'collections' module.
5
6  from lab_utils import run_csvtool_p2_main
7  from typing import List, Dict, Any, Tuple
8
9  # =====
10 # ===== WRITE YOUR FUNCTION IN THE SPACE BELOW =====
11 #
12 # Refer to the Problem 2 description for the EXACT specifications.
13 #
14 # =====
15
16
17
18
19
20
21 # =====
22 # ===== DO NOT MODIFY THE CODE BELOW THIS LINE =====
23 # =====
24
25 if __name__ == '__main__':
26     # This will fail until you have defined the group_by function.
27     run_csvtool_p2_main(group_by_func=group_by)

```

p1_input.txt

```

1  2
2  python3 csvtool p1.py -filter student_data_p1.csv Department==Engineering
3  python3 csvtool p1.py -filter student_data_p1.csv Age>=32 Salary<90000

```

p2_input.txt

```

1  1
2  python3 csvtool p2.py -groupby student_data_p2.csv Region Revenue sum region_revenue.csv

```

student_data_p1.csv

```

1  Name,Department,Salary,Age
2  Alice,Engineering,80000,32
3  Bob,Marketing,65000,28
4  Charlie,Engineering,95000,45
5  Diana,HR,55000,32

```

student_data_p2.csv

```

1  Region,Product,Revenue,UnitsSold
2  North,Widget,5000,100
3  South,Gadget,7500,150
4  North,Gadget,8000,120
5  West,Widget,4000,80
6  South,Widget,6000,140

```

p1.py

```

1  import subprocess
2  import shlex
3
4  ##### Do Not Change This File #####
5  def csvtool_caller(command: str) -> str:
6      """Execute csvtool command."""
7      try:
8          args = shlex.split(command)
9          result = subprocess.run(
10              args, capture_output=True, text=True, timeout=2
11          )
12          if result.returncode != 0:
13              return result.stderr.strip()
14              return result.stdout.strip()
15      except subprocess.TimeoutExpired:
16          return "Error: Command timed out"
17      except Exception as e:
18          return f"Error: Failed to execute command - {str(e)}"
19
20  def solution(inp: str) -> str:
21      """Wrapper function that the evaluator calls."""
22      return csvtool_caller(inp)
23
24  def process_input(filename):
25      lines = open(filename, 'r').readlines()
26      lines = [line.strip() for line in lines if line.strip()]
27      num_tests = int(lines[0])
28      input_tests = [lines[t].strip() for t in range(1, num_tests + 1)]
29      return input_tests
30
31  if __name__ == '__main__':
32      try:
33          Input = process_input('p1_input.txt')
34          for command in Input:
35              print(f"Executing: {command}\n")
36              output = csvtool_caller(command)
37              print(f"--- Tool Output ---")
38              print(output if output else "[No output produced]")
39              print("-----\n")
40      except FileNotFoundError:
41          print("p1_input.txt not found.")

```

p2.py

```

1 import subprocess
2 import shlex
3 import os
4
5 ##### Do Not Change This File #####
6 def csvtool_caller(command: str) -> str:
7     """Execute csvtool command."""
8     try:
9         args = shlex.split(command)
10        result = subprocess.run(
11            args, capture_output=True, text=True, timeout=2
12        )
13        if result.returncode != 0:
14            return result.stderr.strip()
15        return result.stdout.strip()
16    except subprocess.TimeoutExpired:
17        return "Error: Command timed out"
18    except Exception as e:
19        return f"Error: Failed to execute command - {str(e)}"
20
21 def solution(inp: str) -> str:
22     """Wrapper function that the evaluator calls."""
23     return csvtool_caller(inp)
24
25 def process_input(filename):
26     lines = open(filename, 'r').readlines()
27     lines = [line.strip() for line in lines if line.strip()]
28     num_tests = int(lines[0])
29     input_tests = [lines[t].strip() for t in range(1, num_tests + 1)]
30     return input_tests
31
32 if __name__ == "__main__":
33     try:
34         Input = process_input('p2_input.txt')
35         for command in Input:
36             print(f"Executing: {command}")
37
38             program_output = csvtool_caller(command)
39
40             print(f"\n--- Output from your program ---\n{program_output if program_output else '[No output is produced]'}\n-----")
41
42             try:
43                 parts = shlex.split(command)
44                 if '-groupby' in parts:
45                     dest_filename = parts[-1]
46
47                     print(f"===== PREVIEW of created file: '{dest_filename}' =====")
48                     if os.path.exists(dest_filename):
49                         with open(dest_filename, 'r') as f:
50                             content = f.read()
51                             print(content.strip() if content else "[ The file was created but is empty. ]")
52                     else:
53                         print(f"[ File '{dest_filename}' was not found. ]")
54                     print("===== END OF PREVIEW =====\n")
55             except Exception as e:
56                 print(f"[ Could not generate file preview due to an error: {e} ]\n")
57
58     except FileNotFoundError:
59         print("p2_input.txt not found. Cannot run local tests.")
60     except Exception as e:
61         print(f"An unexpected error occurred in the runner script: {e}")

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