Homework 3 Report: Pointers and Dynamic Allocation of Memory

Data Organization

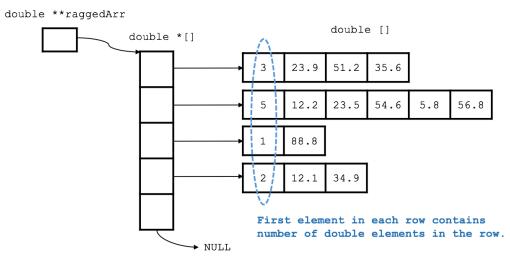


figure refers to example ragged.txt file for sake of demonstration

double **raggedArr is a pointer to an array of double pointers. Each double pointer in the double pointer array points to a double array filled with values, except the last pointer which is set to NULL in order to be used as a stop condition in other functions. Each double array is formatted as follows: first element in the array denoting the number of double values, each consequent element being a double value that needs to be sorted.

Structure & Functions

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void insertionSortRow(double *row);
      // Sorts the row in descending order
void insertionSortArray(double **arr);
      // Sorts the ragged array from longest length to shortest length
void writeRaggedArray(double **arr);
      // Prints ragged array to screen with proper formatting
void freeArray(double **arr);
      // Frees all dynamically allocated arrays
// Pseudocode
// Read in first line and store number into int variable num rows
// Set raggedArr to point to dynamically allocated double pointer array with
num rows+1 elements.
// Read in first element of line and store into int variable num elems
// Dynamically allocate double array with num elems+1 elements, store that variable as
the first element and store the next num elements
// Call function insertionSortRow on the row
// After num rows rows have been read in call insertionSortArray on the raggedArr
// Write the output by calling the function writeRaggedArray
// Free dynamically allocated memory by calling the function freeArray
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