

## Instructions

- Write and submit source files with the exact names specified in each exercise.
- Do not submit any file, folder, or archive, other than what is required.
- Your code must work with Python 3.
- You may only use the following, limited subset of the Python language and libraries.  
You may only use the following built-in types:
  - numeric types, such as `int`
  - sequence types, such as arrays, tuples, and strings

With arrays or other sequence types, you may only use the following operations:

- direct access to an element by index, as in `print(A[7])` or `A[i+1] = A[i]`
- append an element, as in `A.append(10)`
- delete the last element, as in `del A[-1]` or `del A[len(A)-1]`
- read the length, as in `n = len(A)`
- shrink to a given length, as in `del A[length:]`
- sort in-place as in `A.sort()`

You may use for iterations as follows:

- iteration over the elements in a sequence, as in `for a in A:`
- range iteration, as in `for i in range(10):`

You may define classes but only with a single, constructor method `__init__(self, ...)`

You may not use any function or object or method or module except for the types and methods and functions from the standard library or built-in types listed above, namely `append()`, `len()`, `print()`, `range()`, `sort()`, `__init__()`.

- If an exercise requires you to analyze the complexity of an algorithm, write your analysis as a code comment either at the beginning of the source file or anyway near the corresponding Python function.
  - Document any known issue using comments in the code.
  - Submit each file through the iCorsi system.
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► **Exercise 1.** Consider a binary search tree implemented in Python with the following node class:

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```
class Node:
    def __init__(self,k):
        self.left = None
        self.right = None
        self.key = k
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In a source file `ex1.py` write a Python function `bst_range_weight(T,a,b)` that takes a well-balanced binary search tree  $T$  (where  $T$  is the root node of the tree) and two keys  $a$  and  $b$ , with  $a \leq b$ , and returns the number of keys in  $T$  that are between  $a$  and  $b$ . Assuming there are  $m$  such keys, then the algorithm should have a complexity of  $O(m) + o(n)$  for a tree of size  $n$ . Analyze the complexity of `bst_range_weight(T,a,b)`. (10')

► **Exercise 2.** Let  $(a, b)$  represent an interval (or range) of values  $x$  such that  $a \leq x \leq b$ . Consider an array  $X = [(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2), \dots, (a_n, b_n)]$  of  $n$  pairs of numbers representing  $n$  intervals  $(a_i, b_i)$ .

**Question 1:** In a source file `ex2.py`, write a Python function `intervals_union(X)` that takes an array  $X$  representing  $n$  intervals, and returns a minimal set of intervals representing the union of all the intervals in  $X$ . Notice that the union of two disjoint intervals can not be simplified, but the union of two overlapping intervals can be simplified into a single interval. For example, a correct solution for the simplification of  $X = [(3, 7), (1, 5), (10, 12), (6, 8)]$  is  $X = [(10, 12), (1, 8)]$ . Analyze the complexity of your implementation of `intervals_union(X)`. (30')

**Hint:** recall that in Python a pair  $(1,3)$  is simply a sequence (or “tuple”) of two elements. So, given an array  $X=[(3,70),(1,5),(10,12),(6,8)]$ , you can access the  $i$ -th interval as  $X[i]$  as a tuple, and then the beginning and end of that interval with  $X[i][0]$  and  $X[i][1]$ , respectively.

**Question 2:** In the same source file `ex2.py` write a Python function `fast_intervals_union(X)` that simplifies the given array just like `intervals_union(X)` but with a  $O(n \log n)$  complexity. If your implementation of `intervals_union(X)` already has an  $O(n \log n)$  complexity, then you may use it directly to implement `fast_intervals_union(X)`. (20')

► **Exercise 3.** Consider the following algorithm `ALGO-X(A)` that takes an array  $A$  of numbers: (20')

```
ALGO-X(A)
1  for i = 3 to A.length
2      for j = 2 to i - 1
3          for k = 1 to j - 1
4              if |A[i] - A[j]| == |A[j] - A[k]|
                  or |A[i] - A[k]| == |A[k] - A[j]|
                  or |A[k] - A[i]| == |A[i] - A[j]|
5                  return TRUE
6  return FALSE
```

Analyze the complexity of `ALGO-X` and write an algorithm called `BETTER-ALGO-X(A)` that is functionally equivalent to `ALGO-X(A)` (for all  $A$ ) but with a strictly better asymptotic complexity than `ALGO-X(A)`. Write `BETTER-ALGO-X` as a Python function `better_algo_x(A,k)` in a source file called `ex3.py`. Analyze the complexity of `better_algo_x(A,k)`.

- **Exercise 4.** Write an in-place partition algorithm called `MODULO-PARTITION(A)` that takes (30') an array  $A$  of  $n$  numbers and changes  $A$  in such a way that (1) the final content of  $A$  is a permutation of the initial content of  $A$ , and (2) all the values that are equivalent to  $0 \pmod{10}$  precede all the values equivalent to  $1 \pmod{10}$ , which precede all the values equivalent to  $2 \pmod{10}$ , etc. For example, with an input array  $A = [7, 62, 57, 12, 39, 5, 8, 16, 48]$ , a correct run might change  $A$  (in-place) to  $A = [12, 62, 5, 16, 7, 57, 8, 48, 39]$ .

Write `MODULO-PARTITION` as a Python function `modulo_partition(A)` in a source file called `ex4.py`. Analyze the complexity of `modulo_partition(A)`.

- **Exercise 5.** In a source file `ex5.py` write a function `is_pithagorean_triple(a,b,c)` that, given (10') three integers representing the sides of a triangle, returns `True` if  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  identify a right triangle. Analyze the complexity of `is_pithagorean_triple(a,b,c)`.