

Advanced Programming

Mid Term Paper

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For the programming exercises you can choose a programming language among C++, C# and Java.

The paper must:

1. be in a single PDF file, formatted readably (**font size ≥ 10 pt** with suitable margins, single column), of **no more than 10 numbered pages**, including code: for each extra page one point will be subtracted from the score.
2. include the student name
3. provide the solution and the code for each exercise separately, referring to the code of other exercises if necessary.
4. cite references to literature or Web pages from where information was taken.

Exercise 1

Given a set of integer intervals $[x_1, x_2]$, with $x_1 < x_2$, write a class that allows finding all intervals intersecting a given interval. The class must provide logarithmic time methods for insertion and removal of an interval, and a method for finding the intersecting intervals. The latter method should be implemented as a generator that computes one result at a time. It is allowed to extend available library classes.

Optional: provide an alternative version implemented using a `yield` operator.

Exercise 2

Consider orthogonal rectangles, defined by the lower left vertex $\langle x, y \rangle$, and by their width and height, all integer values.

Develop an efficient algorithm for computing the intersections of a set of rectangles, by means of two data structures: one that associates a rectangle to the values of its minimum and maximum y coordinates, ordered by

increasing values and one similar to that of Exercise 1, for detecting rectangles whose width intersects a given interval. Provide a generator that enumerates the pairs of rectangles that have non-empty intersection.

Exercise 3

Given two overlapping rectangles, split them into non-overlapping ones, such as those indicated with a red border in following figure.



Optional: write a program that reads an ordered list by depth of rectangles and produces a tiling of those rectangles by repeatedly splitting those that overlap.

Exercise 4

The yield operator is typically implemented by the compiler introducing a state machine and other transformations to the code. Explain with a simple example the kind of transformations involved.