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Submission Guidelines Handout 2

1 Introduction

Item-0. NJIT-ID (last 4 digits) and myUCID. Retrieve the last four digits of your NJIT-ID (NOT YOUR SSN): Handout 0, Section 2 talked about this. If you don't know your NJIT-ID, login to my.njit.edu to retrieve it. For the sake of an example, a homework will be denoted by hw, and the last four digits WXYZ. In the remainder, we will be using the underscore symbol rather than the dash (minus) symbol, where needed. **The symbol** _ **is the underscore symbol, not the minus/dash - symbol.** (Java detests dashes and prefers underscores in identifiers, so we use the latter for consistency.) The PrP is called prp.

2 Canvas: Rules and filenames or filetypes.

RULE-0. Accidental submit and resubmit. The last of multiple submissions will be graded. The limit however would be kept low (two or three) Do not send files by email, they will be discarded.

RULE-1. Canvas and Homeworks. You are expected to submit a homework through Canvas. No file submission. Just use a textbox to write your answer(s).

RULE-2. Canvas and PrP. You are expected to upload and submit the PrP through Canvas. Only a single .tar or .zip file. Canvas will reject submissions greater than (or equal to) 5MiB.

RULE-3: File-name of a PrP submission. The first three characters is prp, followed by a _WXYZ before the filetype suffix; what WXYZ is, it was explained in Item-0 above. The suffix is .zip or .tar as intended.

Example. If your ID ends with 1234, a prp should be named prp_1234.tar or prp_1234.zip.

For code that generates output files (eg classes in Java) read carefully all of this handout to observe naming conventions. Observe testing guidelines involving the dearchiving of the archive you plan to submit, compilation and testing on afs machines using testing instances created by you on those afs machines (manipulating text files on Windows or MAC-OSX can cause newline, linefeed etc problems) and subsequently evaluating your PrP (eg Sections 2, 3, and 4). The only permissible archive formats are zip or tar for PrP. The zip/tar archive contains ALL the source or text files of ALL options submitted. **Make sure it DOES NOT include directories/folders or subdirectories hidden or not, or .class/.jar files, or other executable/binary files**. You can check for hidden directories with an ls -al in Linux. Abide to the naming conventions of Section 3. A single text file named prp_WXYZ.txt within the archive contains either a "HANDOUT 2 and PrP ADHERED; NO BUGS TO REPORT"

in capital case as shown (no quotation marks needed), or it contains compilation and execution instructions, a bug report and other useful information. The first line of this file must be as in Section 3 below.

RULE-4: Submissions that deviate from RULE-1 through RULE-3 get 0 points.

3 File and Class names; File Identification

Write your name and last four digits of you ID in every file you submit. Every filename or (source code) class name must end with the last four digits of your ID. So use MyclassWXYZ or Myclass_WXYZ instead of Myclass stored in MyclassWXYZ.java or Myclass_WXYZ.java respectively.



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4 Testing and Grading (of the PrP)

- **4.1 Read requirements carefully.** All options require **command line processing** and **file-based I/O**. If you are not familiar with them figure this out early in the semester and preferably by the midterm. Submissions that cannot handle command line processing or file-based input/output correctly risk of getting 0 points as ordinary testing will not work.
- **4.2 Testing and Debugging.** Make sure your code dearchives (no sub/directories/folders created, hidden or not), compiles and runs on an AFS machine such as afsconnect1.njit.edu, afsconnect2.njit.edu or osl22.njit.edu. This also means you should edit text files, if needed, on AFS using AFS editing tools; avoid remote editing. Do a gcc -v or g++ -v or javac -version or java -version to confirm and report in the .txt file the version of compiler used. Versions available on afs are found with a module avail and loaded with say a module load gcc/4.9.2. If compilation is to proceed in a certain file sequence add a note in the prp_WXYZ.txt file. DO NOT DO testing 'remotely' using 'software of the remote platform' to edit files on 'AFS'. If you do not know what a newline becomes in Linux/Unix, Windows, MAC-OSX, be prepared for nasty surprises.
- **4.3 File types to submit.** C or C++ files with .c or .h or .cc or .cpp or Java files with .java are acceptable. A single text file prp_WXYZ.txt must be included per RULE-3. The more info you have in it the less chances you have to get a 0.
- **4.4 Presence of directory structure is not allowed; file types as in 4.3.** Inclusion of binary files (.jar, .class, etc) or other file types than those allowed in 4.3 above will **penalize you 80 points**. Beware of MAC OSX: it has a tendency of generating 0pt PrP submissions because it creates hidden directories. Do not skip step 4.2 above.
- **4.5 Grading** For a HW, grading is more or less straighforward. For PrP, the grader will first decide and create testing instance(s) and grade your submission based on whether it passes successfully or not those testing instances using the specified interface (eg command-line processing). If your code does not pass any of these testing instances, it will get 0 points, unless there is a detailed bug report that YOU HAVE PROVIDED in prp_WXYZ.txt. Any information you provide there, it will help the grader to test your code on some reasonable inputs consistent with the default ones used for everybody else. If no information is provided by you, the grader will NOT read your code.
- **4.6 Grade and Canvas Grading.** The PrP or HW grade will be made available in Canvas. Ignore canvas grade accumulations; canvas has no clue about the course grading scale or scheme. The only deadline is before (12-o'clock) noon of the day specified in the calendar of Handout 1 (Syllabus).]
- **4.7 How to get a 0.** If a submission is in .rar, or uses HashMaps or sorting of any type, or performs linear-time operations where a constant-time solution is possible (eg using Vector operations inefficiently) will get you 0 pts: **Do not complain then.**