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Proseminar Algorithmen und Datenstrukturen

Exercise sheet 4

Exercise 1 (Structs)

This exercise deals with records (structs) in C. Information how to use them can be found in chapter 6 from “Brian W. Kernighan, Dennis M. Ritchie: The C Programming Language.” For each function write a small test program to verify the correct behaviour. Document your code and use meaningful identifiers.

- a) Define a record that can be used to represent points. Create a function that given two points calculates the distance between those points.
- b) Use the record defined in exercise 1.a) to define the record of a rectangle. Create a function that calculates the area of a rectangle.

Hint: 2 points are sufficient to represent a rectangle whose edges are parallel to the axes of the coordinate system.

- c) Create a function to calculate the smallest surrounding rectangle of two rectangles. The smallest surrounding rectangle of two rectangles is defined as the smallest rectangle that contains both rectangles. Use the structures defined in the exercises above.

Exercise 2 (The Longest Upsequence)

Consider the algorithm for the longest upsequence. Extend the algorithm that calculates the length of the longest upsequence to calculate one longest upsequence itself. Provide the algorithm in pseudocode and explain the used datastructures.

Exercise 3 (FIFO - Circular Buffer)

In the lecture the data structure circular buffer was explained.

- a) Consider the pseudocode given in the lecture and implement the following functions in C. The ringbuffer is represented by a global array and two global indices (one representing the read and one the write index). Write tests that cover each function.
- **init** initializes a circular buffer (if it is already initialized reset it and clear all entries)
 - **empty** calculates if the circular buffer is empty
 - **full** calculates if the circular buffer is full
 - **enqueue** adds a new value to the circular buffer
 - **dequeue** removes a value from the end
- b) In the code from the lecture there are conditional statements that check the size of the buffer. Modulo operations can be used to check the array boundaries instead. Modify your functions in a way that modulo-arithmetics are used instead of the if-statements.
- c) If n is the size of the array that is used as a buffer for the FIFO queue, the capacity of the queue is only $n - 1$. Modify your program so that the whole capacity of the buffer can be used.
- Hint:** Check if you need to change the global data structure.
- d) In the previous exercise the data structure is represented with several global variables. Introduce a new record type that combines all these global states within one record.
- e) In the previous exercises there exists only one global FIFO. This prevents the program from dealing with multiple circular buffers. Modify your program to support multiple circular buffers and modify your base operations to take an arbitrary FIFO as an argument.